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## INDUSTRIAL

### AMERICA:—

At the outbreak of the European war a clever American financial publicist, Herbert N. Casson, was living in London. He is a close observer of current events and makes some striking observations in the course of a letter to his old friend, E. St. Elmo Lewis, of the Art Metal Construction Company. This letter is such a short and pithy commentary on business conditions of the United States that it is well worth quoting. Here it is:

As I have been residing in London since the beginning of the war, I have been hearing the question asked on all sides. I have never heard any satisfactory answer. No one seems to know.

Why are the American factories not running night and day? Why are the railroads not opening up new territories and getting ready for the millions of immigrants who have already made up their minds to leave Europe as soon as the war is over?

Why are there not fifty American drummers in London right now trying to sell \$200,000,000 worth of American goods in place of the goods that were bought last year from Germany and Austria?

Why have advertisers become quitters, just at the time when their advertisements were most needed and most effective in cheering on the business forces of the United States?

From the European point of view, the United States is a haven of peace and security and prosperity. It has no troubles that it dares to mention to Belgium or Austria or France or Germany or Serbia or Great Britain or Russia.

Every tenth Briton has enlisted. Every tenth Frenchman is at the front. Every tenth Belgian is dead. What does the United States know about trouble?

If I could afford it, I would charter the "Mauretania" and "Lusitania" and convey a party of 5,000 American advertisers to Europe for a trip of education. I would give them a week in London, a week in Paris and a week in Antwerp.

I would let them look at the United States from the scene of war. I would give them a look at real trouble. I would let them see trains, ten at a

time, five minutes apart, packed with the maimed and dying.

I would let them hear, from fragmentary survivors, the incredible story of battlefields 150 miles wide and armies that are greater than the entire population of Texas.

I would let them see graves 100 yards long and full, and Belgium, the country that was, nothing now but 12,000 square miles of wreckage.

Then, when they began to understand, to some slight extent, the magnitude and awfulness of this war, I would say to them:

"Now go back and appreciate the United States, realize your opportunities. Don't start digging trenches when nobody is firing at you. Don't fall down when you have not been hit. Don't be blind to the most glorious chance you have ever had in your life."

"Go back and advertise. Get ready for the most tremendous boom that any nation ever had. Build factories bigger. Train more salesmen. Borrow more money. Go ahead and thank God you are alive and that your family is alive, and that you are living in a land that is at peace, at a time when nearly the whole world is at war."

The democrats of Indiana will open a campaign at once to off-set the organization work the republicans have been doing for several months. The state workers met last Saturday and a meeting of the committee will be held next Saturday to complete the plans. The campaign of 1916 will be one of the warm ones.

The young people are circulating petitions to the council, asking for a revision of the ordinance forbidding skating, and the request seems fair enough. Suppose the signers include the owners and residents along certain blocks in the city, we cannot see where anybody's rights would be much abused by granting the children the privilege they ask, at certain hours and so long as they properly conduct themselves.

Receiver Ross has withdrawn his petition to remove the Clover Leaf terminal from Delphos here and the Delphos papers are worried for fear that means that Decatur citizens are to be given a "shake-down." So far as can be discerned from this end of the line there is nothing very serious about this action. The court probably wants some definite proposition from Decatur, rather than the opinion of the receiver, and it is expected that there will be something doing soon on the plan. Decatur is willing to be shaken down if the results are worth the shaking, and we believe they will be.

The standpat republicans now in control in Ohio and New York are conducting affairs in a high-handed method and they will find that the people will not stand for such administrations any more than a few years ago when the greatest revolt ever known tore the republican party asunder. Now the same element which caused that disruption is doing the same things they did then and they will have more to do with the defeat of the republicans next year than will all the orators the democrats send out. The people are not easily fooled in this day and age. The love feasts of the republicans now will prove a case of "counting the chickens before they are hatched," and they may not be so gloriously happy after the votes are really counted.

