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Indiana's quota of men, our portion of the 500,000 men asked for in the first call for volunteers, is 20,000 and if the expected army of two million is raised in the next two years, it will mean four times that many from the Hoosier State. The work has begun and no state in the Union will make a better showing of loyalty. We have always done it, and we will continue that record. Other states may fail, but not Indiana.

So long as he thought it was possible for the United States to continue at peace with honor, William J. Bryan fought for that peace, going to great lengths in his earnestness and even resigning from the cabinet because of his decisive opinions on the question but now that war has been declared he patriotically offers his services as a private or in any way that his government can use him. He will be found to be a loyal, whole-hearted and patriotic citizen during the existence of the present crisis, and so long afterwards as he shall live.

Cuba is loyal to this nation and will stand by the United States in her present international trouble. Scarcely had the news been flashed over the cable yesterday until President Menocal sent a message to his congress asking that body to declare that a state of war exists between Cuba and Germany. His message recites that this nation, to which they are bound by the closest ties, has, after two years of effort to avoid a clash, been forced to a declaration of war and asks the support of his country, which it is believed will be speedily given.

L. Ert Sick, United States district attorney, has advised the prosecutors in the various counties of Indiana to be on the look-out for disloyal citizens who aid or assist either by word or act an unfriendly nation, and to report them at once to the federal authorities. We do not believe that many people are disloyal but a few think it smart to say things reflecting on this government, the flag, or the president, and we warn you that it is a serious offense. This is not a political campaign or a time for free speech. Think well before you make an assertion that you don't half mean, and you may save yourself some very serious trouble.

Democratic and republican leaders met in Indianapolis again yesterday to discuss the question of selecting delegates at large to the constitutional convention and though no conclusion was reached, it was the consensus of opinion that an agreement for the selection of the delegates at large would eventually result. A half-dozen democrats, who call themselves forward lookers, opposed to the plan, very likely because the organization men and many others interested not only in the welfare of the party, but in securing a convention composed of some high grade men, were for it. Every safeguard that is possible for a sane and reasonable convention should be made and the selection of fifteen high grade men as delegates at large would help wonderfully. The convention will be most important. Those who favor a new constitution should know that unless they write a sound basic law it will not be adopted by the people and they should favor a plan to secure for this convention the very highest grade men in the state.

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

#### Monday.

Moore Easter Dance—Moore Hall.  
Research—Mrs. L. A. Graham.

#### TUESDAY

Elks' Ladies' Auxiliary Social—Elks hall.

#### Wednesday.

Historical—Mrs. F. C. Downs.  
St. Vincent de Paul Charity Ball—K. of C. Hall.

#### Thursday.

Shakespeare—Mrs. C. C. Schafer.  
Dancing Class and Social Dance—Moore Hall.

#### Friday.

Eastern Star Initiation—Masonic Home.

We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done.—Longfellow.

#### Light.

The night has a thousand eyes.

And the day but one,  
Yet the light of the bright world dies  
With the dying sun.

The mind has a thousand eyes,  
And the heart but one,  
Yet the light of a whole life dies  
When its love is done.  
—Francis W. Bourdillon.

The Mazah Aid society of the Ben Hur lodge entertained fifty at their social last evening. Misses Martha Tucker and Naomi Cramer read. Clayton Shafer gave a talk. Mrs. Goldie Closs and others gave piano music for the informal program that preceded the parcels post sale. Refreshments of sandwiches and coffee were dispensed.

The Easter dance at the Moose hall Monday evening will open the social season that for many has been very quiet on account of the lenten season.

Miss Mary Moses went to Fort Wayne yesterday for a week-end visit with Mrs. Fred Reynolds, formerly Miss Alice Dailey, of this city.

Miss Mildred LaBelle will go to Fort Wayne for a visit over the Easter week-end with Miss Marie Oswald.

The Queen Esthers met with Helen Walters and Ireta Beavers at the Walters home last evening when Doris DeVoss led the study of their book, "Old Spain and New America." An interesting letter was read from Sally Farren, a little negro girl to whom they sent a box, she being at the Eliza Dee Home in Austin, Texas. A piano solo by Miss Ireta Beavers was fine and refreshments of ice cream and cake was much appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stafford and Mrs. Roy Balyeat of Bluffton will motor here Sunday to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Zimmerman.

