

**WEATHER**  
Partly cloudy to-  
night and Saturday  
probably becoming  
unsettled again by  
Saturday. Not much  
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# DECATUR DAILY DEMOCRAT

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DECATUR has  
five dry goods stores  
and one ladies'  
ready-to-wear store.

## U. S. TURNS PART IN MEXICAN DISPUTE

### WHITEMORE IS UNMOVED AS HE GOES TO DEATH

**Notorious Bandit Leader  
And Murderer Pays Su-  
preme Penalty Today**

### DIES FOR MURDER OF PRISON GUARD

Baltimore, Aug. 13.—(United Press)—Richard Reese Whitmore, bandit leader and murderer, was hanged to-  
day.

With his death, the last one of the Whitmore gang, whose depredations netted them more than a million dollars, has paid the penalty of crime. Death, disease and prison have claimed the others.

Whitmore, who was 28, went to the scaffold almost unmoved at the prospect of death.

Calmly Says Good-Bye.

"I wish to say goodbye. That is the best I can wish for anyone," was all he had to say as he stepped to the gallows in the presence of a room full of disinterested witnesses. He was alone as far as human sympathy was concerned, for his wife and relatives had been barred.

Whitmore died for the murder of Robert Holtman, a guard at the Maryland penitentiary here. He killed Holtman while escaping last year and was caught after a series of robberies and crimes that stirred the East by their daring and success.

Promptly as the clock pointed to midnight, and it became Friday, the 13th, guards entered Whitmore's cell.

He was handcuffed and led to the death chamber.

The narrow, white-washed room was brilliantly lighted. At one end, set like a stage, rose the concrete balcony of the scaffold, with its steel death-trap. Under the glaring light the spectators stirred and shuffled restlessly.

A door on this balcony opened, and Whitmore appeared, a slim boyish figure, shrouded from neck to ankles in a black garment, beneath which edged his shackled hands. A doctor and a guard accompanied him.

Smiles At Spectators

He smiled faintly as he looked at the crowd below.

The black death hood had hung from his neck. Then it was pulled over his disarranged hair. The noose was clipped lightly about his neck. He stood rigid.

The trap was sprung at 12:07 A. M. Twelve minutes later, Whitmore was pronounced dead.

Twenty-four minutes after midnight, Dr. Albert Anderson, penitentiary physician, permitted guards to cut the body down.

### General Motors Pays Record Dividends; Price For Stock Drops Today

New York, Aug. 13.—(United Press)—The market price for common stock of general motors corporation dropped off somewhat at the opening of the stock exchange today, after announcement of the largest stock dividend in the history of Wall street.

The opening transaction was at \$202.50 a share, off \$1 from yesterday's close. A wave of selling was evident in the first few minutes of trading and soon the price had dropped to \$201.

### FAMILY TICKETS FOR LOCAL FAIR PLACED ON SALE

### Two Dollar Ticket Admits Entire Family Each Day And Night Of Fair

### AVAILABLE IN ALL SURROUNDING TOWNS

Family tickets, which have been highly popular features at many county fairs for several years, will be sold for the Northern Indiana fair, to be held at Belmont Park, Decatur, September 1, 2, 3, and 4, this year. Family tickets have not been sold for the local fair for several years, but the management has decided to make the offer this year in order to give increased interest and attendance to the event.

The family tickets were placed on sale today in Decatur and surrounding cities and towns in Indiana and Ohio. The sale of family tickets will close on Saturday, August 28 and none will be sold after that date.

### Good Each Day and Night

The tickets cost \$2 each, and they admit the heads of the family and all of their children, both day and night, each day of the fair. The automobile, truck, or other vehicle in which the family comes to the fair will be admitted also.

The family tickets are on sale at the following places:

Decatur—Old Adams County Bank, Fenns cigar store, First National Bank, H. Knapp & Son hardware store, Central Grocery, Eats Restaurant, Peoples Loan & Trust company, Kolter Grocery, Fullenkamp's soft drink parlor, Paroutte restaurant, West End restaurant.

Pobo—Clemson's Grocery, Berne—Peoples' State Bank, Lehman Brothers, Bank of Berne, Berne Hardware company.

