



## In Looking Over Accounts

The Better the Grade  
The Bigger the Trade

## Charlie Voglewede

AT THE SIGN OF THE BIG SHOE

### WEATHER FORECAST

Partly overcast tonight and Wednesday warmer.

Mrs. Joel Reynolds visited in Fort Wayne.

Herb Fellenkamp visited in Fort Wayne yesterday.

Miss Amelia Toussaint went to Ft. Wayne this morning.

Mrs. Jessie Deam went to Fort Wayne for the day.

Veronica, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Aker, is quite ill of a high fever.

Miss Malissa Langworthy returned to Fort Wayne yesterday noon after a visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Spillers returned to Fort Wayne after a visit at Bobo with his sister, Ella Sheene.

Rowena Shoaf and Guy Kidd of Chicago attended the play, "The Birth of a Nation," in Fort Wayne yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown of Willshire, Ohio, went to Fort Wayne yesterday afternoon for a visit.

Charles Holthouse will return on Thursday morning to Collegeville after spending his Christmas vacation in the city with his mother and family.

The city council will meet this evening at seven o'clock and receive bids for the furnishing and installing of a condenser at the city light and water plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zuiver returned yesterday noon to Fort Wayne after a visit here over the holidays with relatives.

Misses Ruth Patterson and Luin A. will return this afternoon to Syracuse where they are teaching. They spent their holiday vacation here.

Misses Mildred Strehle and Grace Lichtensteiger returned last evening from Fort Wayne where they visited several days with the latter's aunt, Mrs. Clarence Baxter.

Lots o' smiles go a long ways that would work wonders right in th' family. You can't live your life over, an' if it would be a blamed good thing if lots of us couldn't think it over.—Abe Martin.

## The Home Of Quality Groceries

### A GOOD RESOLUTION:

Buy groceries where you get Quality Goods at the bottom price."

That's what we've been telling you for a long time and they are doing it. Eventually you will be, too.

A special invitation is extended to you to call and see our line of goods. You'll buy and you will resolve to begin the New Year right.

Our next "Auto Day" January 27th.

We pay cash or trade for produce, Eggs 40c

Butter 25c to 32c

M. E. HOWER

North of G. E. & I. Depot

Phone 108

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As we welcome the New Year and speed the old we want to extend a word of appreciation—of good will and best wishes—to the friends of the "White Stag."

May the fondest desires of all be realized in 1917.

The White Stag Cigar Co.

Every well regulated family takes, at least, a mental inventory of its receipts and expenditures for the past year. Those who insisted on buying shoes at old prices regardless of quality will find that they made a serious mistake. Shoes cannot be bought at old prices any place in the world and a new standard of shoe selling is at hand. Quality will have to be weighed as it has never been weighed before and Real shoe economy will be judged by the COST PER PAIR. We expect to make 1917 a banner year and there is only one way to do it and that is by sticking to and backing up our slogan,

Miss Naomi Mayer went to Fort Wayne yesterday.

Elmer Gillom, of Berne, visited with Miss Thelma Houk.

Miss Abbie Bigham of Fort Wayne is visiting here with relatives.

Colonel Fred Reppert and family visited in Fort Wayne yesterday.

Murle Lasure left this morning for Fort Wayne where he is employed.

Frank Wechter of Berne, was a business visitor here this morning.

Frank Lose returned to Columbia, Mo., after spending his holiday vacation here.

Mrs. J. R. Porter returned from Parker yesterday where she visited with relatives.

Miss Neola Moyer, a trained nurse from Fort Wayne, is a guest at the Henry Mayer home.

Miss Bertha Drummond will return today from Huntington where she visited over New Year's.

College students left this morning for various places over Indiana and Ohio to reenter school.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mills returned yesterday to Minneapolis after a holiday visit at the F. V. Mills home.

Cadie Meibers, George Baker and Joe Kortenbrer have returned from Rome City where they spent the New Year holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McCrory accompanied Miss Blanche McCrory to Fort Wayne yesterday, Blanche returning to her college work at Angola.

Miss Esther Sellemyer returned this afternoon to Tiffin, O., to take up her work at Heidelberg college. Miss Lydia Kirsch will go Thursday.

Mrs. Z. E. Garlet of Mongo and Miss Bernice Horner of Brighton returned home after a visit at Willshire with the W. B. Price family.

Charles Holthouse will return on Thursday morning to Collegeville after spending his Christmas vacation in the city with his mother and family.

