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MES KOCHER AND WIFE ARE HURT IN WRECK

Decatur Couple Injured in Crash Near Findlay, Ohio

Mrs. James L. Kocher, 40, and her husband, James L. Kocher, 42, were injured in an auto accident this morning when their car was sideswiped by an auto turning into U. S. road about 15 miles west of Findlay, Ohio.

The couple were enroute to the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Kern, near Findlay, Pa., where they were to spend the week-end.

The ambulance took the injured couple to the Findlay hospital, where preliminary examination showed their injuries to be serious but not critical.

Employees Not Affected By Law

Indianapolis, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Provisions of the federal Hatch law, designed to curb political activities of appointed officials, do not apply to state department employees.

The law, which was passed by Congress last year, prohibits federal employees from holding office in any political party or organization.

The law also prohibits federal employees from accepting any honorarium, gift or other thing of value from any foreign government or official.

Geneva Woman Is Injured In Fall

Mrs. America Fink, 74, of Geneva, was injured yesterday when she fell from a second-story window.

Escape Serious Injury As Airplane Is Upset

Crawfordsville, Ind., Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Lloyd Rhoades, 29, and his sister, Mrs. Ethel Allen, both of Crawfordsville, escaped serious injury yesterday when their plane, piloted by Rhoades, was swept into a ditch northeast of here yesterday.

World Famous Brain Specialist Is Dead

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Dr. Harvey Cushing, 70, world famous brain specialist, died today after a heart attack.

TEMPERATURE READINGS

DECATUR THERMOMETER
8:00 a. m. 58
10:00 a. m. 64
11:00 a. m. 71

WEATHER

Partly cloudy, occasional showers Sunday and in north tonight, warm in east and central portions, cooler in north portions Sunday.

Assault And Battery Case Is Continued

The case against Harve Lawson, of Blue Creek township, who was to have been arraigned in justice of peace John T. Kelly's court this morning was continued. Lawson had been charged with assault and battery, on an affidavit signed by Albert Lindsay, a neighbor, who contended Lawson "beat him up" during an argument over a grain drill.

LODGE TO AID CYCLE CARNIVAL

Elks To Assist In Safety Carnival; Don Lash To Speak

The Decatur lodge of the B. P. O. Elks will again co-sponsor the annual bicycle safety carnival, staged for the first time by the WPA recreation department last year, aided by the Elks.

The lodge will provide prize money for the essay and poster contests, conducted through the cooperation of the public and parochial schools, and for the parade, which will be the feature of the evening program.

The bicycle safety carnival will be held here Thursday, October 19. As a special feature of the day's program, Don Lash, most famous member of the Indiana state police force, will be in Decatur all day to give safety talks in the schools and will also be present for the evening parade and demonstration.

Lash is a native of Wells county, and first attracted attention for his spectacular running ability while attending high school at Auburn. He later enrolled at Indiana university and became one of the great distance runners in the world, and is still active in this field, running under the colors of the Indiana state police, of which he is a full fledged member.

The essay and poster contests have been divided into three divisions, covering both the public and parochial schools in each division. The first division is grade school students, the second junior high school students, and the third high school pupils. First prize in each division will be \$1, with 50 cents for second place in each group.

The parade, scheduled to start promptly at 7:40 p. m. October 19, will be led by Decatur school bands under Albert Sellemeyer and the City band, directed by Gerald Zimmerman.

The parade will form on Jackson street, between First and Second streets. The line of march will proceed south on Second street to Adams, then west to the Lincoln school, where the evening safety demonstration will be held in the school gymnasium at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend, particularly the parents of children riding bicycles.

Special feature events will be held during the evening demonstration, with the detailed events to be announced later.

Prizes to be awarded during the

Veteran Employee Is Advanced By G. E.

George H. Doehla, veteran employee of the Fort Wayne works, of the General Electric company, has been named chief of the plant protection department. He has been employed at the plant for the past 32 years.

