

## CLOSING OUT SALE

We will close out our entire line of Laces, Embroidery, Insertion, Ribbon, Pillow tops and Hosiery at about half price as we expect to discontinue the handling of same so they must all go regardless of cost. Sale begins **JANUARY 6th.** and will continue from day to day until the stock is exhausted.

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Old Adams County Bank

### WEATHER

Fair tonight and Thursday; colder tonight.

J. S. Bowers made a business trip to Portland this morning.

R. Schug, of Berne, was in the city today looking after business interests.

More horses are coming in every day to be sold at the big horse sale Saturday.

Miss Tina Radamacher went to Fort Wayne this morning to remain for the day with friends.

Jesse Steele, of St. Louis, Mo., has arrived in the city for a visit with friends and relatives.

Leo Yager left this morning on his regular business strip on the road after enjoying a short visit in the city.

The mercury is hugging the zero mark again and we will have a short siege of winter again, at least.

Miss Bessie Andrews returned to her home at Peterson this morning, after a visit with relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heuer are spending the day in the country with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heuer on rural route three.

Louis Dalley returned this morning from Tipton, where he was in attendance at the funeral of the late Edward Beeler.

Mrs. Isaac Peters and granddaughter, Frances Mentzer, returned to Bluffton this morning after a visit here with friends.

C. D. Kunkle, of Monmouth, went to Berne this morning to take charge of the poultry show held there today. Mr. Kunkle is superintendent.

Mrs. N. E. Vitz, of Defiance, Ohio, who for some time has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Schlemeyer, returned to her home this morning.

Alfred Elzey returned last evening from a delightful trip in Colorado. He visited his daughter, Dora Myers at Trinidad and reported them to be well and doing fine.

Mrs. O. N. Snellen went to Willoughby, Ohio, this morning, where she will make her future home. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Gilbert Jack, who is here for a visit.

Charles Yager, of Pleasant Mills, is now a citizen of Decatur, being cozily domiciled on north Third street. He recently sold his store at Pleasant Mills and after that made the change in his residence.

It is not improbable that electric cars will be operated on many of the railroads in the near future. The electric cars, such as "Irene" which passed through Decatur a few days ago, would make a great hit.

Rudolph Schug and several other Berne business men were here today appearing before the commissioners in regard to the subsidy election for the Bluffton, Berne & Celina Traction company, who propose to build a line from Bluffton to Celina.

A. C. Butcher, formerly residing in Kirkland township, but now located near Chattanooga, Ohio, where he is teaching school, was in the city today for the first time since leaving here, some three months ago. He reports that he is getting along nicely in his new home and that he likes his work and the people immensely.

Thomas Thornburg, who attempted to end his earthly career Saturday evening by eating lye, is reported as getting along very well. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Thornburg took him to their home in Union City, Monday night, where he will be retained until he recovers from the effects of his fiery repast.—Portland Sun.

Would you investigate?

Charles Colter made a business trip to Warren this morning.

Barney D. Ford was in the city today looking after business interests.

John Kern, of Midland, Michigan, was a business caller in the city today.

Harry Ward went to Marion this morning to look after business interests.

D. W. Beery and Jack Meibers made a business trip to Bluffton this morning.

J. L. Kalver left this morning for Montpelier, where he will look after business interests.

Mrs. O. L. Bennett left this morning for Tipton county, where she will make her future home.

The St. Marys river is again frozen across and the boys are sharpening their skates for a little sport again.

The Decatur Rebekahs who went to Berne this afternoon will return on the midnight train. They anticipate a great time.

Auditor Michaud publishes this week his notice to taxpayers, giving the rate of taxation in every township and corporation.

Mrs. E. E. DeWitt went to Monroe this afternoon, where she will install the newly elected officers of the Royal Neighbors' lodge.

Colonel Foreman, wife and babe went to Portland this afternoon from the Bosse opera house soon will be given under the auspices of the firemen.

Mrs. S. Linton left this morning for Grover Hill, Ohio, where she will make a visit with friends and relatives.—Portland Sun.

A number of Decatur people will go to Berne tomorrow to attend the poultry show, which is on at that place.

