

STOLEN HORSES

John Durbin and Ben Lett, Young Adams County Boys, Arrested on

A SERIOUS CHARGE

Team Stolen From John Schwartz Recovered at Fort Wayne.

John Durbin, formerly an employee of Drayman Frank Teeple, son of a prominent farmer south of the city, and Ben Lett, son of a well known farmer living east of Bobo, both young men, twenty-one and twenty-two years of age, were arrested Sunday morning at 2 o'clock by Deputy Sheriff Ed Green and Night Policeman Sesh Melchi on the serious charge of horse stealing. The horses they are accused of stealing and afterwards selling, comprised a fine team of three-year-olds, belonging to John Schwartz, an Amish farmer living near Monroe. They were taken from the pasture Friday night and as soon as the theft was noticed by Schwartz he notified the officials here, who promptly got on the track of the missing team. Deputy Sheriff Green, who is gaining quite a reputation in the detective line, having successfully traced several noted horse thieves down late ly, went to Fort Wayne Saturday evening and with the Allen county sheriff, Reichelderfer, and deputies, soon located a team answering the description of the stolen horses at the Barnett sales stables in Bloomington, Fort Wayne. The team had been offered for sale at the stables there at 10 o'clock Saturday morning by two well dressed young fellows, and was purchased by a farmer, named Jacob Yager of near Waterloo. There Deputy Sheriff Ed Green was given a good description of the sellers of the team and it was but a short time until he ran down several clues, fixing suspicion upon the aforementioned boys. Among other things given in the description at the Fort Wayne stables was that the two men had driven there in a light green rig, leading the team behind. A search of the livery stables here Saturday evening by Sheriff Green upon his return, located at the Holthouse livery stable the same light green rig, which had been left there by the boys on their return here. They had then hired, each of them a horse and rig to drive east, stating that they would return about 11 o'clock Saturday night. Deputy Sheriff Green and Night Policeman Sesh Melchi, who were certain that the boys were the two wanted, stationed themselves at the Holthouse barns to await their arrival. They did not return as soon as they said they would, however, and it was 2 o'clock Sunday morning when they drove in and were promptly nabbed by the officers, who escorted them to jail. The horses had been sold for \$285 and of this sum, \$261 was found in their possession, the money having been divided between them.

Deputy Sheriff Green and Mr. Schwartz, from whom the horses were stolen, went to Fort Wayne Sunday morning, where Mr. Schwartz promptly identified the horses as his own, returning with them in the evening. Mr. Schwartz, accompanied by a number of neighbors from the Amish settlement, made the trip to Fort Wayne by spring wagon. They attracted much attention as they drove through the city Sunday evening on their way home, the spring wagon crowded to its utmost capacity by Mr. Schwartz and his sympathizing neighbors, while two young Amish boys, each riding one of the recovered animals, which triumphantly brought up the rear of the procession.

Deputy Sheriff Ed Green this morning filed affidavit, charging the two boys with grand larceny and receiving stolen property, and they were given a preliminary hearing at 11 o'clock in Squire Smith's court. Prosecutor H. B. Heller appeared for the state, while C. L. Walters was retained by the defendants. They waived examination and were bound over to the circuit court, their bond being fixed at \$500. The charge is quite a serious one, the penalty on conviction being a sen-

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A BAND CONCERT IN DAYTON.

An Attraction at Their Coming Industrial Exposition.

Dayton, Ohio, July 18—(Special to Daily Democrat)—One of the attractions of the coming industrial exposition and fall festival to be held in this city September 19th to 24th will be an interstate band contest, open to brass bands in Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky within a 200-mile radius. It is planned to make this the most comprehensive band contest ever held in the middle west. Prizes of cash and gold medals will be offered for bands of different classes. Bandmasters and leaders may obtain fuller information by addressing F. M. Barnes, director-general, at the Chamber of Commerce, Dayton, Ohio.

THE KNIFE READY

One-Third of the Republican Legislative Candidates Against Beveridge.

THEY PLAN DEFEAT

Baron Rothschild is Becoming Agitated Over Political Uprising.

