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J. H. HELLER, Manager.

HE SHOULD KNEEL IN PRAYER

We are in receipt of the Goshen News-Times in which formal announcement is made of the candidacy of Hon. Charles W. Miller for the Republican nomination for governor. His official and party pedigree follows:

His first recognition came to him in 1888 when he was elected mayor of Goshen, having the distinction at that time of being the youngest mayor in the state. He has been a delegate to all the Republican state conventions since 1882 and was a delegate to the Republican national convention that nominated Benjamin Harrison for the presidency in 1892. His first recognition on the state ticket was in 1896, when without any previous arrangement his name was sprung upon the convention for presidential elector at large, resulting in his unanimous nomination. There was no occasion in such capacity for him to show unusual strength as a vote getter other than his personal popularity, yet this element whenever he has been a candidate caused him to lead his ticket in the Thirteenth district, which has been his home since January, 1885; in Floyd county, where he was born February 4, 1863 and grew to manhood; in Clark county, where he taught school; in Hancock county, where he practiced law after his graduation from the law department of the University of Michigan in 1884 and before he located in Goshen—showing that wherever he had lived he was stronger than his party ticket.

The former attorney general is popular with his party in this part of Democratic Indiana, and it is quite probable that he will be played as the favorite. Additional strength is given him and his ambitions because of the fact that up to this time at least, he has not been identified with that notorious Fairbanks' machine. Whether his failure to train with this element was from choice or their refusal to admit him to the inner circles, is not a matter of public knowledge. At any rate, he should not permit a night to pass without kneeling and with reverence give expression of thankfulness for his escape from the chilly atmosphere that encircles the only living iceberg that is fostered within the borders of the good old Hoosier state.

The city of Portland, on Friday night for the first time tried the experiment of placing oil on the city streets to keep down the dust. South Meridian street which was graded and prepared for the test by street commissioner Whitman, was given a good sprinkling during the early part of the evening. The results will be apparent after the travel of a couple days. If it is successful other streets will be given similar treatment. There was at first some objections to the work by some of the residents along the street, on account of the odor of the oil, but these are expected to vanish as soon as the good accomplished is manifest.—Portland Review.

The campaign in Kentucky this year will be one of unusual interest. The prohibition question will cut quite a figure. For the first time in the history of the state the Democrats have practically committed themselves to the abolition of the saloon. The Republicans occupy a somewhat equivocal attitude on that issue, playing a sort of fast and loose policy. This may prove a two-edged sword. A good deal of shelling up in politics has been going on in that commonwealth during the past few years.—South Bend Times.

WE ARE LEADERS

Box Score of Yesterday's Battle

BEHRINGER'S HITTING FEATURE

Locals Put Hunt Out in the Fifth—

Richmond Loses to Kokomo and

Bluffton to Van Wert.

GAMES TODAY.

Richmond at Decatur.

Kokomo at Bluffton.

Portland at Van Wert.

RESULTS YESTERDAY.

Decatur 11; Portland 2.

Van Wert 4; Bluffton 3.

Kokomo 10; Richmond 3.

STANDING.

Won. Lost. Pct.

Decatur20 15 .571

Richmond19 16 .543

Portland17 16 .515

Kokomo18 17 .514

Van Wert15 18 .454

Bluffton14 21 .400

In one of the greatest batting bees enjoyed by Decatur champs was the last game at Portland. With Mose Krohn on the bench and chief rooters Mr. and Mrs. Studabaker in the grandstand at 10:15, the Decaturites started to maul the ball. Louis Hunt was on the slab, but his curves did not seem to break right, so his outfielders were run ragged. Manager Hunt took his ownself out of the box and put in Gray. There was very small crowd, and those there did not enjoy it. All the hammers throwers left in the seventh inning and went home to tune up their anvils. So rooters, please assist us in our race for the pennant and do not join the anvil chorus. Hoping you will assist us we still remain the same Decatur Champs.

