

School Cafeteria Worker Reported Ill

Mrs. Joe Rash, server in the cafeteria line at Northwest school, has become ill with what is diagnosed as a mild case of hepatitis, but no danger is expected to the students of the school, Gail

Grabill, superintendent of the North Adams schools, said today. Mrs. Rash has been sick since Monday, but her physician reports that it is a very mild case, and that he does not expect any further cases related to the case. Hepatitis is considered mildly infectious, but not contagious.

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JULIAN GROMER, who will present his color movies to the Decatur people Saturday, is pictured here in a boat which he used on the Colorado river, as will be shown in the slide series, presented at the Decatur Community Center at 8 p. m. Saturday to those who hold Travelogue series tickets.

Shows Travelogue Saturday Evening

At 8 p. m. sharp Saturday, Ralph Habegger will introduce the Decatur travelogue audience to Julian Gromer, who will present his color movies of "Thrills on the Colorado" at the Decatur community center.

Action for the movie begins as 15 beautiful Huskies are harnessed to a dog sled and take to the trail in the snow-covered mountains near Aspen, Col. The movie follows the Colorado river from its source in Rocky Mountain national park to Grand Lake. Visits will be made to dude ranches, rodeos, health meccas, and gem-like lakes. The rubber raft journey begins at Hite, Utah, and the group will be thrilled as it rides the churning rapids.

Started in 1938
Gromer is one of the first of the present generation of film lecturers, having begun his career in 1938. To date he has produced 18 subjects, and he estimates that he has addressed 3,000 audiences — many of them scores of times.

In addition to his lecture films, he has produced several films for industry and a number of mission films in this country, Africa, and Europe. He has not been too interested in television, although he has appeared a number of times on Detroit TV stations.

Bought A Camera
After completing his education Gromer entered the printing business, and thought that this would become his life work. But he purchased a camera — and soon decided that photography was more to his liking — so he entered the then infant travelogue field.

He has always been interested in sports, and years ago he built a racing boat that won 37 trophies for him! But, when photo-

graphy became his hobby he gave up boat racing and devoted all of his time and talents to the production of commercial and travel and adventure films.

Three cinema clubs have conferred honorary memberships on him, and two of his films won Grand Awards from the Photographic Society of America. He has won top honors on the internationally-known "World Travel Series" four consecutive times, and he has always appeared high in the popularity ratings on all courses where he has appeared.

In World War II
During World War II he served as an official Signal Corps photographer, and for the duration, Mrs. Gromer lectured with his films. They are both very active in church work, and have held many offices in their church.

Being a "pioneer" in the travelogue field, and a meticulous workman, Gromer has a number of "firsts" to his credit. He devised a method, and built the equipment, for taking lapse-time movies which show flowers growing 20,000 times faster than normal! These are nearly always featured in his films, and command a lot of admiration. He was one of the first to use hi-fidelity music and location-recorded sound effects in all of his productions.

Years of experience, top-quality films of interesting subjects, perfectly synchronized music, and excellent, witty narration, have all combined in making Julian Gromer one of the most popular artists in the travelogue field.

New York Stock Exchange Price MIDDAY PRICES

A. T. & T. 140 1/4; Central Soya 27 1/2; Du Pont 260 1/4; Ford 55 1/4; General Electric 88 1/2; General Motors 81 1/2; Gulf Oil 51 3/4; Standard Oil Ind. 63 1/4; Standard Oil N. J. 82 1/4; U. S. Steel 55 1/2.

Retires After Long Government Service

Leo L. Miller, a native of St. Mary's township, who has many relatives in this area, retired February 28 as assistant commissioner for administration of the food and drug administration, after many years of service with the department of health, education and welfare and its predecessor, the federal security agency.

Food and drug commissioner George P. Larrick cited Miller's accomplishments particularly over the past six years while helping to modernize the administrative management functions of FDA to meet challenges facing the agency during a period of unprecedented change.

Rufus E. Miles, Jr., administrative assistant secretary for HEW, presented Miller with the secretary's special citation at a ceremony at the Bolling Air Force base Tuesday night.

Miller served in various positions with the former federal security agency and HEW from 1939 to 1954 when he became director of the division monitoring financial operation of the Army.

He returned to HEW and joined FDA as executive officer and assistant commissioner for administration in 1958.

Miller also served as chairman of the board of U. S. civil service examiners which selects medical officers for appointment to FDA and other agencies.

Before entering federal service, Miller worked from 1923 to 1939 as accountant, shipping manager, insurance agent and supervisory accountant. He was born October 6, 1901, in Adams county.

Miller, who has two children, lives at 2845 Northampton Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Final Arguments In Sinatra Case Today

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Final arguments will be heard today in the federal trial of three men accused of kidnaping Frank Sinatra Jr. from a Lake Tahoe motel last Dec. 8 for \$240,000 ransom.

After the final arguments by opposing counsel, U. S. Dist. Judge William G. East said he would give his instructions to the jury of nine men and three women and then send them to a hotel for the night.

Deliberations, East said, would begin at 12 noon EST Saturday in the federal courthouse.

The court also stated the jurors would be expected to work on Sunday, with time out to attend religious services of their choice.

Defendants are: Barry Worthington Keenan, 23, accused "mastermind" of the kidnap plot; Joseph Cyde Amsler, also 23, a onetime boxer and commercial diver, and John William Irwin, 42, a self-employed house painter.

