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Don't forget to turn the clock up
an hour tonight. That makes it a
little tough for a day or so but
think how pleasant it will be next
October when you gain it back.

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Don't forget to send a message
to mom tomorrow. It's her day and
she is entitled to every remem-
brance that will make her happy.

Flowers and candy and a cheerful
hello will make her happy.

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It would help some if we just
knew what the European leaders
are trying to get out of the war.
So far we haven't been able to
figure any thing that can result
for any nation but woe and misery.

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Watch for the parade Monday
night marking the opening of the
Decatur clean up campaign. Better
still, get in it. Put on your funny
costume and help create interest
in an important movement.

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The Chamber of Commerce is
supporting the clean up, fix up,
plant up, paint up campaign and
urge every one to cooperate. That's
the spirit. And that's good leadership.

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The new high school band will
take part in the clean-up campaign
parade Monday evening and give
their first concert of the season.
Be sure to hear them for they are
a wonderful bunch of youngsters
who can entertain you.

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Candidates in the recent primary
should secure proper blanks and
file expense accounts with the
county clerk. Whether you spent
any money or not the law requires
that you file a report showing that
fact. The final date is June 6th.

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The state highway is placing
roadside tables along the main
roads for the accomodation of tourists
who wish to eat lunch. The
first one in this territory has been
located near St. John's church
north of Decatur on road 27.

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The more you read and hear about
the war and its terrible tragedies,
the more grateful you no
doubt are that you live in this
great country where peace and
prosperity abound. It's depressing
of course but the closer you are
to it, the more so.

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The daylight saving schedule will
be better if the court house clock
is in tune. The county commissioners
have asked the Democratic and
Republican committeemen and
vice-committeemen to vote on the
question when they meet this afternoon,
which should give an idea of the cross-section opinion and
the board will act upon the recommendation thus made.

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Now that the political committeees are organized, there will probably be a lull in the activities. The state conventions come next and then the national. The fall cam-

paign will probably start in September and get going full blast about October 1st, giving five weeks to the job of electing officers from justice of the peace to the presidency.

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Merchants should advertise
goods especially adapted for the
clean up, fix up, plant up and paint
up campaign. Everybody will be
doing it and they will want various
articles to help the good cause along.

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Next week marks the start of the
big clean up campaign in Decatur.
The city will start the work of
hauling away the rubbish. The
Chamber of Commerce will offer
prizes for the most attractive
yards. Many will paint and every
one should plant something. Help
make this plan a successful one.

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The war crisis forced Prime Minister
Chamberlain from his high
position and placed Churchill in
his place. The people had been de-
manding a change but until the invasion
of Belgium and Holland, Mr. Chamberlain was able to remain. The labor party particularly
felt that he had not been aggressive enough. Tough jobs for those
who rule in war countries.

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John T. Flynn, noted economist,
asks former governor McNutt: "If
you are elected president, what
should be done to produce recovery?" McNutt answers frankly. He
desires tax reform designed to dis-
courage concentration and encourage
buying power, reduction of
sales taxes and nuisance taxes, ex-
emption of small corporations from
federal taxation, continuation of
reciprocal trade agreements with
care — especially agreements to
protect agriculture.

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If Germany takes Iceland, they
will be but 600 miles from Green-
land and that's only 700 miles from
Canada. If the Dutch East Indies
are invaded, they are right next
door to American interests. A
world war is a serious thing and
regardless of how much we deplore
it and how loud we shout that we
can't be drawn in, there are many
angles to consider. We must be
ready for any thing if we are to
retain our peace and happiness.

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If the war continues, and that
seems certain now, there will be
little interest in politics this year.
In this country we think along one
line pretty much. If the world
series is on that's what we all think
about, if it's basketball or golf or
other sports, we root for our
favorites and forget other things.
If there is nothing else we turn to
politics and that becomes the all
abiding contest. But with a world
war on and knocking at our doors,
it will be difficult to do other
things except in a routine way.
Watch and see.

