

# DECATUR DAILY DEMOCRAT.

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## FATAL INJURIES

Were Sustained by Robert Peoples Last Evening—A Vicious Colt

## JUMPED UPON HIM

In Barnyard at His Home in Root Tp.—Died this Morning at 7 O'Clock

Fatally injured as a consequence of the viciousness of a yearling colt, fairly wild with pain and amid pathetic scenes always attendant to the closing hours of a human life, Robert Peoples of Root township, respected as a citizen, loved as a friend and progressive as a farmer, passed into eternity this morning at seven o'clock. The grand old man, as the deceased was termed by many, unconscious of the pending danger, was trailing a yearling colt, when, like a flash, as he was rounding the corner, the colt, plunged upon him with all the viciousness of its nature, hurling the aged man to the ground with great force. There he lay in semi-conscious condition until the wife, who went to the barnyard on an errand beheld her husband in the sad plight. Mrs. Peoples was overwhelmed with grief. When asked what had happened, the afflicted man said "Something ran over me." He arose to his feet and with the assistance of his wife, he walked to the house, where until midnight he lay, conscious of his surroundings, although suffering untold pain. Shortly after midnight he relapsed into unconsciousness, not to regain rationality again on earth, death coming as a great relief from awful pain. The deceased nothing that the colt had escaped from the barn, had set out to capture it. He was closely behind the animal when it turned the corner of the barn. The animal, however, turned and started to retrace its steps. (Continued on page 3.)

## IT BENEFITS ALL

To Patronize Home Cigar Manufacturers—Keeps Money in Town

## OTHER ADVANTAGES

Merchants Should Exemplify Home Trade Before Preaching It

Who does the patronizing of home industry effect? It effects every citizen of Decatur. It keeps the money at home and in circulation in local channels and it is indeed peculiar that the people of Decatur do not awaken to their sense of duty and buy home cigars. There is a large number of brands made here, all of them good, and there is no plausible reason that can be advanced why we should not smoke them in preference to foreign cigars. If thirty additional cigar makers would launch in Decatur (and this will be done if the home people use home cigars), the cigar business would be a leading factor in the business interests of our city. Inasmuch as this allows of no denial we appeal to Decatur folk to get in line and be a booster. The merchant above all owes his patronage to the home cigar manufacturers. He has been preaching home trade forever and it is time that they set the example themselves. Begin today and call for the home brands.

## SALE IS POSTPONED.

On account of the fact that the public sale advertised by Phil Schefferstine is an administrator's sale, and the law requires that such a sale be advertised three weeks, it has become necessary that we cancel the date previously advertised, Tuesday, October 20th, and the sale will not be held until later, the date to be announced within a few days, in these columns. Watch for the date.

Phil L. Schefferstine.

## REVIVAL SERVICES OF INTEREST

Continue at the Evangelical Church Next Week.

Another nice audience gathered at the Evangelical church last evening to hear Rev. C. Geist, of Markle, Ind. A good interest was shown on the part of all the members, and through the entire service all were very attentive. After the song service proper a beautiful duet was sung by Mrs. Runyon and Miss Bessie Baumgartner. Rev. Geist then read from Matt. 25:14-30, and from this reading spoke on the subject, "The one Talent Servant." All in the church are servants, some possessing one talent, others possessing two and still others possessing five talents. God holds all responsible for the talents received. We are not held responsible for having but one talent, but God does expect of us that our planet should increase. Services again tonight at 7:30. The meeting will continue over Sunday and throughout next week. All are invited to these services. Special music is being rendered.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS

New Trial Refused in Davis vs. Fuelling Case—Appeal Granted

## TO APPELLATE COURT

Answer Filed in Scott vs. Graham Case—Marriage License

Henry C. Davis vs. Fred W. Fuelling, note \$100, motion for new trial overruled; appeal granted to appellate court and bond fixed at \$200. Thirty days granted to file bond and sixty days to file bill of exceptions. The case was tried here last spring, the jury returning a verdict for the defendant on May 12th and the motion for a new trial was filed May 15th.

Herman L. Conter vs. Fort Wayne & Springfield Railway company, damages \$250, motion filed to strike out the interrogatories.

David E. Scott vs. Lewis A. Graham accounting, demand \$2,025, answer in three paragraphs filed.