Decatur.										
	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
Cullen, 3d	6	1	2	3	2	0				
Pierce, rf	5	1	2	0	0	0				
Witham, 1b	4	1	2	13	1	0				
Burns, lf	4	1	1	1	0	0				
Wallace, ss	4	1	1	0	3	1				
Behringer, 2b	4	3	4	2	3	0				
Johnson, cf	5	2	3	3	0	0				
Quinn, c	4	0	1	4	1	0				
Laxon, p	5	1	1	1	1	1				
Totals	40	11	17	27	11	2				

Portland.										
	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
Parke, 2b	5	0	1	3	1	0				
J. Brambigh, 3b	4	0	1	3	1	0				
Gray, lf-p	4	0	1	0	3	0				
Durham, cf	3	1	2	2	0	0				
Carmony, 1b	4	0	0	11	1	1				
Brambaugh, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0				
Harmes, c	4	1	0	6	1	0				
Thomas, ss	2	0	0	1	2	0				
Hunt, p	2	0	0	0	1	3				
Wagner, lf	2	0	1	1	0	0				
Totals	34	2	6	27	10	4				

Summary:
Two base hits—Behringer, Cullen, Witham, Parker, Johnson 2. Home run—Durham. Three base hit—Johnson.

NOTES.

The locals lost the first game of the Kokomo series Tuesday afternoon by loose playing after Pitcher Brown of the visitors had presented the contest to us on a silver platter. Cole was in the box for the locals and was as wild as a Pittsburgh millionaire but at that he held Kokomo well in hand for nine innings and would have got away with another victory had it not been for his poor support.—Richmond Palladium.

After Richmond's double defeat Monday the Richmond Star, in speaking of the Bluffton team, says: "There is no denying that the base ball ability of the Scrappers was underestimated. Their slow start early in the season alone prevented their being in a better place in the league race today. At that they cannot be held down the ladder long, if they devote themselves more to base ball and less to pugilism."

Manager Frazee of the Dunkirk ball team would like to arrange games with good, fast teams to be played after September 15. Immediately after the close of the season of the I-O. league the bunch will return. The lineup will be as follows: Wolfe, catcher; Stewart, shortstop; Willis or Betz, first baseman; Perdrie, second baseman; third baseman; Campbell, center fielder; Hall, right fielder. Carmichael left fielder and pitcher; Romine and Hay, pitchers.

Pearl Mallicoat, who went from Frankfort to Cedar Rapids team in the Three-I league reached home on Tuesday, he being threatened with

an attack of appendicitis. He went on to his home at Hillsburg, where, if it becomes necessary, he will undergo an operation. Mallicoat was sent home by Manager Hill on full pay for the remainder of the season and is to report back there next year.—Frankfort Crescent.

Decatur is elated over Van Wert's victories at Fort Wayne. Decatur holds a very pronounced grudge against Umpire Connell and seems to be unable to forget it.—Van Wert Bulletin.

Manager Holthouse, of Decatur, upon receipt of the news of the injury to Captain Wolfe, immediately called the Van Wert management and offered the loan of one of his catchers to bridge over the emergency.—Van Wert Bulletin.

President Kling has ruled that the Labor Day games played between Indiana-Ohio league teams shall be counted in the percentage column. It was understood that the games would not be reckoned because Van Wert and Portland were playing independently, but the ruling hand has decided that they shall be taken into account.—Van Wert Bulletin.

Manager Cleary, of the Fort Wayne Shamrocks, has bobbed up with a smile and is again working energetically for the success of his team. He has discovered that some time ago, years ago in fact, the Shamrocks fell before a Michigan team to the tune of twenty-two to naught, which beats Van Wert's record by one run.—Van Wert Bulletin.

The Van Wert team passed through our city this morning enroute to Portland, where they play two games. Van Wert is now playing a snappy game, and will give the Portlandites some trouble.

The team returned last evening from Portland, where we captured two games from the Jay Birds, and practically put them out of the running. The boys tackle the scrappy Quakers today and Friday and here's hoping we take the two for they mean a great deal at this time.

Kokomo is making a wonderful spurt in the I-O. league at present and are now only one per cent behind Portland for third place. They are playing at Bluffton today and here's hoping that Bluffton takes the two.

