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Sifted down to facts, Mr. Harriman's proposition to spend \$2,000,000 on improvements on the Southern Pacific is based on the understanding that he can increase freight rates to a point that will add \$10,000,000 to the road's receipts.—Commoner.

Fourteen congressmen are off for Panama for a four or five days' investigation of conditions there. Such are the junketing trips of congress. Imagine the thorough investigations that would result from four or five days in the canal zone. It will be a delightful outing—that's all.

Protests are now coming against the increase of the president's salary to one hundred thousand dollars a year. The objectors rightly state that no better president could be had, while the increased salary would afford a temptation for an executive to practice that extravagance which is not in keeping with the simple life.

The Fort Wayne News wants to know if the sale of Mr. Marshall's home in this city is to be taken as an indication that he is to keep on going at the expiration of his term as governor. The Post does not know what Mr. Marshall's intentions are, but it does know that he is yet the owner of four residence properties in this town and that he would be "welcomed home" four years hence.—Columbus City Post.

According to figures given out from Washington the population of the country has not been greatly increased by the coming of foreigners. The total number that arrived during the year ending October 1st, was 724,112 and those who returned to their former homes was 717,814, making a net gain of only 6,298. This is a small increase, but it is perhaps all we need, unless it was of better quality than hangs around in Lake county.—Rochester Sentinel.

DIVES UNKIND TO THEM.

Once Wealthy Boat Owner is Found in Abject Poverty.

South Bend, Ind., Jan. 1.—This is anything but a happy New Year for L. E. Mann, 71, once a prosperous boat owner on the lakes and later a wealthy lumber dealer. Huddled over a coke stove, in which there was scant fire, in the basement of a downtown block, the old man was found late yesterday more dead than alive. With him was his aged wife, who had just returned from a fruitless search for wood. Too proud to ask for help until absolutely forced to do so, aid was refused by the authorities because the old people were not residents of South Bend. The Associated Charities is now looking after them.

Miss Perle Burd went to Fort Wayne Friday and from there to Garrett to visit with her sister, Miss Merle Burd, who is working in the circulation and advertising department of the Garrett Daily Press.

Henry Schultz and daughter Dorothy went to Fort Wayne Friday to attend the funeral of Mr. Schultz's niece, Mrs. Fred Railing, of Chicago, who was brought to Fort Wayne for burial. She was formerly Miss Anna Richards, of Friedheim, Adams county. Her death occurred Wednesday.

All meats at 10c a pound. Beef and pork until after New Year's. Boiling meats at 6c. Alex LeBrun, 306-3t

SIMPLE REMEDY FOR LA GRIPPE
Racking la grippe coughs that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. The sore and inflamed lungs are healed and strengthened, and a dangerous condition is quickly averted. Take only Foley's Honey and Tar in the yellow package.

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

SOCIAL COLUMN

A Pleasant Surprise Party

Was Given for County Auditor Mischaud

LAST EVENING

Many Were Present to Enjoy the Festivities—Other Social News

A pleasant surprise party was given for H. S. Mischaud and wife last evening and a most delightful time was enjoyed by the guests who were: Messrs. and Mesdames R. K. Allison, J. T. Merryman, Eli Sprunger, Eli Meyer, C. D. Lewton, Harvey Harruff, C. J. Lutz, Richard Speagle, L. L. Baumgartner, M. S. Smith, Eugene Runyon, Lawrence Opliger, John F. Lachot and family, Mr. J. N. Fristoe, Mrs. J. B. Atz, Mrs. Myra McCartan, Misses Ruth Ernst, Lila Lachot, Minnie Orvis, Jean Lutz, Messrs. Ralph Broadwell and Herbert Lachot. An oyster supper was served, and a very social evening spent, after which the guests departed wishing Mr. Mischaud the best of success in his new capacity as county auditor.

Mrs. Fred Schafer entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Walters for dinner yesterday.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Evangelical church held its election of officers for 1909 at the home of Mrs. J. A. Smith on Thursday afternoon. President, Mrs. J. A. Smith; vice president, Mrs. Asa Engle; secretary, Mrs. Schnitz; treasurer, Miss Spangler.

January 1st the Lankenau family met at Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lankenau in this city. The family meets once a year either in Decatur, Fort Wayne or at Herman Gerkes in Root township. Yesterday there were present of this city Oscar Lankenau, Herbert Lankenau, Lulu Lankenau, Anna Parent and Frances Hess, Herman Gerke, wife and two daughters and mother, Mrs. Gerke, of Root township, of Fort Wayne Ind., Mrs. Louis Schust and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sipe and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sipe.

Miss Matilda Sellemeyer entertained

and two children, E. Lankenau and Mrs. E. Lankenau and two children, Clara Lankenau and Anna Kauer, the children of Wm. Lankenau deceased, Agnes, Tillie, Elmer and Lillian. A five course dinner was served and of course enjoyed immensely.

