

# THE DAILY DEMOCRAT.

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J. H. HELLER, Manager.

The maiden effort of Congressman Adair was well received in the lower house of congress and dispatches say that he was paid greater consideration and attention than is usually given a new member. Those who know John Adair, however, realize how impossible it is for him to long be new. We venture the assertion that before the present session of congress ends that he Eighth district representative will be about the oldest member there—notwithstanding the service of some members dates back thirty-six years.

If the democratic state convention has any trouble getting a candidate that can pull more than the party strength for governor, there is Mr. Adair. He is making a mighty good congressman and would make one of the best chief executives Indiana ever had. He is a vote getter and never tiring of mingling with the people.—Bluffton Banner.

A Detroit woman sold her husband for \$500. Too cheap. Why, some of the rich girls down in New York pay up in the millions for a husband. And even then do not get much more than a sort of a makeshift of a man.—Muncie Press.

## Notice to Contractors

The Ward Fence Co. will receive bids until Tuesday noon, Jan. 28th for the construction of an 8 inch sewer, including that to be paid for by The Decatur Commercial club, is about 1,250 ft. long; also the construction of a 4-inch water line, about 700 ft. long, according to plans and specifications now in their office. The 8-inch sewer, pipe and 4-inch wrought iron screwed joint pipe will be furnished on ground and contractor shall perform all labor in completing same.

## THE PECTORIUM TONIGHT

The Clowns Love Story.  
A Night in Drumlund.  
All Baba and the Forty Thieves.  
SONG.  
"Bye Bye Dearie."  
J. B. STONEBURNER, Prop.



SMITH AND ALLOE

In My Wives Family at Opera House Tonight

## WITH THE LEAGUE

Three Games Played by the Bowling Teams Last Evening

### K. C.'S TOOK TWO

Post Office Team Defeated in a Series of Ragged Games

STANDING.	Played	Won	Lost	Pct.
Elks .....	3	3	0	1.000
Klondyke .....	9	5	4	.555
K. of C. ....	6	2	4	.333
Post Office .....	6	2	4	.333

The Post Office and K. of C. teams played their regular scheduled games last evening at the Klondyke alleys. The Klondyke team won two out of the three games and thus tying the Post Office team for third place. The feature of the games was the bowling of "Cottle" Shafer who in the games had a grand average of 234. This is the highest average made in a regular tournament game to date and bids fair to stand for the remainder of the league race. Shafer was in magnificent form and made strike after strike, and it was practically through his efforts that his team won one game. For the K. of C. team Frank Johns did the best bowling his average being 166 for the three games. On next Tuesday evening the Klondykes and K. of C. teams will play. The following scores were made:

Post Office.			
Shafer	241	226	205-224
Smith	150	183	145-159
Mutchler	123	115	151-129
Joseph	93	123	99-105
J. Peterson	168	172	128-156
	775	819	728
K. of C.			
Berling	176	141	169-162
W. Johns	115	119	143-129
P. Johns	151	169	179-166
Pullenkamp	168	111	112-130
Wemhoff	168	151	166-151
	778	692	768

## REAL ESTATE

Farm and city property to sell and buy. Come in and look over our list. Here are some of the few bargains:  
80 acres, 5 miles from Decatur, on stone road, good buildings, close to school and church, for \$95.00 per acre.  
40 acres, 4 1/2 miles west of Decatur, black soil, good buildings, wire fenced; 4 acres of woodland; close to church; \$85.00 per acre.  
80 acres, 3 1/2 out on stone road; good building, rich land, \$87.00 per acre.  
80 acres, 6 miles from Decatur; good black soil, 12 acres woodland; good buildings; \$82.50 per acre.  
And we have city property in all parts of the city, from \$900 to \$5,000. We also make a specialty of renting and caring for property.

KINTZ & WELFLEY  
21-30t Decatur, Ind.

## BRYANT SCHOOL CERTIFIED.

The Bryant high school has recently been placed by the state board of education on the list of certified schools. This means that its graduates are eligible to teach in the common schools of the state, and meet all the requirements of high school training required by the provisions of the new law. By this law, in addition to the high school training all beginning teachers are required to take a twelve weeks' course in some recognized training school for teachers.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS

Mrs. Volmer Files a Petition to Sell Property to Her Son

### TREASURER IS BUSY

Making Up Road Tax and Preparing Spring Tax Receipts

Attorney David E. Smith filed an action in court today entitled Anna Volmer vs. Henry Volmer, petition to sell real estate. The petition shows that plaintiff and defendant are husband and wife, married in 1896, that the husband has been an inmate of a sanitarium for many years. The building of the brick pavement on Seventh and Madison streets caused an assessment against Mrs. Volmer's property of \$750 and she is unable to pay it. Rather than have her home sold for lien, Mrs. Volmer prefers and therefore petitions for the right to sell same to her son Alphonse Volmer, with whom she expects to make her home.

