

## Editorial Page

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## Views and Reviews...

Remember the Mothers March of Dimes for the Polio Fund on Thursday evening 30 January, and be sure to turn your porch light on between the hours of 7 and 8 p.m. Fast time, if you want to contribute to this nation-wide drive. Members of each of the four Syracuse Mothers Club are aiding the drive by donating their time and service that evening.

Mrs. Frank Stefanski, Chris Kohler and Woodrow Robinson left yesterday for Hammond where they have been called for grand jury duty. Despite the sometimes grim and serious nature of their duties, we'll wager that this trio will manage some laughs somewhere along the line!

Received your new telephone book yet? We think a great improvement in both size and looks of the book has been made this year—Congratulations to the United Telephone Company of Indiana for producing such a good looking directory.

Bill and Mary Hare, assisted by Kent Hare and Don Nnie, are holding the fort again this winter at Galloway's grocery, while Ruby and Frosty Galloway vacation near Orlando, Florida. The recent pleasant sunny weather has brought customers of "almost like summer time" to the popular store, which is a "Meeting and greeting" spot for weekenders and ice fishermen, as well as the daily regulars.

Skaters almost outnumbered the fishermen during the week end on Wawasee and Syracuse Lakes especially. Local people as well as out-of-towners have taken advantage of the weather and excellent skating conditions that seem better this year than for a number of years. Iceboats and ice-slings added to the fun of winter sports, even automobiles have played (?) on the ice-covered areas. When so many summer residents come for winter week ends to fish, skate and sail on the ice, makes one wonder if more emphasis should be placed on this Hoosier vacationland as a year round resort.

As the last of the Waco structure was dismantled and carried away Saturday, it brought back memories to many who either had worked on the construction of it or had known Waco since its active days. Among these in particular were Russell Warner, Tom Schlecht, and George Mellinger. Warner and Mart Landis, deceased, assembled the steel structure for the building and it was done the hard way, not with the assistance of present day power equipment. Schlecht and Mellinger were the carpenters on the job. Saturday, these three men watched a huge crane transfer each piece, as the structure was disassembled, to a large truck which transported the pieces to South Whitley. The Montel brothers, who have purchased the steel structure for use in another building, accomplished the work in only a few days time.

Speaking of Waco, do you remember its grand opening on the night of 25 May 1923?

Fred Hoopingarner reported seeing four or five robins in his back yard early this week. Bright winter weather in Indiana must be nicer than the cold days and nights southern visitors

## Camp Fire Girls

### WI-NE-CHES-KI

On Monday 20 January the regular meeting of the Wi-Ne-Ches-Ki troop was held at the Scout Cabin.

In the absence of both the president and vice-president, Cheryl Jones, advisor, conducted the meeting.

A practice session was held to review the songs and verses for the Council Fire on 21 January. Scribe, Sally Jo Fosbrink.

### PYTHIAN SISTERS

Installation of officers was the main order of business at the regular meeting of Pythian Sisters Wednesday 15 January. Nineteen members and two guests were present.

Mrs. Lee Poyer was installing officer, Mrs. Lena Brown of Cromwell, grand senior, and Mrs. Bertha Crafton of Milford, grand manager.

Officers installed were Mrs. Martha Whetten, Most Excellent Chief; Miss Florence Moore, past chief; Mrs. Lee Poyer, senior vice; Miss Ella Unruh, junior vice; Mrs. Alto Babcock, secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth Pollock manager; Mrs. Marguerite Forrest, protector; Mrs. Elva Con-McPherson, staff captain.

### BUNCO CLUB

Eleven members of the Bunco Club met with Mrs. Joe Hughes. The meeting opened with a short business meeting.

Prizes for bunco winners went to Mrs. Donald Niles, Mrs. Gene Gordon and Mrs. Frank Ringler.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and her assistant Mrs. Warren Benson.

The next meeting will be held 19 February at the home of Mrs. Ernest Rogers.

### ATTEND CELEBRATION AT FORT WAYNE

Some 125 guests attended the celebration of Mr. and Mrs. John Fleming in Fort Wayne Sunday.

Guests came from Warsaw Mrs. Fleming's former home Fort Wayne, Rochester, Battle Creek, Michigan and Syracuse.

Their six daughters and most all of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren were there. The daughters are Mrs. Rebecca Kitson, Mrs. Raymond Kitsor and Mrs. Daniel Jones of Syracuse; Mrs. David Lindstrom of Greenville, Ohio, Mrs. Ed Gillic and Miss Gertrude Fleming of Fort Wayne.

A stone cutter by trade, Mr. Fleming had been employed by the Indiana Conservation Department for 18 years and had served at several fish hatcheries before coming to the Wawasee hatchery in 1920, a post which he held for fifteen years.

## Public Records Filed

**NOTE:** "Lien Intent" is often recorded by builders and suppliers as future protection and does not necessarily mean the bill is due, nor immediately payable.

### Releases Lien

Robert Myers, Syracuse, has filed notice that he is releasing a mechanic's lien against T. Cook Company, of Turkey Creek township, in the sum of \$60 for supplies furnished.

### Notice of Intent to File Mechanic's Lien

By Syracuse Lumber company against Benjamin Twigg, of Cogden Island, Lake Wawasee, for \$2,513.57 due for improvement to residence.

