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We call your attention to the series of ten articles written by famous newspaper men, the first of which, by Luke McLuke, humorist for the Enquirer, appears today. The one Monday is by Kin Hubbard of the Indianapolis News. They are gems and they call attention to the Liberty Bonds with argument presented in a most readable way. Be sure to read them for you will enjoy them whether you want a bond or not.

Work harder and advertise is a good rule in these days of war and high prices even more so than in ordinary times. After the smoke of battle has cleared away it will be found that quite a number of men, hustling and ever at it men, will have profited financially while the competitor who sits down and grieves will have been left for behind. The country is prosperous, billions of dollars are being expended. The man who knows the power of advertising will reap a rich harvest. Think it over merchants.

Plans for Decatur's new high school building have been approved by all the boards as required under the law. Further than that they have been declared so good that if carried out they will give this community the most complete and in every way most modern school in the middle west. It would be a worthy and a most excellent reputation and it is to be hoped that our citizens will prove themselves big enough for the job. Let's build this school that means so much for future Decatur and let's build it right while we are at it.

Do you realize that Adams county is making a very poor showing in the Liberty Bond campaign and that so far but a small amount of the \$300,000 allotted to this rich county have been taken? It is true and it is high time that we move out briskly if we do not want to be pointed at as "slackers" in this great and important work. It is a case where the government is paying you 3 1/2 per cent to do your bit and it seems that every one who possibly can ought to at least buy a bond or two. Even if you haven't the cash, that has been arranged for, you can pay for them by the week. Won't you?

Why not a six cent piece of money these days of odd prices, ever upward and onward? While we do not doubt that the treasury department know the country's need, we expect too, they are busy merchants these days and perhaps have not noticed that the price of many commodities which

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have soft at five cents have now been advanced to six, making the matter of penny change a nuisance. The products now selling at about to sell at the odd prices include soap, matches, newspapers, salt and any number of others. Why not furnish a piece of change which will conform with this forced boost in retail prices? We believe it would be a convenience that would be appreciated. Cigars and other articles should be advanced that the dealer may live and they need the six cent piece of money to do so.

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday
Reformed Missionary—Mrs. Fred Sellemeyer.
Presbyterian Missionary—Mrs. C. A. Dugan.
More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of.—Tennyson.

The Presbyterian Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. C. A. Dugan. The good program arranged will be announced later.

Mrs. C. A. Dugan and daughter, Helen, went to Richmond today to join Mr. Dugan in a week-end visit with the P. W. Smith family. Mr. Dugan is stopping there on his way home from a stay at West Baden.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Zion's Reformed church will meet with Mrs. Fred Sellemeyer Tuesday, June 5. Mrs. Otto Reppert will be the leader, when the following program will be given: Song, by the M. S. Faith of Our Father; scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. H. Cloud; solo, Miss Della Sellemeyer; Lesson: 1. Missionary Work Among Spanish Speaking People, page 127, 130, Mrs. H. Mayer; 2. General Results, page 130, 133, Mrs. M. Worthmann; 3. Larger Aim for Future, page 133, 135, Mrs. L. Gehrig; page 135, 138, Mrs. F. Schaefer; page 138, 140, Mrs. B. Elzey; 4. Opportunity, God's Call to Action, page 140, 143, Mrs. M. Jaber; page 143, 146, Mrs. M. Kirsch; Discussion: Ways of Improving Missionary Work, leaflet. Mrs. J. Spuhler; solo, Miss August Yager.

After the Pocahontas lodge meeting last evening fifty-three were entertained by the Minnehaha Needle club. The usual fine time with sewing, charades and games is reported. The hostesses were Mesdames Fred Blosser, Irvin Elzey, J. N. Fristoe, Elizabeth Burns, Guy Brown, Temple Butler, J. A. Blew, Claude Burkhead, Monroe Besses and the Misses Erle Dull and Alma Brown. Refreshments of cake and fruit salad in orange cups, with coffee, were very tempting.

A class of eight was initiated by the Ben Hur last evening, they being M. J. Scherer, John Brothers, Lorenz Parr, Lena Dellinger, Dolores Burkhead, Imogene and Freda Black, Wilma Smith. Another class will be initiated next Friday. Special meetings will be held Monday and Wednesday in preparation to going to Fort Wayne June 13. After the initiation last evening, refreshments of ice cream and cake were dispensed.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stalter and daughter, Dorothy Lurie, of French township, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Masure, of First street.

The Sorosis Bunch will give a picnic Sunday for two of their number, Misses Doris Devoss and Eva Aughenbaugh, who leave soon for Angola to attend school.

