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A PROUD

POSITION:-

The State of Indiana is out of debt. It is not borrowing money to run on from day to day and it has a surplus, in its treasury. The running expenses are the lowest per capita of any state north of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi rivers. It has the fewest officers and pays the smallest salaries. This is a different state of affairs from what the Democrats found when they took hold in 1910. Then they found expenses far in excess of the revenue; debts and bond issues that were past due were unpaid and no funds to pay with. Additions to new institutions costing several million dollars were contracted and under construction and no funds to meet the maintenance of them when completed.

The Democratic administration in five years has paid these past due obligations, in addition to meeting those maturing since. It has completed all the institutions contracted for, paid the bills like a man, and provided for their maintenance at a cost of more than a half million dollars each and every year.

After doing all these things, keeping the state's property up in ship shape and doing business as a successful man would run his own affairs, avoiding every kind of scandal and fulfilling every pledge made to the people, the organization that did this is spoken of as a "corrupt machine." And it is so termed by the biggest newspaper in Indiana and by a lot of outcasts that want in. The Marshall and Ralston administration have been economical and strictly business. Small mistakes may have been made just as every man makes but the desired end has been accomplished and the state of Indiana stands today in the best financial condition it has been in since its organization a hundred years ago.

We challenge a comparison of the last five years accomplishment with any like period in its history. The people of Indiana will know more about this and every intelligent citizen will understand the real facts as they are, and not as they have been so grossly misrepresented by malicious interests that could not control affairs. The state and the people have profited by keeping those influences out of the state house, and will continue to keep them where they can do no more harm than to snarl at successful officials.—New Castle Times.

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DOINGS IN SOCIETY

WEEK'S CLUB CALENDAR

Monday
Pythian Needle Club—At K. of P. Home.
Tri Kappas—Frances Dugan.
W. C. T. U.—Mrs. David Flanders.
Young Woman's Bible Club Pot Luck Supper—Central School Lawn.

If we could shed our years
As trees their leaves,
How vain the scalding tears,
The care that grieves
If we could do as they,
Return in Spring
Unto the silver May
Of burgeoning!

O, life were all that men
Could long for then!
And dreams were all as true
As skies of blue!
These years that go so fast,
What would we care,
If when the gates were past,
Our Spring smiled there!

If we could fade and die
As you wide-spreading beech,
With Spring's ethereal sky
Within our reach,
And feel as it does—sure
Of life renewed and sweet
In Mays of laughter pure,
So we could smile to meet
The death we must endure!
—The Bentztown Bard in Baltimore Sun.

The Afternoon club will not meet with Mrs. James P. Haeffling Thursday of this week as at first announced.

The W. C. T. U. will meet Monday, September 13, at 2 p. m., instead of Tuesday, with Mrs. David Flanders, 315 South Third street. Mrs. Flanders will be assisted by Mrs. Congleton. Devotionalists, led by Mrs. Jane Crabbs; leader, Mrs. Emma L. Daniel; topic, State and National Prohibition; Twentieth Century Red Man Fight, "Firewater"—Mrs. Robert Case; Plea for Prohibition from the Negro, Mrs. B. F. Rice; A Plea from a Saloon-keeper's Daughter, Mrs. Rev. Borton; Czar of Russia on Alcohol, Mrs. Rev. Stephenson. Delegates to state convention will be elected at this meeting. Mrs. Krick, treasurer, desires all members of the local union who have not paid their dues to come prepared to do so at this time. All flower mission record cards to be returned to Mrs. John Burk at this meeting. Social hour.

The Methodist Mito society had a splendid meeting at the home of Mrs. D. F. Leonard yesterday on First street, she being ably assisted in entertaining by Mrs. John Bollinger and Mrs. John Niblick. A piano duet by the Misses Ireta Butler and Bernice Leonard, was highly appreciated. The society made plans for its annual New England dinner to be given the third Thursday in October, which is Thursday, October 21. This is given in the church dining room, and the dinners have proven very popular.

The total number of thirty-three attended the Do Your Best Class meeting at the home of Henry Hill near this city last evening. Of this number twenty-six were from this city and were taken out in conveyance driven by George Mumma and Frank Fisher, with a long, delightful drive home after the meeting. There was a good program, with a question box, and games were played and fine refreshments of ice cream and cake served by Mrs. Hill. It was decided to give an "out-of-date" social Thursday evening, September 23, at the home of Mrs. M. J. Welker. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Del Lake, who will be assisted by Mrs. Chauncey Bowser. A fine time was spent.

