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## COUNTY SCHOOL HEAD WOULD RE-ESTABLISH NORMAL SCHOOL HERE

Strong efforts are now being made by County Superintendent of Schools D. W. Pearce, to reestablish the Medina County Normal School which was closed last fall by the state department, owing to lack of students.

"The State Department is now ready with \$1,000," said Mr. Pearce "and I am sure the county board of education, likewise is ready to aid if sufficient interest in the school is shown."

The law requires fifteen students in attendance. Mr. Pearce invites correspondence from prospective students so that he may determine whether or not there is a demand for this school. Teachers salaries are better than ever before, he says, and there is a shortage in numbers. He assures positions for those who qualify and gives the following information: "The county Normals of the state prepare teachers in rather large numbers and at a minimum of expense. After one year of county Normal training, a teacher's certificate valid in the county is given without examination. If applicant is successful, this may be renewed until it has covered a period of eleven years."

### AN UNKNOWN PEST

Guy Moore, a prosperous and well known farmer, living on the Branch road brought to the office of County Agent Salisbury this week a peculiar bug resembling a large fly but with antennae. He said it was eating the trees and plants in the vicinity of his home. Mr. Salisbury has never had experience with this specimen and is sending it to the state bugologist for examination.

### FLOWER MISSION COUNTY INFIRMARY

The W. C. T. U. will observe Flower Mission day at the county infirmary Wednesday, June 9th. An interesting program will be given in the chapel followed by a picnic dinner on the lawn.

There are sixty inmates of the home and it is suggested that each one who attends will bring a gift, preferably flowers, for the unfortunates.

## WEATHER SITUATION DELAYS FARM WORK

Unreasonable weather has added to the present difficult agricultural situation in this District. In practically all of this territory spring plowing has been delayed by reason of the cold, rainy weather. During the month of April over 20 days were too wet to permit work in the fields, as compared with the normal average of 5 to 10 days.

Wheat generally has made but fair growth, and the condition on May 1 has not changed from the April report of 68 per cent.

The preparation of corn land in the north-east section of the District is especially backward, being but about one-fourth finished on May 8. The seeding of oats has been rushed and the crop is now about three-fourths in. Germination in the eastern part of Ohio was not very good, and a considerable acreage has been reseeded. Estimates of the damage to clover through winter-killing place the loss at one-third of the crop.

The fruit outlook continues promising, many trees being in bloom, and so far very little damage from frost has been reported.

Farm labor conditions remain about the same. Help is very scarce and high priced. The situation appears to be worst around industrial centers.

During the 1920 season, according to an estimate made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, 427,426 gallons of maple sirup and 41,622 pounds of maple sugar were made in the State of Ohio—a decrease of 43 per cent. The small output this year was largely due to the short, unfavorable season, the total number of trees tapped being only 5 percent less than last year. The average price received for this year's output was about \$2.50 per gallon.

## LACK OF SUPPLIES REDUCES BUILDING

Building plans are upset as the result of changes in sentiment regarding future conditions, and the inability to secure material. Considerable unemployment exists in the building trades. The market is practically bare of some supplies, cement more particularly, and the situation grows more acute daily.

Some contractors have adopted the expediency of trucking needed materials, even going so far as the factories where the materials are made.

### KILLED BY TRAIN

Melvin Kelsey was instantly killed when struck by a fast-moving passenger train at Wellington last Monday afternoon. He was waiting for a freight train to pass and did not observe the approach of the passenger train.

## LEGION WILL SHOW SEAPLANE FLIGHTS

The Legion boys have made final arrangements for two seaplane flights to be one of the features of their celebration at Chippewa Lake Park on July 5. These flights will be made at 2 and 6 in the afternoon. Dancing will be conducted all day and evening and at night, more than \$500 will be released in the form of fireworks, consisting of rockets and set pieces. The famous Victory Chimes and Marimba orchestra and band music will be presented. Various concessions and shows have been engaged to delight the public and in the words of the old-time showman there will be "something doing every minute." The park caterers and concessionaries will probably be unable to supply the demand for food so it is advisable that as many as possible bring picnic baskets. Bathing and boating, boxing and athletic contests, running and swimming races, novelty and freak shows will form part of the biggest celebration ever given at the Lake. The record for attendance at this popular resort will be broken by several extra thousand on July 5.