BUILDING LINES IS PROGRESSING

Rapid Progress Is Made On Rural Electrification Program

The building of the rural electrification lines in Adams county was started this week and rapid progress is being made, according to reports.

Claude C. Drago, of the Jay county REMC office, reported that the lines are being built in the south end of the township, both east and west of Geneva.

The lines enter there and follow north across the county to the allen county line, he stated.

It is expected to require a period of about 60 days to construct the lines. Mr. Drago urged all farmers who expect to hook onto the service lines to have their houses wired.

Checking of easement and rights of ways has been completed and all preliminary steps toward construction have been made, he stated.

COMMITTEEMEN ARE SELECTED

AAA Committees In Additional Townships Are Reported

Additional reports of elections of AAA committees in the various townships of Adams county have been made to the county conservation department. Results of these elections are as follows:

Washington Township
Delegate to county convention, David Roth; alternate delegate, Lawrence Braun; chairman, David Roth; vice-chairman, Ben Elting; third member, Charles Cook; first alternate, Lawrence Braun; second alternate, E. T. Jones.

Root Township
Delegate to county convention, Lawrence Beckmeyer; alternate delegate, Martin Fuelling; chairman, Lawrence Beckmeyer; vice-chairman, Henry Aumann; third member, Clifford Mann; first alternate, Martin Fuelling; second alternate, Hugo Boerger.

Kirkland Township
Delegate to county convention, Homer W. Arnold; alternate delegate, Oliver V. Dilling; chairman, Homer W. Arnold; vice-chairman, Lester R. Adler; third member, Oliver V. Dilling; first alternate, Franklin Fruechte; second alternate, Boyd Stipier.

St. Mary's Township
Delegate to county convention, Henry M. Crowmover; alternate delegate, Morris C. Jackson; chairman, Edward Koos; vice-chairman, Glen L. Chronister; third member, Groce Tope; first alternate, Harvey J. Sells; second alternate, Maurice C. Jackson.

Jefferson Township
Delegate to county convention, Frank Orndorff; alternate delegate, Ray Teeple; chairman, Frank Orndorff; vice-chairman, Ray Teeple; third member, John H. Miller; first alternate, Ralph Boltenbacher; second alternate, Henry Rumpel.

Hartford Township
Delegate to county convention, Harvey Garboden; alternate delegate, Grover C. Romey; chairman, Harvey Garboden; vice-chairman, Marcus W. Stahly; third member, Dan A. Studler; first alternate, Grover C. Romey; second alternate,

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NO RESTRICTION ON MARKETING

All Restrictions On Marketing Of Sugar Are Removed

With the suspension of sugar quotas under the sugar act of 1937, all restrictions upon the marketing of sugar have been removed, Winfred L. Gerke, chairman of the Adams county agricultural association stated today.

All producers of sugar beets who meet the conditions of payment under the sugar act of 1937 will be paid in full for the 1939 program. However, Mr. Gerke said, the conditions for payment on the 1939 crop cannot be met by the destruction of sugar beets, and payments will be withheld in cases where sugar beets are destroyed for purposes of compliance, except acreages of sugar beets harvested for use as feed or any acreage abandoned because of a deficiency yield which normally would not be harvested.

On September 11, President Roosevelt issued a proclamation temporarily suspending marketing quotas on sugar as an emergency measure, Mr. Gerke said. The suspension of quotas was made necessary by the increased world demand for sugar as a result of the outbreak of war in Europe, the extraordinary purchases of sugar by consumers, and the apparent speculative activity, the president's proclamation stated.

"Sugar quotas first became effective in 1934 with the passage of the Jones Costigan Act," Mr. Gerke said. "Under peacetime conditions the quota system protected producers of sugar but made ample supplies of the product available at reasonable prices to consumers. Of necessity, however, the quota system meant certain restrictions, which are all removed with the president's suspension of quotas. It should be kept in mind that under the law, the quotas may be reinstated if such a step becomes necessary for the welfare of our sugar producers," he said.

