

Local Witnesses To Attend Convention

Clyde D. Steele of Willshire, O., presiding minister for Jehovah's Witnesses in Decatur, announced today that about 40 members of the local congregation will be leaving soon as delegates to the first session of the "Around-the-World International Assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses for 1963" in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

According to Steele, the eight-day convention will open June 30 at the county stadium while the Milwaukee Braves Baseball club is on the road. Advance requests for overnight accommodations indicate that upwards of 50,000 persons from 40 states including Alaska, Washington, D. C., and 10 other countries will attend the gathering.

The Milwaukee meet will be the largest convention ever held in that city. It will also be the first of 24 sessions composing the "everlasting good news" assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses this summer. After the county stadium gathering, the convention will move on to Yankee Stadium in New York City, followed by assemblies throughout Europe and Asia. This globe-encircling assembly closes September 8 with an eight-day session at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California.

The principal speakers for the assembly will be Nathan H. Knorr, president of the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society and Fred W. Franz, vice president. Both men are world travelers and well-known Bible lecturers. Although they will appear several times on the eight-day program, the most outstanding presentation will be the public talk by Knorr at the county stadium Sunday, July 7, at 3 p.m., on the subject: "When God Is King over All the Earth."

All meetings of the local congregation, held at the Kingdom hall at Ninth and Monroe streets, will be cancelled until July 9.

Colleen Kelly Enrolls At Ball State College

MUNCIE, Ind. — Colleen Rosalind Kelly, 614 Washington, Decatur, spent two days at Ball State Teachers College this week participating in the freshman orientation program and enrolling for fall classes at the college. She is the daughter of August J. Kelly.

A 1963 graduate of Decatur high school, she was class secretary, a member of the yearbook staff, and president of the Commercial club. Miss Kelly will be enrolled on the two-year secretarial program at Ball State.

Robert Stapleton To Illinois Post

Robert J. Stapleton, a graduate of Decatur high school and Valparaiso University, has resigned as managing director of the Clinton, Ia., Development Co., to accept a position as manager of a 2,300 acre industrial tract between Albany and Cordova, Ill. Stapleton, 41, is a brother of Clarence Stapleton, who resides at Homestead No. 11.

The local man's brother took over the industrial procurement job in Clinton, Ia., in 1955, just after the company was formed. He and the organization have received national recognition for advancement in the industrial field. In his new position, Stapleton will direct the overall planning studies and development of the Cordova industrial park, which is located about nine miles from Clinton.

Adams County Man Injured Tuesday

Allen Freels, 20, of Decatur route 4, suffered rib injuries and bruises to the head and wrist in a one-car accident in Fort Wayne Tuesday afternoon. Medical aid was administered at Parkview hospital.

Police said Freels was a passenger in a car driven by Daniel Lantz, also of Decatur route 4, which struck a parked auto.

Three More School Districts Approved

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — The Indiana State School Reorganization Commission Tuesday approved three more metropolitan school districts involving portions of five counties.

Approved was a unit composed of Jackson, Washington and Monroe Twp. in Kosciusko County, combined with Richland and Cleveland Twp. of Whitley County.

Other units approved link York Twp. in Benton County with South Newton School Corp., and Center, Perry and Worth Twp. of Boone County with Lebanon.

The commission spent much of the day listening while delegates from four counties appeared separately to explain their plans and problems with school reorganization.

The delegations came from Clinton, Warren, Warrick and Delaware Counties.

Meanwhile, at Lebanon, a remonstrance was filed against the Boone County plan approved by the state commission. The petition, signed by 52 residents of Perry Twp., was filed two days after the 31-day deadline but the remonstrators claimed the petition was valid because the last day for filing was a Sunday.

Two Boone County reorganization plans were voted on Tuesday with one approved and the second rejected. Voters approved a plan to link Sugar Creek Twp., Thornton, Linton Twp. and Washington Twp. in one district. Voters rejected a proposal to line Union Twp. to the existing merger of Boone County's Marion Twp. and Hamilton County's Adams Twp.

