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While this is an off year in Indiana politics, it promises to be a busy one, for candidates are being sprung each day. Men are being groomed for the various nominations on the republican and democratic tickets and the first primary promises to be a very interesting and exciting affair.

Spring is here. According to the calendar it arrived yesterday, though the day was one that very much resembled grey November and the snow today does not particularly make one think of going for May flowers. But why find fault? The winter has been ideal, spring is here and if we smile and work on, everything will come right, and we will be happier.

We acknowledge the receipt of a letter from Mr. Arend Visscher, president of the Holland-St. Louis Sugar company, in which he shows his appreciation for an editorial recently published and concluding says: "I sincerely hope and confidently believe that your greatest expectation as to the importance of this industry to your thriving city will be more than realized." We hope and believe so, too, and will feel sure of it if our people will pull long and strong together.

We join the members of his congregation and the hundreds of others of this community who deeply regret the intended departure from this locality of Rev. Hessert, the beloved pastor of the Reformed church of Decatur. Dunning his stay here, we have learned to respect and admire him for his many splendid qualities, his manliness in all things, his devotion to duty. He will succeed in his new field, for he is the kind of a man who succeeds, a conscientious, industrious, resourceful leader, and we wish him well.

Starting the fifth and last week of the Honeywell revival in this city, every effort to make it the biggest of all in every way will be made. It is not likely that any person in the county now doubts the success of this big meeting, nor are there many that will not admit that the good accomplished has been even greater than was hoped for. Hundreds of men, women and children have given their sincere promise to live better and cleaner lives. Rev. Honeywell and his party of able assistants, and the local leaders have done well and deserve due praise. Men may speak lightly of soul-saving, may jeer at the subject eternally, but just the same when the hour comes for them to step off into the great

and unknown future they realize, sometimes too late, the solemn and serious query, "Where am I going?" It is well that in this busy, hustling chase for dollars, in the rush of society and the search for pleasures, we are called to a halt occasionally and made to think seriously of the future. The closing week of the campaign should and will be a success. Will you do your part?

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### NYDIA'S LOVE SONG.

The wind and the beam loved the rose,  
And the rose loved me.  
For who rocks the wind where it blows,  
Or loves not the sun?

None knew where the humble wind stole,  
Poor sport of the skies.  
None dreamt that the wind had a soul  
In its mournful sighs.

Oh, happy beam! How canst thou prove  
That bright love of thine?

In thy light is the proof of thy love,  
Thou hast but—to shine!

How its love can the wind reveal?  
Unwelcome its sigh:  
Mute—mute to its rose let it steal—  
Its proof is—to die.

—Edward Bulwer-Lytton.

The Indianapolis Star says: "Delegates and many visitors have come from all parts of Indiana for the annual state convention of Kappa Kappa Kappa, in session at the Claypool hotel. The chief social feature of Friday was the dance, given in the Henry IV ball room of the hotel in the evening. The brightly lighted room presented a gay appearance with the many young women in their attractive costumes, and the dance program included many of the new features of the season. P. L. Montani's orchestra played the latest melodies for the dances, as well as a program of music in between. The delegates and more than 250 visiting members of the sorority with their escorts attended the dance, which was preceded by a dinner party given by the members of the Greenfield chapter in honor of their initiates at the Hotel English. The afternoon session was given over to the model initiation, conducted by the chapter. This morning and afternoon there will be business sessions, the latter being the annual election of officers and selection of the winner of the Tri Kappa scholarship. This sorority supports a \$470 scholarship by which it has sent girls to Indiana university and the Indiana State Normal school. At 5 o'clock this evening there will be a banquet at the Claypool hotel, followed by a theater party at English's." Miss Frances Cole was the delegate in attendance from the local sorority.

At Coronado Beach are Mrs. Burton Niblick, Miss Hattie Studabaker, Mrs. E. S. Morrison and Mrs. Frank Schirmeyer of Decatur. Mrs. S. W. Vesey and Mrs. A. J. Vesey of Fort Wayne, who have been there for some weeks, left for home a few days ago. The others will go back about April 1.—Indianapolis Star.

Mrs. P. J. Cushman of Terre Haute returned home today after a visit here with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Grimes.

