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Not less than three or four deals for improvements in this city during the coming year are now under way and will be ready for announcement within a few days. It is likely that the coming summer will be as busy as was the last one.

The finance committee of the firemen and business men will meet this evening to plan for raising the funds. When they start out they should be greeted with respect for they are working for your interests, not only in giving this convention which brings a big crowd here, but all the time. The volunteer firemen are the fellows who protect your homes and your business houses, at the risk of their own health and for small pay. If they want this convention, that's enough for the average fellow. Be liberal.

It has been charged that the pending dental bill was intended as a blow at advertising dentists. This is a mistake as any one can see by reading the bill. A man may advertise as much as he pleases, provided he meets the conditions of the bill, which are not onerous. In order to get a license the applicant must, indeed, present a diploma from a dental college recognized by the National Association of Dental Faculties. And this is as it should be. For dentistry today is a profession, and not mere mechanics. This bill recognizes it as such. The purpose is to exclude men who are not competent to practice the profession, and so to protect the public from them. There is no reason why any advertising dentist, provided he be a real dentist, should oppose the measure.—Indianapolis News.

At the democratic state editorial meeting last week Tom Taggart was one of the speakers at the banquet, and there, in the presence of Senators Kern and Shively, and democratic editors from all over the state, he stated that he was not a candidate for any office and would not be. Thus the opposition press is deprived of a subject for long and windy news items and editorials, for the space fillers and the editorial writers on republican papers in this state have always been able to spin a political yarn about Tom Taggart when there was a lull in political circles. And even in the face of Mr. Taggart's positive declaration, it is very doubtful if the space fillers and the editorial writers, will accept his statements. When the time approaches for the election of a successor to Senator Shively the odds are about 100 to 1 that these "old women politicians will be at it again and will have Taggart at the race, his statement to the contrary notwithstanding.—Columbia City Post.

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## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

Misses Lola and Dorothy  
Dunn Entertain Friends  
at Valentine Party.

A MERRY AFFAIR  
The Misses Hammell and  
Butler Also Give Pleasing  
Entertainment.

WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.  
Tuesday.

German Reformed C. E.—Mrs. Fred  
Aschbaumer.

Y. P. A.—Mrs. Fred Linn.  
Historical—Mrs. P. G. Hooper.

Young Matrons—Mrs. Adel Nep-  
tune.

Wednesday.

Florul de Purin—Cecil Eady.

Shakespeare—Mrs. P. G. Hooper.

Thursday.

U. B. Ladies' Aid—Mrs. Tom Fisher.

Thimble—Mrs. Roy Archbold.

Presbyterian Aid—Mrs. W. H. Lee.

C. W. B. M.—Mrs. Andrew Artman.

Friday.

Needlecraft—Miss Helen Sheets.

Social—Baptist Church.

Eureka—Mrs. Will Foughty.

Minutes, hours, days months and years  
Pass'd over to the end where they  
were created. —Shakespeare.

Sixty-six years ago today, Thomas  
Alva Edison, the great American  
electrician and inventor, made his ad-  
vent into the world, and is still en-  
gaged in the great work that is the  
great boon of mankind and has made  
his name the greatest in the history  
of science.

Miss Hope Hoopengardner enter-  
tained a company of friends at her  
home Sunday afternoon and evening  
in honor of Miss Goldie Fisher's birth-  
day anniversary. Games and music  
were the features of the afternoon. At  
6 o'clock a dinner was served by the  
hostess. Those present were Misses  
Zelpha Brandyberry, Goldie Fisher,  
Hilda Kern, Grace Hoeneissen, Mar-  
gurite Johnson and Hope Hoopengar-  
dner, and Messrs. Dave Hoopengar-  
dner, James Wisner, Neil McDowell  
and Earl Lounesberry of Bluffton.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland, widow of the  
late ex-president, and Thomas J. Pres-  
ton were married yesterday at Prince-  
ton, N. J. President Hibben, of Prince-  
ton university, officiated.

The German Reformed Christian  
Endeavor society will hold its regular  
business meeting this evening at the  
home of Mrs. Fred Aschbaumer.

