

Highly-Regarded Woman Claimed At Maria Stein

Mrs. Anna Menker Passes
In Home Of Son After
Prolonged Illness

135 DESCENDANTS LEFT

Funeral Mass Will Be Read
In St. John's Church
Saturday Morning

Death claimed one of the most widely-known residents of the Mercer county area west of Minster Tuesday night when Mrs. Anna Menker, aged 78 years, succumbed in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Postmaster and Mrs. Urban B. Menker, at Maria Stein.

Mrs. Menker, a native of St. Sebastian and a highly-respected member of the Maria Stein community for many years, had been in failing health for a period of 10 months. She was bedfast during the last seven weeks of her life. Death was attributed to a complication of ailments.

The aged woman, who leaves more than 130 descendants, was born on Jan. 16, 1865, a daughter of the late Henry and Caroline (Kremer) Will, early-day members of prominent Mercer county families. She became the bride of Henry Borgert, also of St. Sebastian, in 1882, and he died 10 years later.

Four children were born to this first union, three of whom are living, namely Mrs. Adelaide Klosterman of Montezuma, John Borgert of St. Henry, and Miss Catherine Borgert of Dayton. A son, Bernard, died on Nov. 4, 1942.

In 1896 she was married a second time, becoming the wife of Henry Menker, well-known Maria Stein man. Eight children were born to this marriage, five of whom are living. They are: Urban B. Menker, Maria Stein postmaster and business man; Alvin Menker, St. Mary's; Mrs. Bertha Puthoff, St. Patrick's; Clarence Menker, Dayton, and Mrs. Lorene Dorsten, Dayton. A daughter, Mrs. Erna Graffan, died at Lima in 1937, and two children were claimed in infancy. Mr. Menker, a carpenter all his life, died in 1930.

Two stepchildren are living, namely Joseph Menker and Mrs. Mary Fink, both of Dayton.

There are 66 grandchildren and 63 great-grandchildren. Eight of the grandchildren now are in service of their country, in the armed forces.

Three brothers and one sister are living: John Will of Burkettsville, Henry Will of Coldwater, Theodore Will of Dayton, and Mrs. Rosa Rose of St. Sebastian. Mrs. Menker was a lifelong and devout Catholic, and at her time of departure from this life was fortified by having received the last sacrament of the church. She was a member of the St. Ann sodality of the St. John church parish.

Funeral services have been arranged for 10 a. m. Saturday, in the St. John church. The Rev. Benno Heller will officiate. Burial will be made in the church cemetery.

FARM PRODUCERS HEAR L. J. TABER

"Shall We Eat Tomorrow?" was the subject of a discourse given by L. J. Taber, past master of the National Grange, before 400 members of the Wapakoneta Producers' Cooperative Commission association who attended the eighth annual meeting at Wapakoneta last Thursday night.

Mr. Taber declared America will eat tomorrow if her farmers produce today and her soldiers win the war. He foresaw fulfillment of both aims.

Clarence D. Brown, Auglaize county agricultural agent, urged greater crops and livestock production this year, and declared that "farmers of this county have shown willingness to go along in the war program with little complaint."

Parity Change Advocates Gain As Group Okehs Bill

Would Add Nearly A Billion Dollars To Cost Of
Living In 1943, Congressmen Asserts

The farm bloc's drive for higher parity prices gained headway a few days ago when the house of representatives agriculture committee at Washington unanimously approved a bill to revise the parity formula to include cost of all farm labor, including that of a farmer's family.

Parity is a theoretical price designed to give a bushel of wheat, for example, the same value in terms of purchasing power that it had in a past period favorable to agriculture. Farm labor costs have not hitherto figured in the complicated formula. Because farm wages have risen, their inclusion now would raise the parity level.

Representative Pacc (Dem., Ga.), author of the revision bill, said it would create "no considerable increase" in the cost of living this year, "certainly less than \$1,000,000,000."

"Unalterable opposition" by President Roosevelt last fall staved off enactment of the parity change. Government experts then contended it would raise parity levels, used in computing wartime agricultural price ceilings and floors, by 10 to 12 percent and would lead to an inflationary rise in the cost of living.

"In 1944," Pacc said, "the parity change would increase the cost of living by less than four percent. This is due to

the fact that many of the principal commodities now are selling under present ceilings at more than the recalculated parity would be."

Following the committee action, Representative Hope of Kansas, ranking Republican member, said:

"I think it is very necessary to include the cost of labor if we are going to be able to get the production we must have during the war period. The farmer must be enabled to pay the labor he needs to produce food. I believe the attitude of many who have opposed this legislation has changed."

Committee Chairman Fulmer (Dem., N. C.) said he hoped to get the bill before the house for action soon, and he predicted it soon would be on the President's desk.

"I believe the prompt passage of this bill is not only just," he said, "but it will be of great assistance in retaining labor on the farm as well as procuring the additional labor needed to meet the war production goals."

The parity pre-revision would affect all agricultural commodities. Present law provides that no ceilings may be placed on farm products at less than 100 percent of parity, and provides a wartime price floor for basic commodities.

Rev. John E. Kuhn Named Monsignor

Brother Of Minster Man Is
Elevated By Pope Pius
Message Reveals

Signally honored by being named papal chamberlain and elevated to the dignity of monsignor by Pope Pius XII within the past week was the Very Rev. Msgr. John E. Kuhn, brother of Barney Kuhn of Minster, according to word received by the Kuhn family.

Msgr. Kuhn, administrator of St. Louis' church in downtown Cincinnati, was born in Botkins Feb. 21, 1898, and attended local schools there. His studies for the priesthood were made at St. Mary's Seminary of the West and he was ordained May 26, 1923. He was named assistant in Corpus Christi parish, Dayton, in June, 1923, and from April till September, 1924, was pastor pro tem of St. Bridget's, Xenia. Following this he served as an assistant in St. Peter in Chains Cathedral until April, 1925, when he was appointed to assist in St. Raphael's parish in Springfield.

His next appointment was to St. Catherine's, Westwood, Cincinnati, in July, 1935; this was followed a month later by an assignment to St. Mary's, Cincinnati. In February, 1936, Msgr. Kuhn was named administrator of Our Lady of Loretto, Linwood, Cincinnati, a position he held until appointed to St. Louis in September, 1938.

In his priestly career Msgr. Kuhn has served as archdiocesan spiritual director of CCC camps, assistant national secretary of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, assistant director of the archdiocesan Laymen's Retreat movement, local director of the NODL, and national director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

There are no Negroes in the Argentine republic.

Figures presented by E. K. Jackson, manager of the association, showed the yards in 1942 handled 13,371 cattle, 6,910 calves, 54,520 hogs, 22,361 sheep, for a total of 97,171 head. Value of this livestock was \$3,172,909, a gain of nearly \$1,000,000 over 1941.

Net worth of the Wapakoneta Producers as of Jan. 1 was given as \$55,862.

FARM GROUP PLANS ANNUAL MEETING

Directors of the Wapakoneta Production Credit association have selected Feb. 3 for the annual meeting in Auglaize county, to be held at Wapakoneta. Meetings will be conducted in several counties instead of at one central place this year, because of the transportation situation.

W. M. Cory, secretary-treasurer, will discuss 1942 activities of the organization among farmer-members who reside in Auglaize, Mercer, Van Wert, Allen, Shelby and Logan counties. One farmer is to be elected to the association's five-member board of directors.

OIL "BOOM" SEEN AT FT. RECOVERY

With the coming of spring, Fort Recovery, historic Mercer county village of 2,000, anticipates activity in development of oil fields in its community the like of which it has never seen.

Drilling of a well late in November of last year, which turned out a good producer, resulted in a scramble by oil men to lease land west and south of there. It is estimated between 4,000 and 5,000 acres already have been contracted for.

The well in question, drilled on the "old Ford place" south of the village, was sunk 40 feet in Trenton rock and a total of 1,123 feet. It filled in two and a half hours and drilling was suspended. When tubing was run over, in a test the well produced, through tubing, 57 barrels in nine hours and 50 minutes.

In the opinion of oil men active in this well indicates opening of a new pool extending a number of miles. Considering oil shortages, the low cost of drilling and long-producing life of wells in general, leases in the area are considered a good investment.

All oil produced in the area is used for fuel and is trucked direct to manufacturing plants engaged 100 percent in defense work.

Indicating longtime production of wells in the Ft. Recovery community is one drilled 45 years ago on the John Post farm. It is producing today.

Mineral wool is said to be the oldest modern insulation in the world. It was first made in Wales, England, in 1840.

Army Inducts 96 Out Of 127 Auglaize Men

Large Group Ends Furlough
Time And Enters Active
Service Thursday

MANY GO FROM SHELBY

15 Enlistments Reported As
Call For 117 Men Next
Month Is Received

Ninety-six out of 127 Auglaize county young men, home in furlough after passing final army physical examinations at Camp Perry, near Toledo, returned to the induction center to enter active service on Thursday of this week. They are:

Robert Milo Campbell, Milford Ellsworth Burden, Robert L. Bice, Robert Grant Crider, John Robert Snider, Theodore Ambrose Miller, Frederick Henry Arnett, James Neil McClintock, Dallas Richard Howell, Robert Joseph Kinninger, Paul Richard Zink, William James Whalen, James Jacob Seitz, James Arthur Abbott, Thomas Riley Stevenson, Dale Arthur Metzger, Stanley Blaine Spyker, Ronald Guy Campbell, Robert Andrew Gehrlieh, Leonard Franklin Lunz, Pat Moran, William A. C. Butler, Robert Edward Schroeder, Thomas George Schumann, Richard Joseph Harshbarger, Mark Luther Wisener, Clifford Eugene King, Kenneth Eugene Metz, Bill Jacob McCormick, Charles Bennett Miller, Philip Richard Schneider, Wapakoneta city and rural routes.

