

**The PEOPLE'S VOICE**  
This column for the use of our readers who wish to make suggestions for the general good or discuss questions of interest. Please sign your name to show authenticity. It will not be used if you prefer that it not be. Enjoyed Old Home Week

Los Angeles, Sept 20.—Back again in the land of sunshine, flowers, real estate boosters, and the weirdest murders, allow me, as it were, to make my party call and express to the good people of Decatur my appreciation of their hospitality during the Old Home Week. I probably broke the long distance record in getting there, but it was well worth the tedious trip. Six days of feasting and festivities—to say nothing of the joy of swapping lies with Al Burd, Sam Peoples, John Yager, and others of the old guard.

Of course the town isn't what it used to be. Well, naturally. This is a world of change. The old swimmin' hole was hard to find; Shackley's factory, here we kids used to play circus on the sawdust pile, is no more; and covered bridge, the old ashery, the dam at Hart's mill and the mill itself have all disappeared. Peace to their ashes. But you now have fine buildings, beautifully shaded streets, paved highways factories, and all the adjuncts of a modern city.

And, speaking of trees, just fancy if sugar maples had been planted instead of the soft variety. You would now probably have a maple sugar instead of beet sugar factory to brag about.

The pageant? Oh, perfectly beautiful. A real artistic achievement. The fact that the orchestra was cunningly placed so that it obstructed the view of a considerable part of the audience was so small a fly in the ointment that I hate to even mention it. You will surely fix up that natural amphitheatre as a permanent place for all sorts of outdoor spectacles. But it would likely be much better to turn it around, placing the seats on the rising ground to the south, and the stage and background to the north. Well, it's merely a suggestion.

Another thing. Why hasn't it occurred to the city fathers or some philanthropist to make a park along the St. Marys river? A strip of land on either side with those patriarchal trees that border its banks, and you have it almost ready made. I can't think of anything that would add more charm to the city. Perhaps it isn't too late yet.

Well, perhaps it's a darn good town to live in. I got a gallon of cider for twenty cents; a man named Keller fixed my watch for nothing, and my sister from Wichita drew a costly silver set at the Creamery doings. Who says there is no Santa Claus and that one of his favorite haunts is not good old Adams County?

"Willie" McLaughlin

## First Photo of Kidnappers' Victim



Here is an exclusive photo of Gill Jamieson, Honolulu boy, who was kidnapped and then slain near his island home. The picture, taken with his father when the Jamieson family visited California a year ago, was transmitted by telephone to New York.

motored to Fort Wayne and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Leimenstall Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dettinger and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dettinger and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kruezman and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frauhiger and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reppert entertained for dinner, Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bloemker, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hildebrand and family, Mrs. Mina Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Manns and daughter, and Henry Hildebrand.

Mr. and Mrs. August Schlickman, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Borne, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Yake and family, and Mr.

Get the Habit—Trade at Home, It Pays

## LINN GROVE NEWS

Mrs. Jane Tucker, of Berne, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dave Tucker Sunday evening.

Mabel Studler of Union City, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Studler.

Miss Ruth Gilbert and George Garret visited friends at Monroe, Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Heller, of Bluffton, called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heller. Mr. Heller has been ill.

E. P. Madden, of Chicago is visiting at the Charles Bentz home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Touts, of

Bluffton, visited relatives here, Sunday.

Alonzo Chrisman, of Fort Wayne, visited Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Liddy, Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Arnold, of Celina, returned to her home Tuesday after working at the Rev. F. J. Stedcke home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Liddy, Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Liddy and family, of Fort Wayne, Mary Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wiedmiller and family and Mary Schupp of Geneva, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Liddy.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Jeffery and family have returned home after visit-

ing in Bloomington, IL, for some time.

John Meshberger is visiting friends in Woodburn.

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Snyder and

Mrs. Jacob Bauer, of Celina visited

Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Stedcke, Friday

Mr. and Mrs. George Schlagenshau

and family were business callers at

Huntington, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Liddy and family

of Fort Wayne, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Liddy over the week-end.

## NOTICE

I will be out of the city from Tuesday morning until Friday noon.

Dr. C. H. Branch

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**S**TANDING in the doorway of his store a disheartened look on his face a merchant watched two big delivery trucks going by. On them, he noticed containers labeled with the name of merchandise he himself carried in stock. "Somebody is doing a lot of business, but it's NOT me," he grumbled. "My prices are as low as others, yet I'm not getting the customers. Wonder why?"

It never dawned on him that if he consistently

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—he wouldn't have time or cause to "kick" about lack of trade. That if folks KNEW they could buy, perhaps even more reasonably of him than of others, they'd keep him stepping lively!

The lesson pointed out, Mr. Merchant, is let people KNOW what you have to "Tell and Sell" via the only medium that reaches the vast multitude — THIS NEWSPAPER! It's the surest "Better Business Builder" you can find!

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