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INSPECTORS AND THINGS:

Walter Chambers, editor of the New Castle Times and one of the best posted men in the state on governmental affairs, author of the budget bill now being credited as the savior of funds, state chairman of the democratic party and wise in those things best for all the people, thus discussed boards, commissions and inspectors in a recent issue of his paper:

"For several days the editor of the Times, as a member of the State Budget committee has been going over the salaries of appointive State officers and employees to fix them for the coming year. It is not the size of the salaries that surprises one for in many instances one wonders why any man would want a position at the salary that is paid.

"But the most surprising thing is the number of inspectors and investigators that are traveling around at public expense looking into our private affairs and some of them with extraordinary power—a power sufficient to take our property or disrupt a family. The State Tax Board has a big force of such men; so has the Public Service Commission, the State Fire Marshal, the Health Board, the Industrial board, the State Board of Charities, some of the state institutions, until the number runs well over a hundred of these inspectors and investigators, or one for every county with several additional for the larger counties. They do things that twenty years ago were not considered a function of government. Some of them are good, some indifferent and others positive nuisance and detriment to the state. Nor have we referred to the prohibition officers that come under federal control, or the 34 state policemen and the numerous game wardens that make life miserable for the fellows who hunt or fish out of season and beyond the rules of the game. Nor have we mentioned the oil inspectors who get \$1,500 a year for being politicians."

"A large part of these inspectors could be done away with, although some people might think the wheels of state would no longer go 'round if these jobs were abolished. In any event we should like to abolish forty of them and see what would happen to us poor mortals."

Decatur owns her own municipal plant. For a part of a century this plant. For a quarter of a century this until now it ranks the equal of any to be found in a city of our size in the country. We are able to take care of the needs of every one and at a cost much lower than those cities secure where large corporations are furnishing power, light and water. Compare it with any you wish, investigate the conditions at the city hall and you will be proud of old Decatur and the work accomplished here. It has taken courage, sacrifice on the part of many, but they have won and the plant is able to take care of and keep pace with the growth of the city. Don't permit it to be changed or interfered with to your detriment, support the city and assist them now when they are inviting prospective manufacturers to locate here.

The best way perhaps to serve your

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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community is to buy a lot and build a home. You can secure real estate in Decatur at a price which makes your investment safe, you can build at a reasonable figure, you can own your own home if you want to and you ought to be proud of owning one in this splendid city where every factory is operating, where we have good schools and churches, where we have many miles of paved streets and are building more, where our streets are well lighted and where we are installing a system of ornamental posts which attract much attention, where we will soon be on two state and federal highways, where we own a municipal plant that is running smoothly and making money. Buy a lot, build a home, be a real part of a real community.

This is fire prevention week and by proclamation of the governor of the state and the mayor of the city, is to be so observed. As a property owner and a citizen you are asked to co-operate with the fire department to take such measures as will guard against fires. Fifty-four years ago on the 9th a cow in Mrs. O'Leary's barn kicked a lantern over and the greatest fire in the history of the nation occurred in Chicago. Fire prevention week is held over the country on the anniversary of that disaster. In conjunction with the officials insured agents urge that you guard against fire and protect yourself by carrying sufficient insurance. It's a very important matter.

George Krick, democratic candidate for mayor, has served as a member of the city council the past four years and in that capacity has had much to do with the progress made. He is a manufacturer, a business man and is well qualified in knowledge of the affairs of the city to serve you. On the ticket with him you will find men and women, chosen because of their ability to serve the people of Decatur. The election will be held four weeks from tomorrow and its time to be thinking about it for much depends on the verdict during the next four years.

Voters in Decatur and the other towns in Adams county where city or town elections will be held in November do not have to register as the elections are held under the old cities and towns act. It is important that you vote and if you are eligible, if you have resided in the state six months and in the township sixty days and your precinct thirty days, you have the right to cast a ballot in the coming election.

Just enough snap in the air this morning to make you throw back your shoulders and announce to the world that you will do something worth while for everybody and incidentally for yourself. Let's go.

