

# Closing Out Sale

\$5,000 stock of China and Notions at almost one-half price.

An opportunity that rarely happens in a life time. Xmas presents by the thousands from the largest and best stock ever exhibited in Decatur at Bargain Counter prices.

Notice our windows and be convinced. Just stop and think—500 hand-painted and fancy plates, reg. price \$1.00, 75c, 65c, and 50c, now only 59c, 49c, 39c, and 29c.

200 fancy Jardinieres, 7, 8 and 10 in., reg. price 50c, 75c, and \$1.00, now only 29c, 39c, and 49c.

Five open lines in Haviland at greatly reduced prices. Hundreds of articles too numerous to mention. Sold at other places for 10c, our price only 5c.

Everybody come. We have enough for all. Window sale begins Saturday, Dec. 12 at 9 a. m.

## MOSER

China and Notion Store

Good shows are on at the moving pictures theaters tonight.

The Decatur Packing company is doing a good business and has been throughout the year.

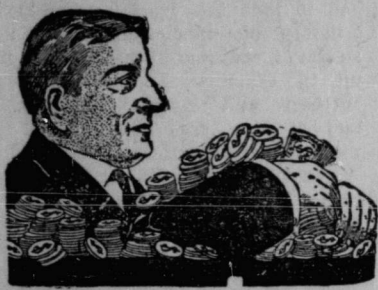
Miss Edith Miller arrived home yesterday from Huntington, after a week's visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fleming, of Fort Wayne have come to the city for a several days' visit with friends and relatives.

Mrs. R. Earl Peters received the sad news today of the death of her uncle, John Leas, late of Waterloo, who has been a sufferer for several months.

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**The Better The Show**  
**The More People Go**  
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**THE GRAND**  
 "Everybody goes to the Grand"  
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## Your Money

is indeed poorly protected if YOU guard it. Place it in an institution where it is protected by the best known modern devices and vaults, and where you can check against it at your convenience. You protect yourself best with a checking account—every check when cashed becomes a legal voucher.

Old Adams County Bank



## Christmas Bells

Will Soon Be Ringing

This is the ideal shopping time—near enough to the gift festival to make judicious selection, yet far enough away from the final rush to give one a chance to think twice before saying, "I'll take it." If you wish useful, sensible gifts, such as most persons appreciate most, you will find no better pace to make your selection than here.

**J. H. VOGLEWEDE & SON**

Opp. Court House

Tel. 399

## WEATHER

Fair tonight and Thursday.

Mrs. Daniel Sprang went to Fort Wayne this morning to do some shopping.

A. J. Sipe, of Berne has returned to his home at Berne from a business call in the city.

Marshal Bohnke ordered a tramp to leave the city today, who begged for bread and meat and still wanted eggs.

David Studabaker was reported slightly better today after a very bad day yesterday and a rather uneasy night.

The roads in town are in fairly good condition for sleighing and many people are taking advantage of the pastime.

The St. Marys river is frozen across and the ice is quite thick. Ice men have fond hopes of an early harvest this year.

There will be a special meeting of the Fire Department Thursday evening, December 11th at 7 o'clock p. m. L. C. Helm, Chief.

Grace English Lutheran church at Elkhart has extended a call to Rev. F. A. Dessel, of Spencer, and it is expected that he will accept it.

Appropriate funeral services were held over the body of the late Mrs. Hattie Beery at Pleasant Mills yesterday afternoon. The cortege left Decatur at 12:30 o'clock.

Ray McClelland, a resident of Warren, has been arrested and taken to Robinson, Ill., to answer to a charge of criminal assault filed against him there by a fifteen-year-old girl.

It is desired that every member of the Modern Woodmen lodge be present at tonight's meeting. Business pertaining to the big district meeting at Fort Wayne will be transacted.

Manager James E. Ervin, of the Boyd park theater, near Wabash, has been arrested on ten grand jury indictments charging Sabbath desecration in giving Sunday shows at the park.

