

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Sudduth recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary at the Palmer house in Berne. Attending were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Gary (Jewel) Shoaf and Minny, Mr. and Mrs. Tom (Sharon) Suman and Thurman Sudduth.

The 39'ers club met Tuesday evening at the Community Center for a carry in supper. Mrs. Ruth Teeple was reported ill. After the business meeting, William Zwick gave a very interesting talk on his travels in Europe, while on duty with the United States Armed Forces. His talk was illustrated with colored slides of the many interesting cities which he visited in Germany, France, Italy, and Switzerland. The next meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 7, at the Community Center.

The Psi Iota Xi sorority will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Members are reminded that guest night will be observed.

The American Cancer society will sponsor a film showing at the I and M building, Wednesday, at 7:30 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

SOCIETY

XI ALPHA XI PLANS FOR FOUNDER'S DAY

The Xi Alpha Xi chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority met at the home of Mrs. Robert Blaney for their business and cultural meeting. Mrs. LaVelle Deane presided and led in repeating the opening ritual.

Plans were made for the annual founder's day to be held April 30 at 7 p.m. at the Hobby Ranch House in Fort Wayne. This will be a combined meeting with the Fort Wayne Beta Sigma Phi sororities.

Mrs. Clarence Ziner gave the report of the nominating committee. New officers are: president, Mrs. Robert Blaney; vice president, Mrs. Allen Zoss; secretary, Mrs. Frank Crist; treasurer, Mrs. Martin Weiland; council member, Mrs. George Bair, Sr.; extension officer, Mrs. Carl Gattshall. The business meeting was closed after repeating the closing ritual.

Mrs. Martin Weiland gave the lesson, "India." India is perhaps the most amazing country on the earth. It is separated from its neighbors by vast mountain ranges. It is truly an old civilization. The history of India can be traced back 5,000 years. In India, eastern and western culture meet. India contains more than 45 different races and has twelve distinct languages. It is 2/3 the size of the United States, but the population is three times as great. Only 1/10 of the people can read and write their own language.

The majority of people make their living from the soil. Wheat and rice are the main crops although sugar cane, tea, and cotton are cultivated. Modern agricultural machinery is rare except on government farms. The art of making things by hand is passed down from generation to generation.

Bombay is the second largest city in India. Bombay covers an island of 22 square miles and has a population of over one million. The native market offers all the sights and sounds of the Orient.

Delhi is the capital of India. It was built after 1911. It is a city of magnificent structures and is noted for its carved ivory work. It is filled with splendors of the past. At the present time it is the seat of modern government and enjoys all the conveniences of Western culture.

To India, the old is forever new. Those who have been to India are irresistibly drawn there. Those who have lived there and gone away, will always want to return.

A delicious luncheon was served by Mrs. Blaney assisted by Mrs. George Bair, Sr.

The next meeting will be March 24 at the home of Mrs. Cletus Miller, with Mrs. Jerome Keller assisting. This will be a social meeting.

PANEL DISCUSSION IS HELD AT SCHOOL

An interesting panel discussion dealing with various problems of the school system was held Wednesday evening at the regular meeting of the Home & School Association of the Decatur Catholic schools, held at the school auditorium.

The panel members were Robert Laurent, president of the association, who served as moderator; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Simeon Schmitt, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church and superintendent of the schools; Sr. M. Julianne, C.S.A., principal of the Catholic high school and junior high school; Sr. M. Vera, C.S.A., principal of the St. Joseph elementary school, and J. J. Baker, former president of the association, representing laymen.

Members of the panel answered numerous questions which had been submitted regarding the school during the present school year.

The questions ranged from qualifications and abilities of members of the faculty, the scholastic rating of the schools, cooperation of teachers, students and parents, to plans for needed expansion of the school facilities.

During the discussion, Msgr. Schmitt stated that plans have already been made to convert the balcony at the gym into two new classrooms, and that a committee is being appointed to assist in planning for a future addition to the school.

Preceding the meeting, the D. C. H. S. choir, under the direction of Ed Heiman, sang several selections.

