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EMERGENCY PROGRAM READY FOR TRIAL

WAGNER URGES MORE CONTACT

Monroe Principal Says Pupils Should Meet With All Classes

Speaking on the subject of education, Virgil Wagner, principal of the Monroe high school stated before members of the Decatur Rotary club last evening, "that the high school boys and girls be given the opportunity to learn citizenship first hand through contact with business men, public officials and public institutions in the state."

Mr. Wagner has met with more than ordinary success in the teaching profession and stated that nearly every boy or girl moulded his or her career after someone in the community.

"A boy can learn more civics by shaking hands with the superintendent of a boy's reformed school, by seeing the inmates at work, by having the past, present and future of the inmates explained, than by reading many text books from cover to cover," Mr. Wagner stated.

Mr. Wagner paid tribute to the business and commercial interests of a community and emphasized that the schools and churches were dependent upon them. "A school teacher's patience, a preacher's diplomacy, a professional man's services are constantly dependent upon the stability which the business man has placed in the economic foundations upon which we stand."

Mr. Wagner cited George Washington as a successful business man who led us through a military crisis, a financial crisis and a political crisis, any one of which was as difficult to handle as the present one.

The school principal had a word for youth and stated that the young folk of today were as good and clear as anytime in history and stated that in most cases they were always right.

Paul Edwards had charge of the program.

Defends Hawaiians



Asserting that "the old-type Hawaiians are a grand people" and "that it is the lower class, produced by intermarriage, that causes trouble," Miss Helen Judd, daughter of Governor Judd of Hawaii, now a student at Mills College, Oakland, Cal., stoutly defends the natives of the "Island Paradise." Commenting on the Massie case, Miss Judd said she had lived in the islands all her life and has never had cause for fear. Her great-grandfather was one of the first Hawaiian missionaries and the family has lived there ever since.

SECOND SOVIET PLAN FORECAST

Improvement In Living Conditions Is Seen As Plan Is Discussed

Moscow, Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—Improvement of the living standard of Soviet Russia by 300 per cent is envisaged in the "second five year plan." It was disclosed today in the first detailed outline of the plan, issued by the political bureau of the communist party for the guidance of the forthcoming party conference.

The plan sets a threefold increase in the consumption of food, clothes and other goods by every Soviet inhabitant as one of the principal objectives. The improvement in living standards would be achieved by further expansion and mechanization of industry, agriculture and transport from 1933 to 1937, giving the Soviet Union first place in Europe in "the domain of technique" and first place in the world in a series of economic fields.

Politically the plan aims at "complete liquidation of capitalist elements and classes generally by destroying the conditions which breed class differences and exploitation."

The outline adds that simultaneously, the soviet union must be fortified as a base for international socialism.

The political bureau advanced startling estimates of industrial expansion by 1937, compared with the end of the first plan, or five year plan. The machine building industries would grow three and one-half times. Elec-

LOCAL GROUP PLANS MEETING

Chamber of Commerce To Elect Directors At Meeting February 8

The annual election of directors for the Decatur Chamber of Commerce will be held February 8, it was decided at a meeting of directors held last night in the Chamber of Commerce rooms. The directors will meet again next Thursday night to nominate six members, three of whom will be elected to the board and make other arrangements for the meeting.

The meeting will follow the annual banquet, and the place and time will be announced following the next Thursday meeting. The three retiring directors will be C. C. Humphrey, Dick Heller and A. R. Ashbacher, present president of the club.

Membership in the local Chamber of Commerce is now over 150 and it is the desire of the board that all members attend the annual organization meeting and help in the selection of new directors.

EGG PRICES GO HIGHER

The price of eggs went up today at the Decatur market. They were at 12 cents a dozen wholesale and 16 cents retail. The price a week had been 10 cents a dozen wholesale.

T. P. A. DUES PAYABLE

John S. Peterson, secretary of the T. P. A. of Travellers Protective Association stated today before deputation for a state directors' meeting at Vincennes that dues for 1932 are now payable. Mr. Peterson urged that all members send in their dues at once.

