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### THE ONLY WAY.

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party. If there is to be a reduction in the cost of living and a change in the conditions which have made that cost what it is and what it threatens to be, the republican party as now organized and led must be driven from power and it must go bag and baggage. It is the only way.

### TO BE AT THE BOSSE TONIGHT.

The Southland Sextet Company are in the City for Engagement.

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### WILL HOLD A PASTRY SALE.

The Pocahontas ladies who are conducting a rummage sale in the Niblick building will in addition to this give a pastry sale tomorrow, giving those who desire home-made baked goods to secure them, fresh and good. Come and patronize us.

### ALL ODD FELLOWS NOTICE.

All members of St. Mary's Lodge, I. O. O. F., are requested to meet at the hall at 11 o'clock Wednesday, December 1, to attend Brother Harlow Mann's funeral.

W. B. JOHNSON, Sec'y.

### FORCED INTO EXILE.

Wm. Upchurch of Glen Oak, Okla., was an exile from home. Mountain man, he thought, would cure a frightful lung-racking cough that had defied all remedies for two years. After six months he returned, death dogging his steps. "Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery," he writes, "and after taking six bottles I am as well as ever." It saves thousands yearly from desperate lung diseases. Infallible for Coughs and Colds, it dispels Hoarseness and Sore Throat, Cures Grip, Bronchitis, Hemorrhages, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough. 50c and \$1.00, trial bottle free, guaranteed by all druggists.

### Democrat Want Ads. Pay



## Mothers; Let's Talk Quality

That is what you are after when you buy clothes for your boys.

Quality determines price here. We ask you what we know not what we think these clothes are worth to you.

We base our judgement on the value, wear and merit which we find in the clothes.

Our Boys suits and O'coats will appeal to you if you will look them over.

Boys suits \$2.00 to \$7.50  
" O'coats \$2.00 to \$10.00

Holthouse, Schulte & Co.

Good Clothes Sellers for Men and Boys

## SOCIETY COLUMN

Miss Bessie Merriman Formerly of This City Married at Fort Wayne.

### WEDDED NINE YEARS

Dr. and Mrs. Roy Archbold Celebrate Their Anniversary—Other Events.

One of the pretty weddings of last evening was that of Miss Bessie Mae Merriman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Merriman, and Ernest R. Biddle, formerly of Cincinnati. The decorations for the rooms consisted of palms and ferns banked on the mantels and clusters of white chrysanthemums and southern smilax in vases. Miss Hazel Smith played the "Mendelssohn Wedding March" for the entrance of the bridal party, and during the reading of the service by the Rev. Franklin Lewis Miss Emilie Jones sang, "O Promise Me." The attendants were Miss Mae Biddle, sister of the bridegroom, and Allen Merriman, brother of the bride. The bride wore a pretty French mousseline gown, combined with pearls and white satin and she carried an arm bouquet of white chrysanthemums. Miss Biddle was gowned in yellow silk and carried yellow chrysanthemums. Mrs. Merriman, the bride's mother, wore lavender silk with lace trimmings. Immediately after the ceremony there was a supper and reception. Mrs. Merriman was assisted by Mrs. Amy F. Grindstaff of Portland, Ind., an aunt of the bride. Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Biddle left for Cincinnati and on their return will be at home after December 1 at 1305 Chicago street. The out of town guests were Mrs. Grindstaff of Portland, Ind., and Miss Pruda Danner of Decatur, Ind. The bride's going-away gown was a smoke-colored cloth suit with a hat of black trimmed with plumes.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

Dr. and Mrs. Roy Archbold celebrated the anniversary of their ninth wedding day last Sunday, when a crowd of their friends were invited in to play five hundred. It was a very happy occasion for all. Mr. C. C. Schafer and Mrs. E. B. Adams won the honors at cards and Mr. W. P. Schrock and Mrs. Fanny Cole at the table games. The luncheon was delicious. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames Don L. Quinn, Ned Steele, C. C. Schafer E. B. Adams, J. H. Heller Mrs. Fanny Cole, Miss Bess Schrock and Mr. W. P. Schrock.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Wise, of Van Wert, Ohio, and Mrs. Emma Campbell of Highlands, New Jersey, were guests of Mrs. B. A. Dorwin and Clayton Dorwin Friday at 12 o'clock dinner.

Mr. Tom Hildebrand and Mr. Walter Bimel, of Columbia City, and Miss Marie Patterson were the guests of Mrs. Fannie Cole for supper Sunday evening.

### NOTICE FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the city of Decatur, Indiana, will receive proposals for the construction of a sidewalk along the following property abutting on Mercer avenue in the City of Decatur, Indiana:

Commencing at the southeast corner of the property owned by Mrs. Marsh Burd, thence east along said avenue to High street in said city. Said improvement to be constructed according to the plans and specifications now on file at the office of the clerk of said city on the

Seventh day of December, 1909.