F. E. Wentworth, a railroad telegrapher, who is charged with having skipped out of Bluffton after embezzling \$100 from the Clover Leaf railroad, has been arrested in Missouri.

That the freight business on the Fort Wayne & Springfield interurban is increasing is encouraging to the promoters of the road. November's business exceeds that of the preceding month.

Nothing doing today in the justices courts. The law offenders are not numerous at present and it seems that a new era of fidelity to law and order has found its inception. Let us hope so at least.

Miss Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Walters is announcing the arrival of a namesake, being Helen, the baby girl who made her appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kern, at Midland, Michigan, recently.

Saloon men at Wabash secured an order from court restraining the county commissioners from calling a county option election on the ground that the county council had made no appropriation for the election. The restraining order was not served upon the board until five minutes too late, however.

Leon Locke received a terrible fall in the alley back of the Bliss House at noon today. He was running down the alley with his hands in his pockets when he slipped on the ice, pitching forward onto his face. His lips and nose were bruised and scratched in a terrible manner, and his nose bled profusely.—Bluffton News.

Eight of the nineteen saloons in Wabash have pool or billiard tables in the rooms, and some have both. Prosecutor Carpenter has held that this is illegal. He called the matter before the grand jury at its last session and succeeded in having indictments returned. These indictments are now being followed by arrests upon warrants issued.

Frank Cotton, he of jail fame, is looking for a lemon tree. Although he cannot find any himself he is making an endeavor to get his friends to find the tree for him. He wishes to send it to Ash Emshwiller, prosecutor. Mr. Emshwiller, he said, tried hard to send him to the penitentiary, but was unsuccessful. He would like to send the tree to Emshwiller for a Christmas present.—Bluffton Banner.

There is nothing novel in the decree issued by the pastor of an American church against the big hats, says a writer in a Vienna paper. Toward the end of the thirteenth century great broad brimmed hats were fashionable in Austria. They were of such huge dimensions that a face under one of them could not be recognized. A poem written by Hadlaub expressed disgust with the style and the hope that the hats might be consigned to the Danube, "so that the pretty faces of our women might once more become visible."

Mrs. Isaac Peters was the guest of relatives in the city today.

Sam Acker, of Geneva, was a business caller in our city today.

John Barnett went to Berne this afternoon to look after business interests.

The musicale to be given by the Sisters of St. Agnes will be the best ever this year.

Mrs. Victoria Hill, of Mercer avenue, has been quite sick for a week but is recovering.

J. L. Sipe, of Berne, was a business visitor here today. He has returned to his home.

Mrs. Henry Krick went to Berne this afternoon for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Dolsh.

Mrs. J. E. Moser remains about the same, but little improvement being noted in her condition.

Mrs. J. O. Lewellan, of Monroe, was a Decatur visitor today, returning to her home this afternoon.

The condition of Martin Laughlin is about the same, according to a late report from his bedside.

Dr. Raymond Knoff, of Berne, was a business caller here this morning, returning this afternoon.

Mrs. Maggie Reckard returned today from an extended visit with friends at Richmond and Muncie, Ind.

Mr. Graber of the county farm, was a business caller in the city today returning to his home this afternoon.

J. C. Leiter made a business trip to Monroe this afternoon in the interest of the A. Van Camp flour mill.

Miss Marie Bates has returned from Meadville, Pa., where for some time she has been the guest of her parents.

Brown's Corners, a hamlet in Huntington county, has a mad dog scare. The animal became violent and bit a number of hogs before it was killed.

Are you reading the invitation of the various Decatur merchants in the Daily Democrat? It will pay you to do so, if you are interested in what you ought to buy for Christmas.

J. F. Snow has made several real estate deals during the past few weeks. There has been some inactivity in real estate for several months, but the market gives evidence of again booming in the good old way.

Decatur merchants are preparing for a grand rush in holiday goods. In fact there has already been considerable purchasing done. It is the wise buyer who looks after the Christmas wants early, and it is the wise merchant who early advertises appropriate gifts.

