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That man Stout who writes supposed political articles for the Indianapolis Star, has so much nerve in telling his colossal untruths that he almost makes a fellow gasp, and just how a paper that claims to be reputable can feature them and succeed, is a wonder that may some time unravel itself.

Considerable talk was heard among the old veterans here today, over a rumor that Senators Kern and Shively had voted against the Smoot old age pension bill. This is a mistake. Both men spoke and voted for the Sherwood bill and after its defeat voted for the Smoot bill, which, while not nearly so good as the Sherwood, is an improvement over the present law.

April Fools' day, oldest traditional custom in the world. Not many years ago, it was indulged in as a sort of play day by old and young. Of recent years, however, the average American has become too busy with other affairs to stop for play. The children do not allow us to altogether forget the fact that on this of all days they have the right to play any kind of an old trick on "Mom" or "Dad."

In his speech at Winchester last

week, the Hon. S. M. Ralston said: "Eight years ago men like John Adair and myself went up and down the state, telling the people that they would be unwise to elect a lion hunter for president. Four years ago we told them they would make a mistake if they elected Mr. Taft. Now the Taft boosters are out saying we were right eight years ago and the Roosevelt backers are sure we were right four years ago."

The first registration day in Adams county will be on Thursday, May 9th. It is most important that every democrat who can do so, should register at that time. This will save expense to the county, trouble to yourself and inconvenience to your committeeman. Get your vote registered and then assist in getting the other fellows in who have neglected it. You must register to vote this year, and while there will be three registration days, you should be loyal enough to get in on the first. Let's forget there will be any other days and plan as though this is the last opportunity. Register on May 9th. If there is anything about this matter that you don't understand, call on your committeeman, or County Chairman Bosse, or write him or this office and the information will be forthcoming.

Well Known Lady

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Thomas, Monroe township; Joshua F. Elgin, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Sautblin, Craisville; Mrs. Lucy Abbott, Wells county; Mrs. Gertrude Johnson, Monroe township; Mrs. Susan Beery, Kirkland township; Mrs. Dolly Parrish, Kirkland township; Mrs. Jennie Landis, Elgin, Ill. Surviving brothers are Abraham and William Mowery of Iowa, Charles and John Mowery of Minnesota; a sister, Mrs. Catherine Hunsicker, of Grover Hill, Ohio, and a half brother, Andrew Blosser, of Columbus, Ohio.

The funeral will be held Tuesday morning at the Beery or Antioch

church, west of this city. The procession will leave the house at 9:30 o'clock, sun time, for the church, where the services will be conducted by the Rev. Solomon Good of Dayton, Ohio, assisted by Jacob Heller. Burial in the churchyard cemetery.

His Sam Ralston

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ground. For days I continued the was taken out and I became a full-fledged miner. I soon realized that Destiny had not tapped on my shoulder and called upon me to be a coal baron. I sold out and, with the money began the studying of law."

Laughing heartily over his experience as a miner, Mr. Ralston told of his days teaching school and his ultimate mastery of a part of Blackstone.

There are a few things connected with the early life of Mr. Ralston to which he seldom refers because of the painful memory of the early struggles. These incidents concern the early struggle for an education. It is known to a few friends that Mr. Ralston gained his first knowledge of the law by lying downward on the floor and reading his books by candle light. The days were spent in driving an ox-team for his father and aiding in keeping the family belongings together. The early influence on the life of Mr. Ralston is seen in his later day love of live stock and outdoor life.

"My great hobby is horses, sheep and cattle, with a strong liking for poultry," said Mr. Ralston. "I have a small farm near town, and it is my own diversion."

Later, at the Ralston home, 502 North Meridian street, the future governor took keen delight in displaying the comforts of a modern, but plain residence. His most cherished belonging is the bust of Thomas Jefferson, given him by the teachers of Lebanon when he retired as president of the school board. On the second floor is the library and "den." Mr. Ralston's favorite books are the works of Jefferson and the writings of Samuel Johnson.

