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DOES "MAIN STREET"

APPLY TO DECATUR?

Sinclair Lewis, author of "Main Street," does certainly hit the little towns of this country pretty hard in his book. The folks in New York who are supposed to hand out the literary standards for the rest of the country think he's just awfully realistic.

They ought to know, for the majority of them who amount to much of anything came from small towns.

It all depends on what you see on Main Street. Mr. Lewis saw a lot of dullness, tedious inhabitants, vacant minds, and smugness, the horrible slime of smugness covering everything.

Now maybe if you're old-fashioned and remember "Tom Sawyer" and old Ed. Howe's book, "The Story of a Country Town," you have got a slightly different impression. Perhaps you have thought some American small towns and small cities were pretty good, anyway. What you see depends on what you're looking for.

A savorless people, gulping tasteless food and sitting afterward, coatless and thoughtless, in rocking-chairs, prickly with insane decorations, listening to mechanical music, saying mechanical things about the excellence of automobiles, and viewing themselves as the greatest race in the world." That's what Mr. Lewis says of the folk of Main Street.

He's partly right, too. If you want to hear the truth about yourself, go to a critic, not a friend. But Mr. Lewis' indictment, unhappily, isn't wide enough. It should be extended to the whole human race. We are dull. We are stupid. We are far too self-satisfied. Let's stir our sluggish minds a little, and thereby work a blessing from the curses put upon us.

There is an opportunity for the Industrial Association to be the common meeting place for every one in Decatur and surrounding community. The rooms are comfortable, they are your rooms and the desire is that you use them. Get the habit of going there where various problems can be discussed and where agreements can be reached. Meetings of the association will probably be held each

week from now on, excepting during the extreme summer weather. There are many things to do besides securing industries and if we each devote just a little time to this public service, it will be easy and productive of results.

The plan of Neosho, Mo., as explained by Mr. Lowe last evening, was interesting and the reports from other cities show it to be adaptable. It's up to the men of the community to become better acquainted with the people who trade here and the way to do it is to bring them here. Mr. Lowe showed how easy that was, the big secret being to establish confidence. To do that, advertise and then keep your word. We hope the plan is given a trial for it has never failed yet and it won't here in the best community on earth.

"Swat the fly." This is the time. Don't allow them to fill your house and poison your food. Screen your windows, the doors and fight them. They carry disease and they cause sickness and death. Now is the season when the extermination of one means to prevent a million later in the year. The anti-tuberculosis society is making a campaign to "Swat the fly." Help them do it.

Normalcy seems to be growing if the number of men out of employment and the frequent strikes of tradesmen is to be the means of judging that something voted for but little understood. Just now you find few people who like it, whatever it is and it is possible that as time goes on there will be those who won't even like to hear it mentioned.

Visit the new quarters of the Industrial Association. These rooms are yours. Leave your troubles and your jealousies and your animosity down stairs and come up. Help make this a better place in which to live.

If you wish to use the Industrial rooms, phone 133 or see one of the members of the house committee. It is the desire that these rooms be used every afternoon and evening. That's what they are for.

Mr. Adams, of the Columbia City Post, was a caller at this office today.

Why Not Try This?

If a Pile suffered don't become despondent—try Hem-Roid—no greasy salves—no cutting—a harmless internal tablet remedy that is guaranteed to quickly banish all misery or costs nothing. Holthouse Drug company.

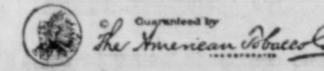
WAS IN BED THREE DAYS

Mrs. Josie Reed, 217 N. Exter St., Tulsa, Okla., writes: "I was in bed three days with my back. I took Foley Kidney Pills and in two days was at my work again. I cannot praise your medicine too much." Foley Kidney Pills stop bladder irregularities and strengthen the kidneys. They help eliminate from the system the poisons that cause backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints, sore muscles, swollen hands and feet, puffiness under the eyes. Sold everywhere.



Cigarette

No cigarette has the same delicious flavor as **Lucky Strike**. Because **Lucky Strike** is the toasted cigarette.



