

## Farmers To Stage Big Demonstration 4th

### PROGRAM IS UNUSUAL ONE

#### Big Affair Will Be Held At Chautauqua Park In Lincoln

Farmers of Logan county will stage a mammoth dedication and demonstration Fourth of July and the general public is invited to participate. The emancipation program sponsored by the Logan County Farm Bureau in co-operation with a state wide celebration backed by the Illinois Agricultural Association will be held at Lincoln Chautauqua.

A great parade in which featuring the 'Dinner Bell', 'club', 'Organization', 'Honest Dealer' and 'Taxation' with every Farm Bureau member driving his car in which every one of his family will ride, will be the main attraction of the morning program. The parade will form on Broadway at the high school building and will move through the business district at 11 a. m.

Following the picnic dinner at Chautauqua grounds at noon a rally will be held in the auditorium where Oscar D. Brissenden, former head farmer of the Lincoln School and Colony farm, and now the organization department of the I. A. A., will speak.

Band concerts will be given morning and afternoon by the Logan Legion band under the direction of Paul Merry.

Another feature of the afternoon program will be the burning of effigies of the enemies of organized agriculture.

Sports and contests for the boys and girls as well as other special features for entertainment of the grown-ups will be arranged.

Falling on the 20th anniversary of the Farm Bureau in Illinois the program will be a militant demonstration of the agriculture, on which prosperity of the nation depends.

The Logan County Farm Bureau was organized 14 years ago and since 1918 it has continued to increase its services to the community.

Following is the tentative program:

**Morning Program**

9:00—Registration for prizes

new members and Farm Bureau members in good standing; (b) children of Farm Bureau members in good standing and 4-H club members.

9:30—Sports and contests

10:00—Music by Logan Legion band.

10:30—Lineup for parade at Chautauqua.

11:00—Grand parade. Floats, organizations and bands.

**Afternoon Program**

12:15—Picnic dinner at Chautauqua.

1:15—Music by band.

2:00—Invocation.

2:15—Address by O. D. Brissenden, I. A. A. speaker.

2:45—Burning in effigy of the enemies of organized agriculture: Unfaithful Public Servants—Unpaid Taxes—Low Prices—Poisonous Propaganda—Enemies of Co-operation—Old Man Indifference.

3:15—Awarding of prizes.

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Prizes—McCormick Reaping Machine; 34 piece Community silver; and a bicycle.

**Getting Ready For Band Chicken Fry**

The "Simonize Twins" have brooded again. This time it isn't their chickens. No, not the kind that wear fashions latest decrees, feathers.

The boys are getting ready for their annual band chicken fry and to supply the chickens that it is necessary to buy besides those donated each year, they have purchased 400 baby chicks.

After two weeks of intensive feeding with hoppers made by their own little hands; electric lights burning all night long so that the chicks will be more mash; the White Rock offerings to be sacrificed to a hungry public this fall, are growing by leaps and bounds.

Art and Zim are loyal band boosters and they are taking this measure of building a bigger and better band. At present, with this addition, the band personnel numbers 412, not having the courage to face the fall slaughter.

Father McGinn of Lincoln and other Lane of Elkhart were calling members of their congregation on Friday.

#### HAVE YOU?

Ben Ely is telling around town that he never saw a "bill poster hung." He hasn't anything on us—we have never seen a bank clerk hung—BUT?

### Atlanta Bank Is Again Held Up

For the second time within less than a year the Atlanta National bank has been held up. The second holdup taking place yesterday about noon netted the robbers over \$4,000 while the first one was unsuccessful.

Twenty minutes before the bank was scheduled to close for the noon hour two men stepped into the bank and one of them asked James Ash to change a \$5 bill. Ash complied and then the pair drew revolvers with orders to Ash, Hoblit and Miss Welch to lie face down on the floor. All cash in the vault and counters was scooped into a paper shopping bag. While the robbery was going on William Hieronymous, former town marshal, stepped into the bank and was forced to lie down behind the counter.

The bank employees and Hieronymous were given the choice of remaining quietly five minutes on the floor or being locked in the vault and they chose the former. The bandits were seen entering the old car by Harold Wiseman, cashier, who was returning to the bank from the Gilbert store, where he had gone a few minutes before the robbery.