Miss Lydia Miller whose wedding to Walter Deitch will be in October, was the guest of honor at a shower given at the Charles Miller home last evening by Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Charles Brobeck and Mrs. Glen Cowan. Pink and green crepe paper streamers, with a great many autumn garden flowers were tastefully used in the room decorations, and the home, which has been beautifully remodeled recently, was especially pretty. There were forty guests. There were nine little tables for the game of hearts, which is played by the forming of the words from the letters which are in cubes. Prizes in this were won by Mayme Harting, Hulda Bauer, Mrs. Fred Heuer and Miss Lydia Kirsch, and were given to the bride. After the games, a fine two course luncheon was served at the little tables, by the hostesses who were assisted by Mrs. Irvin Miller, Mrs. Ralph Miller, Mrs. Owen Davis, the Misses Frances Baker and Della Moser. The gifts which were very numerous, and beautiful, including linens, cut glass, china, and other things, were deposited on the table in the dining room, under a canopy of white crepe paper streamers, caught to the chandelier with a large white bell. The gifts were covered with autumn foliage, from which they were brought forth with a small rake. Miss Agnes Kohne furnished music during the evening.

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The Tri Kappas will meet Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock with Miss Frances Dugan.

Miss Agnes Melbers went to Portland to visit until tomorrow evening with the Misses Ruth Whipple and Vera Reinhard. Tomorrow Bob Melbers and Leon Crawford will go and a big dinner will be given for them at the Whipple home.

Mrs. Elizabeth Amend of Dayton, Ohio arrived for a visit with her brother John Christen and family and other relatives.

The Pythian Needle club will meet Monday evening at the Pythian Home.

The Young Woman's Bible club will open their season Monday evening with a picnic supper at six o'clock at the central school building. The picnic will be on the lawn if the weather is favorable; if not, it will be held in the building. As many old members as possible, and as many new ones who desire, are urged to come. Each girl will contribute one thing to the supper, and is desired that only those edibles that may be used without dishes be brought, as deviled eggs, sandwiches, potato chips, fruit and such.

The Misses Mayme Hartings and Georgia Melbers went to Ft. Wayne today for a week-end visit with Miss Monica Buetter.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid society will conduct a refreshment booth or stand on Monroe street, near the Holthouse Schulte & Company's store, Tuesday the day of the show. They will have homemade pies, sandwiches, soft drinks, candies and other things for sale and the patronage of the public is solicited.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bell and son, William, and Mr. and Mrs. Cal Peterson have returned from an automobile trip to Indianapolis where they attended the state fair. Enroute home, they learned that Mrs. Downing of Chicago who was formerly Miss Grace Manning teacher of Latin in the Decatur high school was visiting at Anderson, and they called on her, having a delightful visit. Both Mr. and Mrs. Peterson were students in her classes here.

FLOWER SHOW

Contest Under Auspices of
Womans Civic Improvement Society

HAS BEEN CLOSED

Prizes Awarded Yesterday
and Today For Best Beds
And Flowers

The flower bed contest, among the school children, under the auspices of the Woman's Civic Improvement society closed yesterday, with the awarding of the prizes. All the beds were so beautiful, that the judges had difficult work on deciding among them. The prizes, however were awarded as follows:

First Ward
First—Florine Michaud.
Second—Helen Rilling.
Third—Melvena Butler.
Second Ward
First—Murray Sutton.
Second—Dorothy Walters.
Third Ward
First—Helen Stephenson.
Prize winners are requested to call at the home of Mrs. J. H. Heller for their orders.

Bouquet Contest

The bouquet aster contest closed today, with a big floral display at the gas office. The prizes were awarded at two o'clock this afternoon, the judges being Mrs. W. E. Smith, Mrs. D. D. Heller and E. S. Moses. The prizes were awarded as follows:

For between ages of 12 and 18.
1. Helen Stephenson, aged 12.
2. Melvena Butler, aged 12.
3. Gertrude Kinzie, 12.
For between ages of 6 and 9.
1. Helen Rilling, 9.
2. Bernard Meyers, 9.
3. Floyd Burd, 6.

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THOMPSON'S REPORT OF TRIAL

(By Willis S. Thompson.)

Indianapolis, Sept. 11.—At the end of the fourth day of the trial of Mayor Bell, Prosecutor Rucker was in the midst of a lengthy and rambling presentation of what the case expects to prove.

Much of the first four hours of his talk to the jury in which he is supposed to tell the men in the box what the state proposes to prove, was spent in the reading of the laws and decisions of other states not ably New York state. The defense evidently decided to make no objection to the line of discussion, waiting for the prosecutor to say what he expected to prove against the defendant.

The nearest approach to a description of how it is proposed to connect Mayor Bell with any election frauds, as a conspirator or otherwise, was when Mr. Rucker read the list of indicted men and declared that they were city employees and that if still other men committed crimes with their knowledge or connivance, the circumstantially it must appear that Joseph E. Bell as Mayor and boss of all city employees, must be the arch conspirator.

He told how corrupt the republicans had been before the democrats came into power in Indianapolis. How clean the democrats were for a time, and then came Mayor Bell "and all was corruption." And yet, in fact of this as Attorney Charles W. Miller might describe it, "how peculiar that the state fought so hard to keep any Indianapolis business men off the jury, whether he happened to be a democrat or republican or any other sort of a voter. If the administration is so corrupt business men who pay the most taxes and suffer most severely would be first to rebel."

