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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 some thing 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



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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 world's greatest war. God bless them and keep them in our prayer and that of hundreds, yes thousands from this community.

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

WEEK'S SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday
Tri Kappas—Frances Dugan.
Reformed C. E.—Angeline Firk.
Methodist Missionary—Mrs. D. M. Hower.
Presbyterian Missionary—Mrs. L. A. Graham.

Thursday
Queen Esthers—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 Fan Hite, Frances and Bertha Dauer, Vina Roar, Lucile and Dorothy Leichensteiger, Helen and Geraldine Everett and the Misses Henry Barkley, Fred Roth, George Everett, Glen Barkley, Herbert Dauer, Paul Leichensteiger 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 Convoy, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schamerloh and children, Paul, Della and Edwin, of Monroeville; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wefland, of Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Lehrman, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Linnemeier, of Preble; Pauline and Martin Schamerloh, Clara and Oscar Lehrman, Clara and Martin Wefland, 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 Bleeke church. Next year the reunion will be held at the home of Henry Schamerloh near Convoy, 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 Menschen, Frances and Ruth Leyse, Mable, Lulu and Gladys Byerly, Elsie Arnold, Faythe Byerly, Eddie Drum, Elma Humeckhouse, Jennie Bartzen, Ruth Cable Pearly and Bertha Helmick, Mary Souers and Alice Yaney, Messrs. Victor Byerly, Arthur Grim, Noah Henschel, Miles Stoneburner, Allen Stalter, Will Branning, of Fort Wayne; Alma Clarence Stalter, Joseph Howard, Mel Holle.

The Misses Esther and Dorothy Enos left on the 1:05 train for Dayton, O., where they will visit relatives. Miss Esther goes to be 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 Louis, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rose, Miles Stoneburner, Allen Stalter, Will Branning, of Fort Wayne; Alma Clarence Stalter, Joseph Howard, Mel Holle.

vin Abbott, Dorphas Drum, Jerry Howard, Chester Hower, Paul Ray, Lloyd Wolfe, Simon Hartman, Homer Arnold, Merritt Howard, George Yaney, Godfrey Smith, John Helmerick, 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: Devotional, 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 Barrell—A Blessing, Nellie Blackburn; payment of dues; receiving new members.

The Robison reunion was held at the home of Alex Deboit 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 Louden and Will Robison of Monroe; Mr. and Mrs. Alva 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 Deboit 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 ears 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. Williams; assistant secretary, Mrs. John Hill; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. E. Sampson. General reports of the year's work were given, in charge of Mrs. Niblick and Mrs. S. D. Beavers conducted the devotions. 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 class after its business session and last evening's entertainment accorded by Ford Macy, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Macy was a very good one. During the social, ice cream cake and lemonade was served.

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

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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 of 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 Wahab.....288.00

Assessing Jefferson.....150.00

Expense of poor.....440.00