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Roundup

The second page in a two-page year-end roundup of activities hereabouts appears in tonight's paper.

We think of '52 as quite a commonplace year, but when we glance over the events portrayed and chronicled on this and the page that ran December 30, we see that a good deal was taking place.

These events were of all sorts. Some—such as the "Daddy Walker" case—were rather grim. Others though were on the positive side of the ledger, indicating progress and reason for hope for more.

For Mr. Churchill, A True Welcome

Winston Churchill arrives in America today. Let us hope he will be greeted with the welcome and affection he so hugely merits, and with respite from the jokes-in-bad-grace (such as Bob Hope's on TV last evening) about how he's coming over to get our money.

These sallies are not only unfunny, but ill-mannered and illogical as well when you recall that Britain is indeed a friend who not long ago took a quite considerable physical beating in our behalf and now finds herself in dire want because of it.

Mr. Churchill has been a steadfast fellow soldier in times that were thin for both of us; once we prized our association, let us not be any the less warm in times that are considerably thinner for him than for us.

Even if selfishness were our only motivator, alliance with Britain should be considered quite as precious now as in other days. In light of the Soviet threat it continues to be of benefit principally to us, for Britain is a real link in our defense.

Ingratitude has never been a national characteristic of Americans, but we come painfully close to it when in the name of humor the following is written into a TV script for national consumption:

Bob Hope (to Englishman on program): Don't you think we should have some fish and chips?

Englishman: Not me, old boy, I'm just here for the chips.

Bob Hope: Well you'd better hurry. Churchill gets here tomorrow and he's likely to get 'em all before you have your chance.

Pretty embarrassing. We like to think, however, that the exchange indicates not so much America's ungrateful fair-weather-friend attitude as it is a sign of the desperation of our comedians in their search for material.

Most Vital Drive

Recently Chairman Edwin Riggs of the March of Dimes polio campaign that is now underway said this is "the most vital polio drive in history."

This is so not only nationally, but locally as well. Here, for instance, is what your March of Dimes money did in Auburn in the year just past:

Helped pay for treatment of 25 of the 40 cases in the hospital, most of which were residents of Cayuga County. Paid \$1,500 for nursing service to supplement the regular hospital nursing staff. Paid \$2,000 to provide a rocking bed and six cripple carts, which are combination wheel chairs and stretchers. Paid for purchase of junior beds, physiotherapy service and for braces and special shoes.

This all was for the persons stricken in '52. In addition it continued to help a backlog of 15 cases held over from other years and still needing treatment. Some of these cases will require years of care.

That's how the March of Dimes can affect us locally and directly. Indirectly it does work which by most standards is even more important, since it is aimed at wiping the disease out entirely. This is in the form of research, without which we would never get anywhere against this crippling and killing ailment.

In recent months some progress has been made, but much is left to be accomplished. That's why now, when a real program is underway, is the time for "the most important polio drive in history."

Give generously to help others and, who knows, perhaps some day yourself.

