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Hon. E. O. Wood, member of the National Committee from Michigan, has been at national Democratic headquarters for several days. Michigan is another state generally Republican, where the Republicans are having trouble. The Democrats are united and aggressive.

Wm. T. LaFollette, a brother of Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, has come out strongly for the election of William J. Bryan. Mr. LaFollette emphasized his decision to vote and work for Mr. Bryan by traveling with the Democratic candidate on his trip through Wisconsin. Mr. LaFollette informed Mr. Bryan that he knew the senator was at heart wholly in sympathy with him and his platform, several of the chief planks of which have been and still are advocated by the progressive Wisconsin statesman.

Francis S. Monnett, former Attorney General of Ohio, who has fought Standard Oil with a vigor and earnestness not surpassed by any individual in the nation, is going to take the stump for Bryan and Kern. Although a Republican for years and elected to the office of attorney general in Ohio by the party of the Republican candidate for the presidency, Mr. Monnett will support Bryan and Kern in this campaign. The inveterate foe of Standard Oil called at Democratic headquarters to arrange speaking dates in the states of the middle west, where he will make a vigorous campaign for the Democratic national ticket from now until the date of election.

A Washington dispatch to the Elyria (Ohio) Chronicle, a Republican paper, says: "David H. Graves, a file clerk in the pension office and a brother of John Temple Graves, candidate for vice president of the Independence League ticket, is rejoicing over an increase of salary from \$1,000 to \$1,400. The Hearst ticket is supposed to be of help to Taft and Sherman, and to that supposition Mr. Graves attributes his good fortune. The pension clerk is telling his good friends that after he failed to get a promotion based on his record, his brother Temple went to see the president, and that soon after the increase was ordered by direction of the president. The alleged order came from Oyster Bay while David was away on his annual leave. So urgent was it that he was recalled and promoted before its expiration. Then he finished his annual rest in peace. More than \$1 has been

added to his daily wage. Now he gets as much as the chief of his section. File clerks seldom get more than \$1,000." The foregoing dispatch is self-explanatory and shows how William Randolph Hearst is being favored by the Republican machine.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Our regular meeting Monday night, October 5th, of Knights of Columbus, will be of special interest, as we will have with us Dr. E. J. McOscar, of Fort Wayne, who will entertain us on a talk of his travels at home and abroad. Let every Knight turn out and hear him. By order of Grand Knight.

### THEY CRITICIZE

Say Bryan Lacks Experience to be President

### HE MAKES A REPLY

Cites Great Men of the Country as Lacking in Experience

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 3.—Speaking before the German Bryan Club, Lincoln, W. J. Bryan answered the criticisms which had been made of him by Governor Hughes and other Republican leaders, that his experience in public life was not sufficient to qualify him for the presidency. Mr. Bryan asked his audience: "Why this new born zeal for experience?" He cited Abraham Lincoln, Gen. Grant, James G. Blaine, Benjamin Harrison and William McKinley as having had no particular public experience previous to their nominations, and as for Gov. Hughes who he said had laid special emphasis upon Mr. Taft's experience and qualifications, he declared he had but two years' experience as governor of the state of New York and yet he thought three months ago that he was as well qualified for the presidency as Mr. Taft. The Democratic nominee maintained that if he measured up to Governor Hughes in experience in public life, "the governor ought not to urge my inexperience as an objection to me." Taking up the charge that he may not make wise appointments if elected, Mr. Bryan insisted the argument should not be made by a Republican, because he said for the next two years at least the Senate would be Republican and would pass upon all important appointments, thus sharing in the responsibility of any objectionable men becoming officials. "I am satisfied," he said, "that I can find excellent men that even a Republican senate will not dare to reject them."

### PAY YOUR TAXES THIS MONTH

The tax receipts for the fall installment have been made out and are now ready. November 2, is the last day for paying same, after which time the penalty must absolutely be added. Pay it now while you think of it and thus avoid the rush of the last few days. J. F. LACHOT, County Treasurer.

Typewriting neatly and promptly executed. See Will Hammell at Schurter & Smith's law office.

### THE LAST LECTURE

Dr. C. B. Wilcox Will Close the Series by Interesting Discourse

### APPROPRIATE THEME

"The Witch of Endor" Will Be Dwelt Upon—Excellent Musical Program

Dr. C. B. Wilcox will deliver the last of his present series of lectures at the M. E. church tomorrow evening, his theme being "The Witch of Endor," and as the subject indicates it will be exceedingly interesting. The witch to be spoken of in tomorrow night's lecture had a king for a consulter and a prophet for an apparition. The minister will fully discuss witchcraft and spiritualism and speak of some of the famous ghost stories of history. Many interesting thoughts will be pictured and the many who are expected to attend are promised a rare treat. A splendid musical program will be given consisting of a song by the men's chorus, "The Beacon Light," Geo. Root; solo, "Rest," Douglas Bird, by Dr. J. Q. Neptune and two organ numbers by Mrs. Ella Bell, "Pilgrim's Chorus" R. Wagner, and Offertorio in E John O'Shea. The public in general is invited to attend this service and hear the lecture, which promises to be great.

