

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 Minay, Mr. and Mrs. Tom (Sharon) Suman and Thurman Sudduth.

The 39ers 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.

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## 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 Death 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.

## 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. Neuhanswander, Berne; Mrs. Charles Scott, Monroeville. Mrs. Larry Burkhardt and baby boy, Mrs. Edward Drum and baby boy, Mrs. Donald Lechty, Decatur.

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### 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 "Coffees" 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 collects.

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, Mrs. 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. Leland Ray, president, opened the meeting by having the group sing, "Fairest Lord Jesus."

Mrs. Ray led in the devotions 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. Leland 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 Gollif; 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.

### April 14 Is Set For Gas Hearing

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — The Indiana Public Service Commission today set April 14 for resuming 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 petition filed by Panhandle Eastern to serve the same territory.

### 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.

The giant automotive company, which already makes

more than half the cars and

trucks produced in the United States, will construct three new U.S. plants and others in Canada, Mexico and South America as part of its largest capital investment in history.

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.

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investment would go into plants and equipment and another \$1.2 billion into special tools.

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