PLEASANT MILLS W.S.C.S. HOLDS MARCH MEETING

The Pleasant Mills Methodist W. S. C. S. held their March meeting Wednesday evening in the church basement. Mrs. Leiland Ray, president, opened the meeting by having the group sing, "Fairer Lord Jesus."

Mrs. Ray led in the devotionals and also gave the lesson, "The Cross and the Resurrection." Twelve members answered roll call with an idea for making the W. S. C. S. meetings more interesting. Plans were completed for a chili supper, Saturday, from 5 p. m. to 7 p. m. in the church basement.

During the business meeting, the following officers were elected for the year: president, Mrs. Leiland Ray; vice president, Mrs. Donald Everett; treasurer, Mrs. Darrel Clouse; recording secretary, Mrs. Fred Bauman; promotion secretary, Mrs. Richard Cook; student work secretary, Mrs. Wayne Clouse; local work activities, Mrs. Clyde Jones; home secretary, Mrs. Zula Holloway and Mrs. Bill Workinger; literature and publication secretary, Mrs. Harlen Jones; spiritual life secretary, Mrs. Vernon Hirsch; youth secretary, Rev. Joe Gibson; children's work secretary, Mrs. Elmer Golliff; missionary secretary, Mrs. Charles Arnold; news reporter, Mrs. Harvey Jones; supply work secretary, Mrs. Bill Feasel.

After the group was dismissed with prayer, the hostess served delicious refreshments to the twelve members and two children present.

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Locals

Glen Isch of route 3, is a patient at the Clinic hospital in Bluffton, where he is undergoing treatment of a back injury.

Mrs. Agnes Andrews, well known Decatur lady, celebrated her 93rd birthday Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cecile Krick, with whom she resides. A few members of her family were guests during the day.

Hospital

Dismissed
Mrs. J. O. Campbell, Geneva; Mrs. K. E. Neuschwander, Berne; Mrs. Charles Scott, Monroeville; Mrs. Larry Burkhardt and baby boy, Mrs. Edward Drum and baby boy, Mrs. Donald Liechty, Decatur.

April 14 Is Set For Gas Hearing

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — The Indiana Public Service Commission today set April 14 for resuming a twice-continued hearing on petition by Northern Indiana Public Service Co. to provide gas service to a rural area in Wells County which includes the site of a proposed Corning Glass Co. plant.

The PSC also set April 14 for a hearing on a petition filed by Panhandle Eastern to serve the same territory.

MENTAL HEALTH MEET HELD HERE TUESDAY

Mrs. Sherman Stucky, chairman of the Adams county mental health association, met with members and interested friends of mental health, Tuesday, at the I and M building.

The B. P. W. club turned in the completed survey in Decatur.

Jerry Mast, of Indianapolis, regional representative, told the group of a "Learn and Serve Coffee" to be held Monday, April 27, in conjunction with television station WANE, Fort Wayne. Details of the "Coffee" will be announced soon.

Jim Meyers, director of volunteers at the Fort Wayne State school, presented slides showing the new facilities of the school, and showing the way volunteers are used to instruct and entertain the patients.

Mrs. Roger Schuster served coffee and cookies to those attending.

MERRY MATRONS CLUB HOLDS MARCH MEETING

The March meeting of the Merry Matrons home demonstration club was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Otto Thieme with Mrs. Amos Thieme serving as co-hostess. The meeting was opened by repeating the club collect in unison.

Mrs. Amos Thieme read devotions from the 13th chapter of St. John pertaining to Lent. The history of the song of the month, "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton," was read and then led by Mrs. Herman Bleeker. Mrs. Erwin Fuelling, vice president, led the group in program planning with the club voting on what they would like for next year's topic lessons.

Roll call was answered by the members naming a pet house-cleaning peeve. Mrs. Norvin Thieme read the minutes of the last meeting and Mrs. Walter Thieme gave the citizenship lesson which concerned the early history of Indiana. Some dates coming up for the club to remember are the Purdue conference, June 24, and achievement night, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

The club tour has been set for March 25 and will be at Bluffton. The group will tour the piano factory, pretzel company, and Bluffton Clinic, with the noon meal at the Dutch Mill.

The county constitution was read by Mrs. Norvin Thieme and the meeting was closed with the club repeating the club commandments.

