

ELKS MUSICAL REVUE PLEASES LARGE AUDIENCE

Production, "Cheer Up,"
Rivals Any Home-talent
Ever Given In City

SECOND PERFORMANCE
AT 8 O'CLOCK TONIGHT

Rivalling any musical show ever produced in this city, the home-talent revue "Cheer Up," presented by the Decatur B. P. O. Elks and the Bock Producing company, made its debut in Decatur last night at the Catholic school auditorium, before a well-pleased audience of more than 600 persons.

Clever and intricate dances, blended with popular songs, comedy, scenery and beautiful costumes, were included in the four-act program. Miss Lillian Forney, of the Bock Producing company, of Chicago, who directed the production, and France Conter, of this city, who was general chairman, are responsible for the success of the show.

Second Performance Tonight
The cast of 75 Decatur people began practice only a week ago, and their opening performance last night showed that they quickly mastered the many difficult steps and songs in the production. The show will be repeated tonight at 8 o'clock, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The Cheer Up girls, Vera Butler, Gretchen Schaefer, Catherine Nichols and Eleanor Humphrey, appeared on the stage at the opening of the show and sang the clever prologue to the revue. The first act of the show takes place in front of a circus side-show. Herman Myers, as the show spieler, introduces several specialties including two good and well-trained choruses. Clever comedy was also mixed in the first act including the introduction of Fatima, played by Fred Schuriger, the dancing contest, and the Rush-in Ballet.

Specialties Between Acts
During the shifting of scenery a dance and song was presented by the O-H-I-O girls. This chorus included the Misses Isabel Hower, Harriet Wallace, Isabell Neptune, Miriam Parrish, Josephine Archbold, Margaret Kern, Mary Colchin, Mary Madeline Coverdale and Agnes Johnson. They presented a song and very clever dance.

The second act was the Old Fashioned Garden. Bryce Thomas and Mildred Butler opened the act with a song, "You're Just a Flower From An Old Boquet." A mixed chorus presented a dance between the verses. The Misses Isabel Hower and Mary Madeline Coverdale presented a clever dance which was well received by the audience. The next scene, entitled "Girls, Pretty Girls," was presented by Mrs. L. A. Holthouse and the Old-Fashioned chorus. Mrs. Cecil Moser and Miss Ruth Cook sang "When You And

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RADIO RECEPTION IS MARRED HERE

Strong Interference Reported
In All Parts Of City;
Cause Being Sought

Radio fans of Decatur have been bothered with a peculiar form of interference in most parts of the city the last several nights. At times the interference was so strong that nothing could be heard over the receiving sets.

David J. Hensley and Gerald Cole, local radio dealers, started out this morning to ascertain the cause of the interference. They are using a radio with a loop aerial and are setting it up in different parts of Decatur in an effort to run down the cause of the trouble. They stated at noon today that they will continue until the interference is found and remedied.

People in all parts of the city have reported loud sounds in their radio sets the last several days and nights. The cause has not yet been determined and no one is able to advance a theory upon which to work. The city light and power plant has been gone over thoroughly, but no trouble was found there.

L. C. DeVoss Suffers Heart Attack Today

L. C. DeVoss, prominent attorney of this city for many years and father of Mayor H. M. DeVoss, suffered a heart attack at his home in this city this morning. First reports were to the effect that Mr. DeVoss had died, but they later proved false.

Mr. DeVoss rallied and his condition this afternoon was pronounced as satisfactory as possible, by the attending physician. Mr. DeVoss has been in ill health for some time.

PARK CARS IN OLD CEMETERY

Women Of Local Clubs Object
To Practice Of
Motorists Here

Last evening, representatives from the Ladies' Shakespeare club and the Woman's Club of this city appeared before the city council and informed the councilmen that the old cemetery on Winchester street was being used as a parking place for automobiles.

The women expressed sentiment against this practice and advocated converting the cemetery into a memorial park. Mayor DeVoss informed the women that the city did not have jurisdiction over the cemetery, as the grounds were owned by the county, but that he would personally see that the matter was presented to the proper officials.