## CARD OF THANKS

In this manner we wish to thank our neighbors and friends for the kindness extended to us during the illness and death of our dear husband and father, who was so kind and true, we also thank the Bobo school in their kindness of getting some beautiful flowers.

MRS. HEATH & CHILDREN.

## POCAHONTAS NOTICE.

All members of the Pocahontas council are requested to be present Wednesday evening when the matter of changing the meeting night will be discussed.

FOR SALE—White Plymouth Rock eggs from choice matings; 4 cents each.—Vincent Forbing, Decatur R. R. No. 6.

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.  
Tri Kappas—Fanny Frisinger.  
Afternoon Club—Mrs. J. H. Bremer-kamp (evening meeting).  
Y. P. C. U.—Bertha Drummond.  
S. S. Class—Mrs. Dan Sprang.  
W. C. T. U.—Mrs. John Niblick.  
Historical—Mrs. Amos Gillig.  
Loyal Men's Class—John Christen.  
Wednesday.  
German Reformed Ladies' Aid—Mrs. Henry Mayer.  
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Shakespeare—Mrs. F. H. Hubbard.  
Wednesday Afternoon Five Hundred—Mrs. Frank Barthol.  
Bachelor Maids—Miss Bess Tonneller.

Thursday.  
Poinsettia—Letta Fullenkamp.  
Queen Esther's—Nola Snyder.  
Y. P. A.—Mrs. Fred Linn.  
Baptist Aid—Mrs. C. E. Bell.  
Evangelical Aid—Mrs. M. E. Johnson.  
Euterpean—Mrs. Fred Patterson.  
Friday.  
D. Y. B.—Chester Imler.

The Footpath.  
Ah, here it is! The sliding rail that marks the old remembered spot:  
The gap that struck our school-boy trail  
The crooked path across the lot.

It left the road by school and church.  
A penciled shadow, nothing more.  
That parted from the silver birch  
And ended at the farmhouse door.

No line or compass traced its plan:  
With frequent bends to left or right,  
In aimless, wayward curves it ran.  
But always kept the door in sight.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Miss Neola Moyer of this city will be graduated May 5 from the Hope hospital, Fort Wayne. The commencement exercises will be held in the auditorium of the high school and manual training school on the evening of May 5. Eleven nurses will be graduated. The list is as follows: Miss Edith Neidig, Bourbon; Miss Mabel Pittman, Van Wert, O.; Miss Laura Kreigh, Ossian, O.; Miss Mary Leiter, Warsaw; Miss Frieda Fisher, Kendallville; Miss Margaret Mash, Bluffton; Miss Ruth Masterson, Bluffton; Miss Lillian Jenkins, London, Ontario; Miss Mabel Haley, London, Ontario; Miss Neola Moyer, Decatur, and Miss Lula Wolfson, Ada, O. Members of the city school board have granted the nurses permission to hold the graduation exercises at the school building. The arrangements for a program are now being made, but will not be announced until a later date by the committee in charge.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Rex were Mrs. Henry Waggoner and children, Isabelle and Luther, of Pierceton, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sphar and daughter, Ruth; Mrs. Frank C. Ulmer of Bluffton and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Melhls, all of which spent a very pleasant day with their father and mother.

Mrs. C. E. Bell was in charge of the high school girls' Bible club at the Baptist church yesterday afternoon. A review of the previous lessons was taken and the study of the seventh chapter of John continued. The girls are planning to hold a social soon.

Another fine meeting of the Young Women's Bible class was held last evening, the same being at the public library. There are now ninety-four members enrolled. Mrs. Emma Daniels is leader, and ten more of the prophecies fulfilled by the coming of Christ, were studied last evening. Fine letters from Mrs. J. M. McCombe of the Honeywell evangelistic party, who inaugurated the club, were read. These letters expressed her appreciation of the gifts sent her last week.