### Lease Property

Dora Hobbs, of Albion, has signed a lease with the Shell Oil company of Indiana. Mrs. Hobbs is leasing a station located in Syracuse.

### Assigns Contract

Donald Byrd has assigned a contract to Kenneth Matchett to do repair work on the Wawasee golf course for the sum of \$1,000. Both Byrd and Matchett are of Lake Wawasee.

are running away from.

Mrs. F. Reinbold tells of the damages from freezing temperatures at Daytona Beach which her sister has written about recently. Fruit and vegetable crops have been hit badly and are a sad sight to see.

An Old Timer is a fellow who remembers when a man did his own withholding on his take-home pay.

A new survey finds that 25,000 U. S. citizens are working for American business abroad. Thirty oil firms employ the greatest number—a total of 10,840.

## Introducing MADAME PRESIDENT



Serving for the second time as resident of The Ladies of the Round Table is Mrs. Noble Blocker. A member of the literary club for twenty-three years, Mrs. Blocker has contributed to the club in many capacities and served as treasurer, secretary and vice-president in the three years immediately preceding her first term as president in 1939-1940.

Organized in 1923, the first president of the Round Table was Mrs. C. R. Hollet. It later became affiliated with the Kosciusko County Federated clubs. Its main project in addition to the regular program is the sponsorship of the Junior Ladies of Round Table whose membership is drawn from girls in the Syracuse high school and lasts until graduation.

Born in Fairmount, Indiana, 12 miles from Marion, Mrs. Blocker was nine years old when her mother died and she went to live in Monessen, Pennsylvania, with her sister, Mrs. Willard Elkins, now a Syracuse resident of several years. When she was ready for high school the family was living in Birmingham, Alabama. After her freshman year they moved to Etna Green where she was a sophomore. Her third year of high school she attended the Warsaw school and during her senior year they lived in Sweetzer, Indiana.

It was in Sweetzer that she began her banking experience when she started working there after graduation. For many of the sixteen years that she was employed in the Sweetzer bank, she was assistant cashier. It was here that she met, Noble Blocker, whose father was minister of the Methodist church. After their marriage in 1927 the Blockers moved to Marion where their two sons, John and James, were born.

The family moved to Syracuse in June 1934 when Mr. Blocker became associated with Syracuse Bank as cashier. In 1944 when their youngest son, Jimmy, was nine and school hours corresponded with bank hours, Mrs. Blocker accepted a position in the bank where she has been employed for the past thirteen years.

Their two sons are now grown and each has completed his tour of duty in the U. S. Service at home and abroad. John, the older, is now employed at the Syracuse State Bank and Jimmy is with the American Fletcher National Bank in Indianapolis where he is training in the Cost Accountant department.

Her greatest pride among club activities is the origin of the mothers club in 1935 a year after moving to Syracuse. Instrumental in forming the group, Mrs. Blocker said it proved so popular and the membership was so large that a second club was formed. Later a third group organized. The original group became known as Senior Mothers and the other two groups are the

## GRASSROOTS OPINION

CATSKILL, N. Y. ENTERPRISE: "Statistics are working in favor of older employees in industry and the premise that they are less productive is being continually disproved. The Industrial Bulletin, published by the New York State Dept. of Labor, opines that output man-hours show little significant variation among age groups. The magazine gives figures to show that older workers have a better attendance record than younger employees and that older workers have fewer accidents on the job. Hiring older workers is good sound business practice. Their experience gained through the years is indispensable."

HARMONY, MINN. NEWS: "To train children at home, it's necessary for both the parents and children to spend some time there."

LAKE CITY, IOWA GRAPHIC: "The federal government owns billions of dollars worth of . . . businesses that are not paying any taxes. It takes our tax dollars to keep them operating. These should be sold and applied to our public debt. Six to ten billions in taxes could be saved in this manner."

LINDSBORG, KAN. NEWS-RECORD: "Anza-Amen Lema, whose home is in Tanganyika East Africa . . . is attending Bethany College. Lema told me that one of the greatest problems in his country was to make his people believe that a government could be operated the way ours is, in the United States. That is, that everyone can take a stand on government operation, can vote for the individuals, in our free elections, can criticize our governmental operations if they are not in agreement with what our lawmakers are doing. These things, he stated, are difficult to get across to his people and it is his belief that our government is going to have to make a definite effort to get these things across to the peoples of many foreign countries if we are to halt the spread of Communism."

NORWALK, CONN. HOUR: "In 1887, the first federal regulatory agency in this country was set up with the establishment of the Interstate Commerce Commission to regulate the railroads. In the 70 years since . . . there are . . . no fewer than 115 lesser bodies with authority to make rules and regulations, investigate complaints and judge the findings. They are rightly called quasi-judicial agencies . . . It is now the personification of big government."

## Road Grader Lost

Tim Motts reports that a two wheel road grader is missing from the Wawasee Airport grounds. The grader belongs to Orley Brown and had been used by Motts at the airport. If anyone has "borrowed" it, or knows where it is, please notify Motts at the airport.

## PARDON, MY ERROR!

JACK, HAVE YOU HEARD OF NAPLES, THE FAMOUS ITALIAN PORT?

NO—IS IT EXPENSIVE A BOTTLE?

