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Well you have to give this community something harder than raising a company fund of fifteen hundred for a bunch of boys like those who left today, if you want to make us take the count.

The new high school building is going right along and it's too bad that the gymnasium and auditorium isn't going along with it, but say, it's not too late even now. Let's wake up and build it right while we are at it.

Let's get down to business and go after a factory. There is one actually just waiting for the invitation. Shall we bring it to Decatur or shall we just sit and wait for something to happen? This is the best town in the state but let's make it better.

Well the boys have gone. Let's settle down to business now and so conduct affairs at home that we will prove we are just as good soldiers though fighting in a different position, as those who have left for more exciting scenes. We owe it to these boys who will return some of these days to check us up. We must make good. Let's be patriotic and faithful to our government, to our community and let's progress in all things.

And after all why borrow trouble. The boys of company A are perhaps a year away from the trenches and may never see them. It will require a year of training to fit them for service. The next six or eight months will be spent in this country, and the boys will be given the very best care and attention, physically and morally. Even after being sent abroad it will be several months before they see active duty as is shown from the fact that General Pershing's men have not yet gone to the trenches, though they have been in France many weeks. The nation is not sending untrained or unprepared men to the front as did England. In the meantime the war may end at any time and there are many who predict that another winter will bring every

nation to that place where they will be ready and anxious to make terms. Just the same our boys go forth as brave as any who ever fought for the flag and we are all so proud of them. Here's hoping that every one comes back in better health than they left today. We promise you a real reception when you do.

And the wonder of it all was that the soldier lads and the crowd displayed real nerve, the kind that makes this the greatest nation in the world. Of course there were tears as there should be on such an occasion, but they were held back bravely and only an occasional sob was heard until the train had moved slowly out, then many let go of their pent up feelings. Taken all in all however, it was a splendid American scene. Business stopped and thousands went to the train, the good-bye words were said with feeling but with good cheer, the band played lively music. Our boys go to represent Adams county in the worlds greatest war. God bless them and keep them is our prayer and that of hundreds, yes thousands from this community.

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday
Tri Kappas—Frances Dugan.

Thursday
Reformed C. E.—Angeline Firks.
SOCIETY
Methodist Missionary—Mrs. D. M. Hower.
Presbyterian Missionary—Mrs. L. A. Graham.

Friday
Queen Esther's—Gertrude and Helen Kinzie.

He will always be a slave who does not know how to live upon a little—Horace.

As a farewell to their two sons, Harvey and Randolph H., who leave soon to enter the U. S. army, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Everett entertained a company of friends on Monday evening. The guests spent the evening in a very delightful manner, after which a tempting luncheon was served, which consisted of ice cream, cake and coffee. The boys were presented with a number of useful articles to take along with them to camp. Harvey leaves Decatur this morning at 10:04 over the Clover Leaf for Fort Taylor at Louisville, being the first one of the boys in the conscription list to go. Randolph is expecting to receive orders to leave in next quota. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hite, John Everett, Calvin Peterson, Mrs. Roth, Fred Leichensteiger, H. F. Dauer, Mrs. Emma Everett, Misses Madge and Fannie Hite, Frances and Bertha Dauer, Vina Roar, Lucile and Dorothy Leichtensteiger, Helen and Geraldine Everett and the Messrs. Henry Barkley, Fred Roth, George Everett, Glen Barkley, Herbert Dauer, Paul Leichtensteiger and Edward and Dewey Roth.—Contributed.

The Schamerloh family held their reunion Sunday at their old homestead where resides now Mr. and Mrs. Fred Koldewey, in Union township. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schamerloh, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reiling, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bauer, of Convo, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schamerloh and children, Paul, Della and Edwin, of Monroeville; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Welland, of Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Lehrman, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Linnmeyer, of Preble; Pauline and Martin Schamerloh, Clara and Oscar Lehrman, Clara and Martin Welland, Edna, Edwin and Richard Bauer, Tillie and Martha Reiling, Freida, Martha and Gerhard Koldewey. All came with well filled baskets and plenty of good things to eat. Everybody enjoyed the day. Games were played and pictures taken. Rev. Karl Hoffman, Karl, Paul and Ruth, Fort Wayne were among the reunion company. Rev. Hoffman was former pastor of the Blecke church. Next year the reunion will be held at the home of Henry Schamerloh near Convo, Ohio.—Contributed.

