

SPELLING CONTEST

Trustees of the County Arrange for Unique Contest Over the County

WILL BEGIN SOON

District, Township and County Contests, With a Windup at Berne

At a meeting of the township trustees of Adams county, held Monday, and attended by every trustee, a resolution was adopted providing for a series of spelling contests over the county, which we predict will be about the most interesting event of the kind ever proposed by those who are working for the good of the schools of Adams county. It will consist of contests in each school district, a general township contest and a big final county contest. The winners of the various events will be watched in this contest by their friends, and not by them alone, but by all the people of the county who are interested in the advancement of the schools. As set out in the resolution the contest will be as follows:

1. Two spelling contests to be held in each school district in the county.

2. A township spelling contest to be held in each township on February 5th, 1910.

3. A county spelling contest to be held at Berne on Saturday, February 19th, 1910.

The two successful pupils in the district contests will become the representatives of their district to the township contest. The two successful contestants in the township contest will represent their township in the county contest. This will make a great contest certainly, and one wherein not only the pupils will take an interest but the patrons and it will indeed be an honor to be proud of to receive a prize in the final day at Berne on February 19th. Five prizes will be awarded to the final winners of the battle, the first being a Webster's International dictionary. The other prizes will be announced later. Rules and regulations governing the spelling contest will be sent to the teachers in the

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A QUIET WEDDING

Miss Bess Andrews and Mr. Warren Payne Were Married Last Night

AT MANGOLD HOME

Left City for Fostoria and Other Ohio Cities on Short Wedding Trip

The quiet marriage of Miss Bess Andrews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cash Andrews of west of the city, to Mr. Warren Payne, son of Rev. C. T. Payne, occurred last evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Burt Mangold on Mercer avenue, Mrs. Mangold being a sister of the bride. The wedding was performed by the Rev. Edgar Jones of Ossian, who with his wife, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon. Vases of chrysanthemums and ferns made the rooms attractive for the wedding. Promptly at five o'clock the ceremony was pronounced. The bride looked very beautiful in a princess gown of mes-saline gray satin. Following an elegant wedding supper the bride and groom left for Fostoria and other cities of Ohio on a short wedding trip. They will return to this city before going to Hammond, where they have furnished a home. The groom holds a good position as manager of a lumber yard at that place. The bride has many friends in the city.

THE CONTRACT FOR ELEVATOR

The contract for the Bowers-Niblick elevator has been let and according to the contract now made they will have the building completed and the machinery installed for business within ninety days from this date. The machinery purchased is all of the best and latest and these gentlemen also propose to make this one of the best of its kind in the country. They will deal in grains, wool, seeds and it is their intention to pay the highest market prices. The elevator will take the place of the old Niblick elevator which for many years done business on the site of the new one.

TURMOIL AT GARY

South Bend Militia Ordered to Be Ready for Action

MANY DEPUTIES

Are Preserving Order in the New Indiana Steel City

Indianapolis, Nov. 1.—Governor Thomas R. Marshall tonight wired to Captain Calvert of the Indiana National Guard company at South Bend, Ind., to have his men ready to move at a moment's notice to Gary, Ind., where there is considerable turmoil over the election tomorrow, according to information reaching the governor's office. Governor Marshall's action tonight follows an order issued today to Sheriff Grant of Lake county to swear in deputies for the Gary election. Sheriff Grant proceeded to Gary, where he swore in 200 deputies. Late today Thomas Knotts, Democratic candidate for mayor, telephoned to the governor that Sheriff Grant had chosen Republicans as his deputies. According to Knotts the first move of the new force of deputies was to place the entire police force under arrest. The governor then sent the following message to Sheriff Grant:

"So great is the complaint of your selection of deputies that I suggest that you appoint from towns outside of Gary, half from each party."

Although Knotts urged Governor Marshall to order the militia, the governor refused to do so unless an appeal was made by the sheriff.