For several years, sentiment has existed here for converting the old cemetery into a city park. The last legislature passed a bill permitting counties to abandon old cemeteries after they had not been used for burial purposes for 30 years and it is thought that some action may be taken along this line in the near future.

Vincennes Merchants Urge "Trade In Indiana"

Vincennes, Ind., Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—The merchants of Vincennes are seeking to educate the people of Illinois to the advantages of trading in Indiana.

A four-page "newspaper extra" will be distributed in Lawrence, Onley, Sumner, and Robinson counties, Illinois, upon the opening of the new Wabash river bridge.

One Man Killed In Soap Factory Blast

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 18.—One man was killed and seven severely burned in an explosion and fire at the Proctor and Gamble soap plant here today.

Trouble in the oil circulation system caused the explosion and blaze, company officials said.

DROP BAIL FIGHT FOR STEPHENSON

Attorneys Cease Efforts To
Get Convicted Man Out
On Bond During Appeal

Noblesville, Ind., Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—D. C. Stephenson, former Klan leader and Indiana political leader, convicted of second degree murder for the death of Miss Madge Oberholzer, of Indianapolis, probably will be taken to the state prison at Michigan City, Saturday.

Stephenson faces a term of life imprisonment as the result of his conviction. Local lawyers, who appeared for Stephenson during the trial, say that so far as they know the defense has dropped its effort to obtain bail for the Klan leader pending his appeal to the supreme court.

The convicted man is apparently cheerful and is receiving many visitors at his cell in the jail here.

Klenck And Gentry In Jail.
Indianapolis, Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—As a result of a "hitch" in their plans Earl Klenck and Earl Gentry, acquitted of murder charges by the jury which convicted D. C. Stephenson at Noblesville Saturday, are in jail here today.

When arrested at Noblesville Monday the pair were brought back here and released, on the understanding that their attorneys would provide \$10,000 bond on conspiracy and arson charges.

Sheriff Hawkins re-arrested the men when the negotiations were not completed.

TRIAL OF "ONE ARM" WOLFE IS NEARING CLOSE

Case of Muncie Man, Charged
With Murder, Expected
to Reach Jury Today

ARGUMENTS BEING
GIVEN BY COUNSEL

(U. P. Staff Correspondent)
Muncie, Nov. 18.—"Ben Hance told the truth as he lay wounded along that country road last August, if he ever told the truth in his life," Prosecutor Van L. Ogle, declared as he opened the state's argument in the trial of Charles "One Arm" Wolfe here today.

Wolfe is on trial charged with murder of Ben and Mary Hance, the state charging that he was the accomplice of Dutch Anderson in the revenge slaying.

The case was reviewed from its beginning and 5 o'clock this afternoon.

The state opened its arguments today with a broadside at the alibi of Wolfe, charging defense witnesses told fixed stories.

The case was reviewed from its beginning and it was declared that Gerald Chapman, Anderson and Wolfe did not take paper ballots on the guilt of anyone, but instead used ballots of cold lead.

The defense charged the state had used unfair tactics during the trial and had been forced to resort to insults and slurs when questioning the defendant witnesses.

Counsel for the defense reviewed the testimony of its witnesses saying that Wolfe's presence had been accounted for during the day.

RILEY SCHOOL TO HOLD OBSERVANCE

Pupils And Teachers To
Hold Night School, Ob-
serving Education Week

The pupils and teachers of the Riley grade school will observe American Education week Thursday night by holding night school. Classes will begin at 7 o'clock and continue until 8 o'clock, with ten minutes being given to recitation by each class. The parents of the pupils are urged to attend the night school and see what work is being accomplished.

The pupils will give demonstrations in the latest methods in arithmetic, reading and languages. Lantern slide exhibits will be given, also, each room being equipped with a Keystone lantern. Demonstrations will be given by the physical training classes, also.

Following the night school classes, from 8 to 9:30 o'clock, the parents are invited to remain at the school building for a social hour. The teachers want to become acquainted with the parents. Refreshments will be sold by the children and the money will be applied to the picture machine and playground fund.

