

## The Daily Democrat

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It does not look good to see the council expending money concreting the face of the earth.—P. L. It was a dirty trick.

Even a man who was cutting a figure in the industrial and business affairs of this country to the extent Harriman was, can drop into his grave and the world will move on as usual. So it is foolish for fellows who fill a very much smaller sphere in life to imagine that the welfare of an entire community rests upon them.—Columbia City Post.

The public schools of the five boroughs of greater New York opened Monday with sixty thousand children unable to gain admittance for the full courses, and they will be compelled to attend half sessions. A little more money applied to schools and less to salaries and fees of political adventurers in that locality would mean a brighter promise for future generations.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

We do not want to be understood as accusing Mr. Archbold of anything officially wrong. We still maintain that we have the utmost confidence in his official integrity but we fear that in his intense zeal for party success he is forgetful of the real history of conditions or is looking at them through glasses darkened by prejudice.—P. L.

How magnanimous, and how grateful we are that the official stamp of honesty is thus placed upon the brow of one Decatur official. While the rest of them are all rascals, and are jingling the coin of ill-gotten gain, have no knowledge of business or re-

gard for the rights of property, thank God, we have Bill. And since we think of it, we still tremble for his safety. Think if you can, of being passed upon by such an eminent authority, and then given a clean and honorable record. Heretofore, we have been led to believe that there was but one in our midst, but now we have P. L. and Bill. Thank God again.

In his article he endeavors to make it plain that he is neither defending or faulting but reading between the lines, it is evident that an effort is being made to fix responsibility for present conditions several years back and by that means relieve the present administration from fault of every kind and description for present troubles.—P. L.

Tut, tut, P. L. How dare you? Why some of those administrations were Republican business administrations, plucked because of their great statesmanship, supreme knowledge of municipal affairs and other reasons too numerous to mention. While they perhaps failed, yet let's draw the mantle of charity over these black periods and allude out loud only about the Democratic administrations. While it may be true that municipal ownership was first inspired by them, and that the city debt is largely of their origin, yet let's keep it dark, P. L. However, do not think us unmindful of our privilege in having Bill.

### JUST RECEIVED

A fine lot of gold fish, consisting of medium sized and extra selects, 3 to 4 inches long, Fan Tails and Swallow Tails, Fish Food, Green for fish, and ornaments for aquariums and fish Globes, at the greenhouse.

223-6t Ernsberger Bros. & Moses.

Quite a number of Decatur people went to Fort Wayne today to attend the Derby races and the closing day of the Fort Wayne fair.

### A NARROW ESCAPE

Edgar N. Bayliss, 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."

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

“UNCLE BILL”  
Wants to Know



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 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 Will Winnes had a good time at Fort Wayne Sunday.

Did he see the airship? When we are to see that Decatur-Bluffton ball game?

Will Mack Arbaugh umpire? How Bluffton will win unless the town has its own umpire here.

Poor Uncle Tom died before he got here, and now what will John Yager do?

If you like the new station at the Clover Leaf?

If the people who built it are still living?

What Ira Oswalt likes about it.

If Fred Schurger isn't a prince when he entertains?

What the Schafer bunch did to that supper?

## SOCIETY COLUMN

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Purdy  
Will Entertain Friends  
Tomorrow

THE BACHELOR MAIDS  
The Mite Society Met Yes-  
terday—Other Notes  
of Interest

The Mite Society of the Methodist church was held with Mrs. B. J. Rice yesterday afternoon at its banner meeting. The collection as usual was taken, and it amounted to seven dollars, which made the best offering for some time.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold an important meeting at the G. A. R. hall on Tuesday evening and it is the desire that every member be present who can possibly be there.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Purdy will entertain in a quiet social way tomorrow William Tucker and family of Berne.

Otis Dibble, who will study medicine, left for Bloomington today and Ben Beavers for Crawfordsville. They will enter college and expect to complete their courses. Both boys graduated last year and since that time they have planned for a university education.