"It seems ridiculous to me," said Governor Marshall, "that it should be necessary for me to call out the militia in Indiana to insure a peaceful election and I do not propose to take the step unless it is perfectly evident that it is necessary and not a political play." Governor Marshall's attention was called to the situation today by a messenger from Gary, who begged that his name be kept secret, as he stated it would mean an attempt upon his life when returned to Gary if he were known. He presented to Governor Marshall an affidavit in which was charged that Gary had been for several days in a state of riot; that Thomas Knotts, president of the town board, and his marshal, Joseph Martin, had been interfering with lawful gatherings of the citizens, endeavoring to intimidate them by beating them over the heads with clubs, and that such means of intimidation would continue on election day, all to the end that Knotts should be elected. It was further charged that Knotts and his officials had caused to be imported from the stock yards district of Chicago a number of election "sluggers" to assist in the intimidation. Knotts was charged with having sworn in 200 deputy marshals for special work, many of them irresponsible negroes, who paraded the streets Sunday with Winchester. Knotts denied all the charges when questioned about them by Governor Marshall. Because of conflicting reports reaching him concerning the situation in Gary, Governor Marshall tonight commissioned J. G. Ibach, of Hammond, Ind., to obtain accurate information for him. Mr. Ibach reported late tonight that he believed the special officers would be able to preserve order.

L. MATTOX DEAD

Was a Pioneer of the County and Seventy-Seven Years of Age

HARLO MANN IS LOW

John Baker's Automobile Crashed into a Wire Stretched Across Road

Monroe, Ind., Nov. 2.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Luben Mattox, an old and respected citizen of near this place, died Monday morning of kidney trouble, aged 77 years. Mr. Mattox was one of the pioneers of this county and was highly respected by all who knew him.

Harlo Mann, who has been sick for some time, was taken suddenly worse Sunday night, and his condition has since been alarming. However, he is somewhat better at this writing.

The small child of Chas. Jonloz was badly burned on the hand by the upsetting a bottle of carbolic acid yesterday afternoon.

John Baker, of near Salem, met with an accident to his auto Sunday night while on his way home by its being caught in a wire which was stretched across the road by some one, demolishing his machine to such an extent that it was put out of commission. Mr. Baker it is understood is offering a reward for the capture of the party or parties who were implicated in stretching the wire, and if he can discover who did the work, will see that they have the full extent of the law meted out to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Smith, who reside five miles west of Monroe, are the proud parents of a fine baby girl. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Will Tague, who has been mentally affected and in a serious condition for some time, seems to be slowly improving and it is thought that he may ultimately recover.

MEETS NEXT WEEK

Annual Convention of the Adams County Sunday School Convention

TO BE HELD HERE

Program Includes Rev. Halpenny, Mrs. Baldwin, Dr. Sells and Others

The people of Adams county who are interested in Sunday school work are looking forward to the annual convention of the Adams County Sunday School Association which meets at Decatur next week on Nov. 10th and 11th. An excellent program has been prepared for the occasion. The state association has especially favored this county and will send two of their leading workers, the general secretary, Rev. Halpenny, and Mrs. Baldwin the state primary superintendent. These workers will be here on Wednesday evening and during the day sessions on Thursday. On Thursday evening Dr. H. T. Sell, of Fort Wayne, the well known author, will give an address at the M. E. church. At this session the Menonite male choir of Berne, will render some special music for the occasion. Other special features of the convention will be on Thursday afternoon at the Christian church where there will be a "Roll call by Townships." During this same afternoon there will also be two special sessions, one for the teacher training department in charge of Rev. Kiewer, and one for primary workers, in charge of Mrs. Baldwin, of Indianapolis. In addition to the above mentioned speakers some of

our best local talent in the county will participate in the program. Sunday school workers from all parts of Adams county will be present. The past year was the most successful in the history of the organized Sunday school work of this county, and the annual convention will be the crowning event of the year. Arrange your affairs if possible, so you can attend all the sessions, beginning on Wednesday evening at the Presbyterian church. You cannot afford to miss this great convention if it is possible for you to attend. Everybody invited. Don't forget the date and place.

THE CASE AFFIRMED

Mitchell, Gompers and Moriarity Must Serve Prison Sentences

SAYS HIGHER COURT

Decision Rendered Today Will Cause Storm of Protest Over Country

Washington, D. C., Nov. 2.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The court of appeals of the District of Columbia today affirmed sentence of President Gompers for one year, of President Mitchell nine months, of Secretary Moriarity six months, all of the American Federation of Labor. They were convicted about a year ago of contempt in violating the injunction in the Buck Stove Range case. The opinion today was rendered by Associate Justice VanOrsdel and was concurred in by Justice Robb, Chief Justice Shepherd dissenting. The case is the outgrowth of the Federation placing the Buck's line of goods on their "We don't use" list which was published in the monthly official organ of the Federation, following a failure to adjust a dispute between the molder and polishers' union and the company. This decision will call for a storm of protest from the workmen all over the country as the men sentenced to prison are all favorites with them.