A marriage license was issued to Fred A. Momeyer, 29, a teamster, from Fort Wayne, and Martha C. Meyer, 26, of Preble township.

Henry F. Judd, guardian for John Richards and others, filed his final account as to John and was discharged.

There will be no important cases in court until after election, according to the remarks heard about the court room. The Christy vs. Habegger and Archer vs. Aspy claim suits are set for next Wednesday and the Teeple drain a hearing on labor claims for next Thursday.

County Surveyor L. L. Baumgartner, today sold the F. O. Martin tile ditch this morning, it being located in Washington township. The contract went to Ora Andrews for \$3,994.50. The Sylvester Tinkham ditch was also sold, being an open ditch in Blue Creek township, and went to Jacob Bevington for \$800.

## SHEPHERD PONIES SOLD HIGH

Auctioneer Spahlen Conducted Great Sale at Butler.

Auctioneer John Spuhler was at Butler, Indiana, yesterday, where he conducted a sale of Shetland ponies, one of the most successful sales of the kind ever held in the state. The ponies were the ones used at the Robinson park, Fort Wayne, and the owner having died, which was attended by a large crowd. The property sold for \$5,500 and was only appraised at \$2,400. Ponies sold for \$225 each and a Clydesdale stallion went for \$2,150. It was Mr. Spuhler's most successful sale of his career, and he is accordingly well pleased.

## A PUZZLING CASE

John W. Terrell is Said to Be Insane Still—Then No Trial for Him

## MAY STAY IN JAIL

During the Remainder of His Life—A New Firm Will Defend

From present appearances the Terrell case is going to prove a puzzler to the authorities. From all appearances the man is insane at present. When Dr. Smith released him from the hospital he did not say that the man was cured, but that nothing more could be done for him at the hospital. If the man is insane he cannot be put on trial, according to attorneys. At the same time the man is under arrest and cannot well be released by the authorities. The question will then be what shall be done with him? If the man should never recover his sanity, to keep him in jail all the time would mean a big expense and at the same time the man's health would not last under the strain. Terrell will soon lose his health if he is kept in jail inactive. He lies down nearly all the time and smokes. There is no chance to let him exercise out of doors. At the hospital this was different, as the inmates were forced to exercise and many worked on the farm. This accounts for the fact that Terrell is so healthful looking. A new firm of attorneys has appeared in the Terrell case for the defense. Simmons & Dailey have been employed by Mrs. Terrell to defend her husband in this trial. This firm was not connected with the case before. F. C. Dailey said that he supposed there would be other firms affiliated with his firm in the case, but that he did not know who they would be.—Bluffton Panner.

## AND INDIANA TOO

Walter Wellman Gives Indiana to Bryan

## NO OTHER CHANCE

Bryan to Carry the State by Ten to Thirty Thousand

Indianapolis, Oct. 17.—Unless something like a miracle happens during the next fortnight Indiana will give her electoral vote to Bryan this year. As the case now stands, the only doubt is as to the size of his plurality. This is not likely to be large—from ten to thirty thousand—and on that account the Republicans have not entirely abandoned hope. They will, of course, continue the brave struggle which they have made against heavy odds since the beginning of the campaign. Even now, with all the facts against them, the Republican leaders do not openly admit defeat. They still try to hope that some lucky turn of events, some accident, may enable Taft to squeeze through. They are fighting politicians, these hoosiers, and they do not always know when they are whipped; and when they do know it they do not confess it. Down in their hearts those of them who know the truth, in so far as it can be known, feel that the game is about over and the score against them; but there is another thing to play, and they go on with the struggle bearing as brave an outward front as they can under the circumstances. It is a discouraging situation which they face. If one dares tell the plain truth, it is so much the loss of the state on the presidency that gives them grief as the fact that if Taft goes down the governorship goes with it, the state ticket, the legislature, a United States senatorship.

## FAMOUS PEOPLE

BY FANNIE M. LOTHROP



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## THE MUSICAL TRIUMPHS OF SEMBRICH

ONE of the greatest women singers on the operatic stage to-day is Madame Sembrich. In the old city of Lemberg in Austrian Poland she was born in 1858 and from her father, a music teacher named Kakhansky, she received her first instruction in music. Before she was twelve she appeared in concerts, distinguishing herself by her playing on the piano and the violin, and was glad to drum out dance music to set the feet of others waiting for the sake of the small fee that was paid her.