Thomas Alva Fisher, Wilbur William Dohse, Roger Frederick Howe, Howard Marion Craft, Charles Raymond Young, Homer Leo Sweigert, Wallace Albert Schmidt, Roger Frederick Braun, Glen Nelson Sneathkamp, Bernard Leroy Hammond, Paul William Heil, Kenneth Ellsworth Krauss, Harold Raymond Sandkull, Richard Winston Hobler, Eugene Kenneth Daniels, Leroy Lewis Nagel, William George Poppe, Calvin Dean Lamners, Charles Eugene Hanson, Charles Joseph Miley, Herbert Don Henning, Robert Edward Kellermeyer, Herbert Charles Vale, Douglas Wayne Burris, Vernon Frederick Schmarke, St. Marys city and rural routes.

Louis John Brandeville, Urban John Kramer, Roger William Frericks, Vernon Bernard Bockrath, Edward Frank Landwehr, James Henry Hoying, Minster village and rural route; Donald Max Patton, Lawrence William Porter, Lima; Charles Marion Briggs, Carl Frederick Sunderhand, Max Bowersock, Johnnie Albert Gaskill, Spencerville; Leonard Stephen Schleiter, Delphos; Ralph Waldo Swancy, Dale George Strawser, Nelson Harry Gilroy, Robert John McCright, Carl Victor Earl, Nelson Victor Babcock, Waynesfield village and rural route; Paul Ursel Nungesser, Toledo.

Robert Franklin Schnelle, Dale Henry Medderjohn, William Thomas Moots, Orin Julius Roetger, Ferdinand J. Ludecke, Don Edwin Pape, New Bremen village and rural route; Charles Muck Mecker, Cridersville; Gerald Eugene Dickson, Wilbur Glenn Mahan, St. Johns; Kenneth Eugene Regula, Jackson Center; Marion James Lee, Buckland; Richard Leroy Davison, Wayne, Mich.; Ralph Henry Campbell, Santa Fe.

Within the past week in Shelby county 46 men went to Fort Hayes at Columbus for final physical examinations, 47 reported at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., to begin active service after completing post-induction furloughs, and 15 enlistments were reported in these branches of the armed forces.

Those who enlisted were: Oscar Benz, Ralph Borland, army; Glenn Zimmerman, Frank Tuck, army; Daniel Cartwright, Bill Aschbach, Edward Leach, Raymond Snow, Don Marcel Beezy, Harold Raidon, Leroy John Nicholson, navy; Marcellus Glass, Levon Stockstill, Richard

'42 Federal Wheat Loans Will Mature On April 30

With About 500,000,000 Bushels Pledged For Loans,
U. S. Owns 250,000,000 Outright

Government loans on the 1942 wheat crop will mature on April 30, grain men said this week, and farmers must decide before that date whether to redeem their grain or turn it over to the Commodity Credit corporation.

It is estimated there are about 500,000,000 bushels of wheat pledged for loans and more than 250,000,000 bushels owned outright by the government.

Holdings of the government, however, are said to be decreasing rapidly because of large sales for feeding purposes and the more extensive use of wheat for distilling. Sales of wheat for feed purposes are estimated by some grain men as high as 5,000,000 bushels weekly.

Grain men also believe there is a very sizable amount being held back on the farms. This is the "free wheat" neither owned outright by the government nor under a government loan.

With ceilings placed on flour, some millers have claimed that wheat prices do not permit them to turn wheat into flour at a profit. Consequently, there is a desire to get the "free wheat" moving to market in greater quantities than it has been moving.

This week there was talk that the Commodity Credit corporation might exercise the privilege of calling its loans. The "call" privilege had been written

into all government wheat loans, but the CCC has never exercised it. According to reports, the Office of Price Administration wished to see loans called or ceilings placed on wheat.

Grain men said that, if loans were called, there would not only be a redemption of wheat from the loan but some of the "free wheat" would then probably come to market. All of this, it was claimed, would help alleviate the wheat supply situation in those areas which are still complaining of lack of supplies.

Thus the OPA ceilings on flour and bread would be maintained, it was said.

There are some members of the grain trade who are skeptical of this talk about wheat ceilings and call of loans. Thompson and McLannan, a large warehouse, said, "We suspect that the motives behind reports that a ceiling on wheat prices is considered more than likely an effort on the part of officials to keep the matter a live issue through the press so that constant repetition of the threat of ceilings or calling on loans will be the means of shaking producers loose from their holdings."

Catapults of the crossbow type were invented by Dionysius, the tyrant of ancient Syracuse, in 399 B. C.

TO HOLD AUGLAIZE CLASS B TOURNEY

Voting four to three as favoring holding a class B basketball tournament in Auglaize county this year, superintendents of the several schools decided to stage the event at Wapakoneta. Single elimination will be the rule of play instead of double elimination as was followed last year. There were no league games played in the county this year.

Teams to compete in the tournament will be Waynesfield, New Bremen, Minster, Cridersville, New Knoxville, Buckland and New Hampshire. New Knoxville holds the county title at present, with Cridersville the runner-up.

Ash, Marcel Schweiger, marines. Entering active service were: Allen Coleman Watkins, Raymond Vernon Allen, John Herman Baker, William Richard Wohle, Frederick Henry Maurer, Robert Godfrey Schwepe, Harold Edwin Wentz, Francis Joseph Gold, John Henry Spraul, Claire Nelson Boone, Hugh Arthur Richards, Carl Vernon Little.

Albert Jacob Benninger, Marion Martz Zimpler, Don Mervel Adams, George William Weber, Arnold Frederick Post, Philip Paul Yeager, James H. Knouff, Richard Ray Abbott, Billy Lee Partington, Robert Wayne Monroe, Darrell Eugene Albaugh, James Harry Russel.

Norman Vernon Griffis, Charles Robert Reincke Jr., Richard Paul Guesching, Howard Clinton Doseck, Robert Eugene Dodge, Paul Frederick Kinsel, Kenneth Eugene Edwards, Kenneth Albright Quellhorst, Lester Carlisle Wilson, Samuel Amos Catterman, Virgil Leroy Layman.

Kermit Randolph Monnin, Robert Reuben Gruebmeier, Lawrence Lester Pender, Oscar Cletus Drees, John Milton Ehl, Charles William Hetzler, Hugh Emerson Frey, Victor Henry Olson, Marlon Elliott Harrod, Robert Allen Ross.

West Auglaize War Fund Quota \$13,800

If Sum Is Raised, \$4,500 Will
Be Retained For Work
Of Local Chapter

Officers of the West Auglaize chapter of the Red Cross were notified this week that the chapter's quota for the 1943 war fund campaign, to be carried out during March, is \$13,800. If the whole amount is raised, \$9,300 will be sent to national headquarters and \$4,500 retained in the local treasury. Last year the chapter raised \$7,000 for the war fund.

Herman J. Land of New Bremen is chairman for the war fund drive. Glen J. Steve of St. Marys will be chairman for the campaign there; Paul Dine will have charge in Minster; Earl Kuenning, at New Bremen; R. J. Stauffer, at New Knoxville, and L. A. Haeseker in the townships.

Among the undertakings which the Red Cross is carrying out or is held responsible for are:

Collection of 4,000,000 pints of blood to be used in the blood bank for treatment of men in the armed forces wounded in service.

Providing recreation facilities and offering many other services to men in the armed forces wherever they may be serving. Establishment in every camp of army and navy auxiliaries of wives of men in service.

Providing nursing service, with 30,000 first reserve nurses called for service and with 35,000 more being sought during this year.

Conducting home nursing classes in local communities to acquaint housewives with methods of caring for the sick in the home. Holding of first aid and water safety classes in local communities.

Sewing and knitting and making surgical dressings.

Thomas Carey, Paul Eugene Address, Clyde E. Locker, John Richard White.

Forest Val Gerstner, Clem Thomas Crusey, Warren Benjamin Loy, Warren Benjamin Harbert, Joseph Kerber Jr., Joseph Halberstam, Sylvan Jacob Paul, Marvin Wilson Faler, Vernon George Moothart, Ralph Joseph Grillo, Leroy Henry Coffield, Sylvester Charles Behr.

Lowell J. Goubeaux, Robert Eugene Burley, Dale Benjamin

Frank Fortkamp Laid To Rest At St. Rose Tuesday

Lifelong Community Citizen
Victim Of Heart Attack
In His Residence

MRS. J. N. FRANCIS DIES

Lingering Illness Is Ended
Monday Services Are
Held Thursday

Final rites were held Tuesday morning in the St. Rose Catholic church at St. Rose for Frank Fortkamp, aged 65 years and 10 months, who died suddenly and unexpectedly in his farm residence at 10:30 p. m. last Friday.

Mr. Fortkamp, a lifelong and ever a useful member of the community in which he lived, was stricken without warning with a heart attack. His death occurred four months after his wife, Josephine, passed in a similar manner, also from a heart attack.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Herman Fortkamp he was born at St. Rose on March 9, 1877. His marriage to Josephine Hartings took place in the St. Rose church on Sept. 7, 1903. Left to mourn the death of a kind and providing father are children as follows:

Mrs. Albert Mueller, Osgood; Herman Fortkamp, Columbus; Norbert Fortkamp, Dayton; Leonard and Ray, and Misses Regina and Erna Fortkamp, at home; Staff Sgt. Edward Fortkamp, Stinson Field, San Antonio, Texas; Pvt. Frank Fortkamp, Ft. Thomas, Ky. There are six grandchildren.

Surviving brothers and sisters are John Fortkamp of Maria Stein, Herman Fortkamp of Coldwater, and Mrs. Mathias Bonholdt of Coldwater.

Mr. Fortkamp was a farmer all his life and was successful in his chosen field. He was a life-long and faithful member of the Catholic church and of the St. Rose parish. He was a member of the St. Rochus community, Knights of St. John, of Maria Stein.

