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## SOMETHING ABOUT

### THE MONROE STREET BRIDGE

The agitation for a new bridge over the St. Mary's at the entrance of Monroe street is taking form and it is likely there will not be the least objection, either official or otherwise, to this needed improvement. It has long been recognized that such a structure should be built, and that both convenience and safety entered into the needs of such a public improvement. Some of the argument so far advanced is the fact that the county is out of debt and can well afford to take on the additional burden of a bridge at this particular place. This is indeed a compliment to the official efficiency of those who have had in charge the destinies of the affairs of Adams county. We certainly compliment and commend the board of county commissioners for their wise and sagacious management, and the county council for their co-operation in making it possible for Adams county to see the light of day without a bonded obligation. It sounds good. It does not mean, however, that to build this bridge that Adams county is to again incur debt. Under the law you can not build bridges that way. Not an item of expense can be incurred until the county council makes an appropriation and the board of county commissioners fixed the tax levy that will bring in the cash to pay for this or any other bridge improvement during the calendar year. This to some might seem a handicap, but it is the reverse. It will take but a small levy to build and pay for this improvement, and then it is paid for without any of the expensive luxuries of interest and the other elements that enter into a transaction which time and interest multiply. The Democrat, along with the large and progressive citizenship of the city, would like to see the bridge built without unnecessary delay. It is a necessity and not a luxury for the city, but it is more of a necessity to the hundreds of citizens of Union, Root and St. Mary's townships who daily travel that thoroughfare in coming to this city. They need a better bridge there and they need it for safety as well as they need it for convenience, and their

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requests should be listened to and granted by those exercising authority in the matter. If such an improvement is undertaken, however, pride should enter sufficiently into the transaction to cause consideration only to be given to the erection of a handsome two-span concrete bridge with foot-walks on both sides. Let the agitation go on.

## SOCIAL DOING

### Farewell Parties Given For Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Beatty.

### LEAVE NEXT WEEK

### Baptist Ladies Entertain the Evangelical Ladies' Aid --Other Socials.

#### The Gossip.

The job of minding her own business, of mending her own faults and arranging her own affairs, is a full-sized, twenty-four-hour-a-day task for any one woman.—Herbert Kauffman.

#### WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.  
Black Rag—Faye Smith.  
Helping Hand—German Reformed Church.

Baptist Aid—Harve Shroll.  
Helping Hand—Mrs. Reuben Lord.  
Penny Social—U. B. Parsonage.

Friday.  
Presbyterian Aid—Mrs. Wilson Lee.  
Little Quilters—Martha Heckman.

Saturday.  
Kappa Kappa Kappa—Miss Pansy Bell.

One of the most enjoyable meetings of the springtime was that held at the home of Mrs. Harvey Shroll Thursday afternoon, when she was assisted by Mrs. George Glass in entertaining the members of both the Baptist and Evangelical Aid societies, the guests numbering sixty-nine. A musical and literary program was a very fine entertainment feature, the program including the following:  
Piano Solo—Zelma Williams.  
Address—Rev. Ehle.  
Music—Mrs. C. J. Lutz.  
Reading—Naomi Cramer.  
Music—Dorothy Williams.  
Address—Rev. D. O. Wise.  
Music—Mrs. C. J. Lutz.  
Talk—Mrs. Fred Linn, president of Evangelical Ladies' Aid.

The collection for the afternoon amounted to \$5.10.  
The afternoon was an unusually delightful one because of the pleasure that comes from a social union and commingling. The refreshments served were very tempting, the menu including sandwiches, with maitre dresse dressing, cottage cheese, stuffed olives, baked beans, strawberry tarts, ice cream, cake and coffee.

Mrs. A. P. Beatty, who leaves next week for an extended visit in California, was given a farewell surprise party Wednesday evening by a large number of her neighbors. Mrs. Beatty was taken driving by Mrs. Levi Baker during the evening and upon her return home was heartily surprised to find the neighbors assembled there. She recovered in time to enjoy a good time, and at 10 o'clock a delicious two-course luncheon was served. She was given many good wishes for a safe and pleasant and profitable journey, and the recovery of her health, which is one reason for making the trip west. Those present were Mesdames Charles Meyers, Pen Robinson, Fred Bohnke and daughter, Vena; Will Zwink, Ed Johnson, I. Kalver and sons, John Stow, Judson Teeple, Earl Snow and children, George Kinzie and son, Henry Mayer, Peter Kirsch, David Gerber, Millard Cowan, J. T. Johnson, Levi Baker, Perry Robinson and grandson, Clifford Robinson, William Smith, Ferd Peoples and Miss Lizzie Johnson.

Members of the Pleasant Mills M. E. church pleasantly surprised their pastor, Rev. D. A. J. Brown, on Wednesday, it being his birthday. They came with well-filled baskets and supper was served to twenty-five. The guests and a number of songs and visited until 9:30, when they departed for their homes, leaving many nice gifts as tokens of love and esteem for their pastor and wife. The pastor and wife surely appreciated their coming and wish to thank them for the many gifts.

The beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Schroll on High street was the scene of joyous festivities Thursday afternoon, when the Baptist Ladies' Aid society entertained the Evangelical Aid. Devotional services and business matters were followed by a short program of music, readings and ad-

resses, to the delight of all. Most of the time, however, was spent in that delightfully informal way so much appreciated when fast friends meet. A half-hundred adults and nearly a score of children each contributed their share to the gaiety of the day. The elaborate two-course lunch served by Mesdames Schroll and Glass, assisted by a number of girls, was deserving of special mention. When the guests departed it was with a conviction that such gatherings surely add to the sum total of life's pleasures.

The Misses Lucile and Bernice Andrews entertained Thursday evening at their home near Peterson, the party including Cal, Mary and James Myers, Dale and Elma Payne and Edna Andrews. Ice cream and cake were served. On the preceding evening, Miss Hazel Groves, Hoyt Hartman and Paul Tribolet of Bluffton were guests at the Andrews home.

At a largely attended meeting of the Pocahontas lodge Thursday evening a farewell party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Beatty, who leave for the west some time next week. After the lodge session and initiation a good social time was in order and an abundant luncheon, consisting of ice cream, cake, coffee and fruits was served the sixty guests present.

Miss Faye Smith was hostess to the members of the Black Rag club Thursday afternoon at her home in the south part of the city, embroidery work, which was later laid aside for tempting refreshments, being a feature of the afternoon's pleasure.

The Helping Hand society of the German Reformed church met Thursday afternoon in the Sunday school room and busied themselves, making three comforters for their sales department, stopping long enough to enjoy the delicious refreshments provided by the hostess of the afternoon, Mrs. Reuben Lord. Mrs. Otto Reppert will be hostess in two weeks.

Word from Charles and Frances Merryman, who are in California, is that they are enjoying their trip. From San Francisco they expected to go Sunday to call on Mr. and Mrs. Luther Boyers at Palo Alto, and thence to Los Angeles.

The first meeting of the Alpha Sigma chapter of Kappa Kappa Kappa, since its institution, will be held tomorrow afternoon at the home of Miss Pansy Bell.

Miss Ireta Erwin will entertain the Misses Burah and Maude Treadway of Terre Haute at supper this evening.

## COURT NOTES.

Homer L. Townsend, an attorney of Fort Wayne, was here this morning and dismissed his suit brought against the Arbuckle Ryan company, suit to recover attorney's fees.

A marriage license was issued late Thursday evening by County Clerk J. P. Haefling to Clyde C. Linn to wed Miss Agnes Murray.

County Clerk James P. Haefling was at Huntington yesterday and Bluffton today, going to collect foreign fees due Adams county. He collected the sum of \$250.

Attorneys J. C. Moran and D. E. Smith went to Jefferson township today, where they are interested in a civil case being tried there before Squire Ault.

L. L. Marsh, county surveyor of Mercer county, Ohio, and C. L. Wycoff, clerk of the Mercer county court, were here conferring with County Surveyor Ernst, on business relating to the Berger drain, which is a drain affecting both Jefferson township, this county, and a portion of Mercer county, Ohio.

## BURGLARS ENTER HOUSE.

Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Bremerkamp were awakened during the night by a noise as of some one in the house, and examination of the premises revealed two outside doors open. Burglars undoubtedly entered the house but were frightened away before getting anything of value.

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## NOTICE TO STREET DELINQUENTS.

The assessments on Adams, North Second and South First streets, Mercer avenue and Marshall street sewers, Irvin branch sewer, Meyer branch sewer, Fourth street, Monroe street, Sixth street are now due and must be paid at once to avoid 10 per cent penalty. W. J. ARCHBOLD, 133t12 City Treasurer.

Dr. Vizard of Pleasant Mills was in the city today looking after some business interests, which required his attention for some time.

D. M. Hensley has received a card from his daughter, Veda, from Rome City, where the family is spending the summer. She said that one afternoon she and her guest, Miss Glennys Mangold, had gone out on the lake and caught thirty large blue gills. Fishing is fine there and the large number of Decatur people now there are enjoying life exceedingly well.

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that the common council of the City of Decatur, Indiana, will on the

20th Day of June, 1911, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., receive sealed proposals for the construction of the following described improvements, as authorized by resolution, for the construction of a sewer on the following route, to-wit:

Commencing on the west side of Fifth street, at the northeast corner of inlet 400 in Nuttman's northwestern addition to the town (now city of Decatur, thence running west along alley on southern boundary of inlets 431, 430, 429, 428, 427, 426 and 425 to center of Decatur street, and connecting with a sewer heretofore constructed.

All work to be done in accordance with improvement resolution and in accordance with plans, specifications and profile on file in office of city clerk.

All bids shall be accompanied by certified check for \$25.00, and failure of successful bidder to enter into contract and bond shall forfeit amount deposited.

City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Witness my hand and seal of said city this 8th day of June, 1911. H. M. DeVoss, City Clerk.

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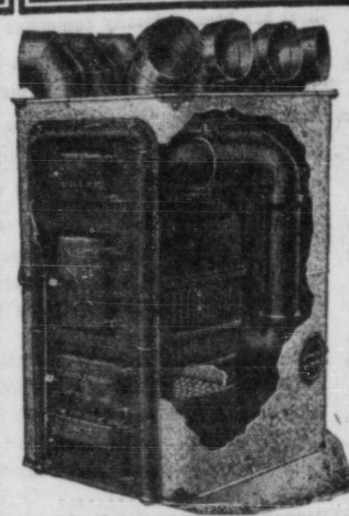
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