

## EATON CELEBRATION WITNESSED BY BIG CROWD OF VISITORS

EATON, Ohio, July 5.—Eaton's Fourth of July celebration drew hundreds of visitors. The crowd probably was the largest since the town celebrated its one hundredth anniversary about 15 years ago. The streets were thronged with celebrators all day and evening. Parking space for automobiles was at a premium far out into the residential sections. The town was elaborately bedecked with the national colors. The celebration passed without an accident.

Features of the day included an industrial parade, band concerts, ball game, free acrobatic and vaudeville stunts, open-air community dances on the street and a display of fireworks.

### Winners of Prizes

Prize winners in the industrial division of the street parade in the forenoon were: First, Lake's drugstore (Chase Derbyshire); second, Spring Brothers company; third, White Star Oil company; fourth, W. O. Gross; fifth, Eikenberry-McFall. In the society division, the Psi Iota Xi won first prize, the Lions' club, second; Preble County Grange, third. The local federal guard company won first prize for the best organization in the parade. The company members bore an immense flag, while the American Legion post carried the county service flag. A number of the attractively decorated floats in the parade received favorable mention.

Following the parade and a band concert, Attorney Con Mattern, of Dayton, delivered a patriotic address from a platform on the courthouse lawn.

### Brookville Wins Game

The ball game in the afternoon was won by Eaton and Brookville and ended in a 6 to 5 victory for Brookville.

Several races of various kinds and other athletic contests, in which children participated, were staged. The streets in the business section were given over to the celebration activities.

The community dance held forth on the paved surface of North Cherry street in the first block north from Main street, Pryor's orchestra providing the music.

The fireworks display was presented at the foot of Barron street, on the hill at the J. E. Bruce home, and marked the close of the celebration.

### Parade Feature

A feature of the parade in the morning was a hand-power fire engine used by the village fire department in 1855. Four members of the fire company at that time—W. H. Stephen, P. M. Garland, Millard Clear and "Bub" Warner—rode on the float carrying the engine. Fire Chief George Shaver led the parade.

The judges of the merits of the floats in the parade were non-residents of Eaton and their names were not given out by the celebration committee.

The celebration was planned and carried through by the Chamber of Commerce, with the following committees in charge: L. G. Reitz, chairman; Joseph Poos, Frank Mitchell, Dr. L. W. Walstrom, Harvey Flory, Harry Sharkey, Ross Foch, C. B. Under and A. R. Raney.

### Is Granted Divorce

Nellie Mendenhall was granted a divorce from Ben Mendenhall by Judge Risinger in common pleas court upon grounds of extreme cruelty and was awarded custody of their three minor children. They had been married nine and a half years.

### Gets Ballot Contract

At its bid of \$22,13, the low bid, the Register-Herald company, Eaton, was awarded the contract for furnishing the ballots for the primary election in Preble county on July 7. The contract calls for 14,500 ballots, more or less.

### Compromise Action

Suit brought in common pleas court by the Washington-Crosby company against Mary Favinger for damages for alleged failure to carry out a contract for a shipment of flour was compromised and dismissed. The company sued for \$1,102.75.

### Attends Convention

County School Superintendent Walter S. Fogarty is in Boston, Mass., attending the sessions of the National Educational Association as one of several delegates representing the Ohio State Teachers' Association in the meeting.

### BLODGETT

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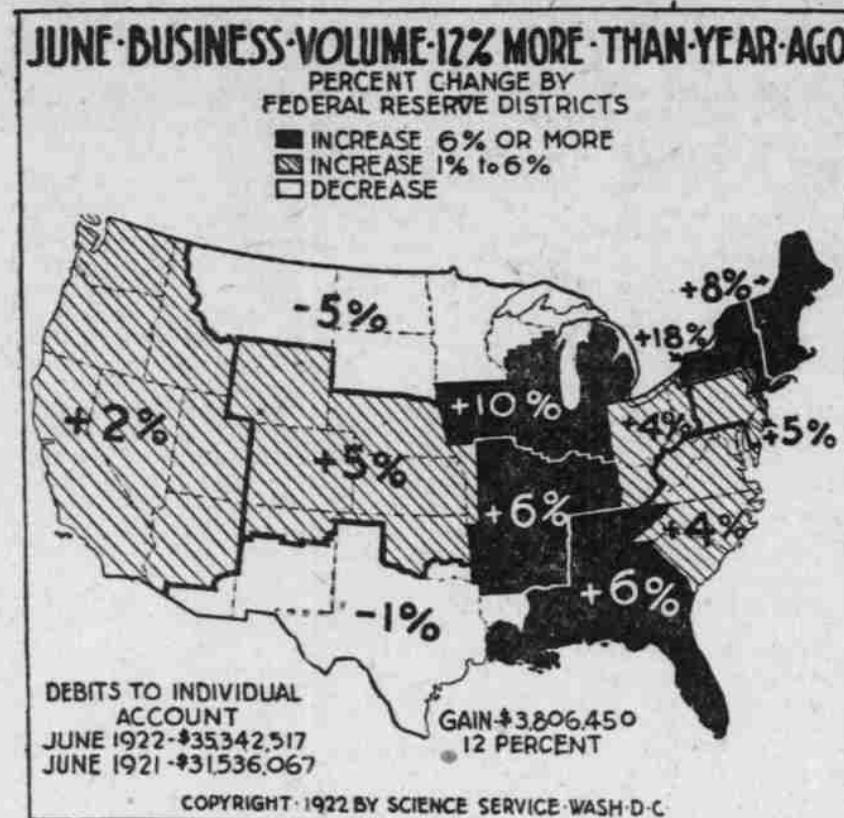
many working people would have lost their homes on which they had made part payments.