CROWLEY PAYS WITH HIS LIFE

Two Gun Killer Goes To Electric Chair In Calm Manner

Ossining, N. Y., Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—Francis Crowley, boastful, hateful, 21-year-old killer, who fought only when armed, died calmly in the electric chair last night, his hands clasping a rosary, his last words for the woman who sent him that rosary—the woman who bore him, deserted him at birth, and remained a stranger until death.

"My last wish," he said clearly and without a trace of his habitual bravado, "is to send my love to my mother."

Who that mother is, Crowley did not know. Where she lived, he did not know. Why she bore him, he did not know except that he had heard of her love story. It had embittered him, made him a "cop hater" from grade school days.

Crowley's father was a policeman. His mother a housemaid. He was unwanted.

Today his mother, the story goes, is remarried. Her husband does not know of her child who paid the price of his life.

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BROKEN LANTERN CAUSES BARN TO BURN DOWN

The barn on the Roy Lewis farm southeast of Berne, was completely burned early Wednesday morning, and Mr. Lewis narrowly escaped flames, when the kerosene lantern which he was carrying ignited the hay.

Mr. Lewis had gone to the barn about 4:30 o'clock Wednesday morning to do the chores. He had thrown hay from the mow to the lower floor, and was descending the ladder, when a rung became loose and he was thrown to the floor of the barn. In the fall he was hit in the back by a sharp object which completely paralyzed him.

The lantern which Mr. Lewis was carrying at the time of the fall, broke and kerosene was spilled over the hay and ignited. Mr. Lewis was unable to move for several minutes. The barn was completely destroyed, and implements and grain were burned, although the livestock was saved. The damages were covered by insurance.

Fifty-Two-Year Old Directory Interesting

Attorney Earl B. Adams brought us in a copy of a directory of Fort Wayne and surrounding towns, published in 1880, fifty-two years ago, and containing a lot of interesting information. It gives Decatur a population of 2,000, Bluffton and Kendallville 2,500, Van Wert 4,000 and Huntington 5,000.

The directory boasts Decatur in a nice write-up and says the town presents an appearance of stir and bustle not usually noticeable in towns its size. The directory shows R. B. Allison, president of the Old Adams County Bank; L. D. Adams, state factory; A. R. Bell, livery; Norval Blackburn, county clerk; J. R. Bobo, judge; Dick Townsend, Burt House; Godfrey Christen, county auditor; Ray Williams, editor of Decatur Democrat; W. S. (CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO)

BRITISH HAVE CABINET SPLIT

Differences Arise On Import Duties; Vote May Be Called

London, Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—A split in Prime Minister J. Ramsay MacDonald's national government over the tariff issue was announced in an official communique today.

The announcement said the cabinet, unable to obtain unanimity on a tariff policy, had decided those ministers unable to support the cabinet's majority conclusions "on the subject of import duties and cognate matters, are at liberty to express their views by speech and vote."

The communique was issued after a cabinet session lasting two and one-half hours.

"The cabinet," the communique said, "is deeply impressed with the paramount importance of maintaining national unity in the presence of the grave problems which now confront this country and the whole world."

"Accordingly, it has been determined that some modification of the (CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

MURDER CASE ARGUED

Lebanon, Ind., Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—Final arguments were started today in the murder trial of Charles Vernon Witt.

The case was expected to go to the jury late today.

WOMAN SEEKS OFFICE

Terre Haute, Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—Miss Emma May, president of the Indiana Woman's Democratic Club today announced her candidacy for the democratic nomination for reporter of the supreme and appellate court.

Miss May is the first woman to announce for nomination in the convention. If nominated she probably will contest for the position with Miss Genevieve Brown, republican, Winamac, incumbent, who is expected to seek renomination.

LEGISLATORS ARE CONSULTED

Myers Sends Questionnaires To House Members On Taxation

Indianapolis, Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—Questionnaires will be sent all state representatives seeking their approval of a house committee to cooperate with a state senate committee in devising a tax relief schedule, Walter Myers, speaker of the House announced. The relief program, if completed, will be presented to Governor Harry G. Leslie with a request that he call a special session of the legislature to enact it.

