

D. R. CALLS CONGRESS INTO SPECIAL MEET

President Calls Congress To Meet In Special Session Nov. 15

Washington, Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — President Roosevelt today pointed out that the 15th special session of Congress would be the legislative battle front for the Democratic majorities to win in the session just closed.

Roosevelt laid down for Congress an immediate five-point domestic program weighted with control and legislation for minimum wages and maximum hours. His most urgent concern was the "lowest paid labor." He called for congressional action on that point.

The immediate reaction of congressional leaders to the special session call and to the program outlined for them by the President was a festive chat last night was enthusiastic.

Republicans generally claimed that the special session was unnecessary because "no emergency" existed. Although ardent new dealers expressed "full accord" with the action, Democratic senators helped defeat the President's initial reorganization bill last night.

Mr. Roosevelt touched only briefly on foreign affairs in his address last night but he warned that we must avoid war by ignoring it. He implied extension to Spain of American co-operative efforts — in search of peace. But the President said that "no war" and promised to be guided by experiences of the Andrew Wilson administration, which he was a member, in determining what not to do.

Roosevelt re-affirmed the United States' active international cooperation in behalf of peace. He emphasized American participation in the approaching nine-power pact conference to end war in China. He called the imminent nine-power conference, Mr. Roosevelt said: "Such co-operation would be an example of one of the possible ways to follow in our search for peace."

(CONTINUED ON PAGE FIVE)

CERTIFY NAMES ON PETITIONS

City Council Outlines Tentative Plans For Bond Issues

County Auditor John W. Tyndall today is certifying the names signed to the petitions seeking bond ordinances for the proposed Junior-Senior high school here.

A total of 479 names were signed to the petition presented the city council Tuesday night. A duplicate will be presented the city school board tonight. The school board meeting was postponed one day, having first been announced for Tuesday night also.

Auditor Tyndall found that several of the names could not be certified because the signers were not legal estate owners. A phase of the law which makes buildings on leased ground personal rather than property eliminate some names. However, a short examination this morning revealed there were many times the required 50 names who could be certified.

With the discovery of almost unanimous support of the citizens of Decatur in favor of the acceptance of the \$110,045 PWA grant of the federal government towards the new building, little difficulty is anticipated in raising the city's 55 per cent share of the cost.

15 Year Plan

The city council Tuesday night tentatively decided upon a 15 year plan of repayment of the bonds. The first bond under the plan would not be payable to year and a half after it was issued. It was

(CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)

TEMPERATURE READINGS

DEMOCRAT THERMOMETER	
8:00 a. m.	33
10:00 a. m.	42
Noon	47
2:00 p. m.	50
4:00 p. m.	47

WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Thursday, except unsettled extreme south tonight; cooler central and south tonight, continued cool Thursday heavy to killing frost central and north tonight, possibly light frost extreme south.

Rally Speaker



Prof. Ottoman Krueger, president of Concordia college, will speak at the banquet Sunday evening during the inter-river zone meeting of Walther leagues in this city.

TO CHANGE GAS HERE TONIGHT

Change From Artificial To Natural Gas To Be Made Tonight

Last minute preparations were being made today by the Northern Indiana Public Service corporation for the change from artificial to natural gas, which will be made tonight.

C. A. Stapleton, manager of the local NIPS Co., agency, stated that the exact hour at which the natural gas would be turned into the Decatur mains could not be given. As soon as the workmen are ready, the artificial gas will be turned off and the lines "purged." Ends of gas mains will be opened and the artificial gas released. The natural gas will then be turned on, pushing out the balance of the old gas.

When this has been completed a crew of 150 men will make a canvass of each gas consumer's home in the city to make the necessary adjustments.

Consumers have been warned against turning burners on stoves more than halfway open, against using ovens, gas heaters and other appliances from the time natural gas is turned into the mains until the adjustments are made. No heaters are to be left burning overnight.

In answer to numerous reports, Mr. Stapleton stated that no additional expense will be burdened on the consumer in making the change. Contrary to some reports, he stated that it will not be necessary for the consumer to erect a pipe and chimney to carry away the fumes. Since the natural gas to be used here is refined, he said, there will be no sulphur fumes or other odors to be carried away.

(CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

Berne School Board Awards Contract

Liechty Bros., of Berne, was awarded the contract for the new heating plant to be installed at the Berne school, in a meeting of the Berne board of education last night. The figure was not announced. Members of the board stated, however, that the winning bid was \$9 less than that of the only other proposal, which was made by A. J. Moser, also of Berne.

BOSSE HOME IS BADLY BURNED

Fred Bosse Farm Residence Is Destroyed By Fire Tuesday

The farm home of Fred Bosse, west of the city, was almost completely destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon.

The local fire department answered the call but arrived too late to save the structure, which was already enveloped in flames.

The department, immediately upon arrival, concentrated upon saving a second house, eight feet in the rear of the burning building. This structure was not burned.

It is thought that most of the furniture on the first floor was salvaged from the conflagration. While the origin of the fire was not definitely established, it is thought that the fire started on the roof, since the upper story burned away first.

Fire men from the local department battled the flames for approximately two hours and a half, before convinced the rear building was safe.

JAPS HAMMER CHINESE LINES NEAR SHANGHAI

Troops Hammer Vainly At Lines While Airplanes Stage Raid

Shanghai, Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — Japanese shock troops hammered vainly at Chinese lines on the Shanghai front and big fleets of Japanese war planes bombed villages west of the city today as the battle for Shanghai entered its third month.

The long-awaited Japanese "big push" had not come, nor had the mass offensive with which the Chinese had hoped to celebrate the 26th anniversary of the revolution that led to the republic.

Weather conditions caused postponement. Though fields were still marshy after long rains, the Japanese attacked at a dozen points along the front, supported by bombing planes. Reports from the front showed that at many points there was hand to hand fighting.

Chinese spokesmen asserted that Japanese were thrown back in an attempt to land reinforcements near Yanglinkow, at the mouth of the Yangtze river and that Chinese infantrymen repulsed a tank-infantry attack in the Chapei district of North Shanghai.

A Chinese spokesman, summarizing the results of two months of fighting here, pointed out that the battle already had lasted 28 days, longer than the 1932 "Shanghai war" and that the Japanese had yet to break the Chinese lines.

Japanese airplane activity was intensified. Fleets containing as many as 22 planes bombed Chinese lines and did severe damage in villages west of the city, through which wounded Chinese troops were being sent for treatment.

Japanese authorities notified American consular authorities that Japanese planes would bomb Hungjiao, west of the city, and asked that United States flags be flown from any American owned properties.

In the same general area, west of the city, Japanese planes bombed repeatedly this morning. Casualties were not reported.

(CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

LEAGUES PLAN TO HOLD RALLY

Inter-River Zone Rally Will Be Held Here Next Sunday

The Senior and Junior Walther leagues of this city will be hosts to the Inter-River Zone Sunday, October 17, when the leagues of this vicinity will hold their annual rally. About 300 members of affiliated societies in Indiana and Ohio are expected to attend both the afternoon and evening meetings.

The keynote of this rally is: "Serve the Lord with Gladness." The afternoon meeting, at which the zone officers for the coming year will be elected and other business transacted, will begin at 1:30 p.m., at the Zion Lutheran church. Rev. Paul W. Schultz will open the meeting with devotional exercises. The speaker at this session is to be Henry Lieske, of Kendallville.

The banquet will be held at the Decatur Country club, at 5:30 p.m. The toastmaster will be A. Niemeyer, of Waynedale. Professor Ottoman Krueger, president of Concordia College, will be the ban-

(CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

Find Indications Of Sabotage On Cruiser

Washington, Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — A navy board of inquiry has found indications of sabotage on the machinery of the new heavy cruiser Vincennes, it was learned at the navy department today. The board found that one reduction gear box contained a heavy piece of metal which, it was said, could not have been detached from the box or from the machinery it contained. Considerable damage was done.

Farmer Bicyclist Is Killed By Auto

Vincennes, Ind., Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — Injuries received when struck by an automobile while riding his bicycle on U. S. highway 40 south of here last night were fatal to John Rusch, 55-year-old farmer.

