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FACTS THAT SPEAK.

These special-congressional elections are making the whole country sit up and take notice of the political trend. When Congressman Dearmond of Missouri, a democrat, died, a special election to name his successor resulted in a tremendous increase in the democratic vote. That was what happened in a democratic district and it was regarded as very significant. But let us see what happened afterward. A vacancy occurred in a congressional district in Massachusetts, which had given a republican majority of nearly 15,000 two years ago. The democratic candidate carried the district at the special election by 5,000. A little later a special election was held in a New York district which two years ago gave a republican majority of 10,000. And the democratic candidate was elected here by 5,000. These facts tell their own story and point their own moral. The people have lost the last remnant of confidence in the republican party. On every occasion they are entering their protest against its continuance in power.

Now that Hearst has endorsed Taft it is only the fair thing for Taft to endorse Hearst. As Hearst did what he could to help elect Taft, there is no impropriety in his present course, and nobody is going to be troubled about it—unless it is Taft.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

I hereby notify the taxpayers of Adams county that Monday, May 2, 1910, is the last day for paying the first installment of taxes. All taxes not paid on or before said date will be delinquent and the penalty of 10 per cent will positively be added on the taxes for the whole year. Please be governed accordingly. Yours very truly,
CHARLES W. YAGER,
County Treasurer.

First communion and confirmation is now on. Remember the young. You owe it to them. A gift of a rosary, a prayer book and holy religious articles. Come and see. We are trying to keep a full line of church goods. Help the man who is here with the goods. Call on Didot & Son, the jewelers on north side of court house.

MAY SAVE GRAPE CROP.

Although the embryo grape crop of northern Indiana is now a sorry sight, apparently permanently blasted by the belated frosts, possessors of arbor and vineyards need not despair if a remedy suggested yesterday by an old fruit grower will prove true.

During his many years as a grape grower he has frequently had his vines frozen even worse than they have been during the past week, but by the appliance of the course of treatment in question he has always been able to save his crop.

The green tendrils or sprouts from the vines are the portions affected by the cold and are what would have grown to be the "bunches" of grapes. Only the end of this sprout is frozen and killed and if removed immediately will again grow out as healthy and sterile as before. Care must be taken to leave a small part of the sprout next to the vine. This method, the fruit man said, is not generally known, but it is infallible and if exercised by northern Indiana growers the grape crop will be normal this year.

OFF FOR PORTLAND

Large Delegation of Pythian Sisters in Attendance at Convention.

OF SIXTH DISTRICT

Decatur Team Will Confer Degree Upon Class of Seventeen.

The large delegation of Pythian Sisters left this morning on the early train for Portland to attend the annual convention of the Sixth district to be held today. Three or four hundred members of the order from various lodges in Adams, Wells, Jay and Blackford counties were expected. The public meeting held this afternoon was quite interesting, but the initiatory work will not begin until this evening at 7 o'clock, and the degree work will be conferred by the Decatur team upon a class of seventeen candidates. A banquet will be served and the Portland ladies have planned a most elaborate program of entertainment. Among those who left this morning to attend were Mesdames Fred Sellemeyer, George Henneford, Charles Howe, Bert Lenhart, James Hurst, I. Kalver, O. L. Vance, Charles Elzey, Fred Vaughn, Florence Bain, Mary France, J. F. Lachot, William Martin, Sam Shamp, J. W. Place, Dr. Miller, Wilson Lee, Orval Harruff, Fred Lynn, Charles Yager, Fred Nichols and Mary Braun and Misses Nora Ahl, Nellie Nichols, Vada Martin and Ruth Ernst.

FOUND—Gold watch fob, by Aaron DeVinney. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying for this ad.

"KENO" CAME BACK

Hensley's Little Dog Returned Last Night as Mysteriously as He

DISAPPEARED SUNDAY

Was Badly Frightened But Uninjured—Will Not Prosecute Abductor.