Voters of Scioto Twp., LaPorte County, went to the polls today to vote on a proposal to consolidate with LaPorte Community School Corp.

The election was the first of three scheduled in the county within the next week. A proposal to consolidate Johnson Twp. schools with those of Polk Twp., Marshall County, and Lincoln Twp., St. Joseph County, will be voted on Saturday. An election will be held Monday on a proposed merger of Pleasant, Lincoln and Washington Twp. schools.

COURT NEWS

Venue Case
In the case of the Val Decker Packing Co. vs. Yost Construction Co., the parties agreed to venue the case to Allen superior court No. 3 in Allen county, and the venue was then ordered by the court.

Divorce Case
The plaintiff's application for allowance for a minor child was submitted in the case of Ada Jane McIntosh vs. Vance Duane McIntosh. The court found for the plaintiff and ordered the defendant to pay \$10 per week support for the minor child.

Case Venued Here
The clerk of the Allen circuit court filed a full and complete transcript of entries made and all papers filed, in the case of O. Raymond Ault, doing business as the Merry Mobile of Fort Wayne, vs. Ideal Welding Co. was docketed as a cause pending in the Adams circuit court.

Contest Will
In the case of James D. Tumbleton, Charles T. Tumbleton and Gertrude Swoelander, vs. T. F. Gralik, executor of the estate of Sylvester Tumbleton, Ethel M. Hawk, Shirley Wager, Glendia Watts Kneif and James L. Hawk, the plaintiff's bond in action to contest the will was filed in the penal sum of \$100. The case concerns a complaint contesting a will after probate.

Marriage Applications
Ted Ernest Fuller, Bluffton, and Paula Jean Strickler, route 3, Decatur.

Parked Car Damaged By Unknown Vehicle

A car owned by Willis Franklin Cook, 44, 1333 Master Drive, was damaged by an unidentified vehicle Monday afternoon while parked in the Central Soya warehouse parking lot.

The auto was apparently hit by a large truck in the process of making a turn near where the Cook auto was parked. The mishap happened between 1:30 and 3 p.m. Monday, and damage to the car was estimated at \$75.

WATCH FOR JOHN BRECHT JEWELRY ADS FOR SIDEWALK SALE

News from Capitol Hill

HOSPITAL INSURANCE FOR OLDER AMERICANS

Washington — Why is President Kennedy so interested in the hospital bills of older people?

The answer is tightly tied to their low incomes and the likelihood that they'll need hospitalization which many of them can't afford. Here's how the President explained his interest last February in a special message to Congress:

"A proud and resourceful Nation can no longer ask its older people to live in constant fear of a serious illness for which adequate funds are not available. We owe them the right to dignity in sickness as well as in health. We can achieve this by adding health insurance—primarily hospitalization insurance—to our successful social security system. We urgently need this legislation—and we need it now."

The facts surrounding the health and financial condition of most of today's nearly 13 million people 65 or older leave no room to doubt their need for help with their medical problems.

First, the average couple 65 or older has an income of less than \$50 a week; the average older person living alone has only about \$20 a week and the average older person living with relatives has a weekly income of less than \$9. And, a very high percentage of the aged have practically no assets

to draw on for medical costs. Second, older people—because of their age—are more likely to need hospital care than younger people and are going to need to be hospitalized longer. The facts are these:

—One out of every 6 people 65 or older will be hospitalized during the year and the average stay will be about two weeks, twice as long as the average younger person.



President Kennedy

—The hospital bill, not including doctor's and other expenses, will average about \$25. The total bill will be about \$900. This represents more than one-third of the total yearly income of today's average older couple and only slightly less than the total income of the average older person living alone.

These facts show clearly that most older people just cannot afford to be ill for very long. If they are, they must turn to

charity, public welfare or their children.

For the President, this is a situation which should not exist. Thus, he has proposed what he calls the only "reasonable and practical solution to a critical problem": A program of hospital insurance under social security.

