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J. H. HELLER, Manager.

Surely it was bad enough to pass the Payne-Aldrich-Cannon tariff bill but it is adding insult to injury for President Taft to travel over the country at the people's expense to defend it. No one would object to the use of any part of the \$25,000 a year allowed the president for traveling expenses if he were going out merely as president and on public business. But if he journeys as the leader of the Republican party and to make speeches in the interest of that party he should either pay his own expenses or ask the Republican national committee to do it.

The story that Hanly will make an effort to succeed Beveridge for senator in Indiana is revived quite frequently in this state. So far as heard from the ex-governor has kept mum on the subject. He is evidently keeping his eye on the situation and if the political wheel revolves to his advantage he may become a candidate. A good many standpat republicans are satisfied that Beveridge hurt himself by his attitude on the tariff question, but they don't want anything to do with Hanly. There is really an opening for some other gentleman—Jim Watson, for instance.—Columbia City Post.

Speaking of President Taft's forthcoming tour of the country—at the people's expense—during which he proposes to "defend" the new tariff law, the Indianapolis News (Ind. Rep.) says that, since the day it was passed "the imperfection of the Payne bill have become increasingly apparent; and its so-called 'downward revision' has done nothing toward relieving the people of the ever-increasing burden they are bearing. On the contrary, there has been a general tendency toward higher prices, toward a decided increase in the cost of living, the very thing it was hoped to decrease by real tariff reform. And with this increase in the cost of living there have as usual, been comparatively few cases where there has been an increase in the rate of wages. As a matter of fact, it is doubtful if this thoroughly unsatisfactory to everybody except 'the interests.' The task of defending it is one which few statesmen will envy the president."

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PAID IN AND OUT

City Treasurer Archbold
Publishers Statement of
City's Finances

FOR ELEVEN YEARS

The Amounts Paid in and
Out During That Time
By City Officials

Decatur, Ind., Aug. 30, 1909.

Editor Democrat—Since the people of this city have been kind enough to allow me to hold the office of city treasurer since September 1, 1898, I feel that it is my duty as their treasurer to render them a little extra service. If you will allow me the columns of your paper, I will greatly appreciate the privilege of giving the public a complete account of the receipts and disbursements of the city treasury from September 1, 1898, to July 31, 1909. I am a firm believer in the publicity of public affairs, and believe that by laying down the facts before the people that they will enable us to establish firmly the policies of the city on a business basis. Municipal affairs can only succeed when regulated by an intelligent and wideawake people. I mean a people who know a demagogue from an honest man—a people who know that the spendthrift theory cannot be worked on an economic basis. We have people enough in this city to care for her interest, if they only have a chance to get at the facts. Therefore I feel it my duty to open the treasurer's record to every voter. I have watched the city affairs for the last eleven years and have concluded that our greatest troubles come from bad business systems. We have suffered considerably by erroneous methods that lack the qualities of economy. There is only one way to win in this business proposition. The revenues of the city must be cared for. The indebtedness must be cut down, and the enormous interests must be saved to the people instead of the bondholders. With the above objects in view we will show you where the money goes and in future articles we will attempt to show you how at least to keep some of it from going. In the following you will find the receipts and disbursements of the city treasury from Sept. 1, 1898 to July 31, 1909:

	Receipts.	Disburse.
General fund	\$5,192.90	\$2,345.16
License	2,927.00	
Interest fund	2,662.85	3,008.04
Misc. streets and		
sewers	3,848.11	3,321.46
Sinking fund	469.91	
Fire department		287.19
Salaries		2,772.18
Streets, general		3,018.56
Electric lights	5,747.98	4,407.99
Water works	9,345.26	10,632.05
Temporary loan	19,000.00	17,900.00
Money in treasury		
July 31, 1899		1,501.47
Total	\$49,194.01	\$49,194.01
Money in treasury		
Aug. 1, 1899	\$1,501.47	
General fund	5,216.42	\$781.96
Streets, general		3,493.03
Sinking fund	480.01	
Interest fund	2,720.08	4,036.04
Licenses		3,100.00
Fire department		221.96
Salaries		3,355.76
Electric lights	6,326.75	4,653.87
Water works	10,052.51	11,976.25
Misc. street and		
sewers	4,265.64	3,623.84
Temporary loans	20,400.00	19,500.00
In treasury July		
31, 1900		2,520.17
Total	\$54,162.88	\$54,162.88
Money in treasury		
Aug. 1, 1900	\$2,520.17	
General fund	5,548.12	\$526.70
Streets, general		1,176.48
Licenses	3,091.50	
Fire department		104.50
Salaries		4,597.51
Interests	2,778.07	2,214.95
Sinking fund	490.24	949.92
Electric lights	6,680.31	5,377.02
Water works	9,071.77	12,378.27
Misc. street and		

