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Nearly 60,000 people have registered for a chance in the Court d'Alene land lottery, operated by Uncle Sam. But Uncle Sam's postmaster general will not permit a merchant to advertise a little giveaway enterprise. Consistency is not always found at headquarters.—Columbia City Post.

The appointment of the Hon. W. P. Breen as a representative of the National Bar association in the movement inaugurated by the National Civic Federation for uniform legislation by the states is a tribute to that gentleman's ability and at the same time a compliment to the legal profession of Fort Wayne. The committee is composed of the very ablest and most distinguished jurists of the United States, and Mr. Breen takes high rank among them. Everyone in Fort Wayne, in or out of the legal profession, likes to see these honors come to Mr. Breen. To a brilliant mind he adds graces of person which have made him the subject of universal liking and admiration among all who know him.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

The conferees have agreed to provide in the tariff bill for the issue of \$397,000,000 bonds to pay for the Panama canal. The correspondent of the Cincinnati Enquirer reminds us that "these figures bear a striking resemblance to the estimates of the ultimate outlay which were ventured by men who were opposed to the undertaking in the beginning, but who were laughed down as being wildly extravagant in their prophecies." The engineers originally estimated that the lock canal would cost \$140,000,000 and that a sea level canal would cost \$272,000,000. So now we see that the lock canal in process of construction is to cost \$125,000,000 more than the estimated cost of a sea level canal. The estimates of the cost of the work have steadily risen, as we have accumulated experience. Changes have been made in the plan involving considerable added expense, until now we have congress preparing to borrow \$397,000,000 to pay for the work. We do not suppose that any one who has studied the course of events will believe that we shall get through for \$397,000,000.

Writing in the paper of which he is editor, Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin has the following to say about the new tariff bill:

The editorial says in part: "The Aldrich tariff bill has passed the senate in all substantial particulars just as the senator from Rhode Island dictated it. I substantially the same form it will become a law. It will stand as the crowning infamy of its sponsor and it will hang as the old

man of the sea upon the neck of the political party responsible for its enactment.

"It was framed in secret conference with the representatives of special interests. It was framed in the dark and in willful ignorance of facts which by the platform pledges of the Republican party were bound to control in the framing of legislation.

"All efforts to harmonize its schedules with any recognized principle of tariff legislation are hopeless, for it is not based upon principle, but upon greed and graft and pull. Its passage in the senate was promoted by cheap trickery, jobbery, chicanery and manipulation.

"There is hardly a powerful special interest or great trust combination in the country that is not made its special beneficiary. It is a slap in the face of overwhelming demand for tariff revision downward."

It must be remembered that Senator LaFollette is a Republican and he is in a position to know just how the new tariff bill was made. Besides, he is the sort of man who makes it his business to find out.

## A BIG RACE MEET

Begins at Fort Wayne Wednesday and Last Balance of Week

## OFFER LARGE STAKES

On Saturday Automobile Races Will Be the Program

What is heralded as the greatest racing event held in Fort Wayne since the days of the famous blue ribbon circuit will open in Fort Wayne Wednesday and continue through the remainder of the week, closing on Saturday with automobile races in which Smith and Brown, two of the world's greatest drivers, will participate. The races will be known as the Red Ribbon meeting and the promoters hope to make such a success of the affair, both from the standpoint of sport and attendance, that Fort Wayne will be able next year to break into one of the big circuits of the country and thus insure good racing every summer. Because of the fact that the Red Ribbon officials were able to secure dates between meetings of the big circuits, some of the best horses of the country have been secured for the various events and some notable records are looked for. The mile track at the Fort Wayne driving park is reported to be in lightning fast condition. Three great races, including a \$1,000 stake race, will be run each day. Sixty horses have been entered in the stake races and every other event will have a big field of starters.

### CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to thank the friends and neighbors who were so kind during the sickness and death of Miss Pearl May Hill. Yours respectfully, Curt Fritzing.

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We wish to say to all our neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us in caring for our daughter and sister through her illness and death, that we all most sincerely thank each and every one. Yours respectfully, Jesse Hill and family.

John Boyd, of south of the city, went to Fort Wayne today.

July 31—Last day for tickets. Yager Bros. & Reinking.

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## SOCIETY COLUMN

Alden Colter Was Married at Boonville to Popular Young Lady

MRS. C. A. DUGAN

Gave Dinner Party—Other Social Items of Interest

Miss Dessie Beery entertained Mrs. Arthur Fisher and Miss Celia Mayer at dinner Sunday.