The Home Workers' club of young folks had a jolly good time, including a taffy pulling, at the home of Glee Krugh.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Meibers, Tonk and Bob Meibers will motor to Portland Sunday to be guests of Mrs. C. Whipple and daughter, Ruth, at supper.

The Zion Lutheran Ladies' Aid society had a large attendance at their meeting yesterday. Mrs. William Welland served a fine dinner during the noon hour. They will now take a three months' vacation and resume their work in September.

Miss Della Riley, of Holyoke, Mass., who has been the guest of her cousins, Misses Gintley and Mrs. Robert Green, left today for Indianapolis for a visit before returning home. Miss Riley, who is a trained nurse has entered the ranks of hospital work in France and expects to be called to duty soon.

Mrs. Susan DeBolt, of east of the city, and Mrs. Lavina Acker, of Pleasant Mills, were guests of Mrs. Samuel Acker at dinner today.

FIRST LESSON THUS ENDED

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...ingly good, and of practical nature. It is very highly commended. He said in substance that the boy and girl is the very best investment that parents can make and spoke of the futility of parents making the whole decision of what their children's life work should be instead of directing their natural talents and bent along the channels for which they are best suited.

Albert Harlow, trustee of Wabash township, presented the diplomas and County School Superintendent E. S. Christen, who was in charge of the assembly, served as chairman during the exercises.
Barnard's "Maritana" and Sousa's "New York Hippodrome" by the orchestra were closing musical numbers. The following are the school trustees: Union, Adam Benz; Root, Philip Kirkland; G. M. T. Houck; Washington, Ed L. Aughenbaugh; St. Marys, Edwin W. France; Blue Creek, Charles J. Jones; Monroe, John Elchert; French, Joseph L. Graber; Hartford, Peter Fox; Wabash, Albert Harlow; Jefferson, J. L. Yaney; Decatur, R. D. Myers; Berne, Chris Stengel; Geneva, J. M. Wells.

Diplomas were awarded the following:

Union Township—Harold Schnepf, Harry Worden, Elizabeth Sheets, Root—Adolph Weidner, Lucile Alberding, Mary Bohne, Mabel Walen, Dolly Burrell, Dora Marie Magley, Thurman Schleferston, Esta J. Fleming, Wilma Rice, Gertrude Jones, Winifred Gerke, Thomas Fanner, Sherman Fanner, Herman Hinck, Lawrence Geels, Leona Baker.

Preble—Theodore F. Heckmann, Herman Bulmahn, Elmer Greber, Emilie Bulmahn, Agnes Scheumann, Amanda E. Miller, Ed Miller, Emma Tullis, Arthur Kreutzmann, Walter Shady, Rosy S. Bunck, Esther Berne, George Manns, Arthur Fruechte, Beatrice I. Dettinger, Ella Worthmann.

Kirkland—Emma Scherry, Beatrice Stalter, Albert Belneke, Vernon Arnold, Naomi Bracht, William Yaney, Faythe L. Byerly, Luzerne Pease, Laurin D. Yager, Carl Lester Eury, Della M. Greber.

Washington—Cleo Beavers, Martha Egly, Vivian M. Carver, Glenn Barkley, Emma Johnson, George Witt, Winifred Forest, Owen, Beatrice Butcher, Homer Ellsworth, Clifford Durbin, Mary Thomas, Clifford Marshall, Paul Gerber, Calvin Andrews, Sadie McKean, Margaret Kidwell, Paul Gould, Albert Coppess, Calvin Coppess, Curtis Egan, Janice Smith, Allen Smith, Dee Smith, Kenneth Hawkins.

St. Mary's—Marie M. Jones, Bessie Carter, Gladys Bunner, Velma Vera Alfathier, Elizabeth Dailey, Glen Jackson, Roland Miller, Lois Louise Colter, Lelah Steele, Lawrence Walters, Paul Davis, Daniel Bender, Glenn Longenberger, Amy McCullough.

Blue Creek—Lamont Buckmaster, Charles M. Frank, Ethel M. Foreman, Leah Christy, James Vernon Myers, Ethel Byer, Ina Whitledge, Lonnie Heidler, Naomi Gilbert, Alger Eley, Cara Lawson, Georgia Campbell.

Monroe—Sanford V. Wagoner, Ida Meyer, Gladys Reffey, Arnold W. Reinhard, Edna V. Lehman, Edna E. Nussbaum, Ada Pluckiger, Russell Sturges, Lenora Lehmann, Alton Ray, Barbara Stauffer, Edna Rich, Ada Liechty, Agnes Gilliom, Rebecca Lehman, Viola O. Yoder, Florence O. Sprunger, Forest Frank Badders, Esther Liechty, Wilfred F. Ray, Marvella Mills, Forest Kessler, Ralph Wesley Cole, Arthur Mitchell.

