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J. H. HELLER, Manager.

It is supposed that the secret service man who has been sent out over the Taft route to make the way safe will indicate every place where the factory hands are idle, so that the president will not have to commit the mistake he made down in Ohio during the campaign, when he told 5,000 unemployed men how prosperous they were. One of his tasks in the middle west will be to tell the people that Beveridge was wrong in opposing the tariff bill, but he has arranged not to speak in this state.—Columbia City Post.

Municipal government in Canada, has usually been accounted free from the corruption so rife in the United States. The simpler life of the people, and the greater respect for law, there manifested have produced cleaner administrations and given occasion for fewer scandals. Recent disclosures, however, indicate that human nature is substantially the same on both sides of the St. Lawrence, and that public officials need watching even in Canada. Suspicion having been aroused, the provincial government started an investigation in Montreal a few weeks ago and the results show that that city can class with New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Chicago and San Francisco, in the corrupt methods of its municipal officials.—South Bend Times.

The National Monthly, published by Norman E. Mack, at Buffalo, in speaking of the results of the tariff in eastern cities says: "Suits of clothes heretofore sold at \$10. Now \$12.50. Calves' liver, a few years ago free, now 14 cents a pound. Lard formerly 9 cents, now 15 cents. Pork nearly 100 per cent. increase. Granulated sugar, formerly 4 1/2 and 5 cents a pound, now 5 1/2 and 6 cents. Increase in the cost of stockings, cotton, woollens. In fact, there has been an increase in practically everything entering into the daily life of the average working man in the city with the exception of newspapers, magazines and street car transportation. The tariff bill just passed by congress insures an increase in the cost of many of the necessities of life and a decrease in none."

To many the story of the suicide of the Frankfort superintendent of schools through lack of confidence in himself may seem strange, but many others will understand his probable state of mind. Perhaps most suicides are due, at bottom, to this same lack of self-confidence. Many persons of ability and thoughtfulness are often surprised at the success of others, whom they feel to be far less thoroughly equipped than themselves for their tasks. They find as years go by that mere blundering assertiveness often succeeds where modesty and overdeliberation fail. Extreme dread of error and worry over failure may wreck the best talents. A large element in executive ability is the willingness to take risks and the toughness of fiber to stand knocks, both in the metaphorical and the slang senses

of the word. When this quality is united with real insight and nicely poised with genuine deliberation rather than dread, it attains the highest results. But the ordinary affairs of life frequently call for prompt decision, and there are times when the crudest decision is better than delay, however fine the thought behind the decision. In recent discussion of the court's delay in this newspaper it was pointed out how litigants often yearn for any decision at all rather than endless delay. Thus it comes to pass often in the rough work of where angels fear to tread now and then succeeds and even performs a good service. And yet diffidence and modesty must always appeal to the heart, and any case in which it leads to self-destruction is full of profound pathos.—Indianapolis News.

AS SPECIAL JUDGE

Judge D. D. Heller Will Serve During the Month in Steuben Court

WILL LEAVE MONDAY

Regular Judge is Busy in Ditch Case at Auburn—Absent Several Weeks

Ex-Judge D. D. Heller of this city will go to Angola, Indiana, Monday afternoon, where he will preside over the Steuben circuit court during the September term. Judge Emmet A. Bratton, is the regular judge for the circuit comprised of Steuben and DeKalb counties, and at present is engaged in the trial of a big ditch case at Auburn, which from present indications will require several weeks for completion. The September term is due to convene at Angola on Monday, and it consequently became necessary to secure the services of some jurist to serve in the place of Judge Bratton. The latter will open court Monday morning, while Judge Heller is attending the opening session here, when he will arrange his cases so that they will not interfere and will begin his duties at Angola on Tuesday morning. He will probably be there for a month and will hear the entire docket. Judge Heller is an able jurist and will no doubt make a number of friends at the northern county seat.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, superintendent of the construction of the Dan Erwin ditch in Union township, Adams county, Indiana, on

Saturday, September 18, 1909,

at 10:30 o'clock a. m., at the office of the county surveyor, in the city of Decatur, in said county, receive sealed bids for the construction of said ditch in accordance with reports, plans and specifications, therefore, now on file in said cause. Bids will be received and contracts let as follows:

Main ditch:
From station 0 to 18,
and to the lowest and best bidder or bidders.

Bidders will be required to file with their bids affidavits as required by law, upon forms furnished by such superintendent and each bid shall be accompanied with a good and sufficient bond in a sum equal to the amount of such bid, conditional for the faithful performance of said contract, and that such bidder will enter into contract if the same be awarded to him, such bond to be approved by said superintendent.

