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And just think of it — only one more week until school begins.

The fair and chautauqua crowds should make business good in Decatur this week. A little dressing up of the store windows will give the visitors a good impression and tend to stimulate business.

And it's going to be hard on mother to get Johnny and Mary and the others ready for school next week right on the heels of the big chautauqua and fair.

Judging from the number of automobiles parked in town Saturday night we were wondering if there were any more in Adams county. Practically every street in Decatur was lined with cars until late Saturday, convincing argument that this city is a regular trading point.

The chautauqua tent has been erected on the government lot on Liberty Way and the six-day program will open tonight with a musical concert by the Paramount players. If you haven't purchased your season ticket, do so now, for you save money and can attend every program afternoon and evening.

"Keep the children in school," is the timely advice offered parents by school authorities. With the necessity of having a good education so evident these days, no boy or girl, who has the opportunity to improve his or her education should pass up the chance to attend school. Education is not the privilege of a favored few anymore, but the necessity of all. Help keep the boys and girls in school by encouraging them to continue their studies.

Illinois district of the United Mine Workers union, has accepted a \$25,000 a year job with the Peabody Coal company of Chicago. As head of the miners' union it was his business to oppose the big fellow, but the highly salaried job seems to have changed his notion and now he is traveling in Europe and no doubt feeling that he put over a good one.

Mrs. Clemington Corson, New York woman and mother of two children, ages two and four, is the second woman to complete the feat of swimming the English channel. Mrs. Corson swam the channel last Saturday in 14 hours and 31 minutes, one hour longer than it took Miss Gertrude Ederle. At the point of giving up, Mrs. Corson says she was spurred on by the thought of her children. "I was bound to succeed because I was doing it for the kiddies. I had to make some money for them." If the mother of two children can't swim a channel who can? Her financial backer won \$100,000 on a five to 20 bet with Lloyds. Two men who started at about the same time to swim the span failed in their attempt, which makes many believe that there is something to Mrs. Corson's argument. A movement is under way to have Mrs. Corson and Miss Ederle compete in swimming across the Catalina islands, William Wrigley, Jr., offering a prize of \$25,000 to the winner. Now-a-days it seems there is more ways than one for a mother to make a living for her children.

Bluffton now claims a population of 6,516, an increase of 1,125 since the

government census in 1920 was taken. The census was taken by the city mail carriers and of course the Daily Democrat would not contend that the figures are not correct. Assurance has been given that the figures were carefully checked by the postoffice department, before they were made public and as proof the statement is made that even recent births are included in the totals. In 1920 the population of Bluffton was given at 5,319 and the gain made in the past six years should make Blufftonites feel mighty good. Decatur's population has increased since the government census was taken and it is estimated that it is around the 6,000 mark or possible more. Since 1920 the General Electric and Decatur Casting company have located plants, which now employ about 700 persons and if anyone has tried to rent a house here in the last few years he'll vouch that it is hard to do. The local postoffice does not have an order to take a census of Decatur, but if increased population figures mean additional prestige or business for a community it might be well to "count noses," merely to satisfy the curiosity of knowing how many people live here.

BIG FEATURES of RADIO

TUESDAY'S FIVE BEST RADIO FEATURES

WEAF, hookup, 7pm.—Everready hour.
KDKA, Pittsburgh, 388M, 8 pm.—Symphony players.
WOH, Des Moines, 526M, 7:30 pm.—14th Cavalry band.
KYW, Chicago, 535M, 8 pm.—Classical concert.
KGO, Oakland, 361M, 10 pm.—Gala musical program.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

From the Daily Democrat File
Twenty Years Ago This Day.

August 30.—Mr. and Mrs. John Niblick, on board steamer "City of Mackinac" in Lake Huron, witness rescue of twenty-one people from steamer Charles Eddy, which was on fire.

Twenty thousand attend big day of fair.

Frankfort defeats Decatur, 5 to 3. Attorney J. Frank Mann, of Muncie, here for first visit in five years.

Junior City Improvement Society conducts flower show. Prizes won by David Studabaker, Jr., Winifred Ellingham, Marie Connell and Matilda Berling.

Twenty thousand bass minnows turned into Winona Lake (Wonder what became of them).

Loch's city band furnished the fair music today.

Miss Minnie Orvis is visiting at Fort Wayne.

UNIQUE CHURCH SERVICES HELD

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a new meaning. Dr. Halley has been in this work only four years, yet he has gained a national reputation. His services are much in demand. It is hoped that he may be secured later for a series of Bible readings to be given in some local church under the auspices of the churches represented in the Decatur Ministerial Association.