Anna Howard was given an exceedingly pleasant surprise on her fifteenth birthday anniversary, Monday night, August 27, at her home. Those present were Misses Rosa and Anna Leimenstall, Mable Martin, Mary Arnold, Naomi Bracht, Leana Mensehen, Frances and Ruth Leyse, Mable, Lulu and Glannys Beyerly, Elsie Arnold, Faythe Beyerly, Elsie Damm, Elma Humenickhouse, Jennie Barten, Ruth Cable Pearl and Bertha Helmrick, Mary Souers and Alice Yanev. Messrs. Victor Beyerly, Arthur Grim, Noah Henschel, Miles Stoneburner, Allen Stalter, Clarence Stalter, Joseph Howard, Mel-

vin Abbott, Dorphas Drum, Jerry Howard, Chester Hower, Paul Ray, Lloyd Wolfe, Simon Hartman, Homer Arnold, Merritt Howard, George Yanev, Godfrey Smith, John Helmrick, Roy Cable and Adolph Smith.—Contributed.

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet with Mrs. D. M. Hower Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, September 6. The program follows: Devotionals, Mrs. Emma Daniel; lesson program, Mrs. J. W. Vail, leader; What is Done—What to Do; reading, Buelah Kenna; instrumental duet, Hower sisters; The Woman Who Was Going to Join, Mrs. Harve Smith; The Woman Who Changed Her Mind, Mrs. O. L. Vance; instrumental solo, Helen Walters; A Barrel—A Blessing, Nellie Blackburn; payment of dues; receiving new members.

The Robison reunion was held at the home of Alex Debolt at Vera Cruz, Ind., on Sunday, September 2. The affair was also held in honor of John Robison and Mrs. Geo. Gates' birthday, both coming on that date. A fine feast was laid at the noon hour, from which all heartily partook. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Rupert and daughter, Mabel; Mrs. James Loudon and Will Robison of Monroe; Mr. and Mrs. Aliva Robison, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Myers and daughter, Aletha, Piqua, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Riffle and children, Vesta and Donald, Greenville, Ohio; Mrs. Martha Niswander, Mrs. Emil Kern and children, Maxwell and Carolina, of Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Baumgartner, Lorin Mettler, Mrs. Emma Lindsey and daughter, Wilmena, of Bluffton, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Baumgartner and Miss Voe Moyer of Linn Grove; Mrs. George Gates and daughter, Iola and Irvin Kerr of near Berne; Mr. and Mrs. John Robison, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Debolt and children, Virgie, Elmer and Luther, of Vera Cruz.—Contributed.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union closed another year's work yesterday at the home of Mrs. W. E. Smith. Mrs. John Niblick, who has already served five years as president, was persuaded to take it another year. There were four vice-presidents elected, each to take charge of the work for three months. The other officers are: First vice president, Mrs. A. C. Ball; second vice president, Mrs. John Schug; third vice president, Mrs. Harve Shroll; fourth vice president, Mrs. Emma Daniel; treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Hocker; secretary, Mrs. C. L. Walters; assistant secretary, Mrs. John Hill; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. E. Shamp. General reports of the year's work were given, in charge of Mrs. Niblick and Mrs. S. D. Beavers conducted the devotionals. It was decided to take up some specific work for the soldiers in the coming year, such as Red Cross work and sock knitting. The next meeting will be in two weeks with Mrs. Robert Case to make definite plans. Mrs. Mary Eley assisted Mrs. Smith in serving light refreshments.

Dr. S. P. Hoffman's birthday anniversary was the occasion of the dinner party given at six o'clock last evening at his home, at which the twelve couples of the Birthday club, Mr. and Mrs. William Klepper, and Miss Marian Balch were entertained. One large table with smaller ones, each adorned with vases of flowers, seated the party and the hostess was assisted by the Misses June Steiner, Cleo and Serena Hornada, of Linn Grove, in serving the dinner. Progressive bunco and music completed the evening's entertainment.

The Three Link club held a business meeting last evening after the Rebekah lodge session.

Floyd Hunter, a member of Company E, of Fort Wayne, is here visiting with his brother, Joe Hunter and wife. He leaves sometime this week for Indianapolis.