The Bachelor Maids are planning to commence their meetings in a week or two, and many pleasant events are scheduled to occur.

Herbert Lachot and the Misses Lilah Lachot, Ruth Ernst, Ruby Miller, Pearl Purdy and Bessie Baumgartner will drive to Linn Grove tomorrow, where they will spend a pleasant day.

### ELECTED OFFICERS

The Adams County Horse-  
thief Association Met  
this Morning

### OFFICERS REELECTED

A Splendid Meeting of this  
Association Held in the  
Grand Army Hall

The Adams County Horsethief association held a meeting in this city this morning at the Grand Army hall, and from the secretary, John D. Stults, we publish the following report of the meeting. The association was called to order at ten o'clock, and about the first business transacted was the election of officers, the old ones being unanimously called to serve for another year. The officers are T. J. Durkins president, John D. Stults secretary, Michael Miller treasurer, and James Hurst captain. During the year past they have served the association faithfully and well and their re-election was well merited. A special meeting will be held on October 16, and at that time Captain Hurst will appoint his twelve lieutenants. The executive committee is composed of Homer Faust, C. H. Oetting and C. A. Clark, and the delegate to the national meeting was given to James Hurst, with Fred Fruchte as alternate. The past year has been a successful one for the association, and the reports made were all pleasing to every member. The association is a benefit to the community and to every law-abiding citizen of the county, and they deserve the respect and confidence of everyone.

Are you a member of the dedicatory class?

If some of the other lodges won't follow suit now?

If Phil Macklin and Hugh Hite have completed plans for their new house?

Have they sold all their stock?

Where the civic league is?

If the Coppock people, now that they are through experimenting and have a successful machine, are going to run away?

Why Decatur money won't talk when money in other places is simply yelling?

Who will get the furnace factory?

How Dr. Patterson likes moving?

If he really will have his own garden?

Will he plant teeth?

If Corbett shouldn't have a lock on his peanut roaster?

If his “laborers” aren't getting an awful appetite for free peanuts?

Why Chas. Meyers is happy again?

If Leonard Merryn has found has that Decatur is about the best ever?

If Warren Buckmaster ever got enough of Van Camp's pork and beans?

If Alvy Buffenbarger was able to deliver laundry on Saturday, Sept. 11, 1909?

## DICK BURRELL PAINFULLY HURT

Train Hit Truck and the Truck Handled Struck Dick on the Leg.

Dick Burrell, employed on the baggage line for the Fashion livery barns, was painfully injured at noon today. He started to pull the big truck out of the way of the train, just as the westbound passenger started out. The train hit the truck which was loaded with trunks, and threw it around in such a manner that the handle of the truck hit Mr. Burrell on the right leg. He was assisted home and is suffering considerable pain. It is not known whether or not any bones are broken, but it is feared this may be true as he is suffering such intense pain.

## THE FIRST SERMON

Rev. Spetnagle Will Begin  
an Interesting Series  
Tomorrow Morning

### GREAT BIBLE THEMES

Last Sunday Was Introductory—Everyone Invited  
to Be Present

On last Sunday morning Rev. Richard Spetnagle, pastor of the Presbyterian church, began a series of sermons on “Great Bible Times,” and a large audience was present, to hear the introductory sermon, thus assuring the minister that they are interested in such a subject. The remarks by the pastor last Sunday indicated that the people will not be disappointed in the class of sermons to be given. They will be instructive and of much good to all who hear them. Everything possible will be done to make these meetings profitable and interesting. The first regular subject will be taken up tomorrow morning at 10:30 the regular service hour and the pastor and people of the church join in extending a cordial invitation to everyone in Decatur to hear this series. There will be something for all of you, some point explained, some advice, something good. You are, of course, invited to all the other services of this church as well.

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Our shop will be closed on next Saturday, September 25th, on account of its being a Jewish holiday. The public is asked to take notice accordingly, if they have business transactions at our place.

