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Bluffton business men say they do not need a directory of the people of that county. Some towns are so slow they don't just know what they need and what they don't need. How a business man gets along without knowing the addresses of the people who would patronize him if invited to do so, is beyond the understanding of most people outside that slumbering and peaceful village.

Every indication at this time is for prosperity. Every financier, every newspaper with the exception of a few partisan papers which prefer hard times to any success that might be attributed to democratic management, are telling of the splendid improvement at this time. This great nation has within six months revived from the terrible effects of a world-wide war and from now on it is going to be easy sailing. The times in this country during the next few years will be the best ever known here. Get ready to get your share. If you don't get it the hustler will.

The Man who built up the United Cigar Stores retired the other day. His name is George J. Whelan; while no statement is made of his wealth, it doubtless runs well up into seven figures. Like all rich men, Mr. Whelan made a statement when he gave up the reins of active business. But, unlike all other rich men, Mr. Whelan substituted horse-sense for hot-air when he gave out this interview: "This company," he said, "was built by the men in it, not by me. I get the credit for it, but I didn't do it. Practically everything in the company—even the auditing system—was invented by somebody else. I simply let them go a head and do it. No man is great. There are no great men and there are few fools. Opportunity is the thing that counts." This statement is distinctly disappointing. Mr. Whelan utterly neglected to tell young men that honesty is the best policy, and that no young man should associate regularly with evil companions. He failed to describe the terrible battle he waged against the wicked wiles of a great city. He didn't even caution them against spending their twelve dollars a week in riotous living. Worst of all, he never even mentioned the fact that virtue is ever rewarded. Mr. Whelan seems to be too blamed human to be trusted with so much money.—Puck.

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DOINGS IN SOCIETY

WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday
Young Women's Bible Club—Central School.
Progressive S. S. Class—Mrs. C. A. Battenberg.
Research Business Meeting—Mrs. J. C. Sutton.
Tuesday
Presbyterian Missionary—Mrs. C. A. Dugan.
Thursday
Baptist Brotherhood—C. E. Bell.
Helping Hand Society—Mrs. John Blencke at Church.
Presbyterian Aid—Mrs. J. C. Patterson.

Friday
Eastern Star Initiation—Masonic

Probably more than one woman who had to march up to the county treasurer's office today, or prior thereto, to pay her taxes, would join quite heartily with the Fort Wayne club women singing their strange song, "Just As Well as He" to the tune of "Coming Through the Rye," as follows:

If a body pays the taxes,
Surely you'll agree,
That a body earns the franchise
Whether he or she.

Refrain.

Every man now has the ballot;
None you know have we,
But we have brains and we can use them,
Just as well as he.

If a city's just a household
And it is they say,
Then every city needs a housecleaning,
Needs it right away.

Every city has its fathers,
Honors them I ween,
But every city must have mothers
That the house be clean.

If a home that has a father
Needs a mother, too,
Then every state that has men voters
Needs its women, too.

Men now make the laws for women,
Kindly, too, at that,
But they often seem as funny
As a man-made hat.

Miss Vera Hunsicker entertained at six o'clock dinner Sunday evening for Miss Jennie Randolph of Piqua, Ohio, and Messrs. Ed Thompson and Owen Davis. The party was a very enjoyable one. Miss Randolph, who has been visiting with her aunt, Mrs. Samuel Doak, will leave Wednesday for her home. Mrs. Doak will accompany her home.

The German Reformed Helping Hand society will meet Thursday afternoon at the church. Mrs. John Blencke will be hostess.

The following program will be given by the Presbyterian Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society at the home of Mrs. C. A. Dugan Tuesday afternoon: Hymn; devotional, Mrs. Julia Moses; business; special music, lesson study, "The Child at Home"; hymn; report of convention at Elkhart; special music; offering; social hour; Mizpah benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cushman, Delbert and Floy Cushman were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Hurst and family at dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sprang were delightful host and hostess yesterday at a family dinner, the event being in honor of Mrs. Sprang's birth anniversary. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vail and daughter, Kathrynne, of Bryan, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Vail and daughters, Lucile and Mrs. Ben Schwartz, of Fort Wayne; Mrs. R. M. Donaldson of Marmaduke, Ark.; Mrs. Mildred Burnette and daughter, Elizabeth, of Spokane, Wash., and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Patterson and son, Junior.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid society will meet Thursday afternoon.