County Treasurer Lachot and deputies are busy just now figuring the amount of road tax to be assessed against each farm. They are also filling out the tax receipts for the spring installment of taxes, which may be paid any time now.

Clerk Haefling has his probate, civil and criminal dockets ready for the February term of court, which opens a week from Monday.

The jury commissioners will meet next week, probably on Tuesday, to select the petit jury for the February term.

Earl Reber, of Kirkland township, was arrested today on a grand jury indictment charging him with assault and battery on a young man named Heller. He gave bond in the sum of \$100.

## Notice to Contractors

From the fact that none of the bids were according to the requirements, we have decided to reject all and start anew by making the requirements so plain that they cannot be misunderstood as they have been. The construction of which we will receive bids on until Monday evening at 6 p. m. Jan. 29th.

First—We have decided to erect only foundations for the main or factory buildings, which includes the factory with pattern room attached hereto, and the Paint shop. Said foundations shall be built of good building stone, with concrete footings or constructed entirely of concrete. Bids may be made on either or both constructions and bids shall be made with concrete piers 18 inches square to the top of present surface of ground at time of constructing the foundations for building. Then after filling has been made for the floors, they shall be completed to grade line and be not less than 12 inches square at top. All to be in accordance with the plans and specifications now on file in our office.

The Contractor shall do all excavating for the foundations and throw the dirt on inside of building or foundations. All concrete material to be thoroughly heated through at time of using and only hot water be used in mixing same.

Yours truly,  
THE WARD FENCE CO.

Roy Pike arrived home from a trip at Indianapolis.  
Frank Pike, of Tipton county, came to the city to visit his uncle.  
J. J. Summers arrived home from Tipton county where he was attending to business.  
Miss Minnie Leyse, of Craigville, arrived in the city to visit her sister, Miss Rose Leyse.  
Mrs. Aaron DeVinney and Ernest Coffelt left for a trip to Fort Wayne to visit her niece, Mrs. Ault.

## THE AID SOCIETY

Held Splendid Session With Mrs. Dore B. Erwin Yesterday

### C. B. L. OF I. DANCE

Euterpean Club Meeting—Mrs. Frank Kern Entertained—Other Notes

The Q. Q. club will be entertained by Mrs. Kate Place this evening at their regular weekly meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bell will be host and hostess this evening at a masquerade party given at their home on Bellview farm.

Mrs. Cy Weavers is entertaining the Ladies' Aid society of the Christian church this afternoon.

The Rebekah lodge held a meeting last evening to practice their drill work for next Tuesday evening when they will have initiation.

There was nothing special during the meeting of the K. of P. lodge last evening only their regular meeting.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Samuel Shamp Thursday afternoon at her home on Mercer avenue. Much interest was displayed during the meeting and a delicious two course luncheon was served by the hostess. The out of town guest was Mr. F. France, of Pleasant Mills, who spent the day with Mrs. Shamp.

The Afternoon club who is noted for the good times, spent a very enjoyable afternoon Thursday at the home of Mrs. P. J. Hyland. Five small tables were used and twelve games of progressive pedro were played. The first prizes were two cut glass tumblers, which were won by Mesdames W. A. Kuebler and J. H. Bremerkamp. Fancy handkerchiefs were awarded to the Mesdames Jas. Niblick and John Garard as second prizes, also handkerchiefs were given to the Mesdames O. N. Snellen and Chas. Christen as third prizes. The closing feature of the afternoon was an elegant three course luncheon. All the members were present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Chas. Voglewede on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Anna Yehne was the hostess at a twelve o'clock dinner yesterday noon given at her home in compliment to Mrs. George Ziberg and Mrs. Fred Zollars, of Fort Wayne, who were her guests during the day.

