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## Jackets Break Even Past Week

Yuletide cheer was enjoyed by the Syracuse Yellow Jackets as they presented Coach Beck with a Christmas eve gift—a 40-31 victory over the Mentone quintet, rated one of the county leaders. To add flavor, the Syracuse Reserves recorded their tenth straight win, flashing past the Bulldog Pups with 36-24 margin.

However, the Jackets brought to a close the current season absorbing their worst defeat of the year, a 63-33 rout administered by the Middlebury Middies, as the closing hours of a historic yr. passed into memory. An overtime thriller saw the Bees to victory for the first time in 11 starts, as they took it on the chin in the preliminary, 29-27.

A tight defense explains the success enjoyed by the locals over the Green and White of Mentone. Both squads depended upon their shooting skill during the initial half with Syracuse assuming the lead due to the aim of Bauer, Carr and Myers, who cooperated to give the Cold and Blue a 10-5 first quarter headway, and a 18-12 half-time lead.

Constant sniping from the far court made the visitors an ever-present threat throughout the final stage of the contest. But the alertness displayed by the Jackets in interceptions took a heavy toll as the home team cracked the Bulldog defense with fast breaks. Forging ahead of their demoralized opponents, Syracuse hit the 40 marker as the horn blasted. Mentone closed with 31.

**Second Team Game.**  
Even facing one of the ablest county reserve teams, the Bees kept their average at the 1,000 keel with a 36-21 win over the Mentone seconds. The Bull Pups had a sharp offense and were able to cause apprehension as they paced the Bees. Ability to control the rebounds and a slight advantage in height were enough to assure Syracuse victory. Syracuse lead 20-11 at half time and 36-24 at end of the game.

**Syracuse vs. Middlebury**  
A wider, stranger floor; fan-shaped backboards; and a red-hot Middlebury five explains the devastating defeat suffered by the Jackets in a New Years Eve contest at Middlebury. Although Syracuse maintained a slight edge-way in the minutes following the opening tip-off, they were soon shoved behind the eight ball as the Middies connected from all angles. Almost unable to miss, the out of county basketballers swung into a 10-9 first quarter lead; strengthened it to 19-15 at the half, and hit their stride going down the stretch. The final score was 63-33, Middlebury.

## Auto License Plates To Go on Sale January 15

The sale of Auto License plates and the various types of driving licenses will start on Jan. 15th, according to a statement today by Rue J. Alexander, Secretary of State, and Commissioner of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. The customary printed applications for plates will be mailed early in January to registrants of record in 1943.

Motorists are reminded that 1943 plates and driving licenses expire Feb. 29, 1944.

Each applicant for license plate or any form of driving license must show a receipt for his 1943 personal property and poll taxes, or a statement from the county treasurer that such taxes have been paid or a statement from the county assessor that he is not assessable in his county of residence.

## BOY SCOUTS WILL COLLECT OLD PAPERS

Old newspaper and magazines will be collected Saturday, Jan. 8, by the Boy Scouts of Syracuse. Residents are asked to tie the papers in bundles and set them on the front porch in readiness for the boys to pick up. If this cannot be done, please have papers ready for Scouts to tie up. Collection will be made this Saturday at all houses east of Huntington street.

## SCHOOL NEWS.

### Program Presented.

There was a program at our high school Dec. 23. To open the program, Rev. Jones gave a Christmas message. He read from Matt. 2: "The Story of Bethlehem." From this story he gave us three thoughts: 1. God still keeps his promises. 2. Let us learn that humble Christmases may still be most wonderful. 3. Christmas is for all classes.

In closing Rev. Jones said "Remember, had it not been for Bethlehem we would have no Christmas." He then pronounced prayer.

Next the Eighth grade presented a 1-act play entitled, "Daddy's Christmas Surprise." Six characters did very well.

The Choral Sextet sang several well known Christmas carols and the song, "Just From Paradise," was sung by Phyllis Byland and Gloria O'haver. —L.J.T.

### Eighth Grade News

The examinations turned out pretty well but would have been better if what we had in exams had been in our textbooks. Also there were a few parties that had a number of the students minds. How about it E.B. and P.H.

Our very industrious eighth grade has special committees appointed each month for keeping class rooms and the little study hall in order. Boy, some of those seventh graders are stubborn.

### The class officers are:

Susan Kroh, president.  
Philip Strieby, vice-pres.  
Harold Barwick, secy.  
Glen Stiffler, treas.

The reporters change every month. At present they are Willodean Wilkinson and Donna Darr.