When a mere child, with her love for music, she gathered her little savings of months, to spend them for a seat at the Opera where Patti was to appear. For five hours she stood in line on a bitter cold night waiting to get her ticket, and at last from an obscure corner in the gallery she heard the famous nightingale of song. The poor little Polish girl listening, absorbed in the wondrous music, had no vision of a day when she too would thrill the world and receive a small fortune for a single hour.

Her ambition was to excel in instrumental music and in her later study under Brückman and Professor Stengel she had no consciousness that the golden fortune of her genius was in her throat and not in her fingers. In her study with Franz Liszt in Vienna the revelation came, and under the inspiring teaching of Lamperti the younger, a new great singer was added to the world's choir of fame.

In 1877 she made her debut as Elvira in "Il Puritani" at the Royal Theatre in classic Athens. A month later, with her fame assured, she married Professor Stengel, her former master in music, and after a happy honeymoon she returned to Vienna to study German Opera. Her two years' stay in Dresden which followed her enthusiastic welcome in her appearance as "Lucia," gave her the standing she has ever since retained and prepared her for the long series of triumphs in Milan, Vienna, Warsaw, St. Petersburg and other music-loving cities in Europe.

In 1883 she found generous appreciation when she made her first American debut as a member of Henry E. Abbey's Italian Opera Company though she did not return to this country for fifteen years. Her voice, which extends from F to C in alt, is remarkably brilliant in the upper register and rich in that subtle quality called "color," a quality so difficult to describe in words.

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## GOVERNOR HANLY AT BERNE

A Large Crowd Greeted the Executive On His Appearance Today.

Today was one of the big ones of the campaign at Berne today, when Governor Hanly addressed the republicans on the issues of the day. Quite a number from Decatur went down this afternoon to help swell the crowd, which was one of the largest in that place for the year. The executive will go through here this afternoon in Judge Vesey's automobile, enroute to Fort Wayne, where he will speak tonight.

## A \$1000 FIRE LOSS

Was Sustained by John W. Vail—His Stave Factory Burned

## THIS MORNING

Insurance in the Amount of \$600 Was Carried—Origin Unknown

Roaring flames devoured the Vail stave factory located near the Erie target this morning and as a consequence, the proprietor has sustained a loss of \$1,000 with \$600 insurance carried. Work had been suspended at this factory months ago, and the building was used as a store room for machinery and stock at the time of the conflagration. This morning at three o'clock Ollie Chronister, sent in the alarm and although the fire laddies responded as quickly as possible, no portion of the structure was saved and the contents were a mass of ruins. Costly machinery was rendered absolutely worthless and only timely work by the department saved a big shed from being burned. Several ideas have been presented as to the origin, it may have been the work of a tramp or a spark from a railroad engine. The management informs us that the building will be rebuilt at once and it will be modern.

## NOTHING TO THIS ELECTION

Chairman Mack Makes a Pleasing Forecast.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—National Chairman Mack, who has been in Chicago for nearly two weeks directing the fight in the west for the election of the democratic ticket, left for the east. After registering at his home in Buffalo Mr. Mack will leave for New York to look over the situation in New York and the east. Mr. Mack said: "When I came west some two weeks ago I realized that the tide had turned toward democracy and every indication pointed to victory for the democracy in November. The situation is far better than then, and I return east confident of the election of Mr. Bryan. I have not received one discouraging report. Mr. Bryan will not only receive the majority of the electoral vote, but one of the greatest popular votes ever given a candidate. The fight is won, but we must keep everlastingly at it for the remaining two weeks of the campaign. It is too early to give out figures and I will not attempt to do so. But I will say now that New York, Ohio and Indiana are democratic this year, and my prediction does not take into consideration a number of other states that will swing from the republican to the democratic column."

