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Success builds success. When a community meets a challenge it is spurred on to accomplish greater things.

The Christmas shopping season will be launched formally next Saturday with the arrival of Santa Claus and turning on of the Christmas lights. The season of goodwill is here.

This is pay-off week in an all-out community effort to raise \$150,000 and automatically boost the Community Center Fund with a \$75,000 gift from Central Soya Company.

If a thief stole \$75,000 from the City Treasury, irate citizens would want him prosecuted and sentenced to jail. If we permit a \$75,000 gift for community betterment and improvement to slip through our fingers, who will be to blame?

Investigators for the Commerce Department predict that the high price of coffee will remain for at least another year. There is no acute shortage of the bean, but with a reduced crop it looks like the Brazilian growers are just taking advantage of the demand.

Abner S. Elzey who lived four score and three years, had the spirit of the pioneer and community builder. He started the settlement southwest of Fort Wayne, which is now known as Waynesdale. A former resident of this city, Mr. Elzey moved from here to Ossian in 1893 and was active in that community for a half century. His death causes sorrow among a host of friends in this area.

Those who seek a home and want to live in a place with little or no taxes, might try the Gilbert and Ellice Islands in the South Seas. Word comes from there that no housing shortage exists on the islands. Taxes are very low, the government's budget is balanced and destitution is unknown. The islands are looking for homesteaders, but chances are ordinary humans prefer this part of the world with all its problems in preference to the tranquility of the South Seas.

Inflammation of the Liver

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

IT is becoming more and more apparent that hepatitis, or inflammation of the liver, is a frequent disorder. Often, due to a virus infection, this disease is commonly accompanied by jaundice or a greenish-yellow discoloration of the skin.

Sometimes, however, this sign is not present and, in these cases, the patient is likely to shrug off the attack as a "touch of flu." This is unfortunate because neglect to obtain proper treatment carries with it the danger that the condition may become chronic and that the liver will be permanently damaged.

Many suggestions, both as to recognition of this form of hepatitis and its treatment, can be gained from a recent study of a group of patients who showed no signs of jaundice. In practically all of these cases, the condition began with fever. Many patients had headache in the front part of the head or around the eyes. Loss of appetite and a feeling of fullness in the abdomen were present in all cases. There was soreness and a dull, aching sensation in the abdomen, and, often, actual pain under the edge of the ribs on the right side.

Excessive gas formation and enlargement of the lymph glands in the neck and in other parts of the body are other symptoms which showed up in some patients. There also seemed to be some enlargement of the liver. Tests of the

The eighteen survivors of the B-29 Superfortress which dropped into the Atlantic, will have heartfelt reasons for giving thanks on Thanksgiving day. Their rescue is a miracle and the world rejoices that they were saved from an untimely death in the great deep of the sea.

The action of the Union in the case of the Bell Telephone Company makes one wonder how sincere the union leadership is when it comes to the employees. The case in point is the objection of the CIO Communications Workers of America against the Bell system, because the company doubled the benefits of its pension plan without consulting the union. It would appear that such favorable action toward workers should be heartily endorsed. As in the case of John L. Lewis, a few fellows want to run the show, regardless of results.

Sommersaults:

A doctor who writes a medical column claims that half a million people are now turning somersaults daily as a result of his advice. Improved circulation, induced by this exercise, has resulted in fewer headaches and other pains, and may even be a preventive of seasickness, according to the author.

Whether or not these claims may be justified, there can be little doubt that a group of somersaulters is bound to be more flexible than the same number of people who always remain upright and dignified. Rolling end over end on the floor or the ground relaxes mental as well as physical muscles and tends toward less rigidity and formality of viewpoint. Rowing machines and handball courts are not always accessible when minds are tired and muscles stiff. A session of somersaults with the children limbers the body and relaxes the tensions imposed by modern living.