A number of Fort Wayne Elks will appear at the minstrel show to be given by the Decatur lodge in that city on Thursday and Friday evenings.—Fort Wayne Sentinel.

The Toledo market report will not appear in the Democrat hereafter, although we will as heretofore correct the local market each day. J. D. Hale has discontinued the service.

The Elks parade will take place tomorrow at two o'clock, blizzard or no blizzard. Every Decatur Elk will be in line of march. The show will be unusually interesting as Elks shows are.

Mrs. Diana Rebman, 77 years of age, residing southwest of Warsaw, died Monday from the effects of burns received recently when the home of her son, John Rebman, was destroyed by fire. She was carried from the second story of the structure with her hair in flames.

Bluffton newspapers are still printing the sensations of the day, and that means that Mrs. Cotton is somewhere on earth. It would save some time and anxiety if the aforesaid Mrs. Cotton would give her itinerary to the Bluffton press, together with all the side issues she will engage in. This suspense is terrible.

Congressman and Mrs. J. A. M. Adair, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. T. S. Johnson, left on the morning train Monday for Washington, D. C. where he will resume his duties as representative of the Eighth district. Donald Hall, who will act as private secretary to Mr. Adair, left on the same train for Washington.—Portland Sun.

The funeral services of Mrs. William Briggs, of Geneva, occurred on Monday afternoon at Geneva. Mrs. Briggs died Saturday afternoon from an illness of liver trouble of a year's duration. Besides the husband the following step-children survive: Andrew G. W. W., J. E. Briggs, of Geneva, Rev. Burt Briggs of Hammond, Jack, of Attica, and Mrs. Ella Radhaugh, of Lima, O.—Portland Sun.

The circuit court has had a real busy day, three cases being disposed of and another tried.

The foundation is being laid for a new home to be built by S. E. Hite on south Third street.

Eph Lobenstein, of Monroe, transacted business in the city today and has returned to his home.

Chris Strebe went to Rome City this morning in the interest of the C. R. & I. railroad company.

A. J. Smith left this afternoon on a business trip to Eaton, Ohio, in the interest of Smith & Bell company.

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Olive Schug and L. F. Scheiman went to Berne this afternoon to look after business interests.

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Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Teeple and two children returned Tuesday morning to their home, five miles east of Geneva, after a visit with Clarke county relatives.—Portland Sun.

The edelinguish tax list appears this week, and contains but twenty-one descriptions. Such sales in Adams county amount to nothing, and are the smallest in the state.

According to postal invitations at hand we surmise that there will be something doing in Willshire on Friday evening, February 8. At that time Mr. and Mrs. William G. Hofer will do the honors.

There was a hilarious time Saturday night at the box ball alleys at Osian, owned by Daniel Elchhorn. Some of the sporty boys of the town took exception to something done last week by the manager of the alleys and they took occasion to make a rough house for him. Some of the balls were thrown clear over a curtain in the rear of the room and went rolling down into the cellar. Nobody was hurt. Monday morning Mr. Elchorn put his son Ira in charge.

Deputy Prosecutor Charles Dalley today dismissed the case to have been tried tomorrow at Craigville against Todd Collings, charged with hunting on Sunday with Carl and Ralph Lee and Bing Sellers. This followed an acquittal in the first case tried, and it is supposed the two cases filed at Liberty Center will be dismissed also. There may be new affidavits filed in circuit court, but W. A. Lee, of Poneto, father of one of the boys arrested, and attorney for the defendants, declared that if such action is taken he will carry the question to the attorney general.—Bluffton News.

A report is being circulated among railroad employees today to the effect that F. C. Wentworth, who embezzled to the amount of \$100 while third track operator at the local Clover Leaf office, has been convicted of grand larceny and sentenced to from two to fourteen years in the Missouri state prison. Word was received here a short time after his hasty departure to the effect that he had secured a position with the Rock Island and had been detected robbing the money drawer. His prosecution was through the Rock Island road. The rumor reached here, it is said, over the wire early in the morning and is possibly inaccurate.—Bluffton News.

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