In view of the suspension of quotas, no program or payments under the provisions of the sugar act of 1937 is in effect or contemplated at this time for the 1940 crop in any producing area, Mr. Gerke explained.

Hitler Makes Final Peace Bid



Proposing a conference of nations to achieve absolute security, disarmament and German-British friendship, Fuehrer Adolf Hitler is pictured addressing the Nazi Reichstag in Berlin. This is a radio-photo.

PLAN NATIONAL SAFETY MEETING

Foreign Delegates Also To Attend National Safety Council

Chicago Oct. 7.—An army 10,000 strong will invade Atlantic City, N. J. this month.

But this army, recruited from all parts of the world, will be fighting to protect life instead of destroy it.

The safety forces will be mobilized Oct. 16 for the 28th annual national safety congress, a five-day council of war. From every corner of the United States, and from some foreign countries, delegates will assemble for this greatest of safety congresses.

Twenty-six years ago the organized battle against accidental death and injury began in earnest with the founding of the national safety council, sponsor of the congress. First on the industrial front, then spreading into homes, schools, streets and highways, an ever-growing army of safety workers has been battling to make the world safe for its inhabitants.

Once a year the council calls together its membership for a general conclave—to exchange ideas and experiences, to redefine its objectives, to issue new materials, new information, new methods.

The keynote of the 1939 congress will be the assertion that safety now can be obtained in any quantity.

RURAL SCHOOL FIGURES GIVEN

Rural School Enrollment Is Announced At 2,649 Students

The total enrollment in the rural schools of Adams county this school term is 2,649, C. E. Striker, county school superintendent, announced today.

Of the total, Wabash township has the largest enrollment of any single township, with 355 in the grades and 132 in the Geneva high school.

Monroe is next in line with 349 in the grades and 144 in the high school. Pleasant Mills high school has 84 and the St. Mary's township grades, 180.

Hartford township has 142 in the high school and 134 in the grades. Jefferson 115 in the grades and 55 in the high school. Kirkland has 132 in the grades and 99 in the high school.

The townships that have no rural high school: Union, 96; Washington, 80; Blue Creek, 138 and French, 133.

HITLER FAVORS INTERVENTION BY ROOSEVELT

Would Welcome Mediation Efforts By U. S. President

Berlin, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Adolf Hitler is willing to make peace proposals in specific form if President Roosevelt will mediate between Germany and the allied nations, influential and responsible Nazi sources said today.

The "desirability" of mediation by the president, on the terms laid down by Hitler in his Reichstag speech yesterday, was freely discussed in leading Nazi circles.

A call for an immediate armistice would be the first move in any peace program, as they saw it, with an international conference to follow.

Nazis said Germany would accept the present status in Europe and to ask for herself only the return of the colonies taken from her as the result of the world war.

They said also that Germany would agree to immediate drastic reduction of armaments, to be effected by all powers.

Despite the almost derisive rejection of Hitler's "peace" speech in London and Paris, authoritative quarters professed to believe that Great Britain and France would not "remain cold" to mediatory offers.

Coupled with the suggestion that it would be nice if President Roosevelt cooperated with Hitler in arranging peace on Nazi terms as outlined in his Reichstag speech, the Nazis hinted that the president might take advantage of his opportunity, a "peace move" by Benito Mussolini, in collaboration with Pope Pius and Gen. Francisco Franco, Spanish nationalist leader, would be essayed.

The Italian - Vatican - Spanish peace move really was "imminent," the Nazis hinted, but the president would have time to act if he did so quickly, and would really be best qualified as head of a leading neutral nation far removed from Europe.

Diplomats who heard Hitler speak, and afterward studied the text of his address, said that it sounded a good bit like others he had made after Nazi coups — the Austrian and Czechoslovak triumphs which preceded the crushing of Poland.