YOUNG GIRL FINDS RELIEF

Wants to Tell Other Girls All About It

Evansville, Ind.—"I am eighteen years old and have been bothered for several months with irregular periods. Every month my back would ache and I always had a cold and felt drowsy and sleepy. I work in a millinery shop and I went to work every day, but felt stupid and would have such cramps. I had seen Lydia E. Pinckham's Vegetable Compound advertised and had heard several women talk of it, so mother got me some. This Vegetable Compound is wonderful and it helped me very much, so that during my periods I am not now sick or drowsy. I have told many girls about your medicine and would be glad to help anyone who is troubled with similar ailments. You may use my testimonial as you like."—STELLA LINXWILER, 6 Second St., Evansville, Indiana.

Some girls lead lives of luxury, while others toil for their livelihood, but all are subject to the same physical laws and suffer in proportion to their violation. When such symptoms develop as irregularities, headaches, backaches, bearing-down sensations and "the blues," girls should profit by Miss Linxwiler's experience and give Lydia E. Pinckham's Vegetable Compound a trial.

MARRIED WEDNESDAY

Miss Ida E. Lehman of Berne and Henry H. Stucky of Fort Wayne will be married tomorrow at Grabill, at the home of Mr. Stucky's daughter, Mrs. Hulda Gehrig. The bride is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Lehman, and for many years had been employed at Fort Wayne, first at the Y. M. C. A. and then at the Y. W. C. A. A wedding dinner was served Sunday at the home of Miss Lehman's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Oswin Lehman, in Berne. The couple will make their home in Fort Wayne, where the groom is employed by the Bowser company.

ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY

The entertainment to be given by the pupils of the North Ward school will be Friday evening, April 8, at 7:30 o'clock. In mentioning the program Monday it was stated the entertainment would be Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, this is a mistake. The announcement should have been Friday evening, April 8.

SMITH BRIDGE OPEN TO TRAFFIC WEDNESDAY

The county commissioners after inspecting the new A. J. Smith bridge spanning the St. Marys river north of the city, accepted it and stated this morning that it would be opened to the public Wednesday of this week. The bridge is safe in every respect and no doubt will see much usage this spring and summer and in future years. It's a steel bridge.

EXPOSURE ACES - RHEUMATIC PAINS

Sloan's Liniment, kept handy, takes the fight out of them!

SLOSHING around in the wet and then—the dreaded rheumatic twinge! But not for long when Sloan's Liniment is put on the job!

Pains, strains, sprains—how soon this old family friend penetrates without rubbing and helps drive 'em away! And how cleanly, too—no muss, no bother, no stained skin or clogged pores. Muscles limber up, lumbago, sciatica, neuralgia, backache are promptly relieved. Keep a bottle handy. Get one today if you've run out of Sloan's Liniment, it's so warning.

All druggists—35c, 70c, \$1.40. The largest bottle holds six times as much as the smallest.

Sloan's Liniment

Paints

Liniment

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

Club Calendar

TUESDAY.

U. B. Ladles' Aid—Musical Church. Presbyterian Missionary Society—Mrs. D. B. Erwin.

Tri Kappas—Miss Celia Andrews. C. L. of C.—K. of C. Hall. Three Link Club—I. O. O. F. hall.

WEDNESDAY.

Five Hundred Club—Mrs. Dick Boch.

W. M. A. of United Brethren Church—Parsonage, 2 o'clock. Shakespeare Club—Mrs. A. D. Suttles.

Historical Club—Mrs. Fristoe.

THURSDAY.

Five Hundred Club and Bachelor Maids—Mrs. Dick Boch.

U. B. Sock Social—Church Basement.

Zion Lutheran Aid—Mrs. Wm. Schameroh.

Baptist Women—Mrs. C. E. Bell.

Mt. Pleasant Ladies' Aid—Mrs. Wilbert Borton.

Presbyterian Ladies' Aid—Dollar Social—Church, 2:30 o'clock.

