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INVADE SERBIA

**Austro-German Troops In-
vade Servian Territory
from Several Points.**

BULGARIA EXPECTS

**Declaration of War by Rus-
sia and Will Declare War
on Servia Today.**

London, Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The long expected drive through the Balkans to Constantinople has begun. Austro-German troops in large force have crossed the Danube, Fave and Drina, the three rivers that form Servia's northwestern frontier. This morning's Berlin official statement claimed that the crossings were effected at several points and that the Austro-Germans have obtained a firm footing on the Serbian soil. No word has come from Sofia this afternoon but it is believed possible that Bulgarian troops have already crossed the eastern frontier of Serbia, striking for the Nish-Salonika railway. The Greek minister to Sofia reported only two days ago that Bulgaria would invade Serbia when the Austro-German drive began. No formal declaration of war has come from Sofia but dispatches from there this afternoon declare that Bulgaria expects to be at war within a few hours.

Coincident with the beginning of the great Austro-German offensive in the Balkans, the allies have renewed their onslaught in the west with great fury. The German war office this afternoon admitted that the rush of French infantry drove the Germans from the entrenched Tabbre heights in the Champagne region but denies other successes were only temporary. Paris reports the repulse of heavy German counter attacks against the newly won ground with the Germans suffering enormous losses.

Berlin, Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Great and overwhelming victories for the central empire and the speedy end of the war will follow the Bulgarian entrance into the conflict, it is believed in military circles here today.

Berlin, Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The Bulgarian entrance into the war will not be long delayed, the Bulgarian government organ informed the Bulgarian people today.

Berlin, Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Bulgaria expects a declaration of war from the allies today, said a Sofia dispatch received here today.

POLICE COURT

Owen Grim, was arrested by Patrolman Joe Reynolds, on a charge of intoxication, Wednesday night. Grim is said to be in a badly soured condition, and he was sent in for safe keeping. He will have his hearing before the mayor this afternoon.

Owen Grim who was arrested last night by Officer Joel Reynolds on a charge of public intoxication was arraigned before Squire G. F. Kintz this afternoon was found guilty and given a fine of one dollar and cost amounting in all to nine dollars. Grim recused a bailer and was released. The trial was held in Squire Kintz's office in the Morrison block.

MY PHILOSOPHY.

(James Whitcomb Riley)

I ain't, ner don't p'tend to be,
Must posted on philosophy;
But there is times, when all alone
I work out ideas of my own
And of these same there is a few
I'd like to jest refer to you
Pervidin' that you don't object
To listen clost' and rickollect.

I allus argy that a man
Who does about the best he can
Is plenty good enough to suit
This lower mundane institute—
No matter ef his daily walk
Is subject fer his neighbor's talk,
And critic-minds of ev'ry whim
Jest, all git up and go fer him!

My doctern is to lay aside
Contentions, and be satisfied;
Jest do your best, and praise er blame
That follers that, counts jest the same.

DRUGGISTS AGREE

The agreement between the four local druggists, in which they conve-nant to close their respective stores at eight o'clock each evening, except-ing Saturday evening, during the win-ter months, has been signed, and will go into effect on next Monday. The agreement will continue in effect until warm spring weather brings the open-ing of the fountains.

OCTOBER SESSION OVER

The board of commissioners con-cluded their work last evening and ad-journed. The John T. Lose macadam road was accepted. The petitions for the refunding of taxes of Orlando Myers and Schaub & Dowling were dismissed.

WAS RILEY DAY

**Shakespeare Club Honors
Hoosier Poet With Riley
Program**

AT DUGAN HOME

**Afternoon Tea Given on
Celebration of the Poet's
Birth Anniversary.**

"Riley Day" in honor of our Hoosier poet, whose birthday anniversary falls today, was fittingly observed yesterday by the Shakespeare club with an afternoon tea at the home of Mrs. C. A. Dugan. Each member in- vited two guests and the assembly numbered a hundred.

The October woods yielded a sup- ply of beautiful flowers—the golden-rod, which embodies the club color, yellow—beautiful oak leaves and daisies, and these with ferns and with- roses and hydrangeas, banked the rooms of the Dugan home, making it unusually pretty. The open fires ad- ded that cheeriness which is so grate- ful in these cool October days, al- though the weather was at its best yesterday.

