

Shoes for January



We have some nobby styles in patent leather and box calf for men, and in patent leather and plump kid for women that are made for winter wear. The uppers are just the right weight, the soles plump and of extra quality, cork filled, to prevent leaking and the style is not sacrificed. These are ideal shoes for cold weather. Come in and see them.

Tague Shoe Store

WEATHER.

Fair today and Tuesday; moderate temperature.

Bart France is on the sick list suffering with lagrippe.

Lafayette Baker is on the sick list suffering from lagrippe.

J. B. Holthouse made a business trip to Jackson, Mich., this morning.

J. F. Tison returned last night from a visit with relatives at Bluffton.

Baron Van Buskirk, of Hoagland, was a business caller to our city today.

Jesse Niblick left this morning for Jackson, Mich., to attend a directors' meeting.

Mrs. B. F. Brokaw, who has been ill with lagrippe for several days, is much improved.

Harry Fritsinger, of Fort Wayne, spent Sunday in our city the guest of his parents.

Nick Miller spent Sunday at Fort Wayne, the guest of his brother, J. B. Miller and family.

Elmer Johnson left Sunday for Pittsburg, where he will conduct a special horse sale this week.

G. W. Laughery, of Colfax, Ind., arrived in our city last evening and is visiting with friends and relatives.

C. K. Bell, who represents the Wells Fargo Express Co., at Fort Wayne, spent Sunday in our city with his family.

W. H. Fledderjohann is home from Lima, Ohio, where he was attending to matters pertaining to the inter-urban.

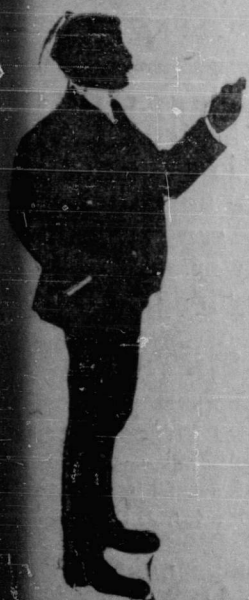
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Peters returned last evening from an over Sunday visit with Mr. and Mrs. Erman Mentzer, at Bluffton.

R. R. France returned to Alliance, Ohio, last evening after making a pleasant visit here with his mother, Mrs. Belle France.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Peters were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Erman Mentzer, at Bluffton, yesterday and returned last night.

The common council will meet in regular session tomorrow evening and take up matters of interest to the city's welfare. Reports on the Roop and Lenhart sewers will be submitted and the street and sewer committee will at this time report on the petition submitted at the last meeting as to the bricking of Sixth street. Numerous other matters will come up all of which will make the meeting interesting.

A REPUTATION



This store has a reputation for supplying the best rubbers. That's the reason we sell so many.

THE BETTER THE
GRADE
THE BETTER THE
TRADE

Charlie Voglewede

The Shoe Seller.

Bismark is in the city again.

D. B. Steele was called to Wauseon, Ohio, on business.

A. Van Camp is a business caller at Wauseon, Ohio.

J. W. Brown, of Fort Wayne, was a business caller in the city.

Jacob Tester left for a visit at Wauseon, Ohio, with friends.

James Davis, of Portland, was a business caller to our city today.

Henry Zwick, of Williams, was in our city today attending to business.

Eli Sprunger left this morning on an extensive business trip through Michigan.

The meeting of the Menu-Ates was postponed until a later day on account of sickness.

Reuben Miller, of Decatur, spent Sunday with his brother-in-law, at Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Sam Potts, of Fort Wayne, returned home after visiting with Mrs. L. H. Veigler.

Robert Allison, Jr., has returned from an extensive business trip to southern cities.

Nat Kosenwinkel, of Fort Wayne, was spending Sunday in the city the guest of friends.

Mrs. Herman Gerke returned home from Fort Wayne, where she was visiting for a few days.

Nelson May, of east of Decatur, left for Fort Wayne to visit his nephew, who is seriously ill.