For the first time in thirteen years—since the death of their father—the children of Mrs. Katharine Thompson were all together yesterday with her. The occasion was her seventy-second

birthday anniversary and this was celebrated at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. R. Dorwin, on First street. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pittenger of Dennison, Ohio, and twenty-four others were the guests and the day was one long to be remembered. The sons, C. A. Thompson, of Lincoln, Neb., and E. K. Thompson of Van Wert, Ohio, and the daughters, Frayne Thompson, of Calgary, Canada, as well as the daughters, Mrs. J. A. Hendricks of Monroe and Mrs. W. R. Dorwin, of this city, completed the circle of the children.

Mrs. Belle Lichtensteiger and daughters, Dorothy and Lucile, of Wren, Ohio, were over-Sunday guests of her sister, Mrs. Oliver Johnson, south of the city, and also attended the tabernacle services. In the afternoon other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller and children, Rowena, Kenneth and Ruth, of Preble, and Mrs. Fern Feigart of this city.

Bernice and Howard Beery of Pleasant Mills were over-Sunday guests of their aunt, Mrs. C. H. Colter.

Mrs. Chester Johnson of Gary is the guest of the C. E. Hocker family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Edwards and daughter of Leipsic, Ohio, spent the week-end with the John Niblick family. Mr. Edwards returned today to Leipsic but Mrs. Edwards and babe will remain for a week.

## DRAWN TO CLOSE

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) later branched out into general building and contracting. He was an artist in his line of work and many fine buildings, not only in this state, but others, are standing as a memorial to his ambition, enterprise and integrity. Among the many buildings he made are fine school houses at Lynn, two at Newcastle, Bryant, Fountain City, Murray, Garrett, Coesee, Ind.; Oxford, Ohio, and many in Adams county and other places. The Presbyterian church at Ossian was built by him. Among the churches completed this season was the Six Mile Christian church near Bluffton. The People's Loan & Trust company's fine building in this city was also completed this season by Mr. Hoffman.

Mr. Hoffman was well liked by all who knew him and his friends number those in every city and county where his work has taken him. He was extremely kind to all, and in fact did many things for others, at a self-sacrifice to himself.

He had been a resident of this county since 1872, when he came to this city and made his home with a sister. February 14, 1873, he was united in marriage with Miss Katharine Lehman, of Wayne county, O., with whom he had been acquainted many years, their marriage taking place at Linn Grove, this county. They made their home at Linn Grove until fifteen years ago, when they came to this city.

As a husband and father he was very affectionate and kind and proved to be an ideal man in all ways. His death falls as a heavy bereavement for the wife and the following children: Mrs. Eugene Runyon, Decatur; Mrs. L. C. Vanderlip, Elkhart; Oscar and Wesley Hoffman, Decatur; Grover Hoffman, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Walter Plew, Gary; Edna and Hope Hoffman, this city.

There are three brothers and two sisters living. They are: Peter Hoffman, Holmesville, Ohio; Adam and Constant Hoffman, Orville, Ohio; Louise Meyers, Holmesville, Ohio; Mrs. Frederick Wertner, Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. Hoffman had been a member of the Evangelical church forty-two years and was active in the duties of all its departments and financially as well as spiritually.

He was a great lover of the beauties of nature, and all its creatures, as well as the other fine things of life. Flowers were his delight, and birds, also, and every winter flocks of birds came to the home to be fed by him, the feathered friends recognizing and learning to love him.

He was a man of very exemplary character and his death is a loss to the community as well as to the immediate family.

## TWO OPERATIONS TODAY.

Drs. Clarks and McOscar performed two operations at the Decatur hospital this morning. Mrs. M. J. Welker of Tenth and Madison streets was operated upon for appendicitis and complications, and Mrs. Celia Zeser for appendicitis and peritonitis. Both are recovering splendidly. Miss Josephine Krick is nurse for Mrs. Zeser and Miss Florence Leahy for Mrs. Welker.

LOST—Top part of a music rack, between the Fledderjohanna residence on North Second street and Central school building. Finder will please return to this office. 581t.

## PLEADS GUILTY ITALY WILL JOIN

"Ma" Schlegel Acknowledges Grand Jury Charge—Fined \$25.

## A JAIL SENTENCE

Of Ninety Days Suspended as Long as She Behaves Herself.