Rev. Raphael Schmaus conducted the funeral services Tuesday. Interment followed in the church burial ground.

Funeral services were held in Holy Angels church at Sidney Thursday morning for Mrs. Elizabeth (Meyers) Francis, 62, wife of Jule N. Francis, who died in her farm residence on the Infirmary road in the Avondale community of Shelby county, early Monday morning. She was bedfast six weeks with a heart complication. Burial was made in Graceland cemetery at Sidney.

Surviving with the husband are eight children: Walter W., Lima; Clarence and Adrian, at home; Mrs. John J. Meyer, Sidney; Mrs. Louis Treon, Piqua; Mrs. Norbert Faller, Dayton; Mrs. Laurel Lucas, Sidney; Miss Mildred, at home. A brother and two sisters are living: William Meyers, Piqua; Mrs. John Francis, Newport; Mrs. Mary Kirk, Indianapolis. Mrs. Sophia Bergman of Newport is a half-sister.

WAPAK MAN'S 5TH SON ENTERS ARMY

Fred Koehn of Wapakoneta learned this week that his fifth son, Norman E., Portland, Ore., shipyard worker, has entered the army. The other four sons in the service are:

Pvt. Arthur C., Fort Dix, N. J.; 1st Lt. Edgar H., Pineville, La.; Sgt. John W., Camp Beale, Marysville, Calif.; Richard F., seaman first class, somewhere in the Pacific area.

Harlan, Vernon Lewis Johnson, Robert Junior Donkelaar, William Lloyd Schloss, Robert Cummins, Carl Anthony Seger, Frederick Henry Seger, Dale G. Smith.

-- ALL THE NEWS --
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FORT LORAMIE NEWS

LOCAL NEWS WANTED
--CALL MISS HILDA SURMAN--

PERSONAL MENTION

High School To Enact Annual Play Sunday

"Plain Jane," Comedy-Farce, To Be Given, With Only One Performance

The annual Fort Loramie high school play will be presented in the school auditorium at 8:15 p. m. Sunday. To eliminate any additional driving, only one performance will be given. "Plain Jane," a comedy-farce in three acts, has been selected for presentation this year. Jane, a real western girl from sombrero to spurs, with a six gun, lariat, a pet rattlesnake and a bronco called Dynamite, descends upon eccentric Aunt Emma and the eastern tribe of Marsdens.

Jane, a riding fury and a roving fool, has been selected by Aunt Emma to marry one of the Marsden boys—the one who can win her. Jane finds herself in an atmosphere of frigidity and selfishness, but her boundless energy is a match for it. How Jane settles the Marsdens and Dynamite settles the marriage question will touch anyone's heart, but at the same time keep them laughing to the point of tears.

Members of the cast include Irene Daport, Dorothy Wehrman, Donna Day, Irene Aselage, Marjorie DeLaet, Mary Agnes Stang, Don Wehrman, Kenneth Wisman, Cyril Seger, Bud Danzig and John Fleckenstein. Clare Nauvau, faculty member, is the director.

Robert Schulze is moving this week into the Hole farm, located west of Newport on State Route 47.

Regular monthly meeting of the Ft. Loramie Business Men's association will be held Thursday evening this week, starting at 8 p. m.

Monday, Feb. 1, will be the date of the next regular meeting of the Ft. Loramie Community Fire Co., to be held at their quarters in the township building.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweetman and family and Gerhard Tecklenburg of Dayton visited here Sunday. They were accompanied home on the return trip by the latter's daughter, Miss Irene Tecklenburg, who will spend a few weeks in Dayton.

The Minster Post received a letter this week from Jerome A. Wissman, son of Mrs. Alvina Wissman here, in which he said he greatly appreciates reading the news each week in The Post. Jerome, a seaman second class, is at the naval air station at Jacksonville, Fla. He is in building 913, with the commissary department there.

PRIZE WINNERS LISTED

The card party sponsored by the Village Beautiful club Sunday in St. Michael's hall was attended by a large crowd. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. William Hilgefort, Ben Baumer, Frank Hilgefort, Mrs. John Albers, Mrs. Rose Burger, in sheephead; to Mrs. George Raterman, in five hundred, and Mrs. Hattie Raterman, in bridge. Mrs. Joe Gaier received the door prize.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

Our military forces must depend upon aerial photographs for an accurate mapping of enemy territory. So the aerial camera is a vital necessity for our scout observation planes. These cameras cost up to \$8,000 each and will make excellent pictures from tremendous heights.



A poor map may mean the difference between victory and defeat. So help your boys towards victory with your purchase of War Bonds. Join the Payroll Savings Plan at your office or factory. Let's "Tag 'em and bag 'em!"

U. S. Treasury Department

NEWS OF THE LORAMIE CHAPTER

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA



The farm shop boys built two 6x8 individual hog houses this past month. They are starting to repair a hog feeder and are to build two combination hay and grain racks for sheep for local farmers. Anyone desiring to have equipment repaired or built should contact H. C. Horstman or FFA members.

At the last meeting chapter members took action on building pig brooders to save pigs born during the coming months. There are 20 sows which the boys have as projects to farrow within the next two months. Two brooders will be built by the farm shop students and others will be made by individual members.

The fifth annual parent-son banquet will be held Feb. 9. The outstanding event will be the presentation of a \$25 war bond to Clarence Harrod for his outstanding achievement in the FFA. The bond is awarded by the New York Central railroad. The main speaker of the evening will be A. V. Peterson, giving a demonstration on converting agricultural products into commercial products.

The local and county pest hunt will close Jan. 31. The chapter has a total of 1,500 points, with Joe Brandewie highest.

Scholarship contest results for the last six weeks are as follows: seniors 3.47, juniors 3.44, sophomores 3.06, freshmen 2.9. An "A" grade counts 4 points, B—3, C—2, D—1.

Selection of baby chicks is the present discussion in Ag 1 and 2 classes, with Ag 3 and 4 taking inventory of their home farm resources.

How can we produce more food with less machinery is a common question with local farmers. Only 23 percent of all machinery made in 1940 may be manufactured this year. According to a recent release of the Shelby county farm machinery ration board, it seems evident that very few of the 2,600 Shelby farmers will be able to secure new machinery. This means that present machinery on the farms must last. How can we do this? The only answer is to carefully check all equipment and repair it.

Some of the equipment may be repaired by farm machinery dealers. But some dealers in the vicinity have stated that tractor repair jobs were booked up to the middle of March and they completely refused to book any more.

Thus the situation seems most critical. Mowers, plows, corn planters, discs, and other equipment must be repaired before spring. Parts must be ordered early. Machinery companies are encouraging early ordering of repair parts because they have monthly allotments allocated to them.

A wise farmer will repair his machinery now because it will lengthen its life during the harvest season. Mr. Blauser of the agricultural engineering department of the Ohio State university stated at a recent meeting in Sidney that the old axiom, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" still holds true.

So with machinery dealers loaded down with machinery repair jobs, necessarily the farmer will have to repair his own. He may need some assistance on the repair job and there is where the educational system can play an important role. The federal government has appropriated money for conducting farm machinery repair courses. These are called OSYA (Out of School Youth and Adults) courses. They may be conducted in a school shop or another place large enough for machinery accommodations. These courses

BROTHERS MEET ON FURLOUGH



PVT. LEO HENKE

SGT. BERNARD HENKE

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henke of southwest of Fort Loramie are parents of the two soldiers pictured above. Pvt. Leo Henke, left, stationed at Tinker Field, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Sgt. Bernard C. Henke of Foster Field, Texas.

Both young men were fortunate in receiving furloughs at the same time recently, and both spent the larger part of their free time in their parents' home.

Leo's complete address is care the 1700th Ord. Co., Tinker Field, and Bernard may be addressed care the 513th E. G. T. Sqn. Foster Field.

will be taught by experienced mechanics. If sufficient farmers in the Ft. Loramie vicinity desire such assistance with their farm machinery repair work, they should contact the local

AUXILIARY HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

Regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John was held last Thursday evening in St. Michael's hall. Forty-five members were present.

After the business meeting a delicious lunch was served by the committee. Bingo was the main diversion of the evening. Prizes were awarded to Nora Lehmkuhl, Rose Koverman and Josephine Ahms. Florence Hilgefort was awarded the door prize.

Committee members for the next meeting are: Arnolda Wendeln, chairlady, and Elizabeth Asege, Hilda Greiner, Mary Gaier, Rosemary Wisman, Loretta Carney, Margaret Raterman, and Alice Ronie.

The next meeting will be on Thursday evening, Feb. 18.

FLIER HERE ON LEAVE

Ensign Harry Raterman, son of Mrs. E. J. Raterman of Ft. Loramie arrived here recently on a 15-day leave. Ensign Raterman was last attached to a carrier training unit at Norfolk, Va., and will leave for the west coast at the end of his stay. He has been in the navy air force since December of 1941; received advanced training at Jacksonville, Fla., and was awarded his naval aviation "wings" and commission as ensign at that base in October, 1942. Following this, he received six weeks of training in torpedo planes at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Loramie Banking Co. Reelects All Officers

George Guenther Continues As Chairman Of Board—New Hours Adopted

George Guenther was reelected as president of the board, and all other officers were retained in office, at the annual organization of directors of the Loramie Banking company, held in the offices of the institution.

Other officers are P. J. Simon, vice president; E. F. Day, secretary and cashier; Herman A. Hornhorst, assistant cashier; Albert A. Bracken, John Frantz and Anthony Kuehler, directors.

The annual report, submitted and read at the meeting, revealed that 1942 was one of the busiest years in the history of the bank. Because of increased business and the need of more time to care for work which must be done after closing, a new schedule of hours was placed in effect Monday of this week.