The Evans family will hold a reunion at Lake Maxinkukee in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Mont Evans of DeLong will be among the party. Other members will be Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Evans and daughter and several other cousins from over the state. The families of Mr. Evans and Mr. Laugherty are both well known here, having lived here a number of years. They are expecting a splendid outing.

Mrs. J. H. Voglewede gave a dinner party Sunday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. B. Uhl of Toledo. Among many social events given in their honor the affair yesterday was one of the pleasantest. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Terveer, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Voglewede, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voglewede, Mrs. Margaret Meibers, Mrs. Helen Berling, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Haefling, Mrs. Anna Droppelman, Mr. and Mrs. James P. Haefling, Mrs. R. J. Holthouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Coulter arrived in the city Friday from Brookville, where they were married the same day. Mr. Coulter who has lived in Decatur for some time, went to Brookville several weeks ago to attend to some business where he was married. The wedding was quite a surprise, as his friends here did not think it would occur so soon. The event occurred in Brookville, the home of the bride at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. Fisher performing the ceremony. The bride was Miss Lillie Hunsinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hunsinger and a very popular girl of that place. The groom has lived here for some time, and his residence here will continue at 242 N. Sixth street, where Mr. Coulter and bride are already living. The groom is representing the Rawleigh Medical company, of Freeport, and has been quite successful during his residence in the city.

The Masons are preparing for a good time on tomorrow evening the occasion being the conferring of the Master Masons' degree upon Rev. Richard Spetnagel. It is expected that the attendance will be large.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dugan entertained at dinner on Saturday evening the occasion being one of the most delightful of the season. Those present were Judge and Mrs. Edward O'Rourke, their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Winch all of Fort Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Ellingham and Mr. L. C. Waring of this city.

Miss Lois Meyers entertained Mr. Dick Peterson and Miss Ruth Buhler at her home in Preble yesterday.

Miss Pearl Purdy gave a slumber party at her home on north Fifth street Saturday evening. Guests were the girls of the Entre Nous club. In the morning breakfast was served and a hour spent very pleasantly. The hostess has just returned from her vacation and the affair was in the nature of a reunion.

A number of people from this city—Mrs. N. J. Baughman and son Lester, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Baughman, George Wetzberger and family and Mr. and Mrs. Miller—enjoyed a family picnic at Robison park yesterday. With well filled baskets the party came to the park, where the day was spent in an enjoyable way.

Mrs. H. L. Conter will entertain the St. Vincent de Paul society at her home on First street Wednesday afternoon. A good attendance is desired.

The W. R. C. Social Club will be entertained by Mrs. Hays on Tuesday afternoon at her home on the corner of Eighth and Adams streets. A musical and reading program will be given, which will be very interesting and a cordial invitation is extended that all attend. Refreshments will be served.

A large social gathering took place yesterday afternoon at Maple Grove

park in honor of Mrs. Elizabeth Weber of Indianapolis, Miss May Bixler of Muncie, and Miss Nona Ullman of Moline, Ill., who are in the city visiting with friends and other relatives. A party of twenty or so made up the crowd and all took their suppers with them and enjoyed a hearty good meal. They came to the city on the eight o'clock car after enjoying a very pleasant afternoon.

Mrs. William H. Beachler and Mrs. Fred Fruchte will be "at home" to a large number of friends Tuesday afternoon. Mr. W. H. Beachler and family will leave in a few months for their new home at Union City.

The Lady Macabees will hold an important meeting this evening, the same to be held at the Grand Army hall. A full attendance is desired.

The Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. Mary Steele on Winchester street. Opening the program Miss Laura Alban will read a paper on "The New Migration." Miss Nellie Shrock has charge of the round table, the subject this time being "Review of the Year," and a general review will be given. Assistant hostesses are Mesdames Tom Reid, C. O. France and Miss Gusta Cramer. It is desired by the officers that all the members will be present tomorrow afternoon.

The U. B. and Christian church congregations will hold their annual picnics this week and the members, especially the children, are looking forward to a happy time.

Mr. Smith and Miss Nona McBarnes of Pleasant Mills, gave a party Friday evening in honor of their cousin, Miss Dessie Andrews, of DeWitt, Ark. The parlor was beautifully decorated in red, white, green and blue crepe paper and Japanese lanterns. The invited guests gathered at the home about 8:30 o'clock, and spent the evening in music and various games. Dainty refreshments were served and at a late hour the guests departed, voting Mr. and Miss McBarnes royal entertainers. The invited guests present were the Misses Pearl Watkins, Bertha Drummond, Fanny Smith, Ethel Jones, Bessie Drummond, Dessie Andrews, Nona McBarnes, Cora McBarnes, the Messrs. Allen Place, Don Roop, Roy Steele, Hazel Watkins, Jim Strickler, Bill Watkins, Ray

