

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

MET ON FEB. 4th
The John C. Adams Woman's Relief Corp No. 278 met in the hall Feb. 4th, with 17 members and two guests present. Stella Swartz, president, was ill and unable to be present, and her place was filled by Bertha Nicolai, who has been president of the Elkhart corp. Bertha Crafton, of Dewart lake, who is field officer and al-

so a member of Nappanee corp. filled Thelma Gingerich's place, in her absence.
Refreshments were served following the meeting. The next meeting will be on Feb. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eyer of Wolf Lake, and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Eyer and son, of Goshen, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Eyer.

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'Teen Age Gossip

Betty Stettler and Annabelle Hunnicutt, were roller skating, recently at Columbia City.

Max Hunnicutt will probably eliminate ice-skating backwards, from his itinerary, for some time, as he had gone through the ice, thus, and was helped out by Alfred Place.

Bob Cox, who had been working at a new drive-in, on Gulf-To-Bay Blvd., Clearwater Florida, and Red Schwarz, in an orange grove, came home, leaving Louie Sheire to carry on.

Rosemary and Alice Gingerich were in Leesburg with relatives, while their parents were in Indianapolis last Friday and Saturday.

Eric and Keith Larson were in South Bend last Saturday for a pre-celebration of Eric's Feb. 7th birthday, by swimming at the Natatorium. They were guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Faye Elliott, for dinner at Smith's Cafeteria, and supper at Mishawaka.

Sandra Dietrick had fifteen guests for cokes, chips and ping-pong, last Saturday evening.

The Teen Age Bible Club of the Lakeside E. U. B. Church held their regular weekly meeting, at the parsonage, last Tuesday night. Mrs. Gerald Bushong gives the weekly lesson, which this week was a subject requested by the group of young people, on 'Studying the Book of Revelations'. The Officers of the Club are: President, Lucile Babcock; Treasurer, Sharon Miner. Sec'y, Darlene Rogers, and Recorder, Shirley Sharp. Further members are Bobby and Shirley Coy, Shirley Sharp, Shirley Cripe, Nancy Cripe, Darlene Rogers, Marie Stiver, Mable Rarig, Lee Oyler, Charles Lantz, and Ralph Bushong. Any young person is welcome to attend these meetings, says Mrs. Gerald Bushong.

The Basket Ball team of the Church of the Brethren played New Salem last Monday night with a score of 60-44 in favor of New Salem.

Lowell Barnhart has been having a rough time trying to get well from a recent illness. He has been at home partly, but tries to carry on at school. Lowell, on orders from Dr. Craig, picked up some expensive medicine at Thornburgs. When the Barnhart's tried to pay for it, payment was refused with the idea advanced that Lowell must get well, without too much expense to his family, but the unknown generous person or persons is having a lot of gratefulness radiated toward them.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Darr, of Burk, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Darr. In the afternoon they all visited Mr. and Mrs. Crist Darr.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riddle left Thursday morning for a several month's visit in Texas and New Mexico in the homes of their five children.

Syracuse Lake News

Mrs. C. K. Kinder, and Phil drove to the South Bend Airport last Sunday to meet Mr. Kinder, who was flying back from a few days business trip at St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gingerich and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Kager, of New Paris, were in Indianapolis last Friday and Saturday. The ladies enjoyed shopping, while the men attended the Heating Convention at the Severin Hotel.

Miss Cora Voss, of Blue Island, Ill., returned home last Sunday after a visit with Miss Priscilla Rhode.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Gottschalk and Linda Sue, visited Mr. Gottschalk's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stagg in Park Ridge, Ill., over last week-end.

Mrs. Pete Harkless will be at Bristol, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dahlstrom for about a week. Mrs. Harkless is still improving from a bad fall, and can get about, with crutches, now.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Miner left last Monday morning for Florida, to travel around, sight seeing, and visiting friends, for about two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. William Stotts, are staying with Mary and Jimmie, while their parents are away.

Mrs. Alva Nicolai has word, from her nephew, Owen Gertsch, that his mother, Essa Gertsch, of Chicago, is confined to a hospital there. Mrs. Gertsch sustained a very bad fall some time ago, breaking her hip. As soon as he may have visitors, her sisters, Mrs. Nicolai, and Mrs. Jesse Rex, will go to see her.

Max Brower, who bought Rev. Purdy's place some time ago, is now finishing the inside, installing bath, kitchen etc., and hopes to have it ready for occupancy early in the spring.

Clarence Whitcomb and family from Michigan, visited last week-end at the home of his sister, Mrs. Willard Nussbaum, where their mother, Mrs. Ruth Whitcomb was being cared for, while ill.

Junior Mother's Club

The Junior Mothers Club met Monday evening, in the home of Mrs. Dorothy Harris with Mrs. Harry Appenzeller and Mrs. Floyd Disher, assisting hostesses.

Mrs. Harris gave a demonstration on food preparation. Choosing her dishes from suggestions given by the members.

During the business meeting it was decided to have a bake sale in the near future.

Mrs. Louis Immell won the dark horse prize. Twenty-four members were present.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Ronald Kramer.

Edgar Rippey of Goshen spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Orval Snobarger.

Charles McClintic of Warsaw, formerly of Syracuse, underwent a major operation, Monday in the McDonald hospital at Warsaw.