DEMOCRATIC NEWS BUREAU.
325 Pythian Building.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 18—(Special to Daily Democrat)—It is currently reported here that a canvass made by Senator Beveridge and other republican leaders in his camp shows that one-third of the senators and representatives already nominated by the republicans will not vote for Beveridge for senator in the event of their own election to the next general assembly. The report is gaining wide circulation and is being generally credited. In the private councils of Senator Beveridge's friends it has created consternation. "Baron" Rothschild, before whom the republicans of Indiana must bow down before gaining the ear of Senator Beveridge, is more than agitated. In other republican quarters, however, there is no surprise or flurry. This condition has been expected, planned and brought into being and satisfaction there is complete. This report is the first direct evidence of the open rebellion against Senator Beveridge in the republican party, and the grim determination to sweep him from the board of politics. The rebellion is no flimsy affair. It is a well-built and skillfully managed revolution and its slogan is "Down With Beveridge." It is managed by men who are masters at the game of politics, the conservative element, and they intend to put Beveridge in the "Can't Come Back Club," with all his dues paid for life. It seems pretty well settled that the plan is to defeat Beveridge with Charles Warren Fairbanks, if possible, and if not, use their forces in behalf of democratic success. Beveridge is doomed. They will have no more of him. They figure that they can afford to help the democrats at the coming election if by so doing they can eliminate Beveridge. It is their hope to rebuild their organization in two years and put the republican party minus Beveridge—in the Indiana saddle again. Should the next Indiana legislature be republican, which the republicans admit is possible, it is the plan of the revolutionists to put up a "dummy" candidate for senator and thus bring about a deadlock. Then with great pomp and ceremony they will usher in Charles Warren Fairbanks, former vice president of the United States, and in view of his "distinguished services," present him as a compromise candidate.

Senator Beveridge, it is understood, became aware of the startling report concerning the attitude of the republicans on the senate and house of representatives. It was a further development of the story, already current, that even though the republicans were successful he would not be re-elected to the United States senate. Senator Beveridge decided to find out just where the nominee stood and it is understood, called them together for a conference. He would put the question to them, flat. As the story is repeated these nominees came together and the thirty or more men who are opposed to Beveridge held a pre-cauc-

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IS NOW AT AUBURN

Rev. George Angermeier, Pastor of the Church of Immaculate Conception.

SPEAK WELL OF HIM

The Auburn Courier Pays Him a Handsome Compliment.

Rev. George Angermeier, who recently came to Auburn to assume the pastorate of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, is a man possessed of those qualifications which go to make an able minister. Upon the completion of a thorough theological course, Rev. Angermeier was assigned to the Decatur charge, where for four years he assisted the Rev. Father Wilken in the discharge of the duties incident to that important charge. The writer, during those years, became quite intimately acquainted with Rev. Angermeier, and found in him a man of the loftiest ideals and one who constantly strove for the betterment of mankind. Not only by his church members was Rev. Angermeier held in the highest esteem while in Decatur, but by all with whom he formed an acquaintance ship. Before going to Decatur, which was his initial charge, the reverend paid an extensive visit to Europe upon the close of his theological course at Meinard. He had taken a college course previously at Atchison, Kan., and well equipped himself for his life's work. In April he was assigned to the Kokomo charge, where he remained until called to Auburn. Rev. Angermeier starts his ministerial career in Auburn under favorable auspices and well wishes from his host of friends.—Auburn Courier.

G.O.P. CONVENTION

Winchester Republicans May Ask For the Congressional Convention.

NOT WORKING AT IT

None of the Candidates Mentioned Are Building Any Fences.

A movement has been started by local politicians to hold the republican congressional convention in this city if possible and the proposition should receive the support of every good republican in Randolph county. In former years conventions of the kind were hardly ever brought here for lack of a suitable auditorium, but now the Irvin theater fills the bill admirably in every way and there is no reason on earth why Randolph county should not have the big meeting. Just when the convention will be held is not exactly known, but it will be pulled off next month. Just at present Bert Vestal of Anderson is the only active candidate. The greatest drawback to Vestal has always been the intense feeling of factionalism in the republican party of Madison county. Judge Joseph Leffler of Muncie, Frank Snyder of Portland and I. P. Watts of this city, have also been frequently mentioned but none of them are building any fences at the present time. County Chairman Hiatt says that there is no reason why the convention could not be held in Winchester and that if the republicans want the meeting he will do his best to land it for Randolph county.—Winchester Herald.

THE MILLER CASE AT AUBURN.

The Miller murder case, in which Judge R. K. Erwin is attorney for the defendant, has been venued to the De Kalb circuit court at Auburn and will likely come up for trial some time next month. The prosecution has argued for an extension of time and it is likely that a compromise will be agreed to and the case heard some time during the coming month.

MAY OPEN AT FORT WAYNE.