Red hearts whose centers were  
pierced by the cords with which they  
were strung, in the midst of flying  
cupids, lent themselves harmoniously  
to the appropriate decoration of the  
rooms of the Mel Butler home on Win-  
chester street, when the Misses Grace  
Butler and Fay Hammell entertained  
a company of eight couples at a val-  
entine party last evening. The fest-  
oons were draped from the chande-  
liers to the corners of the rooms, and  
the red hearts and cupids, and the  
tables for the games of progressive  
hearts were set. The tally cards  
were large red hearts with green  
pencil cord, and showed at the conclu-  
sion that Felix Holthouse was the  
winner of the prize in the games. Mu-  
sic by the Misses Winifred Burk,  
Grace Butler and others, was enjoyed  
and then came the luncheon. This  
was self-served from the large table in  
the dining room and eaten at the ta-  
bles where the games were played.  
The dining room table carried out the  
pretty seasonable decorations also.  
From the chandelier was suspended  
trailing smilax vines in which hung  
the red hearts and cupids, and the  
white cloth of the table was also  
showered with the hearts. Those who  
were there were the Misses Ruth Ham-  
mell, Ruth Bowers, Mary Frisinger,  
Grace Butler, Fay Hammell, Juanita  
Boch, Winifred Burk; Messrs. Felix  
Holthouse, Herman Ehinger, Raymond  
Kohne, Dwight Lachot, Sherman  
Beery, Dwight Peterson, Forest Vail.

FOR SALE—500 bushels of seed oats,  
for 35c per bushel, if sold soon; 40  
bushels rye; also choice timothy seed.  
—Ed Laftman.

served, Mrs. Dunn being assisted by  
Mrs. R. L. Semans and Mrs. C. L. Wal-  
ters. At the large table were seated  
the two little hostesses and members  
of their little club, including Ruth  
Hubbard, Sarah Semans, Helen Dugan,  
and Helen Meyers, while the other  
little guests found places at the little  
tables. Red and white candles lighted  
the tables, and hearts and cupids were  
used in their decoration otherwise.  
Valentine favors were given, and after  
dinner there was a heart hunt, Miss  
Marcia Helm winning the prize. After  
the children's party, Rev. J. A. Beatty  
of Fort Wayne, Rev. Semans, C. L.  
Walters and son, Kenyon, joined the  
adults of the party for dinner.

Miss Helen Sheets will give a valen-  
tine party for the Needlecraft club  
Friday evening that promises to be  
one of the pleasing social events of  
the Valentine week.

The Thimble club has been extend-  
ed a cordial invitation by Mrs. Roy  
Archbold to be her guests Thursday  
afternoon.

Mrs. A. A. Arnold and children re-  
turned to Fort Wayne after a visit  
here with relatives. They were accom-  
panied by Mrs. Arnold's sister,  
Mrs. Harry Fritzinger and daughter,  
Catherine, who will be their guests.

Mrs. Helen Berling has returned  
from Crown Point where she visited  
with her daughter, Agnes, now Sister  
M. Cletia.

Mrs. A. M. Anker has issued invitations  
for a birthday party for her  
daughter, Veronica, this evening from  
four to seven o'clock.

The United Brethren Ladies' Aid  
society will hold a meeting with Mrs.  
Tom Fisher Thursday afternoon.

POLICE COURT.

Perfectly oblivious to everything  
going on around him and sleeping as  
snugly and peacefully in his bed of  
snow as he would in a feather-bed,  
was Howard Dennison, when picked up  
by Marshal Peterson this noon at the  
intersection of Eleventh street and the  
Erie railroad. In fact Dennison was  
so well satisfied with his location, and so  
comfortable, that it was necessary  
for a buggy to be called to haul him  
to the jail. He was given his trial date  
this afternoon before Mayor Teeple  
and was given a fine of \$1 and costs.  
This is Dennison's second incarceration,  
he having been let out of jail  
only yesterday.

ABOUT THE SICK.

Mrs. Hazel Smiley who has been  
seriously ill with pneumonia, is re-  
ported as being much better.