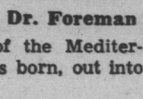


SCRIPTURE: Acts 13:2-14:28
DEVOTIONAL READING: Isaiah 40:3-13

Gospel Goes West

Lesson for February 12, 1950

SO YOU DON'T BELIEVE in foreign missions? Then you can't read the New Testament with any comfort. Every book in it was written either by a missionary, or about missionaries, or to missionaries, or to be used in mission work. Chapters 13 and 14 of Acts tell us about the first organized foreign mission project in the history of the Christian church. It is the story of how the Gospel was taken out of the narrow strip of coastland along the eastern shore of the Mediterranean, where it was born, out into the western world.



Dr. Foreman

The Best They Had

THE FIRST missionary party were not raw untamed men. They were Barnabas and Saul, the top leaders of Antioch. These men had done a great work in Antioch; their usefulness there was not at an end by any means. But the church sent them away to win souls elsewhere. It is a mistake to suppose that just anybody will do as a missionary.

Ignorant people who suppose that missionaries are only the "culls" of the church don't know the facts. A few years ago a scientist, Ellsworth Huntington, made a study of the graduates of Yale and Harvard who were successful enough to be written up in "Who's Who in America." He found that missionaries' sons furnished the largest proportion of these successful men.

The reason for this, he believed, is that only in missionary families do you find that both parents, and not just one, have to go through a rigid sifting process. Only the best—mentally, morally, physically—are accepted by the church today as missionaries.

Strategic Centers

SAUL, or Paul, who came rapidly to the front in the missionary team, was all for efficiency. He never did a thing the hard way if an easier way would save his energy. So we find him heading for the great centers of population.

In the synagogues he would find the most religious people in the city, people who already believed in the One God and who took seriously the Law and the Prophets.

Barnabas and Saul stuck to cities for another reason also. Not that they despised small-town folk, but they knew that cities are where the crowds are. For every dozen people they could reach in a village, there were hundreds to be reached in the cities. So today, mission work has generally concentrated first in the most heavily settled regions.

The Follow-Up

SAUL AND BARNABAS also set the example for later generations in their use of the "follow-up." They did not suppose that simply converting people was enough. There had to be second visits. Some churches Paul visited as many as five times. They would appoint officers in every church. They knew that organized religion is more likely to last than disorganized religion.

They were not fly-by-night evangelists, leaving behind them only an ebbing wave of emotional excitement. Every rose grower knows that it is better to put a 10-cent rose in a 50-cent hole than to put a 50-cent rose into a 10-cent hole.

So Paul did not stick little seedlings of new Christians into barren ground at random; he took pains to see that they were solidly planted in good rose-beds.

The Holy Spirit

THERE IS ANOTHER, and most important, way in which this first missionary effort has set the pace for all since: From beginning to end, they depended on the Holy Spirit. It was the Spirit who first suggested the idea; it was the Spirit who gave the power, and furnished the guidance. Not that the Spirit was or is a substitute for human effort.

But to this very day, if you want to find persons who know about the Holy Spirit at first hand, who know what it means to depend on the Spirit and to be used by Him, then get acquainted with your church's missionaries.

What to so many of us churchgoers is only a name, to them is the deepest reality by which they live.

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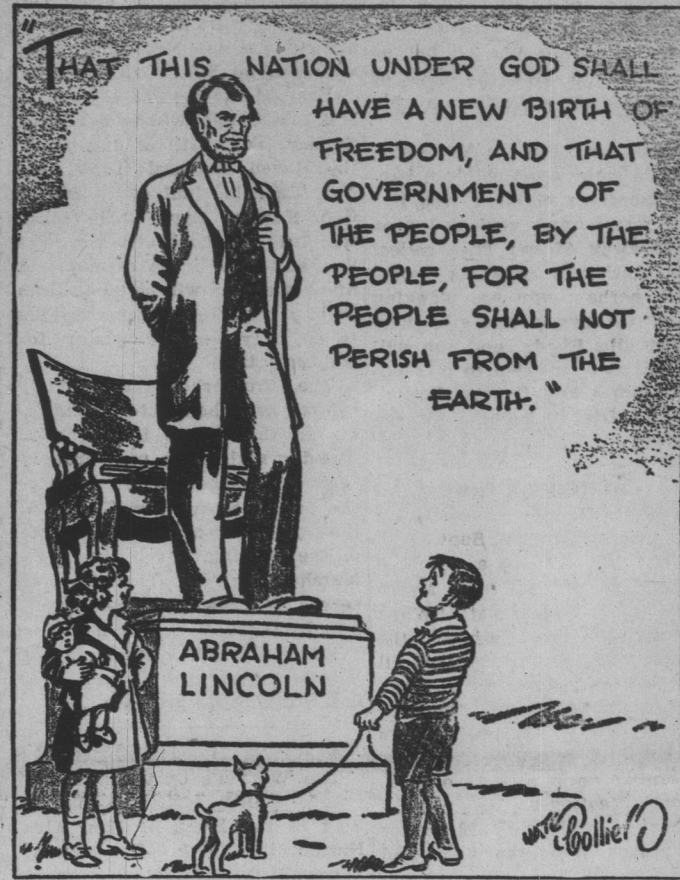
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FILES FOR DIVORCE

Evelyn June Byers, of near Syracuse, has filed a divorce action in circuit court against Dale Eugene Byers. They were married Feb. 17, 1945, and separated on Feb. 2, 1950. The plaintiff alleges cruel and inhuman treatment by the defendant, and asks an absolute divorce; custody of two minor children, Constance Lynn, aged four, and Jennifer Jean, aged two. She also asks alimony of \$1,000 and that the defendant be charged with support of the children, and that he be restrained from the plaintiff's premises.

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