The benefits of the program would be available to all social security and railroad retirement beneficiaries over 65. In addition, the protection would be extended to all others who are over 65 and have not had the chance to be covered by social security.

In the long run, nearly everyone will receive the health insurance by coverage under the social security program during working years. For the average worker the cost would be 25 cents a week or \$13 a year.

The Hospital Insurance Act will be delivered out of key Congressional Committees and voted into law when a majority of legislators, convinced of its soundness, sense a powerful demand from their constituents for its enactment. Your Congressman wants to know how you stand on the bill to provide hospital insurance for older Americans through Social Security. Write to him. Also, for further information, write the National Council of Senior Citizens, 1627 K St., N.W., Washington 6, D.C.

Flood Waters Are Receding In Nebraska

ASHLAND, Neb. (UPI) — Flood waters receded on Nebraska farmlands today despite fresh downpours of up to five inches. Three persons were dead, thousands upon thousands of acres were under water and damage ran in the millions of dollars from the cloudburst-triggered floods.

An unofficial five inches of rain fell Tuesday north of Polk, Neb. Three and a half inches fell at Aurora and one and a half inches at York. Two to three inches fell Tuesday night on the headwaters of Logan Creek southeastward to Wakefield and Pender, Neb.

More than 150 sections — 36,000 acres — were inundated in Saunders county in southeastern Nebraska alone. Twelve Ashland families and six farm families were evacuated from their homes Tuesday.

Waters of the Big Blue River surged through the streets of Beatrice, Neb., five feet deep. Court Street, Beatrice's main east-west thoroughfare, was under two feet of water.

Flood waters stood in many corn, wheat and hayland fields. Many patrons in lower areas were ruined.

Most of the damage was caused by heavy rains which sent Turkey, Swan and Clatonia creeks, which drain into the Big Blue, out of their banks.

A second crest from the rains in the David City area — where 14 inches fell Monday — was expected today.

The Missouri River was expected to cause minor damage in the Nebraska City, Neb., and St. Joseph, Mo., areas when the Nebraska flood waters raise the muddy Mo's level.

Mike Ehler To Be Graduated Thursday

Mike Ehler, son of Mrs. J. L. Ehler of Decatur, is one of seven students who will be graduated from the St. Joseph's hospital school of X-ray technology at 8:30 p.m. Thursday in the hospital's main dining room.

Dr. Joseph M. Bailes, chief of St. Joseph's medical staff, will be principal speaker. St. M. Odilia, hospital administrator, will award pins and certificates to the graduates.

Union Musicians To Play Here Tonight

Fourteen members of the American Federation of Musicians Union 607 will provide music this evening, Vernon Hebble, general chairman of the Red Men fair, said this morning.

The music will begin about 9 o'clock tonight, Hebble explained, as one of the features of this evening's fair entertainment.

St. Mary's College Planning Buildings

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (UPI) — St. Mary's College plans to build a residence hall, dining hall and classroom building beginning this summer with \$4,500,000 including a \$2,500,000 Federal loan, approved this week by the Community Maria Renata, president of the school, said Tuesday.

Society

The monthly meeting of the Decatur Belmont Home Demonstration club was held at the home of Mrs. Joan Harrell. The meeting was opened by repeating the club creed. Roll call was answered by something new from something old by eight members. Kelly Porter volunteered to take the job of secretary and Esther Lister as leader. A very interesting report was given by Thelma Franklin and Carita Pierce of their trip to Purdue. Mary Call gave the citizenship lesson and Joan Harrell gave the health and safety lesson. Esther Lister gave an interesting lesson on freezing foods. Games were played and refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at the home of Thelma Franklin July 23.

Mrs. Florence Engle was hostess to the Pinochle club Thursday evening. After delicious refreshments at tables decorated with flowers and fan favors, the group played pinochle. Prizes furnished by Mrs. Vernon Custer were given to Mrs. Jerome Keller, first; Mrs. Paul Hammond, second; and Mrs. Lawrence Kohne, third. Next month the group will meet at the home of Mrs. Custer with Mrs. Kohne furnishing the prizes.

