



CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY — Mrs. Edith Baumgartner, Milford, seated in the middle, a volunteer for the Kosciusko County Red Cross blood bank for the past 29 years, celebrated her birthday with all who donated blood. Her birthday was Friday, Aug. 31, the same day the bloodmobile was in Milford.

Seated behind the cake is Elizabeth Tobin, Mrs. Baumgartner, and Betty Scott. In the back row are Inez Devenney, Mary Reece and Joy Mishler. All are volunteers for the American Red Cross.

School board accepts \$2,720,845 budget

There were no remonstrators at the budget hearing for the Lakeland Community Schools last Thursday evening. The board approved a total of \$4,384,428 in the general fund; \$750,139 in debt service fund; \$112,000 in the cumulative building fund and \$273,923 for the transportation fund.

The proposed rates and levies on \$72,960,000 of taxable property will remain at the proposed rates.

Probation granted former resident

Peggy Slusher, 20, a former resident of Syracuse, was returned to Kosciusko County from the Indiana Women's Prison at Westville for a probation hearing before Judge Gene B. Lee, on Tuesday, Aug. 28. She received probation in Kosciusko Circuit Court.

Slusher had been sentenced to a two-year term on May 15, after she was convicted of burglary, a Class C felony.

Judge Lee suspended the remainder of her sentence and placed her on probation for one year. The terms of her probation were: that she is to obtain and maintain employment; report all incomes, expenditures and debts

of \$2,41 for general; \$58 for debt service; \$32 for cumulative building; and \$33 for transportation for a total of \$3,74 in proposed rates. The total amount of money to be raised is \$2,720,845.

Other business by the board that evening was the acceptance of three staff recommendations. According to Don Arnold, school superintendent, the number of moves in has equaled the number of move outs this year.

Also the board trustees nominated Bill Little to serve as the Lakeland School Board representative at the State School Board Meeting, October 3-5 in the Indianapolis Convention Center.

Those new staff members accepted were Paula Popenfoose, fifth grade teacher at Milford Junior High; Kathryn Bishop, third grade, Syracuse Elementary; and Douglas Hutsell, careers, Wawasee High School.

incurred by herself to the probation officers on request; pay and discharge court costs

She was charged after she and three other persons allegedly broke into the Syracuse Enterprises on January 9.

County receives fall advancement

Cindy Sue Gibbs, 22, Syracuse, was booked on a warrant for forgery (Class C felony) at the jail last week. She was charged with intent to defraud the First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Wabash, Syracuse branch, by forging a \$200 check on the New Paris Speedway to Cindy Todd.

Checks for \$20-million are being sent to the 92 Indiana counties as an advancement on the fall 1979 distribution from the property tax replacement fund. PTRF Board Chairman and Revenue Commissioner Donald H. Clark said last week.

"The 92 checks amounted to \$20,394,479.67, which represents

15 per cent of what the counties will be receiving from the PTRF fund this fall. Another 15 per cent advancement has been authorized for September," he added.

Kosciusko County received \$165,210.90.

Clark explained that the law requires the state to distribute the funds by May 1 and November 1 of each year, but the board authorizes early distribution to aide counties faced with potential borrowing.

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her daughter and her husband.

Milford Native

Those of Earleen (Fisher) Tatro are not surprised that her enterprise as a probing reporter had led her into conflict with the Khomeini government in Iran.

She is the daughter of Noble and Donna Fisher of Milford, where she graduated from high school in 1964. Even as a high school student she had journalistic ambitions. She wrote a school column for the old Milford Mail.

She went on to study journalism at Indiana University at Bloomington and in her senior year served as a stringer for the Indianapolis office of The Associated Press. She graduated from IU in 1968, then went to work for AP in Indianapolis. She was moved to a desk in New York where she handled wire stories.

Earleen met her husband, who was working for AP in Florida, in a conversation over the AP wire. Nicholas moved to New York where the two worked together for a time and then were married.

For the past two years the Tatos have been living in Cairo, he as an AP foreign correspondent and she as a free lance writer. Mr. Tatro has interviewed Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat on several occasions and has been in the Mid-East peace initiative.

Earleen decided to accompany her husband to Iran, but their stay there was brief. The Fishers had a letter from Earleen on Tuesday stating they were going to Iran, and, on Monday, they had a phone call from Earleen from Tehran, in which she mentioned they would be in Iran for only a brief time.