One writer on health subjects maintains that exercise rests a tired person more than rest does. This depends, perhaps, on what made the person tired. A moderate amount of brisk exercise certainly does wonders for the office-tired person. But a lot of people prefer to get their daily exercises by winding their watch.

liver action showed that, in these cases, the function of the liver was impaired, that is, that the liver was not carrying out its action properly.

In treating these patients, bed rest was required. Getting out of bed too early made the symptoms worse. In about one-third of the patients, the use of a diet rich in protein foods, such as meat and milk, with a reduction in the amount of fat, together with rest in bed, produced a complete cure within a period of from five to eight weeks. In another third of the cases, the symptoms continued for from 20 weeks to five months, while in the remaining third the symptoms cleared up in about three weeks.

In those patients, in whom the condition lasted a long time, evidence of permanent liver damage was often present.

In cases of hepatitis, it is important that the diagnosis be made early so that treatment can be started at once with a high protein diet and bed rest, since these measures seem to shorten the course of the disease.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

J. P.: Can spina bifida with paralysis of the legs be cured?

Answer: Spina bifida is a defect in the spine in which the bony canal does not close but leaves an opening. Operations are performed to close the defect in some cases.

"BLOW THE MAN DOWN!"



20 YEARS AGO TODAY

Nov. 22. — "Wings," published by Decatur high school, wins first place in the state contest for schools of less than 300 students.

Public school children will attend Thanksgiving Day services in the various churches.

Fire gutted Charles Hite residence on North Fifth street, causing estimated loss of \$4,500.

It was 12 above zero in Decatur this morning.

A dozen Decatur football fans go to Bloomington to attend the annual "Old Oaken Bucket" game: I. U. vs. Purdue.

Food prices in Decatur are considerably lower than a week ago.

Court News

Proof Is Filed

Proof of mailing of notice of publication in matter of appraiser's report and schedule to determine inheritance tax for the estate of Ethel Zimmerman, heretofore filed October 28, is examined and court finds no tax due on the estate valued, at \$1,061.73.

Proof of mailing of notice of inheritance tax appraiser's report for the estate of Levi Schindler filed, the net value of the estate found to be \$9,715.01 with tax due as follows: William and Sarah Schindler \$217.88 each; appraiser to be allowed \$38 for services and expenses; certified to county treasurer.

Inventories Filed

Inventory No. 1 filed, examined

and approved for the estate of Leah Bunchy.

Inventories Nos. 2 and 3 filed, examined and approved for the estate of Rufus Soldner; submitted and sustained. Executrix, Mary Soldner, authorized to continue contracts until the expiration of current year and to have sales from time to time as she and tenant may agree upon for best interest of estate.

Sureties Released

M. F. and Agnes Gallmeyer, sureties on the bond heretofore filed on August 1, for the estate of Robert Bern, are released and discharged.

Deed Submitted

In action for the estate of Henry Costello, defendants found in default by the court. Severin Schuriger appointed guardian ad litem for minor defendant and guardian files answer. Cause submitted, evidence heard and concluded, finding that material allegations of petition are true and for the best interests of the estate real estate be sold and said estate cannot be partitioned. Court orders Robert S. Anderson to be appointed commissioner to execute deed in conformity with proceedings; deed submitted, examined and approved and commission ordered to deliver deed to vendor.

Venue Granted

In the case of the Helvetic I and M Corp. vs. Decatur Industries, Inc., D. Burdette Custer, for the defendant, strikes Jay county court; DeVoss and Smith for the plaintiff strike supreme court of Allen county. Defendant through counsel presents affidavit and application in said cause for change of venue; the court sustains motion and changes venue of cause to Wells county, within 10 days.

Demurrer Filed

In the cause of Pauline Murtaugh vs. Hattie Andrews, plaintiff's demurrer to defendant's answer is filed.

Waiver Filed

Waiver of issue of service of summons in the case of Laura Courtman vs. Isaac Booker et al, made by Bratton Pyle, trustee of Jefferson township. Proof of publication of non residence, notice of all defendants filed. Verified petition by plaintiff for order directing judgment as required by soldier

and sailors civil relief act of 1940 filed. Petition submitted. Defendant, after being called by the court, found in default by the court.