For a while Hiatt assisted the reorganization committee and not only turned over his personal property, but told where other property bought with his bank's money could be found.

A security company which was on his bond as an officer of the bank paid in \$5,000, the bond being given to assure the bank against mishandling of its funds by Hiatt as president. Then it was found that an attempt had been made to hold out certain property in the south. But an investigation committee that visited Louisiana and Mississippi found the property, and Hiatt, it is said, admitted that it was bought with Dickinson Trust company money and Hiatt's indictment followed. John F. Robbins, of Indianapolis, and the law firm of Robbins, Reller and Robbins appeared as his attorneys. He was held in \$15,000 bond and his trial probably will take place in the early fall.

### Put Total at \$722,526.05

The indictments allege that the total amount of Hiatt's embezzlement was \$722,526.05. This was the sum that the stockholders made good. From September 26, 1921, to March 7, 1922, when Charles W. Camp, state



Jean at their home near Fairfield yesterday.... The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Clint Bryson was buried here Saturday morning. Services were held at Rosehill, the Bryson home, west of town. Infant was born Friday.... Mr. and Mrs. Burle Chapman and daughter, Miss Isabelle, of Indianapolis, arrived here today to spend the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Crane.... Miss Elmyra Osborne left Wednesday for Indianapolis, where she will visit relatives and friends for a few weeks.... Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Conner of Indianapolis were guests of Mr. Mac Hubbell and family at their farm home, west of town, a part of last week.... Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Melvin and children of Woodlawn spent Sunday with home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woods.... Calvin Osborn of Connerville spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Holder.... Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Conner, Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Conner of Indianapolis took dinner with Miss Elmyra Osborne here today.... Mr. and Mrs. George Hubbell and children were guests Sunday of home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hubbell.... Mr. and Mrs. George Salyers of Connerville were guests Sunday of Miss Elmyra Osborne.... Harry Seeley and Miss Mary Elizabeth Shepard of Pasadena, Cal., were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Verne C. Eckman, in Pasadena, Thursday, June 22. Mrs. Seeley's girlhood days were spent here. She left here last September for Pasadena with her parents.... Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Conner, Mrs. Anna Brookbank and daughter, Miss Freda, Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Conner spent the Fourth along Whitewater picnicking.... Mr. and Mrs. Frank Witt with Mrs. Nettie Ables of Liberty were guests Thursday evening of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Leech and daughter, Miss Malinda.... Mrs. Homer Bruce and baby of Carl spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Anna Powell.... Miss Inez Funk of Everton was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alberg Crawford and daughter Mary Catherine at Maple Grove farm.... Frank Nutty and family, west of town, spent Sunday at College Corner with home folks.... The Missionary society will hold their next meeting with Mrs. George Collyer at her home in Quakertown Thursday afternoon, July 13.... Elmer Templeton and family of near Fairfield, Mr. and Mrs. Will Baker and daughter, Miss Mary Louise of Brookville, took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. George W. Weare Sunday.... Mr. and Mrs. Forest Weers and sons, Cecil and Paul, of Sunny Slope farm were afternoon guests.... Misses Charlotte Bon of Quakertown, Mary Louise Baker of Brookville, Mrs. Anna Brookbank and daughter, Miss Freda motored to Connerville Saturday afternoon.... Mrs. Laura Darter, Mrs. Aquina, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomas and sons of Alpine were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Darter and daughters, Nellie and Corinne, at their farm home evening from Detroit to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Piper.... Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dennis of Hagerstown visited Tuesday and Wednesday with their daughter, Mrs. Harry Jackson.... Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson and daughter Marthetta motored to Liberty Tuesday evening.... Mrs. A. H. Piper received word from Mrs. Ora Short, who is on her way to Washington state, that she was enjoying a wonderful trip.... Mrs. Frazer and children are spending the Fourth of July with her parents in Cincinnati.... Mrs. S. D. Drury has been called again to Richmond on account of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. Hattie Batchfield.... Mrs. Maude Stanford is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Drury.... Mrs. Worthie Williams is seriously ill.... Mrs. Mark Bozworth is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kerton.... Miss Pearl Alvey is visiting relatives in Muncie.