Evangelical Dutiful Daughters—Mrs. L. L. Baumgartner.

Calvary Ladies' Aid—Mrs. Earl Bowman.

M. E. Ever Ready Class—Mrs. Bert Hunsicker.

Christian Missionary—Mrs. Ruhl.

FRIDAY.

Christian Ladies' Aid—Mrs. Noah Mangold.

North Ward Entertainment—Gym, at 7:30 o'clock.

SATURDAY.

American Legion Auxiliary Sale of Pasteries, Etc. — Schmitt Meat Market.

MONDAY.

Delta Theta Tau Sorority—Virginia Smith.

The primary department of the United Brethren church will hold a sock social Thursday evening in the church basement.

80-13

Miss Celia Andrews will be hostess to the Tri Kappa sorority at her home, 615 Madison street, Tuesday evening.

80-12

The Christian Ladies' Aid society will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. Noah Mangold at her home on First street. The ladies will meet at 2:30 and it is urged that as many attend as possible.

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John T. Kelly's class of the Evangelical church will meet Thursday evening at the L. L. Baumgartner home on Lime street. Hostesses will be Misses Winifred Merriman and Miss Helen Whitright, and every member of the class is especially urged to attend this meeting if it is at all possible to do so.

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The Ever Ready Sunday school class of the Methodist church will meet Thursday evening with Mrs. Burt Hunsicker, on Adams street. Mrs. Baumgartner, Mrs. Worth, Mrs. Irvin Elzey, Mrs. Niblick and Mrs. Yoder will be the hostesses.

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The Three-Link club will meet this evening, at the I. O. O. F. hall, following the meeting of the Rebekah Lodge. All members are requested to be present.

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Miss Virginia Smith will be hostess to the Delta Theta Tau sorority Monday evening.

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Mrs. James Fristoe will entertain the members of the Historical club at her home on Mercer avenue Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Christen will have the paper.

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The appointive officers of the Rebekah Lodge will serve refreshments and entertain the lodge this evening. All are urged to be present.

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The Missionary society of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. Ruhl Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Reeling will be the leader.

MUST SERVE SENTENCE

(United Press Service)*
Kansas City, Mo., April 5.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Erwin Bergdoll's application for release from federal prison where he is serving a sentence for draft evasion on writ of habeas corpus was denied by Judge Pollock today.

CRYSTAL

TWO BIG DAYS

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

SEE

"MADAME X"

The Greatest Mother Story Ever Told—Starring PAULINE FREDERICK

It's A Big Goldwyn Special

MATINEE—Door Open 1:45 Starting 2 P. M.

NIGHT—Door Open 6:45 Starting 7 P. M.

ADMISSION—Children, 10c; Adults, 15c.

NOTE:—Try and Attend Matinee and Avoid the Crowd at Night.

ABOUT TOWN

Housecleaning season is at hand and the average home is just now turned inside out. It has to be done so why grumble.

We have some government garden seeds which we will be glad to distribute to those who call. They were sent here by Congressman Vestal. The lot also includes a few flower seeds.

Will Schrock is still quite ill as a result of vaccination. A severe cold and the grip with it, makes it anything but pleasant.

Mary Lengerich who has been at the Arthur Holthouse home the past six months has returned to her home south of the city.

Want 'Em Pretty

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they evidently like them so well they want some of their own.

"Domestic science teachers very seldom marry. Perhaps men don't care for a wife who is too competent. Or perhaps the men fear they would have to eat tough theories instead of tender steaks.

"Dress goes a long way in making a successful teacher," interrupted C. C. Walter, Tobin's assistant. "For

The Right Direction

If you are going anywhere, the natural thing to do is to travel in the direction of the place you desire to reach. The speed you make merely regulates the time of your arrival—if you are headed right.

It is not the amount of money you save, but the fact that you have begun to save, that invests the act with a certain moral influence which, properly encouraged, becomes stronger and stronger all the time. That's why we urge you to open an account with us and get started on the right road, where the going is easy.

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instance, I believe a teacher in a