It is supposed there will be a large number of witnesses introduced. On the motion to have the witnesses kept from the court room during the trial counsel for Mayor Bell said it was impossible to say who might be their witnesses and at the outset they could not say whether they would call any. It would depend upon what the state attempted to prove. The state has indicated the trial may last six or seven weeks since there will be a large number of prosecuting witnesses, reports showing that nearly two thousand appeared before the grand jury.

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TIME TABLE

Northbound.

Cars leave Decatur at 5:50, 8:30, 11:30, 2:30, 5:45, 9:30; arrive at Fort Wayne at 6:53, 9:40, 12:40, 3:40, 6:55 and 10:40.

Southbound.

Leave Ft. Wayne at 7:00, 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:30, 11:00; arrive in Decatur at 8:10, 11:10, 2:10, 5:10, 8:40, 12:10.

Connections are made at Fort Wayne with the Ft. Wayne & Northern Indiana Traction Co., The Toledo & Chicago Interurban Railway Company, The Ohio Electric, and Indiana Union Traction Company; also with the Pennsylvania, Wabash, Nickel Plate, L. S. & M. S., C. H. & D., and G. R. & I. railroads.

Freight Service.
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TODAY'S HOOSIER ODDITY.

(SPECIALS SELLING POINT)
Elwood, Ind., Sept. 14.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—While C. E. Henn, a brick mason, was working on a high chimney, he suddenly lost his balance and fell headlong. Fellow workmen expected to find him dead or seriously injured, but found that a truck load of cotton casks had happened along just in time to catch Henn.

ABOUT THE SICK.

George Steele who called on his wife at the St. Joseph hospital, Ft. Wayne yesterday, reports that she is getting along nicely from her operation.

Democrat Want Ads Pay,

AT THE CHURCHES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:15.
Tomorrow is designated as day of prayer for Public Schools. The 10:30 service will be in harmony with this idea. Sermon subject "Our Responsibility to the Oncoming Generation." All interested in our Public Schools not attending worship elsewhere are especially invited to this service.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30. "Friendships That Are Worth Forming." Miss Rowena Shoaf will lead this meeting. Public worship at 7:30 subject for evening sermon: "My Own, What May I Do With It."

A hearty welcome for all at all services.

JAY C. HANNA, Minister.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Bible school 9:15, C. E. Bell, Supt. Morning service 10:30, Theme "Our Judea" Communion services will follow.

Young Peoples meeting, 6:45 "Friendship," Miss Alice Brandyberry leader.

Evening worship, 7:30, Theme, "Value of an education," the pupils and teachers of the public schools are cordially invited.

Wednesday at 2:30 the Ladies Missionary Circle will hold an open service at the church with visiting speakers. Wednesday evening, 7:30, mid-week prayer service.

Thursday at 9:30, at the Baptist church at Bluffton the Salem Association will meet. The pastor and a number of members from here will attend, the pastor being twice on the program.

A cordial welcome awaits all who worship with us.

FLOYD G. ROGERS, Pastor.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Low Mass 7:30.

High Mass 9:30.

Christian Doctrine 2:00.

Vespers and Benediction 2:30.

REV. J. A. SEIMETZ, Pastor.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

English communion service Sunday morning.

Confessional service at 9:30 a. m. German Service next Sunday.

A. W. HINZ, Pastor.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

9:00 Sunday School.

10:15 Morning worship.

Quarterly Communion Service, conducted by the pastor.

6:30 p. m. Epworth League Service. 7:30 p. m. Evening worship, sermon by the pastor.

Wednesday evening next, Rev. J. A. Beatty D. D. will lead the Prayer meeting after which he will preside at the 2nd. Quarterly Conference.

D. T. STEPHENSON, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(United Press Service)
9:00 a. m. Orchestral concert. Our orchestra will be with us after the summer vacation to render some special numbers. Let us be there to hear them.

9:15 a. m. Bible school. Preaching at 10:15 a. m. Communion at 10:50 a. m.

7:00 p. m. Evangelistic service. All are invited to these services.

BENJAMIN BORTON, Pastor.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:15 a. m. sharp.

S. S. Cramer, Supt.

Preaching at 10:15 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Y. P. A. at 6:45. Topic, "World Ideals, and How Foreign Missions Will Promote Them." Eola Gentis, leader. Mid-week service Wednesday evening 7:30 after which the choir will rehearse.

The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings. Good singing by a large choir.

J. H. RILLING, Pastor.

ZIONS REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30 a. m. M. Kirsch Supt.

German preaching service at 10:00 a. m. Theme "Macedonische Rut; Ernst und Jetzt" Rev. T. Hoernemann of Lima, O., will deliver the message.

German—English service 2:30 p. m. German address "Our Work Among the Winnebagoes" by Rev. O. Engelmann of Maskey.

English address: "Missions in the Home"—Rev. T. Hoernemann. Christian Endeavor service at 6:50 p. m. topic, "Friendships that are Worth Forming." "Making and keeping them"—Matilda Sellmeyer, leader.

English preaching service 7:30 p. m. Address by Rev. T. Hoernemann of "Home Missions."

Offerings will be received at all services for the cause of Missions. We herewith urgently request all the members and friends of the congregation to be present at the services.

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