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On to Elwood the 29th is the slogan of eighth district democrats and it is the desire that old rock ribbed Adams county send a delegation that will make them all set up and take notice. The speakers include the famous J. Ham Lewis, senator from Illinois; Ollie James, the biggest of them all, from Kentucky, Senator Kern and Governor Ralston, besides many others.

About the liveliest corpse ever known in the political history of this state is the progressive party which the republican press publishes as dead, but which ghost like, insists on coming forth every few days with such persistence that we are coming to believe it never was just what you could call extinct. State Chairman Boyd has issued a call for a meeting of the state committee on the 10th, to be held in Indianapolis, to confer regarding the plans for compliance with the terms of the new primary law.

Its the time of the year when every body should be hustling, the gay old autumn, when the air and the sunlight and every thing is just right to make a fellow get up and dust and if you find a moments time, don't forget to boost a little for a boys and girls gymnasium. Its the biggest thing in Decatur. While educating the children don't overlook the fact that about the best education they could have would be one which improved their physical condition, while the mind is being worked. Nothing is more important than the health and physical development of the child, nothing is more helpful than a clean and well governed place of amusement for the boys and girls. The committee believe that the proper way to have this in Decatur is to have it in connection with the public schools or rather have it housed in the new school building and under the supervision of the school board. If you will boost a little it will help. If you believe the plan a good one, say so, or if you have a better one to suggest please offer it.

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### WEEK'S CLUB CALENDAR.

Tuesday.  
Royal Neighbors' Social at Hall.  
Loyal Workers' Class—Mrs. Earl Butler.  
Y. P. C. E. U. Entertainment—Chester Imber Home.  
Presbyterian Missionary—Mrs. C. F. Davison.

Send The  
Boy To Us

Leave the Fall Suit  
to us—  
We've Studied the  
Subject All Summer  
While You've been  
on a Vacation—  
We Know—

THE MYERS-DAILEY  
COMPANY

Wednesday.  
General Aid—At Christian Church.  
Thursday.  
Helping Hand—Mrs. Ed Miller.  
"500" Club—Mrs. Ansel Bremer.  
Kamp.  
United Brethren Aid—Mrs. Isaac Nelson.

Friday.  
Do Your Best Class—Mrs. Henry Hill.  
M. E. Mite Society—Mrs. D. F. Leonard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Rohan and daughter, Marjory, of Fort Wayne were guests Sunday of the C. A. Dugan family. Mr. Rohan is of the National bank at Fort Wayne.

Miss Esther Ends entertained as her guests over Sunday Miss Eva Baldwin, Lytle King, Leon Eberhard of Marion.

The Do Your Best Class of the United Brethren church will have a delightful time Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Henry Hill a mile east of the city. The members will meet promptly at 7 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Clyde Burkhead on Third street, from which place they will go to the Hill home. Some will walk, while those who desire to ride will be taken in conveyances. Mr. Hill will bring back the entire party by hay rack. All members should come, as a good time is in store.

The United Brethren Ladies' Aid society will meet Thursday evening with Mrs. Isaac Nelson.

Mrs. Johns and son and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Burt Mangold, and Mrs. Ollie Heller and daughter of Decatur were among the 118 who attended the fourth annual reunion of the Pease Family Sunday at the G. A. R. Hall, Bluffton. It was held there instead of at the Lipkey grove on account of the bad weather. At the noon hour a large basket dinner was enjoyed after which the afternoon was spent in a social manner, including short speeches and music by different members. The former officers were re-elected to serve another year. They are as follows: V. S. Pease president; Mrs. C. P. G. Seabold, secretary; and J. V. Pease, treasurer. The 1916 reunion has been set for the first Sunday in September, at the Lipkey grove.

Jonas Fisher, 41 and Don Sheets, 21, neighbors, living three and a half miles northwest of this city, had birthdays yesterday and last evening were the victims of well planned and most delightful surprises. Don was enticed away from home by a cousin and finally directed to the Fisher home where he and Jonas found a large number of relatives and friends gathered. Of course they had plenty to eat and a program of entertainment was given, the big occasion closing by the party singing, "God be with you till we meet again." The guests included Messrs. and Mesdames William Elzey, Ben Butler, Chris Sheets, Jesse Roop, H. E. Butler, G. W. Ruckman, Charles Cook, William Singletton, son and daughter; John Clino, Herbert Butler, Mrs. H. S. Clase son, Earl and daughter Inez and Mrs. Lenore Chase of Eaton, Indiana, Mrs. Jesse Williams; Misses Florence Sheets, Velma Butler, Ethel Ruckman, Iola and Ireta Fisher, Dorothy Cook and these boys, Brice Butler, Will Butler, Giles Porter, Clyde Butler, Horace and Free Sheets, Herbert Butler, Donald Cook and Glen Fisher. The occasion will be long remembered as a bright spot in the memory of those present.

