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When sixty business men can sit down to a midday luncheon and discuss in a friendly way progress and prosperity of the community, we are forcibly reminded that the city has indeed taken rapid strides toward bigger and better things.—Exchange. Let's see, could sixty business men in Hartford City be placed at the same table without serious consequences to the tableware?—Hartford City News.

The report comes from Lafayette, that the personality of J. Frank Hanly is being made an issue in the local option fight, and is causing men to take sides on a question that has a direct bearing on the material welfare of the community. Was ever a proposition so absurd? If the people of Lafayette allow their like or their dislike for Frank Hanly to govern them in any degree in the settlement of this question, they will be guilty of an asininity so closely akin to idiocy as to suggest the propriety of a guardianship. So far as the interest of Lafayette are concerned, Frank Hanly has just about as much actual relation to the local option fight as has the harmon of the royal Turk.—Port Wayne News.

The Indianapolis Star is one of the first of the metropolitan republican dailies of the country to admit that the election of Grover Cleveland in 1892 and the enactment of the Wilson-Gorman tariff bill a year following his election had nothing to do with the panic of 1893. There are hundreds and thousands of misguided republicans all over the state who will be astonished that the Star or any other republican paper would confess that the panic of 1893 was in no respect due to the democratic president or tariff law enacted nearly a year after the panic had broken upon the country in full force. These same dyed-in-the-wool republicans still believe that the foreigner pays the tariff tax and that the tariff on

wheat is a good thing, and it is highly probable that some of them still believe that the republican party saved the union.—Columbia City Post.

### WED AT METHODIST PARSONAGE

Miss Cross of Berne, Became the Bride of Mr. Burkhardt, of Illinois.

Rev. Sherman Powell of the Methodist church performed his first wedding ceremony since his recent arrival here, last evening, when William F. Burkhardt, of Bridgeport, Ill., and Miss Hila Belle Cross of Berne, called at the parsonage and were united in the holy bonds. The happy young couple will reside at Bridgeport, where Mr. Burkhardt is engaged in the oil business.

### HOME FROM CUBA

J. E. Moser Returned from a Month's Visit to that Island

### A GREAT TRIP

The Climate is Excellent and the Opportunities Are Many

J. E. Moser came home last evening from a month's absence in Cuba, where he went in company with a party of Fort Wayne capitalists for the purpose of investigating a land and timber deal, which comprised 32,860 acres located in the Santa Clara province. About three weeks were spent by this party upon the island, and much of that time was taken with the business they had in hand. The country and the climate is perfect, according to the report given by Mr. Moser, and the opportunities for investment are many, and they are as good as they are numerous. The deal for the particular tract that took them upon the long journey was not closed, owing to a few technicalities which entered into the transaction. It is a fine body of land, however, much of it heavily timbered with mahogany, cedar, Cuban oak, sabbie and a dozen other varieties. Much of the land is rarely adapted to coffee growing, tobacco, sugar cane, besides other diversified vegetation. The climate is delightful and good health abounds every place. Many Americans are flocking there, and in the next few years Cuba will hardly be recognized when compared to the conditions at this time. The trip was a delightful one, enjoyed by every one of the party, and it is especially noticeable upon the appearance of Mr. Moser, who received great benefit from the journey through the rich and productive country comprising the greater portion of the Santa Clara province of Cuba.

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## THE SOCIAL WORLD

Miss Bessie Baumgartner to Entertain the Entre Nous Club

### A DINNER PARTY

### Various Church Society

Meetings Scheduled—Other Notes

Dr. and Mrs. Burt Mangold entertained Mr. and Mrs. Anderson at twelve o'clock dinner today.

The Entre Nous Club will be entertained this evening by Miss Bessie Baumgartner. This is the first meeting the club has had for a month or so, and no program has been arranged, as the custom is, but the members will enjoy an evening socially. Miss Ruby Miller will meet with the club. This is her first meeting this year. On account of school work she could not attend and the meeting tonight will be in her honor.

The Aid Society of the Christian church will have a business meeting with Mrs. John Fleming Friday. Important business will be transacted. The members are requested to be in attendance.