## WELL KNOWN MEDINA LADY DIES SATURDAY

Mrs. Harriet Starr Nichols, over 67 years old, a widow of Norman Nichols, who died last fall, passed away Saturday at her residence on West Washington, of cerebral hemorrhage. After funeral services at the home Tuesday by Rev. Drew, the body was buried in Spring Grove cemetery. Henrietta Elizabeth Starr was born March 19, 1853 at Litchfield Ohio, the oldest daughter born to Philander and Margaret Star. Here she spent her girlhood days. On Dec. 16, 1871 she was married to Norman P. Nichols at Fulton, Mich.

Their early married life was spent in Litchfield on a farm and here their six children were born. Later they moved to Medina where she has since resided.

Mrs. Nichols was a friendly, kindly woman, devoted to the essentials of a good life. Her ministries were those of womanly graces and kindly thoughtfulness. She bestowed love and in return was greatly loved. Her interests largely centered in the two units of our American civilization—the home and the church. To take one's part cheerfully and lovingly in the church and the things for which the church stands, and to preside with christian grace and motherly instincts in the home is to lead a useful life, whose high bequest is the precious benediction it bequeaths. So the decedent lived and will continue to live in precious memory.

Truly hers is a legacy of precious memory which she leaves to her kindred and friends as she fares forth into that new experience where nothing of the old joys and fellowships will be found wanting in the happy reunion with her loved ones.

### DIVORCES IMPROVE MORALS SAYS PASTOR

Divorce cases tend to a higher standard of morals and there is really no need to look with horror on their increasing number, according to Rev. Arnold Keller of New Haven, who read a paper on divorce at the final session of the Connecticut Conference of Lutheran Churches.

"Thousands of people are living together in an unhappy state of marriage," he said. "They have withdrawn their love for one another, and because the highest motive of living together—that is love—has been withdrawn they are living in actual adultery."

### WILL RUN AGAIN

Congressman M. L. Davey took out a petition of candidacy this week for the democratic nomination for second term.

It is reported that Mr. Davey will be opposed by A. Ross Read, former postmaster at Akron, or W. F. Sawyer, who used to be mayor of that city.

Davey headquarters have been opened at Akron.

### NOW AT CLEVELAND

Dr. John McDowell, formerly of this city, who has been serving in the health department at Columbus is now health director of the Lake division of the Red Cross, stationed at Cleveland. Dr. McDowell was overseas with the forces during the war where he held the rank of Major.

### ELEVATOR MEETING

The Elevator meeting scheduled for June 11 at Brunswick is to be held Thursday June 10.

## MOTHER CAT ADOPTS YOUNG WOODCHUCKS

That the maternal instinct in dumb animals is highly developed, irrespective of class, has been demonstrated by a recent case of a cat's mothering a litter of woodchucks.

Fred and Louis Bohley, living on the Branch road at York recently found four orphan woodchucks. The boys conveyed the helpless little animals to the barn where the family cat retained two of her original family of five kittens, three of the family having been dispatched by drowning.

At once, the little woodchucks were adopted into the Grimalden family where a perfect understanding of new relation appears to have been established. Such an action, the character of the animals considered, is, we believe, a new experience. At least, we recall no other occasion where a cat adopted woodchucks and mothered them to independence.

## BIG TABERNACLE OFFERED FOR SALE

The big tabernacle adjoining the Church of Christ, which was erected in two days' time last March to accommodate the evangelist Minges who conducted a revival here this spring, is now offered for sale. Dr. Damon and Dee Nichols, who are in charge of the selling of the edifice, state that the building contains 11,000 feet. At one time, it was believed disposed of at a very reasonable rate if the sale is consummated by June 12. It is a rough building 50 x 100 feet. One time, it was believed that the building would be used for political purposes. Its imminent sale is indication that the school commencement exercises will not be held there as at first contemplated.

## NO CHILDREN NEED APPLY

(Dispatches from New York assert that landlords are demanding three months' notice from expectant mothers.)