A Findlay (O.) paper tells of a social affair given for Mrs. Vinnie Cutting Lyon LaRue, formerly of this city: "Fifteen of the telephone operators and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph LaRue and Mr. A. Graf arranged a delightful surprise for Mrs. Curtis LaRue and assisted in celebrating her birthday anniversary. The shower of cut glass and china was very much appreciated by Mrs. LaRue. The evening was featured by a social season and at a late hour Miss Pearl Lyon and Miss Adeline Graf served an elegant two-course luncheon."

Miss Letta Fullenkamp has invited the Poinsettia club girls to be her guests Thursday evening.

The Sunday school class of Rev. J. H. Rilling will meet this evening at 7:30 at the Evangelical parsonage for the purpose of organizing the

class. It is desired that all members be present. Friends of the class are invited to enjoy the social hour.—Committee.

The German Reformed Ladies' Aid society will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. Henry Mayer.

The Tri Kappas will meet this evening with Miss Fanny Frisinger.

On account of the measles in the Howard Sikes home, the Baptist Ladies' Aid society will meet instead with Mrs. C. E. Bell Thursday afternoon.

## IN "FEDERAL ROW"

An Even Hundred Terre Haute Politicians Occupying Cells Today.

### MAYOR DON ROBERTS

Placed in Cell Next to the Famous Terre Haute Flat-iron Murderer.

Indianapolis, April 13.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—An even hundred Terre Haute conspirators were in jail today occupying cells in "federal row." Among them was Mayor Don Roberts who drew a sentence of six years in Leavenworth and a fine of \$2,000. Roberts occupied a cell next to Vernie Alphonse Lewis, the Terre Haute flat-iron murderer who killed a mother and three children. There seemed little likelihood today that Roberts and others could provide bonds unless assisted again by Taggart who indemnified Roberts \$10,000 bond when he was indicted. L. P. Brunig representing the National Surety Co., which was indemnified by the national committee men said today it would be extremely difficult to provide bond because some one would have to make a deposit to cover a portion of the recent trial, the cost of a trial in the court of appeals, and in Roberts case, a fine of \$2,000. Roberts was not as forlorn today as previously and when he was served bread, molasses and black coffee, he did not produce a lump of sugar. George Kintz, sentenced to serve three months in jail, was admitted to jail today. When he tried to get in last night the jailer refused to admit him because he did not have proper papers.

Maurice Walsh, who obtained a fifteen-hundred-dollar campaign contribution from Crawford Fairbanks, told Judge Anderson he would not appeal. The court then allowed Walsh his freedom until Sunday on his promise that he would leave Terre Haute for Leavenworth Sunday. This is the fifth man Judge Anderson has allowed to go to Leavenworth unaccompanied. Walsh's action came as a surprise as he was credited as being the man closest to Fairbanks and was expected to appeal. Plans for the special train were held up temporarily today.

### PARTIAL TO PORT WINE.

New York, N. Y., April 13.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—For a professed, casual tourist, enjoying himself by traveling, Victoriano Huerta, former dictator of Mexico, was exceedingly busy today studying the Mexican situation. This at least was the declaration of Abraham Ratner, his business associate, and a member of his party. Carefully guarded by hall men, bell boys, Ratner and a private secretary, Huerta remained in his room at his hotel. Ratner said he was swamped by correspondence, but that he will discuss the affairs of Mexico at great length Friday morning. Three burly ice men, lugging and straining under the burden, bore a great cake of ice to the door of his suite today while a waiter led with a tray of oversized whiskey glasses. Ratner explained that Huerta was confining himself to Port wine before the question had been asked. The correspondence, according to Ratner, is entirely from the United States.

### FIRE CAUSES PANIC.

Chicago, Ill., April 13.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Fire of unknown origin starting shortly after 7 o'clock in the annex of the Chicago state asylum for the insane, burned the two-story building to the ground and caused a panic among the 200 patients. It is not known whether all escaped.