Instead of Geography this semester we are having Civics, and we also have Safety. Mrs. Hammer teaches Civics and Mr. Fidler Safety.

### Senior News

Joe Shock withdrew from our class Jan. 3 and will leave for the army soon. The Senior class wishes him the best of luck in his new career.

Public speaking, taught by Miss Hammon, will be Senior English for this semester, and solid geometry takes the place of advanced algebra.

### Junior News

Variation is over and the Juniors of S. H. S. are at work again. Several changes have been made this year. American Literature will replace English and Solid Geometry will take place of advanced algebra.

### Senior Biographies

The senior class has decided to let the rest of the world have a glimpse at the 25 of its up and coming members, so here goes:

We start with Ilene Mary Benson, who first saw light of day on March 2, 1926. Ilene is a charter member of our class, having been with us the full 12 years. This blonde lassie (our only true blonde) says her favorite food is chicken and her favorite hobby is cooking. (We think it to be lovely, however.) Ilene's pet peeve is red-heads. (Is there a reason for this?) She has taken an active part in school politics and played "Bertah" in the Junior class play. She has given proof that her favorite sport is basketball by her almost perfect attendance at games. Ilene has no after graduation plans, as she says. But who knows what runs through the heads of this younger generation? Whatever her decision is, we are sure it will be a worthy one.

And... the spotlight shifts, and lingers on the one other, yes the lad of the week—Jack Marshall Carr! Jack made his first appearance on the planet, Earth, on Oct. 9, 1926, at Silver Lake, Ind. However, he has been in our midst since our first year in school, taking an active part in all our class programs. Jack's favorite hobby is sports—all sports. He is one of our best athletes and plays an important part on our softball and basketball teams. The Romeo roll, Jack Milford, was expertly played by Jack in our senior play. Gabby Barber's articles in the Warsaw Daily Linner are Jack's pet peeve. And last but certainly not least to such an active person is food. Jack prefers pheasant (in or out of season.) After graduation, Jack is planning to help himself and Uncle Sam by entering the Navy V-12 program for specialized Marine training. All in all, Jack is a very promising person, and everyone has high hopes for him. Good luck, Jack.

## FORGING THE PLOWSHARE



## CHURCH

### METHODIST CHURCH

Wallace W. Deyo, minister.  
Unified service at 10 o'clock.  
Sermon subject: "Releasing Spiritual Power." Sunday school classes meet following the services.

Junior church meets in the basement at 11 o'clock.  
A cordial welcome is extended to all.

### TRINITY EVANGELICAL

O. W. Schlemmer, minister.  
Sunday school 9:45 a.m. I. J. Byland, supt.  
Worship service at 10:45 a.m., E.L.C.E. at 6:30 p.m.  
Evening preaching service at 7:30 o'clock.  
Prayer service Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

### CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Charles Stouler, Jr., pastor.  
Guy Symensma, supt.  
Sunday school 10 a.m.  
Preaching 11 a.m.  
Preaching at 7:30 p.m.  
Young people meeting 7 p.m.  
Ladies aid all day Thursday at pastor's home.

### UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST

J. W. Jones, pastor, phone 182.  
Guy Oyler, supt.  
Bible school 9:45 a.m.  
Preaching service 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
Prayer meeting Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at the parsonage.  
You are cordially invited to come and worship with us.

### CHURCH OF GOD

Minister, Rev. H. Miehler.  
S. S. Supt., Oliver Hisehman.  
Sunday school at 10 a.m.  
Preaching services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Be watchful and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die; for I have not found thy works perfect before God. Rev. 3-2.

You are welcome to worship with us.

### GRACE LUTHERAN

J. H. Schmidt, minister.  
Mrs. Clarence Kline S. S. supt.  
Sunday school at 10 a.m. Worship service with sermon by the pastor at 11:15.

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### ZION CHAPEL

#### U. B. IN CHRIST

M. B. Kinsel, pastor.  
Sunday school 10 a.m. Sherman Deaton, supt.  
Morning worship 11 a.m. Subject: When Will Revival Come? Evangelistic service 7:15 p.m.  
Our revival services begin Jan. 9 and continue through Jan. 23. Services each night at 7:45. A welcome awaits you at our church.  
"The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord."

## WAWASEE ART GALLERY

Although the entry date for artists is not until Feb. 20th, the entry blanks are just now being printed, artists from coast to coast are writing in for membership.

The gallery has "made" the three largest national art magazines, and to this must be attributed this unprecedented and early influx of artists.