The giving of current events enlivens the meeting of the Live Wire club after its business session and last evening's entertainment accorded by Byford Macy, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Macy was a very good one. During the social, ice cream and lemonade was served.

The Reformed Christian Endeavor society will meet Thursday night at eight o'clock at the home of Miss Angelina Firks. Every one should be present.

The Misses Esther and Dorothy Enos left on the 4:05 train for Dayton, O., where they will visit relatives. Miss Esther goes to be a bridesmaid at the wedding of her cousin, Frances Geppert, who will be married on Thursday of next week to Rossek Voris. Miss Geppert has visited here.

The Henry Heckman family entertained on Labor Day for Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rose and daughters, Beth and Mary Louise, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rose, Will Branning, of Fort Wayne; Alma Holle.

ITEMS IN BUDGET

County Council Appropriated \$89,962.10 for the County Expense.

MET AND ADJOURNED

Fixed Salaries and Tax Rate—Council of Defense Included.

The county council met this morning in the auditor's office and signed the papers and budget which they made up and passed on yesterday. The total amount of the budget is \$89,962.10, which includes salaries, money for improvements, taking care of the poor, general expenses and upkeep of the different county offices coming under this head. The county tax rate for 1918 was set at forty-five cents on the hundred dollars. The council adjourned immediately after signing up the papers. The items included in the annual appropriation were as follows:

Expense of Clerk of Court.	
Salary of clerk	\$2100.00
Office expense and supplies	465.00
Expense of County Auditor.	
Salary of auditor	2300.00
Additional salary as clerk of county council and secretary of county board of finance	650.00
Office expense	1185.00
New adding machine	350.00
Expense of County Treasurer.	
Salary of treasurer	\$2300.00
Office expense	230.00
Tax receipts and delinquent tax	600.00
Expense of County Recorder.	
Salary of recorder	1300.00
Additional salary on account of fees collected	400.00
Office expense	440.00
Expense of County Sheriff.	
Salary of sheriff	2000.00
Per diem attending all courts, board of review, council	662.00
Sheriff's fees	500.00
Office expense	160.00
Mileage to penal farm and returning fugitives	700.00
Expense of Surveyor.	
Fees of surveyor or deputy	2500.00
Office expense	500.00
Instrument transit	225.00
Instrument level	125.00
Expense of County Superintendent.	
Per diem	1408.50
Expense of teachers' institute	100.00
Office expense	400.00
Traveling expense	100.00
Deputy hire	360.00
Expense of Assessor.	
Salary of assessor	850.00
Office expense	20.00
Traveling expenses	40.00
Expense of Coroner.	
Salary or per diem	300.00
Office expense	50.00
Inquests and post mortems	350.00
Deputy hire	60.00
Expense Health Commissioner.	
Salary commissioner	327.60
Office expense	57.00
All other expenses	300.00
Expense Commissioners' Court.	
Salary of commissioners	900.00
Office expense	75.00
Per diem and expense of traveling	200.00
For salary of council	70.00
Salary of county attorney	600.00
Meetings other than county	150.00
Expense County Board of Review.	
Per diem of members	325.00
All other expenses	25.00
Expense County Board of Truancy.	
Per diem of truant officer	600.00
Office expense	50.00
Expense of Assessing.	
Assessing Union	170.00
Assessing Root	250.00
Assessing Preble	202.50
Assessing Kirkland	167.50
Assessing Washington	617.00
Assessing St. Mary's	200.00
Assessing Blue Creek	150.00
Assessing Monroe	300.00
Assessing French	150.00
Assessing Hartford	200.00
Assessing Wabash	288.00
Assessing Jefferson	150.00
Expense of poor	4400.00
Expense of Court House.	
Repair of buildings, insurance, etc.	175.00
Janitors and employees	1625.00
Supplies	1375.00
Street sprinkling	50.00
Expense County Jail.	
Repair buildings, etc.	400.00
Janitors and employees	240.00
Supplies, etc.	1000.00
Expense of County Farm.	
Repair buildings, etc.	2000.00
Salary Supt. and employees	3600.00
Supplies and maintenance	3100.00
Expense of Orphans.	
Orphan poor in other institutions, transportation	2000.00
County agent	1500.00
Inmates state penal and benevolent institutions	800.00
Expense insanity inquests	1300.00
Expense epileptic inquests	170.00
Expense general and special	