sewers	3,202.86	4,467.76
Temporary loans	20,500.00	19,400.00
Money in treasury		
July 31, 1901		2,689.93
Total	\$53,883.04	\$53,883.04
Money in treasury		
Aug. 1, 1901	\$2,689.93	\$751.76
General fund	7,029.01	
Fire department		216.45
Licenses	3,418.25	
Streets, general		2,430.95
Interests	3,027.17	5,062.76
Salaries		4,168.45
Sinking fund	244.14	500.00
Electric lights	5,879.22	4,324.43
Water works	12,324.79	12,628.41
Misc. street and		
sewers	4,599.95	4,227.48
Temporary loans	17,000.00	19,500.00
Money in treasury		
July 31, 1902		2,401.71
Total	\$56,212.46	\$56,212.46
Money in treasury		
Aug. 1, 1902	\$2,401.71	
General fund	6,723.51	\$1,745.75
Streets, general		1,353.89
Licenses	3,945.50	
Fire department		396.90

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REACHED ANTWERP

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Sprunger
Write of Their Delight-
ful Voyage

TO OLD COUNTRY
Will Be Absent Three
Months and to Visit Many
Places of Interest

Miss Florence Sprunger has received a letter from her mother and father, written from Antwerp, Belgium, where they arrived safe and sound, feeling fine after a delightful trip. They enjoyed every moment of the time and expect to see many places of interest, while Mr. Sprunger is attending to business. They left here about a month ago, Mr. Sprunger going to represent the firm of Frisinger & Sprunger, horse importers. He will purchase a large shipment of Belgium horses for the trade here and will bring them to their farm here about November 1st. Mr. and Mrs. Sprunger left Antwerp on the day the letter was written for Nemour, Germany, where they will remain for some time, it being expected that the greater number of the horses will be bought. After completing the work there they will visit many cities of interest in the old country, and the trip will prove entertaining as well as profitable.

SENT HER TO JAIL

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daughter. She took up the quarrel and said some ugly remarks to Mrs. Gross, who promptly had her arrested on a charge of provoke. Mrs. Harke plead guilty and there was nothing for the justice to do but to fine her, and he made it a dollar and costs, amounting to \$9.30. The convicted lady had no money and was sent to jail for nine days. She asked to have her little babe brought to her and this will probably be granted her. The trial occurred at eleven o'clock this morning. While it seems cruel to take this woman away from her home to serve a term in jail, it is perhaps all that can be done and it's likely the time will be more of a rest than the unfortunate lady has known in several years.

Dan Beery is transacting business at Berne this afternoon.
Mrs. C. J. Weaver, Mrs. Sadie Cowley and Mrs. George Steele are at Monroeville today.
Mrs. Dr. Sowers returned from Winoona today where she has been spending the summer.
Mr. Louis Dolch went to Monroe, where he will visit with his parents for the rest of the week.

CARD OF THANKS

In this manner we desire to extend our sincere thanks to those who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of our wife and mother.
M. L. Oliver and Sons.

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SOCIETY COLUMN

Miss Lulu Schaub Gave a
Party Announcing Her
Engagement

SHAKESPEARE CLUB

Historical Club Commences
the Last of the
Month

The Historical Club will commence its meeting on the twenty-first of this month. The club books will be given out to the members this week. The books contain a full outline of the winter's study. Mrs. Jane Crabbs, Mrs. L. C. Miller, Mrs. John Fleming and Mrs. S. D. Beavers were on the book committee and they have mapped out all the work in a good style. Alaska and the other possessions of this country will be studied. The order of each meeting will be current event, study of lesson and entertainment.

Mrs. Chris Boknecht will be hostess at the regular meeting of the German Lutheran Aid Society Thursday afternoon.

The ladies of the Maccabees are planning for a delightful time at their lodge room on next Monday night September 6th, the annual reunion will be held at that time. A good program is being prepared and refreshments will be served. Every member is requested to be present.