### WILL START DANCES.

Fred Schurger, the well known dancing teacher of this city, will start Friday evening with having his weekly dances and also give lessons. The dancing lessons will be given at 7:30 o'clock and at 8:45 the social dance will begin. Everybody is invited.

## CRUEL HUSBAND

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ler. Cruel and inhuman treatment is also the gist of her complaint. They were married August 25, 1895, and lived together until March 10, 1910. They have three children—Homer W., aged 14; Leah R., aged 10; B. M. R., aged 7. She asks for the custody of the two younger children, and for \$1,000 alimony. That her husband used profane and vulgar language; that he was possessed of a violent temper; that he was jealous of her and accused her of intimacy with other men; that he threatened violent injury to her; said he hated and despised the sight of her; said he was "making it hot for her, would make it hotter, and see if he couldn't make it so hot she couldn't stand it;" are some of the charges she makes against her husband. She says that he once made her go to the barn at night carrying a lantern before him while he followed and carried a loaded gun. She says he said it made him mad to see her cry. On one occasion he threw the washing machine out and picked up the wash boiler filled with clothes and said he would throw them out of the house. On that occasion, she says, while he was angry, he said he would tie her in the buggy and take her to his father's house. Speaking of the custody of their children, she says he pointed at one and said: "There is one you will not get unless there are not enough bullets to shoot."

She says he has threatened violent injury to her, and names several instances.

Mr. Miller is a resident of Jefferson township, and has been a teacher in the county schools, being at this time the county attendance officer.

### ABOUT THE SICK.

Miss Maggie Bennett was operated upon this morning at the Decatur hospital for the removal of a "fatty" tumor from her left side. Dr. C. S. Clark performing the operation. Miss Bennett stood the operation well and was taken to the John Tison home on First street, where she is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hudson and child went to Fort Wayne this morning to call on their daughter, Stella, aged thirteen, who was operated upon Sunday at the Lutheran hospital. The little girl is suffering from the results of pneumonia, a draining of the lungs being necessary. It is believed that she is getting better.

Samuel Yost who has been quite ill of lung trouble and bedfast for many weeks, remains about the same, being still confined to his bed.



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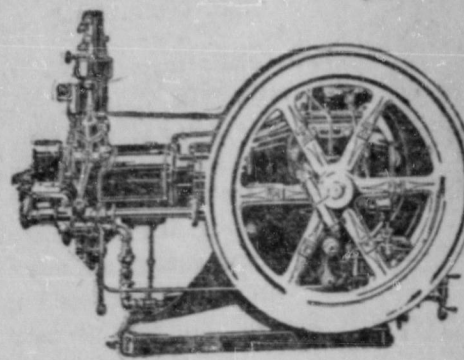
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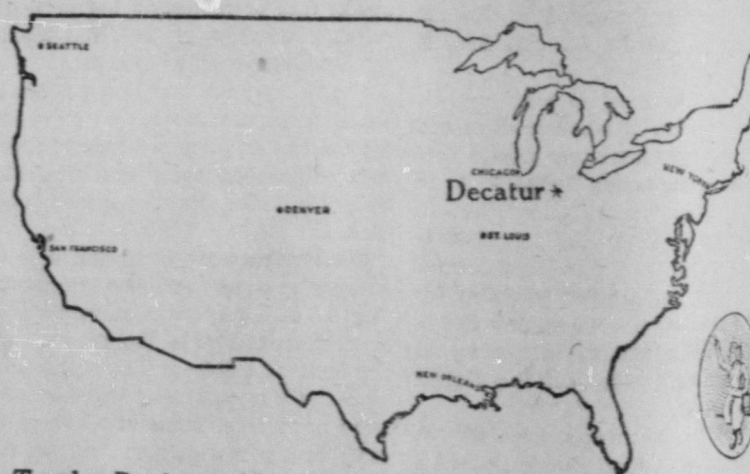
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H. M. GILLIG,  
PRESIDENT.



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