The ladies Wednesday afternoon 500 club will meet with Mrs. Ansel Bremerkamp Thursday at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Ed Miller will entertain the Helping Hand society in the German Reformed Sunday school room Thursday afternoon.

The skies cleared and the stars came out brightly, making yesterday afternoon and evening a delightful one after all for the reunion of the high school class of 1915 at the Vernon Brodbeck home, eight miles east of the city. Thirty-seven of the forty-eight class members were present. They left here at three o'clock and arrived at the Brodbeck home at six o'clock. Games were played and a lap supper provided. The trip was made by hay rack.

Miss Esther Heckman and Miss Aline Wolf of Fort Wayne were guests of honor at a party given last evening at the home of Miss Heckman's sister, Mrs. Tilman Gerber, near Preble. Miss Heckman was a former telephone operator here and the party was planned by the telephone girls. They went out by hay rack and spent a delightful evening, played games and had a tempting lunch. The party included Frances Baker, Kittie Fought, Pearl Purdy, Beatrice Heidemann, Mildred LaBelle, Laura Stanley, Edith Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brodbeck, Joe Hunter, Dick Smith, Ivan and Ora Baker, Clem Kortbrer, Jesse Cole, Ralph McCrory.

The annual reunion of the Cover-

dale family was held yesterday afternoon in the Wayne street Methodist Episcopal church, having been transferred there from Foster park on account of inclement weather. Almost 100 members of the family were present. A program of music and addresses was carried out and officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Jacob Rawley, Decatur; vice-president, A. S. Coverdale, Ft. Wayne; secretary, Mattie Auten, Fort Wayne; treasurer, George Coverdale, Fort Wayne. John F. Coverdale the father of A. S. Coverdale, came to Ft. Wayne in 1850, and his brother Lemuel Coverdale, settled at Middletown in 188. The next reunion will be held at the home of Mr. Rawley, Fort Wayne Journal Gazette.

E. S. Christen, county superintendent, and a number of the former township trustees, and their families enjoyed a reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Moser in French township yesterday. The men and children went fishing in the Wabash and the catch made one of the dishes for the dinner. It was a great occasion and the hospitality of the Mosers will be long remembered by all those privileged to enjoy it.

## COUNTY COUNCIL

Are in Annual Session Today, Appropriating the Money for 1916.

THE ROUTINE WORK  
Occupied Early Part of Session—Forbing Objects to County Agent.

The seven members of the county council were present today at the annual session, the business being the appropriation of the money for conducting the affairs of the county during 1916. The members are Andrew Briggs and J. O. Kranor, Geneva; Peter Forbing, M. Kirsch, Ernest Conrad, William Baumgartner, Berne, and Frank Hisey. The salaries of the various county officers, as fixed by law, were appropriated, as was the coin with which to pay the various departments, such as the board of health, truancy board, etc. Funds were provided for the relief of the poor for the various townships, ranging from \$200 to \$500, and the assessors were granted from \$150 to \$620. The appropriations were not unusual, the tendency being to reduce wherever possible. The amount for the assessors was cut down some, as was the amount for the sheriff, and there were a few other items lowered from the amount asked. The sum of \$5,935 for the 1916 election was provided, \$1,000 granted to care for the orphans, \$800 for state institutions, etc. Mr. Forbing objected to the appropriation of \$1,500 for a county agent and final action on this was postponed. A committee of women presented a petition for a rest room in this city, which brought forth the usual discussion and was continued until later in the day. It was proposed to rent a room for the purpose but the attorney held this could not be done.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the council allowed the \$1,500 appropriation requested for a county agent and \$500 for the balance of this year. The total appropriations for 1916 is \$86,931.60 and special claims were allowed amounting to \$1,294.45, a total of \$88,226.05. This is an increase of about \$8,000, due largely to the fact that so many new bridges will be required.