Miss Georgia Melbers was hostess at the regular weekly meeting of the Y. M. H. B. club last evening. The club game, progressive pedro, was played, and dainty gifts were given to the prize winners, who were: Misses Leona Harting and Bertha Knapp. Immediately following the awarding of prizes a luncheon of two courses was served. The outside guests, besides the members of the club were Misses Lena Meyers and Josephine Lange.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Dore Erwin at her home on north Second street. The plans for the coming year were arranged during the business period. One of the chief plans were to only have the three sections during the year instead of the ten which they have had for the past year. The chairman of the First section is Mrs. John H. Heller. She, with her committee, have in charge the months of January, February and March. The second chairman, Mrs. Jesse Sutton and her committee will take charge of the April, May and June months, while July and August they will have no meetings on account of the hot weather. The third chairman, Mrs. Chas. Dugan, and her committee will handle the meetings of September, October and November. The last month, December, the ladies will have no chairman, but will all work together. The chairmen will hold a called meeting and divide the ladies of the society into the sections. After the business was disposed of, the hostess, Mrs. Dore Erwin, served a delicious two course luncheon. The attendance was remarkable and the collection amounted to fifteen dollars. There were several outside guests from the various churches and two out of town guests, Mrs. Wegger and daughter Louise, of Marion, Ind., who are the guests of Mrs. W. H. Wiley for a few days.

The dance given by the members of the C. B. L. of I. lodge last evening was a success in every way. Over forty couples attended. Especially fine music was rendered by Messrs. Frank Licht, Willie Badders and B. J. Melbers. The merry dancers danced until a wee hour of the morning and then closed with the old, old dance "Home, Sweet Home" which is dear to every heart. This was the second dance ever given by this order, and it goes to say that each one is growing very popular each time, and they are royal entertainers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kern delightfully entertained a few friends at progressive peanuts at their home on north Fifth street. Three tables were used and twenty games were played. The first prize was awarded to Miss Celia Mayer, and the booby was captured by Miss Tina Steele, after which a dainty two course luncheon was served their guests, who were: Misses Tena Steele, Zelma Steele, Lillie Steele, Alta Dibble, Pansy Bell, Celia Mayer, Blanche Jeffries, Gala Nelson, Mary Mumma, Messrs. Ben Hoagland, Frank Hurst.

A company of young people left last evening for the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bultemeier at Stop 18. They left on the seven o'clock car, arriving in time to spend the evening very pleasantly dancing and playing cards. During the hours of the evening a delicious luncheon was served by the hostess to the guests, who were: Messrs. Roy Wolford, Fred Jackher, Will Holbrook, Cal Peterson, Henry Gerke, Mr. and Mrs. Will Zwick, Misses Emma Kukehan, Minnie Macke, of Decatur, Ind.; Misses Lillian, Clara, Emma Heckman, Messrs. Harmon Bultemeier, Martin Heckman, Heinrich Heckman, Harmon Fuhrman, Fred Horstmeier, Charley Bultemeier, Miss Minnie Schroeder, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Koeman.

The Euterpean, another prominent literary society of this city, held their regular meeting last evening at the home of Miss Midge Smith, of Second street. The program for the evening was splendid. The following numbers was splendid. The following Life and Works, Mrs. John Tyndall; Chamber music, Miss Johnson; impromptu, Miss Bess Schrock; description, "To be Sung on the Water," by Miss Miller, sung by Miss Marie Patterson, comments by Sir Geo. Grove, by Miss Rose Dunathan; solo, "Hark! Hark! The ark," Mrs. C. B. Wilcox; description of military march, Mrs. J. C. Patterson, played by Miss Myrie Beachler; art of Schubert, Mrs. E. B. Adams; description of Schubert's serenade, by Miss Fanny Hite, and sung by Mrs. C. B. Wilcox.

## REAL ESTATE

Dr you want to buy a farm? We have a large list of farms for sale located in this county at prices that will interest you.

We also have some attractive propositions in Michigan timber and farmlands. We have sold 360 acres during the fall and winter and feel that we have some more good propositions there for buyers of cheap lands. Come in and see us before you buy.

Among the farms located in Adams county we have an 80 acre farm located 9 miles from county seat. 3 miles from a good shipping point, buildings and outbuildings are all in fairly good shape, within 1/4 mile to school and good macadam road, well fenced, well drained. Soil two-thirds sandy loam.

An 80 acre farm located 5 miles from Decatur, good 7 room house, cellar, bank barn 36x66, good grainery wagon shed and corn crib combined good water and wind pump, well fenced and fairly well drained. Price \$70.00 per acre.

