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The Republican press of the state are lamenting the fact that Indiana has a Democratic governor, Democratic lieutenant-governor, Democratic speaker of the house, and a Democratic United States senator. They should not despair, as even worse things could happen.

WAS A BIG MEETING

M. Kirsch, son Otto and J. O. Sellemeyer Return from Indianapolis

A LUMBER MEETING

Was Held at the Claypool Hotel They Visited Legislature

Matthias Kirsch, son Otto and J. O. Sellemeyer, of the firm of Kirsch Sellemeyer & Sons, returned yesterday from Indianapolis, where they were in attendance at the state meeting of the Indiana Lumber men's association, and they state that it was the most interesting ever held in the capital city. A three days' session was held, during which subjects relative to the welfare of lumber dealers were ably discussed, much to the benefit of every one present. The Decatur gentlemen while at Indianapolis paid a visit to the legislature Thursday morning and witnessed the doings of the law making body for several hours. In the evening they had the pleasure of seeing the fight for United States senator. The trip was most enjoyable to them both from a business and social point of view. An elaborate banquet was served at the Claypool hotel for the lumber men before their departure and this, too, was immensely enjoyed by the Decatur party. About four hundred representatives of lumber concerns were in attendance, and all the business sessions were held at the Claypool hotel.

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SOCIAL COLUMN

Several Social Events Scheduled for Today and Evening

WARDS TO ENTERTAIN

Miss Hattie Studabaker Was at Home this Afternoon to Friends

A small company will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellingham this evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wiley. The guests of the evening will be Mr. and Mrs. Kuebler, Mr. and Mrs. Dugan, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, and Mr. and Mrs. Schirmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Steele and Miss Irene Schirmeyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Ward will entertain a number of their friends this evening, the honored guests being visiting relatives of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Brackett.

Miss Hattie Studabaker will be at home this afternoon to a large company of friends, the guest of honor being Mrs. Duke Stoops, of Petersburg, Indiana. The invited guests are the Shakespeare Club, of which Mrs. Stoops was a former member. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. I. R. Hitt, of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Vessy of Fort Wayne, Mrs. S. L. Boyers of Randall, West Virginia, Mrs. Wittmer of Goshen, and the other guests of this city besides the club members were Mrs. J. S. Boyers, Mrs. D. E. Studabaker, Mrs. W. H. Wiley, Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. McMillen, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Wilkinson, Mrs. A. D. Suttles, Nellie Blackburn, Minnie Orris. A social afternoon will be enjoyed to which will be added a delicious luncheon.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church gave a delightful social last night in honor of Harold Wilcox, who leaves for Michigan next Monday. A delightful social session was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

The Reiter encampment I. O. O. F. held an interesting meeting last night at which time the officers-elect were installed. Those who were given the obligation as officer holders of the order were: S. E. Butler, C. L. Brown, R. D. Patterson, C. E. Baker, L. C. Helm. An elaborate banquet was served and a delightful time was had.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dugan will entertain a few friends at dinner tomorrow, in compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wiley.

MR. ROHRER LEAVES

Will Wage Temperance Fight Elsewhere—He Lectures

TO WAYNE COUNTY

He Will Deliver Lectures at Many Different Points

Fred Rohrer, of Berne, probably the most widely known anti-saloon worker in the state, was in the city today looking after business interests, and left this evening on an extended tour in the interest of the anti-saloon league, during which time he will deliver lectures at several places. He goes from here to Wayne county and tomorrow afternoon will deliver a lecture at Fountain City at a big union service which will be held. He will remain there until Tuesday night when he will leave for Avilla. After addressing an audience at that place he will go to Ligonier, Albion, Cromwell and other places in Noble county to centralize his efforts in behalf of the cause. Mr. Rohrer is an untiring worker in the temperance cause, is a forceful speaker and regarded as the most successful organizer in this section of, if not in the state. His time will be well occupied for several months to come on the lecture platform as the league expects great returns from his efforts. Mr. Rohrer will not be prominently connected in the fight in Adams county, and in fact will be away from home during the greater part of the time that the fight is waged.

MAN AND MONEY DISAPPEAR

Bedford Waiter Also Wanted to Tell About Missing Diamond.

Bedford, Ind., Jan. 15.—Iden Harned is sought for by the police of Bedford, New Albany and Louisville. He was night clerk of the Dorsey restaurant until this morning. Diamonds worth \$500, belonging to Mrs. Dorsey, and all the cash taken in during the night also disappeared.