Mattie Schlegel, of North First street, who was indicted on the charge of conducting a house of ill fame in this city, was to have had her trial in the circuit court Thursday of this week. "Ma" Schlegel entered a plea of "guilty" this morning, however, and the trial will not come off, much to the gratification of many men who no doubt have been trembling in their boots for fear of any disclosures that might be made at that time. "Ma" was given a fine of \$25 and costs, which was added ninety days in jail. The jail sentence was suspended, however, and "Ma" will be given her liberty as long as she behaves herself. The clerk was ordered to turn over to her the cash bond which she put up at the time of her arrest for her appearance in court to answer the charge.

## SELLS TO PARTNER

L. F. Schroeder Sells Interest in the Republic Stock Food Company

## TO O. F. KOENEMANN

Deal Was Closed Late This Afternoon—Will Operate the Business.

A business deal whereby L. F. Schroeder, organizer and president of the Republic Stock Food and Medical company of this city, sold his entire interest to his partner, Otto K. Koenemann, was closed late this afternoon and Mr. Koenemann at once assumed all responsibility of the firm.

Mr. Schroeder organized the Republic Stock Food and Medical company in this city a year ago last June. Last December Mr. Koenemann became a partner in the business and since that time the company has been doing a flourishing business, the remedies which they manufacture proving a great success. Mr. Schroeder has not yet decided what he will do in the future, but intends to visit with friends and relatives in Ohio. Mr. Koenemann, present owner of the company, will still push the business of the concern and will be located on Eleventh street.

## A VERITABLE FAIRY STORY

Nine years ago John Hunt, a well known farmer residing a mile and one half east of this city became afflicted with severe shooting pains in his feet and legs. Leading authorities to whom he went for treatment, described the cause as rheumatism and treated him for that trouble. No relief was secured however and the trouble developed more and more until his limbs from the hips down were practically dead. Mr. Hunt had no control whatever over his legs, could not walk even with crutches for fear of his feet flying around, knocking the crutches from under him and throwing him down. A red hot iron could have been forced through the leg and the patient would not have felt it, so dead were the extremities. At night however, the muscles which were slowly wasting away would make their complaint for nourishment and would cause Mr. Hunt to sit up all night. Having attempted to get relief from all sources, Mr. Hunt finally decided to try chiropractic and summoned Mr. A. S. Ambaugh on the 29th day of January. Two weeks from that time Mr. Hunt was able to walk to the barn with only the assistance of a cane and yesterday before a representative of the Democrat, Mr. Hunt walked about the home without assistance of any kind. Feeling has returned, the legs are developing nicely and Mr. Hunt considers that a miracle has been accomplished.

PIANO TUNING—High class work, strictly guaranteed. Orders left at Gay, Zwick & Myers will receive prompt attention.—Harry Sawyer, Ft. Wayne, Ind. 240m-tf

With Allies Within Short Time is Story Told by a U. P. Correspondent.

## FT. PRZEMYSL FALLS

After Continuous Siege of Six Months—Russians Celebrating Victory.

Petrograd, March 22—(Special to Daily Democrat)—It was officially announced here today that the fortress Przemyśl has fallen into the hands of the Russians after a continuous siege since September 20. The Austrians were in great distress from disease and hunger. While the Russians engaged in a big demonstration here there was a thanksgiving service at the army headquarters, attended by the czar and his staff. The fortress, it is claimed, has fallen at a crucial moment, and is the greatest blow the allies have struck since they checked the Germans last autumn.

Petrograd, March 22—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The fortress of Przemyśl has fallen the war office announced today.

