

ARRANGEMENTS
MADE FOR
MANION TALK

Is To Precede Address; Later Program Is Free

Committees were announced to the Clarence (Pat) Manion being sponsored by Adams County Democratic club and the Adams County Young Democratic club in connection with the Adams County Democratic central committee. The dinner is to be held in the home of Pythias home at 6 o'clock, and will be under the direction of the Democratic Women's club. Mrs. A. R. Holthouse, vice-president of the club, has been named general chairman of the dinner. Tickets are for 50 cents each. Reservations must be made by Tuesday morning.

Meet at 8 P. M. The Adams County Democratic club will open in the court room at 8 o'clock. There is to be a charge for this meeting. Manion is state director of National Emergency council. He is also a member of the Adams County Democratic club. He is also a member of the Adams County Democratic club. He is also a member of the Adams County Democratic club.

REPORTS GIVEN
THURSDAY NIGHT

Rotarians Plan For Ladies Night, Thursday, October 20

Reports by the various committees were given at the regular meeting of the Rotary club last evening. The ladies night committee reported that the wives and sweethearts of the Rotarians would be entertained at a turkey dinner at the hotel on Thursday, October 20. E. W. Busche, who recently returned from a trip to Germany, told of his visit to his birthplace. The Bluffton Rotary club invited local club members to a group meeting in that city on October 10. The program was in charge of W. Brown, president.

Honor Postman



Jesse A. Swartz, veteran Decatur mail carrier, who retired last June because of illness, has received an autographed photograph and letter from Postmaster General James A. Farley, commending him for his years of service.

MAIL CARRIER
IS COMMENDED

Jesse A. Swartz Receives Photo And Letter From Farley

Jesse A. Swartz, for years a city mail carrier out of the Decatur post office until his retirement in June because of physical disabilities, has been honored by the federal post office, receiving a letter and an autographed photograph from Postmaster General James A. Farley. The letter sent Mr. Swartz by Postmaster Farley: My Dear Mr. Swartz: It has come to my attention that you have retired from the position of city letter carrier in the post office at Decatur due to physical disability. I sincerely hope that you will recover your health and I want you to know that the Department is appreciative of the efficient service you have rendered during the years you worked in the post office. I am enclosing an autographed photograph in the thought that you may desire to have it as a memento.

Very Truly Yours
James A. Farley
Postmaster General

Firemen Called To
Bush Street Home

A fire at the Jerome Gaskell residence on Bush street was extinguished by city firemen at 3:45 o'clock Thursday afternoon. It is believed the roof fire was caused by a spark from the chimney. Fire Chief Charles Robenold estimated the damage at \$5.

Seek To Continue
Bank Night Suit

A motion for a continuance has been filed in the suit charging the operation of a lottery, acting as agent for a lottery and permitting a lottery in a building brought by the state of Indiana against Isadore Kalver and Roy Kalver. The motion was filed by the State of Indiana. This is the suit filed to test the legality of "Bank Night."

OLDER MEMBERS
TO BE HONORED
AT M. E. CHURCH

Second Of Series Of Sunday Morning Programs Planned

The second of the series of five special Sunday services in observance of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Decatur Methodist Episcopal church is to be held next Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

The Rev. Charles Tinkham, pastor of the Decatur church from 1919 to 1921 and now retired with his residence at Epworth Forest, is to deliver the sermon Sunday morning in a program of which the theme will be "Golden Age Service."

A special tribute is to be paid to the older members of the congregation at the service.

On the program Sunday evening at 7 o'clock will be A. B. Ginn, of the Good Will Industries of Fort Wayne. He will exhibit some of the projects and tell of the work of the organization.

Epworth league is to be at 6 o'clock.

Monday the personal evangelism campaign will be continued, and at 7 o'clock the intermediate boys class party will be held. Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the church mothers club will meet and at 7:30 o'clock in the evening the Mary and Martha class will meet.

