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The administration of city affairs in Decatur is a record that we feel proud of and we believe the people of Decatur are satisfied therewith. Eight years ago when the democrats took charge of the government, they faced an almost bankrupt treasury, with an almost untold and uncounted number of floating orders, judgments, no credit, a total debt of about \$130,000, and a tax levy too small to meet the running expenses at the rate they had been going. Almost immediately there came a turn for the better and this has been kept up until today we have a credit that is accepted anywhere, a cleaner, better city, a municipal plant that is a credit to any municipality, and a debt that is below the two per cent limit and well under control. It means a reduced tax rate and one of the best towns in the state.

One of the men who helped to a great extent to do these things is Charles N. Christen, now a candidate for mayor, and accepted as one splendidly qualified for the job. Another is Jacob Martin, candidate for councilman at large. Assisted by Fred Linn, Peter Kirsch, James Hurst and L. L. Baumgartner and by Huber DeVoss as clerk and Joe McFarland as treasurer, they will give Decatur a continued era of good government, improved conditions, that will aid us to go forward. There are many reasons why these men should serve you and there are none but partisan reasons why they should not. The democratic ticket is acceptable to the majority of voters in Decatur and the statement will be proven on November 4th.

The Herald wants a coalition ticket whatever that is, put in the field, and argues that the democratic party is in sore straits, just in such shape that a ticket composed of democrats, republicans and bull moosers could give them battle. We have some doubts about it. In the first place a democrat will scarcely connect himself with a party bearing such a title and then there is no reason in the world why he should not support the ticket of splendid men nominated at the democratic primary last Tuesday. Again if an organization composed of men from these three parties is made on the suggestion of the Herald we fear there would be just a suspicion that there was some g. o. p. politics back of it somewhere. Nope, it takes some other dope than this, and the democrats will scarcely assist the

republicans and bull moosers to patch up their vine-clad cottage.

At least we have the admission that the men nominated by the democrats are all good citizens. As good citizens are necessary to make good officers they at least have a good start in the campaign. Of course there are other good citizens, but they are not candidates for these offices, and perhaps they never will be.

The sugar beet harvest is on and the wagons are coming in loaded down with a crop that was unknown here a few years ago. It brings more money to the community and helps many people. Then, too, the factory will open next week, employing a large force of men, presenting a busy scene and adding to the city and county in various other ways.

We still have in mind the man who offers to employ twenty-five men, if aided to the extent of about \$1,000, and as soon as arrangements have been concluded we will have more to say about it. It's a good thing and Decatur cannot afford to pass it up.

There are a number of business transactions on, which if consummated as now seems probable, will make the next year the best ever known in Decatur. A little boosting will help like the dickens.

A boys' home in Decatur would be a great improvement, and an investment from which this community would reap dividends for a century to come. Good boys make good men.

Defines Remedy

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good. Fine vocal solos were given by Miss Grace Miller of this city and Miss Kathryn Egly of Berne. Owing to the fact that one member of the Berne Ladies' quartet could not be present, the greater part of the chorus music was given by the Decatur Ladies' quartet.

Various reports of the county superintendents of departments were given. Mrs. Sprunger of Berne of the flower mission department, giving the best report. The institute was held in anticipation of the state convention to be held in October in South Bend.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL EX-SOLDIERS.

Sculptor Mulligan and Contractor Wemhoff, of the soldiers' monument, have kindly made the proposition to place an additional plate upon the monument of all soldiers' names who were omitted by the committee in their original list before the unveiling, free of charge. Every soldier whose name was omitted by the committee, must send or bring his name to the undersigned in the next ten days, if he wants his name on the monument. This will be the last and only chance. B. W. SHOLTY.

NOTICE.

Have opened a barber shop on Madison street, north of court house, first door east of Star theater. Will charge ten cents for shave; twenty-five cents for hair cut. 2733 LESTER BAUGHMAN.

NEW LANGUAGE HAS EVOLVED

Americans in the Philippines Have Departed in Large Measure From Familiar Tongue.

Fifteen years ago the American flag first floated over a Malay archipelago in the far Pacific. Spanish was the current speech among the upper classes there. The common people spoke a dozen different dialects—unintelligible one to the other.

We came, saw and possessed, and, shortly after the flag, boatloads of teachers arrived with the school books and pedagogy of the west.

The teachers brought American literature with them. They brought American songs, American games, American ideas and American ideals—and they brought the American manner of speech.

Meanwhile a reflex action was quietly at work. Without realizing it the new-comers were being influenced by the new land and the new people.

New methods of living were enforced on the Americans. Their rules of health did not always apply. Day after day they were surrounded by people observing strange customs, following a totally different moral code and speaking an unfamiliar tongue.

Gradually the customs became less strange, the moral code less different and the tongue less unfamiliar. While endeavoring to establish their ways and methods, the Americans unconsciously were yielding to the ways and methods of the country.

Many things of great value in the old order had no place in the new. In particular the old manner of speech often failed to convey the meaning intended.

The Americans daily encountered things they had no names for. They met conditions which could not be aptly described in their own tongue. The Filipino obligingly furnished the name or expression from some one of his vernaculars and it passed into the current speech of the American.

Then certain officials, trades, articles of clothing and food that had names in English would be repeatedly referred to by the Filipinos in their own dialect when they talked with their teachers. Gradually the teachers came to use the same expressions.

We have been a separate nation from England for over 100 years and our Americans have been in the Philippines only 15. Yet the language spoken by Americans differs more from United States English than does the English of London.—American Review of Reviews.

Plants Have Mother Principle.

There is a mother principle alive in all nature which never dies. This is different from the mother instinct, the mother passion. The oak and the amoeba respond to the mother principle. It is a law of life; it is one of the constants of being. The mother instinct or passion, on the other hand, occurs only among the higher animals; occurs not sporadically quite, for it is common enough, yet while generally found, and while one of the strongest, most interesting, most beautiful of animal traits, it is at the same time the most individual and the least constant.

