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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 in the race, his statement to the contrary notwithstanding.—Columbia City Post.

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## WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

German Reformed C. E.—Mrs. Fred Aschbacher.  
Y. P. A.—Mrs. Fred Linn.  
Historical—Mrs. Amos Gillig.  
Young Matrons—Mrs. Adel Neptune.

Wednesday.

Floruit 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 advent into the world, and is still engaged 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 entertained a company of friends at her home Sunday afternoon and evening in honor of Miss Goldie Fisher's birthday 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, Marguerite Johnson and Hope Hoopengardner, and Messrs. Dave Hoopengardner, James Wisner, Neil McDowell and Earl Lousenberry of Bluffton.

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

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

Red hearts whose centers were pierced by the cords with which they were strung, in the midst of flying cupid, lent themselves harmoniously to the appropriate decoration of the rooms of the Mel Butler home on Winchester street, when the Misses Grace Butler and Fay Hammell entertained a company of eight couples at a Valentine party last evening. The festoons were draped from the chandeliers 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 conclusion that Felix Holthouse was the winner of the prize in the games. Music 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 tables 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 Hammell, Ruth Bowers, Mary Frisinger, Grace Butler, Fay Hammell, Juanita Boch, Winifred Burk; Messrs. Felix Holthouse, Herman Ehinger, Raymond Kohn, Dwight Lachot, Sherman Beery, Dwight Peterson, Forest Vail.

Thirty-one little friends of the Misses Lola and Dorothy Dunn made merry with them last evening from five to seven o'clock at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Dunn the guests finding on arriving at the Dunn home that the event was in celebration of Miss Lola's tenth birthday anniversary. Decorations of hearts and cupids on curtains and walls proclaimed the approaching St. Valentine's festival and in the midst of the pretty surroundings were set the six little tables and the larger dining room table where the dinner was

served, Mrs. Dunn being assisted by Mrs. R. L. Semans and Mrs. C. L. Walters. 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 Valentine 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 extended a cordial invitation by Mrs. Roy Archbold to be her guests Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. A. A. Arnold and children returned to Fort Wayne after a visit here with relatives. They were accompanied 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. Clea.

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 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 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 Smitley who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported 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 suffering from heart trouble since Saturday, brought on by the shock of her brother's death, is better and is getting along nicely.

H. L. Conter has returned to Indianapolis 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.

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## A CHICKEN DINNER.

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

Dinner.  
Vegetable Soup  
Stewed Chicken with Pot-ple  
Cold Slaw  
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy  
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## MASONIC

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK ENDING 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 account of sickness.

Friday, February 14.  
Decatur Chapter, No. 127, O. E. S. Regular meeting, business of importance. Will make arrangements for celebration of anniversary of organization.



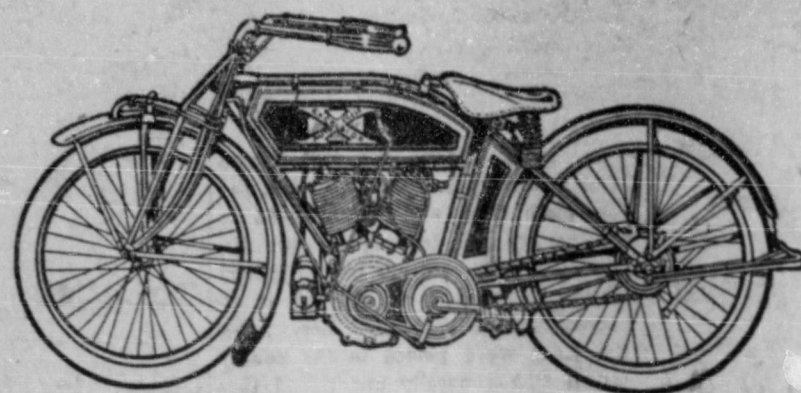
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" " " without tomato" sauce . . . . . 10c  
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