IT IS A GREAT SHOW

"A Bachelor's Honeymoon" is One of Those Pleasing Musical Comedies

WILL BE AT BOSSE

Opera House Next Monday Night—Everybody Should Attend

Everything is in readiness for the fire department benefit show "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" to be given at Bosse opera house next Monday night, Jan. 18th, by local talent. The cast and chorus have rehearsed faithfully and are to be commended for the spirit they have shown in giving their time to this cause for it means not only time, but work, and lots of it, and they have certainly tried their best to make this the success it deserves to be. If you haven't yet secured a ticket do it now, for you will miss a rare treat if you fail to see this most laughable of musical comedy successes. Don't fail to see Petite Helm, the original Jorkins Jobson, in his great impersonation act, positively the biggest scream ever and alone worth the price of admission. The board will open at 8 a. m. Monday at Holthouse Drug Co. store where seats will be reserved. Admission twenty-five cents; first come first served. The program follows:

CAST OF CHARACTERS:

Dan Gillespie—a good fellow whose imagination runs away with him Mr. Clayton Carliol Jorkins Jobson—his gardner, a high authority on potato bugs Mr. J. J. Helm Deacon Smith—who finds it difficult to be good....Mr. Sam Shamp Sally, Dan's good hearted little cook, who unlike most women can really keep a secret..... Miss May Holthouse Miss Cameron, his housekeeper in the matrimonial market and who means business. Miss Minnie Orris Louisiana, a dark brunette on the warpathMr. Howard Wischaupt Master Gillespie Master Johnnie Holthouse The babies.....Billy Holthouse, Francis Halling.

SYNOPSIS.

Act I. Dan's Home. Time a mid-summer morning. The telegram. Hail Columbia. Dan in trouble. Wins. Wives. Wives. Act II. Same place, time midday. Babies in demand. The married bachelor. An over supply of "kids." Dan's dilemma. A brand new coon in town. Act III. Same place. Time evening. The deacon wants to know. The photograph. An African cyclone. Jobson bites over. Dan explodes. Sally's loyal. Sally owns up. Only a bachelor's honeymoon after all.

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60,000 settlers from the United States in 1908. New Districts opened for settlement. 320 acres of land to EACH SETTLER—160 free homestead and 160 acres at only \$3 per acre. A vast, rich country and a contented, prosperous people. Extract from correspondence of a Kansas Editor, who visited Western Canada in August, 1906, was an inspiration. Many have paid the entire cost of their farms and had a balance of from \$10.00 to \$20.00 per acre as a result of one crop. Spring and Winter Wheat, Oats, Barley, Flax and Peas are the principal crops, while the wild grasses bring to perfection the best cattle ever sold on the Chicago market. Splendid Climate. Schools and all localities. Railways touch most of the settled districts, and prices for produce are always good. Lands may also be purchased from Railway and Land Companies. For pamphlets, maps and information regarding low Railway Rates, apply to Superintendent of Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or to the authorized Canadian Gov. Agent. W. H. ROGERS, 34 floor, Term. Traction Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.

IT'S A GREAT BOOK

Laws of Indiana Are Now Ready for Our Subscribers

ABOUT DITCHES

What the Book Contains About the Ditch Laws

The Laws of the State of Indiana, the Democrat premium, are now ready. It is a handsome volume and the contents beats anything ever offered as a newspaper premium. The volume contains three hundred and twenty pages and has more genuine information to the square inch than anything we have ever seen. For instance, it is likely that the ditch laws will appeal more directly to the farmers, as a class, than any other one thing. On the subject of ditches this book tells about the appointment of a commission, how to formulate a petition and what it should contain, also a remonstrance how to proceed for damages, construction of the ditch, form for bonds, a lien for labor or material, a report, about assessments, repair and obstruction, record of allotment, a hearing for objections, an appeal and the notice to be given, an appeal and the pairing and completion of a ditch, the petition of commissioners, tilting, and when surveyor may repair. All these citations on the ditch laws of Indiana. Think of it. Every other Indiana law is covered in the same way. A little of the real value may be surmised by the recitation of what it contains about ditches. The book is really a valuable edition and there are few if any that can afford to miss this one and only chance of owning one of them in fee simple. The payment of a year's subscription to the Daily Democrat entitles you to one of the books.

MONEY TO LOAN—I have plenty of money to loan on farms. No commission charged. Dore B. Erwin, attorney at law.

WRINGS HIS NECK TO DEATH

Madison (Ind.) Man Commits Suicide With Aid of Towel.