Under the new time schedule the bank is open for business every week day except Thursday from 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m., and every Thursday from 9 a. m. to 12 noon.

New officers of the Catholic Ladies of Columbia will assume their duties at the next regular meeting Monday, Feb. 1, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to be present.

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NOTICE of change in Banking Hours:

On and after Jan. 25, 1943, banking hours of the Loramie Banking company will be as follows—

9 A. M. to 2:30 P. M. Daily
Except Thursdays—9 A. M. to 12 Noon

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ACTIVITIES IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

Guests Are Entertained By Mr. And Mrs. Laut

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Laut last Thursday evening were Mrs. Wyatt, wife of Capt. Wyatt of Colorado; Mrs. Sparks, wife of Capt. Sparks of Arizona, and Mrs. L. H. Schmidt, of New Bremen. The group spent the evening playing cards and at a late hour a delicious lunch was served.

Large Group Sews For Red Cross Here

The following ladies sewed for the Red Cross at the Commercial club last Thursday afternoon: Miss Mayme Wernsing,

Mrs. Delia Eiting, Mrs. August Luckman, Mrs. Louis Koverman, Mrs. Paul Dine, Mrs. Frank Herkenhoff, Mrs. Fred Behrens, Mrs. William Thiemann, Mrs. Andrew Kohnen, Mrs. Robert Donauer, Mrs. Ed Meyer, Mrs. Herman Strecker, Mrs. Robert Laut and Mrs. Robert Schneider. The ladies are busy knitting sweaters, helmets and gloves for boys in service. All ladies having time are urged to go to the Commercial club any Thursday afternoon to knit and sew.

Commercial Club Ladies Date February Party

The Commercial club ladies' card party, held Wednesday evening, was well attended. Holding high scores in sheephead were Mrs. Caroline Kramer, Mrs. A. W. Friertott and Mrs. Elizabeth Dickman. Winners in pinocle were Mrs. Harold Friertott, Mrs. Bernard Budde and Mrs. Fred Behrens. The next card party will be held Wednesday evening, Feb. 10 after church services.

Family Dinner Marks Birthday Of Son

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin J. Meyer arranged a six o'clock dinner Tuesday evening as a surprise for their son Dennis on his ninth birthday. Those present were Mrs. Elizabeth Meyer, Miss Leona and Al Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Laut, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Laut and son Robert, the honored guest, Master Dennis, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer. Dennis received many gifts.

Card Party Enjoyed In Tebbe Residence

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Tebbe entertained the following guests Sunday evening: Mr. and Mrs. Alex Frey, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Frericks, Mr. and Mrs. George Busse, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Busse,



READING & WRITING

BY Edwin Seaver AND Robin McKoun

THE date is Sunday, July 26th. Through the South Pacific, under a blazing tropic sun, a fleet of transports nose its way, each ship jammed to the rail with Marines, each ship carrying a cargo for war. Aboard one of them, a Marine chaplain preaches a sermon on Duty. Down in the lounge a group of officers check over some maps. Along the decks are scattered groups of men, cleaning their guns, sharpening bayonets, counting cartridges in their belts. A newspaper correspondent wanders here and there around the ship, taking notes. He pokes down into the hold, he sits with the officers, he chats with the Marines on the decks, listens in to their own conversations.



RICHARD TREGASKIS

Nobody knows yet where the fleet is bound. Nobody knows what the future holds for any of them. They do know, however, that they are on the move—the first offensive move of any American troops since Pearl Harbor, more than seven months before. They know they are going out to meet the Japanese, and they hope they will be able to give a good account of themselves.

This is the beginning of a new book called "Guadalcanal Diary," which the Book-of-the-Month Club is distributing as a February selection. The newspaper man aboard that transport was Richard Tregaskis, the author, a six-foot seven-inch war correspondent who accompanied the Marines when they moved on Guadalcanal, who spent the next two months on that island as they captured Henderson Field and expanded their activities, who ate with them, slept with them, ducked bombs with them, and who finally came out of the Solomons with one of the most hair-raising accounts of modern war that has yet been written.

"Guadalcanal Diary" is just what its title implies—a day-to-day account of the battles on the island, what the Marines thought and felt and did, what the sights and sounds and smells were like, how the men behaved and what they said, under the terrific stress of war. No punches are pulled in either language or description. These are the men themselves, tough and sinewy and hard-bitten. The wounded Marine, for instance, who was put aboard a truck to be carried back to a base hospital. A bomb fragment killed the truck driver, the wounded man got down and brought the truck in himself, and then, refreshed by his unexpected exertion, turned right around and drove back again, into the thick of battle, to rescue other wounded Marines.

Tregaskis spent two months on Guadalcanal, and then left, on September 28th, on a Flying Fortress. His is a book that will bring home to hundreds of thousands of Americans just what war in the South Pacific really is. It is a book that will make all who read it feel mighty proud—proud of our own toughness, our own ability to dish it out, and, more than anything else, of our own United States Marines.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thiemann and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph West-erheide. The evening was spent in playing sheephead, with high scores held by Mr. and Mrs. George Thiemann, and consolation tallies by Mr. and Mrs. Alex Frey. A delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Tebbe.

Nearly 200 Present For Annual Society Meeting

August Heckman was elected president of the Holy Name society of the parish of the St. Augustine church here, at the annual meeting of the group which was attended by nearly 200 members, in the Minster high school assembly room last Thursday evening. He succeeds Ed Busse.

Other new officers named by the group were Frank Albers, vice president; Joseph Lening, secretary; John Enneking, treasurer; and Clifford Kemper, Alfred Lampert, Alfred Sautman, and Leonard Schmiesing, members of the amusement committee.

Rotating officers, in addition to Mr. Busse, are: William Kitzmiller, vice president; N. P. Hogenkamp, secretary; Aloys Hausfeld, treasurer, and Louis Bavendick, Andrew Fischer, Clem Enneking Jr., and Richard Kaiser, amusement committee-men.

A feature of the evening was an address by the Rev. Louis Potkoetter, a former assistant pastor of the St. Augustine parish, who came here from Cumberland, Penn., for the express purpose of handling the speaking assignment at the meeting.

Rev. Potkoetter told, among other things, of the close co-operation existent between members of the armed forces and the chaplains. He is located a short distance from an army camp where 40,000 soldiers are in training, and in this way has learned much of habits of the army men, particularly where their religion is concerned. The chaplain is not only the spiritual leader of the man in the fighting forces of his country, but is his leader and adviser in many other ways, Rev. Potkoetter asserted. A fine lunch and refreshments were served after the business meeting, and card games were enjoyed.

The laughing jackass, an Australian bird, has but two legs.



Minster Farm Youth Accorded High Honor

Wilfred Horstman, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Horstman of Minster, this week received his medal for producing a ton of pork from one sow in 180 days' time. This makes him a member of the Ohio Pork Litter club.

The record was established by a registered Berkshire sow on her second litter of pigs. She farrowed 10 healthy pigs in an individual hog stable on Feb. 26, 1942, and on Aug. 25 of that year the litter weighed a total of 2,120 pounds, an average of 212 pounds per pig as weighed on scales of the Minster Farmers' Exchange company.

In going through to gain the rating of a ton litter producer Wilfred followed the following practices:

He flushed the sow about 10 days before breeding; bred her to a healthy, good type, registered Berkshire boar, fed her a balanced ration of corn, oats, tankage, alfalfa hay in the rack and minerals during the gestation period, and kept increasing the feed during this period up to farrowing time.

Washed the hog stable with boiling hot lye water and the sow with warm soap water; put clean bedding in the stable and put stable and sow on clean clover ground before farrowing; insulated roof of stable and put fodder around the outside to keep the wind from blowing under the structure; put guard rails in the stable.

Dried pigs after farrowing and warmed them, and put them with the sow to suck; decreased feed to sow and fed ground oats, tankage and alfalfa hay three days after farrowing; then increased feed until at two weeks after farrowing the sow and litter was on a self-feeder—shelled corn, ground oats, tankage and minerals, with the pigs placed on a clover pasture and fed in this way until marketed. The sow then was taken off the feeder and bred again.

Total cost of procreation which included feed, labor, power breeding, interest, use of building, supplies, veterinary fees, litter and transportation charges, was \$10.29 per hundredweight. The entire litter was sold for

breeding purposes and brought an average price of \$21.43 per hundred.

This year young Horstman has eight registered Berkshire sows to farrow, and his intention is to follow the same practices and produce more ton litters.

WAR FUND QUOTA \$7,900

The war fund quota of the Eastern Auglaize chapter of the Red Cross for 1943 is \$7,900, Charles K. Miles, chairman, revealed. A quota of \$5,000 was met last year.

Can't Replace Parents

A college may be expected to teach thinking, but it cannot be offered to parents as a nostrum for the mental ills of their children, as Richard Fechtelmer points out in his article, "Education Isn't Patent Medicine," appearing in Hygeia.

Many a parent has been deked into thinking that college could remake, in four crowded winters, a personality that had been 17 years in formation.

Of course, the job of a professor is not to remake his students' characters. His function (and the object of general education) is to train students' minds in intellectual activity. To ascribe any other function must surely result in confusing students, teachers and parents.

Like "patent medicines," education has been advertised as a cure for all ills. "Does your daughter lack poise? Send her to finishing school." "Let your child school discipline your son!" "Develop charm and personality—take a mail order course in personal magnetism!"

CHURCH NEWS

Forty Hou's Devotion will begin Friday, Feb. 5 and will close at 7:30 the following Sunday. Confessions will be held Wednesday evening, Thursday morning for children, Thursday afternoon and evening, Saturday afternoon and evening. Judith Marie, daughter of Norbert H. Grogan and Florence Durkin, was baptized. Sponsors were Norbert Eiting and Mrs. Norbert Eiting.

