

Letters From
OLD TIMERS
Who're Coming Home

NASHVILLE, TENN., July 26 1928.

Mr. Roy Archbold, Chairman
Invitation Committee,
Old Home Week in Decatur,
Decatur, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Archbold: Your letter inviting my family and I to return to Decatur and attend the celebration of "Old Home Week" is sincerely appreciated. Although my affairs will prevent me from participating in your festivities, my thoughts will be with you during the entire time of this celebration.

I will return to Decatur within the next week to attend to business, and I look forward to this visit with more pleasure than I can explain, am, anticipate a happy reunion with my Decatur friends, although I will have but a very short while to stay.

My life in Decatur was exceedingly happy, and I often recall the happy times at the Masonic Temple and the K. of P. Home, as well as fishing trips with Milt Hower and Harve Lammert.

At this time let me wish you a great success in this work while undertaking, and with fondest regards to the friends at home, I am

Sincerely yours,

Riley Chrisman

Oakland, California

My Dear Roy Archbold, Chairman of the invitation committee, and all the old friends of Decatur, I thank you sincerely for your kind request to be present, and share the glad reunion

at the "Old Home Week" in Decatur, September 10th to 15th, next.

I am far away from the home town, and home folks of Decatur, Indiana, 3,000 miles away. Mountains, deserts, and great rivers separate us. But the mind flies back regardless of miles and mountains. If we want to gather up all tender memories, all lights and shadows of the heart, all reunions, all filial and fraternal and paternal affections, and had just four letters with which to spell out our meaning, we would write it out with four capitals — H-O-M-E — It will not be possible for me to enjoy the happy days of this "Home Week" in person at Decatur, but in thought and well wishes I will be right there. The Sistine Madonna at Dresden in some respects is the most most wonderful picture of Maternal love which exists in the world. For a long time it was merely a dark womanly face. An artist in making some repairs, discovered a cherub's face in the grime of that dark background and being led to suspect that the picture had been overlaid by time and neglect, commenced cleaning it. As he went on cherub after cherub appeared, until it was found that the Madonna was on a background made up wholly of little heavenly cherubs. So we may have in the galleries of our mind a picture, a picture of passing beauty and sweetness. Time has shadowed it, partly obscuring it. Memory turns on the light, we begin to rub it up, the face of that dear one, then another, another, and many others come out clearly to greet us. Those whom we have loved within our own home, in other homes, in church, city and country, with whom we have toiled, and had sweet fellowship, and in our hearts we say, as we scan the picture, yest that is home.

For nearly 30 years I called Decatur my home, it will always be my home town. There are too many there whom I love, to have it any thing else. The poet has said:

"The world hath its delights,
And its delusions too.
But home to calmer bliss invites
More Tranquill and more true
Lifes Charities like light
Spread Smilingly afar—
But Stars approached become more
bright!
And home is life's own star,
The Pilgrim's step in vain
Seeks Eden's sacred ground
But in home's holy joys again
An Eden may be found.
Kindly accept my regrets that I can
not be present at this happy home coming.
Also my best wishes, and heartfelt appreciation of your remembering me.
Sincerely Yours
Emma L. Daniel Davis.

Card of Thanks

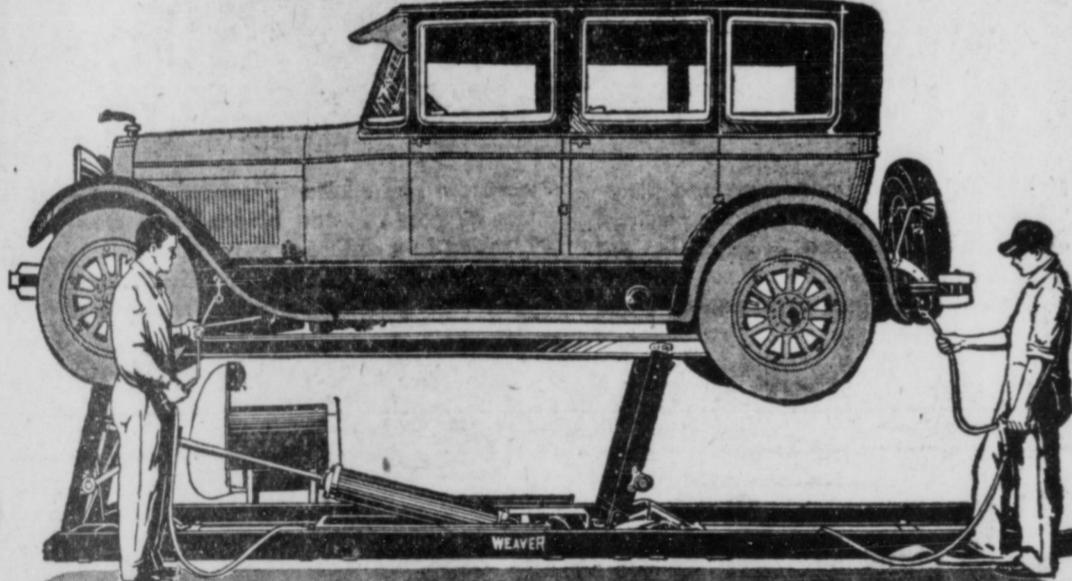
We the children of Mrs. Nancy H. Ferguson wish in this manner to thank the relatives, friends, neighbors and minister and fraternal organizations for the help, floral offerings and consoling words during our bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Peterson
Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Noll
Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Noll
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Miller
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