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BLUEBIRDS, THE ENVIRONMENT AND DDT

In addition to picking up some beer cans along a prime stretch of trout water, my personal contribution to Environmental Week was to tack up a couple of bluebird houses. The New York Legislature called attention to the bluebird by naming it the official State Bird and we hope the honor will not doom it to near extinction as is the case with our national bird.

Bluebirds seem to be getting scarcer according to my observations, and whether the pesticide cloud in which we live has anything to do with it remains to be seen. Certainly the demise of peregrine falcons east of the Rockies has been tied to DDT, and their population has dropped 95 per cent in the West due to the same cause. World populations of certain hawks are also declining at an alarming rate, and a similar drop is now being documented in oceanic birds.

Dr. Charles F. Wurster, of the State University at Stony Brook, a pesticide crusader who was instrumental in getting DDT banned in Wisconsin, explained the decline in birds in an Environmental Week lecture. DDT does not kill many birds and when it does, the killing is usually in a small area and of little significance, he said. Much the greater damage is done by disrupting the re-production cycle of whole populations.

DDT has caused birds to produce thin-shelled eggs, and sterile eggs. It is responsible for abnormal behavior such as egg eating, and

other unnatural acts that cause nesting to be disrupted.

Somewhat the same thing is being observed in fish living in DDT contaminated waters — no dead fish floating around, but no reproduction either. There is absolutely no lake trout reproduction in Lake George, claimed Wurster. Eggs are spawned and some hatch, but by the time the little fry absorb the last of the yolk sac they die.

Wurster laid much of the blame of DDT inaction on the U.S. Department of Agriculture. To make headlines, Wurster said, they cancelled DDT recommendations last year. DDT manufacturers appealed, and the cancellation was suspended. Wurster stated that the Department of Agriculture has never successfully carried a cancellation over a manufacturer's appeal.

One of the leading crusaders of the Environmental Defense Fund Wurster is involved in bringing legal actions against polluters and governmental agencies that look the other way. Since DDT upsets hormones and enzymes, and causes cancer in laboratory animals, the Environmental Defense Fund is working under the Delany Amendment to ban DDT contaminated food — the way cyclamates were banned.

If you like to catch fish and watch bluebirds, then put up a few bird houses and write your representatives in Albany and Washington about the pesticide problem.

First Communion Held At Church

Eighteen little children received their First Holy Communion at the 10 o'clock Mass Sunday morning, May 17, 1970. The class comprised of: Shelly Brown, Robert Davis, Tom Davis, Mark Dougherty, Beth Empson, Marlene Gavin, Teresa Gavin, Donald Greenan, Joseph Howland, Michael Hulse, Paul Joyce, Tracy Manion, Joan Murray, Sandra Sekoll, Timothy Slade, Jeffrey Smith, Monica Smith and Susan York.

After the Mass, celebrated by Rev. John Shea, breakfast was served in the hall to the class, their parents and the Sisters.

NOTICE

The Hillside Cemetery Committee request volunteers help to mow grass. Also would lot owners check your graves and mow if needed.

Commercial Printing at the News Printing House.

Farm Survey

Rural Mail Carriers Roland P Kemp and John L. Cannon along with rural carriers throughout the country will be distributing questionnaire cards to farmers for the June 1970 Rural Carriers Live Stock Survey. Carriers are distributing some 20,000 questionnaire cards throughout New York State and the completed cards will be forwarded by the Post Office to the Federal State New York Crop Reporting Service at Albany. The rural carriers have been taking part in the large scale livestock and acreage survey for over 40 years.

OES Notice

Members of Anna W. McArthur Chapter No. 242, Order of Eastern Star, will meet Monday evening May 25, at 8:00 p. m. at the Masonic Temple. Memorial Service will be conducted and Officers are requested to wear formals.

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Allegany County Red Cross Chapter Exceeds Quota

Dr. Roger Blaisdell, Allegany County Blood Program Chairman has announced that the Allegany County Chapter of American Red Cross has exceeded its annual quota of pints of blood by 47 pints. The Chapter was assigned a quota of 1500 pints of blood to be collected before July 1, 1970.