French—Marie E. Roth, Walter D. Stucky, Irene M. Tonner, Viola V. Lockner, Amos Isch, Chester Moser, Martin Neuschwander.

Hartford—Raymond Wintergreen, Arthur Bohren, K. E. Buckmaster, Gerald Orvil Runyon, George Achle, Mann, Voe Moyer, Velma Schindler, Roy Pusey, Leora Pusey, Roy Fields, Victor Elchert, Ellis Elchert, Robert Shoemaker, Dorothy Sprunger, Irvin Sprunger, Laurel Hulbinger, Bert Haviland, Mary Ralston, Walter LeFavour, Inez Monce.

Wabash—Kathryn Stauffer, Rufus Amstutz, Sophia Yoss, Viola Harlow, Martin Zoercher, Effie Yoder, Emma Wahl, Lillian Kirchofer, Erna Sprunger, Ida Heuselmann, Lillian Burke, Charles E. Armstrong, Paul Nelson, Lewis Armstrong, Charles Thornhill, Adah Felty.

Jefferson—Ina Woodruff, Ernest Heistand, Lois Lovella Buckmaster, Ernest Worlow, Chauncey Carey, Chelson Worlow.

Berne—Emma C. Schug, Dessie Amstutz, Katherine Schug, Irene E. Schneck, Walter Harris, Mathilda Felber, Agnes E. Franz, Arveda G. Wullmann, Louise Hilty, Anna V. Luginbill, Helen Burd.

READY FOR CLASSES.

Mrs. D. W. Beery and Miss Carlisle, instructors in the garment making department of the local Red Cross work, have received word from Fort Wayne that the samples they sent there for inspection passed, with credit. They are now ready for the opening of classes in this work, the first class to be next Monday afternoon. Those wishing to enter should register with Mrs. French Quinn at the library.

Mrs. W. R. Wood, of east of the city was in town today. She is recovering from a severe injury of Tuesday when she tripped on a nail in a board at her home and fell forward, dislocating her right arm at the shoulder and tearing the ligaments thereof and badly bruising herself. She was alone at the time and lay for five minutes before she was able to arise and call help. Dr. D. D. Clark dressed her injuries.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Special Judge R. H. Hartford, of Portland, was here and overruled a motion for a new trial in the case of Josephine Hoover vs. Stella May DeLegrance, to which exception was made by the defendants. The case was appealed to the appellate court and ninety days given to perfect the change.

In the Harvey L. Sipe petition for drain, written notice from court of Mercer, O., showing readiness of proper officers to join in construction of work was received.

Harvey Steel was arraigned in court yesterday and pleaded not guilty to rape.

Pansy Potter was granted a divorce from John Potter.

A decree of quiet title was entered for Albert Arnold in his suit against Joseph Randolph. The clerk is ordered to make a transcript.

In the case of David Ritter vs. Eli W. Steele, land was found to be indivisible and a private sale was ordered, for 1-3 cash; 1-3 in nine and 1-3 in eighteen months. J. C. Moran was appointed commissioner of sale under \$2,000 bond. David Ritter was found to have a 1-7 interest; Eli W. Steele, 2-7 interest; and each of the following a 1-7 interest: Nathan Ritter, Frank Alguin, Mary Miller, Mary Anderson.

The jury last evening at five o'clock returned a verdict awarding Mary Jellison \$120 against A. P. Addington, for damage sustained when his car bumped into the rear of her automobile near Huntertown in 1915. The case was venued here from Wells county. The jury retired yesterday morning at 11:15.

Frank A. Hickman, switchman of Columbia City, born December 24, 1893 son of Charles E. Hickman, was granted license here to marry Mrs. Donna Thompson, electric lights worker, born March 5, 1896, daughter of Sanford Ralls, of Fort Wayne. Judge D. E. Smith married the couple in the Lover's Retreat in the county clerk's office. The bride was divorced from a former husband January 22, 1917.

Licensed to marry: John Nelson Wise, born December 14, 1889, employed as a guard at the penitentiary at Columbus, O., son of George J. Wise to wed Elva Gertrude Shifferly, born January 20, 1890, daughter of J. W. Shifferly; also to Thomas Falkner, grinder of Fort Wayne, born May 27, 1894, son of Frank C. Falkner to wed Hermine Habegger, born June 26, 1897 daughter of Samuel A. Habegger, of Berne.

