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INDIANA
POLITICS:—

William Allen White, the celebrated Progressive, who became famous years ago by his editorials on "What is the Matter with Kansas," has this bit of interesting comment on Indiana politics published in the July number of the Metropolitan Magazine:

"In Indiana, the Republican Party is in control of the Fairbanks machine. Mr. Fairbanks may conclude to be a presidential candidate. Jim Watson, who was best man at the Taft funeral in Chicago in 1912, has been shunted out of the race for senator by the good old standpat promise of something equally good, the something being the nomination for Vice-President after the boys have gone around the track a few exhibition heats with Mr. Fairbanks. Jim Goodrich, who has been a carureter in the Fairbanks machine for years, is slated for governor, and Harry New is on the books for senator. The loaves and fishes are neatly but firmly wrapped in airtight packages in Indiana, and the whole mess is sordid machine politics of the old type—harking back to the good old days of Hanna and McKinley, when Indiana furnished the back-bone of the Cuban postal scandals and Ohio furnished the brains. Today the politics of Ohio, Illinois and Indiana—the Republican politics—is reverting to type; the type being the sort of men who went to Cuba to loot, not the sort that went to Panama to serve. The Republicans of those states are advocating no forward-looking measures, are promising no alleviating program for the cure of unemployment, for the betterment of the environment of the poor; they are clamoring for a high tariff to fill the bellies and stop the mouths of the poor, while the politicians fatten on the jobs that come with Republican ascendancy, and the tariff beneficiaries filch pennies from the millions. It is a game to make the forty thieves blush in shame at their moderation."

Its raining rain again today and the farmer who gets in his crop this year has to be one of those up and doing kind that wins against odds, but its a

good bet that the Adams county farmers will do it. They know how.

"Swat the fly"—you see the signs every where you look, but are you doing it. If you don't kill the housefly, it may kill you or some of your loved ones. By spreading the germ of Typhoid fever, tuberculosis, infantile paralysis and other terrible diseases, the little fly has caused more deaths than the European war. Help put them out of this county. Swat the fly.

Chautauqua less than a week away and a thousand tickets to sell—but the ladies in charge started out this morning, determined to make good on their contract. They will do it, but the work will be much easier with your assistance. Boost it along. Its a great program that you will thoroughly enjoy and if there is any profit it goes to beautify Decatur and for play grounds for the children. Its a good thing. Take off your coat and do a little something to help it along.

The Berne Witness continues to harp that some one employed the Gilliom boys who live and breath right in the atmosphere kept pure by the Witness, to serve notices for the Blue Creek improvement, paid them only \$75.00 and drew \$496.35. Well it looks like they did, but the Gilliom boys themselves filed the claims and they assigned them to Jacob Huser. If they wanted to assign their claims, rather than wait five or six years for the money, if they wanted to give them away, they had the right to do so. If they didn't earn the money, they should not have filed the claims and if they didn't earn it how could they assign it? Suppose the improvement had been defeated and they would have had to collect the fees from the petitioners, would they still have accepted \$75.00? The serving of the notice was a duty of the petitioners and not the court. It was worth what was charged, at least that is what is usually charged in other counties. How good the notices were served or what the Gilliom boys were doing at that time whereby they could serve the notices at excursion rates, we no not know and the Witness which seems to know all about it, doesn't seem inclined to state, so we presume we will just have to get along without the information.

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

WEEK'S CLUB CALENDAR.

Thursday

Concord Leaders—Raymond King.
Baptist Aid social—Adams street.
Wednesday Five Hundred—Mrs. John Weber.
S. S. Class—Mrs. Fred Avery.

Helping Hand—German Reformed S. S. Room, Mrs. Elgin King hostess. C. W. B. M.—Mrs. William Weldy. Evangelical Aid—At Mrs. Howard Burd.

Friday.

S. S. Class—Miss Rose Johnson. Christian Aid—Sec. 1.—Mrs. Burt Mangald. Zion's Lutheran Aid—School House. Mite Society Baby Social—M. E. church parlors. Christian Ladies' Aid—Section 2. Mrs. Sol David.

