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The Evening News has been a close observer of Judge Sturgis' work on the bench. It is not overstating facts when it is said that it has been many years since a judge of Mr. Sturgis' ability has conducted court in Blackford county. He has been fair and impartial to all. He has not only demonstrated that he is well grounded in the law, but he has an abundance of common sense, an attribute that is absolutely essential in a jurist. A hair splitter never makes a good judge. Mr. Sturgis is no hair splitter, but that he makes his decisions based upon the law and the evidence is amply proved by the confirmation of his decisions by the higher courts. Hartford City News.

John W. Kern has written a letter to a newspaper man in this state saying he will not be a candidate for United States senator in case the democrats elect a majority of the members of the legislature. This was the proper thing for Mr. Kern to do as it will be impossible for the opposition to make use of his name now for the purpose of creating discord in the democratic ranks. But the opposition papers have already trotted out Mr. Taggart as a senatorial candidate. They always keep Taggart's name well to the front, though, evidently believing that the most important work they can do in a campaign is to howl about that democratic leader. You never catch them spending much time, however, upon a dead one—Columbia City Post.

OFFICE HELP WANTED.

Bookkeepers and stenographers who are unemployed would do well to correspond with us, as we are unable to fill all the positions open and frequently have calls for high class help.

Bluffton (Ind.) Business College.

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LOST—A pair of gold-trimmed glasses, in case with the name of A. G. Bixler on inside. Lost somewhere between the Methodist church and Eighth street. Finder return to Mrs. John Stultz, or leave at this office.

THE SOCIAL NOTES

Afternoon Club Ladies Give Banquet for Their Husbands—Given

AT KUEBLER HOME

Sewing Society of Lutheran Church to be Entertained by Mrs. Heckman.

Our echoes roll from soul to soul And grow forever and ever. —Tennyson.

The annual banquet given by Mesdames Moltz and Kuebler to the clerks of the Boston store will be given Thursday evening at the Kuebler home and promises to be one of great pleasure.

Abounding happiness, good cheer and sumptuous viands, far eclipsing any of the banquets given by them in previous years, was the annual dinner given Tuesday evening by the ladies of the Afternoon club for their husbands, the event taking place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kuebler. The banquet dinner was served at 6 o'clock, about fifty being seated at small tables throughout the spacious rooms of the Kuebler home, which was made further attractive by a profusion of potted plants, attractively arranged. The dinner was prepared and served by the ladies, the menu comprising the following delicious viands: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, oyster patties, cottage cheese, olives, pickles, marmalade, Waldorf salad, ice cream, cake, coffee. Following the banquet a general good social time was spent and the gentlemen are profuse in their expression of the royal entertaining qualities of the ladies of the Afternoon club. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames Charles Christen, Henry Bremerkamp, C. V. Connell, J. H. Bremerkamp, Ed Ehinger, Ben Knapke, James P. Haefling, U. Deininger, W. A. Kuebler, D. D. Clark, Martin Mylott, Henry Schulte, J. B. Meibers, John Garard, C. S. Meibers, Charles Niblick, James Niblick, Charles Vogelweide, Mrs. Christena Niblick and son, Jesse, Mesdames Frank Crawford, Carrie Ehinger, R. J. Holthouse, and Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Snellon of Willshire, Ohio.

The Helping Hand society of the German Reformed church will be entertained Thursday by Mrs. John Spuhler.

Saved to Serve: Native Helpers; Christian Home Makers, is the topic of study for the Christian Women's Board of Missions, which meets at the home of Mrs. Henry Stevens Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Harry Helm will be the leader, the Bible lesson being taken from Gal. 5:12-24. Besides

prayer and hymns there will be readings by various members present on "Homes in India and Mountain Teachers;" a reading, "India Women," by Mrs. Percy Williams, and a reading, "Young People's Work," by Mrs. Jacob Eady.

Miss Lilly Vens of Hoagland is being entertained by Miss Ruby Artman at her home on Tenth street.

The Thimble club will meet Saturday afternoon this week instead of the usual Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Earl Adams will be the hostess.

