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Entered at the postoffice in Decatur, Indiana, as second class mail.

The young tornado which scattered over the state Friday, causing great damage, has created a demand that city councils take action toward regulating signs. More people were killed by falling signs which hang out over the buildings or are fastened in an insecure manner to the roofs, than from any other cause.

The first spring day in Indiana will long be remembered. From every section comes reports of a gale that swept from one end to the other of the Hoosier state, leaving in its wake a trail of death, injury and great property loss. Decatur did not fare as badly as did many other cities and towns of the state, and every one is thankful that no deaths were caused in this county, by the storm.

It is not a question of much moment as to what church the president or vice president may attend in Washington, as it is the proposed cordon of police and other nobility to attend their going. It smacks too much of the like when the Sultan of Turkey goes to worship at the mosque. We think neither one of these high officials will permit it.—Muncie Star.

There will be no general regret in this country over the pique which led Huntington Wilson, assistant secretary of state, to resign in haste. The impression is abroad that he did much to disorganize the diplomatic service by his peremptory and irrational course. The assistant secretary has large authority, and the many and prolonged absences of his chief, Mr. Knox, frequently left Huntington Wilson in sole authority in the office of the secretary. This was unfortunate, for by temper and by training he was not suited for the business of handling the government's many delicate diplomatic questions. It is rather a matter of congratulation that he came through as well as he did. And now that he is out there ought to be a freer breathing.—Indianapolis News.

WANTED TO BUY—A lot in Decatur, half-sized preferred. Must be located inside railroads. Inquire A. H. Sellemyer. 6513

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

Needles and Nods Have Splendid Easter Party at Blosser Home.

### AN EASTER SOCIAL

By United Brethren Young People at John Potter Home a Success.

#### WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday. Jenny Wrens—Naomi Myers.

Earth's Gladdest Day.

A song of sunshine through the rain, Of spring across the snow, A balm to heal the hurts of pain, A peace surpassing woe.

Lift up your heads, ye sorrowing ones, And be ye glad of heart, For Calvary and Easter Day— Earth's saddest day and gladdest day— Were just one day apart. —Ex.

Mr. and Mrs. Pliny Wible of Bluffton are visiting at the home of Mrs. C. Grimm. They were entertained Tuesday evening by Mrs. William Sudduth and Mrs. Hannah Sudduth entertained them Thursday at dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Wible and Mr. and Mrs. C. Grimm and family entertained Friday evening at supper by Mrs. Walter Sudduth. They returned to Bluffton Friday evening.

Mrs. Fred Blosser of North Seventh street delightfully entertained the Needles and Nods club and their husbands Thursday evening. Among the entertaining games of the evening was a contest to see who could secure the most words from Decatur, Indiana. Mrs. Emma Miller and Amos Yoder proved to be the most efficient in this contest, securing sixty words in the ten minutes allotted time. After this contest progressive pedro was engaged in with the result that Mrs. Ed Miller and Frank Carroll carried away first honors. A delightful two-course luncheon was served, the hostess giving little Easter souvenirs. Mrs. Miller will be the next hostess in two weeks at her home on Sixth street.

Several local members of the Phi Delta Kappa society are planning to attend the state convention at Huntington in June.

Mrs. C. A. Dungan is entertaining a company of friends at a "five hundred" party this afternoon.

In spite of the bad weather of Friday, the C. H. Colter home on First and Adams streets, was thronged with ladies in attendance at the meeting of the Mite society. The program as outlined was given with few exceptions, and a very splendid meeting held.