Mrs. August Blomgren was pleasantly surprised on her birthday, Sunday, with a carry-in dinner given in her honor by her children and grandchildren. Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Busick, Leslie Putman, a daughter Stephanie Jo, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Miesle and son Jonathan, Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Holle and Sandra, Mr. and Mrs. Eliott Blomgren and children Vickie, Tom, Peggy, Ralph, Suzan, and Timmy.

The Friendship Circle of the Decatur Missionary Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Norris Blocker, Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Haugk Low Bidder On Wabash Post Office

Haugk Plumbing & Heating Co., of Decatur, was the apparent low bidder at \$74,500, for air conditioning and miscellaneous repairs to the U. S. post office at Wabash Tuesday.

Gerald Christner In Active Training

GREAT LAKE, Ill. (FHTNC) — Gerald W. Christner, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Christner of Route 4, Decatur, Ind., is undergoing two weeks active duty training as a seaman recruit at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

The training includes naval orientation and history, military etiquette and drill, physical fitness, swimming and survival, first aid, shipboard safety precautions and sentry duty. Recreation and a rigorous physical fitness program will round out the training.

Driver's License Is Ordered Suspended

The driver's license of Vaughn King, route one, Decatur, has been suspended for two years, until May 13, 1965, for conviction of driving while under the influence of alcohol, according to bulletin 405, issued by the bureau of motor vehicles, covering suspensions issued June 10-14.

Budget Group Of UN Adopts Finance Plan

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (UPI) — United Nations Secretary General Thant today was assured of funds to carry on the Congo and Middle East peace-keeping operations for at least six more months.

The 111-nation General Assembly was certain to give final approval to a complicated financial formula which was accepted by its budgetary committee Tuesday. The committee consists of all members of the assembly.

The overwhelming committee approval left the Soviet bloc and France in isolated opposition to the plan for financing peace operations.

The assembly is scheduled to act on the program Thursday, ending a six-week special session called to find means to erase a \$100 million deficit and improve the fiscal system. The budgetary committee winds up its business today.

Thant's authorization to spend money on the Congo and Middle East operations expires June 30.

The 11 Soviet bloc countries and France found virtually no support in the committee vote for their constitutional position that peace-keeping costs must be levied by the Security Council and not by the assembly as was done in the case of operations in the Congo and the Middle East.

The plan authorizes Thant to spend \$42.5 million for the Congo and Middle East operations through the end of this year. The first \$5.5 million is to be assessed on the regular budgetary scale. For the remainder, 85 "underdeveloped" countries will be granted a 55 per cent reduction on their assessments. The resulting \$3.66 million deficit is to be met by voluntary contributions.

Cancel Test Flight Of X15 Rocket Ship

EDWARDS AFB, Calif. (UPI) — The Air Force Tuesday night cancelled a test flight of the X15 rocket ship which was programmed to take Maj. Bob Rushworth above the 50-mile mark today to qualify him as America's second winged astronaut.

An Air Force spokesman said mechanical difficulty forced postponement of the flight. He said it had not yet been rescheduled but might go late this week.

Tuesday's chief space agency pilot Joe Walker flew an X15 heat test in which the temperatures on the rocket ship's special steel skin soared to 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit — enough to burn up an ordinary aircraft.

COMING SOON THE BLUE ROOM

Pope Paul Man Of Many Complexities

EDITORS NOTE: Following is the second of a three-part series on Pope Paul VI, the man and his origin, his policies and what his pontificate may hold for both the Catholic and non-Catholic world.

POPE PAUL VI

By United Press International. The mayor of the little village of Concesio put in an urgent telephone call to his counterpart at Sotto il Monte, some 30 miles away in northern Italy.

When the call came through, Mayor Riccardo Giustacchini began shouting excitedly: "We've got a Pope now, too. What did you do to celebrate yours? I need some advice."

For this was the village where

Century Of Weddings Service At Willshire

The Willshire, O., Methodist church is sponsoring a "Century of Weddings service" as part of a Lord's Acre program Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the church.