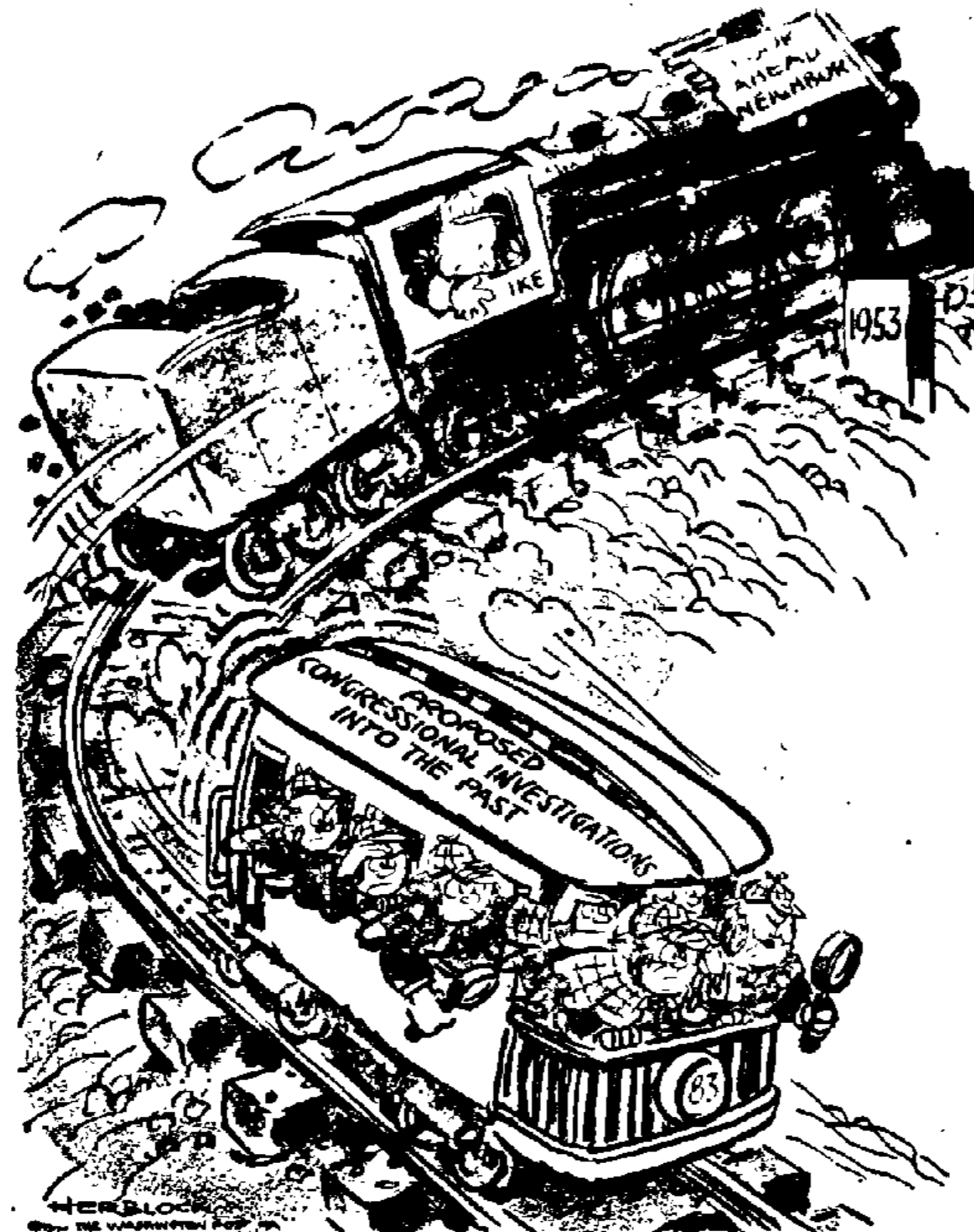
Compulsory Auto Insurance

When Governor Dewey reads his annual message to the State Senate and Assembly Wednesday he will for the first time seek a bill providing compulsory insurance for all auto owners. For our part, we heartily urge the legislators to comply.

Between 90 and 95 per cent of the state's motorists already carry this liability insurance, yet why is it that whenever some irresponsible soul suffering from acutely bad brakes and short sense runs into you, you find inevitably that he is one of the uninsured minority?

The answer, no doubt, is that the fellow who is irresponsible about the condition of his car's safety devices is simultaneously the one who is irresponsible about insurance.

Governor Dewey's request, if answered, will mean that nine-tenths of the state's drivers will no longer be forced to pay for the casualness of the other one-tenth. It should be a must at the coming session.



The Forming Pattern Thomas L. Stokes

WASHINGTON.—AS THE PATTERN develops in Congress for the incoming Eisenhower Administration, it becomes clear that Southern Democratic conservatives will hold a strategic balance of power. They could become as much of a problem for the Republican Administration in certain areas of legislative conflict as they were for the Democratic Administration of retiring Harry S. Truman, whom they baited about at times so unmercifully.