Jay County Judging Team To Practice At Fair Here

The Jay County Boys Judging Team which will represent the county in the state judging contest at the Indiana State Fair next month, will visit the local fair for the purpose of practice in judging livestock. The team consists of three regulars and one alternate. They are being coached by Mr. Parker, their vocational agricultural teacher. It is likely C. V. Kimmell, Jay county agent, will accompany them. E. B. Williamson, secretary of the fair, has issued passes to them and states they will receive full cooperation from the management. The boys in question have been practicing considerable during the last few weeks, judging livestock near their homes. The local exposition gives them opportunity to work on live stock fitted for show.

I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife Alberta Lammert, after Monday, Aug. 30.
Albert Lammert 205-3tr

Get the Habit—Trade at Home, It Pays

GREAT NORTHERN INDIANA FAIR TO OPEN WEDNESDAY

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Its. One ride already is up and two more arrived today and will be set up at once. Five shows are on the grounds, including a wrestling show, and a mechanical show, said to be the greatest achievement of its kind in existence.

Several freak shows and other attractions will be on hand on the opening day, Wednesday of this week. A dance hall is being erected on the grounds at the far end of the midway and there will be dancing every afternoon and night, with a six-piece orchestra furnishing the inspiration.

Among the exhibits, will be the poultry show, the art and culinary exhibit, the school exhibit, the automobile show, and also livestock shows of all descriptions. All of the exhibits will be in the same locations this year as last, except the auto show which is farther down toward the center of the midway.

Automobiles To Parade
A new automobile feature will be held Saturday afternoon, just before the derby race. All autos displayed at the fair ground will form a grand parade and drive around the race track. The autos will carry banners giving the name of the car, the agents and the price of that particular model.

The Saturday afternoon race program will be devoted to running races. Several high grade attractions have been booked for the grandstand acts.

E. B. Williamson, manager and secretary of the local fair, said today that the advance sale of family tickets has reached beyond expectations and he predicted banner crowds each day.

Judging Begins Wednesday
Judging in all departments will begin promptly at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, so all entries in the various exhibits must be in their places before that time on the opening day of the fair.

Admission prices will be same as last year. Mr. Williamson stated that prices, also, had been fixed on the various confections and sandwiches and he urged that people learn the official prices and pay no more during the entire week.

The gates will open Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock, and the admission will be good for all day and night. The admission price will be cut for night attendance, only.

J. R. Schafer, of Dallas, Texas, is enjoying a visit here with his brother Fred Schafer, and other relatives.

Drs. Charles and Charles, of this city, have returned from a six days motor trip through the central part of Indiana. Their office is now open, ready for business.

Stockholder's Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens Telephone Company, of office of the secretary of said company, in the city of Decatur, Indiana, on

Monday, September 6, 1926, at 7 o'clock p. m. for the election of five directors to serve for the ensuing year for the transaction of such other business as may be properly brought before said meeting.

HERMAN F. EHINGER, Secy.
199-to Sept. 6.

The Girl in the Mirror



By Elizabeth Jordan

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WSD Service

"Get it and put it on, quick. Don't waste any time." He indicated the buckled house-shoes she still wore. "And put on some real shoes, if you have them."

Without replying, she disappeared. He followed her into the bedroom in which, during the hours of his presence that afternoon, the hag had found uneasy asylum. He indicated a door. "Where does that lead?" "Into a bathroom."

"There's a back window over the veranda. What room does that mean?"

"A bedroom off the hall."

"Good!"

She followed his thought. "But I don't think we can risk that. One of the Italians is patrolling the hall. That's why they haven't locked the door. I caught a glimpse of him just now, coming toward the foot of the stairs."

He stared at her frowningly, then, walking to the bed, stripped it with an arm-swing and seized the sheets.

"Then it's simply a question of lowering you from the front," he cried, curtly. "I'll lower you as far as I can, and we'll have to risk a drop of a few feet. Snow's safe."

As he spoke, he was hurriedly tearing and roping the sheets. "Used to do this at school when I was a kid," he explained. "Quite like old times. Now get on the coat and shoes, please."

She needed the reminder. She was staring at this visitor, who had the face of the man she knew and the voice and manner of a stranger. All trace of young Devon's debonair indifference was gone. He had the cold eyes and set jaw of a determined man, busy at some task which would assuredly be done, but his air of detachment equalled her own.

When she was ready, and still with his new air of businesslike concentration on the job in hand, he adjusted the linen ropes, and after a preliminary survey of the grounds, led her through the window and out on the veranda roof. Here he briefly told her what to do, suiting action to words with entire efficiency, and assuming her unquestioning obedience as a matter of course.

The lowering was not the simple exercise he had expected, any more than the upward climb had been. Light as she was, it was clear that her unsupported weight would be a heavy drag upon a body resting insecurely on a slippery roof with nothing more substantial than snow and ice to cling to. But eventually she was down, a little shaken but unhurt, and he was beside her.

"Now, let's see how fast you can run," he suggested; and for the first time his whispered voice held a ring of youth she knew. "Shaw's watchers may suddenly begin to watch, or even to see something."