SLANDER JURY WAS DIVIDED
A Member Explains Just How Vote Stood in the Recent Case.

There has been considerable talk concerning the verdict recently returned in the case of Drago vs. Harding, a slander suit from Fort Wayne, which occupied the greater part of the time in court here last week. As a consequence it has been said that one man held up the jury. This we find from an investigation was not a fact and one of the members of the jury to clear up the rumors, has given us an exact account of what happened in the jury room. The first ballot resulted eight to four for the defendant, but one of the men claimed that he had made a mistake and another ballot was taken resulting seven to five for the defendant. The next vote stood six to six and thus it remained until the last, excepting that there was some parleying and suggestions of verdicts, but the nearest to a settlement by ballot was the first vote. No vote was taken within several hours before being discharged and the last one stood six to six so that no one man hung the jury. We give this statement in justice to every one concerned.

SOMETHING DOING

The Decatur Furnace, Foundry and Machine Co. Doing Business

NEW MACHINERY

They Expect to Get into the Game and Make Good in the Business

There will soon be something doing out at the old Decatur Furnace Company, now known as the Decatur Furnace, Foundry and Machine Company. They expect to be able to make anything that is made in any first class furnace, foundry or machine plant. They were at Cincinnati last week and purchased a car load of machinery which they will install and put to work. Among the new purchases were two machine lathes, iron planer, wood shaper for the pattern room, radial drill, milling machine, four elevator gears, and much other machinery in sizes and dimensions which will enable them to manufacture and repair anything that comes their way. They will have in stock boiler plate and I beams and also an efficient corps of machinists and boiler makers and they will be able to handle all work for either a portable or stationary boiler. They will buy scrap castings, stove plates, grate bars and for it will pay the highest market prices. In fact they expect to be able to meet any demands that may arise, and will deal in furnaces and furnace parts. They are making their run this week and within thirty days expect to have twenty people employed. The directors for the new institution are J. S. Bowers president, L. A. Graham secretary, E. Fritzinger treasurer and manager, Dyonis Schmitt vice president, P. W. Smith, G. L. Guilfoyle and C. A. Dugan. It is a home institution with home men, home capital and home push, and they are the people who do things and this manufacturing business will grow and prosper beyond doubt.

ARRESTS MAY COME

As a Result of the Destruction of Property Over this City and County

DURING PAST WEEK

Grand Jury Will Investigate and Some of the Boys May be Indicted

The young men of this community who find enjoyment in the destruction of property, under the guise of celebrating Halloween, have had an extended period of three nights this year, and they have taken advantage of Saturday, Sunday and Monday nights have been used for this purpose and it is doubtful if at any time in the recent years has there been such a reckless destruction of property. Last night was the worst and it is said and we are informed that the total loss as prepared by the officers will be several hundred dollars. It is wrong. A hundred extra police could not prevent this for the boys are smooth enough to do it when not expected. However, it may be of interest to the young men who did the work last night and during the past several days to know that the grand jury will convene in a very short time and that already the officers have under way a plan whereby they expect to apprehend the ones who committed these acts, at least a sufficient number of them to teach all a lesson. There should be reason in all things but it looks as though the lads had acted too hastily this year. The

same thing is reported from all over the county and elsewhere over the state. At Butler a gang of young men attempted to injure the property of William Ware who conducts the Cottage Hotel and that gentleman fired a load of buckshot into the crowd, resulting in Fred Showalter, aged twenty, receiving such a quantity of the shot that he will lose his right leg. Ware is under arrest. While the people of course do not approve of such rash measures, the man who was protecting his own property will find many sympathizers. One of the most dastardly and cowardly deeds committed here was one at the home of the Widow Radamacher on Third street.

