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DEDICATE NEW ELKS HOME SATURDAY—The new home of the Decatur B. P. O. Elks lodge, North Second street, will be formally dedicated Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock as the feature of the three-day event scheduled to open Thursday evening. To the rear of the new building may be seen the top of the large residential type home which housed the fraternal organization from 1925 until December 29 of last year. The old home is now being razed.

Dedicate Elks Home Saturday

Formal dedication of the new Decatur Elks lodge home will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock as the highlight of the three-day celebration of the fraternal organization's occupation of the new building on North Second street.

The dedication celebration will open Thursday evening, with registration at 4 o'clock and a smorgasbord served throughout the evening, starting at 6 o'clock. A variety of entertainment is planned for the opening night, which will be stag affair, limited strictly to members of the Decatur lodge and visiting Elks from other Elks lodges in Indiana and Ohio.

Friday will be Decatur fraternal organizations day. Members of various fraternal organizations in the city have been invited to visit the new home Friday evening for entertainment and to inspect the new Elks facilities. Registration Friday will open at 1 p.m. A smorgasbord will be served from 6 until 8 p.m., and a dance from 9 p.m. until midnight will conclude the day's activities.

Ladies Party Friday
As a special feature for the ladies, the Emblem club will hold a card party Friday afternoon, starting at 2 o'clock, and all Elks ladies are invited to attend. A light lunch will be served, and prizes will be awarded to the winners of the various card games. There will be no admission charge and all Elks ladies are invited to be present.

Dedication Saturday
The formal dedication program will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, with George Bair, Sr., exalted ruler, and his staff of officers conducting the ceremony.

Guest speaker for the dedication will be Robert L. Dehority, of Elwood, special representative of the grand exalted ruler of the Elks lodges of the United States.

There will be special entertainment for the ladies immediately. A cocktail hour will be held following the dedication ceremony from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The dedication banquet will be served at 6:30 o'clock Saturday evening, and a dance from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. will conclude the three-day dedication ceremonies.



ELKS SPEAKER—Robert L. Dehority, of Elwood, special deputy to the grand exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, will deliver the address at the services dedicating the new Decatur Elks lodge home Saturday afternoon.

Water Pressure Off Wednesday Morning

Ralph E. Roop, superintendent of the municipal water department, announced today that water pressure will be off from 8:30 until 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning for customers living east of the St. Mary's river.

The pressure will be turned off while a valve is being installed on the new water main crossing the river.

Late Bulletins

COY, Ala. (UPI)—A freight train hit a school bus at a crossing here today and a hospital report said at least eight were killed.

A spokesman at Wilcox Memorial hospital in Camden, 20 miles away, said one of the children — all Negroes — was dead on arrival and "I understand seven others were killed outright."

Lenten Meditation

(By Rev. Vernon Riley, Monroe Friends Church)

"God - Hunters"

Psalms: 42nd chapter, verses 1-9

As the hart, "The animal called a deer, longs for water, after a long run pursued by hunter and dogs, searcheth for the flowing stream findeth rest and satisfaction from thirst."

As the soul of man longeth for the living God.

As God created man, breathed in him the breath of life, and man became a living soul, made in the image of God. Genesis, Chap. 1. Needless to say, since God made man in His own likeness, stamped on his soul His own image, man is not fully satisfied outside the will of God.

Humanity may seek pleasure and many things of this life, but always there is a longing for fellowship and a higher power with God.

Those who minister to the heathen tell us that those who have never heard of God and salvation, long for a noble, higher life than that found in their idol worship. May we still be God-hunters finding God satisfying the soul.

In His presence is fullness of joy and at His right hand there are pleasures forever more.

Historical Society To Meet March 29

The history of Root township and its schools will be featured at the March meeting of the Adams county historical society at the Monmouth school at 8 p.m. next Tuesday. Gerald R. Durkin, president, said today.

The history of the school and township will be related by students of the senior speech class, under the direction of their instructor, Mrs. Hugo Andrews.

Dan Shields MC

The story will begin with the early Indians who were residents of the area, the French, and will name each original purchaser in four of the sections.

Dennis Shields, Monmouth senior, will be master of ceremonies for the meeting. The public is invited to attend. There is no charge for the meeting.

Part of the history will deal with the early one-room schools, another with the churches, another with the taverns.

