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A REDUCTION IN THE COUNTY LEVY

A reduction of over twenty cents on each one hundred dollars valuation in the county levy is a matter worthy of notice and commendation. Next year's levy for county purposes, and that includes bridges and a multitude of miscellaneous expenses, is but twenty-nine and thirteen-hundredths cents. Other good news is the fact that the bonded and outstanding indebtedness of Adams county is but twenty-six thousand dollars, and in three years this debt will be wiped from the board. This includes the county infirmity bonds, the last public building erected by the county. So, while throwing bouquets at the city officials, we feel that honors shall be equally divided between the guardians of both city and county. The commissioners are progressive, yet judicious in the expenditure of the people's money.

Nothing better could happen to the newspaper fraternity of Indiana than the general application of the merger policy recently exemplified at Anderson. There are entirely too many newspapers printed in Indiana. Those for which there is no adequate field should pass out of existence or be merged into the stronger publications. As a matter of fact they are of no benefit to the places and can't possibly bring their publishers any substantial reward. Persistence in maintaining such papers is a mere waste of time. A publisher who is content with that sort of "recompense" for his labors can hardly be considered a fac-

tor of an enterprising community. During the present prosperous condition of the country every person ought to seek a field of operations that is remunerative.—South Bend Times.

DECATUR'S CHURCHES

ST. MARYS CHURCH.
First Mass at 7 o'clock Standard time.
Second Mass at 9 o'clock Standard time.
Vespers at 6:30 o'clock Standard time.

ZION LUTHERAN.
German services at Zion's Lutheran church, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. Bauer will preach.

GERMAN REFORMED.
Sunday school at 9:30. Lesson, The Brazen Serpent. Num. 21:1-9.
German service at 10:30. Text, Jer. 28:13. "Thus saith the Lord, Thou hast broken the yokes of wood, but thou shalt make for them yokes of iron."
Christian Endeavor Society meets at 6:45. Evening service will be conducted in English.
We cordially invite friends and strangers to attend our services.
Louis C. Hessert, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Rev. Bennett, of Muncie, will conduct services and preach at the Christian church Sunday morning and evening. All are cordially invited to attend.

M. E. CHURCH.
Dr. C. B. Wilcox, Pastor.
Sunday school 9:15 a. m. John Vail, superintendent. Morning sermon 10:30 a. m. Epworth league, 6:30 p. m. Evening sermon, 7:30 p. m.
You are cordially invited to all our services.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH.
Sunday school at 9:15. A. Van Camp, superintendent. Morning worship at 10:30. Subject, "Taking possession." Young People's Alliance at 7:00. Evening services at 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended to all these services.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH.
(Cor. Madison and Ninth Sts.)
Sunday school at 9:15. Class meeting at 10:30. Y. P. C. U. at 6:30. Sermon at 7:30.
This is the last Sunday of the conference year, which has been one of
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WON THE GAME

Decatur Champs There with the Goods

NEW PITCHER IS ALL RIGHT

"Rasty" Witham Hit the Ball Until He Was Ashamed—The Quakers Not in It.

GAMES TODAY.
Bluffton at Decatur.
Van Wert at Richmond.
Kokomo at Portland.
RESULTS YESTERDAY.
Decatur 8; Richmond 2.
Portland 10; Van Wert 2.
Kokomo 4; Bluffton 2.

STANDING.			
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Decatur	21	16	.568
Richmond	20	17	.541
Portland	18	17	.514
Kokomo	19	18	.514
Van Wert	16	19	.457
Bluffton	15	22	.405

The mighty Quakers, who have been bayed by President Kling to the extent of forfeited games and choice umpires so that they might stay in the lead in the Indiana-Ohio league, were given a drubbing yesterday that Crab Jessup and his gang of rowdies will remember for some time to come, and as a result the locals are again entrenched in first place by the margin of a half game, while the Quakers are now in second place. Richardson a new man signed some time ago by the local management, was set into the box to face the Quakers and defeat them, and how well he succeeded is designated by the official score, although hit quite freely. Richardson was steady throughout and in the thickest of the battle seemed to be the coolest one there and in pinches he was invincible. Eleven hits were secured off his delivery, but these he kept so widely scattered that they proved useless to the visitors, except in the third inning, when they bunched three of them and secured two runs. Cole, the Ohio State university pitcher, was sent to the mound by Jessup, and was touched up for a total of fourteen hits and eight runs, and at no time was he a puzzle to the locals. Witham, the light-haired wonder from Chubbuck, was the hero with the big stick, and every time he faced Cole he hit safely and was credited with a perfect record. His record being a home run, two two base hits, and two bingles, not bad was it? The fielding behind Richardson was all that could be asked for by any pitcher, and his teammates helped him considerable in receiving his first victory in the I.O. league. Manager Jessup wanted this game badly, as he figured this would put him so far in the lead that he couldn't be beaten as he finishes the rest of the season at home, where he can run things to suit himself and force the umpires to do his bidding. The box score tells the whole tale.