Miss Nell Winnes is principal of the Riley school. She teaches the second grade. The other teachers at the Riley school are Miss Florence Haney, third grade, Miss Naomi Gilbert, fourth grade, and Miss Ruth Vizard, first grade.

To Serve Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

The annual Thanksgiving dinner will be served by the women of the Evangelical church in the church dining room Thursday, November 19, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The meal will be served at fifty cents a plate. The following menu will be served: Noodles, roast chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, creamed peas, cold slaw, baked apples, cranberry sauce, pie, coffee, bread, butter, jelly and pickles.

From 5 to 7 o'clock a two-cent supper will be served in the dining room. The following is the menu for the supper: escalloped chicken, meat loaf, baked beans, potato salad, cold slaw, fruit salad, cake, sandwiches, coffee. The public is cordially invited to attend. Those not having tickets for the dinner may purchase them at the door.

Heroine at 13



Josephine E. Strickler, of San Antonio, Tex., has received a Carnegie bronze medal for her heroic attempt to save a drowning girl.

FIRE DESTROYS DOCK FACILITIES

Blaze During Night Causes
\$4,000,000 Loss At
New Orleans

Bulletin
New Orleans, La., Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—Fire destroyed several blocks of modern dock facilities along the Mississippi river during the night causing losses that may reach \$4,000,000, according to early estimates today.

J. S. Simpson, 60, was run down and killed by the automobile of Fire Chief Evans, who was racing to the fire. No other casualties were reported.

Explosions of gasoline drums standing on the docks sounded like a mimic battle and were heard for blocks. The entire river front was illuminated by the flames which shot 200 feet high. Large stocks of freight were destroyed.

DISTRICT ROTARY GOVERNOR COMING

Benjamin Sherwood, Of
Bedford, Plans To Visit
Local Club Nov. 25

Benjamin Sherwood, of Bedford, governor of the Twentieth Rotary district, which comprises the state of Indiana, will make his official visit to and be the guest of the Decatur Rotary club on Wednesday, November 25.

A special luncheon meeting will be held on Wednesday at noon, there not being a meeting on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. Governor Sherwood is now making his official visits to the Rotary clubs in Indiana, and the special meeting of the Decatur club is held for the purpose of corresponding with his schedule.

On Thursday evening of this week

\$100,000 Damage Suit Against Leopold And Loeb Is Dismissed

Joliet, Ill., Nov. 18.—The \$100,000 damage suit of Charles Ream, Chicago taxicab driver, against Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, famous Chicago slayers, was off the books of the courts here today.

Ream, who charged that the youthful millionaires, robbed him of certain glands, is serving a jail term in Iowa and did not appear late yesterday when the case was called. Judge Frederick A. Hill dismissed the suit, charging Ream's attorneys knew he could not appear when they had the case put on call.

Leopold and Loeb are serving life sentences in prison here for the murder of Bobby Franks, school boy son of another Chicago millionaire.

Weather

Showers tonight. Warmer in east and south portions. Thursday fair, cooler in northwestern portion.

MAKE OBJECTION TO ASSESSMENTS ON TWO STREETS

Property Owners On First
And Jefferson Street
Want Change Made

REGULAR MEETING
HELD BY COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the city council was postponed until 8 o'clock last evening on account of the Father and Son night programs being held in the different churches. Mayor DeVoss and several of the councilmen being in attendance.

Objections Are Filed.

Ed Berling filed an objection against the assessments on the South First street improvement and petitioned the council that the assessments be taken back 1550 feet from the street line, instead of 90 feet as figured in the preliminary assessments. The matter was referred to the street and sewer committee.

The trustees of the Christian church and practically every property owner along Jefferson street objected to the preliminary assessments on that street improvement, and petitioned the council that the assessments be taken back 150 feet from the street line. The matter was referred to the street and sewer committee. These two streets were improved with brick and cement sidewalks.