Thomas L. Stokes

On the surface this does not seem so, but the surface is deceptive. Indeed, surface indications are misleading. More Southern voters supported General Eisenhower than any other Republican candidate in history. That, of itself, established what the Latins call "sympatico" between the South and the new president.

Southern conservative Democrats in Congress generally take positions on economic issues compatible with majority Republican opinion and some of them, in fact, are Republican in that respect for all practical purposes. On foreign policy, because of traditions deeply rooted, they likewise espouse a course of international cooperation that accords with the president-elect's general approach, though it differs from that of some Republicans in Congress.

There is one exception in the broad range of issues which the new president must handle. There the Southerners are mavericks, both as respects members of their party from other sections and most Republicans. On this issue all Southerners in Congress, irrespective of their views on other matters, are united. And in that union they reflect a majority of their Southern constituents, including that great multitude that voted for General Eisenhower, many of the latter still in high dudgeon against President Truman.

That, of course, is the thorny civil-rights issue.

OF ALL ISSUES, THIS ONE NOW SUDDENLY has been thrust to the fore for first treatment at the very opening of the new Congress and on the eve of General Eisenhower's inauguration. It comes in the battle over change of Senate rules to curb filibusters, those Senatorial talkathons, more effectively than can be done under present rules.

To the Southerners the filibuster is the key salient in their defense against civil-rights reforms. It is the weapon that they have used successfully to prevent civil-rights bills even coming before the Senate for consideration and a vote.

This battle is certain to arouse bitter antagonism, as always, and to stir up ancient prejudices that go deeper than current good will toward the new president and his party. It is a most-painful and embarrassing sort of hazing for a freshman president. Curbing of the filibuster is in keeping with the Democratic platform and in keeping with pledges of leading Republicans, among others Senator Ives (R., N.Y.), one of Governor Dewey's recognized lieutenants in Congress, and an early supporter of General Eisenhower's nomination. Senator Ives, along with a number of other Republicans, joined with Democrats outside the South in forcing the issue for the opening of the new Congress Saturday.

General Eisenhower is not president yet, and won't be until January 20. He has chosen to leave this issue, for the time being at least, to the Senate. But the fight could possibly run into the beginning of his administration if it follows the protracted course of other Senate fights over the filibuster and civil rights.

IT COULD CONFRONT THE INCOMING president with a serious dilemma at the start of his career because of his natural desire to keep the good will of the South and, more importantly, of its representatives in Congress. Because of the narrow party division, he must rely on them from time to time, particularly on foreign policy. Also because of the narrow party division, Southern senators are in a bargaining position, which they fully appreciate and which they are capable of capitalizing to the utmost because of their skill at legislative maneuver from long experience.

The filibuster issue likewise poses quite a problem for Senator Taft as administration leader. Hitherto he has maintained a close working arrangement with Southern conservatives. It is significant that the dominant Middle West Republican who look to him for leadership have stood with Southerners in the past on the recurring filibuster issue in a quid pro quo that kept the Southerners in line with them in fighting New Deal and Fair Deal legislation.

What has happened may force a decision much sooner than expected from General Eisenhower as to his own position on the civil-rights and filibuster issues and a showdown that would demonstrate how forceful a leadership he expects to exert with Congress. His power is great now if he capitalizes to the full his overwhelming election mandate, but he could see it chipped away if he lets Congress get out of hand in the early stages of his administration.

Serious-Minded James Marlow

WASHINGTON.—WHEN HE WAS JUST another Republican senator, Sen. Taft had a luxury he can't take advantage of in his position of power and responsibility as Republican floor leader.



James Marlow

Taft is a hard-working man. He's also a sensitive one. In other years he could make a pronouncement and march off the floor without having to defend it or argue about it. If he didn't want to.

And like any other senator in this position in the past, Taft always had the privilege of walking out if someone on the other side set out to pin his ears back and he didn't like the quality of the pins.