Rusch was struck by an automobile driven by Louis Fleck, 19, of near Vincennes, who told authorities that lights from an approaching car blinded him and he did not see the bicycle rider in time to stop.

Windsors Book Passage Nov. 6



Duke and Duchess of Windsor; S. S. Bremen. Duke and Duchess of Windsor sail from Cherbourg, France, on Nov. 6 aboard the German liner Bremen for United States on their first visit together to American soil.

MANY FAIL TO CLAIM CHECKS

Distributions By Old Adams County Bank Are Unclaimed

Distributing money depositors have forgotten about, is proving one of the most difficult tasks in the liquidation of the Old Adams County bank, it was reported today by the officers in charge.

Emphasis is now being placed on 1,000 accounts, totaling about \$6,000, which were carried in the bank at the time of its closing in a separate ledger called "miscellaneous accounts." These consisted of checking accounts on which there were balances, which had not been called for, for periods of 10 to 60 years.

These accounts range in total from \$900 to a few cents, none of them carrying interest due to the fact that all were in checking accounts. As no distributions have yet been made on these the full 75 per cent distribution made to date is being included in the checks already written and are in the office of C. J. Latz, special representative.

Cards notifying those persons who have left addresses have been mailed, but only a small percent of those who have money available have called for them. Positive identification of the accounts is required before they will be released.

(CONTINUED ON PAGE FIVE)

C. C. Directors To Meet Thursday

The board of directors of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce will meet at the Adams county auto license bureau Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All directors are urged to be present, as important business will be transacted.

Shooting Of Brady Gangsters Recalls Blockades Set Here

The shooting yesterday by G-men of Al Brady, public enemy No. 1, his henchman, Lee Shaffer and the capture of James Dalhove, another member of the Brady mob, recalled to the minds of local authorities, when the gangsters made their first trip through Adams county.

In the latter part of March, 1936, after robbing the Lima jewelry store of approximately \$35,000, the man who boasted he would "make Dillinger look like a piker," was still little known when he came through here.

Sheriff Dallas Brown and deputies on the lookout for the desperadoes, found empty jewelry boxes, pillow slips used to hold the loot and other evidences from the robbery along the Wabash river banks in the southern part of the county. Shortly after this, the gunmen made their escape in Indianapolis by killing a policeman in evading capture. Numerous times after this, city

Plan Organization Of Auxiliary Here

Ladies of this community may become charter members of the auxiliary of the United Spanish American war veterans by signifying their intention before or by attending a meeting to be held in the Legion home here Friday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Plans will be made Friday for a meeting to be held here Tuesday night when Mrs. Ella R. Bell, of Evansville, the state president, will install the new officers. All members are requested to attend.

FORMER LOCAL MAN HONORED

Friends Build \$25,000 Memorial To Dr. Leonard Luckey

A \$25,000 mausoleum has been erected in Woodlawn cemetery on Park Avenue in New York City as a tribute to the service of Dr. Leonard W. A. Luckey, Ph. D., as a clergyman and author, according to word received here.

The mausoleum was erected by friends and admirers of the former local man. It is constructed of Barr, Vermont granite exterior and the interior is made of eagle pink Tennessee marble.

The structure is of a Grecian and modern design. In the interior of the memorial are carved quotations from Dr. Luckey's noted book, "Whence Comest Thou," which was written in 1937.

Keys to the mausoleum have already been turned over to Dr. Luckey, who commemorated his 80th birthday several years ago.

Dr. Luckey was a former pastor and teacher of this community moving to New York. He has a number of relatives living in Decatur.

LABOR UNIONS URGE BOYCOTT OF JAPANESE

AFL Convention Votes Report Urging World Wide Boycott

Denver, Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — The American federation of labor today called upon trade unionists of the United States and every other nation to join in an immediate boycott of Japanese manufactured goods.

"The concerted action of peace loving nations is necessary before unjustified aggression of one country against another can be prevented," the resolutions committee of the 57th annual convention of the A. F. of L. declared in a report adopted by cheering delegates.

Assail Board
Denver, Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — The American federation of labor today heard a demand for a "thorough house-cleaning" of the national labor relations board set-up, including removal of Edwin Smith and at least three regional directors on the grounds they have aided the rival committee for industrial organization.