There are six counts in the federal grand jury indictment under which the three defendants were brought to trial.

During the past 18 days of the trial both Irwin and Amsler swore under oath they thought the kidnaping was a "publicity stunt" designed to further the career of the 20-year-old Sinatra.

Both Frank Jr., and his celebrated father, Frank Sr., testified as government witnesses and denied any publicity angle. Keenan did not choose to testify and his attorney, Charles L. Crouch Jr., called no witnesses.



COOKIES FOR MAYOR — Mayor Carl D. Gerber signs for an order of Girl Scout cookies in the above photo, while looking on are, left to right, junior scout Susan Gehrig, senior scout Marilyn Knudsen and cadette Janice Kelley. The cookie sale opened today. — (Photo by Cole)

Storms Plague Areas In Much Of U.S. Today

By United Press International
Ice-laden flood waters tore down bridges, ripped boats from their moorings and spilled into river front villages in Vermont and Pennsylvania today.

In the West, a new snow storm formed over the northern plains and headed toward Midwest cities which were belted by the worst storm of the winter earlier this week.

Across much of the nation, March was shaping up as one of the bitterest months of the dying winter season. The big storm that cut through the South and Midwest claimed at least 28 lives and its backlash gales were still chilling the Northeast.

Families Flee
Thousands of tons of ice gorged rivers in Vermont and forced scores of families to flee their homes.

Gov. Philip H. Hoff declared the White River junction area a disaster area after four-foot thick blocks of ice battered down a 250-foot bridge. Another bridge spanning the La Moille River also went down.

In Pennsylvania, the waters of the ice-clogged Allegheny River tore barges, houseboats and a river crane from their moorings at Pittsburgh. The river went on a tear following the breakup of an ice gorge seven miles long and 20 feet thick. French Creek flood waters forced 43 persons from their homes at Meadville, Pa.

Floods Elsewhere
Flood waters built up elsewhere east of the Mississippi. Indiana streams were rising toward their highest levels in months and some tributaries flashed out of their banks, covering roads in the New Albany-Jeffersonville area.

In the West, wind-driven snow spread from the Rockies to the upper reaches of the Mississippi. Pueblo, Colo., got five inches of snow during the night and it was still coming down after sunup. Heavy snow warnings were up for southeast and south central South Dakota, northern Nebraska, northwest Iowa and southwest Minnesota.

Two Youths Leave For Army Training

Jim Reidenbach and Jim Omlor, both of Decatur, left early this morning by bus for Fort Knox, Ky., for basic training with the U. S. Army.

The two young men are members of the local reserve unit in Decatur.

Omlor and Reidenbach entered the Army reserves last fall and will now begin their six-months active duty training. Upon completion of basic training they will be forwarded to a phase of artillery training for four months. They will then be required to take part in the active reserve for 5 1/2 years.

Reidenbach is the son of Mrs. Frances Reidenbach, of 916 High street, and is a graduate of Decatur high school. He attended Hanover College for two years, and is presently employed at the General Electric Co. in Decatur.

Omlor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Omlor, of 916 Jackson street. He is a graduate of Decatur Catholic high school and is employed at Duo-Marine, Inc., of Decatur.

Law Enforcement Meeting Is Held

Fugitive warrants were the main topic of discussion at the law enforcement meeting held in the meeting room of the city police station Thursday evening. A large number of law enforcement officials attended the meeting. Also discussed were search and seizures, and preservation of evidence and statements.

Attending the meeting were the following: circuit court Judge Myles F. Parrish, prosecuting attorney Severin H. Schurges, justice of the peace Floyd Hunter, F. B. I. agent Donald Birdwell, sergeant Walter Schindler, detective sergeant Alan Copes and troopers Dan Kwasneski and Gene Rash, of the Indiana state police; sheriff Roger Singleton and deputies Harold August and Warren Kneuss; city police chief Grover Odle and officers Jim Borders, Ray Seitz, Donald Liechty, Vic Strickler, Pat Nelson and Bill Baumann; Geneva town marshal Preston Pyle and assistant marshal Larry Ellenberger; Berne chief of police Don Grove, and Charley Lehman and Leland Bishop, members of the department; and Monroe town marshal Louis Steffen.

Three Arrested On Traffic Charges

Two local youths were arrested Thursday afternoon by the city police for violations of parking restrictions, as they were parked in the middle of the street talking to each other, and failed to let another vehicle pass.

Arrested were David James Gase, 16, of 409 W. Adams St., and Steven DeWayne McBride, 16 of 364 Stevenson St. Both were

arrested on Seventh St., at 4:05 p.m., and charged with violating the parking restrictions. The youths were cited to appear in justice of the peace court.

Roger William Shuman, 47-year-old Fort Wayne resident, was also arrested by the city police, early this morning, and charged with speeding.

Shuman was charged with traveling 55 miles per hour in the 30 mile an hour zone of 13th street, at 12:50 a.m. today. He was slated to appear in J. P. court Saturday.

Father-Son Banquet At Monroe Methodist

The annual father and son banquet of the Monroe Methodist church will be held at the church Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The Rev. Willis Gierhart, former pastor, now pastor of the Gethsemane Methodist church at Muncie, will be the guest speaker.

The Eels barbershop quartet, Decatur, will provide the entertainment feature. The dinner will be served by the ladies of the W. S. C. S. of the church.

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