Saturday.

Ben Hur Aid Pastry sale—Gas office. Mt. Pleasant Mite Social—Ben Butler Home.

David A. Rice, well known Root township farmer, was given a pleasant surprise Saturday evening for his fifty-fourth birthday anniversary at his home near Monmouth. The party was arranged by his daughter and the invitation list included Mr. Rice's brothers and sister, children and a very few others. A general good time was spent and refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Those invited were Mr. and Mrs. John Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Ben P. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. James Rice, Mrs. M. F. Rice of this city, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Cline, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Magley, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Fuhrman, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rice and children.

Mrs. John Weber will entertain the Wednesday Five Hundred club Thursday afternoon instead of Wednesday.

Mrs. Reason Shaffer of Rural Route No. 10 entertained at dinner Monday July 5. Mrs. Saphus Melchi and son, Harold; Zelda Melchi and Mrs. Warren Hamerick. A good time was enjoyed by all. They departed late in the evening voting Mrs. Shaffer a royal entertainer.—Contributed by a subscriber.

An old-fashioned picnic dinner, in fact, an all-around good time, was enjoyed Sunday at the beautiful grove of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellison, one mile west of Magley. Most all went to the Pleasant Valley M. E. church and listened to a very good sermon preached by Mr. August Schlickman. After the services all went to the grove and enjoyed themselves immensely by eating of the many good things brought by all. Those who enjoyed the day were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shady and baby, Cloice, of Ft. Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. Clem Yarger and children, of Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. August Schlickman and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yarger, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Ball and daughter, Opal; Mr. and Mrs. Art Shady and children, Mr. and Mrs. Guy McBride and children, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. Ira McBride and children, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Clowser and children, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Shady and daughter, Edna; Miss Edith Melhorn, Miss Florence Melhorn and Miss Edith Shady of Elkhart, Ind., who is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Elmer Bryan. Others who came in the afternoon were Grandma Peoples, John Barger and children, Dell Shady and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Frauhiger of Bluffton, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Frauhiger, Mrs. Forest Manley and baby, Harvey Frauhiger, Miss Fanny Frauhiger and others, their names not known. There were sixty in all, and they declared it one of the "best times of their lives."

The Ruth Circle girls of the Christian church, with their teacher, Mrs. A. D. Artman, had a very fine meeting with Miss Stella David at her home on Seventh street last evening, twenty-two being in attendance. Miss Weldy, president, conducted the business meeting and several plans were discussed. The watermelon social for this week was postponed until after chautauqua on account of the cold weather. Plans for giving the annual Ruth Circle cantata or play were discussed and favor was expressed for the play instead of the cantata. This will be given under the direction of Miss Weldy. A circle picnic will be given Sunday afternoon after the chautauqua closes, and a grove near this city was selected. The Misses Eula McKinney, Dorothy Schultz, Josie Mumma, Fanchon Magley and Mrs. Olen Baker were named on the menu committee. The girls brought their sewing or crocheting with them and after the business, there was a social. The hostess was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Sol David, and her sisters, the Misses Hazel and Bertha David, in serving very tempting refreshments of ice cream and cake. The Misses Dorothy, Bertha and Emma Schultz will entertain in two weeks on Wednesday evening.

The Misses Stella Howard, Geraine Coffee, Marguerite and Irene Gerard and Messrs. Frank Braun, Veigh Chronister and Francis Schmidt motored to Bluffton where they had a six o'clock dinner Monday evening.

The Fledder-Duke camp at the inter-urban gravel pit was the scene of the happy entertainment of a company of visitors for the Fourth, Monday. Re-

gular members of the camp were the W. H. Fledderjohann family, Arnold Duke, Helen Stephenson, Fay Stuits. On Monday they had ten visitors and the day was royally spent. There was bathing, fishing, games, bountiful feast and all the pleasures incident to camp life. In the afternoon a watermelon feast was in order closing with fire works in the evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weiner, Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Duke and daughter, Bonnie; Miss Eula McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. Will VerBryck.