By Wm. Simms, U. P. correspondent (copyright 1915 U. P.)—Paris, March 22—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Italy's entrance into the war within six weeks is now practically a certainty. Only unexpected developments can interfere with the carrying out of the program which is obviously fixed and of which the entire nation is fully cognizant. I have just returned from Italy. I visited Genoa, Rome and other cities going as far south of Naples. I have talked with government officials, military and naval authorities and men in all walks of life. They assured me that the crisis has come and that Italy is about to plunge into the war on the side of the allies. All the Italian forts are crowded with incoming men of military age. Genoa and Naples are beehives of youths from the United States and South America, recalled to the army. Every where troops are drilling. The whole country reminds one of a great picture show with whole armies drilling across the screen and the operator back in his box speeding the film. I spent the afternoon at the drill ground at Ventimiglia the Italian frontier fortress town, eighteen miles northeast of Nice, watching a regiment of Bersaglieri men, young, husky and smiling. They were being drilled in squads, companies, battalions and regiments, always at about 120 steps to the minute, which practically amounted to double quick time. "Your men seem to be fit and well trained" I remarked to a drill captain. "They have been drilling this way for three weeks" he replied, then significantly "they'll be ready for the field in two weeks." He drilled the men in the same strenuous fashion that a trainer prepares a prize fighter for championship bout. He sent them through their paces at a fast and furious clip, allowing only ten minutes for rest. Some of the men's headgear was covered with the same grayish cotton material as their uniforms. They were ready for the last detail. The last impression one gained in Italy is that Italy will be forced shortly to abandon all the thoughts of war or else to declare war.

## SPEAKER CLARK ESCAPED.

Jackson, Miss., Mar. 22—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Speaker Clark and his daughter, Miss Genevieve, narrowly escaped with their lives this morning, when the Lynn Haven hotel at Pass Christian, where they were stopping, was destroyed by fire. Both the speaker and his daughter escaped in night clothes, aided by the firemen. The loss was \$50,000.

## THE "FEES" ARE BROKE.

Indianapolis, Ind., Mar. 22—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The Indianapolis Federal base ball club was declared insolvent in a complaint filed in superior court here today by Pliny W. Bartholomew, formerly a superior court judge and a stockholder in the club. He alleges an indebtedness of \$75,000 and says no dividends were paid on the \$60,000 worth of stock.

## HAPPY WEDDING.

Ira Smith and Esther Straub, a well known couple, were married with impressive ceremony, much festivity and many witnesses, Saturday evening at 4 o'clock by 'Squire Kintz, at the office of that magistrate. The groom is a son of Mrs. George Syphers and the bride is a daughter of Charles Straub, the well known barber.

## INMATE IS DEAD THE COURT NEWS

Done Boegdall, 70, Died at County Infirmary Sunday Afternoon.

## FUNERAL TUESDAY

Had Been at Infirmary Since June, 1912—No Relatives in This Country.

The death of Done Boegdall, an inmate of the county infirmary since June 27, 1912, occurred Sunday afternoon at about one o'clock, as a result of complications and old age. Mr. Boegdall had been sick for a number of years. Before he entered the county infirmary he made his home in and near Berne. He was born in Germany and did not have any relatives in this country. The funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the infirmary chapel, the Rev. L. C. Hessert officiating. Burial will be made in the poor farm cemetery.

## UNION PRAYER MEETINGS.

Cottage Prayer Meetings for Tuesday, March 23.

## First Ward.

District No. 1, Section A—Mrs. Russell, Grant street. Leader, Mrs. Tester.

District No. 1, Section B—Mrs. Ed Macey, Russell street. Leader, Rev. Rilling.

District No. 2, Section A—Mrs. S. Sheets, Cleveland street. Leader, Mr. Bibson.

District No. 3, Section A—Mrs. F. Linn, Mercer avenue. Leader, Mrs. H. Krick.

District No. 3, Section B—Mrs. R. D. Myers, Winchester street. Leader, Mrs. E. B. Kern.

District No. 3, Section C—Mrs. Long, Line street. Leader, Mrs. Rogers.

## Second Ward.

District No. 1, Section A—Mrs. Pennington, South First street. Leader, Mrs. Charles Colter.

District No. 1, Section B—Mrs. Moltz, Fourth street. Leader, Mrs. Stephenson.

District No. 2, Section A—Mrs. Beach, 616 Adams street. Leader, Mrs. J. Buhler.

District No. 2, Section B—Mrs. Newt Parrish, South Sixth street. Leader, Mrs. McCombe.

District No. 3, Section A—Mrs. George Chronister, corner Jefferson and Ninth street. Leader, Mrs. Clasc.

District No. 3, Section B—Mrs. Levi Poling, 133 South Eleventh street. Leader, Rev. Harman.

District No. 3, Section C—Mrs. F. Snyder, West Monroe street. Leader, Miss Mallonee.