A tentative house committee, drawn by Myers, includes Delph McKesson, Plymouth, Democratic floor leader; James Knapp, Hagerstown, Republican floor leader; Earl Crawford, Milton, and Miles Furnas, Winchester, Democratic and Republican caucus chairmen, respectively; Harbin Linke, Columbus, and William Babcock Jr., Rensselaer, Democratic and Republican members of the ways and means committees, respectively.

ALBERT ARNOLD DIES THURSDAY

Kirkland Township Resident Succumbs To Illness of Heart Trouble

Albert Arnold, 64, prominent Kirkland township farmer, and life long resident of Adams county, died at his home in Kirkland township at 10 o'clock Thursday night, January 21, following a four years' illness with heart trouble.

Mr. Arnold was born in Kirkland township, May 2, 1868, the son of Frank and Polly Lihy Arnold, both of whom are deceased. He was united in marriage to Caroline Krutzman, April 24, 1893 in a ceremony performed at Magley. Mrs. Arnold survives.

The deceased was a member of the local Zion Reformed church.

The following children survive: Mrs. Augusta Hoopengardner of Angola, and Earl Arnold of Decatur. Four grandchildren, and two brothers and two sisters survive: Edward Arnold, Charles Arnold of Decatur; Mrs. Sarah Martin, Decatur, and Mrs. Rosa Milroy of Hudson, Ohio. Two brothers, Stephen and William, are deceased.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home, and at 1:30 o'clock at the Pleasant Dale church, with the Rev. A. R. Fledderjohann, pastor of the Zion Reformed church officiating. Burial will be made at Pleasant Dale cemetery.

JOSEPHINE ARCHBOLD IS NEW SORORITY PRESIDENT

Miss Josephine Archbold a student at Indiana University, and the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roy Archbold of this city, has been chosen president of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority house at Bloomington. Miss Archbold is a junior at the University.

DEATH CALLS YOUNG WOMAN

Verena Habegger Dies At Monroe Township Home Thursday

Berne, Ind., Jan. 22.—Miss Verena Habegger, 35, died Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of her mother, Mrs. Joe H. Habegger in Monroe township, four miles northwest of Berne.

Miss Habegger had been bedfast with a complication of diseases for the last 12 years. Death was due to uremic poisoning which she contracted about a week ago.

The deceased was born in Wabash Township, February 21, 1897, the daughter of Joe H. and Elizabeth Mazelin Habegger. She moved with her parents to Monroe township in 1911. Her father preceded her in death last July.

Surviving are the mother and the following brothers and sisters: Noah H. Habegger and Mrs. Menas Graber of Berne; Mrs. J. D. R. Schwartz of Monroe township, David, Barbara, Reuben, Esther, and Agnes all at home.

Funeral services will be held at the home Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Burial will be made in the Hilly cemetery, north of Berne.

ATTENDS LIMA MEETING

C. E. Peterson, Thirty-third degree Mason of this city was a guest last night at the annual Lima Association Scottish Rite, Lima, Ohio. Mr. Peterson attended the affair as the guest of William Stoltenbach. Two hundred persons attended the banquet, which was followed by a program attended the banquet, which was followed by a program by Edna Means, Chicago on imperfections. Charles Balyeat of Van Wert motored to Lima with Mr. Peterson.

JURY AWARDS \$1,350 DAMAGES

Mrs. Flavia Gerber Is Given All But \$650 In Damage Demand

A jury in Adams circuit court, late Thursday awarded Mrs. Flavia Gerber \$1,350 damages in her suit asking \$2,000 damages as the result of an automobile accident in which the Gerber car and a truck, driven by J. H. Deepen and owned by Spotted Cleaners of Fort Wayne collided.

The accident occurred in Fort Wayne in 1929 and the cause was first filed in Allen superior court. Later the cause was venued here and hearing started last Saturday. The case then went into vacation.

Attorneys L. H. Dunten for the defendants and E. V. Emerick for the plaintiff had several verbal tangles during the five days of the trial.

Just before final arguments the plaintiff moved to dismiss the cause as against Deepen, the driver of the truck. The motion was granted and the jury decided as to the liability of the cleaning corporation.