So far, to mention a few, entries have come in from New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Oregon, and California, from new artists. By new artists is meant, not heretofore members of this gallery.

It bids fair to be a gala year for the Fifth Anniversary of the Wawasee Art Gallery.

The management wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the patrons and the sponsors (Syracuse and Wawasee) and the women's organizations for their loyal support of the Gallery for the past four years. To them goes a great deal of credit for the success of the gallery.

### INSTALL NEW "FLICKER"

A new caution light was installed here this week at corner of Main and Huntington streets, by the Indiana State Highway commission. It shows a yellow light to motorists from all four directions. The Syracuse Electric company did the work.

### SORRY WE'RE LATE

A cold and a touch of the flu slowed us down this week, and the result is we're late in getting The Journal out this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Betes and son and four friends, spent last week at the Betes cottage here. Walter Kegg was in Indianapolis Sunday to visit his daughter, Mrs. Emory Brown and family.

## Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Christman, who have been living in the Dr. Clark residence here, have leased the Snelder home in Goshen and plan to move there in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hinderer have received word of the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Hinderer, of Santa Monica, Calif., on Dec. 20. Mrs. Hinderer suffered a stroke Dec. 15th. She was a sister-in-law of Fred Hinderer, and visited here in 1924. Burial was at Santa Monica.

Seward Heckamand, son of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Heckamand, of Silver Lake, Ind., spent the Christmas holidays here with Eugene Druckamiller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Druckamiller.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jensen and daughter, Karen, of Garrett, and Ida M. Jensen spent New Years day in Elida, O., with the Jensen family, and Cora, Junior Jensen, who was home for a few days. On their way home they called on Mrs. Donald Lower at Mercy hospital, Toledo, O.

Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Schlemmer left Tuesday for the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Voss, of La Grange, Ill. Rev. Schlemmer has been in poor health for some time, and upon the advice of his physician, expects to enter the Presbyterian hospital at Chicago at once for medical treatment. In the absence of Rev. Schlemmer, Rev. C. R. Bitzer and other ministers who are available, will take care of the regular preaching services.

## Indiana Banks Will Again Help in War Loan Drive

Indianapolis, Jan. 3.—Indiana's banks—which have played such an important role in former war loan campaigns—will be still more active in the Fourth War Loan drive under a reorganized financial division of the war finance committee. It was announced today by Eugene C. Fullam, state chairman of the committee.

"The banks and savings and loan associations have been the unsung heroes of the war loan drives," said Mr. Fullam. "More than any other business group, they have helped us reach the people with the war savings program and their task of issuing bonds in this Fourth War drive will be bigger than ever before."

## Thirty

IRA T. HOWARD, 67, PASSES AWAY HERE MONDAY

Ira T. Howard, 67, died at his home here about 5 p.m. Jan. 3, 1944, after a prolonged illness. Mr. Howard was born in Syracuse on August 26, 1876, the son of John T. and Mary Louise Howard. He spent most of his life in this community. Death was caused by heart complications, after an illness of three months.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard moved here from Goshen six years ago to start a newspaper. He had owned a printing office in Goshen prior to that. In past years he was employed in several printing offices of this town, and before his recent illness was employed in the office of The Journal.

The deceased was married to Edith Kehr on Oct. 12, 1901, who survives. Other survivors are two children, Mrs. Isabelle Robinson, of Elkhart, and John K. Howard, of South Bend; two grandchildren, Cordelia and Jon Howard; two half brothers, Roscoe, of Syracuse, and Wallace of California; also a niece, Mrs. Claudine Hull, of Detroit, Mich.

The body was taken to the Culp funeral home, Goshen, and returned to Syracuse Wednesday. Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Thursday from the home. Burial was in the Syracuse cemetery. Rev. Harold Mishler and Rev. Floyd Hedgen officiated.

### HOSTETLER - SCHLECHT

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Marvonne Hostetler, daughter of Rev. J. W. Hostetler of Montpelier, Ohio, and Lieut. (j.g.) E. L. Schlecht, U.S.N.R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Schlecht, of Syracuse.

The vows were read in South Bend, by Rev. Robert Selle, of the Methodist church, on Monday, Dec. 27.

The groom, formerly a teacher at the Hoagland school of Fort Wayne, enlisted in the Naval Reserve in January, 1942. He is now stationed in Miami, Fla., and returned to his post Sunday, Jan. 2. Mrs. Schlecht, a teacher at Lakeville, Ind., will continue her duties there.

