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The Cromer crowd is making a great grandstand play in an effort to lead the anti to believe that the dove of peace is carrying harmony over the district. Being in full possession of all the working parts of the organization the Cromer followers, and even the wiley Cromer himself, shout for harmony. But the wise ones are not fools or are they fooled by the demonstration. Theodore Shockney, of Union City is the only avowed anti-Cromer man who has had the temerity to ask for the nomination and ask the endorsement of his county. It was a bitter pill for the machine to swallow, but to make their bluff of harmony "stick" there was no other way out of the dilemma except to endorse his candidacy. Of course they well know that Randolph county is only a small part of the district and they will see to it that that is all Mr. Shockney will get.—Portland Sun.

It has now been nearly two years since it was discovered that the new state capitol of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg had been a source of a great amount of graft and the trial of the offenders has just begun. The building and furnishings are magnificent, but the contractors worded their bids in such a way that furniture could be rated by the foot instead of by the piece, and by various other ingenious

plans succeeded in fleching from the people several million dollars. Some of the prominent men of the state are involved and a deep interest is being manifested by Pennsylvania people.

The men of Indiana who are idle and perhaps hungry should not mention it or say anything about the discomforts of their loved ones. It might hurt the candidacy of Charles Warren Fairbanks and that is more important to a few republican too tasters than the welfare of the working people and their families.—Fort Wayne Journal Gazette.

HISTORICAL CLUB

(Continued from page 1.)

The Volunteer Sunday school class of the German Reformed church met at the home of their teacher, Mrs. C. Vogt last night and held a business session. They elected the following officers: President, Mrs. C. Vogt; vice president, Miss Fan Schindler; secretary, Mrs. Otto Reppert; treasurer, Miss Marie Meyers; lookout committee, Mrs. Fred Sellemeyer, Mrs. Mary Keller, Mrs. John Meyers. The class has started down into the field of work and intend to bring a good record to the president by the year of 1909.

The Rebekah lodge held a meeting last evening and initiated one candidate into the mysteries of the order, the candidate being Miss Verna Johnson. After his period a delicious two course luncheon was served and a social hour was spent.

Miss Rose Conter was a charming hostess last evening at the Bachelor Maid's meeting. Progressive euchre was the leading game, the Miss Clara Terveer and Mrs. Chas. Pilliod, of Piqua, Ohio, led the ladies in having highest score, while the Misses Stella Wemhoff and Mayme Terveer captured second prizes. The tables were immaculately cleared and an elaborate four course luncheon was served the guests. The out of town guest was Mrs. Chas. Pilliod, of Piqua, Ohio.

All members of the Pocahontas

lodge are earnestly urged to be present tomorrow evening at their business meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Miller pleasantly entertained at their country home a few neighbors. The evening was spent with music and games. Light refreshments were served by the hostess. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Elzey, Mr. and Mrs. E. Voglewede, Mr. and Mrs. Kohne, Miss Elmore Miller.

The Afternoon club met with Mrs. Chas. Voglewede Tuesday at her home. Twelve games of progressive pedro were played and the following ladies captured the pretty prizes, which were given: First, Mesdames Henry Schultz, Carrie Ehinger; second, Mesdames Ben Knapke, U. Deininger; third, Mesdames E. X. Ehinger, J. H. Bremerkamp. The closing part was an elegant two course luncheon which was served on the small tables. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Charles Melbers, on Tuesday afternoon of next week.

Mrs. Nettie Schrock pleasantly entertained the ladies of the Missionary society of the Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at her home. The chief paper of the afternoon was on "Immigration," by Mrs. John Schug, while sub topics were: "Americans in Process," by Miss Bessie Schrock; "The Problem of the Emigrants," by Miss H. Wertzberger; "The Problem of Assimilation," by Mrs. Theo. Kennedy. After the literary program, several fine selections were rendered, after which dainty refreshments were served, and a social hour was enjoyed.

Friday evening the Eagles will give a leap year dance for the public. A large crowd from out of town is expected.