Decatur.									
	AB	R	H	PO	A	E			
Cullen, 3b	3	1	0	1	1	0			
Pierce, rf	5	2	3	3	0	0			
Witham, 1b	5	2	5	9	0	0			
Burns, lf	4	0	1	1	0	0			
Wallace, ss	5	0	1	0	3	0			
Behringer, 2b	3	2	2	5	4	0			
Johnson, cf	3	0	0	3	1	1			
Quinn, c	4	0	1	5	0	0			
Richardson, p	4	1	2	0	0	0			
Totals	36	8	15	27	9	1			

Richmond.									
	AB	R	H	PO	A	E			
Ritter, lf	5	0	0	2	0	1			
Jessup, c	5	0	1	5	0	0			
Weaver, cf	5	1	3	4	0	0			
Carlin, ss	4	1	1	1	4	0			
Hick, 1b	4	0	1	8	0	0			
Mintzler, 2b	4	0	2	4	4	0			
Gardner, rf	4	0	2	0	6	0			
Fisher, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	1			
Cole, p	3	0	1	0	3	0			
Totals	37	2	11	24	12	2			

Richmond.....0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0-2
Decatur.....2 2 1 1 0 1 1 0 x-8

Summary:
Two base hits—Burns, Weaver 2.
Hicks, Witham 2. Home run—Witham. Base on balls—Off Richardson 1; off Cole 3. Struck out—By Richardson 4; Cole 4. Left on bases—Decatur 8; Richmond 7. Double plays—Johnson to Behringer; Mintzler to Carlin to Hicks. Hit by pitcher—Fisher. Stolen bases—Wallace, Behringer, Johnson, Jessup. Sacrifice hits—Cullen, Burns. Time of game—1:35. Umpire—Arundel.

BASE BALL NOTES.

Guess Witham had a bad day at bat five times up five hits, including a home run and two two base hits and two singles. Everything that Cole

pitched looked like a straight ball to Rasty and was always rapped for a clean hit. Rasty also played that first sack some.

Richardson pitched a nice game and seems to be cool in pinches. He kept the hits well scattered and struck out several men in pinches. He also hit at a five hundred clip. From all appearances Richardson will do.
The Bluffton team arrived today for two games and there will be something doing between the old rivals.

"Goodie" Henderson, who starred with Decatur last year, and who has been playing with Winnipeg, where he made good, will play with Garret next Sunday at Fort Wayne.

Postmaster Gamble received a letter from Mrs. Stewart, wife of the Van Wert shortstop who was so seriously injured in the Fort Wayne game Monday, to the effect that he is much better and that the attending physicians have given strong hope for his complete recovery. In this letter Stewart sent his wishes for Van Wert's success and insisted upon being given information concerning the team's work.—Van Wert Bulletin.

The Bluffton team, Manager Runyan announced today, will probably play six or seven games after the league closes on Sept. 15. Bluffton plays at Huntington, playing the top-notchers of the Wabash Valley league Sept. 16 and 22 at Huntington and it is the intention to play two games with Ossian the week after the league closes, one here and one at Ossian. An effort will be made to book Van Wert for two games here the same week. Whether the week's game will be played under the management or by the team itself with the latter splitting the gate receipts, has not been decided.—Bluffton News.

Harry Niles, the St. Louis Browns' best hitter, says that in addition to having a good eye a batter must have courage and not flinch when the ball comes whizzing over the plate. "Always get your base on balls if possible," he says. "Don't swing at the ball just for the pleasure of hitting it. If it doesn't come right for you to hit it let it go. A base on balls helps as much as a hit in starting off. The main idea in batting, that is, to help toward victory, is to get to first base, no matter how. With men on bases it is time to hit, but even then do not fail to take a base on balls if you can get it. The next batter is good enough to be depended upon. If he isn't he ought not to be on the team."

In behalf of Dunkirk, late independent champions, Manager Frazee has issued a grandstand challenge to the pennant winners in the I.O. league, which the aforesaid pennant winners will probably not take seriously. It is for a post-season series for a padded side bet.—Richmond Item.

"Elephantine" Durham was on the rubber for Portland at the opening of the Van Wert game, yesterday, presumable to make the humiliation of Romaine the more complete when Portland won the game. Van Wert promptly knocked Durham out and took good care of Captain Hunt who succeeded him.—Van Wert Bulletin.

There is no getting away from the fact that the Quakers need at least one more good strong pitcher in whom the players can place confidence, and who can supply the needed strength in this department for a strenuous windup. Otherwise it seems that the team must depend altogether on their fast fielding, which has been conspicuous at times, and take chances on luck permitting them to score more runs than their opponents with fewer hits. It is reported that Gene Moore had departed for the brush in Oklahoma.—Richmond Item.

Patsy has the tenacity of a bull dog. He took a throw at second bag on a force and fell as he caught the ball but he kept a foot on the bag and rooted up half the lot with his head and shoulders rather than take his foot off that bag. And the story ends as all stories should. He retired the runner.—Bluffton News.

