

FRIENDS BEGIN TO LEAVE FRANCE; HAVE DONE GREAT WORK

The Friends relief units in France began their withdrawal early in March and the end of the month will see the complete winding up of the work.

The exceptions to this will be the maternity hospital at Chalon, which has been endowed with 1,000,000 francs and which will be maintained indefinitely by the Quakers; and the work rooms, co-operative stores, carpentry and recreation classes, libraries and village community centres, which will gradually be turned over to French management.

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The agricultural department has plowed 1,516 acres mostly in small pieces of about 1/3 of an acre and has thrashed 6,712 tons of grain, much of which it harvested itself. It has also distributed 18,000 chickens, 6,000 rabbits, 1,000 bee colonies, 22,000 fruit trees and numerous goats, sheep and other live stock. Eight institutions for civilian medical relief were maintained at different times, also dentists, opticians and district nurses.

The transport department last summer operated 80 machines. The building department erected 1,388 houses in 25 villages. Of these 100 were erected in Varennes, 98 in Very, 79 in Montfaucon, 73 in Aubreville and 72 in Neuville, renamed by French "Cite des Amis" (City of Friends).

Most of these houses were manufactured by the Friends themselves in their two factories at Dole and Ormians, interchangeable parts being constructed. Perhaps the feature of the work which will have the greatest permanent effect on the country was the maintenance of 12 cooperative stores where the refugees could obtain necessary articles at prices below cost. Each of these stores ministered to the needs of a group of surrounding villages.

Without them the French peasant would have had great difficulty in starting his home again. Some of the articles sold in these stores were made by refugees who were given employment in the manufacture of mattresses, brushes, embroidery, etc. These stores are being turned over to a French society by the free distribution of shares to all purchasers.

No Workers on Salary

About 700 workers have been sent from America, not one of whom has served for a salary.

The Friends are now also operating in Germany, where they are making preparations with Hoover's co-operation to feed 10,000,000 under-nourished children in Serbia, where they maintain an orphanage and agricultural school and medical dispensary. In Austria, where they are running about 30 infant welfare centres, a large dairy, and a big clothing establishment, and in Poland, where a unit of about 30 is fighting the typhus.

Plans are progressing for work in Mexico and in Russia where a Friends' unit was maintained before the revolution. Many of the workers in France are now going to the other European fields whose operations are being rapidly enlarged.

Circuit Court

The divorce suit of Maxine Schwab against Otto Schwab was dismissed at the cost of the plaintiff.

Verified application for suit money was filed in the divorce and custody suit of Lizzie Garret against Oliver Garrett.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Albert W. Gregg to Dickinson Trust company, trustee, lots 291, 293, 298, 299 and part of lots 298, 297, 296, 295 and 294, in Reevestown Place addition, \$1.

Frank A. Harris, et al, to Henry L. Mendenhall, parts of the southeast and southwest quarters, section 24, township 17, range 13, \$1.

Albert Watterson to Elizabeth Bradford, a part of lot 9, Lamb and Boston's addition, \$1.

John D. Nixon to Alonso L. Jackson, part lot 44, town of Centerville, \$550.

George O. Rutherford, to Amanda Stamm, a part of the southwest quarter, section 18, township 17, range 13, \$500.

Rooms for Music Teachers Wanted; Marion Orchestra To Attend State Meeting

Persons having rooms to which they will rent to delegates to the Indiana State Teachers' association, April 20-22 are again urged to call members of the hotel and lodging committee, including Mr. Allen at the Starr Piano store, Miss Feita at the Palladium, and Mr. Copeland at the Item.

Ralph C. Sloane, state president of the music teachers, said Wednesday that a group of about 45 players from the famous Marion civic orchestra would attend. Business men of Marion have subscribed a fund. R. Marinus Paulsen, composer of orchestral, violin and choral music will head the organization.

Mr. Paulsen, well-known organist will preside at the organ at the concert planned to be given in the Grace M. E. church.

Funeral Arrangements

Wilson—Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Wilson will be held at the Elkhorn church at 2 p. m., Thursday. Burial will be in Elkhorn cemetery. The Rev. H. S. James will officiate.

Thomas—Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Marie Thomas will be held at the home at 2 p. m., Friday, and will be private. Burial will be in Lutherania. The Rev. J. P. Miller will officiate.

