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Every body in this community should keep in mind Saturday, December 30th. That date is Auto Day in Decatur and you will want to be here. Something doing.

Fifty merchants in sixteen automobiles started out today to tell the people within a radius of twenty miles about our splendid stores and how they are equipped for the Christmas and winter trade. Who says our business men are not hustlers?

This is a good time to make up your mind that you are going to save ten per cent of your income next year. Join a Christmas club, buy a property, make some investment that will make you meet a certain portion each week or month. Start a systematic saving campaign.

Take a squint at the statements made by the various banks of Adams county as published this week under call from the national or state department. You will find that these statements show a total deposit of about four million dollars, a sufficient amount to keep the wolf from the door for a while at least. Similar conditions are prevalent over the nation, in other words, times seem to be fairly good.

Any doubt that may have existed that Mr. Hughes had a chance to secure any electoral votes in California has been erased by statements from both the republican and democratic committees of that state, setting forth the facts that the lowest democratic elector will have at least 1,200 more votes than the highest republican and that the highest democrat will have a majority of 3,807. Mr. Hughes and Mr. Wilcox ought to be pretty thoroughly convinced by this time, as every one else is.

An exchange thinks the resignation of Mr. Wilcox from the chairmanship of the republican national committee and the selection of Mr. Hayes of Indiana in his place would be the first harbinger of republican victory in 1920. Delusions die hard among the republicans. What is needed for republican victory is a different republican party and not a different chairman of the republican national committee. Mr. Wilcox is not responsible for the fact that the split of 1912 was not healed by the action of the republican convention at Chicago last June.—Hartford City News.

A question which is deserving of your most careful consideration at this time is that of a new constitution.

in Indiana. Without doubt the present constitution is considerably worn and needs revision at least in spots, particularly with regards to the tax problem. The only reason for further postponement of action looking toward a new constitution is that there are so many interests to be reckoned with, so many fanatics to push along their particular hobby that there is some doubt as to whether the new one would or would not be an improvement. It should be remembered that constitution written now will be used by several generations to come in all probability and it should be built by the very soundest men in the state and then only after careful deliberation, investigation and discussion with the citizenry of Indiana.

The National Tribune in a column and half editorial attributes to some extent at least the recent defeat of Charles Evans Hughes to the fact that the republican campaign was poorly managed and that the national committee and management was made up too largely of young men, too much bumptiousness of youth and too much of youth's lack of knowledge of their country's history and the temper of the people. The paper says further: "Looked at dispassionately they were outclassed in the matter of publicity and literary work by the democratic national committee. Particularly the republican national committee was neglectful of the veterans and their kin. In private conversation the members, they said, in so many words that the old soldiers would vote the republican ticket any way and it was no use wasting money and attention upon them." They failed to even mention them in their Chicago platform while the democrats took immediate advantage of that fact and added to that was a record of real worth for the old soldier, his widow or his family. The Tribune says this mis-handling also extended to other equally important features of the situation and that for these reasons came the very decided changes in Kansas and other states.

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

Delta Theta Tau—Mrs. Herman Elsinger.

Bachelor. Maids—Miss Adelaide Deininger.

Y. P. C. E. U.—U. B. Church.

Shakespeare—Mrs. D. D. Heller.

Historical—Mrs. Will Butler.

Thursday.

Euterpean—Mrs. F. M. Schirmeyer.

Baptist Ladies' Aid—Mrs. H. M. Shroll.

Presbyterian Aid—Mesdames Hubbard and Coverdale.

Friday.

Evangelical Aid Oyster Supper—Old laundry building.

Tirzah Aid Social—Ben Hur Hall.

Queen Esthers—Mabel and Vera Hower.

Zion Lutheran Quilting all day at schoolhouse.

Eastern Star—Regular meeting.

Saturday.

Evangelical Ladies' Aid—Fancy work Bazaar. Gas office.

A man is always nearest to his good when at home, and farthest from it when away."

Misses Rose Conter and Rose Vogelweide were guests Monday and Tuesday of Mrs. Fred Schaub in Fort Wayne.

The Evangelical Ladies' oyster supper Friday evening at five o'clock in the old laundry building will be a success from a gastronomic standpoint. The public is very cordially invited to come.

A rabbit dinner much enjoyed yesterday noon was given by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Vogelweide of Third street. Covers were laid for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Meibers and daughter, Georgia; J. H. Bremerkamp and daughters, Genevieve and Florence; and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Knapke.

Miss Naomi Gass was a pleasing hostess last evening at her home on Adams street to a company of local and Fort Wayne friends. Singing and dancing contributed to the good time. The company included Tonk Meibers, Marguerite Garaud, Marie Gass, Rose Keller, Culver; Leo Centlivre, Arthur Moellering, Leon and Pat Back and Herb Fullenkamp.

The Christian Pastoral Helpers

have postponed their meeting which was to have been held this week at Lafountain Handle Fcty. do. . . . Northwestern Mfg. Co. do. . . . 9.10 P. L. Macklin, do. . . . 10.00 Lee Hdw. Co. do. . . . 7.50 Christian Eicher, do. . . . 12.00 Standard Oil Co. do. . . . 1.70 W. V. Buckmaster, do. . . . 20.00 North. Ind. Gas & Elec. Co. . . . 3.50 Buckmaster & Buckmaster, J. . . . 50

Mrs. Ed Johnson had as her guests at dinner today, her grandmother, Mrs. Nancy Lord, Mrs. Charles Burr and Mrs. F. W. Baker, the last named of Fort Wayne.

The study of Italy, as outlined in the geographical magazine was taken up by the Tri Kappas last evening, Miss Ruby Parrish having the paper. The sorority met at the home of Miss Madge Hite.

Mrs. A. Kohne, Mrs. Christena Niblick, Mrs. D. M. Hensley, Mrs. T. J. Durkin, Mrs. H. E. Keller and Mrs. H. F. Ehinger with the Afternoon club ladies were entertained by Mrs. Carr Ehinger at five hundred yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Kohne won the guest's prize and Mrs. Beecher Meibers, Mrs. Charles Vogelweide and Mrs. James Niblick the club prizes. A general social conversation period followed the games.

The pretty thimble party yesterday afternoon at the A. J. Smith home, for which Mrs. Smith, Miss Mary Foner, Mrs. W. P. Schrock and Mrs. E. B. Adams were hostesses had a touch of the Thanksgiving season manifested in the yellow in the decorations and in the chrysanthemums that were used in beautifying the home. Among the forty five guests were Mrs. F. L. DeVilbiss, of Detroit, Michigan, and Mrs. Jeff. Bryson, of Portland. A cozy atmosphere of enjoyment prevailed as the ladies sewed and later took up the answering of questions of a contest that carried out the effect of a dinner party, with its floral centerpiece, menu and guests. Mrs. F. F. Thornburg was awarded the little prize for her skill in answering the greatest number. At 5:30 o'clock in the little tables, especially pretty with their centerpieces of Bebe shransanthenums were set for the luncheon, in which Miss Marie Patterson assisted the hostesses. The second of the sewing parties given by these hostesses will be Friday afternoon.

### COMMISSIONERS' ALLOWANCES, NOVEMBER, 1916

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Decatur L. & P. Plant, do. . . . 2.00

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