Affidavit Filed

In the divorce cause of Marie Lambert vs. Thomas Lambert, affidavit for failure to comply with court order submitted, evidence heard and concluded, finding that defendant has failed to pay plaintiff's attorney G. Remy Bierly the sum of \$65 as attorney's fees and defendant is directed to pay this fee into the office of clerk of Adams circuit court on or before December 21 and matter of sentence withheld until December 22.

Complaint Filed

Complaint for divorce filed in circuit court by Luella Fauber against Jesse Fauber. Affidavit of residence filed; affidavit of non residence of defendant by plaintiff filed; affidavit of non residence of defendant by disinterested person filed. Notice ordered issued by publication for defendant returnable January 21, 1950.

Applies For Citation Affidavit and application for citation submitted. Evidence heard and concluded in the cause of Mildred Knittle vs. Dale Knittle. Cause taken under advisement until November 25, 10:30 a.m.

Appearance Made

Appearance by John L. DeVoss for the defendant made in the case of Harmon and Josephine Bagley vs. Marty and Betty Robaire.

Marriage Licenses

Levi H. Schwartz and Emma B. Schwartz, both of Berne. Jim Irwin and Rita Agler, both of Decatur.

Modern Etiquette
By ROBERTA LEE

Q. Is it proper for a bride-to-be to call her friends by telephone to request that they serve as bridesmaids at her wedding?

A. No; it is much better if she calls personally upon each of her friends for this purpose. If this is not possible, as in the case of

out-of-town friends, then notes of request should be sent by hand.

Q. Is it necessary for a man to ask a girl for a date when being introduced to other man, and also to her hands?

A. Yes to both questions. Of course, they are not so formal that it would be awkward to do so.

Q. What is the best way for a man to ask a girl for a date? A. "May I have the honor? I am probably the best man for the job."

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by Alexander Gillander



CHAPTER XVI

Wednesday, November 4

I did not do all the writing I expected to yesterday, and now I know more about the mystery of Mike's car. Young Al Sykes went to Merle Hawley and confessed that he had been lying about how Mike got Policeman's Sykes' gun. His first story was that Mike had talked him into borrowing it while his father was off duty, and he had no idea of Mike's plans. And Young Al tried to make out that he had remained innocently in a Madrid theater. But now he admits that he knew from the beginning that Mike had thought himself cheated at the Loftland gambling dive, and planned to get his money back at gun-point. Al was with Mike to drive the car past the alley exit at the right time. But he heard the shooting, and drove to the bus station, deserted the jalopy, and took a bus home. Merle got Al, senior, the cop to come to his study on persuading Young Al that it should be up to his father's discretion how far the facts become known. Merle gave me a buzz also, sure that I would agree to secrecy or whatever plan was decided for the best conduct of Young Al. Then Hawley persuaded Sykes, Sr., and me that he was convinced of the kid's sincerity in promising to do right. In a way, we were judge and jury over Young Al, giving him a sort of suspended sentence dependent on his behavior. The Sykes family vaguely belonged to the Baptist Church, and both father and son agreed to become active members, the kid not to miss Sunday School and church for a year, except in case of sickness. Merle ended by saying: "Most important, Al: You are not to think of this as punishment, but as a chance to build your character so strong that you are not likely to be persuaded toward crime again. And I'm glad for your attitude, Mr. Sykes. Without your taking the lead, your children are not going to think church important."

O, why could Mike not have had the same chance, with our father cooperating? Of course, Mike did not scare like Young Al. There are things it is wise to be scared of.

Brewer saw me in a school corridor before classes, and stepped up to me with his palm out: "Too bad, Ego. And I'm sorry about Saturday night, too." I took his hand, but could say nothing for the lump in my throat.