The petitions for street lights at the corner of Short Sixth street and Jefferson street and at the corner of Twelfth street and Nuttman avenue were referred to the electric light committee.

No objections were filed against

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PASSENGER SHIP BURNS; 366 SAVED

All Of 251 Passengers And
115 Members Of Crew
Have Narrow Escape

Lewes, Del., Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—Saved from the blazing Clyde liner, Lenape, while flames shooting from her hold flared over the Delaware breakwater, 251 passengers and a crew of 115 were brought here today after a 30-mile dash before rescue ships reached the vessel.

One passenger, believed to be Robert Leverton, of Massachusetts, was drowned when he leaped overboard. The rest of the travelers were taken aboard the pilot boat Philadelphia, the coast guard cutter Kickapoo and two small boats which cruised about the bay.

A special train on the Pennsylvania railroad took the survivors to Wilmington where they will be taken by another train to Jacksonville, Fla. Three passengers and one of the crew stayed at the Beebe hospital here. Physicians said they were not seriously injured but had suffered so much from exposure and shock that it was inadvisable for them to leave.

Nine other persons were treated at the hospital for slight injuries and then left.

By Cyril G. Morand,
(U. P. Staff Correspondent)

Lewes, Del., Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—Sleepy, but still sustained by nervous excitement, the passengers and crew of the Clyde liner Lenape which burned to the hull early today off Delaware breakwater, sat around in the basement of the Presbyterian church this morning and over coffee, rolls and doughnuts, they compared their thrilling experience of a few hours before.

It was a laughing matter now. In the darkness before dawn with flames leaping in the sky and smoke pouring down to strangle them, it was something else.

Ernest Schelmerdine of Providence, R. I. was one of the rescued men and he gave the United Press a graphic portrayal of the hours of horror through which he had passed.

"I think it was 11 o'clock when we passengers first heard of the fire," said Schelmerdine. "The crew took the matter calmly, however, that the passengers were saved from panic. A crowd of us walked up to the wireless cabin and we were told that there were sufficient boats nearby to keep us from danger."

Druse Tribesmen Are Rebelling Against French

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Berlin, Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—Druse tribesmen of Syria now rebelling against the French, want the foreign yoke shaken from their necks and have made unofficial peace overtures to the French looking toward France's relinquishment of her mandate in Syria.

This was revealed to the United Press today in an exclusive interview with Emir Chekib Arslan, delegate of the Druses to the league of nations.

COL. COOLIDGE CONFINED TO BED

President's Father Suffers
Heart Attack; Condition
Is Improved

Plymouth, Vt., Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—Colonel John C. Coolidge, father of the president, confined to his bed as result of a heart attack, told his nurse, Mrs. May Johnson, shortly before noon today that he was feeling "pretty well," and that he would get up and dress this afternoon.

After examining the colonel today Dr. Albert M. Cram, Coolidge's physician, said he found his patient "very comfortable" and noted no evidence of possible complications.

Washington, Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—The white house was in constant telephonic communication today with Plymouth, Vt., where the president's aged father, Colonel John Coolidge, is seriously ill. Though Colonel Coolidge's condition is being watched carefully, it is not considered sufficiently critical at this time to necessitate the president's physicians' presence at his bedside.

All Permits Of Alcohol Users To Be Revoked

Washington, Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—A move to end "leakage" of industrial alcohol to the hands of bootleggers was made by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Andrews today when he ordered all permits of alcohol users and manufacturers revoked on December 31. Legitimate users and manufacturers of alcohol will be granted new permits after prohibition administrators make a thorough investigation of their business.

Farmers To Hold Short Course At Bremen Soon

Bremen, Ind., Nov. 18.—(United Press.)—A farmer's short course institute will be held here under the auspices of the farm bureau December 10 and 11, it was announced today.

County Agent L. M. Butler, and W. G. Frier, of Purdue University will be in charge of the institute.