INFANT DIES

Richard Henry Boeckman, the infant son of Richard and Alvera (Moeller) Boeckman, died at 5 a. m. Monday, a short time after birth. The body was blessed at 2 p. m. the same day in St. Augustine's church, and was interred in the church cemetery. Surviving with the parents are a son and daughter, James and Barbara, aged two and one years, respectively.

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SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY and SUNDAY

Tender Leaf Teaballs, each	10c
Syrup, Dark, 1/2 gallon	37c
Lima Beans, Honeygrove, 2 cans	27c
Peas, No. 2 cans, 2 for	30c
Corn, No. 2 cans, 2 for	30c
White Villa Carrots, No. 2 cans, 2 for	20c
Macaroni, Mueller's, pound	15c
Shredded Wheat, box	13c
Wheaties, 2 boxes	23c
Raisin Bran Cereal, box	15c
Purple Plums, No. 2 1/2 can, each	20c
Cabbage, solid, medium sized heads, lb.	6c
Oranges, Sunkist, dozen	35c
P & G Soap, 2 bars	12c
Graham Wafers, 1 lb. box	20c
Soda Crackers, 2 lb. box	33c

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Post Toasties package	10c
Noodles cello bag, lb. 17c, 1/2 lb.	10c
New Bisquick lb. and 4 oz. pkg.	20c
Marrow Fat Beans pound bag	12c
Red Beans pound bag	15c
Early June Peas Favorite, No. 2 can	15c
Cream Style Corn Foodcraft, No. 2 can	13c
Yellow Cling Peaches Foodcraft, hlv., lb. and 13 oz. can	28c
Sweetheart Soap Deal, 4 bars	25c

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Bananas, 2 lbs. for	25c
Roman Beauty Apples, 5 lbs.	25c
Grapefruit, 6 for	25c
Florida Oranges, dozen	19c
Grapes, 2 lbs.	35c

Celery, Carrots, Radishes, Green Onions, Head Lettuce, Leaf Lettuce, Home Grown Potatoes and Sweet Potatoes

Kellogg's Corn Flakes, 2 pkgs.	17c
Kellogg's All Bran, lg. pkg.	21c
Home Brand Oleo, lb.	19c
NuMaid Oleo, lb.	21c
Elgin Oleo, lb.	26c
Softaak Cake Flour	29c
Tomato Juice, 1 qt., 14 oz.	25c
Cream Style Corn, 2 cans	25c
Early June Peas, 2 cans	29c

Herring, qt. jar	49c
Fresh Side, in piece, lb. 25c; sliced	27c
Fresh or Smoked Sausage, lb.	35c
Fresh Rendered Lard, 2 lbs.	35c
Sirloin or T-Bone Steak, lb.	39c
Roast, rib or chuck, lb.	28c
Boiling beef, lb.	19c
Hamburger, lb.	29c
Pork Steak, lb.	37c

GRITS, LIVER PUDDING, BLOOD PUDDING FOR SATURDAY

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THURSDAY, FEB. 4

THAT OTHER WOMAN

with Virginia Gilmore James Ellison

Dan Duryea, Janis Carter, Alma Kruger

Complete News Of New Bremen

Members of the John Topp family enjoyed a family dinner given in honor of Frederick Topp who has left for the army.

Elmer Mohrman was employed as a school bus driver in place of Fritz Maurer who left for active service with the army.

Cpl. Victor Schneider, son of Otto F. Schneider, has reached his destination at a foreign station, his father learned this week.

Mrs. Alvina Kuenning received word that her daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Kuenning of Arcanum, is recovering from an illness of flu and pneumonia.

Mrs. Earl Kuenning entertained members of her card club. Mrs. Adolph Pape won the prize for high score in the card games. A lunch was served.

Mrs. Irvin Westerbeck, who received severe head injuries in a plunge down the cellar stairway in her home recently, now is able to be up part of each day.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kuenning entertained in their residence recently with a dinner party honoring Frederick Maurer, who left last Friday for active army service.

Miss Dorothy Block left for Texas to visit for two weeks, with Pfc. Richard Danneberger at Camp Barkley, and with her brother-in-law and sister, L.L. and Mrs. Charles Jordan, at Wichita Falls, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence W. Roettger and daughters Catherine and LaVerda entertained with a dinner for relatives in their home, honoring their son and brother, Orin Roettger, who left for active army service this week.

Friday and Saturday
2 Smash Hits
Ellen Drew
Richard Denning
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Gene Autry
BOOTS AND SADDLES

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August Schnelle, who has been confined to his home after suffering a paralytic stroke, is gradually regaining the use of his left hand.

Members of the Pythian Sisters enjoyed sewing and quilting Wednesday afternoon and evening in the home of Mrs. Irvin Wissman.

Mrs. August Dicke of northwest of town is confined to her home by illness and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Sophie Knost, is assisting in her care.

Mrs. William Frevert received word from her son, Chester Quellhorst, informing her that he has been promoted from private to corporal, at Camp Swift, Texas.

Mrs. Sophie Knost received the announcement of the birth of a granddaughter, Barbara Jean, weighing 10 pounds, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Knost at Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hirschfeld and family are moving from the Hermismeyer apartment on South Washington street into the home of Mr. Hirschfeld's father, Ben Hirschfeld, on South Walnut street. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Meyer and family will move from the McKenna flat on Monroe street into the Hermismeyer property.

CHURCH ELECTION HELD

Henry C. Meyer was elected president of the Christ church here, at the annual congregational meeting. Other new officers of the parish are C. W. Barth, vice president; Harold Meyer, secretary; Reuben Thiesing, acting secretary; F. T. Purpus, treasurer; Miss Henrietta Kiehl, missionary treasurer; Frank Sunderman, George Thiesing Jr., and Reuben Thiesing, trustees.

SCHOOL HOURS CHANGED

Grade and high schools here have placed a new time schedule in effect. Classes start at 9:45 a. m. and are being dismissed at 4:30 p. m. The change was made so that schools may be operated in daylight. Under the old time many teachers and pupils were going to classes while street lights were still burning, while others were using flashlights.

GEORGE WILLIAMS DIES

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon this week in the Vorholt funeral home for George Williams, 82, former resident of New Bremen, who died in the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Fisher, at St. Marys, with whom he had lived nine years. Rev. J. C. Melchert of the Evangelical and Reformed church officiated, and burial was made in the German Protestant cemetery. Surviving in addition to the daughter are a son, Dr. A. J. Williams, Cleveland, and a brother, John, St. Marys.

List Made of Important

Rivers That Flow North

The Red river of the North, forming the boundary between Minnesota and North Dakota, flows north for part of its course; the Monongahela flows north from West Virginia to Pennsylvania; the Niagara river, the Tennessee river, the Snake river (where it forms the boundary between Oregon and Idaho), the Missouri river and the Salmon river in Idaho all flow north in part of their courses. The Jern Day, Deschutes and Willamette rivers, tributaries to the Columbia river in Oregon, flow north.

Others with courses between north and northwest are the San Joaquin and El rivers in California, Kootenai river in Idaho, Mouse river in North Dakota, Kentucky and Licking rivers in Kentucky and Kanawha river in West Virginia.

Richardson's Owl

Into the life of a bird-bander there comes now and then a special thrill, as it did to Herbert B. Southern, Toronto ornithologist, who was summoned to a near-by woodland and swamp by a small boy who had "found an owl."

In this particular spot near Lake Ontario the snow does not lie deep; mice and rabbits appear in numbers, and owls arrive for food, writes Hugh M. Halliday in Nature magazine.

No net was needed to capture it, for all we had to do was to lift it from its branch. In contrast with the saw-whet owl it was gentle, and when we replaced it on its branch it rewarded us with a far-off liquid note like the voice of a fairy from some bubbling spring in a woodland dell.

In its home in the north the owl had learned no fear of man, and in 13 years there had been only three records of the appearance of this species in the Toronto area. Richardson's owl is a nocturnal bird, known to the Eskimos of Alaska as "the blind one."

Russia

Mrs. Henry Grilliot is convalescing from an illness.

John Giinter of Newport was in Russia Monday afternoon. Pvt. Vern Philpot, stationed in Texas, is enjoying a furlough this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gasson of Versailles visited relatives here Sunday.

Russia rural school board members met in a special session Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Paulus entertained relatives from Coldwater Sunday.

The junior class play, "Sound Your Horn," was well attended Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hartley of Tipp City visited Ed Francis and family Sunday.

The senior class of the Russia rural school had photos taken Tuesday at Sidney.

Mrs. Emma Beaver fractured her collarbone when she fell on the ice Sunday morning.

Ray Monnin has been forced to quit his job at Piqua on account of a heart ailment.

Pvt. Norbert Reboulet has been transferred from Camp Lee, Va., to San Francisco, Calif.

Mrs. Wilmer Francis is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. I. H. Kelch, of Bloomer.

Leo Debrose was hit by an automobile when he was crossing the street in Piqua last week. Four boys were inducted into the army last week. They are Louis Simon, Kermit Monnin, Lowell Goubeaux and Lefty Coffield.

The car belonging to Eugene Voisard was stolen in Piqua Thursday. It was recovered Saturday at Covington.

Pfc. Roman Goubeaux and Pfc. Irvin Grogan left Saturday for their respective posts after enjoying furloughs with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Monnier and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dillon, of Piqua, and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monnier and family, were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Omer Francis.

Ora Armstrong entertained a group of friends in honor of Pfc. Irvin Grogan Tuesday evening. Those present were Clarence, Marcellus and Leo Monnin, C. H. Delat, Charles Voisard, Verl Grogan, Alfred Alexander.

Babe Ruth
Babe Ruth played in 2,602 games in his major league baseball career for a batting average of .342.

Needles in Bottle
Keep your needles in a bottle and they will never get rusty; a small pill box is fine for this purpose.

Air Express
Air express in the United States totals approximately 500,000,000 pound-miles per month.