Miss Vastia Forner, of Indianapolis, returned home Sunday after visiting with N. A. Forner and family.

Mrs. Lena Hart returned home from Fort Wayne Sunday evening, where she spent a few days with friends.

Edison Brock returned to his home at Fort Wayne this morning, after spending Sunday with his parents.

Miss Della Sellemeyer returned last night from Warren, where she was the guest of her brother Albert, over Sunday.

The Masons will meet Tuesday evening in regular session and it is earnestly requested that all members be present.

Miss Celeste Wemhoff and Anna Clark attended a theater party given by Miss Clara McQuiston at Fort Wayne last night.

John Sedwick, of Martinsville, returned to his home this morning after spending Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Burd.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Marhenke was called to the bedside of his father, Henry Marhenke, at Fort Wayne, who is seriously ill with lung fever.

The Modern Woodmen have postponed their meeting from Tuesday evening until Wednesday evening. All members will please take notice.

D. M. Hensley has on display in his show window a new specimen in the way of the feathered tribe. The specimen is a four beautiful quail in a covey and resembles very much the way the birds are found when out hunting. This is one of the prettiest specimens Mr. Hensley has and is being admired by all.

The baggage wagon belonging to the transfer line has been given a new coat of paint and re-lettered and now presents a very attractive appearance. New side curtains have been put on and it looks like a new outfit.

Mr. Holthouse is very progressive and likes to keep everything looking clean and up to date.

Daniel Haley informed us today that he had reopened his meat market on Monroe street and again invited his old customers to call and see him. The shop was closed by Wm. Fronefield, who at first was supposed to run the same until the first of the year. Mr. Haley will keep a fresh supply of all kinds of meat on hand and solicits a share of your patronage.

A new show will be introduced this evening at the Pictorium entitled "Chrysanthemum," "Nurses' Strike," "Wrestling Girls" and "Mr. Inquisitive." These are all new films never having been shown in Decatur before and are bound to please the public.

Mr. Stoneburner is trying to please the public and will continue to put on a new show every evening.

Miss Bertha Shady, of near Tocsin, entertained at her beautiful country home, a few of her friends Sunday. An elegant dinner was served to which every one did justice. Music was furnished by Erwin Engle. Those present were: Miss Edna Fohl, Margaret Fetzer, Ethel Shady, Lizzie Knapp, of Decatur; Messrs. Erwin Engle, Clem Yager, Oscar Shady, Theo. Hunt, Martin Jaberg, Ed Miller, of Decatur.

One of the gayest and most delightful events was the slumber party, given by Miss Mildred B. Leiter, at her home on Fifth street in honor of Miss Polly Beall of Fort Wayne, last evening. The evening was spent in various amusements until a wee hour of morn. The girls took a long walk, this morning about the city before school. They were: Misses Frances Cle. Naomi Dugan, Opal Harfarr, Ruth Buhler, Mildred Leiter, Ethel Elkhart, of Portland; Polly Beall, of Fort Wayne.

J. Smith is a Fort Wayne business caller today.

J. W. Edwards is at Fort Wayne on business.

Mrs. Eli Ray, of Monroe, left for her home this noon.

Mrs. Samuel Howard, of Monroe, was shopping in the city today.

D. M. Rice, of Monmouth, was a business caller to our city today.

Frank Rumschlag, of Marion, was a business caller to our city today.

Miss Leta Gressle, of Hoagland, arrived in the city this afternoon to shop.

Miss Jacobs left for Berne, after making a visit with Miss Lilah Lachot over Sunday.

J. D. Williams, Frank Molitor and William I. Aubrey, of Fort Wayne, were on a pleasure trip in the city this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Augsburg, of Berne, returned from Fort Wayne, where they were spending Sunday. They left on the noon train for their home.

Godfrey Christen received a telephone message from Geneva this morning conveying the glad news that gas will be turned on at that place tomorrow. Mr. Christen told them to turn it on here also and it is quite probable that Decatur will again be supplied with gas by tomorrow.