Mrs. Don Quinn will entertain the Thimble Club tomorrow afternoon at her home on north Monroe street.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Evangelical church will meet next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. McBarnes, in their business session. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

The Euterpeans will meet Friday evening with Miss Carrie Craig. The hostess will have charge of a program, since Mrs. Fuhrman will not be here, Mrs. the artist, is the subject for discussion.

### HAD A CLOSE CALL

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Vance Suffer from Ptomaine Poison—Were Very Ill

### EAT CANNED SALMON

Mrs. Vance is Still in a Quite Serious Condition, But is Improving

Mrs. O. L. Vance, wife of the well known clothing merchant, is very ill from ptomaine poison, caused from eating canned salmon, and Mr. Vance himself is not feeling any too spry. They enjoyed the dish of cold meat Monday evening at supper and a few hours after both were suddenly taken very ill. For some hours Mrs. Vance's condition was quite serious. Her hands became cold and even at this time she has practically no feeling in her forefingers. Mr. Vance was not so ill and was able to come to the store yesterday, but he says he was sick enough that he is certain he will never care about his heretofore favorite dish of salmon. Mrs. Vance is much better and is out of danger, though she was feeling worse again last evening. Only the fact that Mr. Vance was not seriously affected and was able to summon relatives and a physician accounts for the fact perhaps that the result was not more serious.

### THE CROSS-SPRAGUE WEDDING

Two Well Known Young People Were Married Last Evening.

Rev. Wise united in marriage last evening at 4:30, Mr. Ernest Cross and Miss Ida Sprague, two estimable young people of this city. The event was a very quiet one, and the happy young couple went immediately to house-keeping in a cottage already prepared for them on Nuttman street. The groom is employed on the G. R. & I. as a pumper at the water tank. They have many friends here who join in offering sincere congratulations for their future prosperity.

### NO ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE

Young People Caught in Stairway Will Not Be Prosecuted this Time.

The four young people, two women and two boys, who were caught in a stairway here Monday evening, will not be prosecuted. The boys are very young, and as they have made good the damage caused by the escapade, they were not arrested, and as this is the first offense, the names will be withheld, with the hope that they will not allow a similar occurrence to happen. The girls were so drunk that they scarcely knew what they were doing, and the affair was a most disgraceful one, especially since one of them is a married woman.

### WAS SENT TO JAIL

Edward Knavel Found Guilty of Contempt of Court

### OTHER COURT NEWS

Judge Smith Assumes Jurisdiction in Damage Case—Injunctions Dismissed

Edward Knavel was found guilty of contempt of court and sent to jail. Some time ago his wife, Mary Knavel, filed suit for divorce, and the court ordered him to pay \$15.00 into court for use of his wife. He failed to do so, claiming that he was unable. The court two weeks ago reduced the amount to \$10.00. Knavel again failed to make good, although he has had work and it was reported he has been intoxicated several times. When he was brought up by the sheriff, Judge Merryman ordered him to jail until the \$10.00 is paid. The case is set for trial Thursday of next week.

Judge Smith has assumed jurisdiction in the case of the Citizens' Telephone Co. vs. Fort Wayne & Springfield Co.

John H. Wilson has been appointed guardian for John A. Wilson, and filed bond for \$500.

By agreement of parties in open court the cases, Fort Wayne & Springfield Ry. Co. vs. Chicago & Erie Co. and the Chicago & Erie vs. Fort Wayne & Springfield company, were dismissed and the costs paid.

E. S. Calahan vs. Clara Wheat, suit on note, defendant ruled to answer within five days.

Catherine Synder vs. William Eicher, possession of real estate, demurrer filed to the complaint.

O. N. Tyndall, admr. of estate of James W. Jones, filed a petition for sale of real estate. The return will be made June 11.

Real estate transfers: Ezra B. Archbold et al to B. Kalver et al, part lot 74, Decatur, \$2,450; Mary E. Hanna et al to Ellen Hyland, lots 412 and 86, Decatur, \$736.35; Mary C. McCullum to M. J. Martin, lot 347, Geneva, \$500; Catherine M. Christen to Warren V. Reed et al, lot 930, Decatur, \$850; Maggie Vesey to E. W. Johnson, lot 6, Monroe, \$160.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Ernest E. Cross, aged 30, a pumper, and Ida B. Sprague, 22, both of Decatur; and to William F. Burkhardt, aged 30, an oil man from Bridgeport, Ill., to Hila Belle Cross, of this county.