### GONE THIRTY YEARS

Joshua Burkhead and G. Merryman of Kansas Here on a Visit

### PIONEERS OF COUNTY

They Have Prospered in the Western State—Will Remain Thirty Days

Messrs. Joshua Burkhead and Green Merryman and their wives, the former until thirty years ago residents of Adams county, arrived last evening from Kansas to remain as guests of friends and relatives for thirty days.

In 1878 Mr. Merryman left for Kansas and engaged in farming. The prospects were so encouraging that he communicated same to Mr. Burkhead, who then resided on what was known as the Miller farm in Washington township. Mr. Burkhead made all preparations and left the following year, locating near Mound City, where he has since resided. These gentlemen both of whom were reared in this county, have been decidedly successful in business. By arduous labors they have accumulated neat fortunes and as the infirmities of old age are dawning upon their careers they can live in comfort with none but pleasant surroundings. Decatur extends a hearty welcome to these venerable gentlemen and their visit to their youthful abode is not only a pleasure to them, but to their many friends as well. These families will return to their respective homes in time for the men to cast their votes.

Judges Edward O'Rourke and R. K. Erwin, of Fort Wayne, will speak at the court room on Monday evening, October 12. Both speakers are well known, and have innumerable friends both in Decatur and Adams county, and a crowded house is already assured them. They will discuss the issues from a Democratic point of view, and means a scholarly address that will be well worth the hearing.

The first Republican speaker to appear in Decatur will be the Hon. George E. Clark, of South Bend, who is scheduled for the court room on next Thursday evening, October 8. Mr. Clark is a brilliant and entertaining speaker, and also known by many Decatur people.

Democratic meetings have been arranged for Preble where Senator Tyndall and Chauncey Lautzenhizer will speak on Friday evening, October 9. On the same evening C. J. Lutz and Fred Fruchte will address the people of Williams.

The Mutual Fire Insurance company will hold their annual meeting in French township to elect officers and transact other business.

J. S. LOWER.

### PAIR OF MULES FOR SALE

FOR SALE—A pair of mules, five years old, 16 hands high, weigh 2,300 pounds, well broke and as gentle as a pair of horses in stall or in harness. The price is right. Call on D. W. Beery or Abe Boch at once if you want them.

The case of Mary E. Hill versus Marion, Bluffton and Eastern Traction company, which was a suit for damages against the company for the killing of a cow, came up for trial at Marion yesterday before Judge Paulus, and after the plaintiff had examined all of her witnesses the court held that no case had been made out against the company, and the plaintiff dismissed her case at her costs. The plaintiff was pasturing the cow in the field adjoining the railroad track of the company and the cow escaped from the pasture field through a gate which had in some unknown way come open. The cow then proceeded down the right of way for a distance of about a quarter of a mile and was struck by a car and killed. The court held that under such a state of facts the company was not liable.

### IT WAS A HUMMER

A Democratic Speech at Friedham Last Night

### THE SPEAKERS

David E. Smith and Thurman Gottschalk Expounded the Gospel

The Democrats at Friedham were out in force last night, more than one hundred being present to hear the campaign issues discussed. The speakers were Hons. David E. Smith and Thurman Gottschalk, the latter being the Democratic candidate for representative for Adams county. He spoke on state issues and made it plain and clear why every taxpayer in Indiana should support the Democratic candidates. Mr. Gottschalk made a very pleasing address, which was well received. Mr. Smith spoke for an hour and a half and ably punctured the Republican arguments of prosperity and the full dinner pail. His thrusts at the trusts and their close alliance with Republican administrations were well put and as well received. He also discussed bank guarantee, an important issue in this campaign. The meeting was of the best ever held at Friedheim, where an unusual interest is manifest in behalf of the Democratic national, state and county tickets.

### CAMPAIGN IS ON

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At McLeod the home of the famous Alberta red winter wheat, we stayed four hours. The men went for a drive through the great wheat fields, which are the glory of this district. It is, however, by reason of its climate, here again the effect of the chinook winds are felt, adapted to ranching. Many farmers mix stock raising and farming. The women, who were left to their own devices after the departure of the men, found various ways of amusing themselves. The banks of the Old Man river, which flows by the town, made an excellent loafing place and we saw in it great possibilities in the way of power. Some of us visited the headquarters of the Northwest Mounted Police at this place. We had an obliging officer explain the workings of this wonderful police system to our entire satisfaction. In fact we lingered so long we missed the "welcome to our city" speeches and had it not been for Mr. Mayes, the president elect of the association, who can make the wittiest, neatest, prettiest little speech on all occasions, we would have fared badly for something to eat. Let me say right here we felt at the end of the trip we had elected in Mr. Mayes a man eminently fitted in every way for the honorable position he now holds of president of the N. W. A. From the small detail of a late luncheon to all the ceremonies of a dinner at the Royal Alexandria he managed to meet every emergency with tact and honor.

