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## SWIMMING DAYS

It's sweltering hot down along the Ohio river, with bathing beaches crowded by young and old of both sexes. It was not so in the 1870's, when women never went to the clear, cool river to bath, even did so after dark with a towel and a cake of soap. But boys went at all hours and never took soap, they bathed in the altogether, unimpeded by any garment.

The beach was broad on the Ohio side opposite Secrist's rifle, a shoal below a little island that nestled near the shore and was shaded in the afternoon by huge trees on the bank. Boys big enough to "swim the river" (they got that way when about 9 years old) swam across to this bank to enjoy a famous sporting spot—a mud slide. The bank was fairly steep, and the soil blue and sticky. But when it was moistened with water carried up in straw hats it was slippery as oil.

The slide was about twenty feet long and was soon worn into a groove by the posteriors of shouting, sliding boys who plunged into deep, cool water at its bottom, after a swift descent. There was no stopping once one started, until the water was reached. One unhappy day the slide was "planted" with pine needles by some cruel malefactor. When the slide was moistened and put to its proper use there were many bloody casualties as the needles gradually protruded under pressure. Funny now, but how tragic then.—Chicago Journal of Commerce.

Don't laugh at the prediction that within three years you will be riding in airplanes. Twenty years ago you could not have imagined it. You could not have believed that you would believe that they would jump in their automobile and tear over the country at a speed of from thirty to sixty miles an hour, but a lot of folks—most of us—have done it. The airplane will probably not be used as the auto is, but it will be the means of conveying you on long trips in short time, when you are in a hurry, and if we keep up the present gait every one is soon going to be in a hurry sufficient to demand the use of the "bird" cars.

The final plans to make the Great Northern fair a great success are being made this week, and indications are that it will be a big show with a bigger average attendance than ever before, this being due largely to the fact that season family tickets can be obtained for two dollars.

We also call attention to the fact that the new traffic ordinance provides that you must not "cut" corners when walking. The "jaywalkers" is responsible for many accidents, and though it may be a little hard for you to remember when in a hurry it's your duty and the law now to cross the streets at the crossings, and to go straight and not in a diagonal direction.

If you will try to carry out the provisions of the new traffic ordinance you will confer a favor on the city officials, make it safer for yourself and every one else to use the streets and avoid trouble. There is no desire to inconvenience you or to make you the "goat," but unless we have certain rules and laws we cannot expect to get anywhere in these days when there is one car for every four or five people, and unless we all try

our best to obey the rules we can't get anywhere either. Let's all give the officers all the co-operation we can.

The Fort Wayne News continues to sing the "soup house" song and to charge hard times to the democrats, and that in the face of the facts that the 1873 panic came under a republican high tariff administration, that the 1893 soup houses were brought under the McKinley tariff law and the 1907 stringency came when the Dingley high tariff law was doing business. The tariff, high or low, has never caused good times or bad, and if the republican press can put that over your memory is not very good or you are not posted on economic facts.

State Chairman Earl Peters won't have to work very hard to convince the average person that Senator Watson used plenty of money to secure his nomination in the primary and will do likewise in the coming election. That's the way those fellows work who represent the big interests, but of course when and where this is done the people pay after all. It's so simple that we wonder why people continue to stand for it. Perhaps they won't always.

Remember, young fellows, no "U" turns after Wednesday unless you are seeking arrest. If you must use your car as a merry-go-round, better pick out some out of the way corner or do your whirling during the next two or three days. Enforcing the new ordinance will be quite some job, but it can be done. The officers are hoping that everyone will help them by trying their best to obey the ordinance and the warnings.

It's only a week until the big chauntauqua opens here with the best program ever given in this city. The tickets are three dollars for adults for the entire six days, and \$1.50 for children. Get your tickets this week and plan to attend as many of the sessions as you can, for you will be entertained and benefited.

Ninety per cent of the city shade trees are maples. It is, therefore, very important that the scale which threatens them be checked and killed if we are to retain the beautiful trees.

With a ten-inch rainfall already this month, indications for fair weather for next week when the chauntauqua and the fair occur, are bright. It is hoped that all the water has spilled by now.

