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The numerous divorces in this country, almost amounting to a scandal, are accounted for in various ways, and sundry remedies are prospected for the evil. Rarely does a sober, industrious, frugal and thrifty couple get into a divorce court. If there be one underlying cause, it is not to be found in the laws, but in the lives. Passion, extravagance, idleness, selfishness and lack of self-control are at the bottom of all family troubles.—South Bend Times.

METHODIST CHOR MEETING AND BAPTISMAL SERVICE.

Every member of the Methodist choir is urged to be present at the church at 7:30 this evening. An important practice for the re-opening exercises Sunday. The pastor desires to announce that there will be baptism of children at the Sunday morning services. Let the little ones all be consecrated to God.

GEO. WILL SHINE YOUR SHOES.

If you want a nice Christmas shine, one that won't come off, one that old Santa can see himself, there's only one place in town where you can get it, and that's with George Braun, at the Murray hotel.

Democrat Want Ads. Pay

WILL GET TURKEY

Indiana Lighting Company Provides One For Each Employee.

AS A CHRISTMAS GIFT

Decatur Force Will be Remembered in This Pleasant Way.

For many years it has been the custom of the Indiana Lighting company to remember each one of its thousands of employees on Christmas day with a turkey. This year, however, Decatur people will be included in the list, there being three regular employees of the local office—Jack Moynihan, James DeWitt and J. S. Bowens—who will receive one of these kings of birds for his Christmas fare, as gifts from the company. When one considers the magnitude of the gas company, of which the Indiana Lighting company is but a branch, and of the countless numbers of employees included on the list, one wonders where enough turkeys can be found to supply the number. But there is no difficulty apparently, and Santa Claus goes on year after year, leaving his supply with the company for distribution. The gift is one that is highly appreciated, and is perhaps a good ad after all, especially when the bird comes from the oven of the gas stove browned a rich, golden color.

ARE YOU GOING TO THE CRYSTAL

No doubt the Crystal theater will be crowded this evening for this is the occasion for giving away the \$55 latest improved Singer sewing machine. If you are not there during the evening you can't get it. Don't forget this. You have been waiting several weeks for this date.

YOU SHOULD HAVE INTEREST In Poultry Even Though You Are Not a Fancier.

Farmers and city folks, as well as fanciers, should take an interest in the poultry show. Although they may not care to exhibit, yet there is much to be gained by viewing the fowls and becoming familiar with the different breeds. Every one is capable of breeding fine specimens as the real fancier; and if it is necessary for them to educate themselves in that respect they should at least encourage exhibitors as a method of assisting to promote the breeding of poultry as a source of profit.
A FANCIER.

MARRIED HERE

Former Decatur Girl and a Fort Wayne Young Man Come to This City

AND ARE MARRIED

By Rev. Sherman Powell—Bride Was Formerly Miss Alice Hart.

A wedding of a Fort Wayne couple in which Decatur people will be much interested inasmuch as the bride was a former resident of this city, was solemnized by the Rev. Powell at the M. E. parsonage at 4 o'clock Tuesday evening. The bride was Mrs. Alice Watson, formerly Miss Alice Hart, the groom being Louis J. Treuchet, a well known barber of Fort Wayne.

The parties came to this city Tuesday afternoon and went to the parsonage where they were married, the wedding being a very quiet one. They remained here over the night, the guests of friends, and returned the next day to Fort Wayne, where they will make their home. The bride was born and reared here, being a daughter of the late Henry Hart and a granddaughter of the late Lyman Hart of Monmouth. For several years the family has been living in Fort Wayne, but they visited here quite frequently during that time, and have many friends and relatives in Decatur who wish the bride and groom a happy future.

Democrat Want Ads. Pay

FRED V. MILLS,

WILL SELL

CANDY

Today and Tomorrow

REGARDLESS OF COST

I don't want to carry any over. Must be sold. Just come in and get my price.

SOCIETY COLUMN

Christmas Dinner Parties Still Predominate in the Social World.

REUNIONS PLANNED

Miss Vernia Smith Entertained Girls' Club—Gifts Were Exchanged.