223-6t B. Kalver & Son.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Miller, of Indianapolis, will arrive this afternoon from Fort Wayne and will be the guests of J. H. Heller and family and other friends for a few days.

## DIVIDENDS OF SATISFACTION

To be a bank customer means that you receive the benefit of the bank's experience and facilities.

To be a customer of The First National Bank means to you that you have at your command the experience and judgment of our officers, the careful personal attention of our officers to your business needs and every advantage that a bank can give you.

To invest in our bank service, to become a customer, means that you get dividends of satisfaction at the very start and all the time.

We want you to accept our service.

FIRST  
National Bank  
DECATUR, INDIANA

## SAUL OF TARSUS

Famous Biblical Production  
Will Be Here on Wednesday, Sept. 29

AT OPERA HOUSE  
Mr. Eugene Moore, One of the Good Ones Will Play a Leading Part

There is no more dramatic and no more interesting figure in the Bible or in the history of Bible times, than that of Saul of Tarsus, later known as St. Paul. He was a strenuous character and he lived in a strenuous time. He was a forceful man, and whatever he did he did with his whole heart, and his whole mind. When he persecuted the Christians, he was one of the most vindictive of all the persecutors. When he became a Christian, he was one of the most earnest and most ardent of them all. In the play, “Saul of Tarsus,” a drama in four acts by Henry Thorn Hum, the dramatic features of this man's life are woven into a story of absorbing interest and presented carefully and with an attention to detail that is surprisingly effective. The play is in four acts and deals with all of the great acts of this most remarkable man. His conversion on the road to Damascus, one of the most dramatic features of his life, is handled in the second act with telling effect. The dazzling white light which prostrated him; the mysterious voice which arrested him on his way to persecute the poor Christians, and all the other features are presented in a dignified and beautiful manner. The stoning of St. Stephen, one of the first martyrs, is one of the dramatic climaxes of the piece, and St. Paul's wonderful defense before King Agrippa, which has not another parallel in literature outside of Marc Anthony's oration over the dead body of Caesar, is another high point in the drama. The play is replete with powerful situations and heart-gripping scenes. There is a beautiful love story running through the piece, also which lends an added interest. It is a play that not only appeals to those who are fond of dramatic entertainment, but also to those people who seek historical and educational forms of amusement and entertainment. This splendid attraction will be at the Bosse opera house Wednesday, Sept. 29.

## AGAIN!

THE QUESTION OF  
HATS COMES UP...

You will want a new hat for Fall and Winter. Perhaps the most interesting question is. Where can I get the hat that will be sure to please me? If you come to our store the query will be answered.

### “Our Kingsbury Hats”

of excellent quality and correct styles are all at a price that offers no cause for complaint.

## LEHMAN & SPRUNGER MONROE, INDIANA

Wabash Portland Cement  
Great Strength, Durability, Fine Color.  
Best for Sidewalks, Foundations, Floors, Walls, Concrete Blocks, Bridges, Etc.  
WABASH PORTLAND CEMENT CO.,  
General Offices, Detroit, Mich.  
Works, Stroh, Indiana.  
Kirsch, Sellemyer & Sons, Decatur, Ind.

### NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Notice is hereby given that Monday, Nov. 1, 1909, will be the last day for paying the fall installment of taxes. If not paid on or before the above date same will be delinquent and 10 per cent. will be added. Please be governed accordingly and save extra expense. Yours very truly,

J. F. LACHOT,  
County Treasurer.

### Democrat Want Ads. Pay

## CONRAD & MOORE Offer The Sublime Histro Biblical Drama By Henry Thorn Hum Saul of Tarsus



PAUL RESCUED FROM THE MULTITUDE

In witnessing this grand play, the knowledge that one is within the walls of a theatre is forgotten and as scene after scene uplifts the soul and carries it into an atmosphere where ever was in a cathedral preached.

OPERA HOUSE WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 29