The members of the Sewing society of the German Lutheran church will hold an all-day session tomorrow at the home of Mrs. Charles Heckman. This order usually meets but once a month, but owing to the great rush of work now in the making of quilts, comforts and other things for their sale, they meet every two weeks. They will be entertained at dinner by Mrs. Heckman.

Miss Mae Ehler arrived today from Bluffton to be in attendance at the ball this evening. She will be the guest of Miss Vera Ehinger.

The last meeting before the Lenten season was enjoyed by the girls of the T. B. G. club last evening, being entertained by Miss Letta Fullenkamp. Embroidery work occupied their time, while instrumental music was provided by Miss Agnes Vogelweide and vocal by Miss Bertha Kinney. A tempting lunch was served by the hostess.

Mrs. Henry Waggoner and children of Fort Wayne are visiting with her mother, Mrs. John Rex, and other relatives.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Church of Christ is making preparations for a valentine social to be given Monday evening, February 14th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Steele on Fifth street.

Mrs. Sarah Cochran, one of the oldest and best known ladies of the city, today arrived at the eighty-eighth anniversary of her birth, and this occasion, which is given to very few people, was celebrated by her children and a number of her other relatives with a surprise party, a large number of whom called this morning at her home on Nuttman avenue, bringing with them baskets filled to overflowing with good things to eat of all kinds from which a sumptuous repast was spread at noon. That Mrs. Cochran may live many more happy years, and be blessed with the remarkably good health and activity she now enjoys is the wish of all. Those with their families who shared in the celebration are Chris Weldy of this city; James Brown, Mr. Yakes, Mr. Heller of Preble; Walter John of Monroe; Mrs. Maria Hartman of Detroit; Mrs. Carolina Hartman of Peterson.

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FOR RENT—A good six room house, newly repaired, on Elm street. Enquire Hooper & Lenhart or William Zimmerman.

THE COURT NEWS

Will of the Late Henry Hoppe Probated—Certified Copy Also

MADE FOR PROBATE

In Van Wert County, Ohio—The Real Estate Transfers Made Today.

The will of Henry Hoppe, formerly of Blue Creek township, whose death occurred at Willshire last week—January 28th—where he had spent his late years, was probated in the Adams circuit court this morning. The will was written August 4, 1909, and was witnessed by D. E. Smith and William Higman. He gives to his wife, Eliza Jane Hoppe, a life interest in all the real and personal estate that is left after the payment of the just debts. The real estate includes land in Blue Creek township, and the west half of lot 32 on Wadsworth street, Willshire. At the death of the wife the sum of one hundred dollars out of said property is to go to his son, Joseph Hoppe, and all the remainder, both real and personal, to the son, Joseph William Hoppe. As a part of the land mentioned in the will is in Willshire, Ohio, it was necessary that a certified copy of the will be made, and this will be filed in the Van Wert county court.

Real estate transfers were recorded as follows: Alice Swoveland to Huber M. DeVoss, lots 729, 728, Decatur, \$1800; Unites States to John Albaugh, land in Root tp., —; William Baumgartner to Jacob S. Moser, lot 147, Berne, \$1; Lawrence Beiter to Manasse M. Liechty, 70 acres, Monroe tp., \$4900; David A. Wickey to Jacob J. Elcher, 2 acres, Wabash tp., \$650; Eugene Wahl to William Baughman, lot 147, Berne.

Mr. Mont Evans of DeLong has arrived in the city for a short stay with friends.

A SAFEGUARD TO CHILDREN.

"Our two children of six and eight years have been since infancy subject to colds and croup. About three years ago I started to use Foye's Honey and Tar, and it has never failed to prevent and cure these troubles. It is the only medicine I can get the children to take without a row." The above from W. C. Ornstein, Green Bay, Wis., duplicates the experience of thousands of other users of Foye's Honey and Tar. The Holthouse Drug Co.

Four per cent interest given on certificates left one year.

WON'T NEED A CRUTCH.

When Editor J. P. Sosman of Corinthus, N. C., bruised his leg badly, it started an ugly sore. Many salves and ointments proved worthless. Then Buckle's Arnica Salve healed it thoroughly. Nothing is so prompt and sure for ulcers, boils, burns, bruises, cuts, corns, sores, pimples, eczema or piles. 25 c at all drugists.