New Weston

Mrs. Maggie Waggoner is visiting her son, Clarence Peters and family, at Dayton.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Twaits moved Saturday to Sidney, where they both have employment in a war plant.

Mrs. H. Hemmert and children of Botkins are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hemmelgarn.

Mrs. Nellie Livingstone is visiting her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Phillips, at the home of her son, Harry Phillips and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Sommers and son of Salomonia, Ind., were guests Sunday of Opal and Emerson Bell.

Pvt. Roy Gibson of Sarasota, Fla., is spending a 15-day furlough with his father, Hayes Gibson, and other relatives and friends.

Pvt. Harry Jones returned Sunday to Springfield, Ill., after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones.

Imogene Forsyth, Thelma Birt of Fremont and Emil Birt of Dayton were week end guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Birt and son, Harry Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Peters of Dayton, Mr. and Mrs. Gilford Peters and granddaughter, Jean Applegate, and Mr. and Mrs.

Ralph Peters of Piqua were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peters.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Foster visited Saturday with their grandson, LaVon Foster of Dayton, who underwent a major operation three weeks ago. He is improving but is still in the hospital.

McCartyville

Miss Leah Yates of the county office visited various classes at the local school recently.

Miss Rita Bensman of Dayton was a guest in her parents' home over the week end.

Linus Schroeder, who has been ill with inflammatory rheumatism, left last week for medical treatment at a sanatorium.

Pfc. Norbert Schemmel of Patterson Field, Dayton, spent Sunday at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schemmel.

Miss Henrietta Riethman, student nurse at St. Elizabeth's hospital, Dayton, was home for a week end visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riethman.

The many friends of Mrs. Henry Broerman were pleased to learn she is recovering nicely from recent major surgery at Good Samaritan hospital, Dayton.

U. S. Cow Army Biggest in History



Well Fertilized Pastures Means a Richer Milk Flow.

CHICAGO.—Uncle Sam's milk cow army is 5,000,000 stronger than it was in World War No. 1, according to a statement made public here by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

"This year alone, 26,000,000 milk cows on the nation's farm pastures will produce 128 billion pounds of milk for our fighting forces, our allies and our civilian population," says the statement. "In 1917 there were 21,000,000 milk cows in the United States whose production was approximately 79 billion pounds."

"As a result of better breeding and feeding, milk production per cow has increased from 3,743 to 4,748 pounds in the past 25 years."

"Much of the improved nutritional benefit has resulted from pasture building programs in recent years in which legume crops such as clover and alfalfa have been the foundation."

"Keeping these pastures at a high productive rate to meet the dairy animals' war-time needs will require good farming methods. This means following a soil conservation program that builds up fertility and provides plant foods that will assure a good stand of legumes and grasses. In such a program, the use of a fertilizer containing necessary phosphorus and potash plays an important part."

"Agronomists at state colleges and experiment stations are prepared to cooperate in providing information covering the use of fertilizers on pasture crops."

"With the nation's commercial nitrogen supply being largely diverted to the production of war munitions, the value of legume crops is becoming increasingly recognized, for clover and alfalfa are an important source of atmospheric nitrogen."

COMMANDOUGH!



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fullenkamp motored to Piqua Monday evening to visit their nephew, who is a patient in Memorial hospital there.

There was no school at Anna Tuesday due to difficulty with the water system. Consequently, McCartyville students attending high school classes there had an unexpected holiday.

Mrs. William Bauman of the county health department was at school last Thursday making arrangements for smallpox vaccinations which are to be given here next Monday at 1:30 p. m. Any school child who has not been vaccinated, or any child in the district who is one year of age, is eligible for this health service.

Joseph Schmitmeyer arrived in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schmitmeyer Sr., this week, having an honorable discharge from the army, occasioned by the army ruling releasing men over 38 years of age. He had been in a camp in Texas.

Alfred Poeppelman of the navy left this week after spend-

ing a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Poeppelman and family. He is to be assigned to a new ship because the Northampton, of which he had been a crew member for three years, was sunk recently in the Pacific.

MARRIED 53 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Berning, respected members of this community, are receiving congratulations and best wishes of many friends and relatives on the occasion of their 53rd wedding anniversary which will occur on Friday of this week. A high mass of thanksgiving will be celebrated here in Sacred Heart church at 9 a. m. Friday. Mrs. Berning has the distinction of being the oldest member attending the parish church.

Are you entitled to wear a "larger" lapel button? You are if you are investing at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds every pay day. It's your badge of patriotism.

BABY CHICKS

Does \$12,000 Spent for R. O. P. Breeding Males

in the past three years have any bearing on your decision as to where to buy Baby Chicks? Study our literature sent you by mail a few days ago, and know what you are buying. Why buy from a salesman and trust to luck.

EVERY FARMER SHOULD READ THIS

We have noticed about 75 percent of farmers have not been feeding Granite Grit—they tell us they are feeding Oyster Shells, which does not take the place of the Granite Grit. For your own satisfaction and proof, Mr. Farmer, ask your wife, next time she dresses a chicken, whether she finds Oyster Shells in the gizzard, or whether she finds stone, and sand, and glass. Feed Granite Grit with Oats in the morning and Corn in the evening, to aid digestion. Oyster shells are fed for the purpose of helping make up the Egg Shell.

By Feeding GRANITE GRIT You Will Aid Digestion 15 to 20%!

MR. BEN SCHULTE Has Joined Our Staff.

Mr. Schulte, who has accepted the position of manager of the Amstutz Hatchery in Minster, is a native of this community and is well known to many of the older residents of Minster and vicinity. He has had practical experience in breeding and raising poultry for 30 years. During the last year Mr. Schulte cared for approximately 3,000 laying hens, under supervision of the Ohio State University.

AMSTUTZ HATCHERY

Minster New Bremen
Ben Schulte, Mgr. August Mueller, Mgr.

BOTH HATCHERIES OPEN 8:30 TO 6 DAILY.

Newsy Notes From St. Henry

John Hein of Cranberry visited here with friends Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Nora Romer spent Sunday at Coldwater visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Thomas Romer and children.

Miss Helen Lauber, who is employed at Dayton, was the week end guest of her father, John Lauber and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Everman and family spent last Friday evening at Coldwater and attended a basketball game there.

Pvt. Henry Jensen of Oregon, spending a 10-day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jensen and family.

Misses Marlene and Ruth Kemper spent last Friday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kemper, daughter Alice Jane and sons Virgil Lee and Daniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Langenkamp visited at Osgood with Mrs. Mary Langenkamp and daughter Dolores, and Werner Langenkamp and daughters Norma Jean and Rosalee.

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Mr. and Mrs. Urban Link of Cranberry were recent callers in the home Mr. and Mrs. Albert Muhlenkamp and family here.

Miss Ruth Schmitz returned to Dayton Sunday evening after spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schmitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hemmeln, daughter Marlene and son Harold, spent Monday evening at McCartyville with relatives.

Miss Jane Greene returned to Van Wert Sunday evening after spending several days here visiting her father, Henry Vian and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Steidle of Ft. Recovery spent last Friday evening here with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bruns and Miss Clara Schindler.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Everman and family spent Sunday evening at Celina with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Wendel.

Mr. Alfred Romer of Ft. Recovery spent Wednesday afternoon here visiting Henry Vian and family and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Romer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Westgerdes of St. Joe spent Sunday here visiting the former's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Westgerdes Sr. and family.

Mrs. Joe Sanders of Celina, who is employed at Coldwater, spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lange and sons Dennis and Eddie.

Misses Lois Westerbeck and Wilma Bernard of Dayton were the week end guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bernard and family.

Mrs. James Roebuck returned home from Montezuma last week after assisting at the home of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Klosterman.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Romer and daughter Margie Ann spent Sunday evening at Ft. Recovery with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harlet and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Weber and family of Minster spent Sunday here visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dierckers and daughter Agnes.

Miss Sedonia Schlosser of Maria Stein spent last Friday afternoon here with her mother, Mrs. Joe J. Schlosser, and her sister, Mrs. Raymond Bruns.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harlet of Ft. Recovery spent Sunday afternoon here visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Romer and daughter Margie Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. Werner Tobo and Mr. and Mrs. Linus Wehrkamp of Burkettville spent Saturday evening here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Potkottger.

Mr. and Mrs. John Homan and family of Burkettville were recent visitors in the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Homan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kiser of Coldwater spent an evening here recently with the latter's mother, Mrs. Catherine Lammers and son Paul, and with Herman Knapke.

Miss Rita Lammers of Dayton and First Class Seaman Linus Lammers of Port Columbus, spent the week end here with their mother, Mrs. Ben Lammers and son Paul.

Miss Norma Dillhoff of Fort Wayne spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Dillhoff, and with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Uhlhake and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vondrell spent the week end in Dayton visiting relatives and friends, and Miss Jean Sunderhaus of Celina spent the week end in that city with Miss Helen Vondrell who is employed there.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Schoen and family of Sharpsport spent Saturday evening here in the homes of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heitkamp and family and Mrs. Lawrence Everman and family.

Sunday guests entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hatter and daughter Donna Ann, were: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Langenkamp and family, John Stegeman and Miss Clara J. Atter, of Philothea, and Oscar Langenkamp of Wakoneta.

Pic. and Mrs. Robert Westgerdes returned to Dayton Sunday evening after spending the week end here in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Westgerdes Sr., and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr.

and Mrs. Edward Westgerdes Jr., and families.

Carthage

Miss Rosa Meier was a Celina visitor last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bertke were Coldwater visitors Sunday.

Ed Burd of Coldwater was a caller here last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wendel were Celina business callers Saturday.

Alex Koester visited Mr. and Mrs. Ted Koester and family Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Catherine Wehrkamp of Celina was a recent visitor with Mrs. Fred Wehrkamp.

