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THE PENSION BILL

The senate has defeated the dollar-a-day pension bill, for which Congressman Adair made such a determined and successful fight in the lower house. Adams county soldiers cannot help feeling that the republican party having used them for half a century, and realizing now that the ranks are diminishing at such a rate that the influence will soon be gone are casting them aside that they may save the expense of better pensions and use that money in other channels, perhaps more remunerative at least as to votes. In a recent speech on the bill to consolidate pension offices, thus reducing the expense and giving better service, a bill supported by Mr. Adair, that gentleman concluded by saying: "The senate has now had the Sherwood bill fifty days, during which time nearly 6,000 soldiers have died. Such delay is nothing short of a crime, and I sincerely hope that you gentlemen on that side of the house will use your influence with your republican friends in the senate urging immediate action in that body. A democratic house has done its duty to the old soldier; now let a republican senate do likewise."

All this talk as to which party really loves the old soldier goes for naught, but the fact remains that the pension bill was passed by a democratic house. Mr. Adair doing all in his power for it, while it lost in a republican senate.

Editor Fred Rohrer of the Berne Witness in this week's chapter of the Sam Kuntz controversy says that many an editor has sacrificed his life and that his ambition is to some day "die with his boots on," deeming it a promotion. Now, we have a different idea of the matter, and if any of these fellows around here who happen to get touched up a little through these columns, happen to want to do a little target practicing, we want you to remember that we have a particular hankering for passing our fast days in our pajamas.

As might have been expected the Indianapolis Star invitation to the women of Indiana to cast a straw vote for president has developed into a nominating affair. Each woman has her favorite whether he has been talked about or not, and of course she has a particular reason for casting the vote.

J. Frank Mann, formerly of this city, has been elected chairman of Delaware county in the reorganization of the committee. Mr. Mann is a fighter, has had many years' experience, is an old-fashioned democrat and will make a splendid showing in Muncie and Delaware county. He will organize each precinct and the returns will prove his merit.

Colonel Roosevelt has accepted an invitation to speak before the constitutional convention at Columbus on

the 21st. It is expected he will give some hint of his intentions as to the coming presidential race and "my policies."

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

Miss Martha Kettler Guest of Honor at Several Social Affairs.

FIVE HUNDRED PARTY

To be Given Friday Afternoon--First of Series of Social Events.

WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.
Historical—Mrs. J. S. Sutton.
Young Matrons—Mrs. J. S. Peterson.
Boy Scouts' Pic Social—Minnie Daniels Home.

Wednesday.
German Reformed Aid—Mrs. Chas. Miller.
Bachelor Maids—Emma Terveer.
Sina Cura—Agnes Kolbe.
Shakespeare—Mrs. Dan Sprang.

Thursday.
Helping Hand—Mrs. Fred Reppert.
Presbyterian Tea—Church Parlors.
Presbyterian Guild—Hester and Edith Long.
Sewing—Mrs. P. B. Thomas.
G. W. C.—Anna Parent.
Euterpean—Mrs. Roy Archbold.

Friday.
Little Quilters—Lolla Bultemeier.

Be slow in choosing a friend;
Slower in changing.
—Benj. Franklin.

The Sunday school class of the Rev. G. H. Myers of the Methodist church was entertained last evening at the home of Miss Marie Butler on West Monroe street, in a most pleasant way.

The Boys' class of the Christian church invites the public to its pie social at the home of Mrs. Minnie Daniels this evening. The proceeds will be used in buying a basket ball outfit.

The Misses Hester and Edith Long will entertain the Presbyterian Guild Thursday evening.

A fine birthday party was given by Mrs. Caroline Thieme at her home in Union township in honor of her husband, Mr. Theodore Thieme. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thieme, Sophia, Fred and Simon Thieme, Henry Krueckeberg, sr. and Angeline and Henry Krueckeberg, jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schoenstedt, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schammerloh, Miss Anna Schammerloh, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Krueckeberg, Misses Matilda and Ella, Frederick, Harry, Emil and Ferdinand Krueckeberg; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Grote, Alfred and Lorene Grote, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Steele, Emma and Minnie Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bleeke. A fine 6 o'clock supper was served.

The German Reformed Ladies' Aid society will meet Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Charles Miller.

Mrs. Fred Reppert will be hostess to the Helping Hand society Thursday afternoon.

The home of W. F. Beery and family was the scene of a pleasant gathering on Friday evening of last week. The student body of the Pleasant Mills graded schools, accompanied by Miss Winans, intermediate teacher; Miss Cowan, primary teacher, and the Rev. Hochstetder, of the M. E. church, taking advantage of the sleighing, surprised their teacher, Mr. Beery, by calling upon him at his country home, one-half mile south of Pleasant Mills. The evening was passed in games of various kinds. After refreshments had been served they returned to their homes, carrying memories of an evening pleasantly spent.

The Beta Phi Sigmis were entertained last evening by Miss Irene Eady.

The Misses Letta and Marie Kintz spent the night at the Lutz home, guests of Miss Jean Lutz.

The Poinsettia club played pedro Monday evening at the Harting home, the Misses Mayme Harting, Lydia Miller and Alice Knapp being hostesses. Prizes were won by Josephine Lang and Margaret Gallosly, and after games, the girls were ushered into the dining room, where supper was served.