FIFTY FIVE YEARS

Of Life Together Have Been Spent by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Railing.

THE CELEBRATION

Of Anniversary Was Held Yesterday at J. W. Vail Home—A Supper.

The home of J. W. Vail on Madison street Tuesday was the scene of the happy celebration of the fifty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Railing, and brought to their memories many happy days they have been permitted to spend together during all these years. At that time there were no railroads or interurbans through this part of the country and Middletown was the only stopping place between here and Wayne. They were married in Wayne, making the trip through in a sled, and eating their wedding supper at Middletown. Sledding was splendid all that winter and no doubt this made the extensive wedding trip all the more memorable. Miss Hulda Loser invited Mr. and Mrs. John Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Vail and daughter, Mary Louise, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sprang, together with the aged couple and Forest Vail to help eat a bounteous supper which she had tastefully prepared at the Vail homestead. It will be an occasion long to be remembered and we extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Railing, hoping they may live to celebrate many more such anniversaries.

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First National Bank of Decatur

Interest bearing certificates of deposit issued, payable on demand at three per cent per annum left for six months.

Four per cent interest given on certificates left one year.

Our 1910 Real Estate List

Has some excellent properties, and good bargains—never before placed before the public.

We have a large number of other tracts, ranging in prices from \$90.00 to \$125.00 an acre. Also lands in Michigan, Dakota, Oklahoma and Texas, in all stages of improvements.

Drop in and see us before investing.

SNOW AGENCY, Phone 230, DECATUR, INDIANA.

1—No. 820—Is an acre tract with new cottage house and cellar, on Mercer Avenue, \$1,500.00.

10—Numbers 827 and 828 are forty acre tracts with fair improvements, near market, school, etc.; good drainage, \$3,700.00 and \$3,800.00 each.

11—No. 829—Is a good 80 acre tract on the stoned road, good drainage, well fenced, good house and fair barns, etc., \$7,500.00.

12—No. 794—Is a well located 67 acre tract that is well drained and has good two story house, two barns, etc., etc., \$7,250.

13—No. 823—Is a well improved 100 acre tract on stoned road, in good location, good buildings and well drained, \$12,000.00. The land locations and buildings are good on each tract.

14—Numbers 832 and 833 are each a 160 acre tract; one can be bought for \$100.00 an acre and the other for \$125.00 an acre. The land locations and buildings are good on each tract.

15—No. 924—Is a 199 acre tract in good location, has comfortable old buildings, is fairly well fenced, is near market, school, etc. Price, \$83.00 an acre.

In city property, we can supply almost any demand that may be presented. Have you examined our recent list?

16—No. 717—Is a four room cottage in south east Decatur on the gas and water lines. City water, cistern, etc., \$1,500.00.

24—No. 796—Is a well located six room residence on South Fifth street, electric lights, cistern, drove well, stable, fruit, etc., \$2,150.00.

25—No. 831—Is a one room, seven room residence with cellar, stable, drove well, cistern, fine shade and fruit, on North Eleventh street—about four city lots—\$2,500.00.

26—No. 816—Is an eight room residence, with cellar, furnished bath, electric lights, cistern, drove well, city water, on gas line, has stable, nice shade and fruit trees, on Monroe street, near Ninth street; price, \$3,000.00.

27—We have also some fine locations and lots for city residences. In Scheffman's addition for from \$175.00 to \$225.00 each. In Fullenkamp's addition at about \$375.00 to \$500.00. On Front street and on Marshall street near the traction line at reasonable figures.

We have also some high priced city residences that may be traded for well improved farms.

FOUND—Strayed to my farm, one mile west of Pleasant Mills, a black face lamb. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying for this ad.—E. F. Miller. 276

THE MOLER BARBER COLLEGE of Chicago, Ill., wants men to learn the barber trade. They offer splendid inducements and a short term completes. They mail free a beautiful catalog and ask all readers to send for it.

28—No. 830—Is a six room cottage on Rugg street, near Winchester street. Is on good sewer, gas and water lines, \$1,200.00.

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