### PIANO TUNING AND REPAIRING.

D. A. Gilliom (Professional) rebuild and repaired of pianos and sewing machines, and piano tuner. Dealer in both branches. Write or phone 8. Line P. city. 111m-w11



### MASONIC CALENDAR FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 11.

Tuesday, September 7, 7:30 p. m.  
7:30 o'clock, Tuesday, September 7 regular meeting and three candidates for Royal Arch Degree.  
Decatur Chapter, No. 112, R. A. M. Royal Arch degree will be conferred.

Friday, September 10, 7:30 p. m.  
Decatur Chapter, No. 127, O. E. S. Regular stated meeting and rehearsal of work. A large attendance of members requested.

### BERNSTEIN'S STORE CLOSED.

The Bernstein store will be closed Thursday and Friday of this week. It will open again Saturday morning. L. BERNSTEIN.

## THE COURT NEWS

Criminal Cases Set for Trial  
September 20, When  
Jury is Called.

### DOCKET IS CALLED

Civil Cases Also Set—Lawyers Enter Appearance in Many Cases.

W. B. Drew, attorney for Norma W. Palmer, filed a divorce case against Loring B. Palmer. They were married in Henry county, November 24, 1898, and lived together until June 28, 1910, when the defendant abandoned her and her two children. He has failed to support them for the past five years. Habitual drunkenness is also charged and she says that at one time he struck her with his fist and knocked her down, pulling out some of the hair from her scalp. They have two children, Frances, aged thirteen years, and Joseph, aged ten years.

The following state cases were set for trial for September 20: Ora Andrews, issuing fraudulent check; Estella Poling, desecrating grave; John Small, grand larceny.

Civil cases were set for trial as follows: Ellis & Fleming, vs. Ransom Smith, October 11; Ransom B. Smith vs. Charles Hillery, accounting, October 11; Viola Musser vs. Samuel Musser, September 27; Robert P. Earles et al. vs. Charles A. Spanley et al., October 18; Old Adams County Bank vs. Geneva C. Murray et al., October 1; Cora Winans vs. Raymond Winans, September 22; George W. Patterson vs. F. M. Schirmeyer, administrator of the R. D. Patterson estate, September 23; Samuel T. Niblick vs. James Niblick, September 29; State ex rel. Verna Harkless vs. Roy Steele, October 25.

L. R. VanEmmons vs. F. M. Schirmeyer, administrator of the R. D. Patterson estate, September 13; Sylvester Byrd vs. M. O. Harra et al., September 24; Holthouse, Schulte & Co. vs. Lulu Johnson, administratrix, September 24.

The case of Norval Taylor et al. vs. Mary Taylor et al was ordered left off the docket.

In the case of Julius Schug et al. vs. W. Kohler et al., the defendant defaulted.

The case of Charles M. Spencer vs. William P. Moon et al. was dismissed and judgment against plaintiff for costs.

James Hurst, administrator of the Sarah Fisher estate, vs. Jonas Fisher et al. partition. Final report filed and approved and the commissioner discharged.

The case of Celia Weiland vs. Martin Weiland, for support, was dismissed at the plaintiff's costs.

The divorce case of Peter D. Emery vs. Hazel Emery was dismissed, judgment against the plaintiff for costs. Mrs. Emery also has a divorce case pending.

Samuel Wyatt, plaintiff in a divorce case against Lillie Wyatt, filed affidavit showing why he did not comply with order of court relative to payment of allowance.

A judgment of \$67.61 was rendered for Niblick & Company in their case against Horace H. Snow.

A decree of quiet title for Sarah O. Lewellen against Michael Huff et al. was rendered.

Upon petition of Kate Jackson, William Jackson was adjudged of unsound mind and incapable of managing his own estate and that a guardian should be appointed for him. E. B. Lenhart was later appointed such, giving \$300 bond.

Andrew J. Smith vs. Dollie Smith, divorce. Defendant defaulted; rule against prosecuting attorney to answer.

In the divorce case of Rosa Stump vs. James Stump, DeVoss entered appearance for the defendant, who is ruled to answer.

John W. Melbers vs. W. H. Fiedlerjohn et al. Appearance by Peterson & Moran for the defendant, who is ruled to answer.

James Rupe et al. vs. M. A. Rupe et al., appearance by Lutz for defendant.

