

## Review Of Events In Adams County During Year Of 1937

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Monroe girl. Decatur senior class play to be given tonight. State safety director recommends construction of new school building here.

13—County has cash balance of \$156,133.10.

14—Willis Fonner arrested on charge of operating barber shop without license. Sam Steiner fined

\$10 and sentenced to 30 days in jail on charge of driving under influence of intoxicating liquors. Marion S. Elzey, aged 87, Decatur's oldest business man dies.

15—St. Mary's river is over 18 feet this morning and still rising.

Reppert Auction School commencement held. James Murphy elected president of Decatur CYO.

16—St. Mary's river is over 20 feet and still rising. It is now highest since 1913.

18—State supreme court upholds verdict of lower court in Wabash ditch case. Ditching ordered.

21—City has balance of \$17,035.

22—A \$10,000 damage suit is brought by administratrix of estate of John Durbin against Thomas Baltzell. The temperature a year ago dropped from five to 20 below zero. Today it is 21 degrees above zero. William Pettit named manager of Morris 5c to \$1 store. More than 700 police calls answered by department last year.

23—Adams County's Red Cross goal for flood sufferers set at \$200. Cold wave continues. Temperature last night was seven degrees above zero.

24—Contributions pouring in for flood sufferers. Total of \$511.49 in cash and food and clothing donated. Icy pavements cause minor wrecks.

25—Red Cross contributions for flood relief totals, \$1,791.43. Berne's Nelson named deputy to county welfare director. Dr. Ben Duke, two local nurses leave to help flood sufferers.

26—Decatur Democrat reporter visits flood zone in southern Indiana. Flood relief fund now totals, \$3,100.

28—Red Cross funds total \$3,600.

29—Flood relief fund totals more than \$4,000 with new goal of \$5,000 set. Decatur citizens tell stories of flood. More than 100 men attend district K. of P. meeting here last night.

30—Chamber of Commerce announces it will sponsor agricultural show here next August. Final plans made for Birthday Ball for President here tonight. Flood relief fund now attains \$4,500 mark.

FEBRUARY

1—Democrat reporter investigates flood conditions at Cincinnati. County flood relief funds now exceeds \$5,000. Net profits of Birthday Ball for the President last night estimated at more than \$100. More than 130 couples at

3—City to seek PWA grant for installation of coal conveyor at municipal plant. Relief fund now totals \$5,732.08. Decatur annexes Homesteads.

5—County corn show is held at Monroe. Homer Arnold re-elected president of Adams county soil conservation association. Dee Fryback named president, John L. DeVoss, secretary-treasurer of Decatur Chamber of Commerce.

6—Red Cross relief fund totals \$5,834.

9—Rev. Prugh named president of Fort Wayne classis of Evangelical and Reformed church.

10—Annual Boy Scout banquet held last evening. Relief fund now totals, \$6,117.99. Junior class play or Decatur high school given last week.

11—City school board receives petition for building of new school house. Relief fund now \$6,251.79.

12—Annual Adams county farm banquet held at Geneva. French Quinn delivers his annual Lincoln Day address to high school pupils.

13—Charles Duer, Geneva, plead guilty to grand larceny and sentenced to one to 10 years.

15—Two men killed in wreck of Erie trains east of Decatur, Sunday.

16—Kathryn Murphy and Mary Martha Terveer named winners of Psi Iota Xi short story contest. Between 1,200 and 1,500 persons attended McCormick Deering store demonstration. Organization completed for religious survey of city.

17—Scout cabins being moved to Hanna-Nuttman city park.

18—Ed Kauffman elected president of the Adams County Young Democratic club, succeeding Bob Heller.

19—Dee Fryback named chairman of the Decatur Free Street Fair and Agricultural Show.

20—Ernest Schlickman naturalized today.

23—New soil conservation program explained at meeting today.

24—Boy Scout enrollment reaches 99 in city.

25—Will Winnes named township assessor to fill vacancy left by resignation of Jay Cline. Erwin Miller resigns as manager of Miller's bakery.

