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The federal drag net has caught a bunch of Indianapolis democrats who will appear before Judge Anderson to answer to charges of election frauds. The investigation also included a number of other Indiana cities and since there were 155 indictments it is more than likely that further announcements which will cause more or less of a sensation, may be expected.

The newspaper has been made the "goat" for a good many tempers of various grades and brands but the editor of the Wichita Beacon is up against an entirely new one. During the recent election he was so certain that Mr. Hughes would be elected that he announced that the jig was up and that fond mothers who wished to be abreast of the times should name their babies Charles E. if the wished to be popular. One woman at least followed his advice and then when the returns came in she was so angry that she has filed suit against that editor for creating the false impression and causing her to name her son after a "dead one." Can you beat it for trouble?

The announcement of the Afro Products company caused much interest here and the future developments of this concern will surely be watched with hopeful pleasure here where their success means so much. There are several other propositions just about ready to develop that may surprise you. Help boost and one of these days you will wake up in the best city in the universe. Tell the people you meet that you believe in the future of this city, located as it is in the heart of the greatest farming country, with three great railroad lines, a traction, 600 miles of improved road, paved streets, modern light and water plants, good business houses and with a population of the best people on earth. How can we help but grow and prosper?

Of all the power creating bills presented to the legislature and passage urged by the administration none are more dangerous than senate bill No. 86, which is just now being considerably talked about. It provides for four members of a new commission, to serve without salary, a silly idea on the face of it, for good service is never purchased so cheaply. These four men are to select a director who can receive any salary they care to pay him and who will employ about

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two hundred men at any salary he decides to pay them and who can be removed at any time by the director. The bill with a high-sounding name abolishes the state geologist's office, fish and game commission and other places but creates five divisions, geology, entomology forestry, parks and waters, fish and game, and would in no wise reduce expense or add to efficiency. The joker of the bill is that it removes from office a number of democrats before the terms for which they were appointed is up, and replaces them with republicans. It is a political ripper bill, pure and simple, and should be opposed by those believing in fair play, a square deal to the people and real economy.

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

**Friday.**  
Dance at Moose Hall.  
Zion Lutheran Aid-School House.  
**Saturday.**  
Home Guards-Mrs. Dick Myers.  
Euterpean Club-Mrs. Fred Mills.  
Queen Esther-Doris DeVoss.

The more I learn, the more my confidence in the general good sense and honest intentions of mankind increases.—Lowell.

The Ladies' auxiliary of the Eastern Star chapter is planning for a colonial social at the Masonic home, Thursday evening, February 22, on George Washington's birthday. Mrs. B. W. Sholly, president, and her assistants are preparing to make the event highly enjoyable. There will be a colonial program and amusements, and one room will be set aside for the display of colonial antiques. Each member of the chapter will wear colonial caps and neckerchiefs to greet their guests. The public will be invited and an admission fee of ten cents will be charged.

Miss Gertrude Holthouse was hostess to the Catholic Culture club last evening when the study of language was in order, with excellent papers by Mrs. L. A. Holthouse and Miss Mayme Hartings. A surprise was given by the hostess when she invited the company into the dining room where a buffet luncheon was provided. Mrs. L. A. Holthouse will be hostess in two weeks.

The valentine social given by Mrs. L. W. Stoltz for the Helping Hand society in the Reformed Sunday school room was one of the enjoyable parties of the season. Forty-five guests responded to the heart-shaped invitations issued by the hostess for the needle party, and busy fingers sewed carpet rags during the work period. Following the business period, opened with devotionals by the Rev. Stoltz, a musical program was given. Mrs. Fred Fruchte and Miss Edgar Gerber played. Miss Della Sellemeyer sang; and Naomi Stoltz gave a reading. The valentine colors of red and white appeared in the streamer decorations and cupids and hearts were used in profusion. The same colors were carried out in the refreshments of ice cream, heart shaped cakes, lady fingers and candies. Mrs. Fred Ashbacher and Mrs. Glen Cowan assisted in the dispensing of the refreshments. The collection for the afternoon was \$6.57.