Mrs. Kate Murphy of Decatur is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pillars for two weeks, the ladies enjoying the time quilting.

Miss Effie Miller has issued invitations to her classmates, the juniors, for a class party.

Miss Huldah Loser, who is studying to be a nurse in the Lutheran hospital, Fort Wayne, will entertain the Florhul de Purin girls at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clifford Lee, one evening this week.

On account of the illness of E. S. Moses, the Historical club will give its valentine party at the J. S. Sutton home this evening, instead of at the Moses home.

Mrs. Will Ramey entertained the Loyal Women's class of the Christian church Monday evening. After the study which was on the book of John, a delightful time followed. The next meeting, Monday, March 4th, will be with Mrs. Arthur Fisher.

Clarence Stevens and sister, Mrs. Viola Gaskill, have issued invitations for a valentine party for Wednesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Myers gave a 6 o'clock dinner party Monday night for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lutz, Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Beavers and sons, Wayne and William.

Miss Martha Kettler of Fort Wayne who will be a bride of March, leaving immediately after her marriage for her home in Japan, and who was the week-end guest of Miss Marie Patterson, was honored with a number of social affairs given in her honor while here. Miss Bess Scroock entertained Saturday afternoon for her; Miss Patterson gave an evening party Saturday; Mrs. Fred Patterson a dinner party Sunday evening, and Miss Kettler was also an honored guest at the Thimble club entertained yesterday afternoon by Miss Fannie Hite.

The Shakespeare club will meet tomorrow evening with Mrs. Dan Sprang instead of with Mrs. P. G. Hooper.

The annual mite box opening of the Mite society of the M. E. church will be held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Dan Sprang. The program will be announced later.

Mrs. Fred Patterson has issued invitations for a "500" party for Friday afternoon. This is the first of a series of parties to be given by Mrs. Patterson.

Simons & Dailey have filed a petition case entitled John Lang et al. vs. Ralph Baumgartner et al.

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES' TEA.

The Presbyterian ladies will give a "Tea" in their church parlors next Thursday afternoon, February 15th, from 5 to 7 o'clock, to which the public is cordially invited. The following is the menu:

Hot Meat Loaf, Fried Potatoes, Pickles, Salad, Corn Pudding, Hot Rolls, Jelly, Cottage Cheese.

Fruit, Cake, Coffee, Tea.
The above good hot supper will be served for only 25 cents, which sum would not pay for one-half of the menu if bought and served by the housekeeper in her own home. So please patronize the ladies and help along a good cause.

Ask His Return

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with presidents of other organizations, will report the work of the Decatur church. The district conference will be favored by the presence of Bishop Moore of Cincinnati and Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks, who will speak at one of the evening sessions on the subject of missions.

The quarterly conference recommended Dca L. Burke to the district conference for renewal of license to preach. Mr. Burke is now a student at Depauw university. The report of the election board which held the election for lay delegates to meet in conference of laymen at the time of the annual conference showed A. J. Smith to be elected as delegate and Daniel Sprang as alternate. The report of the board was accepted and approved. The members of the conference spend some time discussing the plans for the coming year, after which the conference was adjourned.

PROCTOR WITHDREW.

(United Press Service.)
Elkhart, Ind., Feb. 13.—State Senator Robert E. Proctor, author of the Proctor liquor law, passed by the last Indiana legislature, and a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor, withdrew today. He asserted that the reason is the attack made as to his qualifications and that he was not as yet thirty years old, and therefore could not legally serve as governor in case he was nominated and elected. Proctor, however, does not admit that he is too young to serve as governor. He also says that he will be a candidate for governor in 1916.

FATHER'S ILLNESS

Calls Son Home After But a Day's Stay Here for a Visit.

Lloyd Thompson, who Monday arrived in the city for a visit with his father-in-law, B. F. Booker, southwest of the city, left at noon for his home, receiving a message telling him of the serious illness of his father, who has been ill for the past year with tuberculosis, and whose life is believed to be fast drawing to a close.

INSTANTLY KILLED.

Tony Fuerst, brother of John Fuerst, a well known mason, who resides in this city, was instantly killed at the Erie railroad shops in Lima, Ohio, Monday. He was operating an emery wheel, and in some manner an extra strain came upon it and one of the pieces struck Mr. Fuerst, killing him instantly. He is survived by a wife and two children. He is known here by some, having visited the city several times with his brother. Mr. John Fuerst went to Lima today, where he was called by the grief-stricken wife. The date of the funeral has not yet been learned by the friends here.

INTERESTING REVIVAL.

The revival meeting at the Evangelical church is still in progress. Last night, although Monday night, a splendid audience was present. The interest is increasing from evening to evening. Rev. W. H. Freshley of Kendallville preached a most excellent sermon on the subject of "Nehemiah." It was a stirring message to the people of the Lord in their effort to push the work of the church. Rev. Freshley is a very clear and forceful speaker and a great preacher in revival work. He will be with us several evenings and we should avail ourselves of this opportunity of hearing him. He has already brought an inspiration to us. We invite the public to these special services. Come and bring a friend with you. D. O. WISE, Pastor.

U. B. NOTICE.

All the young people of the United Brethren church are requested to be at a special meeting to be held at the church at 7:30 o'clock this evening. Business of importance will come before the society.

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