THAT NEW BROOM

It May Sweep Clean but It Costs More Than Ever

TRUST CAUSES IT

An Advance of Nearly Half on a Much Used Household Article

There is an old saw that says something about a new broom always sweeping clean, but if the predictions made by local grocers come true it is more than likely many a worn out one will be called upon to do duty until nothing but the stumps are left. The prices of this household necessity are soaring and will soon be beyond the reach of the ordinary person. Right now they are more precious than fine raiment and are bound to become even more valuable, says a well known local grocer. The ordinary 25 cent broom has advanced to 35 cents, and probably will go still higher. The sharp advance has been caused by the failure of the crop of broom corn, it is said. The production this year is said to have been only about a third of a crop, due to the unfavorable weather in the southern states, where great quantities of broom corn is raised. The long, hot, dry spell the past summer caused the biggest portion of the crop to burn up and, with the supply of material limited, the natural thing for the factories to do was to advance the price of the finished product. And that is just exactly what has been done. Wholesale houses have notified their customers of the necessity in boosting prices. (The cheapest variety of brooms that the grocer can purchase at this time is \$4.00 a dozen, while six months ago the same broom could be bought for \$2.75 and -2.80. A year ago these could be had in any quantity for even less money, but just now they are considered cheap at \$4.00. A merchant paying \$4.00 for the cheapest kind of brooms and selling them at 35 cents each, makes only 25 cents on the whole transaction. The prices run from 35 to 60 cents, where formerly the same quality of brooms could be retailed at 25, 35 and 50 cents. But times have changed since Taft became president and the new tariff law went into effect. Brooms are not the only commodities that have been boosted and it has come to a pass where the average man has to rake and scrape and lay awake of nights trying to figure out how he is going to make both ends meet. While the failure of the broom corn crop may have had something to do with the advance, some of the grocers are inclined to believe that the main cause was the pressure brought to bear by the broom trust.

SELECT COUNCILMAN TONIGHT

A special meeting of the city council was held last evening, but owing to the fact that one of the members could not be present, it was decided to adjourn until this evening when they will meet in continued session for the purpose of selecting a councilman to serve during the unexpired term of the late Anson VanCamp.

Bruce Kiger arrived home Saturday evening from Little Rock. The marriage of Mr. Kiger and Mrs. Ethel Fetters will take place at three o'clock Tuesday afternoon, at the home of her parents. They will depart for the south Tuesday night.

CLOUD OF MYSTERY

Still Surrounds the Brutal Murder of Fred Haag, the Bluffton Man

BULLET FOUR FOUND

By Mrs. Haag in Piece of Bread—Haag Here in the Faylor Case

Bluffton, Ind., Nov. 2.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—There is absolutely no truth in the statement that a young man here has confessed to the murder of Fred Haag, whose dead body was found in his butcher shop Sunday morning, the heart pierced by a .38-caliber bullet. The truth is that the officers are no nearer a clue than they were at first, and it now seems doubtful if the truth is ever known. The fourth bullet has been located and there is still one missing. The fourth was found last evening when Mrs. Haag was eating supper. They had secured some bread from the shop for the meal and while Mrs. Haag was eating a piece of the bread she discovered a bullet. This struck the case in which the bread was kept at the shop and had entered the loaf of bread. The city council will hold a special session this evening and will appropriate \$500 to be used towards clearing the mystery. The county commissioners now in session are also making an effort to have a similar amount set aside and this will be done if the county council will agree.

The autopsy of the physicians showed that the bullet entered on the right side, between the fifth and sixth ribs, passed directly through both of the lower valves of the heart and came out on the other side between the sixth and seventh ribs, and lay just beneath the skin. It was .38 calibre. Haag's white apron did not have the least burn or powder mark, showing the bullet had been fired from some distance.

Mr. Haag is remembered by a number of people here as he was one of the witnesses in the famous Faylor-Studabaker case, appearing for the plaintiffs.

THEY DID NICELY

The Ladies of the Christian Church Clear up Neat Sum of Money

AT RUMMAGE SALE

Which Closed Last Evening—Mrs. Henry Stevens an Earnest Worker

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian church, who have been conducting a rummage sale in the city hall on Madison street for the past two weeks, closed their place of business yesterday and report having cleared a neat sum of money. They disposed of nearly everything they had for sale which consisted of everything in wearing apparel and many other useful articles which they received from their friends as donations. Everything was sold at reasonable prices and they always cleared a little off of each article sold. The amount cleared was one hundred and ten dollars, which they will use in paying off their church street assessment. Mrs. Henry Stevens is the president of the society and since she was elected in March has done some very good work in this line, by giving socials and other gatherings. The society wishes to thank the public who patronized them during their sale, and also the ladies of the Methodist church who were so kind toward them.