26—John Herman, Bluffton, injured when truck strikes cement base of traffic signal light on Mercer avenue crossing of Erie railroad.

27—Contributions being received for Democratic victory fund.

MARCH

1—Work begins on addition to Cloverleaf Creameries, Inc.

2—Earthquake felt in Decatur today. Warren Harden elected president of new Junior Adams county fish and game conservation league.

3—Opinion given that Kirkland must make expensive repairs to school or construct a new building. Earl Adams files notice of intent to sue city for injuries sustained in a fall.

4—C. E. Striker announces candidacy for re-election as county superintendent of schools.

10—Ticket's for Governor's day banquet go on sale.

11—Jesse Rice announces plan to build three modern homes in city. Sheets Brothers install new dry cleaning plant.

13—Homes ready for development placed on rural mail route.

15—Mildred Rumschlag appointed clerk of county welfare board. Church religious survey is completed. St. Joseph grade school pupils honor Father Joseph Seimetz.

17—Motion filed by County Attorney Henry B. Heller with state supreme court for re-hearing of Wabash ditch case.

18—Governor M. Clifford Townsend visits here as elaborate program of tours and banquet is sponsored by Decatur Chamber of Commerce.

23—Twelve churches represented in leadership training institutes of Waltham League at Zion Lutheran Church here. Daniel O'Shaughnessy is second victim of Mercer avenue accident last

week.

19—Dorothy Young, Edwin Kauffman, and Harry Dailey named new directors of Decatur Junior Chamber of Commerce.

20—White silk vestments presented Rev. Selmetz by St. Agnes sodality.

22—Thurman A. Gottschalk, Berne, appointed supervisor of state penal and benevolent institutions.

23—Thurman Gottschalk named acting head of state welfare board. School children begin Easter vacation.

26—Good Friday observed by churches of city.

27—High school boys and girls take over business houses to conduct sale.

28—Easter is observed by city with special church services and B. P. O. Elk's annual Easter egg hunt.

30—Monmouth seeks PWA grant for new school building. Sheriff Brown issues warning against gypsies. All rooms in Adams county memorial hospital filled.

31—Roy Price named president of Adams county Purdue agricultural alumni society. Bud Townsend elected president of Decatur Junior Chamber of Commerce.

APRIL

1—Farewell party given the Rev. Father J. J. Hennes. Sightseers visit grave in Geneva Cemetery where body can be seen through a glass. A \$10,000 damage suit brought by Frederick Miller against Paul Dengler is being tried here.

2—Frederick Miller awarded \$500 damage.

4—Hartford Township boy aids thief steal father's tractor by mistake.

5—Revised plans for smaller Decatur school building filed with PWA. Jurors selected for April grand and petit juries.

6—Lone bandit steals \$28 in Berne filling station hold-up.

7—New street flusher accepted by city. Poor relief bills show increase. City purchases \$25,000 in U. S. treasury bonds.

8—Geneva school building dedicated last night. Boys band organized here. Robert E. Lee injured in fall at McMillen Fertilizer plant.

9—City aids in Decatur Junior Chamber of Commerce civic improvement campaign by donation of trucks to haul refuse. Boys band measured for new uniforms.

10—Work begins on addition to school bus.

11—Delinquent tax list this year reported less. Tag day raises sufficient funds to purchase uniforms for Decatur Boys' band.

12—Leonard Baumgartner of Berne named president of firemen's association as annual convention closes. A total of 350 boys are attending first day's session of Anthony Wayne Area Boy Scout Camporee. Silas W. Hale, Civil War veteran, dies at home in Geneva. Swimming pool to open Monday.

14—Boy Scout camporee ends Sunday.

15—Foreman must stay in jail in spite of petition for new trial to summer vacation of circuit court. Judge Hanson F. Mills rules.

16—Walter J. Krick elected president of Decatur Lions Club.

17—It is reported today that Wabash ditch case has again been carried to state supreme court. James I. Barnes, of Logansport, is low bidder on Berne post office township.