Rasty Witham, who for the past six months has been employed at the Arthur Russell barber shop, has resigned his position and returned to his home at Fort Wayne, where he will remain until the base ball season opens up. Rasty fully expects to be in the running this summer and has had several flattering offers from surrounding leagues.

A PERSIAN SERVANT.

He Was Poetical Even if Useless and Dishonest.

In way Persia reminds one dimly of England, for there are such things as difficulties with servants even in Teheran. The author dismissed one of his servants, who, as he had been a tailor, was incompetent to do anything but sew on buttons. The man protested, "What will become of me now that I have been eating your salt for such a long time and am driven out into the streets?" He was reminded that he had only been employed for a fortnight. He answered that he felt it had been for years. He was told that he was no good, but his volubility only increased. "How can I be no good after having stayed with you? Can you forget what Sa'di said: 'A piece of clay having fallen into the Hammam from my beloved's hand into mine, I said to it, Art thou musk or ambergris that I am drunk with thy perfume, which catches at the heart?' It answered: 'I was but a worthless piece of clay, but I was in company with a rose for a moment. This companionship transformed me or else I should still be the same piece of clay that I was.'"

One can pity the state of an English mistress confronted with such an argument. The author kept his servant another week, and he remarks disconsolately that in that time he discovered that if the tailor was a poet he was also a thief.—London Globe.

ADVERTISING.

The Mightiest Factor in the Modern Business World.

"Advertising is today the mightiest factor in the business world," writes Truman A. De Weese in System, the Magazine of Business. "It is an evolution of modern industrial competition. It is a business builder, with a potency that goes beyond human desire. It is something more than a 'drummer' knocking at the door of the consumer, something more than mere salesmanship on paper."

"Advertising is a positive creative force in business. It builds factories, skyscrapers and railroads. It makes two blades of grass grow in the business world where only one grew before. It multiplies human wants and intensifies desires. The result is that it forces man to greater consumption, hence stimulates his production to keep up with his buying desires."

"Before advertising was developed into a fine art and before it became a factor in the commercial world the business of the manufacturer and merchant was to supply the normal needs and desires of the human family; merchandising was bounded by man's necessities and by his meager knowledge of the luxuries which he deemed within his reach."

Ralph Johnson returned home this morning.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

The Ward Fence company will receive bids at their office until Tuesday, January 21st, for excavations, material and construction of the foundations, floors and walls of their new factory and office buildings according to plans and specifications on file in their office. 12-4t

WANTED—Family laundry to do, either at home or residence. Mrs. Emma Deilaghlan. 15-6t

THE PICTORIUM TONIGHT

Chrysanthemum.

Nurses' Strike.

Wrestling Girls.

Mr. Inquisitive.

SONG.

"Goodbye, Mamie."

J. B. STONEBURNER, Prop.

PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will offer at public auction at the Albert Butler farm three miles northwest of Decatur on the river road, at ten o'clock a. m., on Thursday, January 30, 1908, the following property, to-wit: Eight head of horses, 1 match team, bay Geldings, five and six years old, weight 3,400 1 bay mare weight 1,400, 4 years old, with foal by Belgium sire; 2 yearling colts, large enough to work; 1 driving Gelding, sorrel, 6 years old, weight 1,100, city and lady broke; 1 black gelding 8 years old, good worker; match team of brown mules 3 and 3 years old, well broke. Six head of cattle, consisting of five cows will all be fresh in the spring, 2 of them are full blood Jerseys; 1 two-year-old heifer; sheep, 12 head of ewes, with lamb and one buck. Hogs: 3 brood sows, Duroc; to farrow the first of April; 23 head of shoats, will weigh 100 pounds. 150 head of chickens.