The alarm was quickly spread. A posse hastily gathered and set out after the bandits. The officers at Lincoln were notified and Deputy Sheriffs William Schaffnacker, Edward McGough, C. Hieronymous, Chief of Police Martin Dougherty and a number of bank guards responded to the call.

The bandit car drove east out of town closely pursued.

Neither of the bandits was masked although one had a piece of black tape across his nose. Both were thought to be about 35 years old, one rather short and chunky and the other tall and slim faced. The three men gave chase a few minutes after the bandits left the bank and followed the bandits in a large car which they entered after abandoning the Ford coupe. The robbers zigzagged through the country roads and struck state Route 120 at Hallville where the bank men lost the trail. However, Ash and his companion followed on into Clinton and Decatur.

At times the Atlanta men were within a quarter of a mile of the bandit car and in passing the abandoned car saw the tracks of the large auto where it had rushed to a halt to take on the two men who held up the bank. Despite the close pursuit the bandits made their escape.

The bank is the same one that was held up during the noon hour Oct. 10, 1931, by two bandits who fled without any loot when one going into the vault saw his own reflection in a full length mirror and fired believing that an armed man was standing in the rear of the bank ready to shoot. Ash and Miss Welch were on duty at the time of the holdup also. The pair escaped in a car driven by a third man and they also abandoned the car, transferred to another and escaped.

The Riess Construction Co., is now making good progress with the excavating for the viaduct for route 121 under the Illinois Central railroad tracks at the foot of East Cook St. Labor troubles of some kind developed among the truck drivers late last week which resulted in all of them quitting the job consequently holding up the work for a couple of days, but with the new line of trucks including three waterpillar tractors with trailers capable of hauling 7 or 8 yards of dirt at a load, an immense amount of dirt has been moved since Tuesday.

### Grading Work Is Under Full Swing

Strutting about 100 yards north of the railroad tracks, the steam shovel has reached a point within a few feet of the railroad right-of-way, but considerable excavating still remains to be done on the north end of the gorge.

Grading has been about completed on the north end of this connecting link of route 121 around Mt. Pulaski. The grader began work this Thursday morning south of the railroad.

Robert Sheets and Al of Lincoln were business visitors here Friday.

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### Kitten League Going Strong

#### Kitten Ball is Proving A Lot of Fun For Players

In one of the tightest games of the present kitten ball season Friday evening, the Ramblers took a fall out of the Merchants by a score of 6 to 1.

The score is no indication of the speed of the game and after it was over one wondered how the score could have shown so much difference as a number of innings resulted in a one, two, three up and out. The Ramblers took the lead in the first inning with Romer scoring on a home run. No more scoring was done until the fifth when Dillsaver smashed out a homer and Preacher Staley smashed out a hit scoring Duff, who was roosting on second as the result of a two bagger. Romer and McVey and Potter scored three more in the sixth on two hits and an error.

The Merchants threatened at times during the game but it was not until the seventh when they pushed a run across the plate, B. Aitchison hitting safely and scoring on a hit by McVey. Romer pitching for the Ramblers turned in his usual good hurling exhibition. Woodrum laboring for the Merchants, pitched a steady game but got a few bad breaks that hastened his departure in the latter innings.

The complete schedule of the Kitten ball league for the next four weeks is as follows:

Tuesday, July 5—Mechanics vs. Hashslingers.

Wednesday, July 6—Truckers vs. Merchants.

Thursday, July 7—Ramblers vs. Butchers.

Tuesday, July 12—Merchants vs. Ramblers.

Wednesday, July 13—Butchers vs. Hashslingers.

Thursday, July 14—Truckers vs. Mechanics.

Tuesday, July 19—Hashslingers vs. Merchants.

Wednesday, July 20—Butchers vs. Truckers.

Thursday, July 21—Mechanics vs. Ramblers.

Tuesday, July 26—Butchers vs. Merchants.

Wednesday, July 27—Truckers vs. Ramblers.

Thursday, July 28—Mechanics vs. Hashslingers.

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