Prayer Hour

Wednesday evening the 7:30 o'clock prayer and Bible hour will be under the direction of the young people of the church. The young peoples choir will meet at 6:30 o'clock and the chorus choir at 8:30 o'clock.

The ladies of the church will be served a supper by the men at 6:15 o'clock Friday evening. Saturday afternoon the primary department is to have a party at 2:30 o'clock.

On Sunday morning October 16, the Rev. U. S. A. Bridge, also a former pastor, will be the speaker. Wednesday evening, October 19, at 7:30 o'clock, the Rev. Ben Frank-

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PREVENTION OF
FIRES PLANNED

Fire Chief Robenold Gives Suggestions For Prevention Week

Preparations for the observance of Fire Prevention Week, which opens here October 9 are being made by Fire Chief Charles Robenold and other officials.

Through the cooperation of the Daily Democrat and Chief Robenold, a series of suggestions for the prevention of fires are to run daily throughout the week.

It has been suggested by firemen and officials that school students take especial note of these prevention suggestions and use them as the basis for insuring a strict watch against unnecessary fires.

"Each day during fire prevention week, we are offering to the citizens of the community a suggestion for the prevention of fire. If the readers will study these suggestions as they appear and will put them into practice, our community will be much less likely to suffer the tragedies that fire frequently brings.

"We urge that these suggestions be brought to the attention of all members of your family. No one is too young or too old to practice the ordinary rules of fire prevention," Chief Robenold stated.

The first of the prevention suggestions is to appear in Saturday's issue.

"Stolen" Car Is
Found; Garageman
Fixes Wrong One

The similarity of cars belonging to two local men caused a community-wide alarm to be sent out Thursday, with the "stolen" car turning up at a local garage.

Bill Linn, local clothier, called Clyde Butler, Decatur garageman, and asked him to take his car to the garage.

The garageman took the wrong auto, however, and Cecil Melch's auto was not found until late Thursday, after local police had been summoned and the report sent over the state police short-wave radio. Melch's car was in the garage—not Linn's.

Accused Abductor On Trial



Accused abductor of Peggy Gross, St. Louis socialite, and her companion, Daniel Fahey, Jr., an attorney, John Couch, right, went on trial on kidnapping charges in St. Paul court. Couch is shown with deputy, Earl Sinclair.

CLERK BIERLY
GIVES WARNING

Monday Is Last Day To Register For November Election

County Clerk G. Remy Bierly issues a warning to voters today that Monday is the last day to register in order to be eligible for voting during the fall election.

Clerk Bierly said today that for the convenience of the voters he will keep his office open until 8 o'clock Saturday and Monday evenings.

For the benefit of the voters in this city Clerk Bierly repeated the boundaries of the six precincts in Decatur. They are:

First ward—A precinct—South of Adams street and east of Winchester street. This includes the Homesteads. Vote in the Linn garage.

First ward—B precinct—South of Adams street and west of Winchester street. Vote in Hoop Mill. Second ward—A precinct—North of Adams street, east of Seventh street and south of Monroe street. Vote in the Library.

Second ward—B precinct—North of Adams street, west of Seventh street and south of Monroe street. Vote at the Ben Shrank residence.

Third ward—A precinct—North of Monroe street, east of Fifth street and north of Washington street. Vote in the County garage.

Third ward—B precinct—North of Monroe street, west of Fifth street. (CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)

FORMER LOCAL
LADY IS DEAD

Mrs. Sarah E. Beery Dies Thursday At Home Near Goshen

Mrs. Sarah Ellen Beery, 69, wife of the late B. F. Beery, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Andrews, near Goshen, at nine o'clock Thursday night.

Mrs. Beery had been in failing health for a number of years. Death was due to paralysis and complications.

The deceased was the daughter of John T. and Malinda Baker, now deceased, pioneer Adams county farmers who lived four miles west of Decatur.

Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Beery resided with her sister. Members of the immediate family who survive are the daughter, Mrs. Rose Andrews' two sons, S. S. Baker, Wichita, Kansas, and John Baker of this city.

