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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 manage-  
ment, are telling of the splendid im-  
provement 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 go-  
ing 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. Whe-  
lan made a statement when he gave  
up the reins of active business. But,  
unlike all other rich men, Mr. Whe-  
lan 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 com-  
pany—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. Oppor-  
tunity 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 com-  
panions. 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 so blamed human to be  
trusted with so much money.—Puck.

Early cabbage and tomato plants  
for sale at Fullenkamps. 10513  
FOR TRADE—Good five passenger  
automobile for a vacant lot. Inquire  
of Erwin & Michaud. 10116

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bert and Floy Cushman were guests of  
Mr. and Mrs. James Hurst and family  
at dinner Sunday.

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delightful host and hostess yesterday  
at a family dinner, the event being  
in honor of Mrs. Sprang's birth anniver-  
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Mrs. Joe Vail and daughter, Kathryn,  
of Bryan, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. A. T.  
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Ben Schwartz, of Fort Wayne; Mrs.  
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son, Junior.

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o'clock Friday evening when Mrs. E.  
Tyrill, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Hattie

## 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  
Bienecke at Church.

Presbyterian Aid—Mrs. J. C. Pat-  
terson.

Friday.  
Eastern Star Initiation—Masonic

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

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 housekeep-  
ing,

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 accom-  
pany her home.

The German Reformed Helping

Hand society will meet Thursday after-

noon at the church. Mrs. John

Bienecke will be hostess.

The following program will be given

by the Presbyterian Woman's

Home and Foreign Missionary So-

cieties at the home of Mrs. C. A. Du-

gan Tuesday afternoon: Hymn; devo-

tional, Mrs. Julie Moses; business;

special music; lesson study, "The

Child at Home"; hymn; report of

convention at Elkhart; special mu-

sic; offering; social hour; Mizpah

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Tyrill, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Hattie

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

Miss Alelia 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 Hol-  
thouse, Lafayette; Miss Bertha Kohne  
and 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 Speck-  
man.

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

Miss Ruth Parish has gone to Chi-  
cago for a week's visit. She goes on  
business and will also be a guest of  
Miss Hazel Macklin who is a medi-  
cal student there. Miss Ruth Parish  
is in Lafayette on business, and is ex-  
pected home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ashbaucher  
were entertained at the home of relatives  
on Sunday.

Miss Celeste Wemhoff entertained  
at dinner Sunday for Mrs. Arthur K.  
Covert, Ft. Wayne; Miss Helen Web-  
ber, 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. Be-  
sides those named before, members  
of the party were the Tonneller and  
Mrs. Mary Wemhoff families, and  
Messrs. Dick Boch and Theodor  
Grailliker.

Mrs. Leo Wilhelm entertained Sun-  
day for her nephew, Johnny D. Aber-  
nethy, seventh birthday anniversary. A fine  
dinner was served and a splendid  
feature was the birthday cake  
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  
Misses Walter Fussling, Herman  
Conway, Clyde Cline and Paul Heinzy  
of Elkhart. Guests in the afternoon  
were Grace and Fern Hoeneisen,  
Gladys Eady and Bereneta Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lyman and son,  
Damien, and Miss Helen Weber re-  
turned to Indianapolis after spending  
the week-end here. Mrs. George  
Houser, mother of Mrs. Lyman, re-  
turned 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. Robin-  
son is the attorney in forty nine dan-  
gerous 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, Craig-  
ville phone. 10512

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## GRAVE SITUATION

Sinking of Two American  
Vessels by Submarines  
Causes Apprehension.

## NORWEGIAN VESSELS

Are Also Sunk—Germans  
Announce Sweeping Vic-  
tory in Galacia.

Washington, D. C., May 3—(Special  
to Daily Democrat)—The state de-  
partment 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  
tanker Gulsight torpedoed off Sicily,  
first instant," said the message.  
"Captain died of heart failure. Body  
landed. Two of crew drowned. Thir-  
ty-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