## BRYAN GOES EAST

Final Trip Through Indiana Two Weeks from Today

## G. O. P. HAS MONEY

A Million and a Quarter to Carry New York, Ohio and Indiana

Chicago, October 17.—Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic national committee, in announcing Mr. Bryan's eastern tour today, said that Mr. Bryan would make his second and final Indiana special train trip on Saturday, October 31. Again, as on next Tuesday, Mr. Bryan will only be in Indiana during the daytime. He will be in Ohio the day before and will land in Chicago for the big final Saturday night meeting, after making a dozen rear-platform speeches in Indiana. He will then go home. Bryan will closely follow the trail of Mr. Taft in Ohio, where he will speak on October 21 in most of the cities and towns which were visited recently by the Republican presidential candidate. After Ohio Mr. Bryan will journey to West Virginia, devoting the entire day of October 22 to that state. On October 23 the Democratic candidate will speak in the larger cities and towns of New Jersey, after which he will spend four days in New York, speaking in New York City on October 26 and Brooklyn the 27th. Mr. Bryan will rest in New York city on Sunday, October 25. After October 28 he will speak in several of the up-state cities. Chairman Mack said today that he gave full credence to the report current that the Republicans are raising a fund of \$1,250,000 to carry New York, Ohio and Indiana. It is said that the reports concerning these plans reach the Democrats through exceptionally reliable sources. According to these reports a big sum is to be sent into Indiana. John E. Lamb, who arrived here from his Evansville meeting last night, said that he had no doubt that the Republicans were fully convinced that they would need the money in Indiana. Lamb assumes the acting chairmanship of the Chicago headquarters tomorrow, Chairman Mack leaving for New York tonight for a week or ten days. Lamb speaks in Michigan City tonight and Lafayette tomorrow night. Elmer E. Dover, secretary of the Republican advisory committee, left at noon for Indiana. He will confer with the Republican managers in Indianapolis tonight and be in Indiana and Ohio a week. It is understood that the Indiana and Ohio situation is to receive special attention when Chairman Frank Hitchcock returns from New York Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Steele returned this afternoon from Lagrange where they have been visiting for a week.

## SUED FOR LIBEL

Hearst Asked for Six Hundred Thousand Dollars

## THE HASKELL SUIT

Nebraska Officers Serve the Warrants—Not Excited

Chicago, Oct. 17.—W. R. Hearst, millionaire editor, after an exciting encounter with a deputy sheriff, was served on a train at Omaha at midnight with papers in a \$600,000 libel suit filed in the Douglas county (Neb.) district court by Governor Charles N. Haskell of Oklahoma. Mr. Hearst emerged from a locked toilet room after the deputy sheriff had broken open the door of the stateroom occupied by Mrs. Hearst, who shrieked loudly for help. Mr. Hearst then accepted service. Upon his arrival in Chicago today Mr. Hearst dictated the following statement: "I do not at all care whether the method of serving the summons was contrary to law or not, and I am perfectly willing to receive the summons. I do not hold anything against the deputy sheriff except the fact that he did not say that he was an officer of the law. He did not say that he had a summons of any kind or a legal paper of any kind to serve. I was in the bathroom at the time, not avoiding any one nor suspecting any one. Some one knocked at the door and Mrs. Hearst went to the door. She thought the man was a drunken ruffian. She declined to let him in and he broke open the door. I stepped out and asked what the trouble was all about, and the man said he had a summons in a civil suit to serve. Of course his action was high-handed and contrary to law, but I accept the summons notwithstanding and I invite Mr. Haskell's suit immediately before election."

## SERIOUS CHARGES

Are Made by Sadie E. Myers of Craigville Against Her Husband of Decatur

## SHE WANTS DIVORCE

Her Attorney C. L. Walters Filed Proceedings in Wells Circuit Court

Sadie E. Myers, this morning filed a complaint for divorce from her husband, Harvey Myers, through her attorney, C. L. Walters, of Decatur. The plaintiff is living in Craigville with her parents, while the defendant is residing in Decatur. According to the complaint the couple were married in April, 1899. They separated, the plaintiff alleges, in March of this year and in April the plaintiff moved to the home of her parents in Craigville. She has since resided there. She alleges that during this time her husband has made no attempt to provide for her and furnish money for her children. The woman alleges that during their marriage her husband treated her coldly and that on one occasion he locked her out of doors. He was brutal to the children, she alleges, one time striking one so hard that blood flew over his clothes. She states that her husband lived with her merely with the hopes of getting her money. The woman asks for divorce and the custody of the two children. She also requests that her husband pay an amount, which the court may fix, for the provision of the children.—Bluffton Banner.

Cards have been received in the city announcing the marriage of Harry Daniels, the auctioneer to Miss Myrtle France, of Pleasant Mills, the wedding to occur at six o'clock on the 24th of October, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed France, of Pleasant Mills. Both parties are well known people of the county.