Miss Lillian Horn of Union City, was the guest of honor entertained last evening by Miss Lulu Schaub at her home on south Fourth street. The house was beautifully decorated with potted ferns and golden rod, which made it very attractive. The evening was spent in playing progressive euchre which afforded a great pastime for the entire evening. Those who succeeded in winning prizes were Miss Kint Vogelewe, first, Mrs. Tom Haefling second and Ada Deininger third. A very neat and tasty luncheon was served by Miss Lulu which was enjoyed by all present. The invited guests were Bertha Kint, and Agnes Vogele, Ada Deininger, Mrs. Tom Haefling, Mrs. James P. Haefling, Emma and Mayme Terveer, Rose and Mayme Conter, Edna Crawford, Louisa Brake and Edna Ehinger.

Ladies Aid Society of the Evangelical church will meet next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Loch on Fifth street in their regular business meeting. On Friday afternoon will meet at the parsonage to make comforts. All come.

The C. W. B. M. of Christian church holds its monthly meeting with Mrs. Eady, south Tenth street, Thursday afternoon 2:30. Program:
Song—"To the Work."
Scripture reading.
Prayer.
Topic—"Benefits of Special Object Work."
"Mission of Living Link"—Mrs. McKinney.
"Life Line Fund"—Orphan support—Mrs. Burk.
Scholarships—Station Support—Mrs. Eady.
The Mosses Memorial—Mrs. Fisher.
Other Special Work—Mrs. Hunt.
Business period which will include election of officers for next year.

Mrs. Blanche Huffman of Preble, gave a very pleasant six o'clock dinner last evening, covers being laid for five guests, who were Mrs. Arthur Rose guest of honor of Jackson, Mich.; Misses Lizzie Peterson, Eva Acker, Minta Acquer, Bessie Congleton, Miss Reynolds of Illinois.

An interesting meeting of the Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church was held yesterday at Mrs. Frank Gast's home on Mercer avenue. Opening the program Mrs. C. A. Dugan read a paper "The New Domain." Following the lesson, Miss Irene Schirmeyer gave a piano solo. Mrs. Faylor of Chicago, played on the mandoline and her little daughter sang several times. The Gast family will leave soon for the west and the friends in attendance yesterday expressed their best wishes for the future of their hostess and family in their new home.

Miss Bessie Congleton will give a picnic supper at Maple Grove park tomorrow evening in honor of Mrs. Arthur Rose of Jackson, Mich. Many of Mrs. Rose's friends will attend, and the event promises to be enjoyable.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian church will meet Friday (Continued on page 4.)

BOY'S CLOTHES FOR SCHOOL WEAR

There are a lot of clothes for boys made now-a-days that we wouldn't care to sell. Know they would never please you; that you wouldn't get your money's worth.

We've made a special effort this season to give you the best there is in style, fit and wear and the're clothes we are glad to sell and they're clothes you'll be glad to get for your boys.

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COURT HOUSE NEWS

Marriage License issued to
Well Known Young
People of County

WILL SELL THE LAND

F. S. Armantrout, Adminis-
trator, Filed a Petition at
Clerk's Office

A marriage license was issued to Orva M. Smith, aged 18, son of Martin L. Smith, to Pearl Heller, aged 18, daughter of Edwin Heller a Berne merchant. The groom is just two days older than his bride. He was born December 24, 1890, and Miss Heller on December 26, 1890.

In the matter of the estate of Hubert Topp deceased, Frances S. Armantrout, administrator has filed a petition versus Elizabeth Topp and other heirs to sell sixty acres of land in Jefferson township. The petition shows that the land is worth \$4,500, that there was personal property valued at \$1,500, and there are liabilities to the extent of \$4,200. Jacob Butcher is attorney for the administrator.

Real estate transfers: Samuel H. Hocker to William Yager tract in French township, \$5,000.

Sheriff Eli Meyer and Deputy Presdort are busy this week, notifying jurors of their selection to serve on the September petit squad.

THEY GO TO TOCSIN

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of the camp and the selection of officers an elaborate banquet will be served and a delightful time will be had socially. Tocsin starts off with a goodly number and they will undoubtedly increase rapidly as many have indicated their intention of becoming identified with the order. District Deputy Hardendorf is doing some good work in this section, and he is increasing the membership of the various camps wonderfully.

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