106 acre farm 5 miles from Decatur, on stone road, 1 mile to market and graded school, 4 room house, barn 30x40, buildings in fair repair, land one-half black, remainder sandy loam, well tilled, good outlet, outside fence wire, cross fences rail. Price \$60.00 per acre.

NORTHERN INDIANA REAL ESTATE CO.  
Office over Burns Harness Store  
ESTATE OF A. C. GREGORY, DECEASED.

Decatur, Ind., Jan. 23, 1908.  
To whom it may concern:  
Persons holding claims against Augustus C. Gregory, deceased, will please present the same to me for settlement.  
LUCY J. GREGORY.  
21-12td-9-2td

Water rentals are now due and payable at the City Treasurer's office. Please attend to this matter.

W. E. FULK, Supt.

## A GOOD PROGRAM

Arranged for the C. W. B. M. to be Given Next Sunday Evening

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Some Facts About the Organization—Establish a New Home

At the Christian church next Sunday evening a public meeting will be held by the C. W. B. M. and an excellent program has been prepared for the occasion. The ladies of this organization are accomplishing much in missionary work and each month they contribute their share to defray the expenses of same. A number of mission schools are conducted in the mountain district of the south by the members of this organization and industrial schools are conducted among the negroes in the south. They also have mission schools in Jamaica, India, Mexico and Porto Rico, all of which are doing much in the civilization of the people. A missionary training school is to be built at Indianapolis during the coming year and a large sum of money has already been contributed for this purpose by several women of wealth. This new building is to be used as the headquarters for the C. W. B. M. and people will receive instructions there preparatory to entering the work of missionaries. The meeting of Sunday evening

will be an interesting one as is indicated by the following program:  
Lord's Prayer in Concert.  
Anthem or Hymn by Choir.  
Responsive reading of 96th Psalm.  
Hymn by Choir.  
Some facts about the C. W. B. M. and its Centennial aims.  
..... Mrs. Holloway  
Song.  
Reading: "The Vision of the Cross"  
..... Mrs. Artman  
What I Know About the C. W. B. M.  
..... Talk by Mrs. McKimsey  
Song by choir.  
Report of Year's Work by Secretary.  
Reading: "What have you done today"  
Collection and appeal for new members  
..... Mrs. Fisher  
Voluntary remarks by any one present.  
Song by choir and congregation.  
..... Bringing in the Sheaves  
Benediction.  
A cordial invitation is extended.

Arthur Clark, of Monmouth, returned home at noon.

All Elks are requested to be present this evening at the regular meeting. Important business will be transacted at this meeting and it is essential that all be present.

## THE CRYSTAL THEATRE

### OPEN TONIGHT

#### MOTION PICTURES.

First film—"Clotilda Falls." (Extra good.)  
"Accidents Will Happen."  
Second film—"Elephants in India"  
"Up to date Burglar."

#### ILLUSTRATED SONG.

"Where the Morning Glories Twine Around the Door."

SCHMUCK & MILLER

## BOSSE OPERA HOUSE

Monday, January 27

### Annual Tour of that Versatile Actress

Miss Dorrit Ashton

IN

## "THE LITTLE DETECTIVE"

A METROPOLITAN SUCCESS  
An Excellent Supporting Company

### IMPORTANT

To the first person sending in the correct answer to the following mathematical problem, will be given two tickets to the above attraction. No one connected with the opera house will be allowed to enter this contest. Place your answer with your name in an envelop, seal it up and take it to the Holt-house Drug store, where it will be placed on file. Every one in rotation. At 9 o'clock Monday morning, Jan. 21, the name and answer of the winner will be placed in the window. If it is your name step in and select your seats.

THIS IS IT—READ IT CAREFULLY?

If seven cats kill seven rats in seven minutes, how many cats will it take to kill one hundred rats in fifty minutes?

PRICES: 25,35,50,75c, Seats at Usual place

## Big Thing In Shoes!

We've been through our entire stock and shaken out all the broken lines of Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes, and now we're going to do some selling.

These Shoes have been the season's best shoes, for the best sellers always come to short ends first.

Here's an opportunity to get a good pair of Shoes for

## Much Less Than They are Actually Worth

Not all sizes in every line, to be sure, but we have every size in some line.  
There's one point to remember about this Sale—it's this—unless you call soon there will be no use in coming at all, as the Shoes will be gone. They'll sell with a rush.

## Winnes Shoe Store