Big Features of RADIO Programs Today

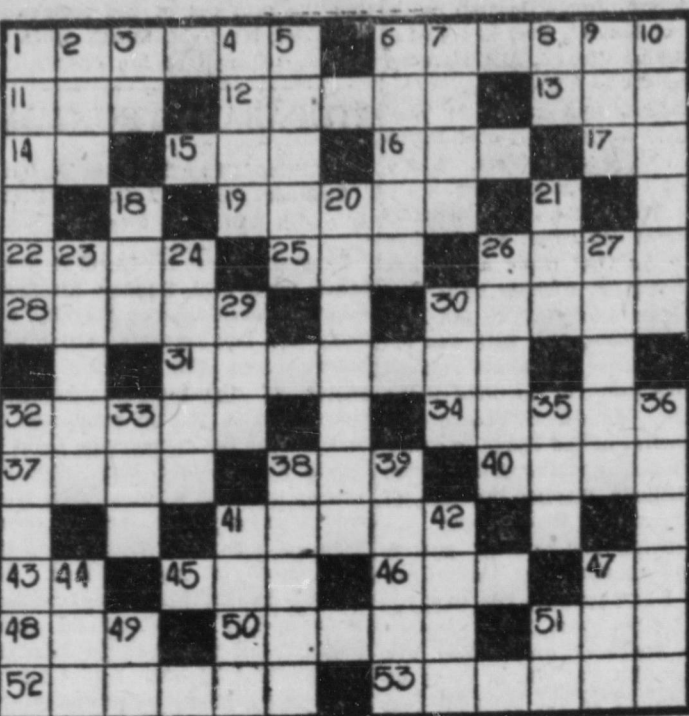
Monday's Five Best Radio Features
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WJZ, New York, 454, 7 p. m. (E. S. T.)—Levitov's orchestra.
WFL, Iowa City, 484, 7:30 p. m. (C. S. T.)—Educational courses.
WIAF, Kansas City, 385, 8 p. m. (C. S. T.)—Ivanhoe band.
WLW, Cincinnati, 423, 9:30 p. m. (C. S. T.)—O. Henry playlet.
KPC, San Francisco, 423, 8 p. m. (P. C. S. T.)—30th Infantry band.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

From the Daily Democrat File
Twenty Years Ago This Day

Elks purchase furniture of C. Y. M. C. and take lease on rooms in

DAILY DEMOCRAT CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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| Horizontal. | Vertical. |
| 1—Fit | 1—Hates |
| 2—To go fast | 2—A track worn by a wagon wheel |
| 3—More pleasant | 3—Upon |
| 4—A habitual drunkard | 4—Enough (poetic) |
| 5—That thing | 5—An addition to a manuscript |
| 6—A slender stick | 6—A kind of grasslike herb |
| 7—Condensed moisture from the air | 7—A woody perennial |
| 8—A parent | 8—While |
| 9—A piece of material used in splitting wood | 9—To soak up |
| 10—A drink | 10—To grow old |
| 11—To regret | 11—One who fights a battle with another person |
| 12—One who entertains another | 12—A round scarf of feathers or fur |
| 13—Appears | 13—A card or a die with two spots |
| 14—A kind of animal (plural) | 14—To alter |
| 15—The office of an earl | 15—A Greek poet |
| 16—Neat | 16—Something used on a letter |
| 17—To take care of | 17—To procure |
| 18—A small venomous snake | 18—Also |
| 19—Thick twice | 19—To propel a boat |
| 20—A head band worn by women of ancient times | 20—Arranged in seats |
| 21—A note in the diatonic scale | 21—Pointed at a goal |
| 22—Indistinct | 22—Name of a saint |
| 23—A preposition | 23—Unusual |
| 24—To direct to some person for information | 24—Part of the verb "to be" |
| 25—Native metallic compound | 25—To perform |
| 26—Corroded | 26—Either |

Solution will appear in next issue.



CLEVERNESS AND SINCERITY

One was clever, and one sincere,
One was handsome and one was plain,
One drew laughter and left a tear,
The other winced at another's pain.

And he seemed dull when the clever spoke,
And he seemed slow when the wit began,
For he never sharpened a fibe or joke
To wound the soul of his fellow man.

For he could feel, as it were his own,
The sting of envy and malice keen,
And he knew, ere ever the barb was thrown

The cruel hurt such a hit would mean,
Now the clever man had a greater fame,
For laughter pleases the carefree throng,
But he who toiled with a humble name

Had a truer knowledge of right and wrong,
We laugh at the jibes, be they foul or fair,
We smile when a nimble mind is bent,
But of cleverness must we all beware,

So we give our love to the one sincere.

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Morrison block.

Miller family reunion is held in Union township.

County commissioners entertained at the David Meshberger home in Linn Grove.

New baseball organization plans a grand stand at Steele's park for next year.

Baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hower.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Kalver leave for a ten day's visit to Chicago.

Number from here attend 33rd annual meeting of the synod of the north-west Reformed church, now in session.

Dora Thorpe at the opera house and a packed house.