18—Mrs. George Buckley named president of Central PTA. Paul Hansel of Dayton, Ohio, purchases Farn-Way Laundry.

19—City reports that 144 loads of trash hauled during week in cooperation with Decatur Junior Chamber of Commerce civic improvement campaign.

20—C. E. Striker announces they will form association.

21—Considerable damage done in storm in county yesterday night. Local union is formed by G. E. employees Saturday afternoon.

22—Remodeling of Church of God is dedicated.

23—Many improvements being made to city's business houses.

24—Haag Brothers' circus arrives in city.

25—John Duer of Geneva is held in jail on grand larceny charge.

26—Judge Decker finds for city of Decatur in \$500 damage suit brought by Mrs. Jack Meibers.

28—Church of God is dedicated.

29—Walter Gard installed head of Decatur Rotary club.

30—No relief in sight from heat wave here. Indoor circus opens at American Legion home, sponsored by Legion Auxiliary.

31—Carnival on Niblick field closed after reports of "crooked" games.

32—WPA project to improve water line system in city is approved. Black stem rust is lowering wheat yields.

33—Storm causes heavy damage in county last night. Rainfall sends Wabash river out of banks.

34—Title Holding company purchases lots in Homewood addition.

35—Thomas Hoffman, Tennessee, being held in county jail on checken theft charge. Two young men arrested in Fort Wayne for theft of car from Decatur used car lot.

36—Roy Chilcott appointed member of city police force to succeed Floyd Hunter who is now on the state exercise force. City enjoys cooler weather.

37—Joe McConnell seriously injured in Fort Wayne automobile crash. Vandall's enter M. E. pastor's house. Thomas Huffman fined on charge of resisting an officer. All concession space reported sold for Decatur Free Street Fair.

38—Prowlers reported in city.

39—Edward Stump, of Wabash town, arrested on grand larceny charge.

40—Increase sought from council in fund for school bands. High waters of last week reported to have done damage to crops.

41—Postmaster Phil L. Macklin died suddenly of a heart attack.

42—Wabash river dredging ordered to high court by Judge Kister for test of constitutionality.

43—The Rev. H. W. Franklin, pastor of the United Brethren church resigns today. Mrs. Lois Macklin recommended as acting postmaster of Decatur.

44—County welfare board calls

for three shacks at Hanna-Nutman Park. Walter Lister elected head of Red Men's lodge.

45—Eleven bids received for new Berne post office. One of best tax collections in history reported for May by County Treasurer Jeff Liechty. Easements being secured for 100 foot right-of-way on U. S. highway 27 south of Decatur. Commencement exercises held here tonight for 15 seniors and 18 eighth graders at Decatur Catholic school.

46—G. E. recreational building dedicated today. A total of 240 pupils are enrolled in the vacation Bible school. Max and Jack McCrory are honored at Masonic Home last night.

47—Clifton E. Striker re-elected County Superintendent of Schools.

48—New electric rate is approved for city by state public service commission. Zion Reformed church installs public address system. Elver Foreman being tried on auto banditry grand jury indictment. City notified victims of Erie railroad accident on Mercer avenue will

be compensated.

49—Objection of Youth Week

opens. Report made by Junior Chamber of Commerce on first records of civic improvements campaign.

50—Charles Patterson dies in Huntington of injuries received in Erie train wreck here, February 14. Changes made in Pennsylvania railroad schedule.

51—Packed house attends first showing of Decatur movie made by Decatur high school. Jury selected to try Benjamin Morningstar on forgery charge. Rains are hurting crops.

52—Morningstar found guilty. Trial of Glenn Martin on reckless and drunken driving charges continued.

53—C. H. Muselman named manager of Berne license bureau.

54—Awards given here for Youth Week, yesterday afternoon.

55—The Rev. H. R. Carson transferred from Decatur M. E. church.

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be compensated.

57—Hallie Myers, state safety director, confers with local safety committee. City being decorated for firemen's convention.

58—Motion to dissolve restraining order in Wabash ditch case is filed. Elver Foreman found guilty of auto banditry.

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