

# Yellow Jackets Await Battle With Old Rivals

## TEAM ON EDGE FOR BLUFFTON

Time-Honored Rivals Meet In Contest Here Tuesday Night

The nest of the Decatur high school Yellow Jackets is all astir as preparations are being made for the battle with the Bluffton Tigers, here, Tuesday night. The players are on edge for the contest and are determined to vanquish their time-honored rivals, while hundreds of old grads and visitors cheer from the sidelines.

One of the biggest crowds ever assembled in the local gymnasium is expected to see the game. Scores of alumni have returned to attend the alumni home-coming and banquet this evening and many of them will remain in the city for the basketball game tomorrow night. Practically every one of the old grads have vivid recollections of thrilling battles between Decatur and Bluffton high school teams and they are anxious to see another of those contests.

The two teams appear to be pretty evenly matched this year and a hard-fought game is in prospect. Coach Kennedy has his men keyed up to a high pitch for the game. The morale of the Yellow Jackets has strengthened greatly and they broke their losing streak by trouncing the Angola five on the latter's floor last Wednesday night. Ford Griffith, of Auburn, one of the best officials in northern Indiana, will referee the game.

Three other games are on the schedule for tomorrow evening. The Bluffton high school second team and eighth grade team will play the Yellow Jacket Reserves and Central eighth graders and the D. H. S. girls will play the alumni girls. The eighth grade game will be played first, starting at 6 o'clock. The girls' game will be second and the second team will play the third game of the evening. The halves of the eighth grade game likely will be shortened, it was said today, and the big game likely will get under way about 8:30 or 8:45 o'clock.

### ADAMS COUNTY BIG TEN

	W.	L.	Pct.
Berne	9	0	1000
Catholic High	5	0	1000
Hartford	9	1	.906
Kirkland	4	6	.400
Monroe	3	8	.273
Jefferson	1	2	.333
Monmouth	1	4	.200
Pleasant Mills	1	5	.167
Decatur	1	6	.143
Geneva	0	4	.000



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## FIELD GOALS

By MARK M. UPP

The Catholic high cagers held a nice workout at Delphos Saturday night. Two or three years ago, St. John's high of Delphos boasted of one of the best parochial school teams in this part of the country. It must go hard with the team's followers to see this year's edition walloped.

Tomorrow night will be a big night here. The Bluffton Tigers, in all their fierceness, will invade the city to stir up the Yellow Jackets in their own little nest. We hereby cordially invite the two Bluffton sport scribes to attend the game. We hope to show you a good game and treat you the best we know how.

"If our schedule is O.K., Bluffton and Decatur are due to play each other two games next week—at Decatur on Tuesday and at Bluffton on Saturday. Tigers, if you ever played basketball play it now, for we don't want to be humiliated by our old rivals. Let's take the sting out of the Yellow Jackets once and for all—that is if they have any sting left following all the defeats administered to them so far this year."—Rip Offs.

The Catholic high cagers will engage the school's alumni in a game Wednesday night. Indications are that it will be a hotly contested affair. "Bud" Vogelewede, "Spitty" Holthouse, and "Doc" Christen have been keeping in tip top condition this winter, the former two playing on the Notre Dame Freshman squad and the latter with the Decatur Leaders. With the aid of other former stars at the Catholic high school, they will give this year's varsity a hard fight.

There is considerable agitation for an alumni game at Decatur high school this week. It is impossible for the varsity to play the alumni this year, as the team already has its limit of twenty games scheduled. However, the second team, with the aid of the first team substitutes who have not played in all of the varsity games to date could give the alumni a good game, we believe, and we would like to see them meet. Incidentally, the contest would help out the high school athletic association somewhat, also.

Marion's bean poles go to Vincennes for a game Tuesday night. It will be the first real test of the season for the Marion crew, but we are picking them to lick the Alices.

Let's win those two games from Bluffton and one from Columbia City this week, Yellow Jackets. That old Yellow Jacket fight will do it.

Today's question and answer: "Q. Shall players be numbered in accordance with their playing positions? A—Not necessary; the custom is to give the captain No. 1.

### Death Crossing To Be Eliminated Soon

Scottsburg, Ind., Dec. 28. — (United Press)—The death crossing on state road number one, two miles north of Scottsburg, is to be eliminated.

An overhead crossing will be constructed, the Pennsylvania railroad and the Interstate Public Service company each paying twenty-five percent of the cost.

The remaining fifty per cent of the cost of the grade separation will be paid by the state highway commission. Frank T. Singleton, member of the state public service commission, drew up the order embracing the terms of agreement between the highway commission and the railroad and traction companies.