At a meeting of the W. R. C. yesterday, the society voted to join the civic improvement league and contribute to the assessment. The committee on the March dinner reported \$9.84 clear. A delegate to the state encampment to be held in Indianapolis, May 6, 7 and 8, will be elected at the next regular meeting, at which time also new members will be received.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reinking of South Bend, are here for an Easter visit with their son, Paul C. Reinking and family.

Mrs. Anna Johnson of Sidney, O. will be a guest of her daughter-in-law Mrs. Clint Johnson and the Peter Forbush family for Easter.

Mrs. O. P. Edwards, of Leipsic, O. will sing a solo Easter morning at the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. H. Heller went to Ft. Wayne today noon to be a guest at a luncheon given by Mrs. L. G. Ellingham.

## ARE KNOWN HERE

Lawrence Lewton and Geraldine Cross, Former Decatur Young People.

## WERE MARRIED TODAY

In Fort Wayne—Go to Chicago on Trip—Will Visit Here Also.

Among the several weddings of this Easter season, of especial interest here, because both bride and groom were Decatur people, is the wedding of Lawrence Lewton and Miss Geraldine Cross which will take place today in Fort Wayne, the Rev. Overdeer, pastor of the Simpson Methodist church, Fort Wayne officiating.

They will go to Chicago on their wedding trip and will later come here to visit with relatives.

Mr. Lewton is a son of the late Chester and Minnie Lewton while the bride is a daughter of Homer Cross and the late Ella Eady Cross. For several years Miss Cross has made her home with the Dallas Butler family going with them from here to Fort Wayne, where they have lived several years. She is a graduate of the Decatur high school. Mr. Lewton was a graduate of Fort Wayne business college, holds a responsible position in the offices of the Pennsylvania railroad company in Fort Wayne. Both he and his wife represent the best character and ability. They will live on Smith street, Fort Wayne, in the residence which Lewton purchased on going to Fort Wayne several years ago.

DEMOCRAT WANT ADS PAY BIG.

## GERMANS BLEW UP THEIR CRUISER

### (CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)

Buenos Aires, Apr. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Save for Brazil, and possibly Bolivia, dispatches today from South American capitals indicated all republics were preparing to announce their neutrality by specific proclamations.

Conferences were in progress in practically all South American capitals today.

George Mitre, editor of LaNacion, today cabled congratulations to President Wilson, explaining his purpose in part was to try to offset the coolness toward the United States exhibited by the Argentine government.

### Brazil is Angry.

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The Brazilian government today requisitioned for government use of the entire fleet of the company Conceria Navigation, together with all docks and appurtenances "for purposes of national defense."

The German and Austrian legations were put under guard.

Public sentiment is at a high pitch against Germany and apparently favors Brazil's alignment with the United States against Germany.

### What's On in Mexico?

Washington, D. C., Apr. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—What many be happening behind the scenes in Mexico was the cause for some concern here today.

The Mexican capital has been out of communication with this capital for some time. Both the state department and Mexican authorities admitted that they do not know what is proceeding there.

Coupled with unofficial reports of fighting in Mexico City and the "rumor" that Carranza had been overthrown by General Obregon, the lack of communication was at least disturbing.

In Mexican quarters, the rumor as to Carranza was branded as "impossible" though in the same breath the Mexicans confessed they did not know what the status in Mexico City was.

### Attempt to Blow Tunnel.

Pittsburg, Pa., Apr. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—An attempt by a party of seven Germans to blow up a Pennsylvania railroad tunnel in western Pennsylvania was frustrated by troops on guard here this morning.

One of the Germans was killed and several were wounded, according to first reports from the scene of the clash. One of the troops was said to have been fatally wounded.

## MARRIED TODAY

Jay County Farmer Takes Bride on His Birthday Anniversary.

## WERE MARRIED HERE

By Judge Smith—W. H. Goss and Miss Goldie Violet Daugherty.

A happy April wedding was solemnized this morning at 8:30 o'clock on the groom's fifty-eighth birthday, when Henry William Goss, a prominent farmer of Wabash township, Jay county, took Miss Goldie Violet Daugherty, nineteen-year-old daughter of William Shepherd Daugherty, of Wabash township, Adams county, as his wife. The ceremony was performed in the county clerk's office by Judge D. E. Smith.

The bride wore a lovely dress of dove-colored silk, with white shoes. Her hat was of white leghorn, with white plumes and pink roses, draped with a veil of white chantilly lace. With this she wore a blue coat, making a very stylish and attractive appearance.

They will reside in Jay county.

