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Every day of Taft's administration is adding weight to the troubles that are overwhelming his party at the present time. Dissatisfaction is creeping out all over the country and the leading republican newspapers, responding to public sentiment, are criticising him adversely on his defense of a tariff, which, to the people, is indefensible, his seeming alignment with the enemies of the insurgents and progressives and his tendency to turn his back on the so-called Roosevelt policies. Influential republicans have lost their faith in Taft, although they desire to feel that he is worthy of support, and they are beginning to think that in case he is renominated in 1912 he will be defeated. The only salvation that they now see, and it is surprising to witness the enthusiasm they display in proposing it, is the return of Roosevelt on a triumphal wave of sentiment which will sweep him into the nomination over Taft and make him again president. The "back from

Elba" cry solves the problem; the long countenance relaxes when the Teddyskin godlet confronts him and the ponderous Taft, roadroller, soft palm, sweet smile and all shrink like a toy balloon in the hands of a circus day youngster.—Columbia City Post.

THE LIBKE MUSIC RECITAL.

To Be Given at Library Hall Friday Evening at 8 O'Clock.

Frederic Libke, a talented musician, who is connected with the Indiana Conservatory of Music as Marston, and is also the professor of music at the Marion Normal school, will give a piano recital at the library hall Friday evening, March 4th, commencing at 8:10. The entertainment will be high class, as Professor Libke is master of the piano. Under his touch he is able, figuratively speaking, to make the piano voice many human emotions and any number of delightful sentiments. The appreciative audience hears: bugle calls, the marching of soldiers, galloping of horse's hoofs, echoes of distant waterfalls, sighing of trees, peals of thunder, sharp retorts of lightning flashes, thud of falling trees, rushing of mountain torrents, extracts of famous musical composers. If you are a lover of good music do not miss this opportunity of hearing the best in this line. Price of admission, 25 cents. Tickets can be obtained at Lachot & Rice's drug store.

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SOME SOCIAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schnepf Give Farewell Party for Friend.

MACCABEES TO MEET

For Election of Officers—Male Chorus in Concert at Library Hall.

Against ill chances, men are ever merry; But heaviness foreruns the good event. —Shakespeare.

Very enjoyable was the dinner party given Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schnepf as a farewell for Mr. and Mrs. Abe Schnepf and family, who leave for Missouri, to make their future home. At noon a dinner was served to which everything known to culinary skill contributed, and the remainder of the day was spent with music and a good social time. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Manley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Schnepf and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schnepf and family, Miss Manda Westfall, Messrs. Ben Schnepf, William Schnepf of Convo, Ohio, and Freeman and Adrian Schnepf.

The concert to be given at the library hall Tuesday evening, March 8th, promises to be a very good one, in which twenty-five of the members of the male choruses of this city and Bluffton, who have been in training under Professor Tucker of Marion, will take part. The members of the Decatur class who will sing in this chorus are Tracy Nelson, Joe Fahrenbach, Bruce Patterson, Will Schrock, Herman Yager, Ned Steele, Dr. Thomas, Dr. Neptune, Dr. Fred Patterson, Dr. Earl Coverdale, Leo Woods, Wesley Hoffman, Hugh Hte.

About thirty were in attendance at the regular monthly meeting of the Concord Lutheran Ladies' Aid society at the home of Mrs. C. D. Kunkel near Monmouth Wednesday. The usual Scripture and devotional service was conducted and the remainder of the time spent socially with the serving of a luncheon. The sessions are held the first Wednesday in the month and the next meeting will be held with Mrs. E. S. Christen.

Quite a number of members of the local Ben Hurs will probably go to Fort Wayne Friday evening. The Fort Wayne lodge celebrates its anniversary at that time and a large class will also be initiated, among which number will be Russ Haruff, who has a position with the Fort Wayne Electric Works.

The girls of the Sunday school class of the Evangelical church wish to call attention to their pastry and candy sale which will be conducted Saturday at the Winnes shoe store. All varieties of delicious homemade bread, cake, pastry and candy will be for sale.

The members of the Helping Hand society of the German Reformed church are busy as bees today at the Martin Miller farm south of the city, where the sale is in progress. The society is furnishing lunch, the proceeds to go to the treasury of the society.

All members of the Lady Maccabees are requested to be in attendance at the meeting with Mrs. C. D. Murray at the Hotel Murray Friday evening at 7 o'clock, at which time the semi-annual election of officers will take place and other business of importance be transacted.

All members of the Knights of Pythias are requested to be at the meeting this evening. Among other things for discussion will be the planning for a social session, including a smoker, to be held in the near future.

The chicken dinner and supper to be given Friday by the Royal Neighbors in the building of this office promises to draw a large patronage.

The Elks will hold their annual election of officers next Friday evening.

Just received, two car loads of Pocahontas Egg coal. Philip H. Wagner. Phone, 495. 5116

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invariably bring relief to women suffering from chronic constipation, headache, biliousness, dizziness, sallowness of the skin and dyspepsia. Sold by all dealers.

DROPPED DEAD AT TABLE.

Jacob Snyder, for sometime an inmate of the county farm, dropped dead at noon today just as he was seated at the table to begin eating his dinner. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

Mrs. Levi Mumma and children, Ethel, Albert and Ellen, went to Fort Wayne this afternoon to visit with her sister, Mrs. Jackson.

LEAVE FOR CANADA

Carl Moses and Anthony Hackman Will Seek Location in the North.

WILL PURCHASE FARM

And Go Into the Business Extensively—Both Are Well Known Here.