Implements—Binder, mower, hay rake, Black Hawk corn planter, 1 riding and 1 walking breaking plows, 2 walking cultivators, fertilizer, grain drill, disc, spring tooth harrow, 2 3-inch tire wagons, one new; 1 patent wagon bed, hay ladders, 2 set of dump boards, tank heater, 2 set of double harness, 1 set of single harness, 1 top buggy, clover seed buncher, 1 land roller, hay in mow, oats in bin, corn fodder, five Scotch Collie dogs, full blood.

Terms—All sums of \$5.00 and under cash in hand; all sums over \$5.00, a credit of nine months will be given by purchased giving note with approved security, with 4 per cent off for cash.

FISHER & BUTLER.

JOHN SPUHLER, Auct.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DECATUR PACKING COMPANY.

Capital stock authorized at	\$50 per \$1.00.....\$100,000.00
Amount of Capital Stock	Subscribed and paid at 50c
on \$1.00	41,100.00
Assets.	
Buildings, machinery, equipments	
Real estate and retail stores.....	\$50,242.61
Stock on hand	19,755.71
Bills receivable	7,516.37
Total	\$77,514.69

Liabilities.	
Bills payable, including borrowed money	\$35,705.69
Capital stock paid in	41,100.00
Orders issued and unpaid ..	709.00
Total	\$77,514.69

State of Indiana, County of Adams, ss: We, the undersigned, upon our oath swear that the above and foregoing statement of the condition of the Decatur Packing company, of Decatur, Indiana, on the 14th day of January, 1908, showing the amount of capital stock, the amount of the assessments made and actually paid in, and the amount of existing debts, which said statement or report is hereby signed and verified by the president and a majority of said directors and the secretary of said company.

FRED SCHEIMAN, Pres.

C. D. LEWTON, Secy.

M. KIRSCH, Director.

H. F. SCHEIMAN, Director.

JOHN S. BOWERS, Director.

DANL. N. ERWIN, Director.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of January, 1908.

DORE B. ERWIN, Notary Public.

My commission expires June 6, 1909.

The condition of Clyde Nichols is to a certain degree much worse today. The young man failed considerably last evening and as a result was very weak today. It is the opinion of his physicians that he cannot last much longer.

THE CRYSTAL THEATRE

OPEN TONIGHT
MOTION PICTURES.

First film—"DeBeers Diamond Mine of Kimberley, S. A." "Neighbors Who Borrow."

Second film—"After the Fancy Dress Ball." "In an Arm Chair."

ILLUSTRATED SONG.

"Won't You Be My Girlie"

SCHMUCK & MILLER

A High Class Farm

FOR SALE

100 ACRES OF GOOD WALNUT LAND 160

Black sandy soil, with new farm buildings modern in every way, well fenced, in good locality of Adams county. This a model stock farm and a bargain for any one who wants a farm of this kind. Enquire at this office.

Suits to Order \$20.00 Cash

We have a number of patterns that we will close out at the above price as long as they last.
See our South Show Window

Holthouse, Schulte & Co Merchant Tailors

BOSSE OPERA HOUSE Three Big Nights Commencing Monday, January 20

CORA LAWTON MITCHELL AND COMPANY

OPENING BILL

A WOMAN'S REVENGE 8 VAUDEVILLE ACTS 8 Strong Plays

PRICES: 10, 20, 30c. Ladies free on opening night if accompanied by one paid 30 cent ticket bought before 6 p.m. Seat sale commences Saturday morning at 9 o'clock at the usual place.

T. A. Cooper, of Berne, returned to Fort Wayne on business, then to his home, this morning, after delivering two excellent sermons at the Christian church.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hedrick left this morning for Decatur, where they have been summoned to the bedside of Mrs. Hedrick's father, J. T. Johnson, who is seriously ill at his home in that city.—Bluffton News.

NOTICE

It has become necessary for us to transfer our local representative, Mr. L. F. Alexander, to our Warsaw branch temporarily. However, Mr Alexander is permanently located at Decatur and parties being desirous of purchasing good standard made pianos at factory prices can leave word at Mr. Alexander's residence, 114 S. Third St., and he will give same prompt attention.

The Packard Music House

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