Having sold my interest in the Gass-Meibers Store of Quality, to my partner, E. F. Gass, I wish to thank my many kind friends who have helped to make the store a success from the time it was started nearly 5 years ago. I have always appreciated your patronage as a member of the firm realizing it helped greatly in building up the business into the thriving success it now is, the one exclusive Ladies' and Children's Ready to Wear Store in Decatur.

MATILDA M. MEIBERS.

HERE is a remedy that will cure most skin and scalp troubles. Eczema, Barbers Itch, Itch, Cut and Sores. Why waste time and money when B. B. Ointment is an ointment of real merit? Ask your druggist. If not handled send 50 cents to the B. B. Ointment Co., 247 Monroe street, Decatur, Indiana.

## RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were adopted at the meeting of the eighth district division of the Indian Federation of Clubs, held in this city on Tuesday:

Whereas, The legislative council was assiduous and most efficient in its work in accomplishing the legislative measures—prohibition and suffrage;

Resolved, That the eighth district I. F. C. recognize their work by a vote of thanks and that a record be made of same.

Whereas, The legislature of 1917 enacted many new laws for the betterment of our state of Indiana, especially prohibition and woman's suffrage.

Resolved, That the eighth district I. F. C. give them their earnest thanks and appreciation, especially the eighth district legislators, and spread the same upon the records.

Whereas, The legislators from the eighth district were untiring and faithful in their loyalty in support of the moral issues before the legislature and whereas, since they made the constitutional convention possible.

Resolved, That the women of the eighth district I. F. C. take this public opportunity to thank the legislators and those of the eighth district in particular, and that a record be made of the same; be it further

Resolved, That the women of the eighth district do all in their power to aid in sending men of honor and principle as delegates to this convention.

Whereas, The children of Indiana are sadly in need of a correct teaching of true patriotism, and good citizenship;

Resolved, That the eighth district I. F. C. respectfully urge upon the educators of this state, this necessity and recommend this teaching to be put in practice at once.

Whereas, The women of the state are now citizens in the true and noble sense, having had suffrage conferred upon them;

Resolved, That they do earnestly assume the new duties and responsibilities and that they educate themselves and others that they may serve their country in the truest sense.

Whereas, The protection of our native land is a matter of common interest to all citizens alike;

Resolved, That the eighth district I. F. C. respectfully urge universal military training for all boys and appropriate service for all girls.

Resolved, That we of the eighth district I. F. C. endorse the patriotic note written by our national federation chairman, Mrs. Josiah Evans Coles, addressed to the president of the United States and the government, pledging in behalf of the National I. F. C., loyalty to our government in this critical hour.

Resolved, That it be made obligatory upon all after public school teachers to become naturalized citizens of the United States.

Whereas, All of our towns yearly suffer from insanitation and preventable disease, be it

Resolved, That the women of the eighth district federated clubs go on record as endorsing every effort towards better sanitation and a higher degree of public health.

Resolved, That the very efficient work of Mrs. E. T. Lesh as chairman of the eighth district be commended and that we as members of the eighth district recommend her nomination for corresponding secretary of the I. F. C.

Whereas, The women of the eighth district I. F. C. are deeply indebted to the retiring officials, Mrs. Emogene Taft Lesh, Mrs. Albert Kehrner and Mrs. H. C. Harrison, for their efficient work during their terms of office;

Resolved, That the club women extend their warmest thanks and appreciation for these services; also to the state president, Mrs. Carolyn R. Fairbanks, Mrs. James P. Goodrich, Mrs. Elizabeth Barrett, Mrs. Edward Franklin White, the Euterpean club for its beautiful music, and all others who contributed to the day's valuable program, to the local clubs for their hospitality, to the Masonic lodge for the use of their beautiful club rooms, to the Eastern Star for the very excellent luncheon served, to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Peterson for their untiring efforts to make this meeting a success.

Signed,  
MRS. JOHN W. TYNDALL  
MRS. A. B. TAYLOR  
MRS. GEORGE E. DIGGETT  
MRS. W. H. EICHORN  
MRS. FOREST CARTWRIGHT  
MRS. J. R. MARSH

Amendment—  
Resolved, That the eighth district I. F. C. express its sincere kindness and for the publicity given this convention and that a record be made of same.

Heaviest and Lightest Woods Here.  
Both the heaviest and the lightest woods grow in the United States, the former being Florida ironwood and the latter the so-called cork of southern Missouri.