Further it developed that the speech was along the lines forecast for days previous, and on the basis of these forecasts it had been said freely in allied capitals that Britain and France would reject such a peace.

Yet it was plain that high Nazi quarters were surprised and disappointed at the immediately unfriendly reaction to the speech.

It was indicated that several days would elapse before there was any further German move. It was held that it would take some time for the allied governments, and leading neutral ones, really to digest Hitler's speech and appreciate its full value.

But in the near future, perhaps within a week or so, lay the German retort to rejection of the "peace" speech—a destructive war in which, as a first move, the German air force would attack the railroad siding.

When the new oven is satisfactorily operating, the battery of coke fired ovens will be removed, making available more space in the building for core production and assembly, Mr. McDaniel stated.

The improvements to the building and new equipment being installed will make the Decatur Casting company one of the most modern and completely equipped core departments in a jobbing foundry in the middle west.

In addition to the present remodeling and installation program, a second core blower was installed some time ago and is now in operation.

Officers Conduct Traffic Checkup

Officers Russell Prior and Truman Bierle of the Indiana state police conducted a traffic check at the traffic signal in the north end of the city late last evening, which resulted in 15 drivers of passenger cars being given warnings and two truck drivers being given tickets for not having clearance lights and directional signal lights.

Report Of Plot On King Carol Denied

Bucharest, Rumania, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Reports of a plot against the life of King Carol were denied today.

Township Trustees Meet This Afternoon

The trustees of the 12 townships in Adams county will meet this afternoon in the offices of C. E. Striker, county school superintendent. Plans for the closing of schools on October 26 and 27, while the teachers attended the northeastern Indiana teachers' convention in Fort Wayne, will be made.

Other routine business is to be conducted by the trustees in the monthly meeting of the group.

GIVE OUTLINE OF CONVENTION

County Sunday School Convention To Be Held Oct. 15-16

"Take Christ, Live Christ, Give Christ," is the theme for the Adams County Sunday school convention to be held at Geneva and Decatur, Oct. 15 and 16. Rev. Harold E. Garner of Chicago and Oglesby, Ill., will give the convention sermon Sunday afternoon at the Geneva U. B. church. He will again address the conference Sunday evening at the Geneva Methodist church.

Rev. Garner is an outstanding leader in the field of Christian Education. He is an authority on specialization, psychology, pedagogy, administration and organization; is teacher of D. V. B. S. and week day church school classes; conducted the daily vacation bible school demonstration school at the Moody Church of Chicago in 1938 and 1939; is a teacher of the junior high school week day church school of Princeton, Illinois; is departmental editor of the church school promoter, having charge of the young people's page; is much in demand as speaker for young people's meetings and Bible conferences; is a special instructor of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. In addition to these duties, he serves the Oglesby Union church as its pastor.

Other leaders are: E. T. Albertson, general secretary, Indianapolis; Mrs. Bertha Mawhor, children's leader of Fort Wayne, and many county pastors and Sunday school leaders.

Mrs. Earl Fuhrman is chairman of the banquet committee, Miss K. Ruth Lozier will serve as registrar.

REPORT FRENCH OFFICER TAKEN

Germans Claim General Staff Lieutenant Colonel Captured

Berlin, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—A French general staff lieutenant colonel was captured when anti-aircraft guns shot down a French plane on the western front, the German high command asserted today.

The plane was forced to land in German territory, it was explained, and the lieutenant colonel and three other men in the plane were made prisoners.

A second French plane, it was asserted, was shot down near Godesberg.

Both planes were part of a French reconnaissance group which tried to fly over the Rhine near Bonn, it was said.

There was minor artillery activity on the western front, the communiqué said.

On the eastern front it was said German troops continued without incident their advance east of the Vistula river and in the Suwalki area toward the German-Russian demarcation line, in co-operation with the Russians.

Two Polish divisions, a divisional commander and 100 officers were taken prisoners yesterday, it was said.

