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Fair tonight and Sunday with increasing cloudiness Sunday north portion. Slightly warmer Sunday east and south portions.

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CITY IS READY FOR OLD HOME WEEK

THREE FLEETS OF AIRPLANES RACING ACROSS COUNTRY

Class B And C Planes Leave New York Today; Class A Planes In West

DRAKE TAKES LEAD IN CLASS A DIVISION

New York, Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—Three fleets of airplanes skimmed through the air in the southwest and east today in as many divisions of the national air races, from New York to Los Angeles.

Class A pilots, who left New York Wednesday, continued their struggle for leadership, flying westward from Fort Worth, Texas. Refueling stops were scheduled at Abilene, Midland and Pecos, with an overnight stop at El Paso.

Classes B and C Start

The class B and class C planes left New York this morning. Twenty planes started in the class B division. Four stops were scheduled for today as follows: Harrisburg, Pa.; McKeesport, Pa.; and Columbus, Ohio, before the planes start on the final jump to Terre Haute.

Only four planes started in the class C event. Their first scheduled stop was at McKeesport, Pa., and they are scheduled to rest tonight at Terre Haute, Ind.

Duke Takes Lead

Pecos, Texas, Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—Robert Duke, of Pittsburgh, Pa., maintained his terrific pace in the national air race Class A between Midland and Pecos today, bringing his American Moth down on the municipal field here at 11:00:10 a.m.

Twenty-five seconds behind Duke, Earl Rowland, of Wichita, Kansas, elapsed time leader of the flight, landed his Cessna monoplane.

Land At McKeesport

Fettis Field, McKeesport, Pa., Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—The four Class C planes in the series of air dashes from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast arrived at Fettis Field this afternoon within thirty-seven minutes of each other. Within half an hour after arriving, each left for Columbus, Ohio. Robert W. Cantwell, of Los Angeles, flying a Lockheed Vega, was the first to arrive. He landed at 1:56:12.

Reaches Terre Haute

John Livingston, of Monmouth, Ill., flying a Waco plane, led the transcontinental class B air races into Terre Haute today when he arrived at 12:05:66.

Terre Haute is the overnight stop and all race fliers will rest here this afternoon and tonight, before leaving for St. Louis at 4 a.m. tomorrow.

Legion Post To Hold Meeting Monday Night

There will be a regular meeting of Adams Post, No. 43, of the American Legion in the Legion Hall, Monday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting will be brief, and all members are urged to attend.

Bus North at 11 P. M.

Arrangements have been made by the A. B. C. bus line to run an extra car north from here each evening next week, leaving the Hotel Rice at 11 o'clock for the accommodation of those desiring to attend the Old Home Week celebration and to remain for the night shows.

POSTMASTER IS NAMED AT BERNE

Fred Rohrer Is Appointed To Succeed Menno Burkhalter

Fred Rohrer, editor of the Adams County Witness, has been appointed postmaster of Berne, according to word received from the Post Office department at Washington. D. C. Mr. Rohrer will assume his duties as postmaster on Sunday, September 30. Menno Burkhalter is the retiring postmaster. His four-year term expired last March, but he has been serving under a special appointment since that time.

Mr. Rohrer has been active in Republican politics in Berne and Adams county for the last thirty years.

Heads Waltonians



Hon. Charles L. Biederwolf, clerk of the Supreme court of Indiana, is the president of the Indiana branch of the Izaak Walton League of America and will be in charge of the dedication exercises of the Porter memorial.

LIQUOR CASES ARE DISMISSED

Man Refuses To Testify Against Defendants After Filing Affidavits

Ray Eyanzon, serving a 35-day jail sentence for driving an automobile while intoxicated, refused to turn state's evidence against Charles "Dutch" Wise, on a charge of bootlegging, in mayor's court late Friday afternoon, and the case against Wise was dismissed. Eyanzon had made an affidavit charging Wise with selling liquor to him. Wise was arrested in Port Wayne and brought to Decatur. He has been in jail for the last ten days.

When arraigned in court yesterday Eyanzon refuted his statement and claimed that he got his liquor from a man named Mike Loop and "Julius" Dehofer, from Jay county. These two men were arrested and arraigned in court, but no evidence was produced to substantiate the charge.