This cow of my neighbor's that I hear lowing is an entirely gentle creature, ordinarily, but with a calf at her side she will pitch at anyone who approaches her. And there is no other cow of the herd who mourns so long when her calf is taken away. The mother in her is stronger, more enduring, than in any of the other 18 in the barn. In my own cow it is hardly more than blind principle, hardly advanced beyond the oak tree's feeling for its acorns, or the amoeba's for its divided self.—Dallas Lore Sharp in the Atlantic Monthly.

"Siphon" Sisson.

Thomas Upton Sisson, member of congress from the Fourth district of Alabama, is destined to go down in history as the siphon bottle statesman. Which is an unfortunate fate.

When the California-Japanese imbroglio was at height Mr. Sisson delivered an impassioned anti-Japanese speech on the floor of the house.

"If we must have war," he declared, "or submit to this indignity, I am for war."

Later, in the tariff debate, Representative Johnson of Washington, reproving him for this speech, called attention to the fact that Mr. Sisson had voted last year against a battleship program, and then he referred to the southerner as "the sizzling siphon from the Mississippi, Mr. Sisson."

If that doesn't sound like a siphon bottle, what does? The resemblance caught the fancy of the cloakroom congressional bidders, and they are ringing the changes on it whenever Mr. Sisson happens along.

New Bed of Scallops.

The demand for sea food is a persistent and an increasing one, so much so that in some lines the supply is threatening with extinction. This is particularly true of the lobster, which is every year becoming scarcer and consequently dearer, and even the succulent clam is not found in its former abundance in those haunts to which it once gave fame. But the scallop is a good substitute, and the report just made to the secretary of commerce that a bed of the giant variety, thirty miles wide and extending from Rhode Island to the Virginia capes, has been found, is very reassuring. The common kind are plenty enough, but they are only half as large as the giant variety, and not accounted so great a delicacy. This new source of supply is regarded as practically inexhaustible, and it is not likely to have an immediately lowering effect upon the price of a hotel order.

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

THE SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.

M. E. Missionary—Mrs. F. V. Mills. Bachelor Maids—Anna Clark. Euterpean Club—Miss Bess Congleton.

The second of the series of autumnal parties given this week by Mesdames L. A. Holthouse and Dr. E. G. Coverdale at the home of the latter, was the 6 o'clock dinner and five hundred party of last evening. The Coverdale home, with its warmth and light, and the red glow of the autumnal foliage and berries, was a cheery place in contrast to the gloom without. Tables for forty guests were provided and during the dinner hours from six to eight, Tony Holthouse, violinist, and Ralph Moser, pianist, dispensed very good music, both being musicians of rare ability. The appointments of the dinner were charming and the menu carried out the color scheme of yellow and brown. In the games which followed, the first prize was won by Mrs. W. A. Kuebler and the second by Mrs. Fred Heuer. After the games punch was served. The warm red of the bittersweet combined with the glossy green foliage, the red-haw berries with their branches, were used effectively in decorating the parlor, twined about the lights and outlining the doorways, while the goldenrod filled large pots in the library and living room. Out of town guests were Mrs. Dick Townsend of Kansas City and Mrs. Fred Bell of Elwood.

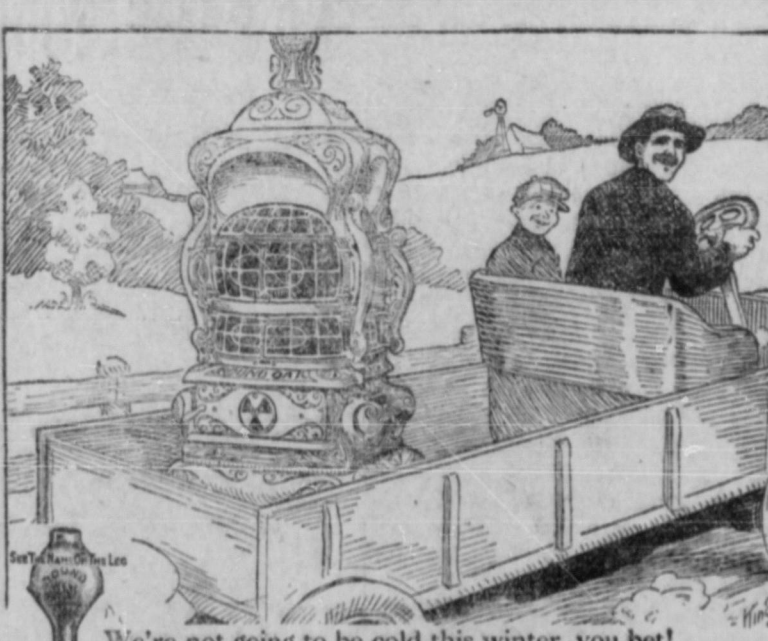
Mrs. Burt Mangold entertained twenty members of the Christian Ladies' Aid society yesterday afternoon, when the usual routine of business, succeeded by the social period, was gone through with.

With the fire places lighted and sending forth a mellow warmth, the Dugan home yesterday afternoon was a cheery place, in spite of the gloom without, for the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid, which is reviving its work after the summer vacation. Suggestion was made that Christmas time is not so very far distant, and the plans were outlined for conducting the annual bazaar the second week in December. The work was divided and apportioned and the bazaar will be made a much larger affair this year than last. The meeting lengthened into a delightful social and afternoon tea was served. The attendance was very large.

Mrs. Eva K. Fickes, who returned to New Haven today after addressing the W. C. T. U. last evening, was a guest over night of Mrs. B. J. Rice.

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