Carl Moses and Anthony Hackman, two of the best known young men of this city, left this morning for Canada, where they go to look over that part of the north country, and if things are as said to be and are satisfactory from their point of view, they will go into extensive farming. ed is Saskatchewan, one of the rich portions of Canada, to which many are flocking—Lanington and Saskatoon, which are near the first named place. They will look over these places and will no doubt make a selection from one of them. On their way they will stop off at Chicago, where they will attend to some business interests and then proceed to St. Paul, Minn., where they will also make a short stay. Their intentions are to go into extensive farming and have already let a contract for the purchase of a large steam engine, which they will use and which will be forwarded to them as soon as they have selected their location. This part of Canada is noted for its abundant wheat crops and these two young men will make a specialty of this. Both are well known, the former for a number of years being a partner in the firm of Moses & Meyers, where he has won many friends. Mr. Hackman, who resides south of the city, is also very popular in and out of the city. Their many friends wish for them success.

OHIO IS DANGEROUS

River Has Spread Over Lowlands of Southern Indiana and Kentucky.

TAFT'S FIRST YEAR

Beat Roosevelt of Speeches and Lost Seven Pounds in Weight.

(United Press Service.) Evansville, Ind. March 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The Ohio river reached the thirty-nine foot stage at 9 o'clock this morning, which is four feet above the danger mark. Lowlands along the Kentucky side of the river are flooded and farmers living in that section are fleeing with their household goods to safety. It is predicted that the forty foot stage will be reached before tonight. Flood warnings are being sent out.

(United Press Service.) Washington, D. C., March 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—This is the last day of the first year of the Taft administration. The catalogue of things done and things begun is variegated. He traveled 21,639 miles by railroad and 5,000 miles by automobile. He visited thirty states and two territories. He made 348 speeches. (Reesevelt in his last year as executive made only 242). He sent thirty messages to congress. He obtained the enactment of a new tariff law. He took the initial step towards the prosecution of the beef trust. He unearthed custom frauds at New York. He discharged three federal officers, Pinchot, Price and Shaw. He forced the flight of Zelaya and lost seven pounds in weight. He weighed 326 on March 4, 1909, and 319 on March 3, 1910.

Chris Meyers made a business trip to Geneva this noon, returning home on the afternoon train.

Look Out From Now On

Be careful in buying potatoes. We hear so many people complaining of green and hollow potatoes they have been buying. Do not look at 5 or 10c a bushel when you can get first-class home-grown potatoes that are guaranteed to be first-class. We have them and sell them at, per bushel **75c**

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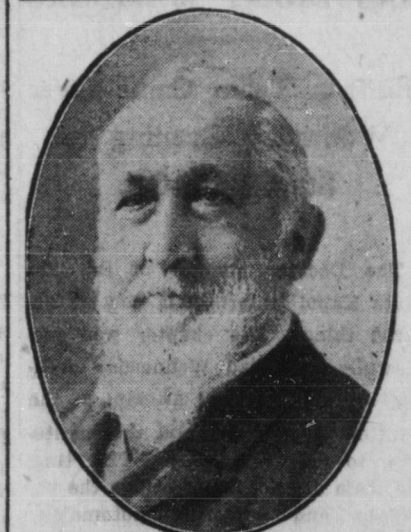
HEAR DR. GORDEN

Presbyterian Church Was Well Filled at the Meeting Last Evening.

HERE AGAIN TONIGHT

Services Are Delightfully Interesting and Everyone is Welcomed.

An audience that almost completely filled the auditorium at the Presbyterian church heard Dr. James A. Gordon of Van Wert, Ohio, last evening, and it was one of the finest sermons of the series. This is not the first appearance of Dr. Gordon in Decatur, and those who heard him before were glad indeed to welcome him again. He speaks again this evening and the church should be crowded. Sermons by such men as these who have been here during the meetings are rare treats. Life at best is but a short span. It flits by almost while we are preparing to live. What of the time without end which comes afterward. The questions and problems discussed at these meetings are the ones of real importance. Nothing else counts. Every man, woman and child in Decatur should hear Dr. Gordon this evening. The meetings may close tomorrow evening, the official announcement, however, to be made later, is this is decided upon. Be that as it may you should hear the sermon this evening. The service opens at 7:30 and usually closes in an hour or such a matter. Can't you spare that much time from your busy rush.



49 GENERAL TONIC.

How often we are deceived in over confidence in estimating the strength of our vitality. By imagining when we feel badly that nature will slush off and correct the conditions; and then is when nature is calling for assistance, and we go on with our usual habits of eating and drinking too much of bad water and ardent spirits, causing indigestion, derangement of the stomach, which is the receptacle of all that is vital to the welfare of the human system, overtaxing the liver and causing hob-nail liver, robbing the stomach of bile, injuring the flow of gastric juice, which nature provided for proper digestion, resulting in a dull, heavy, tired feeling, headache, inclination to become sleepy weight and fullness at lower part of stomach, fluctuation of gas often mistaken for heart trouble, bitter water from the stomach, nervousness, lack of rest at night, disturbed dreams, nightmare, forgetfulness and general debility. Dr. Hensley has made all this his deepest study in his 49 years of practice, and through the experience of his general tonic and the thousands of testimonials he has of cures it has made and the doctors that are using it gives positive assurance of the virtue of this tonic and the value it has proven to nursing women and the vitality it gives to the baby is marvelous. Don't allow nature to call too long for assistance for fear of dangerous re-

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