### General Butler Wants Back In Marine Corps

Pittsburgh, Dec. 28.—(United Press)—General Smedley D. Butler is on his way to Washington today seeking to get back a commission as brigadier general in the Marine Corps which he resigned to continue his work as public safety director of Philadelphia. Butler said he would return to his "comfortable job" in the Marines, for "it's no use going around being a mendicant."

"Old Gimlet Eye" denied he intends to run for governor of Pennsylvania, in his talk at a prohibition enforcement rally here Sunday.

### Sells Litter Of Hogs Weighing 2,480 Pounds

Cecil Harvey, hustling young farmer, who lives on route two, sold a litter of hogs last week. There were 11 hogs in the litter and they weighed 2,480 pounds. The hogs were fed only home made feed and skim milk, corn and oats and Mr. Harvey was more than pleased with the results. Mr. Harvey did not enter the ton litter contest in the county this year.

### Garrett Youths Get Suspended Sentence

Auburn, Ind., Dec. 22.—(United Press)—As long as Herschel Feagler and John Kemery, two youths of Garrett, tread the straight and narrow path, they will retain their freedom. One misstep and they go to the state reformatory for terms of two to four years.

They entered a plea of guilty to robbing the Ross and Wagner store at Garrett but sentence was suspended on good behavior. Kemery boasts nineteen years while Feagler is not yet seventeen.

### Baby Shoes His Mascot



De Paolo, the Italian-American racing champion, in the presence of 75,000 fans, won the 250-mile race at Salem, N. H., with a pair of his baby's shoes tied securely to the front axle of the machine as his mascot.

## CATHOLIC HIGH BEATS DELPHOS

Coach Conter Uses Nine Men In Winning, 45-11; St. Joe Team Wins, 16-12

The Decatur Catholic high school basketball team had little difficulty in winning its fifth straight game of the season at Delphos, Ohio, Saturday night, the St. John's Catholic high school team of that city falling a victim by the top-heavy score of 45-11. Coach Conter used nine players in the game, or the score might have been higher. The St. Joseph Catholic school eighth grade team of this city returned home with a 16-12 victory over the St. John's high school second team, also.

The floor in the St. John's gymnasium proved to be a trick one for the Decatur boys. It is made of some composition material, which resembles soap stone and it was so slippery that the players could hardly keep their balance. The first half of the game was nothing to brag about, but the winners held a 16-3 advantage. In the second half, Mongo Meyers warmed up and sent the score skyward by sinking nine field goals. He had succeeded in scoring twice during the first half, also.

The St. Joe boys had a tough fight, but managed to keep a few points in the lead. They held a 9-5 lead at the end of the first half. Mylott was high point winner in this game with four field goals to his credit.

Three games will be played at the Catholic high school gym on Wednesday night. At 6:30 o'clock the high school girls will play the alumni girls. At 7:30 o'clock, a game will be played between the fat and lean men of the parish. The high school boys will play the alumni boys at 8:30 o'clock. The fat-lean game promises to provide plenty of amusement. In the fat's lineup will be Fred Schuriger, Charles Starost, Dr. Frank Lose, John Lose, Tony Kohne, Francis Schmitt, Mat Harris, Robert Miller and any others who think they can qualify as to weight and ability. On the other team will be Adrian Wemhoff, Fred Baker, Hugo Heinman, Ferd and William O'Brien, William Zeser, Fred Colchin and probably others. The two teams will practice at the Catholic gym at 8 o'clock tonight.

Lineups and summary of Delphos games: D. C. H. S. (45) St. John's (11) Meyer ..... F ..... Imber; Knapke ..... F ..... Stallkamp; Mylott ..... C ..... Laudick; Smith ..... G ..... Grothouse; Gass ..... G ..... Gengler. Substitutions: Wemhoff for Knapke; Knapke for Wemhoff; Wemhoff for Mylott; Gage for Knapke; Vogelewede for Smith; Sorg for Gass; Alexander for Stallkamp. Field goals: Meyer, 11; Knapke, 3; Wemhoff, 3; Mylott, 2; Gage, 1; Gass, 1; Stallkamp, 1; Laudick, 3. Foul goals: Mylott, 2; Vogelewede, 1; Grothouse, 1; Gengler, 2. St. Joseph (16) St. John's Seconds (12) Gass ..... F ..... Klipp; Mylott ..... F ..... Shenk; Wemhoff ..... C ..... Bockey; Gage ..... G ..... Metzger; Harris ..... G ..... Haul. Substitutions: Thines for Shenk; Roth for Klipp; Mounter for Roth; Dowling for Gass; Klepper for Harris. Field goals: Gass, 1; Mylott, 4; Wemhoff, 1; Shenk, 2; Thines, 3. Foul goals: Gass, 4; Thines, 1; Bockey, 1. Referee: Moeller.