Miss Vernia Smith very pleasantly entertained a club of young girls Wednesday evening. The Smith home was prettily decorated for the occasion with Christmas bells and crepe paper in red and green. A novel way of exchanging gifts was taken by the girls, the gifts being placed on a white chair, decorated with tinsel, the girls choosing therefrom the packages bearing their names. A delicious lunch also added to the pleasure of the entertainment. Those present were Dessie Beery, Bertha Butler, Sue and Celia Mayer, Agnes and Lucile Gillig.

Harry Bell and wife will arrive from Elyria, Ohio, and Miss Margaret Bell, from St. Louis, Michigan, this evening to spend the Christmas holidays with the A. R. Bell family. Other members of the family will arrive Friday to be in attendance at the annual reunion. The others are Fred Bell and wife, of Hillsdale, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell and children, Catharine and Robert, Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell and daughter, Flint, Mich.

The Rev. and Mrs. I. Imbler will give a family Christmas dinner at their home, their son, H. E. Imbler, and wife of Logansport, being out of town guests.

According to an established custom of many years the W. H. Kuebler home will be the scene of the Barthol family reunion, and a very agreeable time is anticipated.

The U. Deininger family will be at the home on Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kilboure of Fort Wayne coming up to unite with the others in the observance of this day, which is always a joyous one at the Deininger home.

Christmas day will be one of glad reunion for the Reiter family, the entertainment being at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Reiter of this city. Besides this family there will be present the brothers, Henry and wife of Fort Wayne, and Will and wife of Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Beavers will give a Christmas dinner, guests being Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Poling and children, Raleigh, Merle and Naomi, of west of the city.

With Miss Frances at home from Vassar and the other members of the family all present, Christmas day will be a glad reunion at the C. A. Dugan home. Messrs. Ross McCullough of Fort Wayne and L. C. Waring of this city will also share the Christmas

dinner at noon and the other pleasures of the day with the family.

The annual Christmas reunion will be held at the W. C. McKinney home again this year. The company will include the children, Wallace and Milo of Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Hawkins of Kokomo; Mr. and Mrs. George Steele and son, Misses Carrie and Eula of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ritter will entertain Jacob Hess and family and John Schroll and family of Lima, Ohio, at Christmas dinner.

Miss Bertha Kauffman of Redkey will be a guest of her brother, Walter Kauffman and wife at Christmas dinner Saturday. During the holidays the Kauffmans will probably entertain Mrs. Kauffman's brother, C. M. Smooke and wife of St. Louis.

A GOOD LECTURE

Dr. Herbert Entertained a Large Audience at Presbyterian Church

ON LAST EVENING

The Famed Platform Orator Held Interest of Hearers For Two Hours.

The first of the series of four lectures to be given by the senior class of the Decatur high school was held Wednesday evening at the Presbyterian church. A good sized crowd was present to hear Dr. Herbert, the well known orator, and throughout the evening were royally entertained. First of all he praised our high school, which the citizens of Decatur should be proud to possess, and the men connected with it. He also praised the students for the interest they have taken in this work and hoped they would meet with success and profit much in the great undertaking. His subject for the evening was "Man Among Men," and he proved in a very clear way a number of facts that were of great interest to all his hearers. At times his sayings were full of humor and he held the close attention of the entire audience. The next lecture will be given some time in January and the students are already working hard to make it a success and which they will if the people will encourage and help them along.

MONTHLY REPORT

Of Prof. E. E. Rice Shows City Schools in Good Condition.

WEST WAR D LEADS

In Attendance for the Month—Visitors are Welcomed at Schools.

According to the monthly report of E. E. Rice, superintendent of the city schools, the school attendance for December was very good. The west ward leads the others in having the best attendance, the percentage being 98 for the month. The pupils at the west ward number 87 boys and 59 girls, and during the month 112 were not absent at any time; 150 visitors were welcomed at the west ward during December. The report for the other wards and high school is: North ward, 72 boys, 76 girls; 108 not absent; percentage of attendance, 97.2; 110 visitors. South ward—90 boys, 79 girls in attendance; percentage of attendance, 96.8; 119 not absent during the month; 83 visitors; Central—101 boys, 72 girls; 97.3 per cent of attendance; 138 not absent; 65 visitors. High school—61 boys; 74 girls; 96 per cent; 97 not absent during month; 15 visitors. The total attendance at the city school—411 boys, 330 girls. Per cent of attendance, 97.1; total number not absent, 574; total number of visitors, 423.