Another southern property that figures in the indictments of Hiatt is known as the Nappance plantation, in Washington county, Mississippi. The records do not disclose how Hiatt became the owner of this plantation or how much money he paid for it. But he traded it to Earl Brewer, former governor of Mississippi, and the consideration of the trade was unknown to the investigation committee or to the grand jury. Hiatt and Brewer, however, formed a corporation for the purpose of operating a chain of stores throughout the southern states. A large issue of \$550,000 to operate these stores was prepared and under the deal between Hiatt and Brewer, Brewer was to float \$150,000 of these bonds with a bank in New Orleans, and when he did this Hiatt would float the other \$400,000, and the Dickinson Trust company funds were to figure in the disposal of the \$400,000 in bonds it is asserted.

### Rejected to Accept

The New Orleans bank refused to accept the \$150,000 of bonds offered by Brewer, and when Brewer failed to float the \$150,000 bonds, Hiatt refused to go on with the \$400,000 Brewer, on March 24, 1922, brought suit in the county court at Clarksville, Miss., against Hiatt, claiming \$250,000 damages and breach of contract for his failure to float the \$400,000 bonds. Under this suit Brewer attached the Cook plantation and also \$10,000 worth of personal property on the Nappance plantation.

It developed in the course of the legal proceedings that Hiatt had transferred the real estate of the Nappance plantation to Brewer, but retained the personal property on the place. Hiatt bought this property and the deed to it was taken in the name of C. L. Peck February 7, 1922. At the time of the purchase, the Maxwell Investment company, of Kansas City, held a trust deed on it for \$50,000 and there was a second mortgage for \$20,000 given by Cook to G. B. McLemore, also of Mississippi.

In obtaining this property from Cook, Hiatt traded in his equity in certain property in Stoney Island avenue, Chicago, and his equity in the Glass Block at Marion, which he had obtained by the use of Dickinson Trust company money, it is alleged. This plantation has been conveyed to Henry C. Starr as trustee for the stockholders of the Dickinson Trust company by Peck.

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### IRISH REPUBLICANS MAKE PILGRIMAGE TO PATRIOT'S GRAVE AFTER DEFEAT



Gen. Rory O'Connor talking with Countess Plunkett and Gen. Oscar Traymore at the grave of Wolfe Tone in County Kildare.

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Mrs. James Ambrose is visiting her daughter in Cincinnati this week.... Mr. and Mrs. John Cory of Muncie are spending the Fourth of July with their daughter, Mrs. Clifford Alvey.... The Young People's Ewbank league will hold a meeting at the M. E. church Tuesday evening.

### CONNERSVILLE TRAFFIC COPS GETTING RESULTS

CONNERSVILLE, Ind., July 5.—Inauguration of the motorcycle patrol in Connerville already is showing results in more careful driving and observance of traffic regulations, officials declare. One arrest was made Sunday of Archie Peckinpaugh, Newcastle, for exceeding the speed limit. He was released on his promise to appear for trial Wednesday morning.

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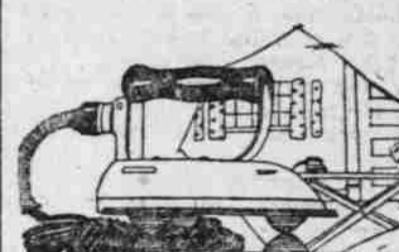
### DUBLIN SUBSCRIPTION COMMITTEE IS CHOSEN

(Special to The Palladium)  
DUBLIN, Ind., July 5.—A subscription committee of three, Riley Laymon, Will E. Floyd and Ed Morgan, was appointed by the Dublin Free Fair association committee, Monday evening. Miss Florence Knute's appointment as superintendent of the art department also was announced.

The women's departments of the fair are expected to be larger than ever this year, the women's committees having found it necessary to enlarge the accommodations to take care of all exhibits that have been promised. In addition to the usual displays, several unusual exhibits never seen before have been promised. It is expected that the baby show this year will be sponsored by the Mother's club.

Another meeting of the association will be held Monday evening, July 10.

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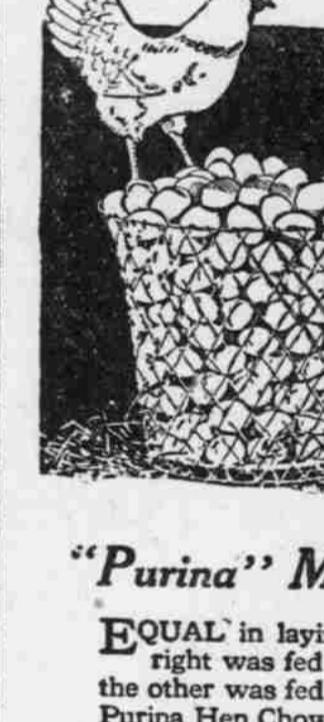
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