### Today Is Woodrow Wilson's 69th Birthday

Washington, Dec. 28. — (United Press).—Five years ago today the United States was locked in bitter debate over the proposal made by President Woodrow Wilson for American participation in the League of Nations.

Today, upon the 69th anniversary of his birth, while thousands throughout the nation performed services in his honor, the senate—with many of the old characters of that league conflict still upon the stage—is approaching some steps in international relations to which he first pointed the way.

Simple functions of commemoration were performed by organizations of his surviving followers; a Wilson postage stamp was placed on sale and scores visited his tomb in the Cathedral atop Mount St. Albans, overlooking the White House, where he lived eight years and the capital where he fought so desperately for a new experiment in international affairs.

Tipton — Tipton's woman treasurer is seriously ill and may be forced to resign.

## No-Tobacco League Appeals To Coolidge To Quit His Smoking

Indianapolis, Dec. 28.—An appeal to President Coolidge to quit smoking for the good his example will have on the boys of America, was made today by the no-tobacco league of America.

Charles M. Filmore, executive chairman of the association wrote the president asking him to forego his daily cigars.

"Since your indulgence is so moderate it surely would be an easy matter for you to quit altogether," Filmore wrote.

## General Butler Withdraws Resignation From Marines

Washington, Dec. 28. — (United Press).—Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler, former police dictator of Philadelphia, today personally withdrew his resignation from the Marine Corps and accepted the post of commandant at the Marine base at San Diego, Calif. Dressed in civilian clothes, Butler called upon Major General Lejeune and after a handshake and a slap on the back, dictated a letter rescinding his resignation.

## Cold Wave Damages Fruit In Florida

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 28. — Thousands of dollars damage to fruit growers in north Florida was believed to have been caused today when icy blankets drove the mercury to 18 above zero, the coldest in the history of the local weather bureau.

## D. H. S. Class Of 1921 Holds Reunion Sunday

The fourth annual reunion of the class of 1921 of the Decatur High School was held at the Murray Hotel Sunday at 1 o'clock. A banquet was served to the twenty-five members present. The tables were laid with white linens and floral centerpieces were a note of decoration. Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Worthman and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Porter were special guests. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Daniels, of Indianapolis, the Miss Mary Callow and Mae Baker, Messers, Linn Kern and Arthur Fruchte, of Fort Wayne, Mrs. A. F. Stalter, of Portland.

## WERLING BOY IS INSTANTLY KILLED TODAY

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) Preble township in 1910. He was the son of Charles Werling, prominent Preble township farmer. The boy's mother preceded him in death several years ago. His grandfather, Henry Schoenstedt, resides in this city on West Monroe street. Two sisters and the father also survive. No arrangements have been made for burial.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS

The following letters remain "uncalled for" at the Decatur postoffice: Mrs. F. Stepler, Mrs. Homer Myers, Mrs. Hazel Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Mart Lechtle, Mr. and Mrs. William Zwank, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Adams, Mr. Vernon Miller, Mr. Geo. Collett, Mr. G. A. Clements, Mr. Paul Biebrich, Mr. Lawrence Barkley, Miss Mable Wheeler, Miss Mary Wheeler, Miss Isabella Hoover, Miss Brogena Hickman, Oscar Stelner, Wiley Jones, Blanch Kern, Olive Eibling.

Laporte. — Thirteen cases which had been pending for several terms of court were stricken from the docket by Judge John C. Richter of Laporte.

Knightstown. — Knightstown chapter of the D. A. R. is planning a permanent memorial to the Revolutionary soldiers who are buried in Henry county.

An Illinois inventor has designed a cage for men who handle money that is claimed to be proof against bullets and bombs and even to defy gas attacks by bandits.

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## Court House

### Jury Trial Being Held

The case of Oliver J. Harmon and others against William G. Teeple and others, a suit on a note filed in the Adams circuit court in 1923, went on trial before Special Judge Sumner Kenner, of Huntington, and a jury here this morning. The defendant, William G. Teeple, was cashier of the Bank of Wren, at Wren, Ohio, at the time the note was executed. He has filed a cross-complaint in the case, alleging that he was forced to sign the note. Members of the jury hearing the case are Moody Brennenman, J. M. Lenhart, Bernard Beckmeyer, Julius Miller, Eli Beer, August Gallmeyer, Noah Fox, Albert Secrist, John Steigmeyer, Frank Aurand, Daniel Darr and Henry Zeser. Attorneys for the plaintiffs are Fruchte & Litterer and Clark J. Lutz. Counsel for the defense are Judson W. Teeple, of Decatur, and David E. Smith, of Fort Wayne.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Forrest R. Harner, salesman, Fort Wayne, to Annice Pearson, Decatur. John W. Holland, laborer, Fort Wayne, to Cora Ketchum, Jefferson township.