"Yes, it's the greatest home in the world and there will never be a more sacred place for me," said he.

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

Joseph Steigmeyer Quietly
Celebrating 84th Birth
Anniversary.

AT HIS HOME TODAY

Johnson-Keller Nuptials Saturday--Mrs. Starkweather Entertaining.

WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.
Presbyterian Missionary--Mrs. L. A. Graham.

Wednesday.
Concord Aid--Mrs. Mary Houk.
Shakespeare--Mrs. J. Heller.

Thursday.
Baptist Aid--Mrs. H. Winnes.
Evangelical Aid--Mrs. Charles VanCamp.

C. W. B. M.--Mrs. Henry Stevens.
Salem Aid--Mrs. John Helm.
Euterpean--Mrs. Henry Heller.

Friday.
Christian Aid--Mrs. D. F. Quinn.

Saturday.
Sewing--Esther Best.
Jolly Juniors--Marie Smith.

It is only the person whose own social position is insecure, who is snobbish or treats one in less fortunate circumstances with contempt.

Mrs. Henry Stevens will entertain the Christian Women's Board of Missions Thursday afternoon.

The Christian Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. D. F. Quinn Friday afternoon.

Judge R. K. Erwin has been made a member of the reception day committee for the Jefferson day banquet at Indianapolis on April 12th.

Joseph Steigmeyer, sr., of Union township is today celebrating his eighty-fourth birthday. He has been a resident of Adams county, Indiana, for more than forty years and is one of the pioneers who assisted materially in the development of the country. Mr. Steigmeyer's celebration today was a very quiet one, characteristic of Mr. Steigmeyer, he being a very quiet man during all his life, always avoiding neighborhood quarrels or mix-ups, yet he has been a good neighbor, accommodating and always ready to help the needy. All of his children were present today for dinner, except Sister Aldegundis, a daughter, who is at Fond du Lac, Wis. The children present were John, Joseph, Fred and Andrew. About two years ago Mrs. Steigmeyer died, having attained the age of seventy-six years. Mr. Steigmeyer's health is good for one of his age, he frequently attending church in this city. Mr. Steigmeyer has many friends in this county, who rejoice with him over his attaining such a ripe old age. His life has been characterized by industry, peacefulness and honesty. May he celebrate many more such birthdays.--Contributed.

The account of the birthday party given for Mrs. T. K. Roebuck, formerly of this county, now of Sanford, Mich., where they are enjoying their new home, will be of local interest. "A pleasant surprise was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Roebuck, in honor of Mrs. Roebuck's forty-third birthday anniversary. Music and games, after which a lunch was served, were the principal features of the evening. There were thirty neighbors gathered in to help celebrate the event. Those present were Homer King, wife and son, Ernest; John Johnson and wife, Miss Verie Fuhrman and brother, Hubert, all former Adams county people; also Mr. Grill, wife and daughter; Mr. Barkley, wife and daughters, Berget and Blanche; Mr. Gamble, wife and daughter, Harriet; Mrs. Monroe and baby of Flint, Mich.; Miss Ada Goodman and cousin, Edith; Willie Francis and brother, Arthur; Willie Craig, Lewis Grill, Manna Perkins. It was late before all departed, wishing Mrs. Roebuck many more happy birthdays."

Mrs. Dr. Starkweather is entertaining at a thimble party this afternoon for her sister, Miss Esther Johnson, of South Bend.

Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of S. C. Cramer was solemnized the marriage of Miss Golda Johnson and Mr. Otto Keller, of this city, the Rev. Cramer officiating. The young couple left on the 4 o'clock car for Dixon, Ohio, where they visited with relatives. They will reside in this city, the groom being an employee of the Waring glove factory. The bride was very pretty in her wedding frock of blue silk, becomingly

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DECATUR, INDIANA

made. The young couple has the best wishes of a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gunsett entertained at Giner Sunday for their daughter, Miss Ida, who was a member of the confirmation class at the Zion's Lutheran church, and took her first communion Sunday. The dinner was very nicely prepared by Mrs. Will Parent and on the arrival of the party from church at noon the feast was spread. Guests were Will Parent and family, Mrs. Henry Lankeau and daughter, Lulu; Clyde Noble, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearce, John Gunsett and daughter, Lizzie, of Convo, Ohio; Otto Weinman of Schumm, Ohio.

The Evangelical Ladies' Aid society will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Charles VanCamp.

Mr. and Mrs. Schaub, son and daughter, and Mrs. Leas, of Auburn, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lianna of Fort Wayne were guests at the C. A. Dugan home Sunday. During the afternoon a number of callers mingled with the guests.

Miss Winifred Ellingham will arrive in Decatur within a day or two for a several days' visit with Miss Dorothy Dugan and other friends.

A good attendance is desired at the Presbyterian Woman's missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. L. A. Graham tomorrow afternoon. The program will open at prompt 2:30 o'clock.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Henry Winnes. A missionary program will be in order for the afternoon and several musical numbers will be rendered, thus making the afternoon one of great interest.

Sunday was a happy day for Margaret, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moran, it being her ninth birthday anniversary, which was spent by inviting a number of friends to spend the afternoon and to partake of a six o'clock dinner with her. The afternoon was whittled away by the playing of various games and amusements, entertaining to all, and the day will be long remembered by the little guests and hostess as well.

EXCELLENT SERMON.

The Knights of Pythias marched in a body from the Home to the United Brethren church Sunday morning where their annual sermon, a most excellent and appropriate one, was delivered by the Rev. E. A. Goodwin, in his usual masterful way.

PROMPT PAYMENT.

The representative of the Home Insurance Company of which Chas. Helm is agent, was here Saturday and appraised the loss of the dwelling which was burned last Sunday and the property of Willard Steele. Prompt and satisfactory settlement was made.

WANTED--To rent, good 6 or 7-room house, modern, centrally located. Phone 162, or see J. H. Stewart, at Democrat office.

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A few of the many we have listed:
No. 1--80 acres, all under cultivation, good clay soil, produces good yield of all crops, two-story frame house, good barn, 30x72, and other outbuildings, good bearing orchard, 1 1/2 miles of town; 40 rods to church, 120 rods to school. This is one of the best locations in the county. Well settled around it. Price, \$3,000.

No. 2--250 acres, 120 under cultivation; 50 bearing apples trees on this place, 2 miles to town, 1 mile to school, 6 miles to railroad; house 20x30, with wing 12x14; good cellar, good barn 40x60, with basement, good granary and other outbuildings. Price, \$6,500.

No. 3--160 acres, 85 acres cleared, 2 good frame houses, 2 good barns, one 40x60, small barn 16x20, 5 miles of a good town; 3/4 mile to school; \$4,500--\$2,000 cash, balance on time.

No. 4--80 acres; 60 acres cleared and under cultivation, timber good hard wood, good clay loam, level, 1/4 mile to school and church, 6 miles to railroad; frame house 18x24, wing 16x20, barn 40x50; plenty of fruit. This is a bargain at the price; \$3,000.

No. 5--80 acres, 70 cleared and under cultivation, close to town, school and church, 1/4 mile, good 10-room house, in good condition, barn 42x50, other outbuildings. This farm is a good one; \$5,000.

No. 6--160 acres, 97 acres cleared and under cultivation, 100 bearing fruit trees, 3/4 mile to school, 4 miles to railroad, good house, barn 28x56, \$5,500.

Come in and let us tell you about the many other farms we have. Have Adams County land for sale. I have also a few live buyers for city property in Decatur. List your property with me for quick sale.

D. F. Leonard

Decatur, Ind.

Phone Office 667
Phone Home 336



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