NOT SO FOR THE FLOOR LEADER. HE HAD to stick around even when the other side is trying to cave his roof in with brick-bats. He has the responsibility of guiding through to final passage the legislation his administration wants.

Vice President Barkley, when he was a senator from Oklahoma, and his late Sen. Wherry of Nebraska didn't seem to have much in common

but both had a sense of humor which served them in good stead.

Day after day, year after year, Barkley as floor leader of the Democrats and Wherry in the same job for the Republicans, had to withstand some rough assaults.

WHEN THE GOING GOT TOO UNPLEASANT, Barkley could be pretty rugged himself, although some of his best weapons were the endless supply of Kentucky anecdotes he could sprinkle around.

Wherry had a great capacity for turning on indignation but he didn't get the name of "Merry Wherry" for nothing. But Sen. Taft is not noted for his humor.

He's not the kind of man you'd refer to as "one of the boys." He takes himself seriously. And no matter whether you agree with the decisions he reaches after making up his mind, he puts great effort into making it up.

If some other senators put half as much energy into their jobs, the senate would no doubt be more informed and less drafts.

But it will be interesting to see how the serious-minded Taft handles himself if the Democrats begin needing him in the hope he can't take it.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (From the Pitt of the Auburn Citizen)

City Manager John P. Donovan today announced the appointment of Miles S. Irish as deputy city assessor at an annual salary of \$2,100.

Auburn Lodge F&AM installed the following officers for the coming year: Worshipful master, Charles J. Webster; senior warden, Jesse L. Howard; junior warden, Clayton J. Smith; treasurer, Frank C. Newell; senior deacon, Earl C. Krum; secretary, Walter L. Wood; elder, Fred H. Christian; chaplain, Robert P. Lewis; senior master of ceremony, James K. Murray; junior master, Harry K. Painter; senior steward, Arthur E. Wallace; junior steward, Frank J. Snelair; oratorist, Merrill Baker.

The Polish Nationals basketball team defeated the Company Ays 14-10 last night at the State Armory court. Joe Tobis paced the winners with eight points. Flower was high for the Guardsmen with seven.

Walter P. Tarala was elected president of the Polish Citizens Club at the annual election at Falcon Hall last evening. Other officers elected were: Vice president, Peter Hommersbach; financial and recording secretary, Anthony Janos; cashier, Peter Kubera; trustees, Stephen Hurlch and Carl Bochenek. It was decided to start the naturalization school next Sunday with Adam Leja as instructor.

FIFTY YEARS AGO (From Auburn Bulletin files)

A dispatch from Washington today says "Paul R. Clark was today appointed postmaster at Auburn, N. Y."

There will be a bowling match at the Gannon alleys on State St. tonight between John O'Brien and John Cross of Geneva and Henry Gannon and Roy Howland of this city.

At a meeting of the Board of Charities and Police, a communication was received from the Municipal Civil Service Commission certifying the name of Edward Holmes as eligible for temporary appointment as roundsman in the Police Department. By a resolution of Commissioner Turner, Mr. Holmes was appointed to the job for a period of 30 days commencing January 4 at a salary of \$75 per month.

Thirty-two members of the Second Separate Company made scores of 80 or better on the indoor range of the State Armory. Pvt. Lewis E. Hall made the high score of 70 among the regular men and was awarded a gold medal.

City Hall Has New Eagle

City Hall has a new eagle. He is perching on a brand-new flagpole installed today in the lobby. The old flagpole had stood there without ornament since October, when someone stole the eagle from its top.

When efforts to locate the eagle failed, City Manager Alfred T. Turner authorized the purchase of a new bird and flagpole. The equipment was purchased by David B. Tyler, local Boy Scout executive.

To foil any more attempts to despoil the flag of its eagle, the new birds has been firmly riveted in place.

MRS. FRED D. MAXWELL

Mrs. Jennie Hopson Maxwell, widow of Fred D. Maxwell, of 43 Lewis St., died this morning at her home after an illness of eight years.

Mrs. Maxwell was born to East Blenheim, N. Y., and had lived in Auburn for the past 34 years. She was a member of the firm of F. D. Maxwell Co.