Frank Carroll, who for several months has been employed at the Elzey barber shop at the DeWitt smoke house, bought a half interest in the shop Monday. Messrs. Carroll and Elzey are popular young men and will no doubt receive their share of the patronage.

Apparently the fight against the encroachment of the Arkansas river toward the eastern residential section of Pink Bluffs, has been won, and with the more rapid receding of the water, as now indicated, it is believed that the most serious phase of the present flood is passed.

District Deputy H. E. Robison of this city, has set February 4th as the date for the district meeting of the Knights of Pythias and the same has been approved by the grand chancellor. The Hartford City lodge accepted the meeting and a program committee will meet shortly.—Hartford City News.

Auditor C. D. Lewton is arranging to make his final settlement and conclude his term as auditor of the county. He has not determined on the future, but will take a good rest before engaging in any business. He has been a part of the force at the auditors office for twelve years past. He will remain with Auditor-elect Michaud until the latter is familiar with his official duties.

Saïem Bashara, earliest leader of the Syrian colony in Fort Wayne, long a power among people of his nationality in this city, but later dethroned as his fortune dwindled, died yesterday. Mr. Bashara was 54 years old. For many years Salem Bashara was a unique figure. He was born in Beyruth, Syria, and came to Fort Wayne twenty years ago. At one time Bashara supplied half a hundred or more of his countrymen with the merchandise which they in turn retailed about the country.

The talk was about the proper time to wind the watch. "It's the last thing I do before I crawl into my downy," volunteered the Hartford City man. "Where I live that wouldn't do at all," said the man from Dunkirk. "We seldom get to bed until our last white has gone into the jackpot. We wind our watches first thing when we get up and we are nearly always sober in the morning." "I never wind mine," said the Montpelier man. "To-bacco tags?" queried the Hartford City man. "Waterbury?" asked the man from Dunkirk. "No, birthday present," replied the man from Montpelier. "It's exactly right twice a day."

# CHRISTMAS TIME

Will Soon be Here

## A Few Suggestions Concerning Practical Gifts

and the economy and other advantages of buying, where quality is assured. We have FINE SUITS AND OVERCOATS suitable for father, brother or husband also have SMOKING JACKETS AND SWEATER COATS

You can buy here a pair of fine suspenders, arm bands and supporters in a fancy box, Tie, hose and Handkerchief in a fancy box, at popular prices.

MUFFLERS . . . . . \$1.00 and up  
 HANDKERCHIEFS, a large assortment . . . . . 5c TO \$1.00  
 FUR CAPS from . . . . . \$1.50 TO \$4.50  
 FINE UMBRELLAS from . . . . . \$1.50 TO \$7.50  
 CUFF BUTTONS, TIE PINS . . . . . 25c TO \$1.00  
 FANCY DRESS SHIRTS . . . . . AT \$1 and \$1.50  
 SUIT CASES . . . . . from \$1 TO \$10  
 TRAVELING BAGS . . . . . from \$3 TO \$8

We can surely please you and will be glad to have you change any article that does not suit you. Come in and select the present you wish and we will lay it away for you.

# Teeple, Brandyberry & Peterson

"CATER TO THE MAN WHO CARES"

## CHRISTMAS BUYING

Is Now in Order

There are only Fourteen more shopping days until Christmas. If you want to see our complete line of Christmas Novelties as well as staples, do your shopping early.

## MEN'S OVERCOATS AND SUITS

that would be appreciated by any man as a present can be bought here for

**\$8.50, \$10, \$12.50, \$15, \$18, \$20**

## BATH ROBES AND SMOKING JACKETS

We now have on display an excellent assortment of these garments. Your husband, father or brother would be delighted to receive one



## OUR CHRISTMAS STOCK

Suit Cases, Neckwear, Mufflers, Handkerchiefs, Fur Caps, Fur Mittens, Sweater Coats, Umbrellas and Dress Gloves, are all now ready for your inspection. Ladies fur caps \$2.00 to \$4.00

# Elzey & Vance

Corner East of Court House



Decatur Ind.