Adams County Man Loses Right Eye

Jacob Heath, of east of Decatur, is reported confined to the Van Wert Ohio hospital suffering from a severe injury sustained Tuesday. Heath was working on the Lovina Heath farm, east of here, when the accident occurred. The lever on the grain drill, which he was using to sow wheat, slipped out of his hand and struck him in the head.

"The force of the object striking his head was sufficient to burst his right eye-ball. He was first brought to a Decatur doctor and then removed to the Van Wert hospital, a Van Wert physician removed the right eye. His condition today was reported as well as could be expected."

RESUME WORLD SERIES TODAY IN CINCINNATI

Lefty Gomez Slated To Face Rookie Junior Thompson Of Reds

Cincinnati, Oct. 7.—(U.P.)—Manager Joe McCarthy of the New York Yankees dug into his bag of tricks today and came out with 180 pounds of bone and muscle named Lefty Gomez to send against the Cincinnati Reds in the third game of the world series.

A shudder that could be felt all the way to the suburbs ran through Cincinnati when McCarthy announced that Gomez, the great Gomez with his fast one that smokes like an 1890 locomotive and his hair pin curve would be out there this afternoon trying to make it three straight for the Yankees. For Gomez has never been defeated in a world series game and the only thing that could be more dangerous to the Reds is a glass full of strychnine mixed with rat poison.

McCarthy has pulled many a trick out of the bag in his day, but none can watch this one of bringing Senior Gomez up to a physical peak for this important game, starting at 12:30 p. m. CST. Four days ago Gomez seemed to be definitely out of the series. He had strained a muscle in his right side and he had enough adhesive tape on him to stock a pharmacy. But yesterday the senior ripped the tape away, made a couple of his celebrated wisecracks and went out to test his whalebone left arm.

"I'm ready," he reported and McCarthy gave him the green light.

Gomez has been wearing a polo belt to support the strained muscle in his side, and he may have it on when he pitches this afternoon. He worked one game during the season wearing the belt and said it was no handicap.

The hopes of this town — and this town is something to see as the Reds prepare to make their last ditch stand on home grounds — were all on a youngster who a year ago was an obscure pitcher for Columbia, S. C., in the Sally league. Junior Thompson never dreamed a year ago that this afternoon manager Bill McKeechie of the Reds would send him out to start a world series game, send him out to try to do a job that was too much for Bucky Walters and Paul Derringer, two of the best pitchers in the National league.

There is a great Cinderella story in the making out here today if Thompson's arm and heart are stout enough for the greatest assignment of his life. The pressure will be heavier than a bride's biscuits, for if the Reds lose this one their cause will be lost. The only thing McCarthy will have to worry about then will be whether to send Bump Hadley, Oral Hildebrand or Red Ruffing in to deliver the knockout punch.

Thompson is a quiet, confident youngster who has won 13 games and lost five. He looked like a great prospect during spring training this year, but no one believed he would emerge so soon as the No. 3 man on the Reds' pitching staff. His chance came when Johnny Van Der Meer, Lee Grissom and Whitey Moore, on whom

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CLASS OFFICERS ARE ANNOUNCED

Monmouth High School Classes Elect Officers For Year

The classes of the Monmouth high school have elected officers for the ensuing school year. The school has the largest enrollment in its history this year with 110 enrolled, including the eighth grade.

The high school will sponsor a Halloween carnival Friday night, October 27.

The class officers are as follows: Senior, president, Ne'te McKown; secretary, Junior Owens.

Junior, president, Gilbert Stoppenhagen; secretary, Gertrude Aumann.

Sophomore, president, Edward Miller; secretary, Norma Krueckeburg.

Freshman, president, Elmer Aumann; secretary, Bernadine De Long.

Members elected to the athletic council are Roger Ward, Fred Kunkel, Edward Miller, LaVerne Bursick, and James Rice.