### DRYS WIN AGAIN

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effect of the crushing defeat of the saloon forces in Delaware county is expected to be state wide. Prohibition leaders from over the state wired Muncie men for early authentic reports tonight and scores of telephone calls from Anderson and surrounding towns outside the county were received at the offices of the Star and elsewhere. Saloon men from over the entire state were here today watching results. Aside from abolishing eighty-two Muncie saloons the effect of the Muncie vote will be apparent in Anderson at once. A sentiment there had been in favor of postponing the presentation of the petition for the local option election in case Muncie went wet. It was believed the odds would be too great to be overcome owing to three large cities in Madison county. Now it is thought the option forces will be encouraged, and the petition for an election, which has already been signed by a sufficient number will be presented.

## GIVEN FRANCHISE

Decatur Secures Berth in the Northern League Says an Exchange

### SEASON OPENS MAY 15

This City Will Start the Scrap by Meeting Old Time Rival, Bluffton

With franchises granted to Huntington, Wabash, Kokomo, Marion, Decatur and Bluffton at a meeting held at Wabash Monday, and with the financial end of the league organization completed, the Northern State Baseball league is at last in position to proceed along a defined route. R. C. James and Earle Steele of Huntington were named the committee to arrange the schedule, to be reported at a meeting next Thursday evening in Wabash for its revision and adoption. The league season will open in three cities May 15. All of the cities want opening dates and the committee has a proposition of no little magnitude on its hands to dispose of. According to plans considered at the Monday evening meeting, Marion will hardly be ready by the opening date, as a new park is being built there. Kokomo being the largest city on the circuit, naturally wants to open at home. Manager Klunk of Wabash says he would consent to open with Kokomo at Kokomo. Marion will probably be booked for Huntington for the two initial dates and Bluffton and Decatur will resume old-time rivalry in a clash between the two cities. The cities opening away from home May 15 will not open at home until the following Saturday and Sunday. Immediate application will be made to Secretary Farrell of the national commission to secure national protection. President Ed Hill reported that the situation looked rosy in all of the cities he had visited, which included all but Huntington. Over at Decatur the movement is headed by Mayor C. O. France and W. H. Fledderjohann, the later general manager of the Fort Wayne & Springfield Traction company.—Huntington Herald.

### NEW LAW IMPORTANT

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tees under a written instrument or declaration of trust, recorded in the recorder's office of such county. Penalty—Section 3. Any person who violates the provisions of this act shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$100. Clerk Haeffling asks us to announce that he has arranged for the certificates and the records necessary for this and will be ready to comply with the law within about ten days. All persons who are included in this law will save trouble by complying therewith.

### OBITUARY.

Nancy R. Dutcher, daughter of Noah and Sarah Glass, was born in Union township, Adams county, Indiana, August 27, 1853, and departed this life, after years of suffering caused by liver trouble, for her eternal home at nine o'clock, April 22, 1909, surrounded by her immediate family, also by many of her near and dear friends and neighbors. She passed from this life in peace at the age of 55 years, 7 months and 25 days, leaving to mourn their loss, a husband, George Dutcher, a lifelong resident and a noble citizen of this county, and four children, one son Charles and three daughters, Minnie Lewton, Nellie Fisher and Miss Grace Dutcher; also eight grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Della Gessinger and Mrs. David Murphy and one half-sister, Mrs. Della Crist, of Fort Wayne. Mrs. Dutcher joined the Methodist Episcopal church at Alpha when about the age of fifteen years, and during her entire life's membership she remained devout and steadfast in the faith given to the saints. Hers was a life nobly grand and morally beautiful. In her death the community has lost a good and gentle neighbor, the church of her choice has lost a zealous and earnest worker, the friends a pure and spotless relative, and the children a kind and thoughtful mother whose advice was always timely and good and her husband a sympathetic and devoted wife. Truly, in her going out the earth has been impoverished but Heaven enriched. The funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Decatur at two o'clock p. m. Saturday, April 24th, Rev. J. S. Newcombe of Albion officiating. On earth, your sufferings were terrible to bear, Up there, all joy, all glory, not even a tear.

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