The Baptist Brotherhood will be entertained Thursday by C. E. Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brodbeck entertained at supper Sunday evening for Miss Lydia Miller and Walter Deitsch, of Celina, Ohio.

There will be no meeting of the Afternoon club this week on account of the death of Mrs. Touhey. Mrs. Henry Schulte was to have entertained Tuesday afternoon.

There will be a called meeting of the Eastern Star for initiation at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening when Mrs. E. Tyrill, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Hattie

Blackburn Rockover, Riley, Ohio; and Mrs. L. A. Graham will be initiated. There will be a picnic supper following the initiation. All members should take notice.

Miss Alella Stremple returned to Fort Wayne today noon after attending the silver wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Thieme Sunday. About sixty-five guests joined with them in the festivities of the afternoon and evening which were splendid.

The wedding of Dick Blossom, son of Mrs. Helen Blossom, formerly of this city, now of Fort Wayne, will take place Thursday of this week to Miss Ruth Flick of Fort Wayne. John Wemhoff will be an attendant of the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ross entertained at dinner Sunday for James Ross and family, Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ball and family of this city.

Miss Grace Butler who visited in Fort Wayne Sunday was accompanied home by Miss Juanita Bock who was her guest over night and returned home today.

Mr. and Mrs. James K. Niblick and family entertained Sunday for Miss Kathryn Egley, Berne; Felix Holt-house, Lafayette; Miss Bertha Kolbe, Mr. and Mrs. C. X. Niblick, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Holthouse and children; and the Misses Mary and Amelia Niblick.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gerke and children; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Peoples motored to Fort Wayne Sunday where they were entertained at dinner and supper by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Speckman.

Charles and Miss Tillie Meibers and Miss Frances Treasure had a delightful day at the Meibers cottage at Rome City Sunday.

Miss Ruth Parrish has gone to Chicago for a week's visit. She goes on business and will also be a guest of Miss Hazel Macklin who is a medical student there. Miss Ruth Parrish is in Lafayette on business, and is expected home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ashbacher were entertained at the home of relatives in Bluffton over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blackburn and daughter, Helen; Miss Beatrice Glover and J. P. Gray motored here from Fort Wayne Sunday and were guests of Mrs. Sarah Blackburn and daughter, Nellie, during the day.

Miss Celeste Wemhoff entertained at dinner Sunday for Mrs. Arthur K. Covert, Ft. Wayne; Miss Helen Weber, Indianapolis; the Misses Bess and Rose Tonneller. In the afternoon the Misses Celeste Wemhoff and Bess Tonneller gave a picnic party at the Tonneller home. It was planned to have it in a grove, but the rain changed the scene of the picnic. Besides those named before, members of the party were the Tonneller and Mrs. Mary Wemhoff families, and Messrs. Dick Boch and Theodore Gralliker.

Mrs. Leo Wilhelm entertained Sunday for her nephew, Johnny D. Aber's seventh birthday anniversary. A fine dinner was served and a splendid feature was the birthday cake on which were the name, age and date of the birth of the celebrant. In the afternoon a number of other friends joined the party and there were games, music and a general good time. Those guests at the dinner were the boy's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Mumma and the Misses Josie Mumma, Hilda Kern and Messrs. Walter Fetting, Herman Conway, Clyde Cline and Paul Heinzy of Elkhart. Guests in the afternoon were Grace and Fern Hoenisen, Gladys Eady and Bereneta Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lyman and son, Damien, and Miss Helen Weber returned to Indianapolis after spending the week-end here. Mrs. George Heuser, mother of Mrs. Lyman, returned with them. They motored through.

WINNING HONORS

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of the state. Aside from his political success he has secured a splendid law practice, some idea being given from the fact that at the May session which opens there today, Mr. Robinson is the attorney in forty nine damage cases. His friends here are pleased with his success.

FOR SALE—Two full blooded Jersey male calves; one 6 months old; other, 2 months old. Inquire of Wm. A. Myers, Decatur, R. R. No. 2, Craigville 'phone. 10512.