What had worried me most was how Dorothy and I would act toward each other. I was in my chair first in Spanish class, and would not look at her when she

sat down. I kept my face away from her through the whole period, and then she did the most decent thing of her young life. When the bell had rung, she put her hand on my arm for a moment, and said, "I'm sorry, Ego!" and hurried from the room. I had to go into the washroom and lock myself in a booth until my eyes would stay dry. I got into history class just as the bell was ringing.

The Loftland Journal has twice had editorials on the case of Mike Igorvich, and the gambling syndicate. A reporter took a good pair of dice into the Club 91, and manipulated a trade for some of the bones that belong to the club. They were found to be loaded. The joint is now closed. If a reporter had done that two weeks ago, Mike might still have been living. "Might," but I cannot be sure of anything so long as the kid was determined to try getting money the quick and easy way. About all we can hope now is that the death of Mike has done Al Sykes some good. And the rest of the Igorvich family. And maybe some others will catch on to the grim lesson—like Brewer, and Dorothy.

Life will have to go on for the rest of us, but I am determined it will go on differently in our family. I said at the table tonight, without a word of contradiction from Pop: "Mom, I'm determined that none of the rest of these kids are going to have to face the problems of life without God just because of that damn dumb bargain you two have. Stella, Mary, Anne, and Joe, get ready to go with me next Sunday morning."

My mother retorted, "If they go anywhere, they are going with me." I answered, "O. K., but they are going somewhere. We won't have another avoidable tragedy if I can do anything about it."

I often wonder what keeps our father straight, for I have to admit that he has a strict rule of conduct and a good set of ideas without religion. Maybe he had some training in the Russian Church before he turned against it. But I know nothing from his talk.

Saturday, November 7

At Saturday night, I was certain that Dorothy Hardin and I had come to the great divide. But that, "I'm sorry, Ego" on Wednesday weakened me so much that I must have asked her to see a movie with me tonight. I want to see "San Francisco" at the Arena. I have no illusions about my spoiled-brat lady-love now, except that her apology means that she is not un-complicated badness. And, with the story of Mike known to everybody, she must have enough brains

to understand why I want to keep sober and decent. She knows everything I know about the right way to live, and a lot more than I know; but with her father spilling that mullarkey about "superior people take what they want," she is not all to blame for taking the whiskey she wants. First opening on the subject of Mike, I am going to say in so many words, "Irre- ligious cost Mike his life." And I am determined to let her know that she and I go the same direction, or we do not go together. She has not had to grow up so fast as I because she has never had any responsibility, and I must not be impatient. I tried not to be impatient with Mike. Well, no use rehashing that.

The game with Bashan next week, last of the season, can expect to be anti-climax after last night at the stadium in Indianapolis. No ordinary, or extraordinary, "prep" team can beat our eleven-man combination and Lady Luck. We should have lost last night by a couple touchdowns, since we were "cold" and Longvale "hot." And they are a great team. They had everything except enough touchdowns, and we had the jitters in front of a huge crowd on a good night, which expected to see Longvale win the newspaper vote as best in Indiana. We spoiled it for Longvale, which walloped Creighton, which beat us. Loftland Central also beat Creighton, but last week was held to a snowy scoreless tie by Bashan. The newspapers will have to look to another part of the state for the champ.

Longvale has a wonderful line, which outcharged ours fast enough to squelch me when I tried to carry from my regular position. When our usually fast line tried to speed up, we got several penalties for off-side. They had the ball most of the time, and a good mixture of plays. They were driving relentlessly toward the end of the first quarter when Pillsbury, their passer, shot one right to me. I lost a few inches in two tries, then we changed ends of the field for the second quarter. On third down, I stood almost on the goal-line for a fake punt, and got away for my best run of the half, past our forty. But the next time I tried that, I got caught back on our thirty. Second down, I took a lateral from Lutz, and fooled them with a quick kick which gave them the whole length of the field for their next march. This time, we could not stop them, and they scored on a clever pass play. We were behind 7-0 at half-time, and did not look like we belonged on the same gridiron.

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