SERIES OF MEETINGS ARE PLANNED HERE

Beginning next Sunday night a series of sermon-lectures on "Church History" will be given at the Zion Reformed Church by the pastor of the church, the Rev. A. R. Fledderjohann. Each Sunday night during the coming weeks will be devoted to that subject. The first message will deal largely on the theme, "The Meaning of Church; the Prevailing Beliefs and Philosophy among the heathen and Jews at the time of Christ; the Early Church." These messages will be full of information and will present largely the historical and spiritual background of the church as it had its beginning since the coming of Christ into the world, and continued on through the ages up to the present time. The speaker will use the blackboard in presentation.

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SENATORS WAR ON WILKERSON

Claim Senator Glenn Has Important Case Pending In His Court

Washington, Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—The law firm of Senator Glenn, Rep., Ill., leading advocate of Federal Judge Wilkerson's promotion to the circuit court, is counsel in a case now pending in Wilkerson's court, it was disclosed today.

Senator Blaine, Rep., Wis., brought out the fact in questioning Glenn, who was urging the senate judiciary subcommittee to report favorably the nomination of the Chicago judge.

In defense Glenn said he personally had never appeared before Wilkerson in connection with the case. He said Wilkerson once overruled a motion made by his firm to dismiss the case.

Blaine said he had information that Wilkerson is holding up a decision in the case to see whether his nomination is confirmed.

The case involves Jacob Factor, a British subject. Extradition proceedings were instituted to return Factor to England in connection with a swindling charge involving \$2,000,000 or \$3,000,000 of mining stock, Blaine said. Glenn's firm is counsel for Factor. He personally appeared in the extradition (CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

SPEAKS AT HIGH SCHOOL

Dr. E. J. Pulgin, evangelist who is conducting revival services at the Methodist Episcopal church in this city, delivered an address on "Guns" before pupils of Decatur high school at the regular chapel period this morning.

Dr. Pulgin compared a child's life to the metal part of a gun, stating that the metal part is more important than the wooden part. His address was interesting and was greatly appreciated by the high school pupils.

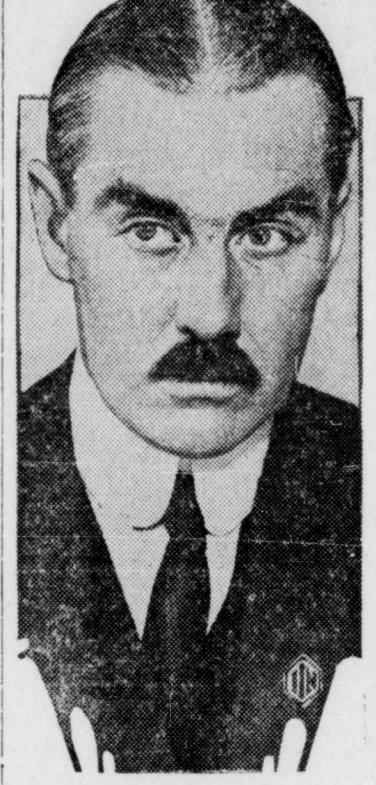
Mr. Charles Clark, who has charge of the singing at the Methodist church, sang a vocal solo.

ADAMS COUNTY WOMAN'S FATHER DIES WEDNESDAY

Funeral services for Louis J. Diver, 73, of near Monroeville, father of Mrs. Edward Bischoff of Adams county, who died at his home four miles southwest of Monroeville, Wednesday night, will be held Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock at the home and at 9 o'clock at the St. Rose Catholic church in Monroeville. The Rev. Theodore V. Fetting will officiate and burial will be in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Catherine Diver; three daughters, Mrs. Edward Bischoff of Adams County, Mrs. J. C. Minnich of Fort Wayne; and Mrs. George Laker of Dixon, O., two sons, John Diver of Madison township and Cornelius Diver at home. A brother and two sisters, John Diver of Sunman, Mrs. William Miller and Mrs. George Bahr of Batesville also survive.