The bragging, blustering Fort Wayne papers are laying low at present and are saying nothing concerning the chesty Shamrocks, who were so unmercifully beaten by Van Wert on Monday. The Shamrocks may be world beaters, but they have no business tackling the I-O. leaguers, especially if they desire to retain their reputation.

A PAIR OF COUNTRY KIDS.

In these strenuous days of frenzied finance and constant hustle it is a pleasure to go to the theater and see a first class up to date play, a company of real actors that can act, sing and dance, all surrounded with art from the scenic artist to take us back to the country and the real old fashioned folks of the farms and villages. To see all this without buffoonery, noisy farce and vulgar cheap specialties is surely an inducement for any one of us to go and spend an evening where we can for the time forget our every day struggle. Such a treat is in store for our theater-goers in the appearance of "A Pair of Country Kids" at the Bosse opera house Monday, September 9. Manager Bosse, from all reports received of this attraction, can guarantee all promises will be filled to the letter. C. Jay Smith, the manager, is keeping faith with the public from all reports, and to all lovers of the rural drama, this is an opportunity to see the best and one that is entirely different from all others.

Schmuck and Miller have a film for tonight's show that represents the strongest subject that he ever been shown at the electric theater. The children's reformatory is the title and the motion pictures show a little boy whose mother has died and he is thrown out in the world. He tries to beg something to eat and when he cannot get it in this manner he is compelled to steal bread to keep from starving. He is arrested and taken and taken to the children's reformatory and finally makes his escape. He is pursued and captured but before being taken back, polished gentleman makes a proposition to the officers that he will adopt the boy which he does and makes a cultured and refined boy out of him. Many morals, don't miss it.

A number of Decatur people attended the Charles Miller sale, on the Judge Erwin farm northwest of town today.

DEBT IS REDUCED

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equipped city plants in the state of Indiana, and one that will not need any improvement for a number of years to come. The report in full as given by Treasurer Archbold is as follows:

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.
Water works bonds.....\$ 16,000
North Ward school bldg..... 6,500
South Ward school bldg..... 12,000
City bonds 49,000
Floating orders 24,135

Total\$107,635
Unpaid ½ judgments 2,152
Unpaid amt. on Elm St. sewer 620

Amount on hand in special street and sewer fund..... 945

\$109,462

Total amount of indebtedness when present council went in, \$123,950.

Amount of reduction made by present council, \$13,488.

The above statement alone shows that the citizens have a just right to place much confidence in the present administration and the coming year may see the indebtedness reduced to far below the one hundred thousand dollar mark. Let us give credit to whom credit is due.

ARE AFTER VILE POSTALS.

Inspector Gathers Them Up When He Finds Them.

"If any one in Portland should receive a postal card or literature of such vile or obscene nature as to be disgusting, it is their right to appeal to the proper authorities. The postal inspectors will take up the complaint on their arrival in the city and trace the objectionable matter to its source if the case warrants arrest, the guilty will be brought to justice as quickly as possible." So declared Postmaster A. J. Frost.

Since the law against obscene post cards and literature went into effect very few cards have been taken from the mail and destroyed at the local office. As a rule the inspector is careful to go through the stock of dealers in search of this kind of stuff. Local dealers in post cards carry legitimate stock.

All questionable cards or literature are turned over to the postmaster for his consideration. Some of the other offices, especially the larger ones, and to a great extent the New York office, are lax in their inspection of such cards. Cards that would immediately be tabooed if sent from this office, go through the larger offices. The postmaster at this office allows them to continue on their journey. France furnishes more of this kind of mail than any other country. The French cards are especially vile, and tabooed. Dealers obtain large quantities of cards and reap large profits as long as they are successful in avoiding the law.

In the larger cities societies are organized for the purpose of preventing the distribution of such mail. Many a dealer has suffered on account of their efforts. Recently thousands of such cards have been destroyed. In case the dealer is guilty, large fines and in some instances imprisonment are provided for by the law.—Portland Commercial-Review.