Monroe—Monroe State Bank, Leitch Brothers & Company.

Geneva—Bank of Geneva, Eli Stuckey, Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Preble—Farmers State Bank, Post

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### Noose Separates Boy Killer and Bride



When the State of Maryland cracked the neck of Richard Reese Whitmore, young bandit and killer, early today, it made a widow of Margaret Whitmore. His wife was loyal through all his troubles.

### HEAT RETURNS FOLLOWING RAIN

### Thunder Showers Thursday Afternoon And Night Bring Temporary Relief

Rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, yesterday afternoon and early last evening failed to bring permanent relief from the intense heat wave which has held sway in Adams county and northern Indiana the last several days, and, this morning, the sun peeped through the clouds early and gave evidence of more hot weather today.

The rain yesterday was not very welcome to the farming community as it tended to hold up the important work in the harvest fields which farmers say must be completed soon. The fields were wet this morning, but the sun's rays gave promise that they would be sufficiently dry to work in tomorrow.

Dust on the roads was settled by the heavy downpour and cool breezes followed the rain for a few hours. Temporary relief, however, was all.

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### WOOLLEN AND BALL POPULAR

### Large Crowds Greet Two Democratic Nominees In The Eighth District

Evans Woollen, democratic short-Claude Ball, eighth district congressional senatorial candidate, and a sional candidate, drew large crowds throughout the eighth district, according to word received from the various county chairmen in the district.

Mr. Woollen and Mr. Ball toured Wells county after leaving this county Wednesday and, yesterday, they spent the day in Randolph and Jay counties. Today, the two candidates are visiting Delaware county and, tomorrow, the eighth district tour ends in Madison county.

Crowds greeted the men everywhere in the district. Farmers and laborers joined in welcoming them. Farmers showed especial interest, inasmuch as both men have constructive farm legislation programs.

Mr. Woollen has briefly outlined his plan in every county in the state and it has created favorable comment every place. He has proved to the farmer that they cannot be prosperous as long as they are forced to sell in a world market and buy in a protected market.

Mr. Woollen was raised on a farm and, at present, lives on a farm in Marion county. Mr. Ball, also, has a similar constructive program for the farmer and laborer, and both men are being received favorably throughout the district.

### No Story Today

Owing to lack of space, the regular daily installment of the serial story, "The Girl in the Mirror," is omitted in the Daily Democrat tonight. A long installment of the story will be printed in Saturday's edition.

### MAKING PROGRESS AT COUNTRY CLUB

### Work On 18-Hole Golf Course Progressing Rap- idly; Work Many Men

Work is continuing on the new 18-hole golf course and the Decatur Country Club, just south of this city, and probabilities are that play will start on the new course in the next few weeks. The fairways have been cut, and are in fairly good shape.

Pipe has been laid over the golf course and the pump has been connected with the creek and the water will be drawn from a reservoir constructed near the course in the creek. Most of the greens have been sown and while it has been too wet to work on them the last few days, workmen have not been idle on the rest of the course.

Construction of the additions to the club house will start shortly, G. P. Telford announced, recently. The dance pavilion and other improvements will be added this fall and it is expected that the club house will be opened by the latter part of October.

More than a dozen workmen have been employed for the last several weeks on the course, and an additional dozen or so men will be employed in reconstructing the club house, it was announced.

### GASOLINE PRICE IS BEING PROBED

### Government Investigation Of Price Advance Under Way Two Months

Washington, August 14.—(United Press)—The government's investigation of the price of gasoline—chief grievance of motorists—has been under way secretly for nearly two months. The federal trade commission today in its monthly report of progress divulged this information, without disclosing how its inquiry was being carried forward.

The investigation is endeavoring to discover "whether the advances in prices are due to restraints of trade or conditions of ownership or control preventing effective competition, and to the profits of the principal companies in this industry."

### FOOTBALL SQUAD IS GOING TO LAKE

### Coach Marshall Plans To Take D. H. S. Athletes To Lake Gage, August 30

Howard Marshall, football coach of Decatur high school, today issued a call for a meeting of all candidates for the Yellow Jacket team this fall, to be held at the high school building at 7:30 tonight. Coach Marshall expects to give out some of the plays to be used this fall and to make arrangements for taking the squad to Lake Gage, Monday August, 30, for a week's stay.