There are homes for maiden ladies whose affections run to cats. There are rooms for barren couples, if they rent them day by day. And eunuchs are as welcome as the flowers that bloom in May; But the babies, O, the babies! there's a plot against their lives. For the landlords league against them 'ere before the stark arrives. There's a story of a Herod, you have read with hate and scorn, Whose bloody order was to seize and slay the eldest born. What better is the Herod who forecasts the family doom? By denying to the coming child the shelter of a room? Yes, if the Nazarene were come, a feeble, little stranger, Well might his hapless mother seek the shelter of a manger! Pray your pardon, gentle landlords, did it never reach your eye? That the law of life is given, "Go ye forth and multiply!" Or perhaps you hold such law is yours and given in the sense That you shall shout multiply—and multiply your rents. Tribute! Tribute to the landlords! In all other method fails. Send the mothers to the hospitals, the children to the jails! Let us build us barred asylums for the future of the race, Let the children rise themselves and never know a parent's face, Make every mother heart a tomb and every kiss a lie, But keep the law—the landlord's law—"No children need apply!" Let the babies be smothered and waft away the stork, But guard the tender feelings of the landlords of New York! —EDMUND VANCE COOKE

## IDEAL DAY MARKS MEMORIAL EXERCISE

Providence was kind to Medina Monday, an ideal day prevailing for the memorial exercises which were carried out according to program. Promptly at 12:45 the huge parade assembled and shortly after one o'clock began its march to the cemetery.

Major S. S. Outman, officer of the day, led the procession with his mounted aides. Then came the Medina band followed by H. G. Blake posts, soldiers and sailors of the Spanish-American and world wars. The Boy Scouts came next with the Girl Scouts immediately trailing. The Kiwanis club formed the next unit of the parade, leading several hundred school children, many of them real small tots who negotiated the trip to the cemetery with apparent ease. They were in charge of various teachers. Ingham's band, a fife and drum corps came next, followed by the citizens battalion, women relief corps and citizens in conveyances.

An appropriate program was held at the cemetery following the decorating of soldiers' graves by the school children. Returning to the public square, other exercises were held. Re. Clarence G. Miller delivered a powerfully stirring memorial address.

## RED CROSS NURSE ACTIVE IN COUNTY

Miss Constance Hanna of Sharon township, engaged by the local Red Cross Chapter as health nurse for Medina county, entered upon her duties Tuesday of this week, her first duty being a trip to Wadsworth, Litchfield and other points to review a few cases in company with Health Officer R. A. Brintnall.

Miss Hanna is a competent nurse and has a thorough comprehension of her work here. In addition to her therapeutic and domestic knowledge, she possesses a pleasing personality which will be a big asset in her new work.

"I have not yet reviewed the field," said Miss Hanna, "but I feel certain that much good will be accomplished by a constant attention to those cases of contagion that are now perceptible and those that may develop. It is our hope to so educate the housekeepers where illness exists in preventive as well as curative measures that very little if any communicable diseases will be of long duration."

Dr. Brintnall has laid out a schedule of afflicted and the homes of these will be visited as necessary warrants. The securing of Miss Hanna by the local Red Cross was one of the most effective aids to sanitation and good health that could have been obtained.

## SUNDAY CONCERTS BY HOME ORCHESTRA

Sunday Symphony concerts are to be featured in Medina each week by the Community Orchestra, if the plans now being arranged by Parke Bigelow and John Beck are brought to fruition. It is contemplated holding these concerts, which will be composed of sacred and classical music, at the east side of the public square on a specially-erected platform, beginning about 4:30 o'clock.

In addition to the twelve instruments, there will be vocal solos each Sunday by local artists. Alfred Adams has kindly consented to appear occasionally in the concerts on the cello. A bass viol, with Joe Seymour handling the bow, will be added to the press Sunday by local artists. Miss Shaefer and her girls chorus and Gordon Sherwood, the boy cornetist will appear at the first concert.