Very little business came before the Presbyterian Ladies' society at the home of Mrs. W. A. Lower yesterday, and the social side of life was given pre-eminence, many guests being noted in the large attendance. The collection was ten dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vail, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Vail are giving a dinner party this evening for a number of relatives, in honor of the recent wedding of the former couple.

The Home Guards will meet with Mrs. Dick Myers tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Dan Vail is entertaining a couple of tables of bridge this afternoon in compliment to Mrs. Charles Loch of Fort Wayne.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Vail will entertain a company of young people at a party tomorrow evening for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loch of Fort Wayne.

The entertainment accorded the Nick club last evening by Miss Agnes Costello was an advance St. Patrick's celebration. Even the contest, which was the answer of questions in conundrum form, with words beginning in "green" carried out the idea. The prize was won by Miss Germaine Coffee and the booby by Miss Tonk Melbers. The two course luncheon was provided at the dining room table.

ble. Napkin adornments were in green and place cards were green shamrocks. Favors were statuettes of Irish Patse and Mollies and the green was also carried out prettily in the salads and sandwiches and other items of the menu.

The telephone operators gave a surprise last evening for one of their number, Miss Erle Butler, whose birthday the occasion celebrated. The party was given at the home of Mrs. Joe Hunter on Eleventh street and conversation and a general good time prevailed, a fine supper being provided. Those present were Irene and Marie LeBrun, Lillian Bahler, Florence Myers, Mildred LaDelle, Laurine Keller, Kittle Fought Dolores Heidemann.

The ladies of the St. Vincent de Paul society will give a card party at the K. of C. hall Tuesday afternoon, February 20th. The admission price is fifteen cents and everybody is invited.

## PUBLIC SALE.

The undersigned will offer for sale at public auction at his residence, 6 miles northeast of Decatur, 7 miles southwest of Monroeville, and 4 miles east of Knapp school house, on Tuesday, February 27, 1917, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following personal property, to-wit: Seven Head of Horses: Sorrel mare, 7 years old; black mare, 5 years old; bay mare, 7 years old; black driving horse, 2 year old sorrel colt; 2 coming year old sorrel colts. Six Head of Cattle: Jersey cow, 6 years old, fresh in March; spotted cow, 2 year old heifer; two year old heifers. Six Head of Hogs: Duroc brood sow, will farrow in spring; 5 shoats, Farming implements: Hay loader, hay tedder, used but one season; Champion binder, in good working order; Osborn mower, good as new; used two seasons; Champion mower, in good repair; land roller, made of binder wheels; spike tooth harrow; 10 hoe Farmers' grain drill; 2 Turn-bull wagons, 3 inch tires; spring wagon, 2 hay rakes, Oliver riding cultivator, Monarch corn cultivator, double and single shovel plows, pair of bob sleds, made of red elm timber; mud boat, pair of bob runners and numerous other articles.

Terms:—\$5.00 and under, cash; over \$5 a credit of 9 months will be given, the purchaser giving bankable note; 4 per cent off for cash. No goods removed until settled for.

CHRISTIAN BUCHER.

John Spuller, Auct.  
C. F. Bucher, Clerk.

## POSTOFFICE BILL PASSES.

(United Press Service)  
Washington, D. C., Feb. 16.—(Special to Daily Democrat).—Containing a drastic provision against the importation of liquor into prohibition states and appropriating \$230,000,000 the postoffice bill passed the senate today.

## K. OF C. NOTICE.

The regular monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held Monday evening and at which time the Rev. Father Ennot of Huntington, who is a former Decatur young man, will deliver an address. The attendance should be large, owing to the fact that this was his former home.

G. K.

The little son of John O. Fisher who has been seriously ill with pneumonia for some time past is recovering and will be taken to his home tomorrow. He has been cared for at the Dr. D. D. Clark home during his illness.