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Time magazine persists in stat-
ing that present indications point
to a Republican victory next Novem-
ber. We beg to dissent. The
Gallup Poll shows definitely that
54 per cent of the American
people want the Democrats to win. It
shows that, in a race between
Cornell Hull and Robert A. Taft, Hull
would be the victor by a tremen-
dous margin. In a race between
President Roosevelt and Sen. Taft,
the President would be supported
by 58 per cent of the electorate —
Taft by 42 per cent. The secretary
of state would likewise defeat Sen.
Arthur H. Vandenberg, and the
President would defeat Vandenberg. — Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

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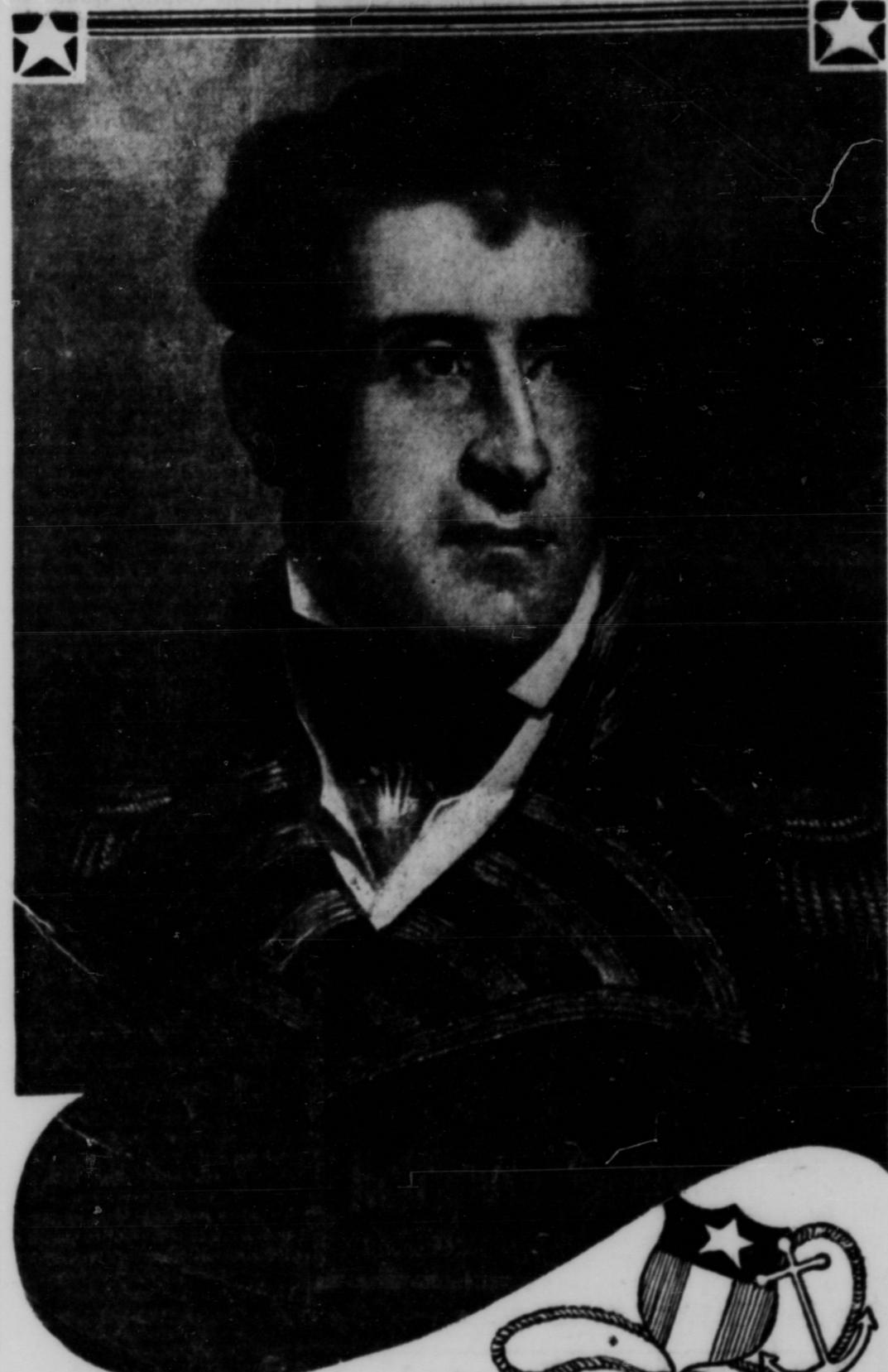
TODAY'S COMMON ERROR

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Decatur's Namesake

Commodore Stephen Decatur

Photo by H. C. Smith



The town named for Commodore Stephen Decatur, one of the nation's foremost naval heroes is growing. Its population today is 5,853, an increase of 697 in the past 10 years. Final figures on the census are expected to further increase the number of persons living in this city.