The People's Voice

Time To Gather Seed Corn
Editor Daily Democrat:

Believe it would be a good thing to call attention of the farmers of Adams county that this is the time to secure the best seed corn. They all know it, but perhaps a few have overlooked it. If you will go out into the fields now and select the largest and best ears, remembering that "like begets like," tie a string to the ears and hang them in a dry building, so the chickens and mice can't get to them, let them dry until spring, you will find it dry and in just the right condition for planting. Seed corn is always higher price in the spring and with the splendid crop in this county now there is no reason why every farmer should not have plenty of his own and in prime condition for planting.

Washington Township Farmer.

Alexander Is Temporary Alumni Secretary At I. U.

Bloomington, Ind., Oct. 5.—(United Press)—The office of alumni secretary of Indiana University will be filled temporarily by W. A. Alexander, Indiana University librarian and director of the memorial fund campaign. Mr.

Alexander will serve until a successor can be appointed by Edward C. Von Tress, Jr., who recently resigned to enter business in Florida. Mr. Alexander is an alumnus of the University and a native Hoosier. He was dean and registrar of Swarthmore College for many years and has served as librarian at the State University since 1921. He is well known among the 20,000 alumni and former students of the University.

Mr. Alexander is largely responsible for the success of the memorial building campaign to which there are now 14,000 subscribers. More than \$1,400,000 has been raised for the purpose of building three structures at the State University. Two of these, the stadium and the women's dormitory have been constructed.

Upon coming to Indiana University in 1921, Mr. Alexander immediately began the campaign for a building fund among alumni and students of the University. Mr. Alexander graduated from the institution in 1901 with the A. B. degree.

OBITUARY

Peter Albright Harker was born in Van Wert county, Ohio, Oct. 14, 1851. He died at his home in Harrison township on September 29, 1925. Age 73 years, 11 months, 15 days. He was baptized in the Lutheran church. He was the son of Jacob Frederick and Mary Harker. He had seven brothers and two sisters, all of whom are deceased. He leaves to mourn, a host of relatives and friends.

A light from our household is gone
A voice we loved is stilled
A place is vacant in our hearts,
That never can be filled.

We take this mode of expressing our sincere thanks to the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us during the death of our beloved uncle, to the pallbearers, and Rev. Schrow for his comforting words.

Fred Harker and family.
Miss Dorothy Miller of Fort Wayne, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Miller and family.

STRAIGHT TALKS WITH AUNT EMMY

ON A NARROW ESCAPE

"Oh, Aunt, I just have to talk to you," said Maud, bursting in on Aunt Emmy. "Those bonds Tom's father gave us for a wedding present have matured and Tom has the money. A man is trying to get Tom to invest in a radio company. I want your opinion on it."

"Don't hurry; tell me everything you can remember," said Aunt Emmy. "Well, Tom didn't seem enthusiastic. Then Mr. Brown, the salesman, said that if he bought stock in his company, and wanted his money at any time, the company would buy back his stock."

"Are you sure he said that?" interrupted Aunt Emmy. "That's a claim that is not made by people connected with dependable investment houses. Unless you have an agreement with the company clearly stating that it will repurchase its stock, signed by one of its officers, you would have great difficulty in getting the company to buy back your stock. A company cannot be compelled to repurchase its own stock. Do you know who Mr. Brown is?"

"No," replied Maud. "Neither does Tom, but he seems awfully nice and Tom liked him right from the start. He is good looking, well dressed, and has beautiful manners."

Aunt Emmy sniffed. "Did he offer to sell you preferred stock on which dividends are guaranteed?"

"Why, how did you know, Aunt?" exclaimed Maud. "That is exactly what he did."

"I thought so," said Aunt Emmy. "Reliable stock salesmen don't promise that a company will repurchase its stock, nor do they promise guaranteed dividends. Unless a company operates profitably, it cannot pay honest dividends of any sort, guaranteed or otherwise. You can see how foolish it is to believe that you can get dividends just because some one says they are guaranteed. The only guarantee in the world for dividends is the successful operation of a company. Guaranteed dividends is a glib phrase used by unscrupulous persons to get money from unthinking ones. A while back the country was flooded with fake oil stock. Now dishonest promoters are trying radio stock."

"What shall I do?" cried Maud. "Tom is with Mr. Brown now at the store to buy the stock with the bond money."

"You just go to the phone and call Tom," said Aunt Emmy. "Ask him and Mr. Brown to meet you at the bank at ten o'clock. Tell him not to buy the stock until you talk with him again. Half the money is yours. Then call the bank and make an appointment with the vice president to discuss an investment."

About noon Aunt Emmy's telephone rang. It was Maud. "The queerest thing happened, Aunt," she said. "Mr. Brown agreed to meet us at the bank at ten o'clock. Tom and I waited until eleven and he never showed up. Then Tom told the vice president about it and he said we had a lucky escape. Only last week the bank looked up the company Mr. Brown represented and it is absolutely no good!"—A. B. Ayres.