The Zion's Lutheran Ladies' Aid society will meet Friday afternoon at the parochial school house on Eleventh street.

The Concord Leaders' class will meet Thursday evening with Raymond King.

The Evangelical Ladies' Aid society will meet with Mrs. Howard Burd Thursday afternoon at her home on Mercer avenue.

Mrs. Fred Linn's Sunday school class of the Evangelical church will be entertained Thursday evening by Mrs. Fred Avery.

The Christian Woman's Board of Missions will meet Thursday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. William Weldy on First street.

Mrs. Sol David of Seventh street will entertain section two of the Christian Ladies' Aid society Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Section number one of the Christian Ladies' Aid society will be entertained Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Mrs. Burt Mangold.

The Sunday school class of the United Brethren church taught by Mrs. Chester Imler will meet Friday evening with Miss Rose Johnson south of the city.

With all the children of the Joe Rice family home for a reunion, the first in several years, a series of delightful entertainments have been in order. Mrs. Horace Callow entertained at dinner and supper yesterday for them. The dining room table was set for the following: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrie Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rice, Canton, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rice, Marion. In the screened porch covers were laid at the small tables for the children, Mary and Stanley Callow, Eulalie and Frances Rice, Lucile and Joseph Rice. Pictures of the children were taken in the afternoon. These guests were entertained Monday by Mrs. Joe Rice and Thursday will be guests of Mrs. Lewis Rice.

RUM MUST GO

Atlantic City, July 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—"Rum will go out of the United States when votes for women come in" declared Mrs. Florence D. Richards, president of the Ohio W. C. T. U. at today's session of the national anti-saloon league. "The brewers see an avalanche coming and are getting out from under."

POLICE COURT

The trial of Harry Straub, arrested in the raid Saturday night on the Alfred Moser home by Night policeman Reynolds and Deputy Sheriff Jacobs, on the charge of gambling, which was to have been held last evening before Squire Kintz, was postponed until Thursday evening, the defendant giving as the reason that he could not get his witnesses before that time.

CONTRACT AT THIS OFFICE

The contract of the Hoagland Switch board company of Hoagland, Ind., is at this office and anyone desiring to read it may do so. Any other information will gladly be furnished by Ed. Koenemann at Hoagland. The Switchboard company advertised some time ago for a new operator.

MISSIONARY LECTURE.

On the evening of July 18, at the U. B. church of Bobo, a free missionary lecture will be given by the Rev. Howe, the missionary secretary, of Huntington, Ind. The Rev. Howe will also show different scenes of Africa and lecture on the same as he shows them. All are invited to attend. Come one, come all.

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SIX MEN PLEAD GUILTY

Indianapolis, July 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Six men, jointly indicted with National Committeeman Taggart, Mayor Bell and more than one hundred other politicians pleaded guilty today to the charge of conspiracy to corrupt the 1914 Marion county registration, primary and election. A seventh man, Bernard Rickelman, of Terre Haute pleaded guilty to the charge of conspiracy in this county to corrupt the Terre Haute election, supplying the first definite link between the alleged Indianapolis conspiracy and the proved Terre Haute conspiracy. Those pleading guilty today were: Nelson Hyde, Earl Clifford, John W. Lee, Robert Ford, Charles Gibbs and Edward O'Leary. Ford and Gibbs are negroes. Attorneys for Taggart and other prominent indicted men then filed a motion for a change of venue from Judge J. A. Collins. Judge Collins granted the motion. Within five days he will present five names from which opposing attorneys will choose a special judge. Collins was elected on the republican ticket in the election concerning which the leading democratic politicians were indicted.

INTERURBAN KILLS THREE.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—When the Winona Flyer on the interurban struck an automobile at Broad Ripple this afternoon, J. H. Lambert, the driver, was killed. Two others, believed to be Lambert's mother and sister, were also killed. The bodies were taken to the city morgue at Indianapolis, where an attempt was made to identify them positively. The body of the woman was cut into three pieces by the impact of the limited car. The body of the girl, said to be about nineteen years old, was thrown about 100 feet. The automobile was thrown about fifty feet. Nothing is known as to how the accident occurred. The interurban was entering the city, south-bound and the auto was going east. Identification of Lambert was secured by the auto license number.