The Riley program was an excellent one. Mrs. Dugan, chairman of the en- tertainment committee, opened with a talk and read a clever bit of verse, "And Yet," which pertained to the opening of the club activities after the summer vacation. Miss Gertrude Moses gave a piano number and Mrs. Emma Daniel gave a talk on Riley. She told of his early life, his charac- teristics and many other things of interest. Miss Marie Patterson sang and Mrs. Charles Knapp gave two readings from Riley. A group of Riley songs, being several of his tunef- ul poems set to music, were sung by Mrs. Will Schrock.

The tea was served in the dining room. Pouring from the urn on the dining table were Mrs. J. S. Boyers and Mrs. Dan Sprang. Dainty sand- wiches and cakes were served with the tea. Favors were white ribbons bearing Riley's name, pinned on each guest by Mrs. D. D. Heller, with a button pin bearing Riley's picture.

Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Dr. Cook and daughter, Justine; Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Adams, of Bluffton, and Mrs. Richard Day of Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. O. P. Edwards, Leipsic, Ohio; Miss Rose Dunathan, Ven Wert, Ohio; Mrs. Milo McKinney.

The committee in charge of the en- tertainment comprised Mrs. C. A. Du- gan, chairman; Mrs. D. D. Heller, Mrs. Dan Sprang, Mrs. D. E. Smith, Mrs. J. H. Heller, Mrs. J. S. Boyers, Mrs. S. D. Beavers, Mrs. Emma Daniel. The Shakespeare club will begin its regular study next week.

DANCE CRAZE

**Modern Dances Exit from
Scheme of Milwaukeees
Amusement Program.**

WILL SKATE NOW

**Completion of Costly Sea-
Walls Makes Smooth
Ice Possible.**

(United Press Service)
Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Exit the modern dance craze from the scheme of things in Milwaukee. By the time the ice has frozen early this winter, the Pig- een Walk and all other forms of dance floor acrobats will be lost and for- gotten in a craze for ice skating.

Milwaukee is going to have the biggest open air ice skating rink in the middle west.

When the long protecting seawall that makes Milwaukee harbor one of the finest in the world was completed, it was thought that the water within the protected area would freeze very smoothly but the first winter proved that such was not the case. The ice was too rough for skating.

Now, however, a second protection wall has been erected within the outer sea wall and the strip of water be- tween the shore of Lake Michigan and the second wall will freeze to a glassy surface. Plans are already under way to utilize this great strip of water from McKinley beach to the head of Mason street as a municipal skating rink. It will be more than a mile and a half long and a quarter of a mile wide.

The demise of the dance has al- ready been noted in cafes and halls where the nightly throngs were wont to swirl in close embrace. One o'ig cafe that maintained a dance floor has done away with dancing for lack of patronage. Like New York city, the people here intend to go in strong for ice skating to take the place of the trot and canter.

CORN SELECTION

**For Seed—County Agent A.
J. Hutchins Meets Farm-
ers at School House**

ON LAST EVENING

**At District 6, in Kirkland
Township—Talked on
Seed Corn Selection.**

The farmers of the vicinity of the school district number six, Kirkland township, are right up to snuff. Thirty two of them attended an enthusiastic meeting last evening at the school- house of that district, when County Agent A. J. Hutchins gave a demon- stration of the selection of seed corn. A shock of corn fodder was brought bodily into the schoolhouse, and Mr. Hutchins gave a talk, bearing upon the scientific selection of the corn to be used for seed.

The demonstration was such an ex- cellent one that the farmers invited him to meet with them more inform- ally in a corn field, and he accepted the invitation. He will go out next Monday and the talk and demonstra- tion will be carried further.

SECURES \$300 HAUL

Huntington, Oct. 6.—A short, neat- ly-dressed man sauntered into the Fort Wayne and Northern Indiana Traction station here tonight, and with a revolver, forced J. C. Colches- ser, the agent, to give up about \$300. Fifteen feet away were the employes of the interurban restaurant, sepa- rated from the waiting room by a screen only. The police have been unable to find trace of the robber af- ter he left the station.