Ira Waggoner of near Berne, was a business visitor here today and took time to renew his subscription to the Democrat which he has taken for thirty-two years and his father many years before he began.

CAN YOU EAT whatever you want, or do you have to be careful for your stomach's sake? Get your stomach in proper condition by using

### PUBLIC SALE.

As I have sold my farm, I will offer at public sale at my residence, 5 miles south of Decatur, 3½ miles west, 1½ miles east of Honduras, on Thursday, January 4, 1917, the following property, to-wit: Eight Head of Horses: Bay mare, 5 years old, in foal, sound, weight 1800; bay horse, 4 years old, sound, weight 1800; bay mare, 10 years old, in foal, sound, weight 1800; bay mare, 7 years old, good worker, weight 1700; these two teams are well matched; bay mare, 2 years old, sound, weight 1550; bay driving mare, 5 years old, sound, weight 1150; coming 2 year old sorrel colt; 8 months old baby colt; both heavy draft colts. Fifteen Head of Cattle: Six milch cows, one cow will be fresh in May, one cow will be fresh in March; 2 cows that will be fresh in January; 2 cows will be fresh in February; heifer will be fresh by day of sale; 18 month old steer, yearling steer, 6 spring calves. Twenty-one Head of Hogs: Broad sow, will farrow by April 1; full blooded Poland China male hog; 9 pigs 3 months old; 10 shoats, weight about 30 lbs; 150 head of chickens. Farming Implements: Three and one-half inch tire Turnbull wagon, 4 inch tire handy farm truck, carriage, good as new; top buggy, McCormick mower, disc, with trailer; John Deere riding plow, bobsled, J. I. Case walking plow, Geabs walking plow, 2 J. I. Case riding cultivators, shovel plow, Hoosier disc drill, 2 Osbome spring tooth harrows, John Deere corn planter, land roller, tanning mill, grindstone, corn sheller, manure spreader, two 16-ft. hay ladders, dump boards, wagon box, four 5-ft. hay slings; this machinery mostly new; tank heater, 2 sets of breeching harness, set farm harness, set single buggy harness, 19 horse collars, buggy pole, storm front, 25 gal copper kettle, 300 lb. scale, 2 log chains, grab hook, hand corn planter, cross-cut saw, 6 galvanized chicken coops, mixed hay, corn fodder, 150 bu. Big Four seed oats, 200 bu. corn in crib, 14-ft. hog rack, forks, scoop shovel, new DeLaval cream separator, 2 bu. clover seed, 1 bu. timothy seed, Early Rose seed potatoes, late seed potatoes. Household Goods: 2 beds, 4 stoves, Globe range, Universal base burner, Round Oak heating stove, Wilson heater, book case, chairs, kitchen cupboard, Lakeside orange, parlor lamp, 50 gal. cider vinegar, seed sower, 55 gal. gasoline barrel.

TERMS.—Sums of \$5.00 and under, cash in hand; over \$5.00 a credit of 9 months will be given, purchaser giving notes with approved security; 4 per cent off on cash. No goods removed until settled for.

DANIEL BIEBERICH, Frauniger & Spuler, Aucts. Lew Adler, Clerk. 25-8-10-12-15

### THE WATKINS MAN.

Customers desiring Watkins remedies may obtain same by calling at Winnies shoe store.

Two Sizes—25c and 75c.

Get a free sample bottle at Smith, Yager & Falk drug store.

Order a brick of Klepper's ice cream at W. Colchin's. 30416

C. R. DUNN.

Must sell 120 acres by February 1.