Mayor George Krick scored Eyanzon for making the affidavit and then withdrawing the charge. The court said that he could not believe what the two defendants said after they had changed their statements so many times and proceeded to acquit Wise. Prosecutor John T. Kelly then asked that the affidavits against the other two men, said to be Belgian beet workers, be dismissed. Eyanzon will have to serve out his jail term having about 15 days more. He was also fined \$10 and costs, amounting to \$41.80. He has not yet paid his fine. Wise was given his freedom.

Masons To Have Charge Of Mr. Sholty's Funeral

Members of the Masonic lodge will have charge of the funeral services for Benjamin W. Sholty, which will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Masons are requested to meet at the Masonic hall at 1:45 o'clock. Mr. Sholty was one of the last two surviving charter members of the local Masonic lodge.

Concession Man Comes Here From West Virginia

A concession man who will operate three stands here, arrived this morning after a drive from West Virginia, where he happened to see one of the Decatur Old Home Week advertising signs and decided that this was the place to come. He is pleased he is here.

Hughes Elected Judge In World Court Today

Geneva, Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—Charles Evans Hughes, former chief justice of the United States supreme court, was elected by the League of Nations assembly today to be a judge in the world court at The Hague.

Rev. Hurt To Preach At Christian Church Sunday

The Rev. R. B. Hurt of Indianapolis, who has preached at the Christian church in this city the past several weeks, will again be in the pulpit next Sunday delivering sermons both morning and evening at the usual hours. Rev. Hurt is a talented young man and his sermons are convincing and logical. All who will are invited to hear this young man.

City's Official Welcome

To Our Friends from Everywhere: For the week of September 10 to 15, the City of Decatur and every one of its citizens, with all the energy of which they are capable, and with preparations which have extended to the limits of their ability, have provided for you a season of hospitality and festivity, with moments of truest sentiment woven into the events of the week.

We offer all this with the earnest hope that you may enjoy and profit by them.

We are truly proud of our city and the spirit of our citizens and I, as Mayor, voicing the desire of all, extend to you greetings and the hand of friendship.

GEORGE KRICK, Mayor of the City of Decatur.

Girl Pens Note On Hotel Dresser Scarf And Flees

Written on a scarf cover on a dresser in the Hotel Rice, a young lady, signing her name as Myrtle Brown, age 20, 571 Washington street, Wash., left a note stating that she was "running away from them and if they wanted her they would have to come after her." The girl said she was going to Cincinnati, being "Cincinnati." In one place on the scarf she signed her name, "Miss C. M. Brown" and in another place, "Myrtle Brown." Her scribbling on the scarf read: "Please write

to folks and tell them I am going to Cincinnati, and if they want me they will have to come after me." The postscript read, "I am going away from them."

Jesse Rice, proprietor of the hotel stated that he would not notify her relatives at the address given, he stating that if anyone was interested that they would see it in the paper. Mr. Rice stated that the girl paid her bill in advance. She had red hair, weighed about 125 pounds and was fairly pretty.

Hen Is Fast Worker; Hatched In March And Is A Mother In August

Greensburg, Ind., Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—A Rhode Island Red hen in the flock of Forest Myers, of Greensburg, wins the medal for being "fast worker" according to its owner.

This unusual hen, according to Myers, was hatched on March 2, this year. She laid her first egg on July 18. She was a good producer for a while until on August 27 she stole her nest and hatched 11 chicks from 12 eggs. Meyers believes this is a record in as much as the hen had eggs pipping beneath her just 179 days from the time she pipped her own egg.

Frank Dailey Speaks At Uniondale Meeting

Bluffton, Ind., Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—The Democratic campaign in Wells county was opened Friday night by Frank C. Dailey, Democratic gubernatorial nominee with a meeting at Uniondale. Dailey was accompanied by R. Earl Peters, state chairman.

Smith Asks Critic To Prove His Charges

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—Governor Alfred E. Smith made public today a letter inviting Clarence W. Barnes, of Boston, to come home and prove his statement that the so-called Albany baseball pool operates "in sight of the New York state capitol building."

The letter, in which Barnes, Republican candidate for attorney general of Massachusetts, complained about the pool, also was made public by Smith.

OHIO MAN FINED FOR BEATING WIFE

Woman Found Hiding In Straw Stack After County-Wide Search

Thomas Neate, a farmer residing between Wren and Ohio City, Ohio, about 15 miles east of Decatur, was fined \$25 and costs, Friday after he entered a plea of guilty to a charge of assault and battery on his wife, Hazel Neate, 52, when arraigned in court before Squire W. S. Giffin, in Van Wert, Ohio. The fine was suspended by the court when Neate promised not to mistreat his wife again.