The hostess gift was won by Mrs. Louis Krueckeberg. Games were played and prizes were awarded to Mrs. Marie Fuelling, Mrs. Richard Marbach, Mrs. Louis Krueckeberg, Mrs. Earl Mounsel, and Mrs. Jack Smith. Delicious refreshments in keeping with St. Patrick's day were served to sixteen members, four guests, and nine children.

Huge Expansion Is Announced For GM

FREMONT, Calif. (UPI) — General Motors, looking ahead to an expected annual domestic car market of 10 million by 1970, plans a record investment of \$3.2 billion in plants, equipment and tools in the next two years to boost its production capability in the United States and Canada by 20 per cent.

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The expansion is expected to create 50,000 new jobs in the United States, according to GM Board Chairman Frederic G. Donner, who made the announcement Wednesday at the dedication of a new car and truck assembly plant here.

GM said \$2 billion of its new investment would go into plants and equipment and another \$1.2 billion into special tools.

About 75 per cent of the capital investment in plants and equipment will be made in the United States, 50-55 per cent of that in Michigan where half of GM operations now are centered, Donner said.

New plants will be built in Kalamazoo and Tecumseh, Mich., and Lordstown, Ohio.

Club Schedule

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Mrs. Connie Mitchell

Society Editor

Calendar items for each day's publication must be phoned in by 11 a.m. (Saturday 9:30)

THURSDAY

She Bee club, Phyllis Hutter, 1215 Mix Ave., 7:45 p.m.
St. Jude's study club, potluck supper, Mrs. Maxine Ford, 7 p.m.
Psi Iota Xi Trading Post, 1-4, Jane Booth and Marlene Buuck; 6-9, Janet Macklin and Mickey McColly.

Women of the Moose, Moose home, 8 p.m.

Caliente home demonstration club, I & M bldg., 7:30 p.m.

DYB Ladies of the Trinity church, Mrs. John Gage, 7 p.m.

Trinity Bible Class, Decatur E. U. B. church, fellowship hall, 7:30 p.m.

Order of Rainbow for Girls, Masonic hall, 6:45 p.m.

FRIDAY

Psi Iota Xi Trading Post, 1-4, Barbara Fuelling and Marcia Freeby; 6-9, Jane Heller and Norma Moore.

Rummage sale, 132 N. 2nd St., former Goodin's IGA building, sponsored by St. Paul's Lutheran church of Preble, 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

SATURDAY

Pleasant Mills Methodist W. S. C. S., chili supper, church basement, 5 to 7 p.m.

Psi Iota Xi Trading Post, 1-4, Madeline Blackburn and Betty Fager.

Rummage sale, 132 N. 2nd St., former Goodin's IGA building, sponsored by St. Paul's Lutheran church of Preble, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Children's story hour, public library, 1:30-2:30 p.m. ages 5 to 7.

MONDAY

Queen of Peace Discussion group Mrs. Margaret Lengerich, 8 p.m.
D. A. V. auxiliary, D. A. V. hall, 7:30 p.m., social.

Pythian Sister Needle club, Moose home, after Temple, 7:30 p.m.

Cootie Auxiliary, V. F. W. post home, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Xi Alpha Xi sorority, social, Mrs. Cletus Miller, 8 p.m.

Delta Theta Tau, Mrs. Mel Weisman, 603 Cleveland, 8 p.m.

Psi Iota Xi sorority, Community Center, guest night, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Beta Sigma Phi, Community Center, 8 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church Woman's Association, 8 p.m., church.

American Cancer society, open film showing, I & M bldg., 7:30 p.m.

Births

At the Adams county memorial hospital:

William and Colleen Lehman Howell, 1110 Monroe street, are the parents of a 6 lb., 15 oz., baby boy born at 11:18 p.m., Wednesday.

Robert and Marilyn Murphy Meyer, 903 W. Monroe street, became the parents of a baby girl today. She was born at 5:30 a.m. and weighed 7 lbs., 4 oz.

A 8 lb., 13 oz., baby girl was born at 11:25 o'clock today to Bruce and Susan Bowman Schnepf of route 3.

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