Already, approximately 25 athletes have signed up to go to the lake. Each boy is to pay his own expenses. Tents will be obtained for them to sleep in. Dick Durkin and Will Linn will accompany the boys and do the cooking. Three hours per day will be spent in football practice, and the remainder of the day will be devoted to swimming, boating and other sports. Coach Marshall will have charge of the boys. The squad spent a week at Lake Gage last fall, just before the

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### FILIPINOS CLASH WITH GEN. WOOD

### President Of Senate Says Breach With Governor General Is Irreparable

Manila, Aug. 13.—(United Press)—Intimating that the breach between Gov. General Leonard Wood and the Philippine legislature is irreparable, Manuel Quezon, as president of the senate has issued a statement setting forth the attitude of the Filipinos toward the United States.

The existing deadlock between the legislative and executive branches of the insular government is unfortunate but not the fault of the Filipino, Quezon said.

Loyalty and friendliness to President Coolidge and the American people has been demonstrated by the warmth of the welcome to the President's representative, Col. Carmi Thomas, the statement said. Quezon personally will always oppose any backward movement from Autonomy, the statement declared.

The statement which Quezon said was made to clarify the situation in the minds of the American people, was accompanied by a letter complaining of news dispatches sent to American papers by some of the visiting correspondents.

All the correspondents will be Quezon's dinner guests tonight at which time he intends to inform them that unless their dispatches are truthful, he will take necessary steps against them.

### Golfer Finds Lost Ball In Coils Of Large Rattlesnake

Decorah, Ia., Aug. 13.—(United Press)—While searching for his lost golf ball, Leslie Schrubbe of Waterloo, playing on the Ononta course near here, found the sphere in the coils of a three foot rattle snake.

Schrubbe had driven the ball out of bounds and into the brush along the upper Iowa river. A collie dog, wandering in the neighborhood, joined Schrubbe in the search and warned him of the snake. The snake was dispatched and the ball retrieved.

### CLIMAX NEARS IN HALL-MILLS MURDER CASE

### Three Members Of Hall Family Held On Charges Of Murder Today

### THREE PERSONS ARE CHARGED WITH CRIME

Somerville, N. J., Aug. 13.—(United Press)—With three members of the Hall family held on charges of murder, the Hall-Mills case moved swiftly to a climax today.

Nearly four years after the Rev. Edward W. Hall and his choir-singer sweetheart, Eleanor Mills, were found dead under a crabapple tree on the Phillips farm near New Brunswick, the state specifically charges the following with the murders:

Mrs. Frances Stevens, Hall, widow of the slain clergyman.

Willie Stevens, her eccentric brother.

Henry De Bruyere Carpenter, her cousin and neighbor.

Stevens and Carpenter were arrested last night at the Hall home, where Mrs. Hall is remaining under \$15,000 bond.

### Coal Prices Advance

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 13.—(United Press)—Coal prices in Indianapolis today advanced from 25 cents to one dollar per ton.

The increase was explained as due to heavy exportations to England, necessitated by the strike there during the past month.

West Virginia, Kentucky and Pennsylvania coal was affected by the increases, Indiana and Illinois prices holding steady.

### Director Of Licenses In Sherwood's Office Resigns

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 13.—(United Press)—Resignation of Robert K. Devericks as director of licenses in the office of the state superintendent of public instruction was announced by Dr. Henry N. Sherwood, state superintendent.

Devericks has accepted a position on the staff of the Indiana state normal school at Terre Haute where he will have charge of the valuation of credits. His successor is expected to be named at the next regular meeting of the state board of education, Sept. 17.

### Knight Of Pythias End National Convention

Chicago, Aug. 13.—(United Press)—Under the direction of the newly elected officers, the Knights of Pythias in convention here journeyed today to Mooseheart, Ill., to inspect the city and institution founded by the Moose for dependents of deceased members.

Richard L. Witte, Milwaukee, is the new supreme chancellor of the order; Alva M. Lumpkins, Columbia, S. C., was chosen vice chancellor. He was opposed by James Hunter of Iowa.