#### COURT HOUSE NEWS.

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Mrs. John Potter. Easter decorations of the pretty novelties that abound this year were used, and many Easter ideas were carried out in the entertainment. A program was given by Miss Marie Ball, who read, and by Miss Velma Lenhart, who gave a solo. Then ensued an Easter egg hunt, in which Fred Oakley was awarded an Easter rabbit as a prize for finding the greatest number of eggs. Not the least pleasurable was the gypsy fortune teller. "She" presided over a booth curtained off at one end of the room, and read the palms of all to perfection. The gypsy woman was later learned to be Roy Mumma, in a very clever disguise. The luncheon carried out the Easter idea, consisting of pickled eggs, sandwiches, cake and coffee. Candies were also sold to those who desired them.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher have received invitation to the wedding of their niece, Miss Grace Hendricks, of Kendallville, which will take place Easter Sunday evening at 5:30 o'clock. The groom is Ed Lang, a young tailor of Kendallville, and the wedding will take place in their own home which they furnished in advance. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hendricks, who formerly lived here. Her mother, who is a sister of Thomas Fisher, was formerly Miss Mary Fisher and is a daughter of J. Clinton Fisher.

## ELK CHARITY BALL

Local Order Will Give Charity Dance at the C. B. L. of I. Hall on

MONDAY, MARCH 31

Proceeds Will go to the Poor  
—No Invitations Will be  
Sent Out

The local order of Elks have made arrangements for a charity ball to be given Monday, March 31, at the C. B. L. of I. club rooms and the proceeds obtained therefrom will be devoted to the use of the poor of this city. Excellent music will be furnished throughout the evening by talented musicians and the lovers of this popular amusement will be able to enjoy themselves to their heart's content. The price charged for admission will be \$1.00 a couple. No invitations will be sent out and all are invited to attend. Everyone knows that the Elks go a great deal of charity work and help the poor of this city very much. There is also a lot of charity work done by them which no one but the members know of. If you want to help a good cause, pay a dollar for a ticket to the Elks' charity ball. You will never miss it. Tickets will be on sale the first of next week.

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# Christmas Savings Club Suggestions From Other Cities

Christmas Saving Clubs—such as we are conducting, are very popular in many other cities and towns in this and other States.

### IN SEVERAL CITIES

100 or more members of a congregation have joined and will use their combined savings as a fund next Christmas towards paying church debts.

### IN SEVERAL TOWNS

The members of Sunday School classes have joined, and in each instance will club together and use the money for the purpose of buying the teacher a present.

### IN OTHER TOWNS

Societies, Churches, Sunday Schools, Charity and other organizations have joined to save money for a specific purpose.

The plan is an excellent one, and can be applied to a number of commendable enterprises. The small amount payable weekly into the club can be spared by each person without inconvenience, and when a number of persons associate together for a special purpose the combined results of their efforts will be a large sum which may be applied as a Christmas offering or used in other ways for a good cause.

It's an easy way to save money

A sure way to have money  
Join Now—Get Your Friends to Join

## THE OLD ADAMS COUNTY BANK

Resources Over 1 Million Dollars

granted and she was declared by court their legal heir by adoption.

### Storm In General

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#### Many Insurance Claims.

Wind storm insurance will doubtless prove more popular here than before. Very many, however, carried insurance and nearly a score of damage claims were filed with the Decatur Insurance Agency today. The John Smith barn roof, south of the city was damaged; also the barn on the James Andrews farm. J. W. Laucks' roof was injured, as was that on the farm of Joe Steigmeyer. A. Bauman will also claim insurance for damage done to his buildings. The total claims will amount to some \$2,000 or \$3,000 thus far in all, in this company alone.

On rural route one, many telephone poles, of the Citizens' Telephone company, were down. Several were broken off the ground and others further up. In one instance a large evergreen tree had been uprooted and fell across the wires, the strain breaking the telephone poles.

Several of the rural mail carriers from this city were unable to complete their routes Friday on account of the high winds which threatened to overturn their buggies. In several instances the carriers were obliged to stand on the buggy steps to prevent its overturning.

While Merle and Naomi, daughters of Charles Poling, of south of the city, were driving to town to school their buggy was overturned by the wind, but they escaped injury, fortunately.

A chicken coop on the Dwight Weller farm north of Monmouth was picked bodily up and set down across the fence upside down.

The wind's damage yesterday to the Decatur Produce company's building will amount to \$50 or \$70. The forty-foot fire wall extending up over the top between the two buildings and made of cement blocks, was torn down.



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