Charles Fritzinger and wife of Root  
township were here this morning. Mr.  
Fritzinger who had his ankle badly  
hurt a short time ago in falling from  
the interurban car on which he was  
conductor, is recovering nicely.

Mrs. P. J. Hyland who has been suf-  
fering from heart trouble since Sat-  
urday, brought on by the shock of her  
brother's death, is better and is get-  
ting along nicely.

H. L. Conter has returned to Indiana-  
polis after attending to business  
here. His many Decatur friends are  
glad to hear that the appropriation  
now before the legislature includes a  
raise of salary for him as assistant  
secretary of state, fixing his annual  
pay at \$3,250. Miss Craig, who serves  
as clerk in the office, is also given a  
\$150 raise.

FOR SALE—500 bushels of seed oats,  
for 35c per bushel, if sold soon; 40  
bushels rye; also choice timothy seed.  
—Ed Laftman.

THE YOUNG WIFE

and her baking is an old joke!  
But even to the many wives  
who are good bakers, we say  
why bother? Buy your bake-  
stuffs of us; you'll find it

cheaper to say nothing of the  
character of our bread, rolls,  
cakes, pies, etc. He cannot  
find fault with anything  
you get from us—that's  
sure. Give us a trial order  
today.

## A CHICKEN DINNER.

The Pythian Sisters announce a din-  
ner and supper to be given in the Pythian  
Home Friday. Dinner will be  
served for twenty-five cents and sup-  
per for fifteen. The following menu  
will be given:

Dinner.  
Vegetable Soup  
Stewed Chicken with Pot-pie  
Cold Slaw  
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy  
Escalloped Corn  
Pickles Bread Butter  
Pie Coffee  
Supper.  
Pressed Meats  
Baked Beans Potato Salad  
Baked Apples  
Tutti Frutti Cake Coffee

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ing 8 per cent; not taxable.

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365 ERWIN & MICHAUD.

361 FOR RENT—75 acres, with about 40  
acres in grass. Good house and  
barn, well and cistern. Cash rent. In-  
quire of Irvin Acker, Decatur, phone  
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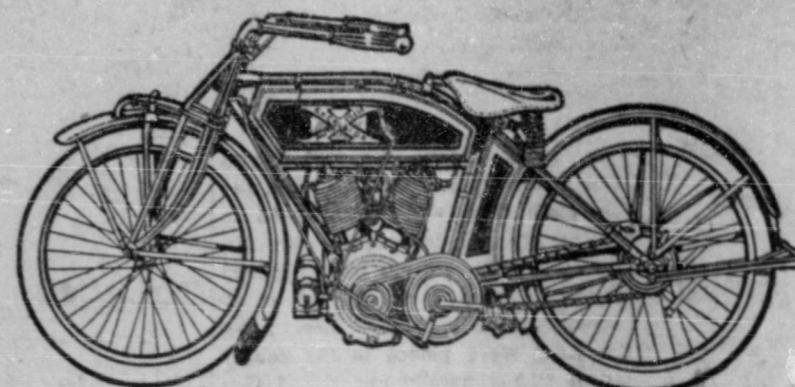
362 FOR SALE—Jersey cow, middle aged.  
A guaranteed good butter cow, giv-  
ing good flow of milk. Easy to milk;  
not bred; absolutely gentle. Will  
please any one. \$50.00 takes her.—  
Clara Tricker, phone S. J. R. R. No. 2,  
Decatur, Ind.

363 FOR SALE—Brood sow, will have  
pigs in march. Inquire of Dyonis  
Schmitt.

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FEBRUARY 15.

Tuesday, February 11.

Decatur Lodge, No. 571, F. & A. M.

Work in Master's degree.

Wednesday, February 12.

Decatur Chapter, No. 112, R. A. M.

Called communication cancelled on ac-  
count of sickness.

Friday, February 14.

Decatur Chapter, No. 127, O. E. S.

Regular meeting, business of impor-  
tance. Will make arrangements for

celebration of anniversary of organiza-  
tion.

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