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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

Morris Barn Burns Wednesday Eve.

The large barn on the Manford Morris farm, east of Syracuse, caught fire Wednesday evening about 8:30 o'clock resulting in a complete loss including several tons of hay and feed besides a number of cattle and other stock.

Cause of the fire has not been determined as yet, but it is thought that flames first arose near the corner of the barn where a pile of old trash and rubbish was located. Whether or not this was the cause of the fire is not known definitely.

Mrs. Morris was the first to notice the smoke and flames and since her husband and son were not at home, she immediately called the local fire department who rushed to the scene of the fire with the truck. Volunteers gathered to help in getting the stock out of the barn but were unable to save the feed or equipment that was stored there.

Among the animals that lost their lives were two mules which could not get out. Others were burned when they ran back into the barn after men had released the minto the farm yard. These included chickens, a horse, and it is thought, one or two cows.

The barn was a very large one consisting of the original structure with a wing which had been built on, and the fire continued to blaze for several hours and was still smoldering Thursday. Flames lighted the community for several miles around and danger to other nearby farms was constituted when sparks were carried in their direction.

Although the total loss has not been determined, it is estimated that it will run into several thousand dollars.

BOOM! BOOM! AND TRAMP! TRAMP!

Have you been hearing sounds of a tone similar to the shooting of big guns and the tramp, tramp of marching feet in this vicinity during the last few days? You have! Well, we have, too, but don't be alarmed; war has not been declared. It is only the high school band out practicing their drills. From what we have seen of the band, we believe that they are on the road to honor for this year and should come home with some nice ribbons from the band events which will take place next spring.

Town to Sell Bonds For Sewer Project

According to an announcement published by the Board of Trustees of the town of Syracuse, bonds will be for sale, up to and including, Wed., October 11th, in the total sum of \$20,000. The bonds are to bear the date of October 12 with interest not in excess of 3 per cent, payable July 1, 1940, at the State Bank of Syracuse.

The bonds are issued for the purpose of financing construction and reconstruction project for sanitary sewers and to construct a sewage plant in the town. Bids are to be submitted in sealed envelopes addressed to the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Albert Keller and Mrs. H. A. Bowser attended the birthday party of Gladys Starr in Ligonier.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Kelley and Mrs. Kelley's mother, all of Chicago, spent last week here.

MISS NEDRA HIRE HONORED AT SHOWER

Mrs. Charles Rock gave a linen shower Sunday evening in honor of Miss Nedra Hire, whose marriage to Wilmet Jones, Jr., will take place in the near future. Individual wedding cakes and ice cream molds in bride and groom pattern were served.

Local guests included Florence Foster, Bernice Robinson, Mrs. Francis Oswalt, Mrs. Dorothy Stiver, Elizabeth Jane Simpson and Mrs. W. A. Jones, Sr. Guests from Fort Wayne and Columbia City were also present.

REMODELING STORE FRONT

The Moyer Construction Company of Nappanee has begun remodeling work on the front of the Wegmiller 5c to \$1 store, active work on the project being started Wednesday morning.

The management of the store has stated that when the job is completed, the entrance will be in the middle and large display windows will be built at each side of the door. Outward finish of the front will be in brick of modernistic mold.

Although placed at quite an inconvenience, the store is remaining open throughout the remodeling procedure and will continue to serve its patrons.

Journal Makes New Shop Improvements

Since the present management of the Syracuse-Wawasee Journal has been in charge, we have made several improvements in the equipment and arrangement of the office and printing departments.

Only a few weeks after taking active charge, we installed a new metal saw which is used in trimming type lines, etc., a new office was built in the front part of the building, lavatory facilities were rearranged, a small but efficient casting box and melting pot were brought here so that we could use more pictures in our advertisements and feature material, and this week we have added another job printing press to our equipment.

The press, although not new, is one which gives us a much better opportunity to give satisfactory work on larger and more intricate jobs. This press, in addition to those we have had in use, makes it possible for us to handle booklet or folder printing in a much more efficient manner, along with larger poster printing.

These improvements are not all that we have made plans for. Different arrangement and a few more additions are being planned even now which will make our service one of the most complete in this and surrounding communities.

NOTICE O. E. S.

The chapter will meet September 27th with a pot luck dinner at 6:00 p.m. All members are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris of Athens, Ohio, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rock, Jr.

To Attend National Convention at Chicago

WOMEN'S CLUB MEETS AT JOHNSON HOTEL

The Business and Professionals Women's club held their September party at the Johnson Hotel Tuesday evening. A lovely three-course dinner was served to fourteen members and four guests, Mrs. Carl Swanson, Mrs. Al Keller, Mrs. Harriett Rigdon and Miss Irene Abts. The table was beautifully decorated with a centerpiece of garden flowers and candles. Each place was marked with a miniature bouquet of flowers. Mrs. Rigdon, main speaker for the evening, gave a very interesting talk on her work in Washington. The committee in charge was Miss Louise Hooper and Mrs. Ernest Bushong.

Ladies Enjoy Chicken Dinner

Mrs. Charlotte McSweeney entertained at a chicken dinner last Thursday the following ladies: Mrs. Gladys Steele and daughter Jackie, and Mrs. Rink from Goshen; Mrs. Ralph Rarick, Mrs. Otho Warstler, Mrs. Leonard Barnhart, Mrs. Joe Bushong, Mrs. Bert Cripe and Mrs. Noble Myers, all of Syracuse.