WAR FLASHES

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use of Italy to use his influence
to help guard Ditch civilians
against the evils of war." She
asked the king to aid in obtaining
respect of belligerents for principles of humanity.

Amsterdam, May 11.—(UPI)—
German airplanes bombed Am-
sterdam today, dropping explosives
on the center of the city between the royal palace
and the main railroad station.

At least seven persons were killed
and 19 wounded.

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TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

ANSWERS TO "DO YOU KNOW?"

1. Galilee.
2. Dead Sea.
3. Red Sea.
4. Name four mountains of the
5. In the wilderness.

Answers To Test Questions

Below are the answers to the
Test Questions printed
on Page Two

1. No.
2. University of Virginia.
3. Benjamin Franklin.
4. New York.
5. In the middle.
6. Her husband.
7. 1 Corinthians.
8. Prime Minister-Chamberlain.
9. Rabbits.
10. Lithosphere.

Trade in a Good Town—Decatur

Modern Etiquette By ROBERTA LEE

Q. Is it all right for a person to compliment his bridge partner, who plays a hand particularly well?

A. Yes; a few words of praise for his skill is not out of place. But never criticize.

Q. When one is going to serve jelly along with meat, should the jelly be placed on the bread and butter plate?

A. The jelly should be placed on the dinner plate.

Q. Should a maid be called "Jane" or "Miss Smith"?

A. "Jane."

Household Scrapbook By Roberta Lee

A Protection

A piece of waxed paper or oil-
cloth placed under the centerpiece
of a table prevents the linen from
sticking to the polished surface in
hot weather. It also prevents stains
from an overfilled vase or rose-
bowl.

Good Cleanser

The leftover rinds of lemons
make a good cleanser for unfin-
ished bread boards, chopping bowls
and other wood surfaces. Merely
rub the rind over the surface and

SYNOPSIS

Wealthy Sam and Helen Snow
object to their daughter Gabrielle's
interest in handsome Peter Parsons
because he has no social back-
ground. Gabrielle thinks their dis-
approval unfounded because her
father started as a roustabout in
the Oklahoma oil fields before he
made his fortune in oil. She becomes
angry when her mother reminds her
of her Uncle Gabriel's will, which
stipulates that if Gabrielle marries
before she is 21, she is not to receive
his money until she reaches 35. With
her Boston terrier, Odd, Gabrielle
breakfasts at the drug-
store where Peter works as an 18-
a-week soda clerk. Peter is a tal-
ented pianist. Later that day, Gaby
promises to meet him at 11 P.M.
after he is through working. When
Gaby's mother tells her that her
father is giving them a trip to
Europe, the girl wonders why she
isn't enthused when it is what she
always wanted. That evening, Gaby
jumps at an invitation to a party at
the home of her friend, Dorothy
MacKay, for it will facilitate her
meeting Peter. As eleven o'clock
draws near, Gaby confides in Dot
and prevails upon her to make it a
foursome with her fiance, Tony. In
the rumbly seat of Tony's coupe,
Peter and Gaby decide to get mar-
ried that night. But it is 3 A.M.
when they reach the little town of
New Iris—too late to obtain a
license. After breakfast, they go to
a hotel to freshen up. During a con-
versation with Gabrielle about her
forthcoming marriage, Dot says,
"You never have any trouble get-
ting what you want. I'm only afraid
you don't always know what you
want."

CHAPTER SIX

When they emerged from their
room, the first thing their eyes lit
upon was a stiff settee, with two
serious looking young men sitting
side by side, staring at their door.

"Sorry to be late," sang out
Gabrielle, noting that it had been
nearly an hour since they had
parted from the boys.