Earlham

B. Willis Beede, of the American Friend Foreign Mission board spoke on the need for interest and work in behalf of community affairs, and various social activities, at the chapel exercises Wednesday morning. He is a member of the Friends' college deputation. "There is much to do in getting success beside keeping up with the dollars and cents," said he.

Howard Minton, another member of the deputation, reviewed conditions in the Near East, and the work which has been endowed with 1,000,000 francs and which will be maintained indefinitely by the Quakers; and the work rooms, co-operative stores, carpentry and recreation classes, libraries and village community centres, which will gradually be turned over to French management.

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The Friends' Year Ever for Men's Clothes, Say Dealers; Prices to Continue High

Despite high prices, Richmond merchants report no decline in volume of goods sold this year, to that of last year.

Retail clothiers anticipated a decline in sales in their line as business was exceedingly brisk last year because of the large number of returning soldiers needing complete "civile" outfits. However, since prohibition went into effect, and from pride in personal appearance learned in the army, young men are putting on more "dog" in clothes than before.

Merchants in women's apparel report no loss of trade. Last year the women used economy in purchasing clothes as the men returned from the war had to have a complete outfit. Prices are also high in women's clothing.

Milliners say that as long as the spring season continues to roll around, women will demand hats. These articles are also considerably higher than last year but that "don't make no nevermind" to millady.

East Main Friends to Hold 4 Sectional Socials

East Main Street Friends church will hold four sectional socials Thursday evening. These socials are to be a part of an evangelistic movement to culminate with Easter.

All those living on the west side of the river will meet at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Earl Hinshaw, 608 Richmond avenue. Those living east of the river and west of Sixteenth street, will attend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Folger Wilson, 116 South Eleventh street. Those east of Fifth street and south of Main, will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Crawford, 104 South Twenty-first street. Those east of Fifteenth street and north of Main, will meet at William Davenport's, 402 North Seventeenth street.

All members of the church and their parents are invited and all county people are urged to attend. A special program has been prepared for each social and the Rev. E. Howard Brown will address each group some time during the evening.

Forward Movement Party Holds Conference in N. C.

Levi T. Pennington and Charles M. Woodman have returned from a series of Forward Movement conferences in North Carolina. A major conference was held in High Point on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, under the direction of Pennington, Woodman, and Rev. W. E. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Conover and Miss Gladys Collins met with an accident Sunday night on the National road west about 9:30. Their buggy was struck by a machine said to have been driven by a Mr. Evans of Richmond, and thrown over a ten-foot embankment. Mrs. Collins received severe cuts about the face, but her condition is favorable. Gladys Collins is suffering from nervous shock.

LAUNDRIES RAISE PRICES

The high cost of cleanliness has advanced 20 percent in the last three months, say Richmond laundry proprietors. Laundries throughout the state have been forced to raise prices recently because of unusually high wages laundry employees are receiving and also increased prices in soap, starch, laundry machinery and other things used in keeping clothes clean. No additional raise is contemplated, however, assure Richmond laundry owners.

WENTLINGS HAVE SON

Mr. and Mrs. Howard P. Wentling are parents of a son, born Wednesday morning. He will be christened Howard Paul, Jr.

BAPTISTS TO MEET

Members of the First Baptist church will hold their regular congregational meeting Friday at 8 p. m. The men's class of the church will have a supper at 7 p. m. and the congregational meeting will be held immediately following the supper.

TO MEET HIS WORKERS

W. L. Stump, Wayne county financial director of the Inter-church world movement financial campaign, will meet with the different denominational directors of the county in the Richmond Y. M. C. A. at 7:30 p. m., Wednesday. Plan of action probably will be taken up.

HISTORY CLASS TO MEET.

The third Y. M. C. A. history and relationship class will meet in the association building at 7 p. m., Wednesday. This class is under the direction of J. W. Hansell, first director of the Y. M. C. A. college at Chicago.

KARL MEYERS IS HURT

Church officials are especially reminded of their responsibility for leadership. Every lay-member should recognize personal responsibility for service. Remember the slogan of this campaign, "Every Christian an Evangelist." Every church a center of Evangelism and community service.

"Evangelism which does not fruit in community service is socially deficient. Community service which does not root in evangelism is spiritually deficient."

RETURNS FROM MEETING

C. O. Williams, county superintendent, reported from Indianapolis Monday night, after attending a session of the Republican County Superintendents' Association of Indiana.

"A good report is expected from Wayne county," said the Rev. L. E. Murray, president of the Wayne County Federation.