Henry Hess of here was a Chickasaw business caller last Friday.

William Buehler of Dayton is visiting with the Joseph Hartke family.

Julius Forsthoef of Coldwater was a business caller here last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hoying and family were Celina visitors last Thursday evening.

Louis Huelsman of here attended a teachers' banquet at the Coldwater high school Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Huber visited Mr. and Mrs. Gregor Huber and family Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Butch Staehler of Celina visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Evers and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Link and family enjoyed Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Koester.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kremer attended the Stephen A. Evers funeral last Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wehrkamp and family visited Mrs. Henry Osterfeld at St. Peter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hartke and son of Dayton spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hartke.

Mr. and Mrs. David Burke and family of Sidney visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hartke last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoelscher and Mrs. Henry Hess are spending the week end with relatives at Cincinnati.

Joseph Hartke submitted to surgery at the Piqua hospital Monday morning. His condition is reported favorable.

Miss Eulalia Thieman and Mrs. William Stelzer were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Link and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Urban Goeke and sons Bobby and Kenny were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. William Schoenlein and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rosengarten of Coldwater were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hoying and family and Mrs. Elizabeth Rosengarten last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Huelsman and daughter Carol Ann of Cranberry, spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Huelsman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rosengarten of Coldwater visited Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hoying and family and Mrs. Elizabeth Rosengarten Sunday evening.

Mrs. Henry Franzer had the following guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. C. Farole and family of Ft. Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. William Stueve and family of Dayton and Miss Eleanor Franzer of Troy.

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Maria Stein

Mr. and Mrs. John Bruns visited with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wendeln Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Hoying of St. Patrick's was a visitor here Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Imwalle and family visited at Dayton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Berning of Sidney spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Anna Wilker.

Mrs. Justina Bertke and Genevieve Georges visited with the latter's parents over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Reichert called on Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bruggeman and family Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schenking and family of Coldwater spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Gagel and daughter.

Lawrence Kremer and family of Padua were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gagel and family.

Mrs. Anna Zumwald and daughter Marie and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hausfeld and family spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pohlman and family.

Cassella

Miss Verona Dippold went to Miamisburg last Thursday and she will be employed there.

Mrs. Clara Reichert and family spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. August Otte and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beckstedt of Celina spent Sunday evening with Mike Hess and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Feltz and daughter Dorothy Mae were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ranly.

Miss Lillian Feltz of Fort Wayne spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Feltz and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Eifert and family were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clem Hausfeld and family at Minster.

Pvt. Cyril Bertke of New Jersey returned to camp after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bertke and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Staehler and daughter Barbara Lou of Cranberry Prairie visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hemmeln Sunday evening.

Miss Josephine Boeckman, Paul Stengel, and Miss Rita Boeckman, of Dayton, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boeckman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Tumbusch and daughter Virginia Mae, and Mrs. Elizabeth Reichert, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bauer and son at Botkins.

Leo Bertke, William Harting, Clarence Dirksen, Peter Ranly, and Frank Goettmoller, accompanied Teacher O. V. Eifert to an annual school meeting at Coldwater last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Uhlhake, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vondrell and Mr. and Mrs. John Vondrell, of St. Henry, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spraley and family, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Vondrell.

Osgood

The test blackout in Darke county was to have been held this Thursday, between 7 and 10 p. m.

Joseph R. Frey, C. L. Grilliot and Mr. and Mrs. William H. Brandewie were Greenville visitors recently.

Misses Margaret and Veronica Franzer were here over Sunday, returning to Dayton Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hemmeln visited recently with the former's mother at Coldwater, who has been ill.

Arthur and Lynn Stucke, sons of Fred Stucke, who are employed in an aircraft factory in New York state, were home for a 10-day vacation.

Schools here were closed two days last week because of icy roads. High school pupils did not attend classes in nearby towns since the buses did not go after them.

Reminder that a village ordinance provides penalties for residents who fail to keep their sidewalks cleared of snow and ice was given by Marshal Ernest F. Winner. Complaints were made by residents that neighbors were not cleaning walks.

Chickasaw

Miss Emma Pour of Dayton spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pour.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Niekamp and daughters spent Sunday at Celina with Mr. and Mrs. John Roller.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Noll of Fort Wayne spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mestemaker and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stelzer of Dayton spent Sunday with Henry Gast and son Julius and Mrs. Belle Sprague.

Miss Rita Tobin of Celina spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Tobin and sons.

Mary Ann Knapke of Dayton spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Knapke and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ball and family of Dayton spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Henry Gast and son Julius, and Mrs. Belle Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mestemaker and sons spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Duncan and family and Miss Mary Jane Mestemaker. Carolyn Duncan returned home after spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mestemaker and sons.

Nimble Fingers Obtain Attractive Wardrobes

Woman, woman, save those clothes; repair the ones you tore; you're likely to be needing those before you can buy more.

These are suggestions from Edith Berry, clothing specialist, Ohio State university, who says women with nimble fingers can have attractive wardrobes without buying many new garments.

The pertinent questions to ask when considering the remodeling of clothes are whether the seamstress has the time and skill, how much the remodeling will cost, and whether the completed garment will be satisfactory. Most women will be content with changing the minor details of garments to give them a freshened appearance.

New collars, recut necklines, wide necklines filled with lace or armholes, changing waists, streamlining skirts, and reshaping sleeves are tasks within the ability of most women. The cost of these changes can be kept down, and the remodeled garment will have a changed and pleasing appearance.

Remodeling jobs that involve ripping out the old garment, changing the fabric, and recutting the cloth require more experience in sewing. The work becomes more difficult if the fabric is worn in spots so allowances have to be made for this condition in recutting.

Gardeners Should Not Be Discouraged by Leaf Loss

If wind, hail, or insects strip half or even more of the leaves from vegetable crops at this season, victory gardeners should not be discouraged.

Under favorable conditions, the damaged plants still will produce a good crop.

Storms are hazards which market gardeners continually face, and insects have to be kept under control, he added. The recovery which plants are able to make from apparent ruin is remarkable, and in some cases they seem to be benefited by hard usage.

Yields of snap beans in tests conducted in 1939 and again in 1940 were actually improved when one-fourth or even one-half of the leaves of the plants were removed during the growing season, Dr. Stout pointed out. In 1939 when no leaves were removed, the yield was 307 bushels per acre. When one-fourth of the leaves were picked off on May 30, the yield was 269 bushels, but when one-fourth of the leaves were removed from other plots on June 5 and 13, yields were 329 and 330 bushels respectively.

Loss of foliage also has been tested on tomatoes by Dr. Stout. In no case has the reduction in yield been so great as the loss of leaves unless the plants have been two-thirds defoliated or more.

Rattler Sheddings

Our rattler sheds his skin three times during the summer season and is always dangerous during these sheddings when, it is said, a film covers the eyes and impairs its vision. Throughout this period it is very irritable and is likely to strike at anything—even a waving reed.

Another general belief is that the rattlesnake always gives the warning sound before striking. While this is his usual custom, it has been known to lash out without warning. And while on the subject of the rattlesnake, no one really knows its purpose. Certainly it is not intended to prey on the presence because that would place it at a decided disadvantage in foraging for food. It has been suggested that perhaps it is used during the mating period to locate their kind. While they have no external ears, they are not actually deaf and probably half hear and feel these vibrations.

Burkettville

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Drescher of Dayton visited John Drescher Sunday.

Al H. Homan and family visited Robert Homan and family at Middletown Sunday.

J. T. Wilkenhaus underwent a minor operation at Dayton last Thursday.

John Homan and family visited relatives at Dayton and Miamisburg Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bruns spent Sunday evening with Leo J. Klingshirm and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Urban Moorman of Dayton visited Anton Miller and family Saturday and Sunday.

August Moorman and family of Springfield visited Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hemmeln Sunday.

Pvt. Florian Hemmeln of Ft. Benjamin Harrison, and Pvt. Norbert Siefing of Camp Atterbury, spent the week end with their parents and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Sheets of Celina and Mr. and Mrs. Linus Wehrkamp spent Sunday afternoon with Julius Wehrkamp and family at Greenville.

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: NEWS OF THE COURTS :

AUGLAIZE COUNTY PROBATE

Mary Platvoet estate—A. L. Murray appointed trustee of the trust created under item 8 of the will. Bond \$700. Trustee filed inventory.

Malinda Hirschfeld estate—Benjamin Hirschfeld, executor, filed inventory. Total \$2,000.

Flora Poppe estate—Arnold Poppe and Lorna Althoff, administrators, filed inventory. Total \$18,643.

Rose P. Kuenzel estate—Will of decedent, late of New Bremen, admitted to probate and record. Estate bequeathed to brother-in-law, Julius Gilberg. Will, dated March 6, 1933, was witnessed by Catherine Speckman and F. W. Bruns. Orlando H. Gilberg was appointed executor.

Herman Park estate—Final account heard and approved.

Herman H. Hoescher estate—Inventory heard and approved.

Henry Niemeyer estate—Sale bill of sale of personal property filed by administrator.

REAL ESTATE

Henry Wildenhuis to Frances A. Wildenhuis, lots 10, 11, and 12, block 11, Minster.

Samuel and Caroline Barth to Clara Steinbrugge, one-fourth interest, east one-half of lot 11, New Bremen.

New Bremen Investment company to Clarence Topp, one acre, fraction seven, section 11, German township.

DARKE COUNTY

Joseph Grilliot estate—Will of decedent admitted to probate and record. Leonard Grilliot appointed executor. Bond \$1,000.

George Pierron estate—Leonard Pierron, administrator, filed application to transfer real estate. Certificate issued.

George Hofacker estate—William Hofacker, administrator, filed public sale bill.

Julius J. Magoto estate—Veron L. Marchal, administrator, filed final and final account.