Governor Marshall May Open Campaign There.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 18—(Special to the Daily Democrat)—A strong effort is being made to get Governor Marshall to make his campaign opening speech at Fort Wayne, and it is believed that he will finally agree to do so. The date has not yet been decided on by the state committee. One of the reasons advanced for this proposition is that the first speech of the governor ought to be made at some point where he would get a big rousing reception, with a lot of red fire and yelling. Those democrats who are supporting this idea believe that he could get more of both at Fort Wayne than at any other place in the state. Fort Wayne is in the governor's home district, the Twelfth, and it is one of the strongholds. They say the mere announcement that he would pass through the town would be enough to cause the Fort Wayne democrats to hire a band and march to the depot to see his train go through.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Conducted by the Geneva Knights of Pythias—Sermon by Rev. Waldo.

A GRAND SUCCESS.

Was the Opening Day of Geneva Chautauqua—Other Geneva Notes.

Geneva, Ind., July 18—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Geneva Lodge, No. 514, K. of P., formed in line at their lodge room on Line street at 9 o'clock Sunday morning and headed by the Geneva Merchants' band, marched in a body to the West Lawn cemetery, where dedicatory services were held and flowers placed on the grave of each departed brother. After this service of love they repaired to their castle hall, from which they all marched to the U. B. church, where the Rev. Waldo, resident minister, delivered a memorial sermon, taking for a basis for his remarks, the tenth verse of the fifth chapter of Second Samuel. Rev. Waldo spoke in his ever-earnest and forceful way, much to the enlightenment and admiration of those present. During the services the Misses Orpha Waldo and Ora Premier sang a very beautiful duet. Services were closed by all joining in the song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." Thus closed one of the most impressive memorial services ever held by the Geneva Knights of Pythias.

The Geneva chautauqua was opened at 2:15 Sunday afternoon in the Methodist church by the Crescent Concert company, followed with a lecture sermon by Dr. A. E. Gringle, editor of the Lyceum World. His subject was "Is Life Worth Living?" in which he plainly showed by the teaching of the Bible that the true Christian life was the only life to live and that it is worth living. The doctor is a pleasant and fluent talker and appeared on the program this afternoon at 2 o'clock again for the last time during this chautauqua. In the evening we were again entertained with a sacred concert by the Crescent Concert company. The members of this company are: Miss Carrie Moon, leader; Miss Fushia Hadsell, violin; Miss Maud Evans, soloist; Miss Mary Blackburn, pianiste. The company was well received and each member proved to be a star in her role. It was conceded by all present that the initial day of the Geneva chautauqua was a grand success. Owing to some delay in the shipment of the tents, they did not arrive in time for the Sunday, or first services, which were therefore held in the Methodist church. They arrived later, however, and were put in place this morning for the services today. The concert company left this morning for Spencer, Ohio, where they will appear this evening in the chautauqua held there.

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THEIR AUTO BROKE

And Geneva Ladies on Their Way to Fort Wayne Took Interurban Car.

CHANGE OF PLANS

Steering Gear Out of Order—No One Hurt—Will Return by Way of Bluffton.

A party of Geneva ladies, including Mesdames A. G. and W. W. Briggs, G. W. Weeks and their guest, Mrs. E. F. Walsh, of Bartlesville, Okla., who left that place this morning for an automobile trip to Fort Wayne, with James Briggs as chauffeur, met with quite an unfortunate occurrence just as they reached this city. The steering gear of the auto broke and it was impossible to proceed further in that way. The ladies took the 11:30 interurban car for Fort Wayne thus being able to carry out their plans in regard to the visit, with but very little delay. They expect to return to Geneva this evening by way of Bluffton, taking the new interurban line from there to Geneva. Beyond the delay and the slight changing of plans there was no damage done, except to the automobile, which can easily be repaired.

Sisters Putenia, Rose, Otto and Josephine of Defiance, Ohio, and Sisters Clementine and Ernestine of New Haven left on the 10 o'clock car this morning for their homes after attending the retreat for the sisters, conducted here last week. They were accompanied as far as Fort Wayne by Sisters Henrietta and Clementine of this city, who will return this evening.

RICHER IN COURT

Preliminary Hearing Fixed For Saturday, July Twenty-Third.

FEAR OF THE LAW

He is Held Without Bond on the Charge of Murdering Charlie Coats.

Fort Wayne, Ind., July 18—His body racked with the tremors of mortal fear and showing in every lineament of his visage the ravages wrought by a remorseful conscience, Moses Richer was brought handcuffed before Justice of the Peace L. P. Huser at 1:30 Saturday afternoon and listened to the reading of an affidavit charging him with the murder of little Charlie Coats, the orphan boy whom he had taken from an Ohio orphan asylum to raise. Told that the law provided that he be brought before a court in a preliminary hearing to make a plea, he appeared bewildered, but finally admitted that "he was guilty to what he wrote." By this statement he referred to the signed statement in possession of the state, which is said to contain an admission that he inflicted the terrible wounds upon the boy's body, but which does not admit his guilt to the charge of murder. Richer was not represented by an attorney and finally stated that before he employed any person to represent him or took further steps, he desired to talk to his relatives and with this understanding he was returned to jail and July 23rd set as the date for his preliminary hearing.