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### CALGARY THE BEST

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ing some day to return. The next morning we were awake early as we did not want to miss any of the mountain scenery, which was to be as one man expressed it, the "desert" of our trip. The Canadian Rockies are famous the world over for the magnificence of their scenery. At Laggar some took hacks, some ponies for the two and a half mile ride up the mountain road to the chalet by Lake Louise. The snow capped mountain peaks and tumbling mountain streams along the way gave us plenty to admire, but when Lake Louise, her banks, mountains, rising to the clouds, burst on our vision, an awe possessed us, such beauty, such massive grandeur met our eyes. It is what Mr. Culliss in his lectures used to call a cabinet picture, rather large in size, however. The altitude of Lake Louise is 5,645 feet. Five miles in the distance looking directly across the lake from the hotel one sees through the clear sparkling mountain air the great glaciers and rising above them to a height of ten or twelve thousand feet is the glistening white snow field of Mt. Victoria. On one side of the lake a mountain peak rises in a perpendicular wall several thousand feet, on the other the peaks are covered by the clouds. On this particular morning in August the sun shone brightly over the whole scene, making the greyish blue of the water look like a sparkling jewel in a perfect setting. At Banff still more glories of mountain scenery awaited us. The Canadian government has set aside 5,732 square miles in this region for a national park. A drive over the perfect roads which have been made around the mountains including what is called the corkscrew, a road that winds round and round up the mountain for several miles, opens to the wondering beholder new grandeur at every turn. Some one has declared the Canadian Rockies to be equal to fifty or sixty Switzerland's rolled into one." Lake Louise and Banff were a great deal to see in one day. The possibilities of a vacation spent in these places at the comfortable and luxurious hotels provided by the C. P. R. opened before us visions of delight never before imagined. After a most excellent dinner and a little impromptu concert by Miss Amos and Mrs. Staple, two singers of our party, who were educated abroad, we returned to our car home, feeling we had spent a day that would furnish us many pleasant hours on retrospection.

We felt we were under many obligations to these who had made it possible for us to enjoy so great a treat. Our faces were now really turned toward home. We thought we had seen so much that we could not be astonished at anything more. The mighty plains furnishing sustenance to thousands upon thousands of God's creatures. The lofty mountains sending down from their eternal snows streams of life giving waters. The brightest sun and the purest air on the globe. By this time everybody's eyes were bright and that tired feeling was gone. But we were to see still more things and of a different order to surprise us. Some of the names of the towns we passed through among the number. One day after our return we were talking about Moose Jaw, Indian Head, etc., when our little girl asked "what makes them name their towns cow's head and such funny things." We wondered, too, but felt it impolite to mention the subject.

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### GRAND OPENING OF THE "GRAND" 50 THEATRE

Is announced by Miller and Fristoe for next Monday Evening, October, 5

The Noah Ark building is undergoing an overhauling which will make it the most presentable in the city. Beautifully frescoed, artistically arranged, magnificently illuminated, it will be a great attraction. Do not forget the date, October 5.

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### IT WILL PAY YOU

well to investigate these ticket bargains and stop-over privileges, attractive and direct routes, etc., to which purchasers are entitled. Complete particulars will be promptly furnished upon application to T. L. McCullough, Agt.

### Republican Meeting THE HON. GEORGE E. CLARK of South Bend

Will address the voters upon the political issue of the campaign at the COURT ROOM, Decatur Ind. on Thursday Oct. 18th.

AT 7:30 P. M.

Mr. Clark is one of the most eloquent and attractive orators in the state and his address will entertain and instruct you. Everybody is invited to come out and hear him.

### POLITICAL CALENDAR...

Oct. 5.—Linn Grove, Congressman John A. M. Adair.

Oct. 9.—Preble, Friday evening, 7:30. Hons. J. W. Tyndall and Chauncey Lautzenhizer.

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Oct. 12.—Decatur, court room, 7:30. Judges Edward O'Rourke and R. K. Erwin, of Fort Wayne.

Oct. 9.—Diehi school house, Kirkland township 7:30. Hons. David E. Smith and J. F. Snow.

The Kalver junk shop will be closed on Monday, Oct. 5 on account of religious holiday.

Special for Saturday at the Decatur Packing Co. meat market—Grandma's spare ribs like you used to eat on the farm.

25¢-25¢

### THE PICTORIUM TONIGHT

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"When the Moon Plays Peek-a-Boo"

Admission 5 cents.

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