The demand for President Roosevelt to act to clean out allegedly "prejudiced" labor board officials was voiced by Secretary John P. Frey, of the powerful resolutions committee, which called for congressional action if necessary to end the board's asserted "usurpation of authority."

"So far as I am concerned I will have no confidence in the labor board until there has been a thorough house cleaning," Frey shouted to the A. F. of L. annual convention as he assailed two board members—Edwin Smith and Donald Wakefield Smith.

"I hope the administration will take action now to forestall action by an aroused congress which will undoubtedly throw out these unjudicial officials."

Frey also demanded ouster of three regional N. L. R. B. directors: Mrs. Elinore Herrick of New York; Mrs. Rosseter of San Francisco and Director Meyers of Boston.

"I have no confidence in the present NLRB administration set up or in the majority of its regional directors who lack integrity," Frey told the convention.

Shows Controversy

Washington, Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — Undercover controversy in the national bituminous coal commission was pushed into the open today when Commissioner John C. Lewis wrote Sen. Clyde L. Herring, D. la., charging that the majority of the commission was running its affairs "without regard" to the rights of individual commissioners.

Lewis asked Herring to request the commission to furnish a list of all employees, "their grade, classification, salary and legal residence," together with an itemized statement of expenditures of the commission.

Lewis wrote Herring that the commission in executive session rejected a resolution he presented to have the secretary directed to furnish this information to each commissioner.

The rejected resolution stated

(CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)

INSTITUTE TO BE HELD HERE

Lutheran Sunday School Teachers To Meet Here Thursday

Plans for the tri-county Zion Lutheran Sunday School teachers' institute to be held at the local Zion Lutheran church Thursday, October 14, were announced as complete today.

The meeting will open at 7 o'clock Thursday evening with organ music and songs by the church choir.

The principal address will be given by A. Kessel, Sunday School superintendent of Van Wert, Ohio, who will outline the history of the synod.

The facts which will be outlined are: first, the Saxon immigration; second, C. F. Walter and Old Trinity; third, Wyneken and his appeal; fourth, Loehe and his foundations; fifth, organization of the synod; sixth early growth and expansion; seventh, the organization of synodical conference and eighth activities of the synod, including the education system, church papers and missions.

The public has been cordially invited to attend the institute, to which delegates will be sent from a score of churches in this area.

Dalhove Admits Four Killings By Brady Gangsters

JUDGE KISTER TO HEAR TESTS

Supreme Court Holds Validity Of Act To Be Tested By Kister

All tests of constitutionality of the special act of the 1937 legislature banning the dredging of the Wabash river will be heard by special judge Henry F. Kister, of Princeton, according to a decision of the state supreme court, received here today.

Kister filed suit against Judge Huber M. DeVoss to test jurisdiction in the case after Judge DeVoss issued temporary injunction orders prohibiting Homer Teeters, drainage commissioner appointed by Judge Kister, from proceeding with the letting of the contracts. Judge Kister had previously found the act of the state legislature unconstitutional.

The decision of the supreme court does not finally test the constitutionality of the act, attorneys here are of the opinion. This test may be made by any property owner who contests the collection of assessments for the project.

More Litigation

The decision of the supreme court is another legal action taken in the ditch case which has become the most well known litigation in the county over the 25 years which elapsed since the case was first filed under another title. Little prospect that the case will be settled in the next few years is seen by the remonstrators, who have announced they will contest it until the last opportunity.

The decision of the state supreme court on the jurisdiction of the judges is:

"26900. State ex rel Kister et al vs. DeVoss, judge, original action. Temporary writ of prohibition is

(CONTINUED ON PAGE FIVE)

ADAMS COUNTY RESIDENT DIES

Dennis C. Brandyberry Dies This Morning At Monroe

Dennis C. Brandyberry, 72, lifelong resident of Adams county, died this morning at his home in Monroe. Death was caused by complications.