Madison, Ind., Jan. 15.—Samuel Herin, a councilman, wrung a towel around his neck today until he died. He used part of a chair to tighten the cloth. He leaves a widow and two sons, one in the English army in India and another who is an electrician with the Atlantic fleet.

A TUMOR GROWTH

Was Removed from Mrs. W. S. Smith, of Monroe, Yesterday

AT HOPE HOSPITAL

Her Condition Was Serious—She Will Recover

Mrs. Smith, wife of W. S. Smith, the Monroe lumber man, was taken to Fort Wayne yesterday where she submitted to an operation at the Hope hospital for the removal of a tumor and reports from her bedside are to the effect that she will recover in the near future and will be able to her body. She consulted a Decatur has been in ill health for some time but did not anticipate that her condition was so serious until an examination was made and the fact revealed that a tumor had grown within her body. She consulted a Decatur physician who advised her to be operated upon immediately to avoid further complication, which she did and consequently she will get well. It is thought that Mrs. Smith will be able to leave the Fort Wayne institution within three weeks, although there are still critical stages to pass through before safe estimate can be made in regard to this. The many friends in this city and Monroe are hoping for her early and ultimate recovery.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Board of Children's Guardians After Isaac Robison

NEGLECTS CHILDREN

He Will Have to Appear in Court and Answer to Charge of Neglect

The board of children's guardians are after Isaac Robison, and if all the reports are true, they are more than justified in the action they are taking. The board appeared in court this morning and made startling charges against Robison, who it appears has been shamefully neglectful of his children. The three little youngsters mentioned in the complaint, Lester, Tillie and Boice, whose mother has been dead several years, and they have since been depending upon the care of their father. They are ill fed, ill clad and are compelled to live in filth and dirt. The board of children's guardians will either see that the home is cleaned out and sanitary or they will, as they can under the law, take the children from

the father and give them a home where they will be given care so needful and necessary. A subpoena has been issued and the case will be heard by the judge of the Adams circuit court on Monday afternoon at three o'clock.

J. F. Lehman, administrator, through his attorney, Jesse C. Sutton, has filed a final report in the Daniel Sprunger estate.

Clark J. Lutz has entered his appearance as attorney for the plaintiff in two cases in which the United Trust company is plaintiff, and Clinton W. Hunt and Elly Risen is defendant. The suits are on contracts.

Judge R. K. Erwin, of Fort Wayne, was here yesterday afternoon and asked for a change of venue in the Rurde Dry Goods vs. Schafer case. The application was granted and the case sent to Jay county for trial. A demurrer was overruled before this action was made a matter of record.

Two quit claim deeds were recorded today (they being Benjamin F. Smith to John F. Hocker, and the other one being John F. Hocker to Benjamin F. Smith).

This is the last day of the present court term and it was apparently as dry and uninteresting as many of the other days have been. A two weeks' vacation will now be the order of things.

ERWIN HAS FOR SALE

SPECIAL PRICES ON VACANT LOTS

Not No. 949 Monroe street, \$260.00.
Another on Monroe street, 50 by 154 feet, \$250.00; will sell on payments, weekly or monthly.
Lot on South Russel street, 50 by 200 feet, \$200.00 weekly, monthly or quarterly payments, with small cash payment.
Four vacant lots in the Fullenkamp addition; nicely located; low price and easy terms.
One fine vacant lot on north Second street, cheap.
One on Russel street opposite South Ward School Building. Something different tomorrow.
Vacant lot will exchange for good horse.
80 acre farm, good soil, 2 miles west of Decatur, at right price; will not be on the market long.

Dan Erwin

DOES OUR BIG JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE INTEREST YOU?

If not, why not? We are doing everything in our power to please you and cutting prices until profits are consumed in our endeavor to reduce our stocks and turn them into cash.

ONE WEEK EXTENSION

Owing to the fact of the coming farmers institute and realizing that they have not all yet had an opportunity to benefit by our big slaughter sale, we have decided to extend it one week longer. Study these prices—The closer you investigate the better our chances for selling you

\$5.00 shoes placed on sale at great savings to...	\$3.98	\$1.50 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$ 1.19
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\$3.50 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$2.48	\$1.00 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$.75
\$3.00 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$2.23	\$.75 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$.50
\$2.50 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$1.98	\$.60 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$.40
\$2.00 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$1.48	\$.50 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$.35
\$1.75 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$1.23	\$.25 shoes placed on sale at great savings to....	\$.15
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