Williams, who presided, said Wed-

EVERYBODY TRAVELS, SAY RAILROAD MEN

Passenger conductors living in Richmond report that the influx of Hoosier migratory tourists is greater than ever before. The cool weather prevailing in the so-called balmy climates, added to reports of the balmy of the so-called freezing climate of Wayne county has caused residents of Wayne wintering in the south and west to start for Richmond and home.

All through trains on the Pennsy are loaded with returning tourists. Pullman accommodations are at a premium and day cars are crowded with people who ordinarily travel via parlor or Pullman cars.

FLUE FIRE AGAIN

Sparks from a defective flue caused slight damage to the home of G. M. Kentner, 43 State street, Wednesday morning.

BUYS BAKER PICTURE

Especially fine water treatment in the foreground marks the picture Frank Edmunds has purchased from the exhibit of paintings by George Baker, hanging in the public art gallery. Besides the four purchases by Frank Girardin, T. C. Harrington has obtained "Beech Trees on the Hillside."

NO NATURAL DEATHS.

No natural deaths have been reported for 24 hours by Richmond undertakers. The only death was a suicide in the South and Tuesday night. This was the first time in six months that no natural deaths have been reported for 24 hours.

WOODWARD TO PHILA.

Walter C. Woodward, to Philadelphia Wednesday morning, to attend an important meeting of the American Friends' Service committee, of which he is a member, and a session of the American committee on the All World Conference of Friends in London.

WILSDORF FILES

Arthur Wilsdorf, Richmond attorney, Tuesday filed his declaration with the secretary of state at Indianapolis, announcing himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for prosecuting attorney of Wayne county.

\$31,000 FARM DEAL

One hundred and eighty-six acres of land in Clay township was transferred to Henry L. Mendenhall by Frank A. Harris, and others, in a deed filed with the county recorder Wednesday. The consideration involved in the deed, according to stamps on the deed, was \$31,000 or \$166 an acre.

MENTIONED IN BULLETIN

Herman O. Miles, national director of the Forward Movement, spoke of in the Inter-church World Movement Bulletin as a "keen business man who has had time to give the church." His picture also appears in the last edition of the Bulletin.

TO FIGHT CHINCH BUG

Richard Lieber, head of the state conservation department, Tuesday issued a call to county agents, including E. F. Murphy of Wayne county, to fight the chinch bug. He says the bug is likely to prove a pest unless it is fought hard.

BOYS, PICK 'EM UP

Wireless messages flit back and forth across Richmond from 9:30 to 10 o'clock each night. They are sent out by Harvey M. Anthony of the Muncie high school faculty, who is state commander of the radio intelligence service commission. The messages are sent for the benefit of amateur wireless operators.

TO CHECK PRICES

A careful check on the prices set by retail dealers on the cheaper cuts of meat will be kept during "Save Money on Meat" week, which began in Indiana Saturday, said Stanley Wyckoff, fair price commissioner for the state Wednesday. Letters will be sent to all dealers in Indiana handling army supplies, such as food, clothing and hardware, warning them against profiteering, said Wyckoff.

NUSBAUM PESSIMISTIC

Lee B. Nusbaum, of Richmond, secretary-treasurer of the Indiana Retail Dry Goods Association, at its session in Indianapolis Tuesday, said that there would be no reduction in prices "without the co-operation of labor, manufacturer, wholesaler and distributor." Sentiment along the same line was expressed by other men.

TWO HURT IN SMASH

The music teachers of the state will convene here on April 20-21 and April 25 to May 2 is the period in which the financial campaign of the Inter-church World movement will be launched.

In addition to the conventions and conference held here, a large number of Richmond men and women will attend conferences held in other towns.

Indiana Brevities

HAMMOND—After a lull of nearly a year, Hammond detectives have arrested five men alleged to be the auto bandits who robbed over 50 motorists south of Hammond, of thousands of dollars and who are supposed to have murdered Edward Schmall, of this city.

TERRE HAUTE—J. W. Fesler, of Indianapolis, candidate for governor, in a speech here advocated the creation of a state budget committee, consisting of five members.

FAIRMOUNT—Joseph A. Roberts, 64 years old, president of the town council and secretary of the telephone company, died suddenly at his home here of an attack of heart disease.

LAFAYETTE—A \$250,000 theatre, one of the finest in the middle west, is to be constructed here this summer by the Luna Amusement company, it has been announced.

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LADIES' BLACK KID PUMP—STEEL BUCKLE, LOUISIANA HEEL.....\$6.00

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