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Tomorrow is Better Roads day in Decatur and we hope the court room is jammed to the doors with enthusiastic boosters. Earl Crawford of the state commission will talk to us about us how we help them and ourselves, the problems of his board and tell us how we can help them and ourselves. Be there. Two o'clock.

Some fellow who digs in archaeology has discovered that seven hundred years ago the girls bobbed their hair, used lip sticks and rouge. Evidently the present day fashion is as surprising to us as it would be to those of a few centuries ago and perhaps more. Some like the old fashioned girls the best, some favor the modern ladies, some admire the flappers. As for us, we are for all of them, God bless 'em.

We commend the spirit of the directors of the T. P. A. in their efforts to present a valuable gift to the hospital rather than hold a banquet. These eating events are fine for a community if not overdone but some times we feel that about all we do is eat and talk. Let's devote more ef-



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fort and more money to helping the community this year instead of seeing how much we can put away under our vests.

The road program in Adams county for the coming year is the lightest in more than a score of years. Washington township is the only one which has a credit permissible under the law which fixes the limit of road indebtedness to two per cent. Only two roads are proposed for this year and it is likely that will be all of the new construction unless the state decides to build which is not likely for this year. At least the new order will aid in the ultimate reduction of taxes and should be a benefit to every taxpayer but in the meantime we should see that the roads we have built are well maintained.

Former Vice-President Marshall and former candidate and sometime Secretary of State Bryan have at last come together on a platform on which both seem able to stand. It is, however, not political but theological, and may be found in Mr. Marshall's Sunday address. "I for one," said the former vice-president, "am not much worried about whence I came. What I am worried about is where I am going." But sometimes a journey's end is not wholly unrelated to its beginning. The prophet seems to have understood this, for he said: "Look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged." Origins, therefore, do seem to be important. But it is to this theological entente that the public interest will chiefly attach.—Indianapolis News.

Adams county ranks sixth in the state for number of miles of improved roads, according to the official report from the state highway department, just made public. The county has 747.69 miles of improved roads and excels one or two counties which rank above it because of the fact practically all of the mileage in this county is macadam while other counties have gravel roads which are classed as improved. The showing is an excellent one and the roads are worth six or eight million dollar. It is important that we keep them up and that we take advantage of any opportunity to continue the march of progress. Under the new state laws we pay a heavy tax in auto license and gasoline taxes and we are certainly entitled to recognition. For several years our money has been spent in the backward counties. Now we insist we should have in return some hard surface roads. We should all understand our position better after we hear Earl Crawford's address at the court

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house tomorrow afternoon. Hope you attend.

Those "chips of the old block," the sons of Major-General Leonard Wood, have only themselves to blame for the disagreeable position in which their efforts to get rich quick have placed their father. The heated assertion credited to Leonard Wood, Jr.,—that the investigation of his wildcat oil promotion is "a dirty dig at father"—is a further proof that the young man lacks sportsmanship as well as judgment, if no other firmities of mind and character be attached to him in the projected congressional inquiry. The dirtiest dig that can be taken at any man's father is when his son and namesake commercializes that name in a stock-selling scheme, however sincere his belief in its virtues. The second son has thus far avoided the mistake of blaming any one else for the predicament in which he has placed the Governor-General of the Philippines. Perhaps it has become apparent to him that the son of an American administrator occupying the office of his father's aide should have construed his public obligation to be that of Caesar's wife. He did not make his elder brother's mistake of capitalizing the family name through others. But he did commit an offense against the reputation of public service by engaging in vast, and as yet incomprehensibly successful, gambling in the stock market.—New York World.

## Mississippi Flooding State Of Arkansas

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 9.—The Mississippi river has reached a stage of 30 feet and is flooding Arkansas lowland. Flood stage is 35 feet and river men fear this will be reached. Government engineers are laying plans to strengthen the levees. The rise cannot endanger Memphis, which is protected by high bluffs.



Life is Sweet  
To breathe the pure air,  
To see the flowers fair,  
To greet the morning sun,  
And the stars when day is done,  
To mingle with the throng,  
To sing the glad new song,  
To climb the mountain height,  
And stand for truth and bright,  
Oh, it is sweet to live!

Life is sweet,  
To play a living part,  
To banish all my fears  
To keep a happy heart,  
And smile through falling tears;  
To do the daily task,  
To share with those who ask,  
To walk the narrow way  
And rest at close of day,  
Oh! it is sweet to live!

## TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

From the Daily Democrat files 20 years ago this day

Jan. 9.—Big crowd in town, last Saturday before democratic primary election.

Ex-governor Charles Foster of Ohio dies at his home at Springfield, Ohio. He was also former U. S. Treasurer. Miss Maud Hathaway resigns as teacher in high school to accept similar place at Akron, Ohio.

Cromer men obtain control of county central committee and elect J. M. Frisinger chairman.

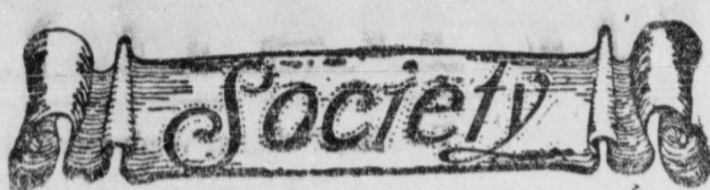
Miss Ruth Parrish entertains friends on her ninth birthday.