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SOCIETY COLUMN

Miss Rose Smith to Entertain Friends Tomorrow

A SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs. Harry Moltz Entertained the Ladies' Mite Society Yesterday

The Ladies' Mite Society of the M. E. church held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Harry Moltz yesterday afternoon at which time the date of the annual Colonial dinner was fixed for Sept. 30th. Complete arrangements for this event will be made at the next meeting and further announcements will then be given.

Mrs. Sadie Meyers of Craigville, was given a surprise by her relatives at her home last Sunday. A sumptuous dinner was served at noon and a pleasant time enjoyed until late in the evening.

Mrs. Mary Meyers of south of town will give a family reunion of cousins for her son Ed who will go to Ann Arbor in a few weeks to resume his studies in the law school of Michigan university.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Imler entertained at the dollar social at their home Thursday. Each member of the church earned a dollar and told her experience. The meeting showed that quite a sum of money had been raised and this amount will be applied on the parsonage debt.

Miss Rose Smith will entertain a few friends tomorrow at her home on south Mercer avenue.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Inventory Filed by Appraisers for the Decatur Furnace Company

ASSETS ABOUT \$12,000

Two Marriage Licenses—Next Week Will be Busy One at Court House

The inventory, and appraisalment of the Decatur Furnace company, as made by the appraisors, John S. Bowers and Anson Van Camp, was filed by Attorney Beatty, for Richard D. Myers, receiver, appointed in the case of Isadore Kalver vs. The Decatur Furnace company. The inventory as recapitulated shows the following items:

Real estate and buildings...\$6,000.00
Merchandise, new and man... 969.28
Machinery, tools and material 2,274.33
Office fixtures 119.75
Cash on hands 20.00
Bills receivable and notes... 2,523.11

Total\$11,886.67
Besides this there are bad accounts etc., valued at \$3,852.45, on which something may be realized, but on which no value could be fixed.

Activity will be marked about the court house next week, beginning with Monday, when the September term of court opens as does also the session of the county commissioners. On the next day the county council will convene in a small session, and these events with the regular routine will make the hall of justice a busy place.

A marriage license was issued to Chauncey E. DeBolt, aged twenty-two, a farmer and son of David DeBolt, to Miss Stella Tinkham, aged twenty-two. This is the first marriage for each.

Another marriage license issued was that of John Hebble, aged twenty-one, a laborer of this city, to Stella Niblick, aged sixteen, of Craigville.

Sam L. Baumgartner aged 25, a painter from Berne, and Bess Teeter, aged 18, of Wabash township, have been granted a license to marry.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bently went to Fort Wayne today.

Miss Lulu Simcoe returned to Fort Wayne this afternoon.

Sister Marie Antonina, for the past two years teacher at St. Mary's institute at Quincy, Ill., has arrived in the city and is the newly appointed superioress at St. Mary's Catholic schools. Sister Imelda, of Notre Dame, Ind., will succeed the late Sister Borgia as superioress at Sacred Heart academy.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

Mrs. P. B. Thomas and son Brice returned yesterday from a visit at Chicago. Brice has spent a month there and Mrs. Thomas went to the city a few days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Haubold will arrive this afternoon from Chicago, for a visit with Dr. Thomas and family. Mr. Haubold returning on Monday, while Mrs. Haubold will remain for a visit with relatives and friends. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. William H. Knapp of Evanston, Ill., will come for a visit with the Thomas family and the next week promises to be a happy one at that home.

SAY HE HAS A BEE

Ex-Governor Durbin Will Be After Something Political

DON'T KNOW WHAT

His Friends Figure That He Will Be an Important Factor

Indianapolis, Sept. 4.—Politicians believe that Winfield T. Durbin, former governor, will be in the field when the time for the campaign rolls around. They do not profess to know just what sort of honors the former governor will seek but they believe just the same that he will be after something in spite of the fact that he gave out an interview in which he said that he merely wanted to be a good citizen. Col. Durbin was interviewed at length and predicted a Republican victory. But when the question of his political aspirations was approached he always side stepped. He would not say that he would not be a candidate for any of the offices mentioned and these include governor, United States senator, congressman from eighth district and Republican state chairman. It is believed though that the position of state chairman may be eliminated. It is the general understanding among the Republican politicians that Harry S. New will get this job if he will accept it. "When you see a fellow refuse to commit himself on the question of seeking an office you may conclude that he has the bee in his bonnet and I dare say that Col. Durbin will be in it when the time comes. Sometimes a man denies that he will be a candidate yet gets into the race, but when a man refuses to commit himself at least this long before the fight I shall predict that he will be in the contest," says a critical observer. Col. Durbin's entry into the race either for governor or United States senator would complicate the Republican situation considerably.

A NARROW ESCAPE

Edgar N. Bayless, a merchant of Robinsonville, Del., wrote: "About two years ago I was thin and sick, and coughed all the time and if I did not have consumption, it was near to it. I commenced using Foley's Honey and Tar, and it stopped my cough, and I am now entirely well, and have gained twenty-eight pounds, all due to the good results from taking Foley's Honey and Tar."