Funeral services will be held at the Antioch church, four miles west of Decatur, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Burial in the Antioch cemetery.

ROSES HURT HITLER

Berlin, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Adolf Hitler was scratched slightly today when he was struck in the face by a bouquet of roses thrown while he was driving to Jaegerndorf, in Sudetenland.

Sudetenlanders were asked to refrain henceforth from throwing flowers at Hitler.

Strict orders usually are issued to big German Nazi spectacles that flowers must not be thrown at Hitler because of the danger of injury.

PUBLIC INVITED
TO DEDICATION

Mayor Holthouse Is To Give Address At "Camp Quinn"

The public is invited to attend the dedicatory services Sunday afternoon at Hanna-Nuttman park for Camp Quinn, honoring Frencia Quinn of this city, beloved citizen who was instrumental in obtaining the park and locating the parks in the area.

The program will begin at one o'clock with the inspection of the three Boy Scout cabins. These cabins are the Rotary, Lions and American Legion.

Mayor Arthur R. Holthouse will deliver the principal address. The high school band will give a concert at two o'clock under the direction of Albert Sellemeyer.

Following is the detailed program for the afternoon:

1:00 P. M.—Open House for inspection of Scout Cabins.

2:00 P. M.—Band Concert High School Band, Albert Sellemeyer, Director.

2:30 P. M.—Dedicatory Service Camp Quinn, Carl C. Pumphrey, chairman.

Invocation—Rev. Geo. O. Walton, pastor Presbyterian church.

America—Group Singing led by Ralph Gentsis.

Address—Mayor A. R. Holthouse.

Response—R. L. Van Horn Scout executive, Anthony Wayne Area.

Retreat—Boy Scouts.

The Boy Scouts will be in uniform and scout executives from this city and Fort Wayne will also attend.

TEMPERATURE READINGS

DEMOCRAT THERMOMETER

8:00 a.m. 40 2:00 p.m. 65
10:00 a.m. 58 3:00 p.m. 68
Noon 58

WEATHER

Generally fair in East and South portions, considerable cloudiness in northwest portion not so cool tonight, Saturday increasing cloudiness and warmer.

ROOSEVELT TO
INITIATE SPY
INVESTIGATION

Dies Committee Learns German Espionage Is Active

Hyde Park, N. Y., Oct. 7.—(U.P.)

President Roosevelt said today that he is concerned over the activities of foreign spies in America and is studying means of combating them.

The chief executive told newspapermen that he talked over the spy situation this week with Lamar Hardy, United Press district attorney for New York.

Hardy, who conferred with the president here, is prosecuting a German spy case that soon will go to trial in New York City. He recently returned from Europe, where he went to obtain information in connection with the case.

Mr. Roosevelt said that foreign agents' activities presented a national problem without question. He added that the government's objective was to separate two forms of activities by foreign governments within our borders—propaganda and military and naval spying.

He observed that present federal machinery for rooting out the spy evil was not compact enough and indicated that the study pointed to the creation of a special agency to tackle the problem.

In response to questions at his regular Friday press conference, the president declared that spying in this country is being conducted on a much larger scale than it was 10 years ago, with activities of the foreign agents concentrated on the naval and military establishments.

At present spy cases are handled by the federal bureau of investigation, the army and navy intelligence and some units of the treasury and state department.

Washington, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—The house committee on un-American activities temporarily suspended public hearings today after hearing testimony that the German government has launched an intense espionage program in the United States.

Investigating activities of Nazi (CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

James Bain, Fred
Mills Return Home

James Bain and Fred Mills returned Thursday night from attending a three-day session of the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias held at Muncie. Mr. Bain made a report on the grand lodge at the regular meeting of the Decatur lodge Thursday evening.

New Trial Granted
In Berne Complaint

A new trial has been granted in the complaint on account of Mrs. M. L. Habegger and C. C. Rayl against Charles Frank Brown which was heard this week in C. H. Muselman's justice of peace court at Berne.