W. H. O'Brien chosen state chairman by democrats.

Two members of "Punkin' huckers" comedy company arrested for larceny settle and are released.

High school students give a New Year ball at Columbia club.

Dell Locke announces new Bliss hotel at Bluffton to cost \$55,000.



## CLUB CALENDAR

### Wednesday

Historical Club, Mrs. Hala Lee.  
Shakespeare Club, Mrs. C. A. Dugan.

Christian Endeavor of Reformed church—Mrs. R. R. Elliker, 7:30.  
B. church—Mrs. Clarence Drake.  
Woman's Missionary Society of U. Tri D—Mrs. Allen Stalter.

### Thursday

Moose Legionaire Guest Night—Moose Home, 7:30.

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Presbyterian church—Mrs. J. L. Kocher, 2:30.

U. B. Ladies Aid Society, Mrs. Ben Hoagland.

Work and Win class of U. B. church—Mrs. Frank Baker.

Christian Ladies Aid Society—Mrs. James Staley, 2:30 o'clock.

Root Twp. Home Economics Club, Mrs. S. P. Sheets.

Zion Lutheran Ladies Aid Society, School house, 3:30.

Phoebe Bible Class of Reformed church—Mrs. Harry Knapp.

Eastern Star, Masonic hall, 7:30.

### Friday

Bridge Club, Mrs. C. C. Pumphrey.

Minnehaha Club—Red Men Hall.

Ladies Aid Society of M. E. Church parlors, 2:30.

### Saturday

Ladies Aid Society of M. E. Church Rummage Sale, Church basement, afternoon and evening.

### Sunday

Research Club—Mrs. O. L. Vance.

Thirty-five members and guests of the League of Women Voters met in the sun parlor of the Adams County Memorial Hospital Tuesday afternoon with Miss Christ as hostess. While the business and program was conducted the ladies made 600 swabs, 70 sponges, and hemmed 50 table towels. The ladies decided to meet their state assessment by giving a series of Bridge parties and bake sales. The first Bridge party will be given in two weeks at the home of Mrs. Al Anker. A program "Know Your Own Town" was given yesterday from questions sent out by the National headquarters. At every meeting a few of these questions will be answered and discussed by members. Refreshments were served by Miss Christ and every one present felt well paid for going to the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Blair entertained at a 6 o'clock dinner yesterday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Zink, of St. Marys, Ohio, and the members of the St. Marys basketball team, which played the Decatur Leaders last night.

The members of the Rebecca lodge held installation last evening at their hall for the following officers: Noble Grand, Mrs. Anna Mallott; vice grand Mrs. Minnie Teeple; chaplain, Mrs. Ed Macy; Recording secretary, Mrs. Jessie Fry; treasurer, Mrs. John Mosure. A social hour was enjoyed following the business meeting.

There will be a joint meeting of the Missionary Society and Ladies Aid society of the Christian church, Thursday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. James Staley. A good attendance is desired.

The Phoebe Bible class of the Reformed church will meet Thursday evening with Mrs. Harry Knapp instead of this evening as formerly announced. All members are requested to attend.

The Psi Iota Xi Sorority met last evening at the home of Mrs. Sim Burk on First street. During the business session the local chapter accepted an invitation from the Bluffton chapter to initiate a class of candidates in the near future. During the social hour delicious refreshments were served. Miss Fan Ham-mell will be hostess at the next meeting, January 22.

Mrs. Allen P. Stalter will entertain the members of the Tri D Club at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mel J. Butler on Fifth street.

The Eastern Stars will hold installation of officers Thursday evening. All officers are requested to be present. The meeting will begin at 7:30, W. M.

The Tri Kappa sorority met last evening at the home of Mrs. Avon Burk on Fourth street. It was decided during the business meeting to give a benefit bridge party, January 21, at the Masonic Hall. The next meeting will be held with Miss Gladys Butler in two weeks. Delicious re-

freshments were served by the hostess.

## Guardsmen Maintain Order In "Bloody Williamson Co."

(United Press Staff Correspondent) Marion, Ill., Jan. 9.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—One hundred twenty-five young men with bayonets, in the olive drab of the Illinois National Guard, today opposed the threat of a whiskey rebellion in "Bloody Williamson county."

After a sleep in the courthouse here—the scene of the famed Herrin riot trials—reveille woke three companions of the guardsmen, who arrived last night on orders of Adjutant General Carlos Black, ready for guard duty or martial law.

General Black, who arrived early today after an all night journey from Springfield, was deciding what steps to take to quiet the tense situation which climaxed yesterday when Sheriff George Galligan, from a sickbed, penned a telegram to Governor Len Small, declaring the situation had approached the riot stage, and was out of his control.

## Nina Wilcox Putman Tells Bassett To Go To His Home

New York, Jan. 9.—Nina Wilcox Putman has telegraphed Ellsworth Bassett, her personal representative that he had best go to his home in Madison, Conn., and find out what is troubling his wife.

Bassett, who was at Delroy, Fla., with the famous novelist on her orange ranch there when domestic troubles came crashing down on her head, should be on his way north now if he follows the advice of his employer.

Meantime the strange domestic sensation, involving the novelist, her own husband, her business repre-

sentative and the later's wife, was heightened somewhat today by the discovery of R. J. Sanderson, the novelist's husband, in New York. The Misses Margaret Mylott and Bee Leonard and Messrs. John Teeple, and Linn Kern will go to Fort Wayne this evening.

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