These concerts will be of a highly educational and interesting nature. So-called popular airs will be taboo. There will be no jazz or other degenerate discords. Programs will be changed weekly.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Medina to secure a refined, talent-charged musical program. Offerings will be taken each Sunday on the square during the concerts.

It is thought that the initial program will be presented Sunday, June 13 and will probably be the same as rendered recently at the M. E. church.

## MEDINA WAR GIRL ADDRESSES KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club secured its charter last Friday evening, that document being presented by A. F. Hardgrove, of Akron, the vice governor. Quite a ceremony marked the presentation which was attended by the wives of the attending members.

This Friday the meeting will be held at St. Paul's Parish House at 11:45 sharp. Secretary "Surely Handsome" Brainard announces something special for this week. The Longacres, Dawson and Leland, will furnish the attendance prize.

The speaker for the occasion will be Corporal Mabelle Musser of the United States Marine Reserve Corps. She was stationed at Washington during the war and possesses a great fund of information that should be especially interesting.

Miss Musser is a niece of Mrs. Park Bigelow and is a native Medina girl. She attended school here, later going to Oberlin college. In addition to her wartime duties, Corporal Musser was assistant adjutant in the District of Columbia department of the American Legion.

## FARM BUREAU ACTIVE IN DRAIN AND SPRAY MEETINGS IN COUNTY

### STORE AT SHARON CENTER IS ROBBED

The general store of B. L. Radiselle at Sharon Center was entered by burglars Monday night and considerable merchandise was carried away. Entrance was gained by forcing a door located on the west side of the building.

More than 200 pounds of sugar, several pairs of shoes, an automobile tire and many groceries were appropriated. A half case of eggs was found later near the depot at that place.

Sheriff Bigelow went out to the scene of the robbery but found no evidence that would lead to apprehension. However, the sheriff is keeping a close watch for the offenders.

### MINNELLI SHOW HAD HEAVY PATRONAGE

The Minnelli Brothers Dramatic company closed a very successful week here Saturday showing to a full tent each evening.

The bills were varied and well selected and every member of the company evidenced considerable talent and painstaking effort.

The Minnelli artists are far above the usual character of "rep" performers, the managers' long experience in the field equipping them to select the better grade of histrions.

The Minnellis have been coming to Medina for many seasons and their reputation for first-class finished shows and capable artists is well known. They are playing Berea this week.

### LOCAL AGENT WINS TRIP TO NEW YORK

Lewis H. Randall, special representative of the New York Life Insurance Company has received an invitation to attend on June 7-8 the anniversary of the fortieth year of service of Thomas A. Buckner with the New York Life Ins. Co. Mr. Buckner is Vice-President of the company and directs the whole agency force of over 6,000 salesmen in the United States, Canada, Cuba, Sandwich Islands and Alaska.

Only forty-eight men from the agency force will be invited and the invitations were given to the men waiting and paying for the largest amount of business over their allotments during the months of February and March. Mr. Randall is to represent the Great Middle Department composed of Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia and was in direct competition with over 400 men.

Letters received by him from officers of his company speak very highly of his achievement in winning this invitation against so large a field of men.

Mrs. Randall will accompany him leaving Saturday night and returning June 11.

### SEVILLE MAN SUED FOR DIVORCE AT CRESTON

Mrs. Amber Briggs of Creston has sued Herman Briggs for divorce and alimony, charging abuse and gross neglect of duty. The defendant lives on a farm near Seville.

Mrs. Briggs says in her petition that they were married August 18, 1891, and have two children now aged 26 and 17. She says that while they lived in Lorain, her husband left her and was absent several months. He then returned and induced her to come to a farm near Seville where, on March 1, 1920, he ordered her from home and since has failed to provide for her.

### WILL INSPECT MILK SUPPLY

Dr. R. A. Brintnall, county health commissioner, recently attended a conference of health commissioners of Ohio which was held at Columbus. One of the chief questions considered at the conference was the milk supply of the various counties.

Health commissioners throughout the state are about to take radical steps to better the public milk supply. To do this dairies all over the county will be inspected. Milk wagons and cans and other means of handling milk will come in for its full share of close inspection. The commissioners will strive to improve the sanitary condition of the milk supply throughout the state.