Remember, the new traffic ordinance will be effective Thursday of this week, and the officers have been ordered to enforce it to the letter.

## \* BIG FEATURES \* of RADIO \*

Monday's 5 Best Radio Features  
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Central Standard Time Throughout  
WEAF, New York, 492M, and hook-  
up, 8 p. m.—Verdi's opera, "Un  
Balle in Maschera."  
WSB, Atlanta, 426M, 8 p. m.—"A  
Night in Italy."  
WDAF, Kansas City, 366M, 11:45  
p. m.—Nighthawk rolics.  
WJZ, New York, 454M, and WRC,  
Washington, 469M, 7 p. m.—Max-  
well ensemble, with soloist.  
KGO, Oakland, 361M, 70 p. m.—Edu-  
cational program.

## \* TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY \*

From the Daily Democrat File  
Twenty Years Ago This Day.

August, 23.—Bluffton men secure franchise from Geneva, for Bluffton, Geneva & Celina traction line.  
Gay family reunion held at Steel's park with 250 attending.  
Decatur defeats Hartford City, 1-0 Macklin family reunion held at Geneva with 200 present.  
President L. M. Sniff, of Tri-State, and Prof. E. O. Holland, of I. U., were on the program at the institute today.  
Library has issued 188 cards and loaned 502 books the first month.  
Mr. and Mrs. Quinn Gay, of Marion, Ohio, visit here.  
Ed Cawley, of Indianapolis, is visiting True Fristoe.

# Just Folks by Edgar A. Guest

JANET

I have found no charm in gold  
Like that light in Janet's eyes;  
Though she is but four years old  
In her smile contentment lies.  
Fame has nothing to bestow  
Fairer than those cheeks aglow.

This great world holds many things  
Man is eager to possess,  
But the richest of them brings  
No such lasting happiness,  
No such wealth of honest pride  
As this baby at my side.

Jewels owned grow commonplace,  
Glory once achieved turns stale,  
But my Janet's lovely face  
Holds a charm which cannot fail,  
And the music of her voice  
Makes my weary heart rejoice.

Little bud that soon will flower  
Now you cannot know or guess  
That you hold within your power  
All my dreams of happiness,  
By your love and by your mirth  
I'm the richest man on earth.

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## NEW COTTAGE IS DEDICATED

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was given by Dr. W. W. Wiant, superintendent of the Fort Wayne district of the conference. Dr. Wiant gave a history of Epworth Forest and the struggle which was necessary to accomplish the undertaking. The Rev. Somerville Light, pastor of the Decatur church, was unable to attend the dedication on account of illness. A ladies' quartet, composed of Mrs. Ben DeVor, Mrs. C. L. Walters, Mrs. Christena Vail and Mrs. Dan Tyndall, sang several selections.

The Decatur cottage, which has been named "Decatur Heights," is located on a beautiful lake front lot, several feet above the edge of the water. There are beautiful large oak trees in front of the cottage and a wonderful view of the lake is afforded. The cottage is one of the best arranged at the lake and will accommodate at least 75 persons. On the first floor are a large screened in porch across the front, a large dining room, kitchen, a small bed room and a toilet. On the second floor are a toilet, one small bedroom and three large ones, which will accommodate a large number of cots, each. The cottage is equipped with electric lights and plumbing. The lot and cottage have been paid for by contributions of members of the church, to whom shares were issued. About twenty-five members of the Decatur Epworth League were at the cottage all last week, attending the annual Epworth Forrest Institute, and several others were there for part of the sessions of the institute, which closed yesterday.

Miss Elizabeth Peterson was operated on this morning for removal of the tonsils, at the Memorial hospital.

## U. B. Church Charges "Wet Officiary" Has Charge of Prohibition

Evansville, Ind., Aug. 23.—(United Press)—A resolution condemning lax enforcement of the prohibition amendment as due to the fact that it is in the hands of a "wet officiator" was passed by the ninety-eighth annual session of the Indiana conference of the Church of the United Brethren here last week.

The resolution called upon federal officials to appoint as dry officials only men who are believers in the cause and asserted the time had come to urge temperance in the use of cigarettes to the end that what was termed "the tobacco evil" might be mitigated.