The deceased was born in Monroe August 24, 1865, the son of Abraham and Louise Brandyberry. He was engaged as a laborer at the time of his death. He was a member of the Monroe Friends church. Surviving, besides the widow, Ella Whistler-Brandyberry, are a son Ezra, and a granddaughter, Anna Brandyberry; the following brothers and sisters: Amos and Mrs. Ella Heffner, of Monroe and the Rev. Millard T. Brandyberry of Ontario, California. Three sisters and two brothers are deceased.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Friends church and burial will be made in the Decatur cemetery. The Rev. Vernon Riley, assisted by the Rev. Grant Whiteneck, will officiate.

The body will be returned this morning from the Lobsenz funeral parlors to the home and may be viewed there until time for the funeral.

Flock Of Geese Flies Over City

A flock of wild geese flew over Decatur at about 11 o'clock last night. The bright lights in the up-town district evidently confused the fowls and for several minutes there seemed to be consternation among them. The quacking could be heard over a wide area. The geese flew north and then came back to the center of town and evidently got their direction and sailed safely to the south.

Red Men Lodge To Meet This Evening

Members of the local Red Men lodge are urged to attend the meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the local lodge hall. It is urgent that all attend, since this is the final session before the state convention in Indianapolis October 19.

A degree team will also be organized tonight.

Sole Survivor Of Brady Gang Confesses Part In Four Killings; To Face Trial.

BACK IN INDIANA

Bangor, Me., Oct. 13. — (U.P.) — James Dalhove, 31, sole survivor of the notorious Al Brady gang of midwestern outlaws, confessed to G-men today that the gang was responsible for four murders, according to Bangor police.

It was reported that Dalhove willingly signed the long confession which he dictated under hours of questioning and which a stenographer typed.

"Dalhove has agreed to return to Indiana for his murder trial without any extradition fight," Police Capt. Frank Foley said, "and he may leave Bangor airport by plane later today."

Police said Dalhove's confession linked the gang with these murders:

1. Indiana state policeman Paul V. Minneman, slain when gangsters he was pursuing after a bank holdup, at Goodland, Ind., turned suddenly and opened fire.
2. Indianapolis police sergeant Richard Rivers, slain when Brady and Dalhove failed to shoot their way out of a police trap.
3. Highway patrolman George Conn of Freeport, O.
4. Grocery clerk Edward Lindsay of Piqua, O., slain during a holdup.

"Dalhove seemed perfectly willing to tell everything after the federal men had worked on him awhile," said Captain Foley, who was standing outside the desperado's cell during much of the questioning.

"He seemed sick of the whole business and glad to get it off his chest."

A few hours earlier the undersized gangster had said:

"I wish they'd got me, too."

Dalhove was quoted, in the confession, as saying that the gang came to Maine, not bent on robbery, but merely to augment its supply of arms and ammunition. The gang's New England hideout, Dalhove was quoted, was "somewhere in Bridgeport, Conn."

The exact address was not revealed. He did say, however, that the hideout was "a house."

Bangor police were informed that federal agents at Bridgeport were holding two women found at the address Dalhove gave as the hideout.

Though the gang had \$5,000 cash, neatly bundled with a rubber band, when yesterday's shootings ended its career, Dalhove told G-men that when they broke jail in Indiana last year they had only a few dollars total capital.

Dalhove said that yesterday's visit here was the third trip which the gang had made from the Connecticut hideout where they spent the summer.

The first trip, he said, they stopped at Alfred, Me., the second, outside Augusta, and the third, at Carmel, 12 miles from Bangor. In each case, he said, they rented

(CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

LIONS PLANNING DISTRICT MEET

Local Club Members To Attend Portland Meeting November 18

Members of the Decatur Lions club will go to Portland November 18 to attend a district club get-together session, it was announced at the regular meeting last night in the Rice hotel.

The session is being arranged by W. F. Beery, Lion district deputy governor, of this city, as one in a series to sponsor fellowship in the organization.

Members from eight clubs in the district and one or two invited delegations are expected to attend. Complete plans will be announced later.

Muske students of the Decatur high school under the direction of Albert Sellemeyer entertained the club members last night. Those who appeared on the program were: The Misses Kathleen Fryback, Maxine Hilton, Alice Yost, Marjorie Miller, and Helen Jean Kohls. Ed Boknecht was in charge.

Bryce Butler will be in charge of the regular meeting next Tuesday night.