Mrs. Neate disappeared from her home last Tuesday, following an alleged quarrel between she and her husband. A county-wide search was instituted for Mrs. Neate and on Wednesday afternoon a neighbor found her hiding in a straw stack, about a mile from here.

Mrs. Neate was suffering considerably from exposure and hunger, but her condition was not serious, it was said. She also had several bruises about her head and body, it was reported by neighbors. Mrs. Neate was taken home and medical aid summoned. Her condition is reported satisfactory at this time.

The charge of assault and battery was filed against Neate by Charles Kirk, Van Wert county humane officer.

Answers Call



Benjamin W. Sholty, pioneer merchant of Decatur and a veteran of the Civil War, died early this morning at his home on West Monroe street.

B. W. SHOLTY IS CALLED BY DEATH

Prominent Decatur Citizen, Veteran Of Civil War, Dies Early Today

Benjamin W. Sholty, aged 82 years, who for many years stood foremost in the business progress of Decatur and who was a veteran of the Civil War, died at 2:30 o'clock this morning, Saturday, September 8, 1928, at his home, 607 West Monroe street.

For seven years, Mr. Sholty has been failing in health, and for the last two years a very pronounced decline has been noted. His eyesight had practically failed and his hearing had become very bad. A week ago yesterday, he was taken to his bed, and on Thursday morning of this week, double pneumonia added its ravages to his already weakened constitution. Unable to withstand this added affliction, the aged man passed away early this morning.

Served In Civil War

Benjamin Wesley Sholty was born in Stark county, Ohio, on March 12, 1846. He was the son of Henry J. and Sarah Weimer Sholty, both deceased. Benjamin Sholty was ten years of age when he moved with his parents to Indiana, and received a major part of his schooling in the school of Noble county, Indiana. When he was sixteen years of age, he entered the school at Roanoke, and it was while a student there, that he was seized with a desire to join the army and fight for the Union cause. In June, 1864, he enlisted in Company I, of the 138th Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He served for four months and was then honorably discharged. Following his discharge, he returned to Roanoke, where he remained until

Free Parking Grounds Are Being Arranged

Besides the numerous pay yards for parking of automobiles during Old Home Week, Sept. 10-15, several free grounds are being arranged so that everybody can be cared for. F. A. Peoples, who operates the North End Filling station, a Red Crown station has arranged space to take care of a hundred cars and will be glad to accommodate those who stop there.

EX-DECATURITE IS COPPER KING

Wesley Stout has an interesting feature story in this week's Saturday Evening Post entitled, "local boy makes good", and referring to such men as Owen D. Young, chairman of the General Electric board; Walter Chrysler; Alfred P. Sloan, president of General Motors; the Guggenheim brothers, and a number of others who were born and reared in small towns and cities or on the farms of America.

In the section devoted to the copper industry, this paragraph is found: "J. T. Crabbs, president of Brandy Consolidated Copper, was born in Decatur, Indiana, and was for twenty-one years an officer of the United States Army before he resigned in 1908 to enter business."

The Crabbs family was one of the prominent ones here in the early days and will be remembered by many of the older residents. They were merchants and operated one of the first stores here. The "copper king" mentioned in this story is believed, by Mrs. Elizabeth Morrison to be a son of David Crabbs who moved from here to Cincinnati many years ago. He had three sons, all of whom have made good in business circles.

HOME-COMERS ARE ARRIVING FOR CELEBRATION WHICH WILL OPEN ON MONDAY; STREETS GAILY DECORATED

Official Program For Week's Event Is Complete; Special Features Are Arranged For Each Day; Free Acts, Band Music, Speaking By Notables, Pageant, Exhibits And Gay Midway Are Features; Much Enthusiasm Is Manifested.

With the arrival of the vanguard of home-comers and the announcement of the official program, Decatur was ready today for the opening of Old Home Week, Monday evening, Sept. 10.

By rail and motor, the home-comers started to arrive in the city yesterday and today and, by Monday evening, hundreds are expected to be here for the opening program. From far and near, they come, bringing with them a smile and a hearty handshake, and are met with an equally hearty reception on the part of relatives and friends in the "ol' home town," and on every hand the old fashioned, home-like spirit prevailed.

MANY FROM HERE GO TO COLLEGE

32 Graduates Of D. H. S. And D. C. H. S. Enter College This Fall

Thirty-two Decatur young men and women will enter various colleges and universities as freshmen this fall, according to a list obtained today from officials of the public and Catholic high schools of the city. Twenty-four of them are graduates of Decatur high school and the other eight received their diplomas from Decatur Catholic high school.