Greyhound's Historic Lineage. The Eastern greyhound has been from time immemorial the hunting dog of the Eastern plains, and, making allowances for the artistic attainments of those early periods, we find representations of him which are almost identical with the dogs of to-day on the monuments and tombs of ancient Egypt.

Flags on English Schools. In some parts of England the practice prevails of displaying a flag from a schoolhouse roof when every pupil is present. The children take great pride in this and the rivalry between schools is found to improve the attendance.

A Pittsburg Suggestion. Inasmuch as there is a law against carrying concealed weapons, it is up to the gent's furnishing stores, while the burglar panic is on, to stock up with something neat in the way of gun and "razzah" belts.—Pittsburg Gazette.

Raisin Grapes. Raisins are dark in color, but they are made from white grapes. Drying browns and blackens the fruit. The favorite raisin grape is the same grape which comes from Spain packed in cork. It is grown in vast quantities in California.

Chili Employs Angling Expert. To teach Chilean boys how to fish with line or net, Mr. Peter Smith, a young fisherman, of Buckle, Scotland, has been appointed by the Chilean government for a period of three years.

NOTICE TO BEN HURS.

All members are requested to attend on Friday evening. Business of importance will be discussed. Ladies drill team and regular degree team are urged to be present for drill practice.
L. L. BAUMGARTNER, Chief.

CARD OF THANKS.

With gratitude and appreciation, I feel it my duty in this way to thank the kind neighbors and friends, who so lovingly assisted during the sickness and burial of my beloved companion and also for the many beautiful floral offerings presented by the friends, and especially those presented by the G. A. R. and the Ladies Aid Society and those presented by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Laman and daughters, of Delphos, Ohio, which was beautiful and profuse, and may the all wise father, the creator of all, bless and abundantly reward you all for your expression of sympathy.

Sincerely, Mrs. D. R. Reckard.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

Reported by the Decatur Abstract and Loan Company. Money to Loan on farms and city property at lowest rates of interest with privilege of partial payments. Abstracts of title carefully and neatly prepared.

Uriah Grim to Mary Draper, lots 17-18 Williams, \$130.

Robert Simison to G. Adler part section 3, Hartford township, \$100.

Hugh Wormcastle to Ed S. Johnson, part lots 689, 690, 691, Decatur, \$850.

Mary Eckrote to Jno. W. Craig, lot 221, Berne, \$2,100.

Sarah Hammill to Krick, Tyndall and Co., part section 10, Washington township, \$1,000.

Samuel Steele to Geo. C. McAlhany part section 17, Blue Creek township, \$400.

Marion F. Parrish to Chas. Case, part lot 78, Decatur, \$900.

Henry Hite to John B. Miller, inlot 2, Decatur, \$250.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

DECATUR INDIANA
CAPITAL \$100,000
SURPLUS \$20,000

INTEREST PAID ON DEPOSITS

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

Notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of August, 1907, the Common Council of the city of Decatur, Indiana, adopted a resolution declaring it was necessary to improve the east side of Second street by building and constructing a good cement sidewalk, commencing at the northwest corner of inlot number 48 in the original plat of the town now city of Decatur, Indiana, as the same is designated on the original plat of the town now city of Decatur, Indiana, said walk to be built running south to Jefferson street in said city to be 13 feet wide, and from the north line of Jefferson street to the north line of Adams street 6 feet wide from the north line of Adams street south to Winchester street to the Chicago and Erie railroad tracks, 5 feet wide. Also on the west side of Second street in said city, commencing about 50 feet south of the northeast corner of inlot number 64 in the original plat of the town now city of Decatur, thence south to Jefferson street to be 13 feet wide, from Jefferson street south to Adams street to be 6 feet wide and from Adams street south along Winchester street to the Chicago and Erie railroad tracks to be 5 feet wide, according to the plans and specifications now on file in the office of the city clerk of said city, and said council sets and fixes the council chambers of said city where they will hear all persons whose property will be affected by the proposed improvement at 7 o'clock p. m. on the 24th day of September, 1907.

CARL O. FRANCE, City Clerk.

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Thursday and Friday

September 5 and 6

Bluffton vs Decatur

Saturday and Sunday

September 7 and 8

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