### PUBLIC SALE.

I will offer for sale at public auction at my residence, one and one-half miles north and one-half mile east of Preble, and four miles northwest of Decatur, on Wednesday, January 17, 1917, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following personal property, to-wit: Eight Head of Horses: Bay mare, 5 years old, in foal, sound, weight 1800; bay horse, 4 years old, sound, weight 1800; bay mare, 10 years old, in foal, sound, weight 1800; bay mare, 7 years old, good worker, weight 1700; these two teams are well matched; bay mare, 2 years old, sound, weight 1550; bay driving mare, 5 years old, sound, weight 1150; coming 2 year old sorrel colt; 8 months old baby colt; both heavy draft colts. Fifteen Head of Cattle: Six milch cows, one cow will be fresh in May, one cow will be fresh in March; 2 cows that will be fresh in January; 2 cows will be fresh in February; heifer will be fresh by day of sale; 18 month old steer, yearling steer, 6 spring calves. Twenty-one Head of Hogs: Broad sow, will farrow by April 1; full blooded Poland China male hog; 9 pigs 3 months old; 10 shoats, weight about 30 lbs; 150 head of chickens. Farming Implements: Three and one-half inch tire Turnbull wagon, 4 inch tire handy farm truck, carriage, good as new; top buggy, McCormick mower, disc, with trailer; John Deere riding plow, bobsled, J. I. Case walking plow, Geabs walking plow, 2 J. I. Case riding cultivators, shovel plow, Hoosier disc drill, 2 Osbome spring tooth harrows, John Deere corn planter, land roller, tanning mill, grindstone, corn sheller, manure spreader, two 16-ft. hay ladders, dump boards, wagon box, four 5-ft. hay slings; this machinery mostly new; tank heater, 2 sets of breeching harness, set farm harness, set single buggy harness, 19 horse collars, buggy pole, storm front, 25 gal copper kettle, 300 lb. scale, 2 log chains, grab hook, hand corn planter, cross-cut saw, 6 galvanized chicken coops, mixed hay, corn fodder, 150 bu. Big Four seed oats, 200 bu. corn in crib, 14-ft. hog rack, forks, scoop shovel, new DeLaval cream separator, 2 bu. clover seed, 1 bu. timothy seed, Early Rose seed potatoes, late seed potatoes. Household Goods: 2 beds, 4 stoves, Globe range, Universal base burner, Round Oak heating stove, Wilson heater, book case, chairs, kitchen cupboard, Lakeside orange, parlor lamp, 50 gal. cider vinegar, seed sower, 55 gal. gasoline barrel.

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## REMEMBER

It's not how much you pile up, but it's how will you handle what you get, that counts.

Success in small things will lead to success in bigger things. Every small victory brings an opportunity for a more important one--facts of supreme importance especially for all who are "Out to Win".

Join the Thrift Christmas Club while you have the chance. A few more days to enroll "The Thrift Way."

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## PEOPLES LOAN & TRUST CO.

### PLenty of 5 PER CENT MONEY.

Partial payments any time, without waiting for interest pay day.

120ft ERWIN OFFICE.

NOTICE.

### NOTICE TO FARMERS.

We will pay the highest cash price for beef hides at the packing house.

282ft HOOSIER PACKING CO.

J. A. BLEW.

\$100,000.00

to loan on 20-year time, without commission. Payment before maturity allowed.—Erwin's Office. 30812

HOUSE WANTED—I would like to rent on satisfactory lease a modern house in Decatur. Will appreciate any information concerning same within the next week or two.—W. A. KLEPPER, Care Adams Co. Cream 30916

TO SETTLE ESTATE.

Must sell 120 acres by February 1.

## GET THE WHOLE FAMILY INTERESTED IN SAVING

### THE 1917 CHRISTMAS CLUB

of the

## FIRST NATIONAL BANK

### Can Be Made a Family Affair

Brother John will want something expensive and "classy." Sister Mary a new set of furs—maybe the whole family will want a new car and will combine their Christmas money.

You can have what has been just out of reach before if you'll join the improved Christmas Club now and start with the rest.

Whatever you want is coming your way next Christmas. The whole family will be fairly bubbling over with the Christmas joys that only a full pocketbook can bring.

### Take Out as Many Memberships as You Like

Choose from these six classes. If you start with 5c and add 5c more each week to your last amount you receive \$63.75 or if you prefer start with \$2.50 and pay 5c less each week.

### Join the IMPROVED Club

Join the IMPROVED Club and teach the family by the method that's nearest like the regular Banking way.

Come in and pick your Clubs from these classes. Get the whole family interested in saving. Let them help earn the Christmas money and appreciate its true worth. Make next Christmas a glorious one. Join tonight or tomorrow.

### JOIN TODAY

#### CLASS 5

Ascending, begins with 5c and is rewarded with \$63.75.

#### CLASS 5A

Descending, first pays \$2.50 then 5c less each week and receives \$63.75.

#### CLASS 100

Pays \$1.00 per week at the end of 50 weeks receives \$50.00.

#### CLASS 2

Ascending, starts with 2c and gets \$25.50.

#### CLASS 2A

Descending begins with \$1.00 and draws \$25.50.

#### CLASS 50