MR. FRAZIER THANKS VOTERS.

William Frazier, the Blue Creek township farmer who made the race for county assessor, asks us to thank the voters of the county for their splendid support. He appreciates all the work done for him by his many friends.

WILL GO TO CELINA

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Suttles Will Move to That City Next Month.

GO INTO BUSINESS

They Will Start a Racket Store There on February 1st.

Many of the Decatur friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Suttles will regret to learn that they will soon leave this city and their many friends here. Mr. Suttles will embark in business in Celina and has closed a lease for one of the best business rooms in that city. He will get possession on February 1st, and on that date he will open a racket store, one of the most complete in that section of the country. The location is an excellent one and they will doubtless do a liberal business from the start. Mr. and Mrs. Suttles will go to Mansfield, Ohio, where they will spend the holidays, and after that Mr. Suttles will go to Chicago, where he will buy the rest of his stock, and then about the middle of January they will move their household goods to Celina, where they expect to make their permanent home. They have lived here for many years and have friends on every hand, all of whom will regret to see them leave, but who will also wish them all the prosperity going in their new location and home.

We must have life in our business at any "cost." Make note of this advertisement. Are you next? The new jeweler on north side of court house, Didot & Son.



The Gift Of Gifts

For the youngster is a bank book showing a deposit to his credit in this institution.

Of course you want your child to grow up thrifty and industrious—a good way to start him or her so is to make this year's Xmas gift a bank book of OURS.

The deposits will earn 3 per cent.

THE OLD Adams County Bank

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

Henry Thomas knows this and has always said so. Recently he began a campaign on the White Stag cigar, using the term below "for sale by all dealers." As a result one Decatur cigar merchant, whose initials are Frank McConnell, has sold 3,000 White Stags since December 10th, just two weeks. That's going some and is evidence of the merits of the cigar as well as of the fact that The Model does its share of business in the cigar line.

Joe Didot, son of the jeweler, is getting along fine, and will soon be entirely recovered. The store is doing business right along.

The Place To Go

To get your Xmas Candies, Nuts, Fruits and Xmas Trees. Prices lower than ever known before, Call and be convinced. We offer special inducements to churches and schools.

HUNSICKER BROS. City Bakery

MANY FARMERS

Would like to keep an account of their receipts and expenditures if some one would keep it for them.

Open a bank account with the First National Bank and you will find the account keeps itself, with no expense.

Your checks are always evidence of date and amount of all disbursements and your deposit book shows dates and amounts of your receipts.

Many of your friends and neighbors have accounts with us. WHY NOT YOU? Don't wait for a big start—any amount offered, either large or small, is cheerfully accepted. It's a handy convenience to the farmer as well as the business man.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Real Christmas Cheer

Add zest to your Christmas dinner by ordering a box of "White Stag" Cigars today. These cigars are just THE smoke to top off a good dinner and will cause your friends to congratulate on their selection. They have that Havana flavor that is so enjoyable and that's what counts. Go to your dealer and order a box of "White Stags." A few minutes of your time today means enjoyment and satisfaction as well as pleasure for yourself and friends Christmas day.

House Coats, Bath Robes, Mufflers, Pretty Neckwear, Fancy Sox, Negligee Shirts

are in great demand for Xmas Gifts. We're able to supply the demand with a splendid assortment to select from.

House Coats . \$4.00 to \$10.00	Bath Robes . \$3.75 to \$5.00
Mufflers 25c to \$2.00	Neckwear 25c to \$1.00
Fancy Sox per pair 15c to \$1.00	Negligee Shirts . 50c to \$1.50

STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK.

HOLTHOUSE, SCHULTE & CO.

Good Clothes Sellers for Men and Boys.