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PUBLIC SALE.

J. H. Hogg, living one-half mile south of Flat near Pennville, in Jay county, will give a public sale on Wednesday, September 15, and it is one of the best sales in this part of the country. Seventeen horses, including a black-grey Percheron stallion, 86 head of cattle, 30 head of sheep, 60 cords of 16 inch rail wood, 75 cords of dry split wood, 100 cords of newly cut tops, 2 Scotch collie dogs, 25 acres of corn in the field, 67 acres of newly threshed oats straw, all kinds of farming implements, many of them new and all in good repair. He will also sell 176 acre farm, one of the best in Jay county. J. H. HOGG.

A HOT WATER BATH

A Serious Accident to Paul Irland, of Geneva

SCHOOLS TO OPEN

A Sunday School Picnic—We Believe in Roosevelt

Geneva, Indiana, Sept. 4.—(Special to the Daily Democrat)—Paul Irland, the eighteen-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Irland, fell into a boiler of hot water and sustained serious injuries. The accident occurred at five o'clock last evening, Dr. Graham being hastily called and administered relief before the burns had reached any depth. He was badly burned about the head, face, shoulders, hands and arms, but with it all he is showing his nerve and getting better. In a few days it is thought he will be relieved from pain, and that recovery will then be rapid.

Twenty teams are now working on the east end of the interurban line and the work is being pushed to the limit. The laying of steel will be the next thing on deck, and it will not be a great while before Geneva will sport a real interurban, with the cars running. Every citizen here is anxious for the whistle to blow and the bell to ring.

The Geneva public schools will open for the fall term on Monday morning and just now every kid—big and little—is getting ready for the opening. Our schools are among the best in the universe and this year promises even better things.

The M. E. Sunday school gave a picnic Wednesday afternoon in the Schafer grove south of town, and the event was one of those pleasant and enjoyable ones you sometimes read about. Ice cream cones were served among the refreshments of the afternoon and evening and a picnic supper closed the ceremonies of a delightful event.

Say, we are not afraid to look Theodore Roosevelt square in the face. October 26, 1908, there was born to Mr. and Mrs. Moses Kimball twins; on November 3, 1908, there was born to Mr. and Mrs. Noah Moser twins; December 13, 1908, there was born to Dr. Wright and wife, twins; on August 21, 1909, there was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mason, twins, and August 27, 1909, Clarence Turner and wife reported the birth of a pair of twins. We are a dutiful and hard working people.

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The "Uncle Bill" Department is open to every one. The only restriction upon "Uncle Bill" contributors is that the following rules be observed:

No scandal.
No names of ladies.
Nothing to hurt the feelings of any one.
Names carefully written and and properly spelled.
Nothing about another that would give offense if it were about you.
This department is to promote harmless and good natured fun among those who know how to give and take a joke. If any contributions are not printed it is because they fail to enter into the proper spirit of this department.
Send or mail all queries to "Uncle Bill" care Democrat, before Friday noon to insure publication.

If that fair wasn't a hummer?
If Earl Adams wasn't on the job all the time?
If the size of a fellow counts for everything?
If Bill Shrock didn't stick to all the girls he saw?
If he ever turned yellow?
And if he got blue at times?
When the weeds on Tenth street will be cut?
Why the board of health doesn't get busy?

If Stoneburner and Biggs don't hustle for business.

Who has really the finest music ever heard in your city?

If Dick Peterson shaved last Sunday and if he went to Hesse Castle.
If Bruce Patterson keeps track of his girls with the card index system.

How many he really has?
If Tucker isn't some musician?
If the male chorus isn't tackling some real music?

And if they won't shine some in "Drenthelm"?

Who went to Tocsin Wednesday evening expecting a banquet?

What they really had to eat?

If Charlie Vogelevede likes hot weinies, and if he got them?

If Walter Johnson shouldn't be made to feed the bunch?

What the fellows thought of Heinle Thomas' "White Stag"?

Did Heinle beat the express company?

Who said anything about a high school fraternity?

Why Frank Mills is anxious for the school bell to ring?

Doesn't he like being a peanut merchant?

What has become of Dutch Wise and his singing four?

If you know that this "Uncle Bill" department is free to every one?

If you have any jokes on your friends?

Any questions to ask?

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An 80 acres with fair buildings, at \$5,700.00
An 80 acres near Decatur, no buildings, at\$6,400.00
An 80 acres near Decatur, good buildings, at\$6,800.00
And several larger tracts at bargain prices.
We can offer you a large list of city property. Most of the following list has, but recently, been put upon the market.
783—A four-room cottage on north Third street, long lot, good sewerage, brick walks, cistern, etc.,\$3,000.00
775—A comfortable cottage on South

See larger lists for other properties.

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