## Political Announcements

### FOR MAYOR.

You are authorized to announce my name as a candidate for mayor of the city of Decatur, subject to the decision of the democratic voters at the primary to be held March 6, 1917.

CHARLES W. YAGER.

Please announce my name as a candidate for mayor of the city of Decatur, on the democratic ticket, subject to the decision of the primary election to be held Tuesday, March 6, 1917.

CHARLES N. CHRISTEN.

### FOR CITY TREASURER.

Please announce my name as a candidate for treasurer of the city of Decatur, subject to the decision of the democratic voters at the primary to be held, Tuesday, March 6, 1917.

EDGAR GERBER.

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J. D. McFARLAND.

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ROY BAKER.

### FOR CITY TREASURER.

Please announce my name as a candidate for treasurer of the city of Decatur, subject to the decision of the democratic primary election to be held Tuesday, March 6, 1917.

H. S. STEELE.

### FOR CITY CLERK.

You are authorized to announce my name as a candidate for clerk of the city of Decatur, Ind., subject to the decision of the democratic voters at the primary election to be held Tuesday, March 6, 1917.

R. G. CHRISTEN.

## WANTS OTHERS TO GET SIMILAR AID

South Bend Woman Feels Better Than for a Year Since Taking Tanlac.

South Bend, Ind., Feb. 15.—"Tanlac is the best medicine I ever tried in my life and I want to recommend it to the public," Mrs. Bertha Hudzinski, wife of an employee of the Studebaker Auto works, of 215 Chestnut street, this city, said on January 29th.

"I had stomach trouble, indigestion bothering me," she continued. "My appetite was very poor and when I forced myself to eat gas would form in my stomach and would cause belching for a long time.

"I've just finished my first bottle of Tanlac now and I feel fine—yes, I feel better than I have for a year or more. I have a splendid appetite now and I can eat anything I care for without any bad after effects whatever. In fact, my stomach seems to be in excellent condition now in every way.

"Yes, Tanlac undoubtedly is the best medicine I ever tried in my life and I want to recommend it to others who are bothered as I was."

Tanlac, the Master Medicine, is especially beneficial for stomach, liver and kidney trouble, catarrhal complaints, nervousness, loss of appetite and the like and is a fine tonic and strength builder for weak, nervous, run down men and women.

Tanlac is now being especially introduced and explained in Decatur at the Smith, Yager & Falk drug store.—Adv.

## CORNS LOOSEN OFF WITH MAGIC "GETS-IT."

2 Drops Do the Work, Painlessly. "I tell you, before I heard of 'Gets-It' I used to try one thing after another for corns. I still had them. I used bandages and they made my



toe so big it was murder to put on my shoe. I used salves and other things that ate off more of the toe than they did the corn. I'd cut and dig with knives and scissors, but now no more fooling with me. Two drops of 'Gets-It' did all the work. It makes the corn shrivel and get so loose that you can just pick it right off with your fingers."

There has been nothing new discovered for corns since "Gets-It" was born. It's the new way—the common-sense, simple, sure way. "Gets-It" is sold everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent on receipt of price, by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill. Sold in Decatur and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by the Hiltner Drug Co. and Smith, Yager & Falk.

## PUBLIC SALE.

The undersigned will sell at public sale on the Mart Shady farm, two miles north of Curryville, or one mile south and one mile west of Magley, one mile east of Little Vine, 3 miles west of Peterson, on Monday, February 26, 1917, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property, to-wit: Horses, Five Head—One bay mare, weight 1450; gray mare, weight 1400; bay horse, weight 1050; brown mare, weight 1000; gray mare driving horse, weight 1000; yearling draft colt, Cattle, Seven Head—Durham cow, fresh March 1; Holstein cow, fresh middle of April; Jersey cow, fresh last March; 3 yearling heifer calves; black bull, coming 1 year old. Hogs, Eight Head—Brood sow, 7 shoats, weight about 50 lbs. About six dozen trying hens. Farming implements, etc.—Good farm wagon, Thomas hay loader, Johnson mower, corn planter, corn plow, Bully Boy, good as new; disc harrow, disc gang plow, iron spike tooth harrow, walking plow, Stine plow, hay rack, corn bed and hog rack combined, top buggy, set single harness, set brass trimmed work harness; household goods. Ladies of Little Vine church will serve lunch.