Sheriff Ed Green was notified early this morning to watch for the thief. An excellent description was furnish- ed.

FIRST CASES IN STRIKE.

(United Press Service)
Fort Wayne, Ind., Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Three machin- ists of the Bowser plant who went on trial today charged with assaulting Roy Thompson, a strike breaker, of Indianapolis, was the first local court case growing out of the Fort Wayne street car strike. Joseph Hafner, John Waldo and Leslie Libbey were the three defendants. They are charged with having stopped Thompson's street car and kicked Thompson sense- less. They have been out on \$500 bond. This was the day named by the city attorney when the new or- dinance directed against the street car company should go into effect. The new ordinance, passed since the strike started, provides that the company shall not employ men to run its cars who have had less than fourteen days' local experience. The ordinance is di- rected at the strike breakers, many of whom have been imported from vari- ous Indiana cities.

THE COURT NEWS

**The Andrews Damage Case
Against Klopfenstein to
Come to Trial.**

MAY BEGIN FRIDAY

**Will Schrock Qualifies as
Administrator of Estate
of Nettie Schrock.**

Attorneys Shafer Peterson, C. L. Walters and L. C. DeVoss, went to Portland this morning to try the case of Ella Andrews, widow of Wade Andrews against Jeff Klopfenstein, for \$5,000 damages. Another case was on before the judge and a jury and this was not completed until noon today. It was thought that the issues in the Andrews case would be made this af- ternoon and the same gotten ready for trial by tomorrow morning. Special Judge Theodore Shockney of Win- chester will try the case. The case was venued to Jay county from here.

William P. Schrock was granted letters of administration on the estate of his mother, the late Mrs. Nettie. His bond was \$1,000.

The report of the inheritance tax appraiser in the estate of Samuel Doak was filed and November 1 the day fixed for the hearing thereof. Notice was ordered given to interested parties.

The inventory filed by E. Burt Len- hart, guardian of William Jackson, was approved.

Joseph D. Winterberg, guardian of Gust Mutter, filed inventory which court approved.

Real estate transfers: James M. Boyer et al to Henry S. Michaud, lot 731, Decatur, \$2,000; H. S. Michaud to Samuel K. Christy, lot 731 Decatur, \$2,000.

HALLOW'EEN SOCIAL

Ben Hurs will give a Hallow'een so- cial this evening at their hall. All are invited to come. Bring plenty of pennies in your pocket. A good pro- gram and a general good time is of- fered. The following menu will be served:

Bits of stone and a sorcery.
Swamp fruit.
A noise and a doctor's charge.
Skipper's retreat.
For the love loom.
A musical nut.
Everlasting delight.
Low shoe and relative mixture.
Adam's ale.
Chip off the old block.
Come and bring your friend.
All that will mask may. A prize will be given to best masked.—Con- tributed.

BLIND TIGER CAUGHT

(United Press Service)
Bluffton, Oct. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Elzey Starr, forty years old—a cripple who came here from Blackford county last February was arrested on a blind tiger charge and pleaded guilty in circuit this morning, getting a fifty dollar fine and costs with ninety days in jail suspended. The blind tiger was found at his home in the south part of town, his boy and another were found drunk and they admitted they got it there. The case was heard before special judge McGriff of Portland.

WILSON ENGAGED

**President Wilson is Engag-
ed to Mrs. Norman R.
Galt, Widow of**

A CAPITAL JEWELER

**Date of Wedding not Fixed,
But Will Probably be in
December.**

(United Press Service)
Washington, Oct. 7.—(Special to the Daily Democrat)—President Wilson will leave tomorrow morning for New York, accompanied by his fiancée, Mrs. Norman R. Galt, Mrs. Helen Woodrow Bones, Doctor Cary T. Grayson and secretary Tumulty, to attend a house party at the home of Colonel House. Official statements at the white house today said the wedding will be cele- brated very quietly at the home of Mrs. Galt.

President Wilson will marry within a short time, Mrs. Norman R. Galt, widow of a former prominent jeweler of Washington.

"The announcement was made to- day of the engagement of Mrs. Nor- man Galt of this city and President Woodrow Wilson."

