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Price Two Cents

TO CHICAGO HOSPITAL

Anson VanCamp Will Be Taken this Evening in Charge of Dr. McOscar

MRS. VANCAMP HERE To Complete Arrangements—Believed Only Hope for His Recovery

Anson VanCamp, Decatur business man and councilman, who has been so seriously ill for some time past, will be taken to Chicago this evening where he will be placed in a private sanitarium, and will be treated by the most successful nerve specialist in the country. That everything possible is being done to save the life of this good man is evident. Mrs. VanCamp arrived from Fort Wayne this morning, where she has been at the bedside of Mr. VanCamp at St. Joseph hospital for a week past. She made all necessary plans for the conduct of Mr. VanCamp's business during his absence and such other arrangements as were necessary, returning to Fort Wayne on the 2:30 car. Accompanied by Dr. McOscar, and a trained nurse, she will leave Fort Wayne with Mr. VanCamp this evening and by morning he will be in a nerve hospital where he can receive the very best of care, for the disease from which he is suffering. This course was advised by Dr. McOscar and the other physicians in the case, as nothing further could be done for him. His condition today was not quite so good as yesterday and it was planned to at once get him to a nerve hospital. Mrs. VanCamp would have preferred New York, but the physicians objected on account of the long trip and it was decided to take him to Chicago instead. His friends here will eagerly await good news from his bedside.

M. E. RUMMAGE SALE IS ON Store Opened for Business Today With a Good and Varied Supply.

The Methodist ladies are conducting the annual rummage sale at the Gregory building, corner Madison and Third streets. They have a stock of all kind of clothing, including men's overcoats, suits, etc., also ladies' and children's wraps and clothing and many other things which will be appreciated by those who need them. The prices are of course very low, and these sales enable many to keep comfortable during the winter which will soon be here. The sale is now in progress and the ladies will wait upon any time you call. If you need anything come, if you know any one who does tell them about it.

THEY LIKE THE MONUMENT

The Wemhoff Monumental works, of Decatur, has just completed the installation of a handsome granite bust of the late Dr. H. G. Nierman, who last January sacrificed his life on the altar of science, at his grave in the Catholic cemetery. The bust, which stands seven feet high with the pedestal it surmounts, is the peer of anything of the kind ever put up in the city, being pronounced by many a speaking likeness of Dr. Nierman. It is particularly acceptable to Mrs. Julia A. Lange and Mrs. C. F. Centville, surviving sisters of Dr. Nierman, who had the work erected.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

A special train was run over the G. R. & I. railroad this afternoon which carried Governor Marshall to Richmond, Ind., where he will, this evening make a speech.

Charles Hammell, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Hammell of the south part of the city, arrived this morning from California, after an absence of ten years. His family reside in Los Angeles, while Charles is employed as foreman of the largest oil company in the state, his business being to look after the gas engines. He will be here about two weeks.

CONDUCT EVANGELISTIC MEET Rev. Reop Goes to Scott and Will Conduct Meetings at Grace Mission.

As a result of the layman's district convention held in Fort Wayne, by the Evangelical church, Rev. E. R. Reop will go to the Grace Mission at Scott and begin the ten days evangelistic meetings. Rev. W. H. Mygrant, of Van Wert, Ohio, will arrive there on Tuesday and Rev. C. D. Rarey of Fort Wayne, will be there on Wednesday. This meeting is but one of the four which will be held in this district, beginning on next Sunday. Rev. C. E. Trythall, of Fort Wayne, will fill the pulpit at Calvary in the morning and at Salem in the evening.

LOST FOUR HORSES

Christley Swartz, an Amishman, is Out About \$1,000 in Horse Flesh

KILLED ON RAILROAD

John Hocker Saved His Dog but it Was Expensive—Monroe News

Monroe, Ind., Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Christley Swartz, an Amishman living two miles south of this place along the G. R. & I. railroad, met with a severe loss early this morning, when four head of horses valued at from \$250 to \$300 were killed on the railroad. Mr. Swartz had let the horses out in the pasture lot last evening and was as careful as usual to see that the gates were closed, but during the night some one opened the big gate and the four horses wandered out onto the track where they were hit by the northbound passenger and all four were instantly killed. The total loss will be about \$1,200.