Dr. Blaisdell expressed his appreciation to the following local chairmen: Ted Crowell, Wellsville; Wallace MacDonald, Alfred; Ag-Tech: Dr. Gary Horowitz, former chairman for Alfred University; Neil Girard, Wellsville campus - Ag-Tech; Glenn Bronson, Andover; Mrs. Laura Gamble, Cuba; and Dr. George Wells and Richard Jacobson of Houghton for their work.

He further thanks the hundreds of volunteers, nurses, doctors, and donors who made this program a success.

Area Students To Graduate From Wellsville Vocational Division

A total of 177 students are expected to comprise this year's graduating class at the Wellsville Division of State University Agricultural and Technical College at Alfred.

Commencement exercises are scheduled for 2 p. m. Sunday, May 31, at the Wellsville campus.

Subject to meeting final requirements, the seniors will receive certificates for successful completion of one of the five vocational curriculums offered at the college's Wellsville branch.

The candidates for graduation include the following area students:

Mrs. Kathleen Buchholz Deming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl V. Buchholz Sr., of Davis Hill Road R.D. 2, Andover, machine clerical. Susan Kay McClure, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McClure, Andover R.D. 1, machine clerical. Rebecca Ann Kelley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Kelley of Wellsville, R.D. 3, food service.

Bids Requested

NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Andover will receive sealed bids for the sale of a 1967 Ford Custom, Tudor, V8-289 Engine Body in excellent condition. May be seen at the Village Office. Such bids must be filed in the Village Office, Andover, New York on or before 7:30 P. M. June 8, 1970, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read. The Village Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. LANDIS C. KIBBE, Clerk Village of Andover, N. Y.

Births

April 30 — To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farwell, Scio, a son.
 April 30: To Mr. and Mrs. Dean Ingalls, Bolivar, a son.
 May 4: To Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Cline, Belmont, a daughter.
 May 4: To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hadsell, Friendship, a son.
 May 5: To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Taylor, Bolivar, a daughter.
 May 5: To Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dillenbeck, Alfred Station, a son.
 May 5: Mr. and Mrs. James Merrick, Whitesville, a son.
 May 6: To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Price, Wellsville, a daughter.
 May 13: To Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Jarvis, Alfred Station, a daughter.
 May 14: To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brooks, Alfred Station, a son.
 May 15: To Mr. and Mrs. James McKinley, Wellsville, twin daughters.
 May 15: To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Simon, Wellsville, a daughter.
 May 15: To Mr. and Mrs. James Wheeler, Wellsville, a son.
 May 15: To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Rooney, Alfred, a son.
 May 16: To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Borden, Belfast, a daughter.
 May 16: To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Faust, Bolivar, a daughter.
 May 16: To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Poore, Cuba, a daughter.
 May 17: To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ackerman, Wellsville, a son.
 May 18: To Mr. and Mrs. William Plump, Belmont, a son.
 May 19: To Mr. and Mrs. Steven Cummings, Cuba, a son.

Gregor of Rochester to Dennis J. Grastof, Belmont.
 May 12: Minnie Francisco, Belmont to Truman Ordway, Whitesville.
 May 9: Miss Sandra Stewart, Wellsville, to Oliver Sweet, Jr., Wellsville.
 March 30: Miss Barbara Shinc, Wellsville to James A. Pascarella, Rochester.

Deaths

B. Harvey Palmer, Scio, May 5. His wife, a daughter, a son and a sister survive.
 Mrs. Marjorie Thompson, 50, Scio, May 3. Her husband, four daughters, three sons, a sister and a granddaughter survive.
 Harry Bump, 81, Wellsville, May 4. A daughter, two sons eight grandchildren, five great grandchildren survive.
 William B. Miller, 72, Wellsville, May 4. His widow, two daughters and a son survive.
 John O. Williams, 77, Wellsville, May 18. Three daughters, a son and a sister survive.
 Miss Hope Conneely, 75, Richburg, May 17. Two nephews survive.
 Mrs. Francis (Hila) Mathers, 67, Wellsville, May 20. Her husband, a daughter, a son, four sisters and seven grandchildren survive.

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Marriages

May 2: Miss Marilyn G. Mac-

ANDOVER AREA CHURCHES CENSUS

FAMILY NAME:

STREET ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER.

Relation To Church
 Church Preference Where Attend

Father

Mother

Children (ages)

1
2
3
4
5
6

Other Family Members

1.
2.

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