This service will involve the presentation of wedding dresses and suits covering a century of time. Many of the wedding gowns have been contributed by local residents. The service will conclude with a review and explanation of the wedding vows, conducted by Dr. Albert L. Slack, superintendent of the Deafness district of the Methodist church. Mrs. Delmore Wechter is in charge of music for the service.

Following the service, there will be a reception in the church basement, where wedding gifts, both new and old, will be displayed.

The public is invited to attend. Due to the nature of the service, an offering will not be taken, but tickets are available for those who would like to donate prior to the service. Offering plates will be available at the church for those who would like to donate at the time of the service. All donations will go to the building fund of the church.

One Man Killed In East Chicago Fire

EAST CHICAGO, Ind. (UPI) — A crane operation died in St. Catherine's Hospital today of severe burns suffered in a flash fire at the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. No. 1 tin mill.

John Watson, 55, Whiting, suffered third-degree burns from the waist up in the blaze Tuesday. Robert McCaleb, 32, Gary, was treated for burns on the chest and back but did not require hospitalization.

East Chicago police said an explosion preceded the fire which swept through the building but company officials denied the report. Spokenen also declined comment on the amount of damage although one said that equipment in the building may have suffered serious damage.

The blaze occurred around a pickling vat in the 300-foot long corrugated iron building. The vat filled with sulphuric acid, is used to clear the continuous strip of sheet steel.

Watson was in the cab of his crane, high in the building, when the fire broke out. A company spokesman said he was getting out of the crane.

Police Sgt. Fred Lander said McCaleb, an electrical maintenance worker, was burned when he was forced to run through the flames to escape the building.

A shift of 21 men was at work in the building when the blaze occurred. The other 19 dashed to safety through the building's numerous exits.

On Sept. 26, 1897, Giovanni Battista Montini was born, the second of three sons, to the well-to-do family of Giorgio Montini and Giuditta Alghisi.

Sixty-five years later on June 21, 1963, Montini was chosen supreme pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church. He took the name Paul VI.

Reason For Call

Mayor Giustacchini had reason to put in that urgent telephone call to nearby Sotto il Monte for "expert advice." It was there that the late Pope John XXIII was born 81 years before as Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli. And that little village has never seen such a celebration as when Roncalli was named pontiff in 1958.

Aside from the fact that Montini and Roncalli both grew up in the same area of northern Italy, they were worlds apart in their background.

Roncalli, who died June 3 after a four and a half year reign as pontiff, came from a peasant family of 13 children. His brothers continued to till the soil even after he became Pope.

Montini's family were well-to-do landowners, not nobility but with generations of solid background. He was one of three sons.

While Roncalli's father toiled most of his life to buy a home and a bit of land, Montini's father kept three houses, thousands of acres of land, and was a crusading Catholic journalist and member of the Italian Parliament.

Both families, however, were extremely religious.

Every morning, the front door of the Montini would be opened by a servant shortly before seven o'clock and the three Montini boys, followed by the mother and father, would come out and walk to the local church for morning Mass.

During the day there were set times devoted to prayers. When the family was at their summer home at nearby Verolavechia a bell was rung at three o'clock every afternoon.

No matter what they were doing, the boys stopped to pray for a few moments. The daily ringing of the bell was to mark the traditional hour of the death of Christ on the cross on Calvary.

Enters Priesthood

On May 29, 1920, Giovanni Montini was ordained a priest at the cathedral of Brescia.

Later that year he went to Rome, where he continued his studies at the Lombard Seminary of the Gregorian University and at the University of Rome.

In May, 1923, his studies were interrupted for several months when he was sent to Warsaw, Poland, as secretary of the papal nunciature. While there he added Polish to his growing list of languages. He speaks, in addition to his native Italian, English, French, German, Spanish, and the language of the church, Latin.

In the autumn he returned to Rome and again took up his studies. A year later he entered into regular service in the Vatican secretariat of state and in 1925 was named a clerk there.

It was the beginning of 30 years he was to spend with the secretariat.

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