## Blind Pigs" Serving Free Meals; Restaurant Proprietors Up in Arms

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 23.—(United Press)—Legitimate restaurant proprietors of Detroit are girding for a "battle to the death" with hundreds of "blind pigs" here which serve free meals.

Peter A. Rheume, president of the Detroit Branch National Association of Restaurant Keepers, announced today that "unless the 'pigs' cease giving away food and ruining legitimate business, they are preparing a war chest to aid in driving them out of business altogether."

Private detectives employed by the association, Rheume said, have discovered 20,000 illegal saloons in recent weeks and reported wide spread donation of food "because they are financially able to lose money in view of the enormous profits from liquor."

## Dr. Homer Hass Resigns From State Health Board

Peru, Ind., Aug. 23.—(United Press) Dr. Homer C. Haas, prepared to leave here today for his future home in Los Angeles after tendering his resignation as a member of the state board of health.

Dr. Haas is making the change in an effort to regain his health.

## Youth Who Shot Officer Recovers from Wounds

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 23.—(United Press)—Gene Alger, 18, today is in the city jail here following six weeks in the hospital where he recovered from wounds received while trying to escape after he had killed John Buchanan, policeman.

Alger told authorities who are holding him on a charge of murder, that he killed Buchanan instinctively when the officer fired through a door into a closet where he was hiding.

## Race Horse Driver Hurt

W. C. Williamson, driver of Bud Earl in the 2:18 pace at the Celina, Ohio, fair, Thursday, suffered a broken shoulder when his sulky locked wheels with another bike on a turn. Williamson was thrown from his sulky. William Goggin, driver of Froggie, and Hayes, driver of Minnie Wallace, were thrown from their sulkies during the mix-up, also, but they escaped with minor bruises. None of the three horses were injured and they were able to finish the race, Minnie Wallace winning the race.

## U. S. Sailors Fighting Flue in American Samoa

Washington, D. C. Aug. 23.—(United Press)—A thrilling story of the South Seas, not like the popular ideas of

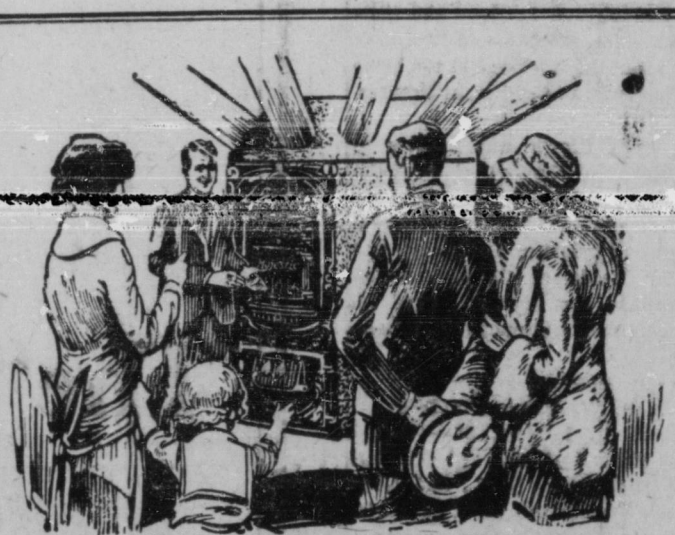
## Lost His Rheumatism and Stomach Trouble

Says He Never Has a Bit of It Now.  
Suffered for 30 Years.

"I had stomach trouble for 30 years. My stomach would bloat and cramp. The gas would crowd back my heart, and the pains were awful. My appetite was poor and I had to watch what I ate all the time. I also had rheumatism in my right leg below the knee, and my ankle swelled up so I could hardly walk. Nothing I would take did me any good. Then I heard of Viuna and bought a bottle, and right from the first I felt better. Now I feel fine. My stomach trouble is all gone. No gas, none of that bloating, and I can eat anything and plenty of it. My rheumatism is gone, doesn't pain or swell at all, and my leg is as good as it ever was. My weight was formerly 140 pounds, and now I weigh 157 pounds, a gain of 17 pounds. I lay my present state of good health to Viuna."—Harvey Knox, Route 2, Gaston, Ind.

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