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TUESDAY A GREAT DAY.

The lot sale Tuesday bids fair to eclipse expectations. The people, both from the city and country, are taking an unusual interest, and at a glance see the many advantages. They see that the real estate is worth the price asked. They see that new factory additions means more people in Decatur, more business and higher values on real estate. These elements are all working to the end that sale day will mean lot sales, and lots of them.

We are glad to note the interest that is being manifested by the farmers. They are seeing the benefits to themselves as well as to residents of the city. Here, as always, there is a mutual benefit that is good for both alike. A better market for the products of the farm means ready sales at a good profit. A good and thriving business city enhances the value of farm land as well as real estate in the city. All these material benefits are being thoroughly discussed by all, and the result means a successful lot sale, and the sale of the lots will bring greater advantages to all concerned.

The boosters are still boasting.

There is more interest today than at any time since the project was first launched. Men, women and children are wearing the badge, the emblem of progress. They are working to make this effort a shining success.

They can not fail.

Arrangements are going forward for a great day in Decatur next Tuesday. Business houses will close and everyone will be on hand to buy a lot, and this makes the first step toward a Greater Decatur.

Have you pledged?

Uncle Sam has taken the first steps toward reorganizing his staff of commercial "drummers." Twenty-five candidates who seek to enter the consular service have been notified to appear before the state department to demonstrate their fitness. The examinations are the first under the new rules, which were framed by Secretary Root and passed upon by congress, reorganizing the consular service. In addition to the subjects covered by a general academic education the examination includes the knowledge of one foreign language, either French, German or Spanish. While twenty-five candidates are taking the examinations, there are only eighteen vacancies, and thirteen of these, paying from \$2,000 to \$5,500, will be filled by the promotion of competent men already in the service. With the extension of Uncle Sam's foreign trade, which is growing at a rapid rate at the present time, a large number of other vacancies will occur, which will have to be filled promptly by men fitted both by experience and education.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

Thomas F. Ryan is many times a millionaire, but he has never permitted the fool notion to enter his head that Uncle Sam must conform to the ideas and ways of the millionaires. Educated as a Democrat, he recognizes the justice of making no distinction between rich and poor in governmental affairs. He remembered the Jeffersonian injunction of "equal and exact justice to all, special privileges to none," and he wants his fellow-millionaires to accept these wholesome maxims of the founders of the Republic.—South Bend Times.

SERIOUS FIRE AND EXPLOSION

Philadelphia, March 21.—With an explosion hurling burning oil on the employees and fire, and so badly injuring them that they are in the hospitals in a critical condition, the whole city fire department fought a stubborn blaze which destroyed a million dollars' worth of property in the Atlantic refining works at Point Breeze.

MUM'S THE WORD

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A WELL MADE SUIT PUTS A MAN AT EASE!

The man who thinks he ought to be able to buy a good suit or top coat for \$10 or \$15 is right; he can, but he must know what he is buying; for nowadays so many suits, instead of being made in shape are pressed in shape.

WE GUARANTEE THAT WE SELL



Hand-tailored suits in blue fancies and club checks, worsteds, \$15 to \$25. The best assortment, both in patterns and styles of \$10, \$12.50 and \$15 suits for men and young men you ever saw.

Mothers' Attention!

Our children's department is a wonder. We are showing Buster Browns at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$5.00.

New Goods now practically all arrived.

ELZEY & VANCE,

Corner East of Court House

Decatur, Indiana.

Millinery opening Thursday afternoon, Friday and Saturday. You are invited to attend. Mrs. Fetzler.

If you want anything in the hardware line, go to the Decatur Hardware Co. They will save you money.

If you need any machinery call at the Decatur Hardware Co.'s store, as they have everything new and the best line.

The Decatur Hardware Co. handle the Osborne machinery, Moline riding plows, walking plows, best and strongest built.

Do not forget the Decatur Hardware Co. for coal oil, 10 cents a gallon.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Plans and specifications are now on file at the office of Charles N. Christen, architect, for the erection and completion of a one-room brick school house for the Lutheran congregation in Root township, Adams county, Indiana. Bids will be received until April 12, 1907, by the Lutheran church trustees.

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