Joe Knapke gave a delightful stag party last evening to a company of forty men at the C. B. L. of I. lodge games of pinchle were played, which caused a great deal of excitement and rooms. Ten tables were used and ten amusement for his guests. Ed Coffee led the men in having the highest, while John Baker proved to be the booby winner. After the games, the men indulged in a smoker and enjoyed a social chat, voting Mr. Knapke a royal host.

Father Noll, of Fort Wayne, will address the members of the Knights of Columbus and their friends this evening at the K. of C. hall. The evening's entertainment will begin at 8 o'clock, and besides the address there will be several selections rendered on the piano. After the close of the evening's program, the men will enjoy a smoker. The following program will be rendered: Music, by T. A. Holt-house; song by Miss Clara Terveer; address by Rev. John F. Noll; song by Miss Kate Mylott; music by John Wemhoff.

TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF SISTER.

Miss Orpha Jacobs, of south of this city, left tonight for Lonaconing, Md., to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Olive Jacobs, who had married a man by the same name as hers. The deceased lived in this county for many years prior to her marriage and was well known over the county. Her death was caused by tubercular trouble. Much sorrow is caused from the sad news.

A. Van Camp went to Berne this afternoon on business.

A COURT OPINION

Certified Copy of Judge
Hadley's Opinion in the
Lafe Ellis Case

THEY TELL WHY

Says Lower Court Has Advantage in Seeing and Hearing Witnesses

A certified opinion in the case of Lafayette Ellis vs. State of Indiana, appealed from this county, has just been received at the clerk's office. The opinion was rendered by Judge John V. Hadley and affirms the judgment of the court here. He says: Appellant was found guilty of selling liquor to a minor. The only question he presents in this appeal is the correctness of his conviction. He insists that it was erroneous and contrary to law because his guilt was not established beyond a reasonable doubt by sufficient evidence.

Three lads together went into appellant's saloon. They had not previously known appellant. They all testified that Egley bought three glasses of beer. Two testified that the beer was purchased of the bartender, but could not say whether appellant was or was not the bar tender. The third testified positively that the defendant, whom he pointed out, was the man who sold the beer to Egley. The defendant himself denied the sale, and of ever seeing the boys to his knowledge.

The trial was by the court. The witnesses were all before him. He had opportunity to observe their manner as witnesses. The body of the evidence convinced him of appellant's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt and we cannot disturb the judgment. Judgment affirmed and it is adjudged that appellee pay the costs, \$28.70.

S. S. Bartlett, of Huntington, was a business caller in our city today and went to Bluffton this morning in the interest of the Metropolitan Insurance company.

Mother Hatahaway, who is making a rapid advancement in the evangelical work, returned from Monroe. She and her daughter enjoyed the revival meeting over Sunday. She reports the meeting glorious.

Rev. Richard Spetnagel, of Rockford, Ohio, will preach at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning and evening and he will probably be the last minister who will be given a trial. A minister will be selected in the near future for the church at this place.

Troubles seem to come doubly to Marshal Bohnke, for at present he is suffering from lagrippe and this morning, while breaking up kindling had the misfortune to run a large splinter into his left hand. The wound although nothing serious, is very painful and causes him some inconvenience.

Miss Grace Miller and Miss Etta Elliott have arrived from Chicago, and will give an entertainment at library hall tomorrow evening. They were to have appeared at Geneva this evening under the auspices of the Eastern Star lodge, but the date has been postponed on account of th illness of Mrs. Hale.

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581—Is a three quarter acre tract, on stoned road close to Decatur, all new buildings, good six room house, \$1,050.00.

674—A well improved three quarter acre tract close to Decatur on the stoned road, good residence, fruit, etc., \$1,550.00.

676—Is a good 3 1/2 acre tract south-east of Monroe, in good location, small buildings, some fruit; \$55.00.

619—Is a good 3/4 acre tract within the city limits of Decatur. Has good two story house, stable, etc., \$2,800.00.

642—Is a 33 acre tract of new land, on public road, half black land, hewed log buildings, at \$37.00 an acre.

641—Is a 60 acre tract near the stoned road about two miles from market. Over half black land, nearly all cleared, \$36.00 an acre.

586—Is a desirable 60 acre tract near stoned road and school, five miles from Decatur; comfortable buildings wind wheel, drove well, etc; good land, \$85.00 an acre.