Fred Atwood, Minneapolis was chosen supreme prelate; Douglas S. Wright, Vicksburg, Miss., supreme inner guard; Judge Raymond Buck, Fort Worth, Tex., and W. R. O'Neal of Orlando, Fla., were named for the board of control.

### ADMINISTRATION STRUGGLING TO KEEP HANDS OFF

### Catholic And Commercial Interests Clamor For U. S. Intervention

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STAND IS ASSAILED

By Ludwell Denny.  
United Press Correspondent  
Washington, D. C., Aug. 13.—The administration struggled today to keep from being drawn into a major controversy with Mexico as Catholic and commercial interests increased their pressure against the state department's hands off policy.

Developments included:

1.—J. J. Flaherty, supreme knight of the knights of Columbus, called on Secretary Kellogg and is believed to have protested against this government's non-intervention in the Mexican-Catholic conflict. After a lengthy conference, Flaherty and Kellogg announced they had agreed to give no interviews. Then they resumed their conference.

2.—Reports of a contemplated catholic drive to raise \$5,000,000 for relief of their co-religionists in Mexico.

3.—Reports of renewed activities of Mexican counter-revolutionists on the Texas border, necessitating increased watchfulness by department of justice agents.

4.—Secretary Kellogg denied this Government is withdrawing American ambassador Sheffield from Mexico City as a sign of displeasure toward the Calles Government, adding that Sheffield was returning solely on a vacation.

5.—The state department supported Sheffield's urgent representations to the Mexican Government in case of J. H. Grande, Los Angeles business man held incommunicado by Mexican police.

6.—Business and religious interests continued their demands that the United States lift the Embargo of private arms shipments to Mexico, alleging its continuance is in effect American intervention in behalf of Calles.

7.—Secretary Kellogg prepared a re-

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### CITY HORSESHOE MEET PLANNED

### Entries For Tourney Close Next Monday; Interest In Game Is High

So warm have grown the arguments over who is the best horseshoe pitcher in the city, that arrangements have been made to hold a city horseshoe tournament to decide the champion. Plans for the tourney were announced today by H. L. Curtis, Decatur high school athletic director. Mr. Curtis will work with Melvin Thomas, present city champion, in staging the event.

All entries for the tournament must be filed with Mr. Thomas or Coach Curtis not later than next Monday afternoon or evening. The tourney will start next Wednesday. Bronze medals will be awarded to the winners of the singles and doubles. A schedule will be drawn after the entries close. Regular horseshoe rules will govern in the tournament and each match will be three out of five fifty-point games.

There are two electrically lighted courts in the south part of the city where several games are played every night. Courts at the General Electric plant are the scene of much activity daily, also. The city tourney matches likely will be played on these three courts. One court has been laid out at the side of the Starost grocery and meat market on Winchester street, and another just south of the Nickel Plate station, also on Winchester street. Both have powerful lights above each peg.

Melvin Thomas won the city title in the last city tournament held here, which was two years ago.

### American Co-ed Tells Own Story Of Her Marriage To Indian Prince

### Betty Kurlow, Former Northwestern University Co-ed, Tells Of Her Marriage Into Family Of Native Rulers In India. Her Life In A Harem, Her Escape From India And Many Other Interesting Adventures.

Editor's Note: This is the fourth of a series of five articles written for the United Press by Betty Kurlow, a former Co-Ed who married Abani Kumar Bose of Barodi, East Bengal, India. After almost four years of hardship she escaped from Abani in Calcutta and came to Chicago and obtained a divorce. In the preceding articles Miss Kurlow told how she was taken to India and kept in an incredibly dirty harem for months while her husband looked for a family priest who would not object to his having married her.

By Betty Kurlow

(Written for the United Press)  
Chicago, Aug. 13.—After we had lived in Abani's Calcutta house a few weeks he began to drink excessively. A cocktail or two before dinner soon became six or seven. It wasn't long before he was almost perpetually intoxicated. He stayed out night after night with his Indian friends—Leaving me alone in our home.

Had it been in America, I would have preferred to stay by myself rather than with Abani, but in Calcutta it was different. Prowlers roamed the streets all night. And upon several occasions they tried to break into our

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