Sealed bids will be received up to

seven o'clock p.m. Each bidder must

file with the clerk of said city a cer-

tified check in the sum of twenty-

five dollars, as a guarantee that they

will accept said bid and carry out

the construction of said work.

The Common Council reserves the

right to reject any and all bids.

Witness my hand and seal this 18th day

of November, 1909.

235 3tew O. B. WEMHOFF,

City Clerk.

LOST—A boy's overcoat, either here

in the city or between here and

the Schleicher farm in Kirkland

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An old timer at the opera house

Tuesday night, 25 cents. See it.

A big entertainment to be given at

the Bosse opera house—it's good.

### SMOKE THE CONGRESS

### STAR OF FIRST MAGNITUDE.

Frank Jones, Famous Comedian, in Funniest of plays, "Charley's Aunt."

Frank Jones, the famous comedian with our Own Stock Company, is making the greatest hit of his long and eminent career as an actor in "Charley's Aunt," which comes to the opera house Friday evening, December 3rd. No other actor has ever been able to extract so much genuine humor, so much screaming merriment or such incessant and continuous laughter from the character of Lord Fancourt Babberly as this gifted artist, and his portrayal of the mysterious aunt from Brazil, "where the nuts come from," has never been equalled.

"Charley's Aunt" is clean, wholesome fun—a scream of laughter, but it is a high-class comedy and not buffoonery. The play is eminently worthy of the recognition it has won as the liveliest comedy of all times.

### EXCURSION TRIP

Brown & Summers Give a West and Southern Excursion.

### A GREAT CHANCE

Good Time to See the Country and a Good Time of Year to Go.

Brown & Summers are at the head of an excursion that will go out of here Tuesday, December 7, that will get every passenger his money's worth, and no mistake. Stopovers will be granted by the railroads and time given for the inspection of the country in the states of Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Colorado. On the trip you will have the chance of seeing and inspecting all the good and cheap farming lands in the states mentioned and when you get around there will be no doubt in your mind where you will want to invest your money. The entire trip can be made for \$36 for car fare, and this in itself is a great bargain in railroad transportation. The trip is certainly worth the cost, and those who care to see the country, and see things as they exist in other parts of the United States. They have some excellent land values and these you can inspect if you care to. Any information regarding the trip, what there is to see and the cost thereof, can be had by seeing Brown & Summers, the hustling real estate dealers of Monroe.

### PAY YOUR POLL TAX

The poll tax lists containing the names of all those who have not paid their poll tax for this year, will be turned over to the marshal on the first of the coming month. Those desiring to pay before that time can do at the office of the city treasurer.

See the old Southland Sextette, at the opera house, Tuesday evening.

### Wanted!

All persons suffering from Piles,

Loss of Expelling force, prolapsus,

Fissures, Fistula, Catarrh of the

bowels, inflammation, ulceration,

constipation, bleeding, blind or

itching Piles, are kindly requested to write me

for a free trial of my Positive Pain-

less Pile Combination, or get it of

your druggist. It is the best on earth.

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## ONLY 24 Days UNTIL XMAS

Think of it and don't put off buying until the last day but come now. We have now on display the largest line of Holiday Goods ever shown in the city and our buying for three stores gives us an advantage over our competitors. All we ask is to give us a look before you buy. Our line consists of toys for all ages, Fancy goods and China for the ladies. Guns, wagons, sleds, engines, horses, magic lanterns etc, for the boys. Dolls, beds, cradles, tables, games pianos, go-carts and hundreds of other things for the girls. Shaving sets, manicure sets, mirrors, comb and brush sets, toilet cases for the young people and all kinds of articles for the rest of the family. Note some of these prices—Collapsible Go-Carts like the cut at \$1.00 steel tire and \$2.00 and \$3.00 rubber tires.

SPECIAL—50 Shove flies, sell regularly at 75cents, our price 50c. A single Hobby horse \$1.25 \$1.50 and \$2.00. We havn't the room to publish prices but come in and we

will show you the goods with the prices marked that are O. K. REMEMBER—We will have Four Tons of candy to sell at 10c a pound the kind that is worth 25c and 20c a pound.

## The BUSY RACKET STORE

STEELE & WEAVER

### NEW RULES FOR BUTCHERS.

Beginning tomorrow, December 1st, we will open our shops at 6:30 a.m. and close promptly at 8 o'clock, excepting on Saturday, when we will keep open until 11 o'clock. This rule is to be strictly enforced, and we ask our patrons to govern themselves accordingly.

BAKER & PENNINGTON.  
DYONIS SCHMIDT.  
SIMEON HAINES.  
FRED MUTHLER.  
WILDER & BARKLEY.

### EAGLES TO ELECT OFFICERS.

The Eagles lodge will meet at their hall Thursday evening of this week December 2nd at eight o'clock. Reports for the past year will be read and the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place. Members are requested to be present as this will be the most important meeting of the entire year.

J. B. KNAPE, Sec'y.