Manitou Lake — Allen and Rex Keel, brothers, caught twenty-nine catfish in three hours while fishing here.

Hartford City. — A flock of wild geese which breed in the Arctic regions and usually migrate south along the Atlantic seaboard are reported to have passed over here recently.

South Bend. — Judge Bingham suspended a \$500 fine and jail sentence imposed on a woman when it was learned that she was a widow who was attempting to send her children through school.

Franklin. — A flock of wild geese, estimated at containing at least 10,000 fowls was reported flying south over this city.

Laporte. — Thirteen cases which have been pending for sometime and which attorneys have been delaying were dismissed by Judge Richter here.

Gary. — The publication of the first complete map of the Calumet region, by the United States Geographic survey has been announced here.

Arcadia. — Chester Tomlinson is seeking some one who likes blackbirds. Hunters plied the front seat of his automobile high with the dead birds.

Rochester. — A sorority pin which had been lost nine years ago today was returned to Mrs. Porter of Rochester, the owner. It was found recently by Mrs. Hubert Taylor.

## Democratic Governors To Hold Jackson Day Dinner

Chicago, Dec. 28 — Twenty-four democratic governors have been invited to attend the Jackson Day dinner here January 8. Governor Alfred C. Ritchie of Maryland, one of those mentioned for the democratic nomination for president in 1928, will be the principal speaker. The dinner is given under the auspices of the Iroquois Club.

## ALL OVER INDIANA

Elwood. — Business men here and members of the civic clubs are seeking the establishment of the Miami, Fla., and Petoskey, Mich., lines through their city.

Clinton. — Quincy Biggs, 25, was recovering in the Vermillion county hospital here from shooting his big toe.

Mulberry. — The body of a stranger, believed to be that of Ike Sicks, address undetermined, which is in an undertaking establishment here, where he fell dead, may be buried in an unmarked grave. Authorities have been unable to get in touch with anyone who knows him.

Muncie. — Two-year-old Georgia Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bell of here, was seriously burned and subsequently became unconscious when she spilled a bottle of strong disinfectant upon her body.

Gary. — A young eagle was found alive in the chuck hole of an open hearth furnace at the Gary Works by Francis Hagan, a pipe fitters helper here.

Marion. — Ringing of church bells and blowing of factory whistles announced the opening of the centennial celebration here. The celebration was started with entry into the city of covered wagons just as the first settlers did.

Wabash. — Cold spell brought grief to Mrs. A. N. Rodibaugh of here, frost nipped the blossoms of a large tree in full bloom.

Kempton. — The town is over working the old caken bucket that hangs in the well. The town pump has been restored after being dry for months.

Anderson. — I. May, Madison county infirmary superintendent, is exhibiting a one and one-half pound pear at Alexandria.

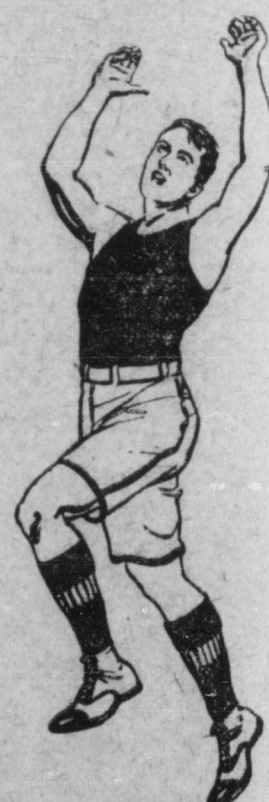
Rochester. — Jacob Wright, 98, of here, says he is the oldest Sunday school pupil in the state.

Peru. — Mrs. Melvin Banks of here, after thirty years has sued her husband for divorce, alleging cruelty.

Newport. — Corn huskers from all parts of Vermillion county are planning to attend the husking contest to be held here October 30.

Bluffton. — Raymond, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Reineck of here, was cut on the head when a stove pipe fell on him.

## Basket Ball



## Bluffton High School

—VS.—

DECATUR YELLOW JACKETS

TUESDAY

December 29 — 8:15 P. M.

HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Preliminaries 7 p.m. — 25c, 35c & 50c