Frightened nearly out of his dog wits, but with not a hair of him hurt, little Keno, the pet of the Hensley household, arrived home Wednesday night at 8 o'clock just as suddenly and mysteriously as he disappeared Sunday night at 9:15, and Mr. Hensley will take no further action in prosecuting his abductor. The dog was returned, however, just in the nick of time, as Mr. Hensley and Sheriff Meyers had made preparations Wednesday afternoon to go today for him. The little dog had evidently been dropped at the back of the store, just where he had been picked up, and had then run around to the front of the store, and in at the open door. He appeared to be badly frightened. Mr. Hensley at once got his hat and going to the back of the store found a man hitching his horse there. He said he was from the north part of the county, and upon being questioned by Mr. Hensley as to whether he had seen anybody leave a dog there a few minutes before, stated that he had just seen a man running down the alley; that he believed he knew who he was and would run down after him. He ran after the man but did not return to the Hensley store to tell of his success—and it is probable that he is still running.

DR. HURTY DENIES CHARGE.

A statement made off-hand by Dr. J. N. Hurty at Huntington Wednesday has attracted considerable attention in the northern part of the state, and the secretary of the state board of health is alleged to be an advocate of destroying with dynamite human bodies after death, thus solving the problem of doing away with contagious-infected matter.

Dr. Hurty while at a dinner given at Huntington was discussing the tremendous power of dynamite and the intense heat it creates and was telling a story of a wagon load of dynamite exploding in Virginia a few months ago and leaving not a shred of flesh or horse. He added: "That beats cremation."

That it was just a chance thought that flashed into his mind and that he has given the matter no serious consideration previous or since that time is the statement of the state health commissioner. However, a Huntington reporter drew upon his imagination and ingeniously outlined all details of a "disappearance" funeral, and declared that Dr. Hurty was an advocate of the method.

FIRST GUN FIRED

(Continued from page 1.) That pledge was accepted and I personally am debtor to every democrat and to many republicans in Indiana for the support they gave me. Whether I have faithfully kept that pledge, is not for me to say.

We do not believe that the fathers of the republic intended to erect an edifice with a Queen Anne front for the few and a Mary Ann rear for the many.

It is no business of an executive to have policies. It is the business of parties to formulate policies in accordance with constitutional principles, and it is the duty of legislative bodies to faithfully carry out the pledges which have been made by parties to the people. Thus far, in our system of government, there has never abided in the executive department the right to demand that the legislature shall enact certain laws, and that the courts shall construe them in accordance with executive will.

I had scarcely assumed the discharge of my official duties, when, upon seeking to use my appointing power, a republican supreme court deprived me of my prerogatives by disinterring this ancient corpse and galvanizing it.

The hour has gone by in Indiana when \$250 vouchers can be executed for "shovels, etc." without knowing how many shovels the people get and how much "andsoforth" they pay for. The time has come when vouchers cannot be issued for \$2 and checks given for \$1; when vouchers cannot be issued for goods never received; when books cannot be kept so that the "I" is taken out of the "ten thousand" column, thereby making nine thousand for the official.

Public morality must rest upon private morality. More and more I find that the enforcement of a law rises above the moral sentiment of a community is only spasmodic. I hope I have demonstrated that I am not allied with interests, factions or personal movements in Indiana. There are some old-fashioned democratic doctrines to which I still adhere. I do not believe that governments were instituted among men for the purpose of saying what they shall eat, what they shall drink or wherewithal they shall clothe themselves.

It has been said that I am the author of a proposition for this convention to indorse a candidate for United States senator. I deny that statement. The proposition is not mine, but the democratic party's, and I simply voice what I believe to be democratic sentiment.

We need fewer generals and more privates. The jealousy of generals fill more volumes than their victories. It is better to let the army select their own generals than to let the generals select their army. Some stand for measures, not men; some stand for men, not measures; but the democratic party in Indiana stands for measures and men.

More stringent regulation of the mines in this state should be required by law, using every human endeavor and mechanical device for the preservation of life. The mine inspectors should be appointed by the mutual agreement of the mine owners and mine operators, so that in the preservation of life and limb injustice may be done to none.