TO MAKE FARMING YIELD BETTER RETURNS

The outstanding possibilities of co-operative marketing are more largely along the lines of standardizing and improving production, eliminating excess varieties, standardizing and improving grade and pack, stabilizing production, regulating flow to market, improving distribution as between markets, developing new markets, collective bargaining, betterment of financing, correcting trade abuses, and representing producers before legislative and administrative bodies, says H. E. Erdman, associate professor in California College of Agriculture. All of these should, of course, result in higher net returns, he says, adding:

"If I were to list the limitations I should put them about as follows:

1. Co-operation cannot fix prices that are out of line with supply and demand conditions.
2. Co-operation cannot eliminate the middleman. It can, and does, of course, establish the farmers' own agencies to take the places of private agencies and often puts one co-operative agency where several dealers formerly operated.
3. Co-operation cannot reduce costs greatly except in so far as an increase in scale of operations makes for lower costs. Some of the gains of large scale operation, however, are dissipated because of tendencies toward extravagance.
4. Co-operatives will not run alone. Constant attention is required on the part of the membership because 'what is everybody's business is nobody's business.'
5. Co-operation does not permit the farmer to hold his products for a higher price without also compelling him to assume the risks of getting a lower price.
6. The outsider often gets as much of the benefit of co-operative marketing as does the member, and in some cases gets more because he does not have to bear his share of certain development expenses. This is a decided handicap to co-operation."

North Vernon — Robert Moore has quit his white apron job. He has resigned as manager of a chain grocery store to take a job in a garage.
Warsaw — For the second time within a month, Lamon Lippey, age 8, fell and fractured his left leg in the same place.

SPECIAL SALE NOTICE
In connection with the W. F. Berry sale, to be held at his residence two miles east of Decatur, Tuesday, October 6th, I will offer about 18 acres of corn in the field on my farm east of Decatur.

Henry Krick 3-4p.

Gasoline—12¼% of Operating Cost

The Standard Oil Company (Indiana) contends that gasoline is the cheapest commodity in the world, when considered in relation to the service it gives. It contends further that gasoline is not a major expense in the operation of an automobile.

In support of this contention, we present below, the experience of Mr. Royal S. Kellogg with three different types of cars, as reported in the August issue of Nation's Business. Mr. Kellogg has devoted himself chiefly to cost accounting in the News Print industry. He is a highly skillful enthusiast in arriving at accurate costs.

Operating Cost of Car No. 1—Price \$792.90
14000 Miles from July 31, 1915 to Feb. 1, 1918,
11 Cents per Mile

Depreciation	3.0c
Repairs, Upkeep, Accessories	2.6
Tires	2.0
Insurance, licenses, etc.	1.5
GASOLINE	1.5
Garage	.4

Total 11.0c

Operating Cost of Car No. 2—Price \$1379.74
13494 Miles from April 19, 1918 to June 30, 1921,
18 Cents per Mile

Depreciation	4.9c
Repairs, Upkeep	4.7
Tires	2.4
Garage	2.4
Insurance, licenses, etc.	1.9
GASOLINE	1.7

Total 18.0c

Operating Cost of Car No. 3—Price \$2338.22
33100 Miles from June 30, 1921 to March 13, 1925,
12.7 Cents per Mile

Depreciation	4.9c
GASOLINE	2.1
Insurance, licenses, etc.	1.8
Repairs, replacement, maintenance	1.6
Tires	1.1
Garage	1.2

Total 12.7c

Carrying Mr. Kellogg's computations a bit farther, we find that for the ten-year period, the average operating cost for the three cars was 13.9 Cents per Mile. Of this the cost of gasoline was only 1.7 Cents per Mile, or a fraction less than 12¼% of the total operating cost.

It is worth your while to consider these figures with care. We suggest that you keep an actual, detailed record of the cost of running your car. In this way you can know to a certainty how little money you spend on gasoline in relation to the total operating cost.

The Standard Oil Company (Indiana) continually concentrates the energies and facilities of its great organization on keeping the price of gasoline at a low level, to render the greatest service possible to the thirty million people of the Middle West, and to maintain the quality of its products at a high standard of excellence.

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Every day thousands of dollars are deposited in this bank and part of this sum is your money. But, the question is, are you depositing your own money in your own account where it will work for you?

If not, then the money you should be saving is slipping out of your hands and into the bank account of someone else. The bank will eventually get your money, so why not have it in your own name?

4% Interest Paid

Old Adams County Bank

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