Early cabbage and tomato plants on sale at Fullenkamps. 10513

GRAVE SITUATION

Sinking of Two American Vessels by Submarines Causes Apprehension.

NORWEGIAN VESSELS

Are Also Sunk—Germans Announce Sweeping Victory in Galacia.

Washington, D. C., May 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The state department this afternoon received its first official notice of the torpedoing of the American tanker Gulsight by the German submarine off Sicily Islands. It was contained in a cable from American Consul Stephens, Plymouth England. "American tank steamer Gulsight torpedoed off Sicily, first instant," said the message. "Captain died of heart failure. Body landed. Two of crew drowned. Thirty-four saved. Vessel afloat. Patrol boats attempting to tow her into Sicily." The state department faced the gravest situation since the European war began. The German embassy, usually prompt to defend acts of the kaiser's land or sea forces, declined to comment concerning bombardment of the American ship Cushing by a German aviator near the Dutch coast last Thursday or the Gulsight attack. Secretary Bryan announced that the state department had forwarded to Berlin the formal account of the attack on the Cushing. The department seemed as much perturbed concerning the Cushing as in the case of the Gulsight. The Cushing's name appeared so plainly on its side and son conspicuous were the marks of its nationality, it was said the attack is particularly hard to excuse. For the torpedoing of the Gulsight on its way to the French port of Rouen with an oil cargo which the Germans were naturally anxious to prevent reaching the enemy, it was felt some excuses might be made—though not for the vessel's destruction under circumstances responsible for the loss of American lives. Concerning the Cushing, it was stated Ambassador Gerard had been directed to request a full investigation to determine whether the aviator's action was approved by the foreign office, and if so, for a German official explanation of its action.

London, May 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—German submarines have sunk two additional neutral vessels according to word reaching the admiralty this evening. The Norwegian steamers Aldwin and Laifa have been torpedoed and sunk in the North sea. It is believed the crews escaped.

Berlin, May 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The German war office today announced a sweeping victory over the Russians in western Galacia. In an additional statement the war office said: "Yesterday the Austro-German forces everywhere pierced and crushed the entire Russian front in western Galacia with heavy losses for the enemy."

Petrograd, May 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—For the first time the Russian war office today admitted that the German expedition toward the Russian Baltic provinces is serious. The Germans are cooperating by land and sea. Detachments of German cavalry supported by an automobile detachment and mounted infantry, are over-running the Shauli region. Patrols of the enemy have been reported near Lipau and a squadron of German torpedo craft is operating along the Russian Baltic coast and has penetrated the Gulf of Riga. Grand Duke Nicholas has sent a strong force of Russians to check the German advance which is believed here to have a double object of cutting off the lines of communication toward Warsaw preliminary to another assault on the Russian positions along the Vistula, and secondly the ravaging of the rich Baltic provinces in retaliation for the Russian raid into East Prussia.

Paris, May 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The Germans are again using their asphyxiating gas in efforts to gain ground west of Ypres. This was declared by the war office today. It was added that the Germans had failed to gain ground by these means.

London, May 2.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—A German Tahoe flow over Dover but was driven cut after inflicting slight damage.

Washington, May 3.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—President Wilson arrived in Washington from Williams-

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EXHIBITION WEEK MAY 10-15



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SCHAUB-DOWLING
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town, Mass., at 9:15 today. He went at once to the White House. He was told at New Haven of the torpedoing off the Sicily Islands, of the American tanker, Gulsight, supposedly by a German submarine, but would not comment on the incident.

DEFENSE SPRINGS SURPRISE.

Syracuse, N. Y., May 2.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—"Boss" Murphy asked William Barnes to help defeat the direct primary bill enacted during Governor Dix's administration, and Barnes said he would "let the democrats pull their own chestnuts out of the fire," according to testimony produced today by the defense in the Barnes-Roosevelt libel suit. The testimony—that of a former newspaper correspondent—was one of the three surprises sprung by the Roosevelt side today. Another correspondent told how Barnes was disgusted with Governor Hughes for favoring the anti-race track bill and that Barnes said he and Hughes could not agree because Hughes cared more for his conscience than for votes. The third surprise was the production by the defense of a big batch of letters between Platt and Barnes to be read this afternoon.

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