She responded to his changed tone

with an uncontrollable gasp of relief, which he attributed to excitement. "Don't worry. All right now, I think," he said, with an immediate return to calmness. It steadied her as no other attitude on his part could have done.

"Can you drive a Pierce Arrow?" he asked, as they plunged ahead through the snowdrifts.

"Yes."

"That's fine. That's great. I was afraid you couldn't." This was Laurie again. He went on urgently. "If we're stopped or separated, do exactly as I say. Don't lose an instant. Rush to my car. It's over there, among the trees. See?—over there at the right. It's turned toward the road." He indicated the spot. "Get in, go to the left at the first turn, drive full speed to a garage a quarter of a mile down the main road. No matter what happens, don't stop till you reach it. Go into the garage, and wait half an hour for me. If I'm not there then, drive on to New York and go to this address." He gave her a penciled slip he had prepared. "Mrs. Ordway is a good friend of mine. She'll take you in and look after you. Will you do that?"

"Yes." The word was so low that he had to bend his head to catch it. His voice softened still more.

"Don't worry. It will be all right. Only, some way, I can't believe that Shaw is letting us off as easily as this."

She stumbled, but he caught her. For a moment he supported her, and in that moment, under the sense of her nearness and fearlessness and helplessness, the hardness of the past hour disappeared. He did not understand her. Perhaps he would never understand her. But whatever she was, she was all right.

Half leading, half carrying her, he got her to the car and into it. He had actually raised one foot to follow her when something stirred in the shadows near them, and the familiar, squat figure of Shaw stepped forth.

Though in his sudden appearance he had followed the dramatic instinct that seemed so strong in him, he had wholly lost the effect of unleashed fury he had worn in the afternoon. He was even smiling with an affection of good-humored tolerance. He had the air of a man who, with the game in his hands, can afford to be patient and affable.

"Oh, come now," he said easily, "don't leave us quite so soon! Since you've come back for another visit, we've decided to keep you a while. You know, I warned you of that."

Laurie made a sign to Doris, which she instantly obeyed. Even before the indolent voice had finished speaking, she was at the wheel and the car had started. Shaw, springing forward with goggling eyes and dropped jaw, found his way blocked by a man as new to him as he had been to Doris, a Laurence Devon who all in an instant had taken on the black rage he himself had dropped. In the hands of this stranger was a revolver which neatly covered Shaw's plump chest. Before this apparition, Shaw backed away precipitately.

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To Give Prize To Baby That Slumbers Longest

Detroit, Aug. 30.—(United Press).—Mothers of sound-sleeping babies are invited to attend the Republican out-

ing on the steamer Put-in-Bay, September 2, when the baby which slumbers the longest will be awarded a prize of \$25.

Billie Brown, of Fort Wayne, is visiting relatives in this city.

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Integrity of Purpose

The far-reaching importance of the cracking processes discovered and developed by the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) is emphasized in a recent information circular published by the United States Bureau of Mines.

"According to the best information available, about 26% of the gasoline output of the refineries for 1925 was produced from heavier oils by cracking. This represents a production of approximately 2,824,000,000 gallons of gasoline by the use of cracking processes."

A brief review of recent history will reveal the significance of this colossal achievement.

As far back as 1913 when there were only one and a quarter million automobiles in the country, men who were well informed began to worry about the supply of crude oil.

With a rapid increase in the number of automobiles would the available crude oil be sufficient to produce an adequate amount of gasoline?

That was the question which experts were asking. The Standard Oil Company (Indiana) answered it by discovering and developing its famous processes for cracking gasoline. For in the research laboratories of the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) where the patient and tireless work of scientists goes on day after day, the first commercially successful cracking process was discovered.

This new method was a spectacular discovery for it stretched the supply of crude, producing double the yield of gasoline obtained by the old methods.

The cracking processes belonged to the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) by right of discovery and might have been kept for its exclusive use.

Such a practice, however, would have been contrary to the established policies of this Company, and such procedure would have been opposed to the economic good of the people of the Middle West and therefore was not to be considered by the Standard Oil Company (Indiana).

Without a widespread use of the new cracking processes to stretch the supply of crude, refiners would have been unable to meet the growing demand for gasoline and prices would have soared.

The Standard Oil Company (Indiana) from the beginning has held the interest of the people whom it serves first, and in a consistent spirit of service the Company leased these processes to competitors, that they, too, might better aid in meeting the demand for gasoline.

The immediate result of this action was a sufficient output of gasoline at continued low prices.

Today the fact that fuel for nearly 21,000,000 automotive vehicles is forthcoming at a low and equitable price is due in large measure to the processes discovered by the Standard Oil Company (Indiana).

The action of the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) in passing on these valuable processes to competitors is but one practical evidence of the sincerity and earnestness with which the Company endeavors to serve the thirty million people of the Middle West.

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