Guardianship of Lester George and others—Application filed for appointment of guardian.

REAL ESTATE

Elizabeth M. Etter and others to William K. Etter and others, 80 acres in Wayne township.

Lawrence Barton to Viola Barton Bulcher, one acre in Wayne township.

L. C. Hoescher and wife to L. E. Hoescher and others, 13 acres in Allen township.

Homer Keist to Reuben Sutter and wife, 30 acres in Allen township.

MERCER COUNTY

PROBATE

William Benanzer guardianship—Seventh partial account filed by Josephine Benanzer, guardian.

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Minster Wins 2 Out Of 3 At New Bremen

Varsity, Reserve Fives Are Victors—7th-8th Grades Team Is Nosed Out

Two victories out of three games played was the record of basketball teams of Minster high school and grades last Friday night, in a full evening's program in the New Bremen high school gym. The varsity won 30-32, the reserves were victorious 29-17 and the 7th-8th grades team lost 27-22.

Wetzel and Morsey, each with eight points, sparked the varsity offensive, while Wyen with 10 points and Knapke with nine were high for the reserves. Vallo was best for the 7th-8th grades, with five markers. In the main event New Bremen was ahead 11-9 at the end of the first quarter and 21-17 at the half. At the end of the third quarter Minster was in front, 27-25.

Minster Varsity	G	F	T
Wetzel	3	2	8
Thieman	2	1	5
Brinkman	1	0	2
Schmieder	2	0	4
Morsey	4	0	8
Hafner	1	1	3
Schroeder	1	0	2
Moorman	2	0	4
J. Schmieder	0	0	0
Totals	16	4	36

New Bremen	G	F	T
Moeller	6	1	13
Wetzel	3	1	7
Belton	2	0	4
Schmieder	1	1	3
Wissman	1	0	3
McKay	0	0	0
Howe	0	2	2
Melchert	0	0	0
Totals	13	6	32

Minster 7th-8th	G	F	T
Vallo	2	1	5
Busse	1	0	2
V. Seger	1	0	2
Greiner	1	1	3
Greiner	0	3	3
Busse	1	0	2
Thieman	0	2	2
Wyen	0	3	3
Totals	6	10	22

New Bremen	G	F	T
Waterman	2	0	4
Obringer	3	0	6
McCullen	1	0	2
Jung	5	2	12
Ahlens	1	0	2
Griven	0	1	1
Totals	12	3	27

Minster Reserves	G	F	T
Knapke	4	1	9
Wyen	5	0	10
Schlatter	1	0	2
Ripplow	1	0	2
Naber	1	0	2
Totals	12	1	25

Brown	G	F	T
Schmieder	1	0	2
Totals	14	1	29

St. John 'S' Loses To Lima St. Rose 45-30

Maria Stein Boys Drop Fifth Game In 17 Starts On Sunday Afternoon

Keeping their opponents well covered in the last half, Lima St. Rose cagers defeated Maria Stein Sunday afternoon on the Lima court, 45 to 30, before a large crowd. The loss was only the fifth in 17 games for the visitors, who had defeated St. Rose earlier in the season.

The winners held the lead at all times except for a 3-2 score early in the first period. The quarter ended 15-7, but Maria Stein twice pulled up within two points at 18-16 and 20-18. The half ended 28 to 20.

At one time in the third period Lima led by 35-22 and the quarter ended with St. Rose ahead 35-24. The winners moved the score up to 43-26 and 45-28 for a pair of 17 point margins in the fourth quarter.

Bob Blust tallied six baskets for St. Rose. Goecke scored 17 points for Maria Stein and committed no personals. Only seven fouls were called against the St. John boys, who made only four out of 13 tries from the charity lane. St. Rose sunk five out of 12.

St. Rose	G	F	T
Mulcahy, f.	2	1	5
Riley, f.	0	0	0
Murray, f.	1	0	2
Blust, f.	6	0	12
Holmes, f.	0	0	0
Maurer, c.	4	3	11
Joe Nagelson, c.	0	0	0
Jim Nagelson, g.	4	0	8
Callahan, g.	0	0	0
C. Daley, g.	2	1	5
L. Daley, g.	1	0	2
Totals	20	5	45

Maria Stein	G	F	T
Ranly, f.	4	1	9
Bertke, f.	1	1	3
Hartings, c.	0	0	0
Borgers, c.	0	1	1
Goecke, g.	8	1	17
H. Luthman, g.	0	0	0
P. Luthman, g.	0	0	0
Totals	13	4	30

There are about 2,000,000 Italians in South America.

WAPAKONETA AUCTION SALE PRICES LISTED

Cattle—Market active and strong, some sales 50c higher; good steers \$14.25 to \$15.10; medium steers \$13.25 to \$14.25; common steers \$11.50 to \$13.25; good heifers \$14 to \$14.90; medium heifers \$12.75 to \$14; common heifers \$10.50 to \$12.75; butcher cows \$10.25 to \$14.40; cutter cows, \$9.25 to \$10.25; canner cows \$7.50 to \$9.25; butcher bulls, \$13 to \$14.10; bologna bulls \$10.50 to \$12.50.

Calves—Good \$17 to \$17.20; choice \$17.40 to \$18.60; medium \$16 to \$16.50; outs, \$14 down.

Hogs—140 to 160 lbs., \$15; 160 to 180 lbs., \$15; 180 to 230 lbs., \$15.15; 230 to 300 lbs., \$15; 300 to 400 lbs., \$14.90; roughs \$13.70 to \$14.10; stags, \$12 to \$13.

Sheep and Lambs—Top lambs \$15.25 to \$15.75; medium

lambs \$14 to \$14.50; culls and outs \$13 down; aged sheep \$6 to \$7.40; breeding ewes \$11.25.

PLAN MEMORIAL FOR SERVICE MEN

Purchase and erection of a memorial honoring men of the New Bremen community in the armed forces was a certainty this week. The trustees of German township, during an interview with an American Legion committee composed of R. W. Kuck, John G. Stueve and Ed Wellman agreed to bear part of the expense and have names of service men of the rural area included with those from the village.

The matter previously was presented to the village council by Mayor R. H. Dickman, and the solons voted to delay action on appropriating funds to help pay the cost until township

officials could be consulted. With favorable action by the legislators assured, the committee is proceeding with the purchase of the memorial, which will be erected in a prominent place in New Bremen, probably in the lobby of the Grothaus block.

LEVI HOLE, 80, DEAD; SERVICES ARE HELD

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon in St. Peter's Lutheran church, near the residence, for Levi Hole, 80, who died suddenly in his home, three miles south of Versailles, from heart failure, Tuesday. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Emma; two sons, Harley, at home, and Rollie, Clinton, O., and six grandchildren.

Commercial tortoise shell is obtained chiefly from sea-turtles.

WORN-OUT FARMS CAN BE RECLAIMED WITH PROFIT NOW

CHICAGO.—Reclaiming "worn-out" farms so they can contribute effectively to the nation's wartime food production is largely a matter of reversing the process that exhausted their fertility, according to a statement made public here by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

Most worn-out farms have lost their ability to produce profitable crops because the farmers who tilled them used up the soil fertility faster than they replaced it," says the statement. "These farmers sold



Plant food pays.

plant foods off the land in the form of crops, livestock and milk without bothering to put back any of these plant foods into the soil. The result was lower yields per acre and poorer quality crops.

"The remedy," continues the statement, "lies in paying back to the soil what has been borrowed from it, so that its fertility account is solvent once more.

"The rebuilding job entails attention to four steps to put the land back in shape to be farmed profitably. These include: sensible crop rotation; the growing of clover, alfalfa and other nitrogen-fixing legumes; the more effective employment of manure by the regular addition of superphosphate; and the use of fertilizers containing plenty of phosphorus and potash."

TWO-FOLD RECIPE BOOSTS WAR-TIME FOOD PRODUCTION

CHICAGO.—A two-fold recipe for stepping up the production of food and fibers needed specially in the war program was given midwestern farmers in a statement issued here by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

"The two ingredients," says the statement, "are improved farming methods and the judicious use of fertilizer. By improved farming methods is meant taking advantage of the ever-changing store of information resulting from tests and research by the state agricultural colleges and experiment stations as well as by the Department of Agriculture."

"In any sound farming program the use of fertilizer logically has a place. Experience under practical growing conditions has proved that fertilizer can be profitably used in the production of practically every farm crop grown in the Middle West."

"Experience has likewise proved that farmers can expect dividends in the form of increased crop yields and crop values when they play fair with their soil by supplying it with plant foods."

War-Scarce Nitrogen Can Be Stretched by Good Handling

CHICAGO.—War-scarce nitrogen can be salvaged for crop production on thousands of Midwest farms if farmers conserve and utilize manure properly, according to a statement made public here by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

Conservation steps outlined by the Committee include rapid transferring of manure from the barn to the field, or if storage is necessary, the construction of waterproof concrete pits. In either case, the Committee recommends treating the manure with superphosphate.

"The value of superphosphate," the statement adds, "lies in the fact that it prevents the loss of nitrogen in manure by absorbing the liquid ammonia and halting its escape into the air as ammonia gas. Fortunately the supply of superphosphate is adequate to meet farm demands."

Under Ohio Skies AS TOLD BY THE CONSERVATION DIVISION



MORE THAN 5000 FISHING STAMPS WERE SOLD AT PYRAMID LAKE BY SEPTEMBER AN INCREASE OVER 1941

IN MIGRATION SANDPIPER FLY AN ELEVATION OF 19000 FEET

SANDPEPS HAVE 14 NECK VERTEBRAS GRASSES HAVE BUT 7—JUST HALF AS MANY

MORE THAN 100 OUTDOOR WRITERS AND MEMBERS OF THE JUNCO COCK ORGANIZATION CHOSE OHIO FOR THEIR ANNUAL CONCLAVE

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