PRAY FOR HELP IN SAVING BEETS

Ministers Of Napoleon, O.,
Offer Prayer For Good
Weather

Every minister in Napoleon, Ohio, and in Henry county offered prayer last Sunday for weather which will permit the saving of the beet crop, a big part of the harvest there. Several of them also urged that this be backed up by the men and boys of the county by working as hard as they can to save the crop, and they are doing it. Information received today is that most of the beets have been lifted there and the entire crop will be saved.

The work is going forward here, also. Yesterday was the biggest day ever known at the local plant, 102 wagon and truck loads coming in, besides a number of cars. The Holland-S. L. Lewis Company is urging co-operation that will assure the lifting of the rest of the beets, it being estimated that one half of the crop, which by the way, is one of the largest ever raised in Adams county, is still in the ground.

Grand Jury Busy Examining Witnesses

The Adams county grand jury was busy today examining witnesses. About fifteen witnesses appeared before the jury today and answered various questions put to them.

EIGHT CHURCHES HOLD FATHER AND SON BANQUETS

Several Hundred Dads And
Lads Enjoy Annual Ob-
servance In This City

TALKS GIVEN BY
FATHERS AND SONS

Several hundred Decatur fathers and sons gathered at their respective churches last night for the banquets and programs held in connection with the celebration of Father and Son week, being observed throughout the United States this week. Banquets were held at the Presbyterian church, Methodist church, Evangelical church, Zion Reformed church, Church of God, United Brethren church, Baptist church and Christian church.

Inspiring talks were given at the churches by both sons and fathers. Singing was also enjoyed at all the banquets and all those attending asserted that their time was well spent. Decatur churches have been observing Father and Son week for several years and each year the plan is growing in popularity.

Reformed Church
At the Zion Reformed church, there were 37 fathers and 44 sons in attendance. At 6:30 o'clock a banquet was served to the 81 people attending. After the opening song, "Break Thou The Bread of Life," M. F. Worthman gave the welcoming address. Roland Reppert, Russel Jaeger, Thurman Elzey and Harold Hoffman spoke in behalf of the boys and Ferd Litterer and Martin Jaeger spoke in behalf of the fathers.

Songs and cheers led by Lewis Litterer, Cecil Schaefer and Franklin Keller were included in the evening's program. The Rev. A. R. Fledderjohann gave an inspirational address on "The Father Speaking The Word In The Hour of Need."

At the close, the Father's pledge, the Son's pledge and the Church pledge were read and a unanimous vote of thanks was given the mothers of the church for their splendid entertainment.

Presbyterian Church
One hundred and two dads and sons gathered at the Presbyterian church at 6:30 o'clock last night to attend the banquet and program given in observance of Father and Son week. Robert Macklin and Robert Frisinger spoke in behalf of the boys and Hugh Hite and H. M. DeVoss spoke in behalf of the fathers.

C. C. Noble, Dr. Fred Patterson and C. C. Humphrey also gave interesting talks. Songs were sung and a fine evening's entertainment was reported by all present.

Christian Church
About 50 dads and sons attended the Father and Son banquet at the Christian church last night. Dr. Burt Mangold presided at the meeting as chairman. Eddie Anderson spoke for the boys and his father, J. E. Anderson spoke for the fathers. The Rev. H. W. Thompson and G. T. Burk also

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TO ATTEND FAIR ASS'N MEETING

E. W. Williamson, Secretary
of Northern Indiana
Fair, Goes To Laporte

E. B. Williamson, secretary of the Northern Indiana fair the past year, left today for Laporte, where he will attend the annual meeting of the Indiana Association of County and District Fairs tomorrow and Friday.

Subjects of special importance to those interested in the operation of fairs will be discussed by men of experience, the speakers including Mr. G. R. Lewis, manager of the Ohio State Fair, and the members of the Indiana agricultural commission. J. E. Green, of Muncie, is president and E. J. Barker, of Indianapolis, is secretary of the association.

Mr. Williamson will inform the people of this county through these columns as to the procedure of the meeting and will give a complete story after his return here next week. He has been engaged for two weeks past in the organization of the Adams County Agricultural Association to take over the fair and purchase Belmont park.