Terms—Sums of \$5.00 and under, cash; over \$5.00 a credit of twelve months will be given, the purchaser giving approved note, bearing 6 per cent interest for last six months; 4 per cent discount for cash. No property removed until settled for.

HOBART ARCHBOLD.

John Spuller, Auct.  
Irvin Wasson, Clerk.

## STOCK SALE.

We, the undersigned, will offer at public auction at our residence, 1 mile south of Salem, 2 1/2 of a mile west and 3 miles south of Monroe, 3 1/2 miles east, on what was known as the Frank Wechter farm, on Wednesday, February 21, 1917, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following personal property, to-wit: Four Head of Horses and Mules; One span of black mules 8 and 9 years old, weight 2600, sound and good workers; bay horse, 4 years old, weight 1400, sound, good worker; bay horse, 3

years old, weight 1250, sound, good worker. Thirteen Head of Cattle: Three year old Short Horn cow, calves last of March; 3 year old Red Polled cow, calves in May; 2 dark Jersey 3 year old calves, calves in May; light Jersey 3 year old cow, calves June 2; Short Horn cow, 3 year old, calves May 1; spotted cow, 3 year old, calves in May; 4 red cows, 3 years old, calves in May; 2 year old Durham bull. Sixty-three Head of Hogs: Ten head full blooded big Hogs: Poland China brood sows, will farrow in March; Duroc sow, will farrow April 1; big type Poland China male hog, papers with him; 51 shoats, weighing 40 to 90 lbs. each. Twenty-two Head of Breeding Ewes: 22 Shropshire breeding ewes, will commence lambing March 8; 1 buck; 8 bushels of seed corn.

Terms:—Under \$5 cash; over \$5, a credit of 12 months will be given, the purchaser giving bankable note, the last 6 months bearing 6 per cent interest; four per cent off for cash. No goods removed until settled for.

The Ladies' Aid of Salem M. E. church will serve dinner.

MORRIS & BARTON.

Jesse Michaud, Noah Frauhiger, Aucts.

Elmer Baumgartner, Clerk.

## PUBLIC SALE.

We, the undersigned, will offer at public sale on the old Herman Gerke farm, 5 miles north of Decatur, on Thursday, February 22, 1917, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m., the following personal property, to-wit: Nineteen Head of Horses: Team of 12 year-old farm mares, in foal; mare, 9 years old, in foal; gelding, 9 years old, two 5 year old bay mares, in foal; 5 4-year-old horses; one coming 3 year old mare; 3 coming 2 year old mares; 4 coming yearlings. Twenty-two Head of Cattle: Roan cow, will be fresh before sale; 5 cows coming fresh in March or April; 2 heifers coming fresh about the last of March; 5 heifers 2 years old, bred; bull calf, 6 months old; 8 calves, 2 to 9 months old. Fifty Head of Hogs: Poland China male hog, 2 sows with pigs by their side; 6 sows will farrow about March 1; 9 shoats will weight 100 lbs. each; 23 shoats, weight about 85 lbs. each; 9 pigs, weight about 50 lbs. each. Farming implements: 6 ft. McCormick binder, McCormick mower, Deere hay loader, side delivery hay rake, hay rake, Hoosier grain drill, 2 riding cultivators, Cassidy riding plow, 2 breaking plows, jumper, set of beet tools, 2 spring tooth harrows, 3 sets of spike tooth harrows, new Ideal manure spreader, 3 wide tired wagons, spring wagon, hog rack, 2 sets of hay ladders, fanning mill, platform scales, set heavy harness, good as new; 2 sets breeding harness, 2 sets of farm harness, set double buggy harness and collars. Hay in mow, about 12 doz. chickens, 2 turkeys, 1 gobbler and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms:—All sums of \$5.00 and under, cash; over \$5.00 a credit of 9 months will be given, the purchaser giving note with approved security and bearing 8 per cent interest after maturity. Five per cent off for cash. No goods removed until settled for.