Judgement has been rendered against the defendant in the sum of \$150. The defendant has filed bond in the amount of the judgment and costs.

DECATUR NATIVE
DIES THURSDAY

Services To Be Held In Ft. Wayne Thursday For Lee Smith

Lee Smith, 69, of Fort Wayne, brother of Mrs. Charles Christen Lawrence, Vincent and Joe Smith of this city, died at 11:15 o'clock Thursday night at the home of his sister, Mrs. Lee Hindman, 726 Oakdale drive, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Smith had been bedfast for several weeks. He had been ill about a year and death was due to complications.

The deceased was born in Decatur, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, pioneer residents of this city.

Besides the sister and brothers in this city, and the sister in Fort Wayne, a sister, Mrs. John E. Wilson of Avilla, also survives.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Saturday morning from St. Patrick's church, Fort Wayne. The body will be brought here and burial will take place in St. Joseph's cemetery.

"We Can't Fail"
Is New Slogan In
Tile Mill Drive

HOSPITAL BOND
ISSUE \$33,000

Corrected Figure Reduces Amount From County; Prospect Listed

When the petition is presented to the Adams County Council on October 13 for the appropriation of funds, accruing from the bond sale for the construction of the nurses' home addition and making improvements at the Adams County Memorial hospital, only \$33,000 will be asked, D. Burdette Custer, attorney for the project stated today.

The legal notice to taxpayers includes a maximum of \$35,000 to be asked in the appropriation, but the bond issue is for only \$33,000 and Attorney Custer stated that the latter amount would be sought. The \$35,000 figure was erroneously included in the notice, the attorney explained.

Bids for the construction of the nurses home and improvements to the main hospital building will be received by the board of county commissioners and the hospital trustees on Friday, November 4.

The date for the sale of the county bonds will not be fixed until after the required period expires for the filing of objections or remonstrances.

Action on the appropriating of the contemplated funds which will be raised through the proposed bond issue will be taken by the county council on October 13. In the first legal step taken by the county council on the proposed issue a unanimous vote was given the ordinance authorizing the \$33,000 worth of bonds. Petitions signed by more than 750 persons were presented to the council asking that the bonds be issued. The \$33,000 figure was used in the original (CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

FORMER DECATUR
RESIDENT DIES

Cecil M. Bair Dies At Warsaw; Funeral Will Be Sunday

Cecil M. Bair, 41, a former resident of this city, died at his farm home near Warsaw, Thursday morning of complications.

Mr. Bair left Decatur eight or 10 years ago. While living here a few years he was employed at the former Harry Staley filling station.

He was married to Miss Kathryn Ganshorn, who was employed as a nurse at the Adams county memorial hospital. She survives. There are two children: Glen (Teddy) Bair and Beverly K. Bair. Also surviving are two brothers and the parents.

Funeral services will be at Bourbon Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Burial will be made in the Bourbon cemetery.

Killer Of Five Executed,
Screaming His Innocence

Jefferson City, Mo., Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Adam Richetti, a professional killer, who, with leveled machine gun, mowed down five men in the Kansas City union station massacre of 1933, died in the lethal chamber today, murmuring: "What did I do to deserve this?"

Richetti was one of the most vicious criminals of his generation, one of the last survivors of the killing kidnappers and bandits all but exterminated by G-men and other authorities.

A few minutes after midnight this morning he was led into the lethal chamber of the Missouri state penitentiary and strapped to the chair. He blubbered, declared his innocence. He had watched many men die, some from over his blazing machine gun, others—and these included his erstwhile chieftain, Pretty Boy Floyd—from the bullets of sheriffs and G-men which missed him, but he did not die prettily. As the door closed on him, he screamed, and, through the observation window, witnesses saw him screaming and cringing in the chair. A few seconds later the white plumes of the gas rose from beneath him and choked out his life.

The gangster spent almost all of his last day with two priests. Yesterday afternoon he listened to a radio account of the second game of the world series, but was sulken, highly nervous, smoked much, called constantly for water. After a full dinner, he consulted the priests again, then spent his last few hours staring moodily from his cell.