elections	6000.00
Burial of soldiers	1000.00
Printing and advertising	1000.00
Highways, viewings, damages, etc.	200.00
County board of charities	50.00
Farmers' institute	100.00
Justices of peace, returning fees	10.00
Bridge Supt. of engineer	600.00
Employees for special service under contract with board of county commissioners	150.00
Rent county offices	192.00
Council of defense	1000.00
Tax refund	200.00
Expense New Bridges.	
Berning, Preble township	1500.00
Dailey, Preble	1500.00
Bremmer, French	1500.00
P. F. Mosser, Monroe	1500.00
Myers, Blue Creek	10,000.00
Bridge repairs	3000.00
Prosecuting Attorney's Office.	
Changes of venue	1000.00
Expense of Circuit Court	
Salary of judge, if any part is payable out of county treasury	500.00
Petit and grand jurors	2410.00
Official reporter	1225.00
Supplies	500.00
Board children's guardians	100.00
Expense juvenile court	250.00
Supplies to court room, etc.	1080.00
Total	\$89,962.10

Turnpike Repair Levy.
The county commissioners this morning fixed the turnpike repair tax, setting the levy at 23.9 per cent on the hundred dollars. This levy figured on the total county valuation of \$1,745,060, will net approximately \$41,706.33, which will be used by the highway superintendent in the repair and upkeep of the 544 miles of macadam roads in the county. This total seems like a large one but when it is figured down to the mile the average cost of repair per mile will only be about seventy-six dollars.

Dr. S. P. Hoffman was reappointed physician for the county infirmary and county jail for one year at a salary of \$250.00.

Action in the petition of the Berne Hay and Grain company for a drain was postponed until the October session of the board.

The county commissioners will meet in continued session on the 15th of September for the purpose of awarding the contracts for the building of three bridges. They adjourned after finishing up the business this morning.

MAY GO TO CUBA.

Word has been received from Corporal Joe Johns, who is stationed with Company L, at Fort Benjamin Harrison, that he is expecting to be ordered to Cuba within the next two weeks. He says although no definite orders have been given out, the men have been furnished with mosquito netting and other equipment that would be used on that island. Joe was one of the Decatur boys that enlisted at Ft. Wayne and was sent to Fort Thomas, Ky., but was later transferred to Fort Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, in the infantry.

RUMOR WAS FALSE

The rumor that Fred Sheets, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sheets, of Eighth street, had committed suicide at Fort Benjamin Harrison, seems to be false, as late this afternoon, his mother had received no word of it. Fred is one of the ten boys of Company A who were sent to the "Rainbow division" a short time ago. He is said to be quite homesick, however, and in writing has seemed inclined to suicide. The origin of the rumor of his death, probably originated in that way.

THE AMISH WILL REFUSE

Rev. Jacob Schwartz, of the Amish church, called on the military board today and told them that the two Amish men, Schwartz and Mezelin, drafted for the national army, will refuse to go and will take the consequences, whatever they are. Their places will be filled and the matter reported to the authorities.

MOOSE DANCE THURSDAY

Beginning Thursday, Sept. 6th, the regular Moose dance and dancing class will open at the Moose hall. Fred Scharger will be in charge, and will give lessons to the class at seven-thirty. Dance will begin at eight o'clock. Every body invited and the usual good time assured. Come and enjoy the evening.

BEULAH CHAPEL PICNIC.

The Beulah Chapel Sunday school picnic postponed from August 30 on account of the rain will be Saturday, September 8, in the Lewis Goldner grove, south of the church. Sunday school superintendents are invited to come and bring their schools and take part in the program. Everybody is invited to come. The ice cream social which was to have been given in the evening has been indefinitely postponed.

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WAS ADJOURNED

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commented upon the way the teachers took hold of the music work and hoped that they would keep up the singing of patriotic songs as the year's work went on.