District No. 3, Section D—Mrs. George Krick, West Elm street. Leader, Mr. Green Burkhead.

## Third Ward.

District No. 1, Section A—Mrs. L. F. Mumma, North Eleventh street. Leader, Mrs. A. C. Ball.

District No. 1, Section B—Mrs. Harve Smith, Leader, Mrs. F. Martz.

District No. 2, Section A—Mrs. D. Hunsicker, Nuttman avenue. Leader, Mrs. J. Houk.

District No. 2, Section B—Mrs. Calow, corner Fourth and Jackson streets. Leader, Mrs. Robert Case.

District No. 3, Section A—Mrs. Jno. Falk, North Second street. Leader, Rev. Hanna.

District No. 3, Section B—Mrs. Thomas Elzey, 526 Indiana street. Leader, Mrs. F. Kern.

## REV. STEVENS CLOSSES.

Bluffton, Ind., Mar. 22—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Evangelist Stevens closed a five weeks' campaign at the tabernacle here last night. About 500 conversions is the result. The collection was \$1,740, which, with several contributions to be made today, it is believed will reach \$2,000. The collection given Bob Jones a year ago, was \$1,700.

## FOR RENT—House on Madison

street. Only two blocks from the court house. Call 'phone 228 or inquire at this office. 551t

## ERWIN'S OFFICE.

Seven room house on Elm street and one on Adams. Small payment cash. ERWIN & MICHAUD.

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A. D. Suttles.

Earl Thraillkill on Trial for Assault and Battery With Intent to Kill.

## CLAIMS SELF-DEFENSE

Alleges Grocer at Whom He Shot Insulted His Wife—Jury Trial.

Earl Thraillkill, of Pleasant Mills, who was charged by George Davis, the Pleasant Mills grocer, with assault and battery with intent to kill, was placed on trial this morning in the circuit court, before Judge D. E. Smith and a jury. The trial will probably consume the entire week. The affair occurred March 10, in Davis' store. Thraillkill had first entered a plea of unsoundness of mind, this morning, but this was withdrawn and he will allege that he shot at Davis in self-defense. The state alleges that the defendant went to the store and wanted credit for unloading coal and was refused, whereupon he threatened to kill Davis and then shot at him. The defense is bringing out the point that Thraillkill owed \$6.80; that his wife went there that morning to credit and that Davis insulted her, whereupon Thraillkill went over and after some words was ordered out, with a threat of killing made by Davis. That Davis struck at him with a chair and that he shot in self-defense. D. B. Erwin is assisting prosecutor Fred Fruchte, while L. C. B. Voss and R. C. Parrish are conducting the defense. The following jurors are hearing the case: John W. Heller, Martin Bleeke, Henry Fausman, John Wolpert, George M. T. Houk, John W. Burris, Carl Adler, T. Haecker, Ferd Peoples, William Breiner, John Waggoner.

The case of Amanda F. Hamrick vs. Warren Hamrick, to collect a judgment for alimony, was venued to the Wells circuit court, and fifteen days given to perfect the change.

Real estate transfers: United States patent deed to David Sewell, 39 acres, Washington tp.; John F. Boer to Joshua A. Harmon, lot 4, Pleasant Mills, \$300; John T. Ault et al. to Ray Duff, real estate in Jefferson tp., \$1; Trustees of the M. R. E. cemetery to Abraham Schick, lot 256, L. R. E. cemetery, \$12.50; Jacob D. Hendricks to Mary A. Hendricks, 9 acres, Washington tp., \$9,500.

The final report of J. D. Brown, guardian of Lucy Brown, was approved and the guardian discharged.

Upon petition of the mother of the wards for an allowance for their support, Rudolph Schug, guardian of Jesse Ellenberger et al., was ordered to pay the mother, Della Ellenberger, the sum of \$259, and also \$40 a month from this date until further order.

## TABERNACLE FOR SALE.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received for the material in the tabernacle building, up to Saturday, March 20, at the office of C. J. Lutz. Nothing reserved but the light fixtures, furnaces and lower windows. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. Information may be obtained from C. J. Lutz, A. R. Bell or A. H. Setlemeyer.

616 C. J. LUTZ, Chairman.

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