SUICIDE PACT SUSPECTED

Rushville, Ind., June 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Orville Andrews, 23, and Mandy McElfresh, 20, were found dead early today in a shed on the outskirts of the city. They had bullet wounds in their heads and left breasts. The wounds were very similar. A suicide pact was suspected. It was believed Andrews shot the girl and then shot himself.

METHODIST PRAYER MEETING

The prayer meeting at the Methodist church this evening at 7:30 o'clock will be led by Mr. James Stuits. A cordial welcome for all.



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From My Narrow
Little Window

By

THE HOOSIER OBSERVER

"IT'S ONLY A LITTLE BROOK"

Did you ever stop to think how much of life is influenced by childhood impressions? How many things that people fear in later life are due to false impressions made in childhood?

Wordsworth says:
What are fears but voices airy?
Whispering harm where harm is not,
And deluding the unwary
Till the fatal bolt is shot!
Tamen, too, Butler says:
"There needs no other charm, nor conjurer,
To raise infernal spirits up, but fear,
That makes men pull their horns in
That's both a prisoner to itself and like a snail,
jail;
Draws more fantastic shapes than in the grains
Of knotted wood in some men's crazy brains.
When all the cocks they see, and bulls,
Are only in the insides of their skulls."

Since fears exist only in men's brains, how well it would be to start the little folks out in life with pleasant pictures in their minds instead of fear-breeding ones. I have seen people go through life, bowed down in fear and agony, cringing and cowering, just because they had never been able to get their minds free from the germs of fear implanted there in childhood by the thoughtless or ignorant. I am a sort of "faith-crist" when it comes to this. Fill your minds with pleasant things and you can't be afraid. Haven't you all tried the whistling and loud-singing stunt to drown out the brief stretches of fear that crowded upon you when you run upstairs in the dark after having turned out the lights—that fear that something, you didn't know what—was ready to grab you about the ankles? It worked pretty well, too, didn't it?

As far as death in itself, for me, personally, is concerned, I have never been afraid of it, and think I never shall—though of course that does not extend to my fear of losing dear friends by death. But for myself, I do not fear death. I think that this is the reason. My father was a teacher and of course tried to beautify his school room as much as possible. Among the ways he did so, was the purchasing of pictures from his private funds. These pictures he

took with him from school to school and hung them on the walls. Of course, according to art standards, they were mere daubs, highly colored prints, but every one had a good lesson, though many of them I am afraid, in this day and age, would be classed with the over-drawn, goody, goody sort. Well, when these were not in use in the school room, he brought them home. How I did delight to look at them! There was one in particular, with verses, not a very happy, joy-inspiring one for childhood, either, in a way. Long before I could read I had my mother to read over and over the verses under this picture. It was a picture of a little sick girl, dying. The little girl's mother, in agony and fear over losing the little one, knelt in sorrow by her bedside. The little girl tried her best to console her mother. Presently she caught a vision, and this vision was portrayed in one corner of the picture to which the girl's eyes were uplifted. It was a picture of a little brook, bordered with bright colored flowers, and on the other side of the brook little angels were flying. It was the stream of "Death." The picture has long since been lost and I don't remember the verses, nor what they said, except the little girl told her mother that she was not afraid to go across, that "it is only a little brook, after all." Of course I did not hear until long years afterward that the stream of Death is spoken of so often as the cold, deep, dark stream. But for me, it was never such; it was and always will be the little brook, flower-bordered, with little angels flying about on the other side. And why not think so? It is so much better than to think of death as ending in the cold, dark grave; the terrible skull-headed monster with the reaper; the "cold, dark stream," and the other countless horrors. Then, too, there is my "pretty picture" of lighting. My mother said a good minister, former pastor of the Concord Lutheran church in Root township, said that to him lightning was "God laughing." I think that from the time I heard her tell that, I have never been afraid, either. It is simply "a pleasant picture" come to take the place of a vague, fear-breeding one.

Yours truly,
The Hoosier Observer

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