KUKELHAN & SCHEARER.

S. R. Rose, John Spuller, Aucts.  
Chas. Magley, Clerk.

## PUBLIC SALE.

I, the undersigned, will sell at public auction on Friday, February 23, 1917, on what is known as the Abe Reiling farm, 2 miles east and 1 1/2 miles north of Monroe, and 1 1/2 miles south of Decatur, on county farm road, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property, to-wit: Sorrel mare, coming 7 years old, weight 1700; roan mare, 5 years old, weight 1750; these two mares are good ones; sorrel mare colt, coming 2 years old in spring; horse colt coming 1 year old in spring. Cattle: Spotted cow, coming 3 years old, 2 spring calves. Hogs: Duroc sow, due to farrow April 7; 6 head of shoats, weighing about 50 lbs. each. Farming implements: Deering binder, 8 ft. cut, good as new; Walter A. Wood mower, Dain hay loader, Hoosier grain drill, good as new; land roller, good as new; disc, 3-section spike tooth harrow and spring tooth harrow, 2 Monarch corn cultivators, good as new, hay tedder, one 2-horse wagon, with double bed, good as new; John Deere riding plow, good as new; C. B. & Q. corn planter, good as new; set bob sleds, good as new.

Terms:—\$5.00 and under, cash; over that amount, a credit of nine months will be given, purchaser giving note with approved security. No property removed until settled for. Four per cent off for cash.

WM. DURBIN.

John Baumgartner, Auct.

Garry Martz, Clerk.

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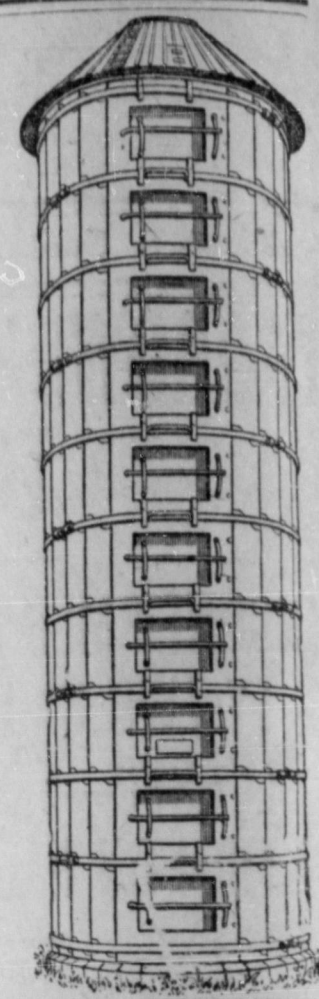
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What improvements have we made on the waterworks plant?

The boilers we installed are used for this department the same as the electric light department. As we wished to help the laboring class of people, we have been solicitous in helping the business men in getting factories to locate in this city and in giving them proper protection so there would be less danger of losing by fire. So we have placed water mains to all factories and have built several new water mains in the residence part of the city, and taken up some water mains and increased their size so as to give more water at the fire hydrants. We have also placed several new fire hydrants in the residence district. In this manner we have expended about \$10,000.00 on the waterworks plant. All water is raised from the wells by compressed air and as we had only one air compressor we would be out of water if anything went wrong with this machine, so we installed another air compressor. This compressor originally cost \$2,800.00 and was run six months and we bought it for \$600, and it was just as good as a new one. We built a new reservoir at a cost of \$5,000.00 and have put down three new wells at a cost of \$2,500.00. At all times we have been trying to keep this plant in good condition so as to be able to furnish good water and the best of fire protection.

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