The papers in the case of State ex Rel Wilma Lyons vs. Harvey Steele, bastardy, were received in the circuit court from that of Justice Lenhart.

Real estate transfers: Vernon Ralston to Rosetta M. Ralston, 5 1/2 acres of French and Hartford township, \$1; Rosetta M. Ralston to Vernon S. Pontius, 34 acres of Wabash township, \$1; Vernon S. Pontius et al to Rosetta M. Ralston, 30 acres of Jackson township, quit claim deed; J. C. Moran, commissioner to Jane Meszberger, et al, realty in Hartford township, commissioner's deed, \$1; T. V. Banter, et al to Benjamin Banter, 10 acres of Hartford township, \$1200; U. S. patent deed to Peter Siler, 160 acres of Hartford township; H. H. Kattman, et al to Christen C. Stuckey, lot 376 Berne, \$900; Andrew Mertz to Peter N. Moser real estate of French township, \$26.85; Daniel Yoder et al to Peter N. Moser, realty in French township, \$18.12; Jane Meszberger to Fred W. Deeler, 25 acres of Hartford township, \$3375.

Christian Elchert was discharged as administrator of the Badgley Anderson estate on the approval of his final report.

A FINE RECITAL

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1. "An Emblem." (Thompson)
2. "Constancy." (McDowell)
3. "Sunrise." (McDowell)

Song by Mr. Kibbiger, "Good-bye." (Tosti)
Piano solo by Miss Price "Idyllo." (McDowell)

Group of songs by Miss Hoffman:

1. "Fiddle and I." (Goodceze)
2. "Nolmahal" (Cadman)
Out of town guests were Mrs. Boggs, Miss Grace Jane Prince, Miss Luella Flertag, Frances Wensley, Miss Koopel, Ed Cranston, Alvin Kibbiger, Ft. Wayne; Isabelle Weeks, Geneva.

RAN INTO THE DITCH

M. J. Welly, living southwest of the city, driving a Maxwell touring car, ran into the ditch near the Cyrus Hamwell home south of the city at two o'clock this afternoon, damaging the car badly but not injuring the four occupants. He was attempting to pass a buggy and lost control of the car.

OBITUARY.

Donald, son of Roy and Hope Urlick was born July 22, 1915, and departed this life May 28, 1917, aged 1 year, 10 months and 6 days. He was the only child of the parents, which makes the blow more severe. The child was of a sweet, pleasant temperament, ever ready to show recognition of appreciation of all favors shown him by those who dearly loved him. The gate along the short pathway of his life stood ajar and he stepped in, and out of sight, yet he is not lost to us, for we know where to find him. The funeral service was held in the home, three and one-half miles east of the city, by Rev. Harman. Interment was in the city cemetery.

NOTICE OF SALE OF SCHOOL BONDS

Notice is hereby given that the common council will on the 5th day of June, 1917, at their council room in said city, at seven o'clock P. M. or receive sealed bids for the sale of school bonds in the sum of \$15,000.00 as follows: Said bonds to be in series of from 1 to 15, payable at the First National Bank, Decatur, Indiana, with interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent annum, payable semi-annually, evidenced by coupons. Bonds to be in the sum of one thousand dollars each, due and payable as follows:
Bonds No. 1 and No. 2 due and payable June 5th and December 5th, 1920, and two bonds due and payable each year thereafter until paid.
A deposit of one hundred dollars shall be made by bidder as evidence of good faith. Said deposit to be certified check.
The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
H. M. DeVoss, City Clerk.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

Wanted—County dealer; profits \$2,000 to \$4,000 yearly; responsible concern manufacturing a product that sells to auto owners at an average price \$200, materially reducing cost of hauling anything, anywhere; nationally advertised; sales will be enormous; \$500 cash or established credit necessary; wonderful opportunity for a hustler to build up a permanent business. Address F. F. Craver, care Daily Democrat, Decatur, Indiana. 12912

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Special low round trip fares to Lake Erie Resorts, Niagara Falls, Eastern Cities, Colorado and the West via Clover Leaf Route. Ask Clover Leaf Agents or write to Chas. E. Rose, Asst. General Passenger Agent, Toledo, Ohio.

NOTICE OF LETTING CONTRACTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Notice is hereby given, that sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education of the School City of the City of Decatur, Adams County, at the Central School Building, in said city, until 10 o'clock a. m.,

Friday, June 29, 1917, and opened at said time for the furnishing of all materials and the performance of all labor required for the general construction of said school building, heating, ventilating, plumbing, electric wiring, vacuum cleaning system, clock system and telephone system, to be erected on the property of said Board of Education, located on the corner of Second Street and Adams Street, in the City of Decatur, Indiana. All according to plans, drawings and specifications on file at the office of said Board of Education and at the office of Oscar Hoffman, Architect, Decatur, Indiana.