First Schools

The Indiana-Michigan superintendent explained that only one line has been run into Decatur to provide emergency electricity for the city during the two-year period which it has taken for the city to decide whether it will build a substation, or sell its plants to I&M. If the electric utility is sold to I&M, three lines, one from the south, one from the northeast and one from the northwest, will guarantee good electric service to the city, the spokesman said.

At present, when an I&M line goes out even briefly, this trips all the breakers at the city plant, because the electric load on the equipment is suddenly increased. It then takes a varying period for the turbines to be synchronized.

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INDIANA WEATHER

Mostly cloudy with snow flurries extreme north, clearing south and central and much colder tonight. Wednesday fair and cold except chance of snow flurries near Lake Michigan. Low tonight 5 to 15 north, 12 to 20 south. High Wednesday 28 to 33. Sunset today 6:59 p.m. c.d.t. Sunrise Wednesday 6:44 a.m. c.d.t. Outlook for Thursday: Partly cloudy and warmer. Lows 12 to 24. Highs 30 to 38.

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New Violence By African Rioters

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (UPI) — Rioting Africans protesting laws forcing them to carry identity cards burned two schools, government buildings and automobiles in the town of Langa near Cape town early today.

The new violence followed a day of fighting, arrests and bloodshed in which 67 persons were reported killed and 237 wounded in several South African villages and towns.

Police counted 54 of the dead and 191 of the injured in the Vereeniging area, 40 miles south of Johannesburg, where the protest was concentrated.

The slaughter started when police fired into a mob of 20,000 Africans besieging the Sharpeville native township police station. Police used Sten guns and .303 bullets. Fighter planes and light bombers screamed low over the crowds but held their fire.

Machegun Crowd
The battling spread to Langa late Monday when police broke up a meeting. Hordes of natives ran through the area stoning buses and setting fire to shops.

Police machinegunned the crowds when they broke into

chants of "kill the white man" and started hurling stones at everything and everyone in sight.

After police armored cars cleared Langa's main square bodies lay strewn about.

"Firing from both sides could be heard sporadically through the night. Early this morning the town hall, library, tax offices, secondary school and St. Cyprian's mission school were in flames.

Police Are Shocked
Police themselves were shocked at the bloody Monday.

The Pan-African Congress started what was to have been a peaceful campaign by telling natives to leave their identity passes at home and surrender them at police stations for arrest.

Under South Africa's apartheid (segregation) policies, all non-whites are required to carry identity cards. The non-whites outnumber the whites about 11 to 1.

The Pan-African Congress aimed to have so many placed under arrest for not carrying cards that it would cripple business operated by whites.

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Six Power Outages Here This Morning

High winds and cold weather caused six power outages in Decatur early this morning varying from a few minutes to several hours in the different sections of town.

The underground cable on Short street behind the steam plant, which contains the main lines for Krick-Tyndall, the Yost line, and several others, went out, causing stoppages at 12:15, 12:30, and 1:40 a.m.

Same As Jan. 3

L. E. Pettibone, light and power superintendent, reported that this was the same cable and the same joint that went out Sunday, January 3. A jump around the break to another circuit fixed the outages.

High winds broke an anchor cable on the single I&M line south from Fort Wayne to Decatur, causing two brief outages at 3:40 and 3:45 a.m., and a 50 minute outage from 4:10 to 5 a.m. On the last case, the steam plant was able to carry the entire load, and the city was out of lights only briefly.

Three Lines Needed

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Try Americans In Cuba Court

HAVANA (UPI) — The semi-official newspaper Revolution said today the two Americans captured when their plane was shot down Monday will be tried by a revolutionary court.

It said four Cubans arrested at the scene of the incident also will face the revolutionary tribunal in Matanzas.

Rebel army commander Juan Almeida announced that the American fliers were captured "while trying to land for the purpose of taking out of the country as a fugitive from justice, former police commander Damaso Montesino Alvarez, and other persons."

Cuban revolutionary troops shot down the Piper Comanche near the provincial capital of Matanzas. The pilot, Howard L. (Swede) Rundquist of Miami, was wounded in the leg. His co-pilot, W. J. Shergales of West Hollywood, Fla., escaped injury.

Plane Based in Florida

The incident was expected to touch off a new outbreak of violent press and radio attacks on the United States. The plane was based in Florida.

There were reports that Premier Fidel Castro was personally investigating the incident.

The premier was said also to have questioned four Cubans arrested near the scene of the at-

tack on the plane in the belief that they hoped to flee Cuba in

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