## NOTICE TO CLEAN UP

By direction of the common council in and for the City of Decatur, all property owners and occupants of property are hereby ordered to at once proceed to clean up their premises of all dirt, rubbish, ashes, filth and all other noxious materials thereon.

Upon failure so to do such premises shall be cleaned up by the city at the expense of property owner.

Witness my hand and seal this 6th day of April, 1917.

H. M. DeVoss, City Clerk

## NICKEL PLATE ROAD Sunday Excursions

First Sunday Date, April 29th

Sale of tickets will continue during Summer Season to points within

100 Miles and Return  
25c to \$1.50

Ask the ticket agent for full information regarding these attractive excursion fare, or write

F. P. PARNIN, D. P. A., Fort Wayne, Ind.

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

In the Matter of the Patterson Street Sewer Improvement.  
Notice is hereby given that the common council in and for the City of Decatur, Indiana, did on the 3rd day of April, 1917, adopt a preliminary resolution ordering the construction of the following improvement, to-wit:  
Construction of a district sewer on and along the following route, to-wit: Commencing at a point which is 32 feet east and 1 1/2 miles south of the southwest corner of lot No. 1, in Steele and Zimmerman's subdivision of outlet No. 43 in the City of Decatur, Indiana, thence running east on the north side of Patterson street, 1,000 feet, thence running in a southwesterly direction about 50 feet and then to terminate in the Elm street sewer as located on Line street.  
The boundary line of the district or area to be drained by said improvement and assessed therefor are as follows:  
The district bounded on the north by a line parallel with and 100 feet distant north from the north line of the right of way of the Chicago & Erie railroad company; on the east by Line street; on the west by a line parallel with and 100 feet distant south from the south line of Patterson street and on the west by Elm street.

Further notice is also given that the said council will on the 15th day of April, 1917, at seven o'clock p. m. at their council room in said city receive and hear remonstrances from the property owners of persons affected by the said improvement and will also hear and determine the question as to whether such drainage district or area is properly bounded for the purpose of such drainage or whether other territory not included in such boundaries ought to be added to such district or whether any of the real estate therein included ought to be determined and hear and determine the question as to whether the property liable to be assessed therefor will be equal to the estimated cost of said improvement.  
Witness my hand and seal this 6th day of April, 1917.

H. M. DeVoss, City Clerk.

## SELL YOUR CREAM

To our established company. Patronize home industry, which is here to stay. Don't be misinformed. We are not buying cream at our old Adams County Creamery building. MARTIN-KLEPPER CO. Between Clover Leaf & Erie Depots.

## LOW RATE EXCURSIONS

to  
ST. LOUIS, MO.

via

## CLOVER LEAF ROUTE

\$6.00 FROM DECATUR

Saturdays and Sundays, April 7 and 14.  
See Agents for particulars or address CHAS. E. ROSE.  
A. G. P. A., Toledo, Ohio.

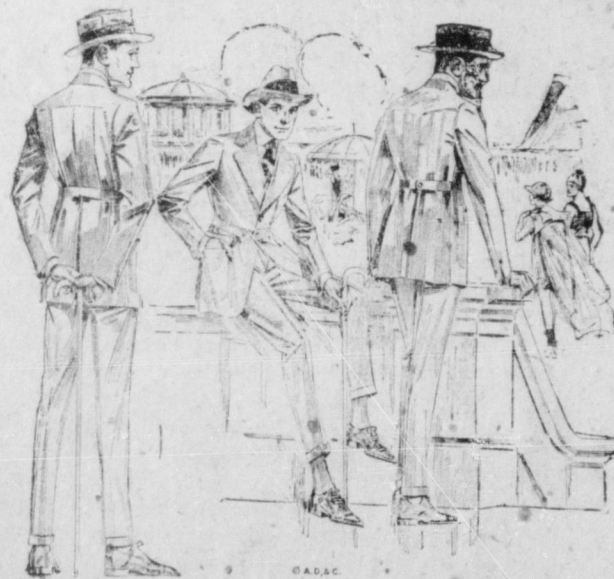
## FOR SALE

The two-story frame building, corner North Second and Jackson streets, known as the James K. Niblick property. Sealed bids will be received up to four o'clock, p. m.,

APRIL 12, 1917.

Purchaser must arrange to remove said building not later than May 1. Bids will be received at the Decatur traction office. Purchaser must give bond to carry out his part of the agreement as stated.

For further particulars, inquire of  
PAUL REINKING, Agent  
DECATUR, IND.



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