No announcement of the date of the wedding was made, although it was stated at the white house that it would take place within a few months and would be private.

She came into the White House cir- cle last fall as the close friend of Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the Pres- ident, and was then met by the Pres- ident. Mrs. Galt was Miss Wilson's guest at Cornish during the present summer. She is a woman of charm- ing personality and the friendship, which early grew between her and the President, quickly ripened into some- thing warmer and deeper.

The President's attention to Mrs. Galt have been marked for some weeks, but his opportunities to be with her have been curtailed by the pres- (Continued on Page 4.)

RILEY SERENADE

**Indianapolis Orchestra and
Musik Verin Serenade
the Hoosier Poet**

AT 12:01 O'CLOCK

**Poet, Admits Having the
Time of His Life—Bas-
kets of Flowers.**

(United Press Service)
Indianapolis, Oct. 7.—(Special to the Daily Democrat)—Locherbie street was the first spot in the whole wide world today to know that James Whit- comb Riley's birthday had arrived. At 12:01 a. m. the little street echoed from end to end with the strains of "Love's old sweet song," played by the brass quartet of the Indianapolis orchestra. Riley's dreams must have enfolded the melody at first, for the Hoosier poet was not at once awak- ened. When the fact that he was being serenaded dawned on him he appeared at a window and wanted the party to wait until he passed the cigars. "No you go back to sleep," and they let the little lane in quiet once more, but before they left members of the Musik Verin, sang several german folk songs and Riley admitted he was having the time of his life. The party left a big basket of flowers at his door and twined about the basket were ribbons that bore inscribed in letters of gold "From the Indianapolis orchestra and the Musik Verin, Broth- ers in Song, to James Whitcomb Riley, who has made song glorious, October 7th, 1915. Twelve-one a. m."

DAVID GESSINGER FUNERAL.

The funeral of David Gessinger of Tenth street was held this morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Methodist church. The Rev. D. T. Stephenson officiated.

IS RECOVERING

W. L. Gunder who was seriously hurt Saturday evening when kicked by a horse, is recovering gradually. He is still bedfast, however, being able to sit up in bed only when supported.

A DIGNIFIED FAMILY

Having engaged in a prize fight the son of a family, who are strong on dignity, has to leave home. He falls in love with a mountain girl. Later his brother meets the girl while on a vacation, and after proposing throws her over at his father's command be- cause she is illiterate.

The girl at once goes to school, and after acquiring a social polish takes care to meet the faithless city youth. She accepts his renewed proposal, but gets revenge by announcing her en- gagement to his brother at the dinner he had arranged for the purpose of announcing his. Improbable but inter- esting. In the cast are Ruth Stone- house, Grant Foreman and Eugene Acker.

There will also be the usual Charlie Chaplin reel in addition to the three reels of "A dignified Family."

HELPING OTHERS

**How Edward Lee McLain
Returned to Community
Part of His Wealth.**

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE

**Donated With Complete
Equipment—Dedicated
by Great Men.**

Men work and strive and labor to gain riches and power and influence and then what—they die and the heirs quarrel and scrap and go to court to divide the wealth thus accumulated by the years of toil and the genius of the man who had the fat bank ac- count. It is said that there are but three generations from shirt sleeves back to shirt sleeves and it is about the truth. But every now and again we find men who feel differently about these matters and for them we have always the greatest respect. Van Wert has had two or three men who dispersed their wealth that the people of that community might enjoy the benefits thereof during future gen- erations. Mr. Eckhart of Auburn who died recently did much for Auburn, leaving a Y. M. C. A. and a beautiful park and a well equipped library as monuments—and he left more—he left sons and daughters who feel that what he did was right and will follow in his footsteps. One of the most interesting donations of this kind that has been called to our attention is that of Edward Lee McLain of Green- field, Ohio. It is a city even smaller than this. Mr. McLain has accumulat- ed a fortune with his manufacturing plant and he is one of the few who realized that the wise thing is to invest the money or at least a part of it now.