Professor Barr took up his period in discussing his subject of "Spelling and Eliminations." He pointed out many errors in spelling, giving reports from various tests which had been used throughout the country. Mr. Barr brought out the point that a few words well taught and drilled upon in after work was far better than to teach many words and then push on to still new words. Many teachers make the mistake of giving pupils words which they do not use in their every-day work and with which they do not become familiar and consequently they get only a partial notion of how to spell them. "We had better go a little slower, learn a few words well, and spend more time in going over these words as a review. In closing his discussion he gave a list of fifty words taken from a list of 100,000, which were used in making a test and showing the number of times each word was used in the 100,000. If this be true we may see at a glance that the words which are most frequently used are very simple. The list is as follows:

The, 6393 times; and, 3438; of, 3422; to, 3217; I, 2387; a, 1911; in, 1904; that, 1422; you, 1306; for, 1241; it, 1197; was, 991; is, 931; will, 873; as, 854; have, 846; have, 831; with, 822; be, 186; your, 793; at, 698; we, 695; on, 667; he, 619; by, 611; but, 573; my, 557; this, 551; his, 543; which, 540; dear, 523; from, 488; are, 468; all, 448; me, 444; so, 432; one, 428; if, 408; they, 400; had, 397; has, 391; very, 383; were, 368; been, 370; would, 362; she, 359; or, 348; there, 341; her, 311. Total, 49,615.

Mrs. Adams took her period in describing to the teachers how she was taught in her early years. She told of numbers of cases in which she was taught songs which meant nothing to her and which she has failed so far to be able to class and give any definite place in the work in music. She warned the teachers to be very careful in teaching songs to the children that they should choose songs which were patriotic in nature, or songs which had some meaning and significance in the work of the school. Omit the things which are not in harmony with your period and take only the music which will serve to awaken an interest in the child or will serve as a recreational. Put the life, the rhythm and the swing into the work so that the boys and girls will go on in life and have these things by which they may recall the school days of the primary work and be able to live as young and active men and women.

Professor Smyser took up his period in discussing his subject on influence in literature of our own time. Mr. Smyser turned aside from the regular outlined lecture and took up this subject so as to get what he considered a very helpful start in his series of discussions in this subject.

Says Russia Caused War

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Haig reported today, British troops in the neighborhood of Arras, repulsed a similar night excursion. In the Lens neighborhood, Haig said enemy artillery was active.

BULLETIN

Rome, Sept. 5.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Capture of Monte San Gabriel was officially announced by the Italian war office today.

With Mounts Kuk (Cucco) Vado and Santo, Gabriel constituted a great chain of peaks which dominated the Austrian lines east of the Italian stages of the Italian offensive, permitting the Italians to advance across the Bainsizza plateau. Gabriel, the southernmost of the promontories, held out until it was completely encircled by the Italians.

The victory will enable General Cadorna to pursue his favorite battle plan of enveloping the enemy.

BULLETIN

London, Sept. 5.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The third German raid on England in the same number of days caused the death of nine persons and the injuring of 49 in the London district. Lord French's command of home defense announced today. He said one of last night's raiders was brought down over Sherborne, presumably as it fled toward Germany. The announcement brings the total number of deaths by German raiders since Sunday up to 117 killed and injured.

YOU COULD ONLY SEE HIS HAT

(United Press Service)
Chicago, Sept. 5.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Soldiers, sailors and civilians joined in a demonstration against Mayor Wm. H. Thompson today as his parade of 50 automobiles passed Grant park, enroute to the Kaneo county fair.

Jeers, hisses and cries of "shame" and "take that American flag from your car" were flung at the mayor. The crowd stopped several of the automobiles and the demonstration was assuming the proportion of a riot when officers arrived from Grant camp and dispersed the mob.

During the demonstration, Thompson sat hunched up in a rear seat of the top of his hat visible.

SHANK VERSUS JEWETT

(United Press Service)
Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 5.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Lew Shank was defeated as candidate of the republican nomination for mayor of Indianapolis at the primary election in spring, today filed suit in the state county superior court against filer of Chas. W. Jewett, the successful republican candidate, for \$25,000 in damages. Shank alleged he is entitled to the amount on the ground that he was the nomination through fraud.

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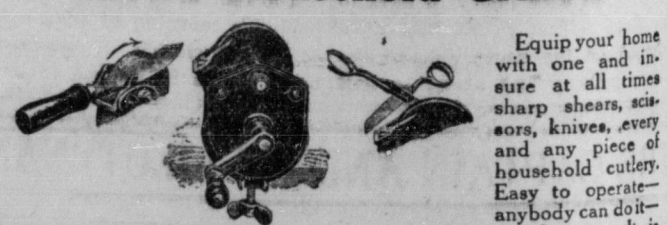
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