John J. Mayer and family have arrived here from Kendallville and are now here enough citizens of Monroe. They will open their new five and ten cent store on the 16th of the month, and will have a new and complete stock of merchandise to show the people.

It cost John Hocker several dollars to save his little dog's life a day or so ago. John was driving in his automobile, with the dog sitting beside him, and as they neared the residence, Mrs. Hocker came out. The canine spied her and immediately got ready to spring from the car. John saw the pup and grabbed him, but in doing so lost control of the car, which circled and dashed into the barn, demolishing the headlight, the repair of which will cost considerable, but he saved the dog.

OWNIE BUSH IS TWENTY-ONE

Birthday Friday When the Big Series Opens.

When Owen Bush, the Indianapolis lad who started his professional baseball career as a member of Clarence Jessup's Marion club of the lamented Interstate league that struggled through a few months after Isadore Mautner took a flight at Dayton that practically canned him and Fort Wayne both, faces the big crowd expected at Forbes field in Pittsburgh on Friday in the first game of the world's championship series he will be a man. In other words, the sensational shortstop will attain his majority on the same day that he will be pitted against the great Hans Wagner and it will probably be the first time in base ball history that a player under twenty years has been a member of a championship club in the major leagues. Bush is not frightened because he will play opposite the great Hans Wagner in the coming world's series. Wagner is conceded to be the greatest player base ball has produced, but Bush has friends and admirers who believe he will show spectators at the world's series that there are others who also know how to play shortstop. Bush smiles when asked what he will do before the countless throngs that will witness those games.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Attachment Issued for Chauncey Debolt Who Settled When Brought in

JUDGMENT TAKEN

In Two or Three Cases by Default—Real Estate Transfers—Other News

Emaline McCune, admx. of James McCune estate, filed a report of sale of personal property.

Una Taylor vs. Alonzo J. Powers, note, default of defendant, submitted, finding for plaintiff in sum of \$470.40; costs against defendant.

Ella Debolt vs. Chauncey Debolt, divorce; motion for order on defendant to show cause why allowance has not been paid. Attachment issued for defendant, returnable forthwith. The defendant was brought into court, paid the allowance of \$15 and was discharged as to attachment.

Albert Miller vs. Grand Rapids & Indiana Ry. Co., damages \$5,000; demurrer filed to complaint.

W. F. Rice et al vs. Bertha M. Rice et al partition, final report filed; commissioner discharged; clerk ordered to pay share of Kenyon B. Rice, \$183.50 to his legal guardian.

The Whittaker Paper Co. vs. Decatur Publishing Co., account \$100; default of defendant submitted; judgment for \$83.42.

John W. Watkins vs. John W. Meibers, alienation of wife's affections, \$6,000; demurrer to amended complaint overruled; answer filed in one paragraph.

Real estate transfers: Morton J. Martin to Mary C. McCollum, lot 347, Geneva, \$140; Frank C. Masters to Ira Steele, lot 26, Pleasant Mills, \$1,000; Andrew J. Porter to W. L. Roubesh, 40 acres Blue Creek township, \$4,500; Decatur Cemetery Association to Jos. McFarland, lot 512, \$34.50.

TWO NEW MEMBERS

Court Appoints Miss Studabaker and Mr. Lachot on Charity Board

FOR THREE YEARS

Will Begin Duty at Once—Work is Important, But the Pay is Small

Judge Merryman has appointed Miss Hattie Studabaker a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and John F. Lachot, a member of the Evangelical church as members of the county board of charity and correction, to serve a period of three years from this date. Miss Studabaker will succeed herself, having served for three years past as a member of the board, and proven her adaptability to work of this kind. Mr. Lachot succeeds Anson VanCamp, who has also been a member of the board during the past three years. The association is one which does a large amount of good in the county, it being their duty to look after the poor and the wayward children, provide homes and do what is possible to make them good men and women. The appointments by the court at this time are good ones and will please every one. As the positions are only "thank you" ones it means a sacrifice to do this work solely for the good of the community.