Separate proposals will be received on the general contract, heating and ventilating system, plumbing system, electric wiring, vacuum cleaning system, clock system and telephone system. Bids will also be received on the heating, ventilating and plumbing systems in one item or as separate items. All bids must be submitted on forms as prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts or they will be considered irregular and same will be thrown out. Each bidder must deposit with his proposal a certified check, made payable to the Board of Education, Decatur, Indiana, in the sum equal to 2 per cent of the amount of his bid. In case the bidder, whose proposal is accepted, fails within five days after notice of acceptance to enter into the contract with the said Board to perform the proposal and secure the contract by a bond equal in amount to his bid, the contract price, in a form and with securities, his certified check shall be forfeited to the Board of Education and the bidder shall be liable for nothing beyond the proceeds of the check for such failure.

Bidders must furnish, when called upon, sufficient evidence of their ability and experience in this class of work and possess proper resources to carry out the work to the satisfaction of the said board.

Each proposal must be endorsed on the envelope, giving the bidder's name after stating the class of work bid upon.

The said Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids or proposals and to waive defects or informalities in any proposal, if it is deemed to be in the interest of the Board to do so.

If bidders wish plans and specifications for their exclusive use, they must accompany request for same with draft, payable to Oscar Hoffman, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder to file a bona fide proposal as follows:

\$15.00 for each set of General Construction Drawings, Plans and Specifications.
\$10.00 for each set of Heating, Ventilating or Plumbing Plans and Specifications.
Total of which will be rebated upon return of the plans and specifications in good order.

Signed: R. D. MYERS, President, D. B. ERMEN, Treasurer, Board of Education of the School City of the City of Decatur, Adams County, Indiana. 2-9-16

HAS BOUGHT GOOD STALLION

Ernest Conrad, well known stockman and farmer has purchased another high grade stallion which will stand during the season at his home. Call on Mr. Conrad for information. 129-42.

Democrat Want Ads Pay

Gold Medal Flour

A car load of Genuine Washburn-Crosby's Gold Medal Flour on the road, which we will sell while it lasts at

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DECATUR, INDIANA.

NOTICE—MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION

Whereas, the president of the United States, under authority of an act of congress, has declared and given notice that between the hours of 7:00 a. m. and 9:00 p. m., on TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 1917, all male persons who shall have attained their twenty-first birthday and who shall not have attained their thirty-first birthday on or before said day are required to be registered:

Therefore, the undersigned hereby gives notice that the place of registration for the several precincts in Adams County, Indiana, will be as follows, to-wit:

East Union—Broadbeck School House.
West Union—Kohr School House.
East Root—Aber School House.
West Root—Monmouth School House.
North Preble—Friedheim School House.
South Preble—School House, Dist. No. 5.
North Kirkland—Peterson School House.
North Washington—Hesher Store, Honduras.
South Washington—Benj. Eiting's Residence.
South St. Mary's—Boho School House.
South St. Mary's—Office of Township Trustee France's Store, Pleasant Mills, Ind.
North Blue Creek—School House, District No. 7.
South Blue Creek—School House, District No. 1.
North Monroe—Monroe School House.
Middle Monroe—Election School House, Dist. No. 5.
Berne "A"—Cottage Hotel, Berne.
Berne "B"—Town Hall, Berne.
French—Election School House.
North Hartford—Rear Room of Bank of Linn Grove.
South Hartford—Rear Room of Perryville Store.
North Wabash—District School No. 2.
Ceylon—Ceylon School House.
Geneva "A"—Pontius Bros. Supply Store.
Geneva "B"—Town Calaboose, Geneva.
West Jefferson—Buckmaster School House.
East Jefferson—Booher School House.
CITY OF DECATUR

First Ward "A"—Linn's Shop, Corner First and Rugg Streets.
First Ward "B"—Office of Decatur Egg Case Co.
Second Ward "A"—Basement of Court House.
Second Ward "B"—Residence of Ben Schrank, 103 North Tenth Street.
Third Ward "A"—Holthouse Garage.
Third Ward "B"—Blacksmith Shop, north of Hower's Grocery.

The law provides that any person who shall willfully fail or refuse to present himself for registration or to submit thereto as provided in said act of congress, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction in the District Court of the United States having jurisdiction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year and shall thereupon be duly registered.

Sheriff of Adams County, and Executive Officer of Board of Registration, Adams County, Indiana.

ED GREEN.