Surviving her are one daughter, Mrs. Thomas Smith; one son, Frederick H. Maxwell, one brother, Remington Hopson of Churchville, N. Y.; four grandchildren, Marion Jean, Gary and Gregg Maxwell and Joyce Marilyn Smith.

Services will be held at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday at the Langham Funeral Home. The Rev. George E. Davies, pastor of Calvary Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Soule Cemetery. Calling hours will be from 7 to 9 p. m. Monday and Tuesday at the funeral home.

RITES FOR MR. SALZER Services for Lawrence C. Salzer of 62 Wall St., who died Saturday at Mercy Hospital, were held at 9 a. m. today at the E. A. Heinek & Son Funeral Home, with the Rev. Frederick G. Straub, pastor of St. Alphonsus Church, officiating at the funeral home.

A requiem high Mass was celebrated at 9:30 a. m. at St. Alphonsus Church by the Rev. Clarence W. Gardner in the sanctuary where Father Straub and the Rev. Andrew W. Teuschel.

Burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery where committal services were conducted by Father Straub, assisted by the Rev. Robert A. Mezg.

Bearers were Harry Flannigan Jr., James L. Wallace, Frederick Salzer, Frank Jenner, Eimer Kneph and Louis Hulbert. Honorary bearers were led Saturday evening at the funeral home by Father Mezg. On Sunday they were led by Father Gardner.

The Poor Man's Philosopher Bad Time of Year

By HAL BOYLE

New York (AP)—This is the season when the average man would trade a turkey for a turkey. He would trade a turkey for a turkey. He would trade a turkey for a turkey.

It is the winter of our discontent. The last year has been a long one. The Christmas tree is burnt, and the bright hobbles that decorated it now lie in the darkness of the closet.

There is a false cheeriness to the man's "Hello" as he stumps up the walk. He knows there is nothing but bad news in all those envelopes he brings—the envelopes with windows.

The pages on the calendar say the year is fresh and new. But the calendar is a liar. The calendar of the spirit says the year is old and tired and shabby—just about the way the average man feels himself.

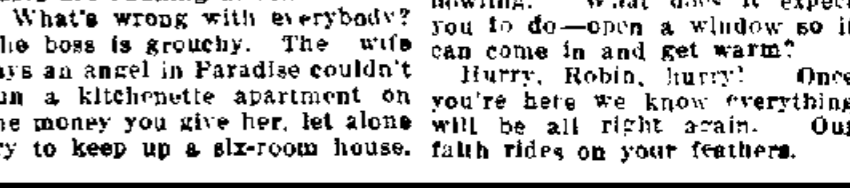
The party-giving is over. Now comes the letdown. He feels the heavy hand of Time upon him. The personal woes he shrugged away during the holidays perch again on his shoulder and whisper into his ear: "Looky, we're back. Did you miss us?"

Everyone he knows seems to be packing for a gay vacation in Florida, in Arizona, in California, in Cuba. But no luxurious sea cruise for him. Nope. Just the long voyage home on the 5:45 bus. That is, if the buses are running at all.

What's wrong with everybody? The boss is grouchy. The wife says an angel in Paradise couldn't run a kitchenette apartment on the money you give her. Let alone try to keep up a six-room house.

What happened to the sun? If it isn't snowing, it's sleeting. You open the front door and an icicle falls on your head. And the bitter wind... it blows... and blows... and blows... keeping you awake at night with its howling. What does it expect you to do—open a window so it can come in and get warm?

Hurry, Robin, hurry! Once you're here, we know everything will be all right again. Our faith rides on your feathers.



Communication

STILL MORE ON THE BIBLE

TO THE EDITOR: I have read with interest the epistles by Bible Student, the Rev. J. Snyder, and Christian regarding the condition of the soul.

It amazed me to note that a member of the Catholic clergy would question the divine inspiration of the Bible, and accept heathen books as on a par with God's Holy Word, as evidenced by the questions which the Rev. J. Snyder considered "more fundamental to the discussion."