### SUES ON DEBT

The old jury in common pleas court was reconvened Thursday of this week to hear the case of the Agnew Torpedo Co. vs. J. H. Farrel and Geo. K. Evans. The suit is for \$1410 and interest on various sums for goods purchased between November 24, 1919 and January 27, 1920 for the purpose of "shooting" three wells on the property of Fanny Rice.

The drainage demonstration held at Mm. Mellert's in Liverpool township last Saturday was a decided success, according to County Agent Salisbury. About 250 farmers assembled to view the work of the hole ditching machine that is digging the trenches for the tile that are to be laid.

Last July a drainage engineer from the State University was secured through the county agent who made a survey of the farm and planned a system for the 105 acre farm. By using the best practices of the present time it was possible to arrange a system where only one outlet was necessary for the entire farm. This prevents the building of expensive outlets and the cost and labor of upkeep. It also makes possible the use of a minimum of large, expensive tile for main ditches. Furthermore it provided for long laterals of four inch tile which were the most economical to lay.

Mr. Mellert will lay 1200 rods of tile this year. The complete system will use about 5000 rods of tile. Those most needed are being put in this year and the others will be laid as fast as conditions will permit. While this is an expensive improvement it is perhaps the most needed one on many of Medina County farms. Probably no other one will repay the cost as soon as this and leave a system that will be earning money for the life time of a farmer.

Two spraying demonstrations were held during the week. One of these was in the orchard of A. W. Peterson. The other was in the orchard of F. B. Caltwater of Goshawkville. Mr. Bowman's orchard has seen a fine lot of fruit and prospects for an excellent crop. It is hoped to have another meeting there at the time of apple harvest.

The elevator meeting held in Litchfield on last Wednesday developed in real spirit for a cooperative elevator at that point. Committees were appointed and set to work in preparation for an organization meeting on the ninth of June. Twenty-one farmers signed up for shares at the first meeting.

A meeting in the interest of the cooperative elevator movement will be held at Brunswick on the evening of Thursday June 10th, announces Mr. Salisbury. At that time Mr. T. D. Phillips of the State Bureau of Markets will speak outlining the steps to be taken in the proper organization of the cooperative elevator. It is hoped that a large number of farmers will be on hand at this meeting.

## NEW DRUG STORE OPENS NEXT WEEK

The new drug store on the south side of the square is almost ready for opening, the fixtures being in place and the enormous new stock arranged on the shelves. The new sanitary glass soda fountain has been delayed in shipment but is expected to arrive next week.

The proprietors, Georges S. Simmerman and H. H. Bachtell are experienced pharmaceutical graduates Mr. Simmerman being a product of Scio College and Mr. Bachtell graduating from Western Reserve School. The latter was formerly with Tuttle and the Wall drug stores in this city. Mr. Simmerman was connected with Wall's drug store for about ten years.

The new store will handle a complete line of articles generally carried by up-to-date drug stores, such as stationery, cameras, vacuum bottles, picnic sets, candies, cigars, etc. A first class ice cream parlor will be operated in the new drug store, which will endeavor to give service at all hours of the day or night. It will be open on Sundays to accommodate the patrons of the ice cream parlor and soda fountain.

Messrs. Simmerman and Bachtell are well known here and are very popular with the younger element. They have modern ideas and it is believed that a heavy patronage will follow the new store's opening.

## FORMER OFFICIAL SEEKS RE-ELECTION

A. M. Baughman, a prosperous farmer of Wadsworth, who served as county Commissioner until September 1919, having been elected to that office in the August primaries of 1916, again shies his castor into the ring for that position, his announcement being in another column.

Mr. Baughman, who is the owner of 80 acres of mighty good land in his bailiwick and who is also interested in the Medina County Savings and Loan Bank of Wadsworth, is well known all over the county as a thrifty, unselfish, square and patriotic citizen and his term of the commissioners office was well administered.

He has raised four children and has always been prominent in his community, has served four successive terms as township trustee, is a member of the School Board—in fact, has held every township office but that of treasurer. He was prominent in Red Cross and Liberty Loan drives during the war. If elected he promise efficient public service as heretofore.