Richetti died at 29 and had been a criminal notoriously in the southwest for some 10 years. But he did not gain national notoriety until he teamed up with "Pretty Boy," a killer from the Cookson Hills of Oklahoma who, despite his depredations, was leading a charmed life.

In 1933, their pal, Frank Nash, was arrested in Hot Springs, Ark., by federal agents and was taken to Kansas City by train.

Richetti, Floyd and Verne Miller (CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)

Enthusiastic Meeting Is
Held Thursday By All
Members Of Financial
Drive Now Being Held

TO EMPLOY MANY

"We can not fail. Decatur has never failed and this drive for funds to rehabilitate industry and provide employment for 100 men will not fail."

This confident and optimistic spirit reigned among the workers and solicitors who reported to the general committee in the effort to raise \$10,000 for the Krick-Tyndall tile factory re-building, re-employment fund.

With the \$2,000 donated by former employees who will contribute one day's pay out of every semi-monthly pay envelope, Herman L. Conter, assistant financial secretary of the committee reported total donations and pledges exceeding \$5,500, or more than half of the amount required.

The former employees who have been without employment since the factory was ruined by fire last April volunteered to give one day's pay toward the fund. It is estimated that at least \$2,000 will be donated by the workmen who are desirous of obtaining steady employment. The period of 15 weeks during which they received unemployment benefits has expired and many of the men are without any means of support.

Urges Revival of Spirit

Rev. Ralph W. Graham, pastor of the First Methodist church and chairman of the publicity committee, urged a revival of the spirit among the workers to go out and complete their canvass.

A committee composed of Roy Kalver, Charles Ehinger and J. H. Heller was named to prepare data and facts concerning the offer of Leo Childs, chairman of the board of the Krick-Tyndall company, which will be issued next week and distributed among donors and prospective contributors to the (CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

Berne Will Be Scene
Of Annual Colt Show

One of Adams county's outstanding agricultural events is to be held at Berne Saturday beginning at 8:30 o'clock Saturday morning—the annual Adams County Gold Medal Colt Club show.

This is one of the largest colt shows in the United States and has resulted in Adams county horses bringing premiums.

Grand Jury Continues
Annual Session Today

The Adams county grand jury continued in session today—probably in the investigation of criminal matters. Whether or not any indictments are to be returned by grand jury can not be determined due to the secrecy maintained until arrests are made.

Before the grand jury concludes its session, it will make the annual inspection of the county infirmary and the county jail.

Reich Becomes More Powerful
In New European Realignment

Editor's Note: After the Munich conference Europe is undergoing a political face lift. In the following dispatch Webb Miller, European manager of the United Press, reports changes already brought about and indicates those yet to come.

By Webb Miller

Copyright 1938 by United Press) London, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—The international ground-swell which began at Munich last week already has resulted in the collapse of the "charter of Europe" established by the victorious allies at Versailles.

A completely changed realignment of powers is under way as a result of Adolf Hitler's dismemberment of Czechoslovakia. Both France and Great Britain are hurrying Italian Premier Benito Mussolini in an effort to wean him away from Hitler and weaken the Berlin-Rome axis in substance not in form.

Germany's famous "drang nach Osten"—drive to the east—has broken through the shackles which the allied powers put around the defeated reich in the Versailles treaty settlement.

Germany has become far more powerful through middle Europe in a political, economic and military sense as a result of absorbing Austria and the Sudetenland—more powerful than she was before the world war.

The immediate results of the disintegration of Czechoslovakia include:

1—Virtual extinction of a barrier of interlocking alliances erected behind Germany by France after the world war as a "protective encirclement" of the reich.

2—A body blow at the French-Soviet alliance which is so weakened that it is doubtful it can continue effectively.

3—Serious weakening of the French-Polish alliance, with Poland swinging into the orbit of German influence.

4—Progressive disintegration of (CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)