There will be a special meeting of the Rebekah lodge Tuesday evening, for the purpose of arranging for the trip to Berne on Wednesday evening, where initiatory work will be conferred.

Mrs. J. D. Hale pleasantly entertained yesterday afternoon at her Fifth street home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Parker and her daughter Lucile. The guests, numbering about forty, consisting of the intimate friends of Mrs. Parker and Miss Lucile, gathered at three o'clock and as they entered the home a book was given to each. The recipients were instructed to illustrate the respective books and the book which was best represented by the illustrations entitled its holder to the first prize. In this Misses Fannie Hite and Pansy Bell were a tie in the honors and they drew cuts which gave the prize, a bouquet of beautiful carnations, to Miss Bell. At five o'clock a two-course luncheon was served, and it was elaborate. A Christmas tree had been artistically arranged and on it were presents for each member of the party. The event will long be remembered by the members of the party. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Haubold, of Evanston, Ill., were among the guests.

Refreshments were served in the dining room and Mrs. J. S. Peterson presided at the coffee urn, while Robert and Dwight Peterson and Byard Smith served the plates.

Attorney and Mrs. D. B. Erwin will entertain this evening at six o'clock dinner, a number of their friends, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. E. Merriss, of Lexington, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Shifferly delightedly entertained at a New Years dinner the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hummin and son Dwight of Mt. Cora, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shifferly, Mrs. Etta Miller, Mrs. Margaret Miller, Misses Isabella Gilmore, Olive Standiford, Gertrude Shifferly, Messrs. Vernon Shifferly, Roy Theron, Orvis and Marvin Miller. The day was spent in feasting and social chat.

Miss Matilda Sellemeyer entertained

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Our Entire Stock of Coal Must be Sold as Soon as Possible. All kinds of Soft Coal at

\$4.00 Per Ton

Get Our Prices on Hard Coal Before Buying

All Kinds of Wood and Kindling For Sale

DECATUR FILLER CO.

at a six o'clock dinner last evening at

her home south of the city, the guests being the Misses Helmstetter and Stone, of Portland, and Ella and Emma Mutchler of this city. The Portland ladies returned home this afternoon, after a several days' visit with the Misses Mutchler and Sellemeyer.

HOW TO MAKE \$400.00.

You must eat. When you eat you use groceries. If you order your groceries from me, your three meals a day will cost you from ten to fifty cents less per meal according to the size of your family. Ten cents per meal is thirty cents per day. \$2.10 per week, \$9.00 per month, \$108.00 per year. See Charles Hendricks, Phone 580, Decatur, Indiana 2-6t

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One of the finest shows ever come to the city. Don't forget TONIGHT

"A DUAL LIFE"

"FOOTBALL FIEND"

"THE ENGINEER"

Music.

ALL THE TIME.

"Everybody goes to the Grand"

A BIG 15 DAYS AFTER HOLIDAY CLEARANCE**SALE**

Prices cut down on every thing in the house. We draw the line on nothing except Rubber goods. Every thing goes with a price that you can't say no. Look over these prices here below and see what a money saver it is to you.

**THE PRICES ARE FOR CASH ONLY
AND NO SHOES GO OUT ON APPROVAL AT THIS SALE**

Mens	\$5.00	Shoes	go	at	\$3.98
"	4.00	"	"	"	2.98
"	3.50	"	"	"	2.48
"	3.00	"	"	"	2.23
"	2.50	"	"	"	1.98
"	2.00	"	"	"	1.48
"	1.75	"	"	"	1.23
"	1.50	"	"	"	1.19

Ladies	\$5.00	Shoes	go	at	\$3.98
"	4.00	"	"	"	2.98
"	3.50	"	"	"	2.48
"	3.00	"	"	"	2.23
"	2.50	"	"	"	1.98
"	2.00	"	"	"	1.48
"	1.75	"	"	"	1.23
"	1.50	"	"	"	1.19

Misses	\$2.50	Shoes	go	at	\$1.98
"	2.00	"	"	"	1.48
"	1.75	"	"	"	1.23
"	1.50	"	"	"	1.23
"	1.25	"	"	"	1.19

Childs	\$1.25	Shoes	go	at	.98
"	1.00	"	"	"	.75
"	.75	"	"	"	.50
"	.60	"	"	"	.40
"	.50	"	"	"	.35
"	.25	"	"	"	.15
"	.10	"	"	"	.5

MEN & LADIES SLIPPERS WAY BELOW COST. AT PRICES TO SUIT YOU.

Youth	\$2.25	Shoes	go	at	\$1.68
"	2.00	"	"	"	1.48
"	1.75	"	"	"	1.23
"	1.50	"	"	"	1.19
"	1.25	"	"	"	.98

Boys	\$3.00	Shoes	go	at	\$2.23
"	2.50	"	"	"	1.98
"	2.00	"	"	"	1.48
"	1.75	"	"	"	1.23
"	1.50	"	"	"	1.19

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