C. A. Stickney vs. Schafer Hardware company, Lutz appears for defendant.

In the case of D. M. Rice, administrator of the Ben Rice estate vs. French Quinn, receiver for the Fort Wayne & Springfield railway, appearance

was entered by Lutz and Merryman for the defendant, who is ruled to answer.

Heller, Sutton & Heller appear for John H. Ellick, who is sued by Otto F. Hildebrand.

Cecile M. Miller vs. Jesse J. Girod et al., partition. The real estate in the case was found indivisible, and a private sale was ordered, after notice. J. T. Merryman was appointed commissioner to make sale under \$15,000 bond.

Pearl McGill Koon vs. Decatur Egg Case Co., Lutz appears for defendant.

In the damage case of James M. Rice vs. The G. R. & I. railroad, Lutz appears for the railroad.

In the damage case of H. O. McGill vs. The C. & E. railroad, Heller, Sutton & Heller appear for the defendant.

The current report of U. G. Russell, executor of the Mary J. Russell estate, was approved and the trust continued.

The report of Lulu Johnson, administratrix of the Ed Johnson estate, of sale of real estate, was approved.

John T. Myers, administrator of the John W. Myers estate, reported sale of personal property, which court approved.

In the Noah Baumgartner estate, William Frazier was appointed inheritance tax appraiser.

Objection to the probate of the will of Susan Carpenter, during vacation was overruled and the clerk's action confirmed. Exceptions were taken by Joseph W. Carpenter and overruled.

The current report of Horace T. Callow, guardian of Mary and Stanley, was approved.

### IMPORTANT NEWS FROM OUTSIDE

Here is positive proof of good times and the success possible for an article of honest value, when backed by good advertising in the right newspapers.

If there has ever been any question in the minds of our readers regarding the productiveness of the Daily Democrat as a business building medium, that question is settled definitely now.

We have just received a big contract for advertising space from the Calumet Baking Powder company, manufacturers of the famous Calumet Baking Powder.

Year after year, at this season, they make their contracts with the leading publications. They advertise in thousands and thousands of newspapers throughout the country and are in a position to know the value of newspaper publicity.

The absolute purity, the unquestioned wholesomeness and wonderful economy of Calumet Baking Powder, all backed by honest advertising in the right mediums has succeeded in building for them a tremendous business and enviable reputation. This year Calumet advertising will be very much different than any of the previous years. One of the country's best character artists has created for Calumet a cute little character which will amuse the youngsters and tell the housewives in his own individual way, how to secure the best results in baking.

### MEMPHIS MAYOR IS ACCUSED.

(United Press Service)  
Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Charging failure to enforce the prohibition laws of Tennessee and alleging the existence of discrepancies in the financial report, a citizens' committee of twelve today filed a motion in chancery court for the removal of Edward Crump, mayor; Fire and Police Commissioner Entley and Inspector of Police O. H. Perry.

### THE FLOWER CONTEST

Will be Closed Next Saturday at the Gas Office.

The aster contest inaugurated by the Woman's Civic Improvement society, will close this week, when the final awards will be made at the gas office Saturday, September 11, from 5 to 11 o'clock. All children who have entered flower beds for this contest should report to Mrs. C. V. Connell any time before Saturday.

### JOSHUA PARRISH ILL.

Joshua Parrish, a well known civil war veteran, suffered a sinking spell last night, and is said to be quite ill. He is suffering from infirmities of old age. Reports current this afternoon that he was dead proved false.

### CALL FOR BANK STATEMENTS.

(United Press Service)  
Washington, D. C., Sept. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The comptroller of the currency issued a call for the condition of national banks at the close of business on September 2nd.

DEMOCRAT WANT ADS PAY BIG

## HOOSIERY HISTORY IN TABLOID.

(United Press Service)  
Among the greatest benefactors of Indiana was Caleb Mills, the Horace Mann of Indiana, the "father of the common schools." Fresh from Dartmouth he came to Crawfordsville in 1833, when twenty-seven years old, to start a Presbyterian college. Appalled at the ignorance and illiteracy of the people, he began to preach the gospel of education. In a series of most remarkable addresses to the legislatures of 1846-1850, and to the constitutional convention of 1852, known as the "Read, Circulate, Discuss Pamphlets," he portrayed the dark conditions and outlined a program of reform. His style was crystal clear, sparkled with wit and glowed with the eloquence of the advocate who pleads for those he loves. The constitutional convention made provisions for a system of free schools and the first battle was won.