The Rev. Ubaldus Webersinke, an aged Catholic priest, well known in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, died at St. Elizabeth's hospital in Lafayette Monday. He was a noted linguist and was known as one of the leading priests in this part of the country at one time.

DON'T THINK MUCH OF DAKOTA Huntington Man Says the Land Doesn't Equal this Section.

Huntington, Ind., Oct. 7.—Lawrence Myers, former Erie fireman, who resides north of the city, has just returned from a six weeks' stay in Dakota, where he helped harvest the wheat crop at McHenry, North Dakota. He says that the man who has a farm of 160 acres of land in Huntington county has a much better thing than the man who owns a section of 640 acres of land in North Dakota. He says that the wheat crop in the Dakotas was a failure this year. He helped thresh more than 12,000 bushels of wheat and he says that seven bushels to the acre was the average yield, while twenty bushels was an exceptionally large yield.

A GRIST OF BILLS

Was About the Only Business Before the Council Last Evening

A REGULAR SESSION

Sidewalk Along the Curb on Mercer Avenue South of the Erie

The regular session of the city council postponed from Tuesday evening on account of the city primary was held last evening. It was one of the shortest ones of the year, there being no committee reports and adjournment was made after a half hour. All members were present excepting Mr. VanCamp, who is seriously ill in a Fort Wayne hospital. Mayor France is attending the St. Louis celebration and Mr. Christen was chosen to preside. A petition was presented asking for the location of a sidewalk next to the curb, along Mercer avenue, beginning south of the Chicago & Erie railroad and extending on both sides of the street to High street. This was granted. The finance committee reported the following bills which were allowed:

C. U. Dorwin, pay roll.....	\$274.55
Henry Peters	13.00
Water works pay roll	51.32
M. J. Mylott, pay roll	227.50
Wm. Geary	10.00
Amos Fisher	50.00
Sam Butler	13.50
Sam Butler	17.62
Sam Butler	40.21
Sam Butler	24.27
Harry Cooker	50.00
L. L. Baumgartner	32.00
National Exp. Co.	3.40
John Sprague	82.50
D. F. Teeple	8.46
J. S. Peterson	24.39
Niblick & Co.	12.60
John Appleman	24.00
Geo. Keiser & Co.	5.41
Fr. Wayne Electric Wks.	17.32
Essex Coal Co.	8.94
Sunday Creek Coal Co.	101.22
Electric Appliance Co.	52.74
National Mill Supply Co.	2.25
Globe Oil Co.	27.38
Advance Packing Co.	10.50
Bass Foundry	5.25
H. W. Johns Co.	6.10
Andrew Cowan Co.	9.75
General Hocking Fuel Co.	21.36
E. A. Cole & Co.	74.56
O. Gara Coal Co.	29.15
Larkin Mfg. Co.	15.00
P. J. Hyland	65.33
D. F. Teeple	61.02
John Sprague	45.90
C. & E. Ry. Co.	233.03
Julius Haugk	22.50

APPELLATE COURT AFFIRMED

Huntington Saloonkeeper Got Soaked in a Court Case.

A judgment for \$1,200 damages recovered by Mrs. Lizzie Niehaus against a saloonkeeper at Huntington on account of the death of her husband by falling down stairs while intoxicated, was yesterday affirmed by the appellate court. The defendant insisted that he did not know the husband was intoxicated at the time of the sale, but the court said his knowledge made no difference if the man was actually drunk at the time or if he habitually became intoxicated and due notice of that fact had been given. The case is something similar to that of Mrs. Rhetta Sours against Hawkey Gill, brought here from Huntington for trial.—Bluffton News.