I believe all sincere Christians will agree that the many fulfilled Bible prophecies prove beyond all doubt the Divine Inspiration of the Scriptures. In fact one Bible scholar computed that there are three hundred and thirty-two distinct prophecies in the Old Testament which have been literally fulfilled in Christ.

Also a mathematician figured out that the chance of one man's fulfilling all those things was one in eighty-four followed by ninety-seven zeros. (Archaeology and Bible History, page 284.)

To me the main issue and the "more fundamental to the discussion" seems to be the answer to the question "Is the Soul Mortal or Immortal?" That is the crux of the whole matter. The Good Book advises "PROVE ALL THINGS; hold fast that which is good." (1 Thes. 5:21). Further regarding this I note the statement made by Bible Student that there is not one scripture in the Bible stating that the soul is immortal, deathless, or indestructible.

I note also that this point was not answered by the ensuing communications. As a possessor of a Douay Bible, however, I have read in Ecclesiastes 17:23: "The son of man is NOT immortal." Also the Apostle Paul when referring to the resurrection says at 1 Cor. 15:54 "When this mortal HATH PUT ON IMMORTALITY." One does not put on something one already has, does one? These scriptures seem to lend weight to what Bible Student says.

Being a sincere believer in the Word of God and always willing to increase my knowledge, I would appreciate learning of any scriptures that state unequivocally that the soul is immortal.

In conclusion I would like to express my appreciation to the editor in his fairness in presenting both sides of a discussion. AN INTERESTED READER, Auburn.

On the Go

Auburn Federation of Labor will install officers at 8 p. m. Tuesday at its Goss Building headquarters. Donald J. O'Connor, business representative of the International Association of Machinists, AFL of Ithaca, will be the installing officer and principal speaker. Mr. O'Connor was the unsuccessful Democratic candidate for congressman from the 26th Congressional District at the November election. He will speak on labor's political outlook.

The Board of Directors of the Civic Music Association will hold its annual meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday in the northeast room on the second floor of the YMCA. Business will include the election of officers and directors for the coming year.

Matters of interest to veterans of all recent wars will be discussed by members of Memorial Chapter 101, Disabled American Veterans, at a meeting at 7:45 p. m. Tuesday in the Frank Callahan Post rooms. Clark St. Acting Commander James J. Kulakowski will preside at the business session, which will be followed by a social hour.

Bert Danquer of Ulster, staff representative of the United Steelworkers International, CIO, will discuss the Aco strike in Auburn at the weekly meeting of the Auburn Rotary Club to be held Tuesday noon at Osborne Hotel. Mr. Danquer represents the local union before the Wage Stabilization Board in New York City.

The Round Robin Home Bureau Unit will meet at 8 p. m. Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Thomas Shaw Jr., 22 Cottage St. Mrs. Max Newark will give a demonstration of "Ironing Made Easy."

Officers of the Cayuga County Farm Bureau executive committee were re-elected this morning at a meeting of the committee. Harold Hawley of Woodport, Alanson Church of Marata, and Elmond Richards of Locke were re-elected to serve another year as chairman, vice chairman, and secretary, respectively, of the executive committee.

The quarterly meeting of the Cayuga County Farm and Home Bureau and 4-H Club Association was held last night at the Osborne Hotel. Paul Kennedy, president of the association, presided at the business meeting following a luncheon. Mrs. Marjorie Leighton, of Cornell University, representative of the state extension director, L. R. Simonds, was guest of honor.

"Understanding Teen-agers" will be the subject of a Home Bureau training school to be held from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. Jan. 6, 13, and 20 at the Woman's Union. Dr. Margaret Willie, extension specialist in family life, will direct the classes.

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary of W. Mynderse Rice Post 87 will be held Wednesday evening preceded by a covered dish supper at the Legion Home on William St. On Friday evening the unit will entertain the county committee of the Auxiliary with a covered dish supper and the district officers are expected in attend. All members of the American Legion Auxiliary are invited to attend.