He did and he did it wisely. He has built and equipped a modern high school building at cost of \$300,000. It contains laboratories, gas plant, mu- seum, shops for the boys, library, gymnasium, auditorium, club rooms, study apartments and commercial room. The building was dedicated recently and among those who paid tribute to the splendid deed were Governor Willis, Hon. P. P. Claxton commissioner of the bureau of education at Wash- ington, Dr. Herbert Welch, Prof. J. T. Quarles of Cornell university and W. B. Ittner, architect of St. Louis. It was a most remarkable event. Here in Decatur we would be delighted to have the gymnasium. We wonder if Mr. McLain is appreciated in his home- town. We believe he is and we know he ought to be.

STILL TAKING MOVIE

Lots of excitement and interest has been shown in the production of the "Miss Decatur" movie play that has been in progress in this city during the past few days. Yesterday the greater part of the play was taken. In the morning the movie couple Miss Leona Bosse and Mr. Raymond Har- tings were snapped at the beautiful C. C. Schafer home and a tennis party on the Schafer courts was also taken. The beautiful surroundings of the Schafer home gave the picture a real- istic effect. This morning a picture of a Ford pulling up a hill was taken.

EASTERN STAR METING.

The regular business meeting and initiation of the Eastern Star will be held Friday evening at the hall. It is requested that every member be present.

DORE B. ERWIN

**Elected Member of Judici-
ary Committee of the
Knights of Pythias**

AT INDIANAPOLIS MEET

**Local Delegates Returned
Home Today With Report
—Doings of Body.**

Dore B. Erwin, for several years a member of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias, was again made a member of the judiciary committee of that body by the newly elected grand chancellor, Charles F. Remy.

A proposed constitutional amend- ment to increase the initiation fee of the Knights of Pythias lodge from \$10 to \$20 was not approved yesterday by the Indiana Grand lodge at the closing session of its annual conven- tion in the Indiana Pythian building. The proposed increase was consid- ered at the meeting of the supreme lodge at Winnipeg, Canada, last year, and was submitted to the Grand Lodges to be voted on before the convening of the next supreme lodge at Portland, Oregon.

The Indiana Grand Lodge's five rep- resentatives to the supreme lodge meeting were instructed yesterday to vote against the proposed amendment.

A constitutional change providing that all financial officers of subordinate lodges shall be placed under a blank- et bond, the cost of which is to be paid by the grand lodge, was adopted. It was also decided that the masters of finance of the various lodges shall be paid not less than 3 per cent of the dues and assessments collected by them and that they shall report annually to the Grand Lodge on the financial condition of their respective lodges.

The question of voting on the propo- sal to establish a tuberculosis san- itarium at a point in the southwestern part of the United States, which was considered at the last convention of the supreme lodge, was left entirely with the five local representatives.

Harry Wade, who yesterday turned over the office of keeper of records and seal to his successor, Robert A. Brown, was presented with a hand- some victrola by the members of the Grand Lodge at the close of yester- day's session.

The convention, according to offi- cers and delegates, was the most suc- cessful ever held in the state. After the closing session last night many of the visitors departed for their homes, while a few remained until to- day.

THE PERFECT MAN.

The so-called perfect man in Illi- nois in Charles Saunders, eighty-six, and he claims to be without a single physical defect and he accounts for it by these facts:

He never drank in his life.
He never whipped any of his five children.
He never spoke a cross word to his wife.
He never called on any woman but his wife.
He always went to bed at or before 9 o'clock.
He never had a fight.
He attended church regularly.
He always ate simplest of foods.
He reads without glasses and is a familiar figure at the ball games.
There are two points in this program that are not generally considered, and these are, he never whipped his chil- dren, or spoke a cross word to his wife. These are real sanitary regu- lations, the violation of which will shorten a man's days. If you want to live to a ripe old age, don't whip your children or scold your wife.—Ex- change.

INDIANA DEMOCRACY.

(United Press Service)
Early democracy in Indiana was rock-bed, founded upon Jeffersonian and Jacksonian principles. It held that the federal government was strictly limited in its powers and that internal improvements by national aid were unconstitutional. It gradually assumed a conservative position on the tariff question; emphasized the power of the states, and the rights of the individual. After the slavery issue dominated it, the democracy es- poused territorial expansion. Indi- ana was under democratic rule con- tinuously for nearly a fifth of a cen- tury—1843-1861—preceding the civil war.