Mrs. B. O. Amerine returned to her home at Craigville this morning after visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barnhart for some time.

Excursion rates Great Fort Wayne fair Sept. 17 to 21.

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Most Wonderful Window Exhibit Ever in Decatur

Our National Capitol Building--IN SOAP

Thousands of cakes of ROYAL CUTICLE SOAP used in constructing it. A display that is particularly interesting because it shows our U. S. Capitol Building in Washington—not as hundreds of Decaturites have already seen it—but as it will appear in 1911, with the proposed additions and improvements. It is an architectural wonder, exhibiting the front elevation, the mammoth Arch of Triumph, with its ornamental Columns of Liberty and a Chariot of Progress. The vast hall, flanked with smaller halls, running through the entire center of the building, is shown with wonderful exactness; and in all the various intricacies of architecture and adornment which distinguish this beautiful building are faithfully portrayed. This has been executed with one great purpose in view—to make you acquainted with the ROYAL CUTICLE SOAP, of which this building has been entirely modeled and for which this store has been appointed Decatur agent. The soap is famous elsewhere, but has never before been sold in Decatur under its present name—altho a soap made from the same formula is sold everywhere under another trademark at 25 cents a cake. The ROYAL CUTICLE SOAP is the cleanest, softest and most soothing soap you could put on your hands or face. You should get a dozen cakes at least, at the introductory price which we will make for a short time, while the exhibit is in our window. CAKE—5c. The price is positively the lowest ever named for such a grade of toilet soap—60 cents a dozen. For know you that this is no ordinary cheap toilet soap, but a healer of skin diseases, being made from oil extracted from the "squill" plant, famous for its healing and curative power. To stimulate rapid buying we offer with the purchase of each cake of soap the privilege of making one estimate as to the number of cakes of soap used in the reproduction of the Capitol Building, for the next thirty days, and to the one giving the nearest estimate will be given a LAMP, second a BERRY SET and third a large DOLL. An inspection of the articles offered is convincing proof of their value, and of the chance of getting the most for the money ever offered. One estimate with each cake of soap bought; fifteen estimates with each dozen bought at one time. Now is the time to purchase a supply of toilet soap. With each cake you get more than value, for, remember, this is not a 5-cent soap, but is actually a 25-cent seller, and if you can count correctly you have the opportunity of securing a hundred times the value of your money. Don't let this opportunity pass. Buy the soap while we have it in stock.

THE RACKET STORE STEELE & WEAVER

NOTICE.
We hereby serve notice that hereafter, any one caught loitering around the marble shop located on Monroe street, will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
The Wemhoff Monumental Works. 217-6t

Big purses, best horses, Great Fort Wayne fair, Sept. 17 to 21.

PORTLAND VS. DECATUR AT GENEVA BLUFFTON VERSUS DECATUR....

Next MONDAY Afternoon

BIG EXHIBITION GAME

1000 Rooters are wanted from Decatur. Game called at 2:30 p. m. G. R. & I. train leaves here at 1:19 and returns at 5:15.

Don't Miss This Holiday

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

DECATUR INDIANA

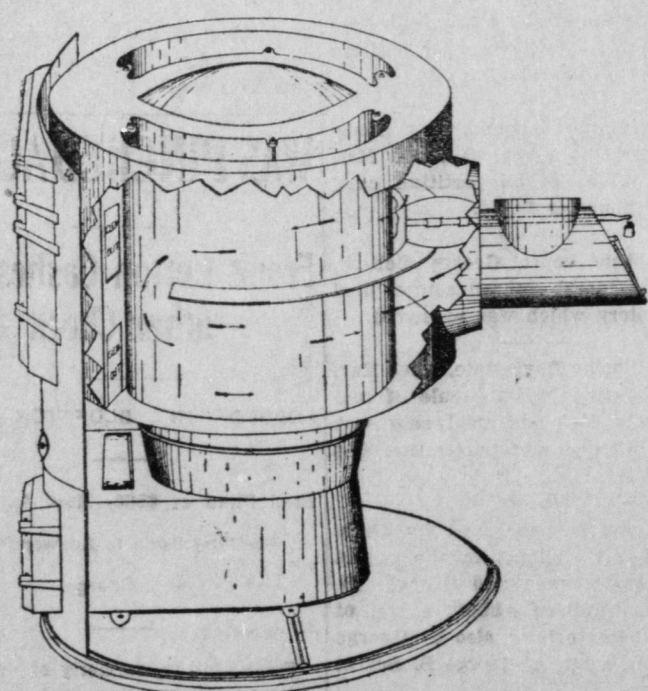
CAPITAL \$100,000

SURPLUS \$20,000

INTEREST PAID ON DEPOSITS

DECATUR IS NOW GOING AT TOP SPEED AND A VERY CLOSE RACE IS NOW IN PROGRESS. COME OUT AND SEE A DEMONSTRATION OF THE NATIONAL SPORT BY EXPERTS.

SUNDAY GAME CALLED AT 3:00 OTHER GAMES AT 3:30



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