571—Is a 40 acre tract of sand loam land with some black land on stoned road near Decatur; no buildings; \$50.00 an acre.

639—Is an 80 acre tract on stoned road near market, and school; has new two story frame house 40 by 60 frame barn, drove well, etc., and about 16 acres of good timber; \$62.50 an acre.

687—Is a well located 80 acres of good farming land in Blue Creek township, at the stoned road, near church and school; fair buildings; frame barn no open ditches, good land, \$90.00 an acre.

648—Is an 8 1/4 acre tract on the pike road, is good black and yellow sand loam land, some timber, ordinary buildings, comfortable, seven room house, frame barn, etc.; can be bought for \$67.00 an acre.

587—Is a well drained 86 acre tract near stoned road, church, school, etc, five miles from Decatur; good buildings, and well drained and good fences; two story residence; 3/4 black land; \$85.00 an acre.

665—Is a 100 acre tract within two miles of Decatur on a public road, 40 or 50 acres black land, cottage house, frame stable, ten or twelve acres to clear; price \$56.00 an acre.

673—Is a 94 1-3 acre tract on the gravel pike near church, school and market; large frame barn, ordinary frame house, large granary, hog and sheep stables, wind wheel, orchard, etc.; \$82.00 an acre.

675—Is a 110 acre tract on the public road in good location, near the market, six room frame house, large frame barn, ordinary fences, good productive soil; for \$86.00 an acre. With this farm can be bought a complete farming outfit, consisting of about all the farm machinery needed on a farm.

640—Is a 195 acre farm of about 50 acres black land, remainder productive sand and clay loam; farm on the stoned road, two miles from railroad station and market, 1/2 mile to school, has about \$1,500.00 worth of timber, old frame barn and new two story frame house on brick foundation; \$51.00 an acre will buy this farm now.

511—Is a well located 160 acre tract of productive land near town; has good buildings, large bank barn with slate roof, wind wheel, etc.; some timber, good dwelling house, \$90.00 an acre.

664—Is a desirable 117 1/2 acre tract of good farming land of sand, clay and black loam mixture, within a half mile of Decatur corporation; has ten acres of fair timber, running stock water the entire year, is well fenced and tiled; buildings consist of a large bank barn, tool house, stock scales, and a first class seven room story and a half residence with large cement cellar; has orchard, fruit, etc., and can be bought for \$100.00 an acre.

FARMERS SESSION

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They rarely bother the strong ones. Nothing less than 200 bushels per acre is regarded as a satisfactory yield.

He regrets the fact that the balance of trade is against us in the potato crop. From May 15th to 20th is suggested as the proper time for planting. Mr. Lammernan humorously suggests that much domestic infelicity is occasioned by the failure of the potato crop. The blossom end of the potato is said to sprout first. This idea advanced by Mr. Johnson was not the unanimous sentiment of the farmers, however. The vice presidents retired at the close of this discussion for

consultation.

Mrs. Flora M. Meeks, of Parker, Indiana, suggested many plausible ways in which "Women May Earn Money" on the farm. She deprecates the feverish anxiety to accumulate material wealth, however. Helen Gould was cited by her as an enviable example of wealth consecrated to the human weal. Shun tainted money. Acquire it honestly. Mrs. Meeks champions the idea that woman is the peer of man. All avenues are open to her. The necessities of the civil war removed the bar to her aspirations. There are now over 400 avocations to which women are eligible. Housekeeping is a science, not every woman is adapted by nature for this responsibility. Neglect of chil-

dren is most common. Some women are indifferent as to acquiring money. It is all they can do to spend it after husband makes it. Butter making is a legitimate field for woman's efforts. Poultry also affords a remunerative opportunity. She suggests that farmer's wives raise geese, especially, despite the protests of their husbands. Vegetables will materially assist to the cause of man's fall, are decidedly profitable. Her remarks were thoroughly appreciated and generously applauded. Attention was directed to the necessity of providing the means of defraying the expenses of the institute by means of membership fees. At this point the institute adjourned. An interesting session is predicted for this afternoon.

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