## THE TRIAL OPENS

Mayor Bell of Indianapolis in Court—Work of Selecting Jury is Slow.

### MANY WANT OFF

Frank P. Baker Has Argument When Refused Admission to Court Room.

Indianapolis, Sept. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Attorneys for the defense in the trial of Mayor Joseph E. Bell, starting today in criminal court, charged in a statement before Special Judge Elchorn, that the bailiff had been instructed to exclude from the trial many of the interested parties. The judge issued no orders but intimated that all those indicted with Mayor Bell but whose trial will come later should be admitted. Prosecutor Rucker explained that the bailiff had been instructed to seat the 150 veniremen first. Frank P. Baker, former prosecutor and one of those indicted had an altercation at the door when the bailiff refused him admission. Many uncomplimentary things were said. Thomas Taggart, national committeeman, was with Baker. After some minutes they were admitted. The business of selecting a jury for the trial proceeds slowly. An hour was spent by men on the venire requesting the court that they be excused for business reasons.

Attorney Ryan for the defense presented a motion asking the dismissal of seven men summoned by Sheriff Coffin for jury service, when the deputies reported that seven men on regular panel could not be found. Ryan contended that the action was under the jurisdiction of Judge Collins who has no authority in this case. Judge Elchorn took the question under advisement until this afternoon.

WANTED—Girl to do general housework. Inquire at Mrs. E. Woods' residence, W. Monroe street. 21413  
John Miller of the Geneva State bank was a visitor in the city today.

E. H. Arnold of the Merchants' bank, of Geneva, was in the city today on business.

### DEMOCRAT WANT ADS PAY BIG.

## THE ROAD LEVIES

Show Decided Reduction in Several Townships—Others About as Usual.

### THE SECOND DAY

Contracts Let for Supplies at Infirmary—Other Business Transacted.

Martin Laughlin, superintendent of the county infirmary, filed his report for the quarter ending August 31st, and turned in the sum of 75.25, which was approved.

The superintendent of construction for the Arnod Aschleman bridge resigned and the board appointed Mr. Aschleman to the place.

Bids were received for furnishing supplies at the county infirmary and contracts awarded as follows: Groceries, Runyon-Engeler & Co., \$62.00; dry goods, Runyon-Engeler Co., \$31.39; hardware, Schaub & Dowling, \$4.55; furniture, Gay, Zwick & Myers, \$42.35; tobacco, Frank McConnell, \$8.45; clothing, Myers-Dailey Co., \$28.73; salt, E. L. Carroll, \$1.40 bbl.; paint, Schaub & Dowling, \$45.30; drugs, Holthouse Drug Co., \$52.00.

The certificate of the state auditor showing that the assessments of property in Adams county had been approved by the state board of tax commissioners was filed.

Jim A. Hendricks, road superintendent, filed his estimate of repairs that will be necessary in 1916 and asking a 22-cent levy to cover same. To counter balance this a petition signed by Henry Vogelewe, J. B. Holthouse and others, was filed asking that the present levy of 16.9 cents be not increased. The board after fully considering the problem ordered that the levy be fixed at twenty cents, an increase of 3.1 cents on the \$100 valuation.

The board ordered that the levy in the various townships of Adams county for the purpose of paying off road bonds and interest for the year 1916 be as follows: Union, 92c; Root, 83c; Preble, 73c; Kirkland, 82c; Washington, 80c; St. Mary's, 80c; Blue Creek, 72c; Monroe, 82c; French 84c; Hartford, 99c; Wabash, 80c; Jefferson, 60c. The levy is about the same as last year in most of the townships, including Washington. However, there is a reduction of 11 cents in Preble, 8 cents in Wabash, 6 cents in Jefferson and 16 cents in French.

### TODAY'S HOOSIER ODDITY.

Lebanon, Ind., Sept. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The local telephone company has gone rat hunting. Enter the commercialized rat—and not the kind that is worn. Here's the scheme. Cables have to be drawn through the new underground conduits. Rats will be turned loose in the manholes to start their business trip. Then ferrets with strings tied to them will be placed in the manholes. They'll follow up the rats, and pull the strings—and the strings eventually will pull the cables through.

## Peaches Peaches

A carload of peaches will arrive Thursday morning at our store. They will be the famous

## ELBERTAS

The best variety for canning. They will be in full weight bushels and the price will be reasonable.

Better order early and make sure of your bushel.

RUNYON-ENGELER & CO.