The project is funded by a \$10,000 grant from the American

Drowning —

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and the County Sheriff's Department were sent out to search for the missing boy at 4:30 p.m. and searched until 7 Tuesday night. No body has been found. Search operations resumed around 10 a.m. this morning (Wednesday).

Damage to the Jones' boat is estimated to be \$6,000, and \$8,000 damage to the Myer's boat. Sheriff's Department Reserve Lake Patrol Officer Dick Waterson, Syracuse Officer Dan Gallmeier and conservation officers are also investigating the incident.

After graduation he resigned from his commission, where he would have been a Second Lieutenant. While living in Colorado he is hoping to go into a construction business for himself. He owns a home in that state.

For the past several weeks the Lions have been running advertisements listing items that will be sold. These include tractors, trucks, toppers, snowmobiles, a number of farm items, chain saws, stoves, firewood, fence posts, bicycles, and 220 pounds of beef.

Items will be accepted on the sale grounds, the Milford Large Animal Clinic at the north edge of town, on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 6 and 7, from 2 until 7 p.m. and on Saturday, Sept. 8, from 8 until 10 a.m.

Lee Beer and Everett Rookstool are serving as auctioneers.

'It's not the heat, it's the humidity,' and more

WEST LAFAYETTE — "It's not the heat, it's the humidity." You'll hear that complaint frequently, as humidity levels make the air outside feel like a steam bath.

This summer villain does more than just irritate people, though. It also provides ideal conditions for mildew growth, according to Sue Badenhop, extension housing specialist at Purdue University.

Mildew flourishes in places that are damp, warm, dark and poorly ventilated, Badenhop says. Basements, seldom-used closets, crawl spaces and shower curtains are particularly vulnerable. It is also likely to develop in new homes, where moisture lingers in the building materials.

As mildew grows, it can cause considerable harm and seriously damaged items may not be salvageable. Preventing the conditions favorable to

mildew growth is the key to stopping it.

Although you cannot control the humidity levels outside, you can control the dampness inside your home, Badenhop states. For example, automatic clothes dryers should be vented to the outside. Basement dampness can be reduced by waterproofing and replacing cracked or defective mortar. To insure that outside drainage is adequate, all downspouts should drain away from the house.

In a crawl space, good ventilation plus a vapor barrier over the soil will help keep the area dry.

When the air outside is drier than that inside, open the windows and ventilate the house, the specialist recommends. Small electric fans or window exhaust fans will help.

Air out your closets and drawers frequently. Be certain clothes and shoes are thoroughly

dry before putting them away.

One of the most effective deterrents to mildew is the dehumidifier, which draws moisture from the air and condenses it. Dehumidifiers are especially helpful in damp basements and other areas where excessive moisture accumulates. Air conditioners will also help to remove moisture from your home, Badenhop notes.

Several chemicals are available to aid in mildew control. Silica gel, activated alumina and calcium chloride can be used to absorb moisture from the air. These products are sold under various brand names by drugstores, department stores and building supply dealers. Label instructions should be followed carefully, she cautions.

Because the molds causing mildew need food and moisture to survive, be sure that your stored items are as clean and dry as possible, Badenhop emphasizes.

Bicycle stolen

An All Pro bicycle, black with no fenders and bumpy tires was stolen from Jim Bartman, 213, West Main Street, Syracuse. He advised police at 4:17 p.m. Monday, that the bike was taken from the front yard between 7 p.m. Sunday and 7 a.m. on Monday.

New ideas old ideas disguised

Sometimes new ideas are just old ideas in disguise, says Michael Lee, extension home furnishing specialist at Purdue University.

As average home sizes get smaller and smaller, builders are attempting to provide storage space in appropriate and unique ways. It appears that one answer is the "modular closet" now being offered in the larger cities across the country.

According to Lee, these "modular closets" are today's answer to Grandmother's wardrobe cabinet or "shift-robe" as it was called by some.

It appears that housing is evolving past the point where large closets help sell the house. In order for many to afford the house, closets may soon be a piece of furniture like a bed or dresser, Lee says.

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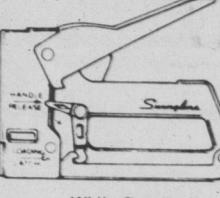
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