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## IN CHICAGO RIVER

J. M. Harless Met Death Friday—Seized with Cramps and Drowned

WAS BORN HERE

And Has Numerous Relatives Over the County—Funeral at Albion

Mrs. Theodore Kennedy this morning received the sad news of the death of her nephew J. M. Harless of Chicago, who was drowned Friday afternoon, in the Chicago river near Hammond. Mr. Harless was born in this county, and has many relatives here who knew him well. He has lived in Chicago for a number of years operating a photograph gallery there. A week or so ago he and his family went to a beautiful spot near Hammond, where they were enjoying an outing living in a tent. Friday afternoon, Mr. Harless went in bathing and was seized with cramps, drowning before aid could reach him. The body was taken to Hammond and prepared for burial, and afterward was taken to Albion, Indiana, where other members of the family were buried. He leaves a wife and four children. He was a cousin of James Harless formerly of the First National bank and who now lives at Paulding and also had a number of other cousins and relatives here who are greatly shocked over his untimely death.

### BANK EMPLOYEE ARRESTED

Indianapolis, July 24.—Norman Hamilton, an assistant paying teller at the Indiana National bank, was arrested this afternoon on the charge that on May 1 last, Hamilton stole a package containing \$500 worth of \$20 gold certificates. The matter was traced down through the bank until suspicion rested on Hamilton, and policeman took the young man in charge. They questioned him at headquarters, and he confessed his guilt. Hamilton had a part of the money on deposit in another bank.

### SILK FLAG FOR CARRIER

Brownstown, Ind., July 24.—William Cartwright, carrier on rural route No. 2, is gratifying the eyes of the patrons of Uncle Sam along his route by waving a silk flag in their faces. Cartwright is the winner this month in a unique contest inaugurated by Postmaster C. T. Benton of Brownstown. The first of each month Benton awards the silk flag to the one of his rural carriers who has sold the most stamps, postal cards and government stationery along his route. The patrons of the route watch for the flag as eagerly as do the carriers on the day of the awarding.

## SHE MAY RECOVER

Mrs. Harry Fowler is Surviving a Serious Siege of Typhoid

IS AT HOSPITAL

In East St. Louis—Her Fever is Gradually Receding Now

Mesdames J. B. Stoneburner, Joseph Andrews and Misses Ada Barnett and Lufa Stoneburner, returned this morning from East St. Louis, where they were at the bedside of Mrs. Harry Fowler, formerly Delota Beery, who for several weeks has hovered between life and death as a result of a serious siege of typhoid fever. Mrs. Fowler it will be remembered, was the victim of violent hemorrhages and the physician at one time gave up all hope for her recovery. She passed the crisis, however, and has since gained slightly although she is not out of danger. Last Friday her neck became so swollen that it was feared blood poisoning had set in, but a close diagnosis proved this not to be the case. With the very best of care and nothing unforeseen occurring the hospital physician states that there are chances for her recovery, and this is good news to the many friends of the afflicted woman. The fever is gradually receding and indications point to a gradual recovery.

## THE BODY ARRIVED

Remains of Late Miss Ritter Came From Toledo

THE FUNERAL HERE

At the U. B. Church Tomorrow Afternoon at 1:30 O'Clock

Marguerite, Sina Ritter, daughter of Mrs. Susanna Ritter of this city died in Toledo last Friday morning after suffering for several weeks from a complication of ailments and the remains were brought to this city today. The deceased was thirty-six years of age and visited in Decatur several times, becoming quite well known. She was a sister of John Ritter of this city and besides him is survived by three brothers, two sisters and a multitude of friends. The funeral services will be held from the Decatur United Brethren church tomorrow afternoon at one-thirty o'clock when friends and relatives will gather to pay their last respects. Mrs. Nance Hardsock, of Hammond, a sister of the deceased, arrived this morning to be in attendance at the funeral, and it is thought that the remaining brothers and sisters and other relatives residing out of town will be here. Interment will be made at Decatur cemetery.

Mrs. W. W. Eaton went to Fort Wayne after a visit with friends in the city.

Mrs. Frank Crawford is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Joel Spies, of Cleveland, Ohio.

The condition of Lew Weber is showing no signs of improvement and is expected to live but a few days.

Mack's Monthly magazine for every one in the family. If you have not subscribed see Tony Conter or have your order at this office.

Ten barrels of glass tumblers for 2c each at The Racket store. 1748 July 31—Last day for tickets. Yager Bros. & Reinking.

THIS WILL BE THE LAST WEEK OF OUR GREAT JULY

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