The ladies furnished the potluck to go with the dinner. A very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all, and during the activity, Mrs. Joe Bushong presented Mrs. Rarick with a friendship gift from the ladies. Mrs. Rarick made a few remarks and thanked the ladies for the gift. All departed planning on having another such pleasant meeting in the near future.

Miss Rowena Kline of Kendallville spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kline.

Miss Olga Beckman returned Tuesday after a two weeks' vacation in Indiana and Illinois.

The Drum Corps of the Wawasee Post 223 of the American Legion will leave Monday to attend the National American Legion convention which is to be held at Chicago next Monday and Tuesday. The local order has chartered a Greyhound bus for the trip and is scheduled to leave here at 7:00 a.m., sharp. Upon their arrival in the "Windy City," the members will take up quarters in the Sherman Hotel in downtown Chicago.

In charge of the plans for the trip were Gordon Johnson and Ralph Disher, Commander and Adjutant of the local group. Millard Hire is director of the corps and his daughter, Sasha Ann, is drum major.

Excitement will prevail over both days of the convention with the Drum Corps competition taking place on Monday and the large parade being completed on Tuesday. The competition will include all corps who wish to enter, exclusive to Sons of the Legion, and prizes ranging from \$200 to \$1,250 will be given the winners. In the Rifle Drill Team contest, prizes range from \$50 to \$300. A total of \$5,500 will be given as prizes, besides several beautiful trophies and awards for the best in the Senior Drum Corps, the Sons of the American Legion band, Drum and Bugle Corps, Rifle Drill teams and other divisions of the group.

The entire membership of the local post will attend the convention, a list of them and their instruments follows: Snare Drums—Joe Rapp, Herschell Harkless, Water Smith, Robert Searfoes, George Harvey, Gordon Johnson, Chauncey Coy, Nelson Auer; Bass Drums—Melvin Rapp, Dale Grimmes; Cymbals—Hascall Kitson; Tenor Drum—Ralph Disher; Buglers—Nelson Miles, Irving Bishop, Robert Smith, William Brown; Keith Cripe, Clifford Cripe, Ray Moore, Harry Schultz, Richard Isbell, E. Watkins and Hallie Holloway.

Eighteen Games on High School Basketball Schedule

The Syracuse high school Yellowjackets will play 18 games this season, according to an announcement by Principal Court Slabaugh. This does not include the county and sectional tournaments. As was previously reported in the Journal, R. J. Neff remains as basketball mentor for the Yellow Jackets this year for his third season.

Cromwell is scheduled to meet the locals, on the Syracuse floor, for the opening games on November 3rd, to renew a rivalry that has been keen during the last few seasons. The schedule includes ten home games of which five are conference tilts with Bremen, Pierceton, Mentone, Wakarusa, New Paris and Milford. The complete schedule follows:

Nov. 3.—Cromwell, here.
Nov. 10.—Leesburg, there.
Nov. 17.—Milford, here.

Nov. 24.—Pierceton, here.
Dec. 1.—North Webster, there.
Dec. 8.—Ligonier, there.
Dec. 15.—North Webster, here.
Dec. 20.—New Paris, there.
Dec. 22.—Central Catholic, So. Bend, here.
Dec. 27.—Wakarusa, here.
Jan. 5.—Mentone, here.
Jan. 12.—Milford, there.
Jan. 26.—Atwood, there.
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Feb. 2.—New Paris, here.
Feb. 9.—Concord, here.
Feb. 16.—Etna Green, there.
Feb. 23.—Middlebury, there.

The Art Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred O. Clark for dinner Friday evening. This is the first meeting of the season.

Miss Alverda Price and Mr. Bob McConnell of Goshen called at the Hugh Causer home, Friday evening.

Patricia Byers Wins Junior Business Builders Contest

Patricia Byers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. J. Byers, was declared the winner of the Junior Business Builder's contest which has been sponsored by the Thornburg Drug Company this summer. The winner gained the lead when she forged ahead of other contestants by bringing in coupons which gave her a larger total of votes.

First prize in the contest, a new bicycle, will be awarded next Saturday at 10:00 a.m., when all contestants are urged to be at the store to receive their awards. Each contestant will receive a prize for their efforts during the contest and may take their choice of the large variety according to their placement at the finish. Prizes include a radio, a movie camera, several smaller cameras, a wagon, scooter, air gun, wrist

watch, football, basketball, several flashlights, pocket watches and zipper bags.

Following is a list of the contestants in the order in which they finished the contest which ended last Saturday: Bob Smith, Joe Rapp, James Slabaugh, Laddie Laughlin, Joe Bauer, William Cory, Stanley Hoopingarner, Sara Hinderer, Jack Carr, Betty Wolf, Jack Kitson, Luella Rensberger, Dorothy Causer, Jean Ketring, Elizabeth Miles, Duane Unrue, Gloria Byland, William Darr, James Harvey and James C. Connolly.

The object of the contest was to teach each boy or girl that entered to be better business people and how to handle money in a more businesslike manner. It is experience which they would have spent several years in procuring any other way.