THEY STILL INSIST

Bluffton's Gas Fight Continues as Complicated as Ever

WORK GOING ON

But Only to a Limited Extent—No Work on Tank Has Been Done

Bluffton is still squabbling about the artificial gas problem, too selfish and too stubborn to give up and too short-sighted to see that if not careful they will lose out altogether, for there is a limit to the patience of even the Indiana Lighting company. The News said last evening:

The pipe line gang laying the pipe from Kingsland to this city for the Indiana Lighting company has reached a point last night about three miles north of Bluffton or about half the distance from Kingsland to this city. The work was continued without interruption this morning, while a new gang went to work today testing and putting the final touches to the line already in the trench. They pump air into the pipe and test every joint with soap and water for the least bubble showing a leak. As soon as the test is completed the pipe will be buried. S. E. Mulholland, district superintendent, and Jack Monahan, who has been in charge of the company's work at Decatur, came to Bluffton in an automobile yesterday afternoon and were out along the new line, and were in this city last night, but they were not here to take up the franchise with the city officials, although the matter was discussed to some extent. Up to this afternoon the company had made no new advances and the city officials likewise were resting on their oars. The company promised to prepare a copy of an ordinance such as would be acceptable and submit it to the council, but it has not yet been placed on file with the clerk. Mayor Hamilton stated positively at the last council meeting that he would veto it, no matter what its provisions if it sought to have the perpetual franchise recognized, but the members of the council expressed no opinion in advance.

QUEER POLITICS

Neither of the Old Parties Have a Ticket in Field at Ossian

CITIZENS & PEOPLES

Each is Mixed as to Politics and the Result is Said to Be Doubtful

There is a peculiar condition existing in a political way at Ossian, one probably which never occurred in this section of the state. There neither the Democratic or Republican party has a ticket in the field, but instead there are a Citizens' ticket and a Peoples' ticket, each made up of men from each party. At that the lines will be rather closely followed at the election and there is much speculation as to the results. The two tickets in full are as follows:

Citizens' Ticket	
For Clerk—Jacob Fatscher, republican.	
Councilman—George Way, republican.	
Councilman—W. T. Hood, republican.	
Councilman—Joseph McElhaney, democrat.	
For marshal—E. H. Justus, democrat.	
Peoples' Ticket	
For Clerk—E. D. Poffenberger, democrat.	
Councilman—E. T. Hawley, democrat.	
Councilman—C. I. Deirich, republican.	
Councilman—Alex White, democrat.	
For Marshal—Walter Davison, republican.	

MR. ASH VISITS GENEVA He Was Formerly Associated in the Geneva Bank.

J. H. Ash, was in Geneva, Monday afternoon calling on Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Porter and numerous other friends. He is off for a short vacation from service with the government, in the position of clerk at one of the offices of the Isthmus of Panama project. Mrs. Ash and children are in Oklahoma City. Mr. Ash was a physician for some time, but has given up that profession for one he deems more lucrative. However at the time he resided here he was assistant cashier in the Geneva bank. He has been with the Panama project for two years.—Geneva Herald.

IT'S HEARST AGAIN

Nominated by Citizens Party for Mayor of New York

LIVELY CAMPAIGN

That Great City to Have Another Exciting Campaign

New York, Oct. 7.—William Randolph Hearst, once defeated for mayor of this city by George B. McClellan, and later defeated for governor of the state, was nominated for mayor tonight at a mass meeting of 4,000 of his admirers at Cooper Union. This action was taken despite his authoritative statement last evening that he would not be a candidate. Resolutions were adopted directing that a committee of five be appointed to take steps for the naming of an entire city, county and borough ticket, which will be placed in nomination by petition. The name of Mr. Hearst was greeted every time it was mentioned with a salvo of cheers. When, after a half dozen "opening" speeches, he was formally nominated the demonstration that followed lasted twenty minutes before the chairman's calls for order could be heard. The third party, which is thus suddenly projected into New York's municipal campaign, will not be known as the Independence league, but will probably bear the title "The Citizens' party," or some similar designation. The principal address of the evening was made by William M. Ivins, who was the Republican candidate for mayor against Hearst and McClellan four years ago. Mr. Ivins passed over with scant mention the municipal ticket already nominated by his own (the Republican) party, but he devoted a full half hour to the Tammany ticket, headed by Justice William J. Gaynor. "Justice Gaynor is carrying the banner for the gang," he said. "He is the stalking horse for Tammany. He leads the vilest ticket that has ever been placed before New York."