Thirteen schools of higher learning will receive students from the list. Indiana University leads the list with eight, four students from each of the local high schools. The names of the young people and the names of the schools which they will attend are as follows: Indiana University—John DeVoss, Margaret Haley, Kathryn Kauffman, and Helen Haubold, of Decatur high school, and John Dowling, Fred Poos, Elmer Sorg and Severine Schuriger, of the Catholic high school.

Ohio State University—Don LeBrun and Helen Kinzie, of Decatur high.

University of Chicago—Gerald Somers, of Decatur high. Indianapolis Teachers' College—Helen Shroll and Betty Erwin, of Decatur high.

International College, of Fort Wayne—Alma Bucher, of Decatur high.

College of Commerce Accounts and Finance, Cleveland, Ohio—Harry Wagner, Decatur high.

DePauw University—Ross Stoakes, Geraldine Hower and Frank DeVor, of Decatur high.

School of Art, Detroit—Virginia Hite, Decatur.

University of Michigan, Wm. Bell of Decatur high.

Heidelberg University, Tiffin, O.—Helen A. Kirsch, Decatur high.

Franklin College—Roy Anadell and Vivian C. Thomas, of Decatur high.

Indiana State Normal, Muncie—Lillian Worthman, C. Veree Heller, Graydon Dixon and Paul Whittenberger, of Decatur high.

General Electric Engineering School, Fort Wayne—True Sheets and Bob I. Carper, of Decatur high.

St. Marys College of Notre Dame, South Bend—Winifred Arnold, Isabel Neptune, Helen Schmitz, and Mary Margaret Vogelewede, of Catholic high.

In addition to the above list, many other Decatur young people will resume their work in various colleges and universities as upper classmen.

More Relics Wanted For Antique Exhibit

The committee in charge of the antique exhibit for Old Home Week announced today that relics and antiques would still be received all day Monday, at the exhibit room, at the southeast corner of Monroe and Third streets. Old furniture, spinning wheels or any other kind of antiques are wanted, as the room is large and many items are needed to fill it.

Imperial Treasurer Of Masonic Shrine Dies

Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—William S. Brown, 79, imperial treasurer of the Masonic Shrine of North America, died at his home here today after a lingering illness.

Brown was elected imperial treasurer of the Shrine in Denver, Colo., 30 years ago, and he has held this office consecutively since that time. He was one of the most widely known Masons in the United States.

PROGRAM ON PAGE EIGHT
A copy of the official program for Old Home Week will be found on page 8, section one, of tonight's Daily Democrat.

trial and agricultural exhibits and other attractions for the thousands who come to participate of Decatur's hospitality.

Big Attraction Each Day
A half dozen bands, United States senators, governors and candidates for governors, state officials, noted authors and men and women prominent in all walks of life will be here to participate in the big program. There will be music, concerts and oratory, balloon ascensions, trapeze acts, trained elephants, and a big show every day of the week.

Program For Week
With the blowing of whistles and the ringing of bells at 6 o'clock Monday evening, the word will be sent forth that Old Home Week is open. There will be a parade and the turning over of the key of the city by Mayor George Krick to F. M. Schirmeyer, chairman of the Old Home Week committee. H. W. Thompson will extend words of greeting to the guests and the response will be given by Hon. J. Frank Mann, of Muncie, former resident of Decatur. The General Electric band will then give a concert and an informal reception for all guests will be held.

Tuesday, the dedication of Elephant Rock, the great boulder located in the southeast corner of the court house lawn, will be dedicated in memory of Mrs. Gene Stratton-Porter, famed author, who formerly lived at Decatur and Geneva and, through her writings, brought enduring fame to the Lamberly region.

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TO HOLD MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY

Zion Lutheran Church To Hold Special Services To Aid Missions

The annual mission festival of Zion Lutheran church will be observed tomorrow, with two special services. The Rev. C. B. Preuss, well known pastor of the Lutheran church at Friedheim, will conduct the German services here in the morning beginning at 10 o'clock. In the English service which will be held in the afternoon at 2 o'clock, Prof. E. Schneider, of Concordia College, Fort Wayne, will deliver the address.

These special services are conducted annually in the interest of Lutheran missions at home and in foreign countries, and a large attendance at both services tomorrow is anticipated. A most cordial invitation is extended to all.