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the loss of life yesterday would be but an incident, it would seem the advisable thing to do. So far this nation has been neutral. So far President Wilson's course has been admirable. So far the people of this great land have backed him up and they will continue to do so. The announcement today that no statement would be made from the White House until authentic and official information had been received, showed that the administration will not get excited. We do not know what action the president will take in this matter, we do not know what he and his able advisors will deem necessary, but we believe that he is capable and desirous of doing the right thing and we believe he will do it. The people of this country will tell him to do that which is best for the nation and her people.

Most people will agree that General Sherman knew what he was talking about when he remarked some years ago that "War is hell," and a half-century of supposed advancement in civilization has not changed that, unless it might be added that it's more so than ever.

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday. Club—Mrs. Ben Knapke, W. C. T. U.—Mrs. Fred Schafer.

Wednesday. German Reformed Aid—Mrs. Chas. Miller.

Thursday. Euterpean—Mrs. W. P. Schrock.

One better not to know so much than to know so much that ain't so—Josh Billings.

Miss Marcella Kuebler and her school friend, Miss Catherine Carroll, arrived home from the Sacred Heart Academy to visit over the weekend with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kuebler, who leave Monday for a ten days' stay at West Baden springs.

The Ben Hur Northern Indiana Fraternal Congress was held in Bluffton this week. It was decided to hold next year's congress in Kendallville.

"The Home Guards," a class of girls and boys under fourteen years of age of the Methodist Sunday school, held their regular study period yesterday afternoon at the home of their teacher, Mrs. Locke Bracken. They are studying a "missionary book, put out by the society, entitled, "Good Birth, the Indian," and this was in order yesterday. They gave an Indian program had a very delightful study.

The Euterpean club will meet next Thursday with Mrs. W. P. Schrock. The Misses Ruby and Grace Miller will have charge of the program.

The Zion Lutheran Ladies' Aid society held another fine meeting at the school house yesterday afternoon and quitted, after which Mrs. C. Boknecht served luncheon. The ladies have decided to do away with the luncheons for a while, because of the delay it causes and the inconvenience.

"The Esquimaux" was the subject of the study for the Woman's Home Missionary society at the home of Mrs. Fred Schafer yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. John Niblick lead the study. The very excellent program as published was carried out, the papers and music being very fine. Mrs. Schafer was assisted in entertainment by Mrs. John S. Bowers and Mrs. Dallas Hower and refreshments were served during the social hour. A nominating committee to report on the new officers to be elected at the June meeting was named and comprises Mesdames D. D. Heller, B. J. Rice and C. L. Walters.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fullenkamp will entertain Miss Eva Erwin of Fort Wayne over the weekend.

The Ladies' Afternoon club will be entertained Tuesday by Mrs. Ben Knapke.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. Fred Schafer Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. John T. Myers will be assistant hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Niblick will spend Sunday at Bluffton with Mrs. Niblick's brother, Frank McFarran and wife.

The Evangelical Sunday school class taught by Eugene Runyon was very royally entertained last evening at the home of Dr. O. L. Burgener. The

re-organization was effected at this time, the following officers being elected: President Dr. Burgener; vice-president, Robert Gerard; secretary, Joan Baumgartner; treasurer, Billy Lima. Social and membership committees were also named. After the business there was a jolly social good time and Mrs. Burgener served a very fine luncheon. The next meeting will be the first Thursday in June with Mr. Runyon. A name for the class will be selected at that time.

Miss Irene Gerard will spend Sunday in Fort Wayne with friends. Miss Marguerite Gerard and Mrs. Philip Andener spent this afternoon in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Mattie Avery has returned from an extended visit in Indianapolis and Zionsville. After a visit here she will go to Rome City to open her two cottages.

The Eastern Star Lodge had a fine social evening Thursday when three candidates were initiated. They were Mrs. Scott Bockover, Riley, Ohio; Mrs. E. M. Tyrill, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs. L. A. Graham. A fine picnic supper was enjoyed after the session.

E. H. Kilbourne returned to Fort Wayne after a visit here. Mrs. Kilbourne remained for a longer stay at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. Deininger.

## HUNDREDS DROWN AT SEA

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) survivors arrived were pitiful in the extreme. Women, wet and bedraggled, their faces lined with terror from the experience, were clinging to the men, many of whom wore only shirt and trousers. Nearly all were without shoes. Little children clung to their parents and cried bitterly. Two little tots helped to shore an elderly lady, who had been a long time in the water and who collapsed on the pier. C. Harwick of New York said:

"I entered boat No. 17 under orders, but it was over turned soon after striking the water. I then swam to boat No. 19, which had in it eighteen women, fifteen children and thirty men. Afterward this boat picked up four other men and one woman and finally was towed safely to shore." Rescued sailors say that Captain Turner and officers did everything possible to keep passengers quiet, but that the women rushed from boat to boat and interfered with their being launched. Many of the ten boats that were lost were nearly filled when the boats struck the water. More than 100 attached life belts to their bodies and leaped into the water. A great many of these were rescued.

Washington, May 8.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The state department today asked Berlin for a report of the Lusitania disaster. It expressed a desire that the report be based on the statement of the submarine commander who made the attack—as assumed that the liner was struck by a submarine. Ambassador Page, London, advised the department that he had called on the Queenstown consulate for a full report and instructed that everything possible be done to aid the American survivors. He said he had sent Captain W. A. Castle and Captain A. W. Miller military attaches at the embassy, to help. No cabinet meeting having been called for this forenoon, the president went golfing at 9 a.m. At police headquarters it was said, no request had been received from the German embassy for special protection but that an unusually close watch was being kept to guard against any violent action.

London, May 8.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Lord Charles Beresford announced today that he will question Premier Asquith in the house on the sinking of the Lusitania. It is understood that he will ask why an escort of destroyers was not provided.

Washington, May 8.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—In effort, the kaiser's foreign bureau was asked whether Germany was responsible for the Lusitania's loss with that of Americans on board. If so, full details were wanted. The request was directed to ambassador Gerard, in Berlin, to be presented to the German foreign office. Aside from this announcement Secretary Bryan said: "All we need to tell the public is that we are arriving at the facts as fast as possible and doing everything possible for the injured."

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