Miss Anna Buhler of Marion returned home today after spending Sunday the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher.

Mrs. L. L. Syphers returned this afternoon to Fort Wayne after a visit over Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher.

THE FEDERAL BUILDING SITE.

Portland Real Estate Owners Give Options on a Location. The site for the new federal building in this city for which Congress-

man John A. M. Adair succeeded in getting a bill appropriating the sum of \$60,000 for a building fund passed by the last United States congress, is now engaging the attention of most of the real estate agencies in the city and individual property owners who have desirable sites situated near the business district of the city and are figuring with each other and by themselves to sell the government the site. Although he had no information to give out for publication relative to where the sites offered for sale were located, Postmaster Frost said Saturday that he had already given out proposal blanks to at least ten or twelve which no doubt have already been forwarded to the postoffice department.—Portland Sun.

DATES FOR PICNICS

United Brethren Sunday School Picnic at Steele's Park Thursday.

A GREAT DAY

Union Chapel Names August 13th as the Date For Annual Affair.

Picnics are in full swing. The Sunday schools of both the Union Chapel and the United Brethren church of which the Rev. Imler is pastor, have set the dates for their annual picnic. Union Chapel has set Saturday, August 13th, as the date for its picnic, which will be given in the Neidlinger grove, a half mile north of the church. The day will be one of great pleasure and no doubt many from this city will be in attendance.

The United Brethren church of this city will give its picnic next Thursday, July 21st, in the beautiful Steele's park, east of the city. The company will meet at the church at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning and proceed to the park, where the day's fun will begin at once. Conveyances will be provided for those not able to walk, but the majority of the younger ones will feel that the short walk there will be one of the best parts of the day's pleasures. Refreshment booths will be there and a general round of amusements and fun in store for all.

Those wishing to attend should meet at the Presbyterian church at 8 o'clock, from which place the special interurban cars provided for the occasion will leave at 8:30 o'clock.

The M. E. Sunday school will go to Robinson park again this year for their annual picnic, which will be given July 28th. The usual good time is anticipated.

The Concord Lutheran Aid has changed the date of its social from Thursday to Wednesday evening of this week. It will be held on the C. D. Kunkel lawn, near Monmouth. Everybody is invited to attend.

FOR THREE DECADES

Has Father Wilken Been Esteemed Pastor of St. Mary's Church.

OF THIS CITY

His Work Has Been a Great and Good One—Thirtieth Anniversary.

Saturday, July 23rd, will mark the thirtieth anniversary of Father Wilken's pastorate of St. Mary's church, and his arrival in Decatur. Although no public celebration has been planned to take place on this day, the event will hardly pass by without a large number of his friends and members of the congregation congratulating him on this happy occasion. It will be remembered that five years ago, on the occasion of his silver jubilee as pastor of St. Mary's church, one of the grandest celebrations planned and accomplished by the members of the St. Mary's congregation was held. Father Wilken was born at Hanover, Germany, October 19, 1844, his parents being Benedict and Thelma Wilken. In the year 1860 he came to this country with his parents, settling in Ohio and in the city of Cincinnati. The following year his father died, leaving him to support his mother, he being the only son and then seventeen years of age. He learned the cabinet-making trade and worked for several years in Cincinnati. In 1864 he went to Nashville, Tenn., where he was employed by the government in a chair factory, which showed how successful he had become in this short period of time. However, this did not seem to satisfy him, he believing that he was called to a higher and more noble state, namely that of the priesthood. In the latter part of this same year he entered the Jesuit college in preparation for his higher aim at Cincinnati, and about five years later graduated from the classical course, in 1870. He then pursued his higher studies at the theological seminary of Mount St. Mary's, where he completed his course, and on November 9, 1872, was ordained to the high office of the priesthood by the Most Rev. Percell, archbishop of Cincinnati. He was at once sent to Fort Wayne and his first charge was to the pastorate of St. Patrick's church, Arcola, with missions at Monroeville, Bluffton and Montpelier. After having served most faithfully there he was changed to this city July 23, 1880, and where he has served in a most efficient manner ever since. Upon his arrival here he found many things wanting, owing to the infancy of the parish, but it was not long until he began to improve in various places where he thought best and many an act will stand to his credit, not only during his pastorate, but also during his previous ones.

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REV. H. THEO. WILKEN

For thirty years pastor of St. Mary's Church in this city