### ORLEY BROWN FARM HOME BURNS TO GROUND

The Orley Brown farm home, near Hex Grange, burned to the ground Tuesday noon. All of the household goods on the second floor were lost. Most of the furniture on the ground floor and the fruit in the basement was saved.

This is the fourth fire for the Brown family. Another farm home was burned, their home here in town, and Mr. Brown suffered serious burns in an accident while butchering.

### NEW PRESIDENT OF TOWN BOARD

Wade Zerbe was elected president of the Syracuse town board Tuesday night in the first meeting of the board for 1944. Floyd Brower, elected in November last year for his first term, and Fleiden Shasp are the other members of the board. Mr. Sharp has been president of the board for several years, but since he is now employed at Fort Wayne, has not been able to give the position the time required.

### O. E. S. TO MEET

The Syracuse chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will meet at the lodge hall at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 8th.

### PLAY MILFORD H. S.

REVENGE THIS FRIDAY NIGHT  
Revenge will be the keynote of the Milford-Syracuse tilt to be played on the Milford floor this Friday night, Jan. 7. The Yellow Jackets will strive to avenge the 30-21 trouncing handed them by Milford at the last meeting.

### ENTER U. S. SERVICE

Nineteen county men have entered the armed forces this week. Among them are:

Army: Joe P. Shock, R. 2, Syracuse.  
Navy: Eugene A. Paulus, of Syracuse; Dale R. Stump, R. 2, Milford; Dale D. Strombeck, R. 1, Leesburg; Thurl D. Silver, R. 3, Syracuse.

## State and Federal Taxes Coming Due

### Indiana Gross Income Tax Due by January 31

Gilbert K. Hewitt, director of the Indiana Gross Income Tax division, announced Monday that an excess of 12 tons of tax forms were shipped to the various auto license branches throughout the state in order that they would be available for taxpayers by Jan. 1.

Under the Indiana Gross Income Tax Act, the final day for filing annual gross income tax returns, withholding agent's returns, and information at source returns, is Jan. 31. Every taxpayer shall, if his taxable gross income for a taxable year exceeds \$1,000, make out a return and file it with the Gross Income Tax Division.

### Federal Income Tax Blanks Being Released

Will H. Smith, U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue for Indiana, has advised that the income tax returns for the year 1943 were released Monday, Jan. 3, and that blank copies have been mailed to all taxpayers of record. The income tax returns for the year 1943 must be filed not later than March 15, 1944, with the Collector of Internal Revenue for the district in which the taxpayer resides or has his principal place of business.

Most taxpayers have already made substantial payments on their 1943 federal tax through withholding from their wages or direct payments to the collector, but nevertheless all taxpayers must file annual returns on or before March 15, 1944.

Any single person whose total income in 1943 was \$500 or more. Every husband or wife whose individual income was more than \$624. Every husband and wife whose combined total incomes were \$1200 or more. Every individual who paid or who owed a tax on 1942 income.

### FSA Outlines Plan for Aiding Farmers

Several Kosciusko county farm tenants have applied at the local Farm Security Administration office for a loan to purchase a family type farm under the terms of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act according to L. Festus Minear, prominent county farmer and chairman of the FSA committee in the county.

Chairman Minear, of Claypool, said, however that there should be many other eligible farm tenants who are interested in this type of loan. He stated that, since this loan could be amortized over a 40-year period at 3% per annum, it offered an unusual opportunity for a tenant to become a farm owner.

"This type of assistance," said Mr. Minear, "would allow a limited number of eligible farm tenant families to purchase a farm who might not otherwise be reasonably able to own one for an indefinite period. There have been 425 such loans made in Indiana since the program was announced in 1937. These 425 new farm owners are, almost without exception, far ahead of their repayment schedule; and several have repaid in full."

Mr. Minear stated that any Kosciusko farm tenant who was interested and who was unable to otherwise finance the purchase of land should contact Lawrence A. Watson, FSA supervisor, in the Chinworth building, Warsaw.

### COUNTY B. B. STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.
Piercetown	5	0	1.000
Warsaw	5	0	1.000
Etna Green	6	2	.750
No. Webster	5	2	.714
Mentone	6	3	.667
Syracuse	4	2	.667
Silver Lake	3	2	.600
Milford	3	3	.500
Claypool	4	5	.444
Sidney	4	4	.429
Burket	2	4	.333
Beaver Dam	2	4	.333
Atwood	1	6	.143
Leesburg	0	8	.000