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION

Labor Will Likely Have Such a Federation.

Washington, Oct. 7.—"Without question the visit of President Samuel Gompers to Europe will mean the establishment in the very near future of an International Federation of Labor, the autonomy of the trade union movement of each country being ordained and guaranteed," said Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor today, after dictating a wireless message to be delivered to Mr. Gompers on board the transatlantic French liner La Savoie, now in midocean, headed for New York. This message informed Mr. Gompers that the court of appeals of the District of Columbia had not handed down its decision in the case of the appeal in the contempt proceedings in the Buck's stove case, in which Mr. Gompers has been sentenced to imprisonment for twelve months.

MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT

The members of the Decatur Commercial Club will hold an important meeting tomorrow evening, and it is their desire that every member attend. Business of importance is to be transacted.

THE KRAUSMURDER

W. R. Krauss Charged With Murder of His Own Daughter

A CROSS-COMPLAINT

Crystal Krauss Accuses Husband of Crime of Murder

Hartford City, Ind., Oct. 7.—A sensation even more startling than the murder itself was sprung late Wednesday afternoon, when Rae Anderson-Krauss, through her attorney, J. A. Hindman, filed a cross-complaint to the divorce suit of W. R. Krauss in which she charges him with the murder of his own daughter for which crime she is now serving a life sentence. The complaint states that it was the father himself who administered the strychnine that caused the death of Crystal Krauss. The complaint recites that Rae Krauss confessed to the crime of murdering Crystal Krauss knowing that W. R. Krauss committed the deed, out of love for her husband, who assured her that in event of her taking the entire responsibility on her shoulders and thus relieve him of all liability that the judge of this judicial circuit and the prosecuting attorney would see that she was released from prison within a period of two years, and that upon her release they would go to some place where neither was known and live as husband and wife. Krauss, according to the wife, dictated, composed and revised the confession. When it became known to Crystal Krauss that her father was considering matrimony and that his intended was Rae Anderson, it is claimed, Crystal rebelled, but to no avail. Immediately after the marriage Crystal and her stepmother each sought to be mistress of the Krauss home, and it was only after Krauss had reached the conclusion that he would be obliged to do away with either his wife or daughter that he administered the poison, so it is claimed. The cross-complaint is filed at this time to keep Mr. Krauss from dismissing the suit and escaping the responsibility of fighting the counter charges now being made by the defendant. It is short and does not go into detail, but additional paragraphs will be filed later in which the whole of the wife's alleged secret will be bared. Attorney Hindman, who defended Mrs. Krauss on the murder charge, and who knew nothing of the confession obtained from her, until the day she was arraigned in court, declares that it was through deception that she was induced to admit her guilt and accept all the blame. Rae Krauss confessed, he says, only after her husband had told her that he would attempt to secure a pardon for her after she had served enough of her sentence to permit of public sentiment dying out. Attorney Hindman further states that the conviction and sentencing of the stepmother alone for the atrocious crime was the greatest outrage ever perpetrated on a community. It is well remembered that the notes alleged to have been written by Crystal were given to the coroner by W. R. Krauss, who claimed they had been found under Crystal's bed. Before that time the room had been thoroughly searched by the coroner and undertaker. At the time Krauss declared that the strychnine was not the kind that he kept at his drug store. Attorney J. A. Hindman states that immediately after the arrest of Rae Krauss her husband attempted to retain him to defend the accused. Mr. Hindman says Krauss informed him that if he would conduct the defense as he advised that he would pay him a fee that would be a good one. Mr. Hindman also claims Krauss asked that in event of him being placed on the witness stand that the witness chair be turned in such a position that he (Krauss) would not be compelled to face the jurors.

FUNERAL HELD TODAY

The funeral of Lucile, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Keller, was held this morning from St. Marys church and a goodly number of friends and relatives gathered for the last time to show their respect toward the little one. Interment was made at St. Josephs cemetery.