NEW ENVOY TO JAPAN



Appointed U. S. Ambassador to Japan to succeed W. Cameron Forbes, Ambassador Joseph C. Grew, now envoy to Turkey, is one of the few professional diplomats to attain ambassadorial heights. A native of Boston, Ambassador Grew entered the diplomatic service in 1904 and was assigned to the Egyptian Consulate as a clerk. He later served in Mexico, Russia, Germany and Austria. In 1917 he was assigned to the State Department and was later sent to Europe to take part in the negotiations that ended the war.

BERNE MAN IS DEATH'S VICTIM

Peter Nussbaum Expires Thursday Afternoon; Ill For 11 Years

Peter Nussbaum, 64, for many years a resident of Adams County, died at his home on Sprunger street in Berne, Thursday afternoon at 2:55 o'clock. Death resulted from pneumonia which he had contracted recently and by Bright's disease from which he has ailed for the last 11 years.

The deceased was born in Putnam County, O., February 16, 1867, the son of Jacob and Barbara Amstutz Nussbaum. When he was eight years of age he moved to the vicinity of Berne. He was married to Ida Aldine Baumgartner in 1895, and until 1923 the couple resided in Monroe township on a farm. In that year he moved with his family to Berne. Mrs. Nussbaum died May 22, 1931.

Surviving are the children: Mrs. Della Liechty, Rufus and Henry Nussbaum of Monroe township; Martha at home and Caroline of Fort Wayne. The following brothers and sisters also survive: Abraham of Kidron; Isaac of Orrville; Mrs. Mary Miller of Cardin, Okla.; Mrs. Emil Badertscher of Berne; Mrs. Jacob Moser of Orrville and Mrs. Ed. Liddy of Fort Wayne.

Mr. Nussbaum was a member of the Berne Mennonite church.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the home and at 2 o'clock in the Mennonite Church in Berne, with burial in the M. R. E. cemetery.

LOWLANDS OF STATE MENACED

Floodwaters Rise In Several Parts of Indiana, Report Says

Indianapolis, Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—Serious flood conditions in the lower areas of the White and Wabash rivers were foreseen today by J. H. Armington, chief of the U. S. weather bureau.

Downpours of more than two inches within the past 24 hours added to the peril resulting from the already swollen rivers. Flood warnings were issued for Elliston and Mt. Carmel, where the Wabash river is more than seven feet over its banks.

The heaviest rainfall was reported from Elliston, where the precipitation was 2.57 inches. At Bloomington it was 2.18 inches. At Terre Haute it neared an inch and increasingly heavier southward.

The Wabash river was 25.2 feet and rising at Elliston. The flood stage there is 18 feet. Armington predicted it would rise to 28 feet. At Mt. Carmel it was at a level of 22.2 feet, with the likelihood that it (CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO)

MAJOR BLOW AT DEPRESSION IS READY TO WORK

Present Program Is Effort to Start Business, Farming And Banking

OPTIMISM IS EXPRESSED

Washington, Jan. 22.—(U.P.)—The federal government is set for its major blow at the depression.

With the new \$2,000,000,000 (billion) Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the government is about to make its supreme effort to push industry off its dead center. By sheer mass barrage of millions of dollars, on a scale never before attempted anywhere and possible only in a country of America's gigantic wealth, this government is seeking to revive the confidence of the nation.

This nation, which has astounded the world by an industrial development which put automobiles and other luxuries within the reach of almost everyone, with a normal annual income of possibly \$90,000,000,000 (billion) with \$5,000,000,000 (billion) actual money in circulation and unlimited resources temporarily locked up by fear, now is attempting to drive away its own bogies.

President Hoover is waiting to sign the reconstruction finance measure. He already has asked congress for a \$50,000,000 appropriation to provide initial capital.

Charles G. Dawes, a typical American business man of courage and disregard for precedents, is standing by, already designated as president of the corporation, prepared to throw the full force of his commanding personality and business experience into this gigantic job. He is pulling a little harder on his pipe. He is scowling a little more. He is even brushing up on his individual style of profanity after a tedious hibernation in sedate diplomatic life.

Beside him is the less dramatic, quiet, shrewd, expert, Eugene Meyer.

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