The whole system of protection is, as was wisely declared by the democratic platform in 1892, "a fraud and robbery of the great majority of the American people for the benefit of the few. It must inevitably result, if it be protective in its character, in giving to certain men subsidies and bounties for which they make no return to the mass of the people at large. It is wrong in morals, unjust in legislation, and, notwithstanding the decisions of the courts, unconstitutional."

Alas! the insurgent has zeal, but not according to knowledge. Opposed to both these classes, the democratic party of Indiana now, as always, proclaims its unalterable belief that no government has the right to levy by tariff or other taxation a single dollar which does not go into the treasury of the United States, or to take a penny from the pockets of one individual to put in the pocket of another.

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SOME SOCIAL NEWS

Mabel, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mumma, Celebrates Birthday.

EIGHT LITTLE GIRLS

Mrs. Holthouse Entertains St. Vincent de Paul Society—Club Notes.

And forth into the fields I went,
And Nature's living motion lent
The pulse of hope to discontent.
—Tennyson, "The Two Voices."

SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR WEEK.

Thursday.

Fortnight—Mrs. Guy Johnson.
G. W. C.—Anna Glinley.
Euterpean—Mrs. Fred Mills.
Evangelical Aid—Parsonage.
Friendly Few—Mrs. George Wemhoff.

Saturday.

Shadow Club—Miss Mary Erwin.

Mabel, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mumma, of east of the city, was eight year old Wednesday and to celebrate this event her parents invited eight little girls—Gladys Miller, Francelle Hardin, Neva Raver, Lela and Luella Chapman, Edith Bucher, Marie LeBrun and Mabel May—to spend the day with her. The little girls were given the entire possession of the place and the Mumma farm rang with the cheery voices all day, and then at noon came a dinner fit for a queen. The day will be long remembered by all as a most pleasant one.

Speaking of the democratic state convention, the Indianapolis Star says of Wednesday evening's session: "Mrs. Marshall attended the session with a party of friends who occupied one of the boxes in the right upper balcony. In the party with Mrs. Marshall were Mrs. John E. Lamb, Mrs. Peter M. Foley, Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Elder, Mrs. John W. Kern and Mrs. Lew Ellingham."

Miss Hazel Whinery will entertain the following at her home on West Main street this evening: The Misses Louise and Charline Drago, Fleta Redding and Ada Turner, Messrs. Herman Guthrie, Emory Long, Guy Smeltzer, Walter Satterfield and Vaughn Drago. Following the party the young women will remain for a sleeping party and will witness the circus unloading Wednesday morning.—Muncie Press.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church at Preble will on next Sunday evening give a program which promises to be very entertaining and great preparations are being made for the occasion. The program will be similar to the one given on children's day, which has always proven a success in the past, and no doubt this one will also be a success. Everybody is invited to attend.

Many will attend the annual convention of federated women's clubs of the Eight congressional district to be held in the Winchester Presbyterian church Tuesday, May 3rd, opening at 10 o'clock and closing at 5 o'clock. H. E. Barnard, state food and drug commissioner, will make a talk on the pure food law and sanitation. Mrs. Grace Julian Clark, president of the State Federation of Women's clubs, and Mrs. Saylor, second vice-president, will also be present. Miss Irene Schirmeyer of the Euterpean club, this city, is on the program for an instrumental solo.

On account of many attending the club convention at Winchester next Tuesday the Sewing club has postponed its meeting until Wednesday afternoon, when Mrs. Daniel Sprang will be hostess.

The St. Vincent de Paul society was well represented yesterday afternoon at their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. L. A. Holthouse. The meeting was a pleasant and profitable one.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kuebler entertained at dinner Wednesday evening for Father George, who leaves Friday for his new charge at Kokomo. Father Aichinger of Fort Wayne was also a guest.

Miss Betty Wilson, Mrs. John Emery and Mrs. Sam Sprunger of Berne came to the city by automobile this morning and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gerke at dinner today.

Clothes Sense

Clothes sence is by no means nonsense. Since man first had common sense he wore clothes and the more sensible he became the better he wanted them. It has now reached the time when he wants the best he can get for the money.

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