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Don't hoard sugar or flour. It's an order from the government and you cannot afford to put yourself in bad. Keep within the limit. That's the way to do your part.

This is a sample of the winters the grandparents used to tell us about. Well it might be worse for the snow might be four feet deep and the ice much slicker. What's the use to grumble.

The next Liberty Bond issue, it is announced will be presented to the people of the United States, in a campaign starting February 15th. That the big issue will be disposed of is assured from the fact that the former campaigns were successful far beyond the dreams of those who planned them. Our people will back the government.

Every person who is interested in the fuel problem, so serious just now, should attend the meeting at the court house Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. Mr. Bell, the coal director, wants your advice, assistance, co-operation, that there shall be as little suffering as possible. It looks as though the real shortage is just coming and we must get ready to meet it.

It takes 300 million pounds of wool a year to supply the people of the United States. We raise 300 million pounds and import the balance. Less wool is raised in the United States than when the price was only a fourth of the present figure, and it seems that the price of wool has a little to do with the growing although much noise was once made on that score by certain interests. With the price of wool and sheep at almost fabulous figures there may be a small increase in the production, but American farmers do not like to raise sheep.—New Castle Times.

We appreciate the response our readers have made to our efforts to renew every one of them for the coming year and add a thousand. We want you to read the Daily Democrat and we promise you our best efforts to make it contain the items of news which you are most interested in. We can only do this with your cooperation and we want it. Though the cost of printing a paper is double what it was fifteen months ago, we are trying to serve you without any increase in price, if you will pay in advance. This gives us the opportunity to buy our stock in such a manner that we feel we can break even and live and that

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we know is about all a fellow can expect during times like these. Won't you help us do that by being prompt with your remittance?

Though Mayor Bell of Indianapolis, has been criticized and condemned to such an extent that the people over the state have the impression that he has been almost a scoundrel, it seems that he has after all given one of the best administrations, credited to any man who has served in that capacity. The Indianapolis Star in their leading editorial Sunday, devotes considerable space to praise of the retiring executive and says that "in spite of the efforts to blind the public to what has been done in the last four years in the way of municipal progress, the people quite generally recognize that Mayor Bell has given the city a constructive, business administration. Indianapolis has made rapid progress under his guidance." It is a relief to read it and coming from a republican paper is worthy of note, being proof of what his friends have always claimed, that the persecution has been for political reasons only.

SOCIETY

WEEKLY SOCIAL CALENDAR

Monday
Research Club—Red Cross work followed by election of officers and picnic supper at Dan Sprang home
Tuesday
United Brethren Aid—Mrs. B. C. Hoagland.
Delta Theta Tau—Jo Balsma.
Thursday
St. Vincent de Paul—Mrs. Dr. H. E. Keller.
Friday
Pocahontas Needle Club—At Red Men's Hall.
The St. Vincent de Paul society will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dr. H. E. Keller. Election of officers will take place at this meeting and a good attendance is urged.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Burd and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burd were hostesses Sunday at a twelve o'clock dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hite and daughters, Fanny and Madge; Mrs. Carry Sutherland and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shamp.

The ladies of the Mt. Pleasant church will hold their weekly Red Cross sewing meeting at the home of Mrs. William Elzey in Root township. An invitation is extended to people outside of the church to attend.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Christian church will meet next Friday afternoon with Mrs. Noah Mangold. All the ladies that have been gathering up pennies are requested to turn them in at this meeting.

Rev. E. S. Schumacher, state superintendent of the Anti-saloon league, who talked at the Methodist and Evangelical churches here Sunday, was the guest for Sunday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Beery, he being a relative of the family.

UP TO GERMANY

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George cleverly upset German propaganda by disclaiming any intent to crush the German people while at the same time he made a distinct bid for a separate Austrian peace and skillfully maneuvered to draw the Russians back into the allied fold.

If Austria finally heeds the cry for peace and the Russians definitely get themselves against Germany so she cannot get supplies, then will peace be a little short of a reality, experts say.

Russian officials are skeptical, however, of any permanent alignment between the allies and Russia.

Officials anticipate that Germany will modify her position toward Russia, having failed to bully the Slavs at Brest Litovsk.

However, further allied efforts will be made to induce Russia to return to the flock. These attempts will be directed toward showing Russia that her salvation lies only with the allies.

THE JANUARY SESSION

The board of county commissioners as reorganized with William Reppert as president, met this morning at the auditor's office, it being the regular session of the board.

er and Rich served three years of their terms.

Upon the filing of the bid of E. F. Clausmeir of Fort Wayne for the furnishing of an adding machine for the auditor's office, the board awarded the contract to him on his bid of \$285.00 for a motor driven machine, with stand attached.

At a special session of the board held on New Year's day, Dr. J. C. Grandstaff was reappointed county health commissioner for another term of four years.

This morning was taken up with the going over and allowing of bills. The board will be in session several days, during which much business will come up for the new year.

AN INSTALLATION

W. R. C. and G. A. R. Held Public Event at Hall Saturday Night.

WAS GREAT MEETING

Splendid Program Given, Including Dramatic Recitals by Veterans.

The public installation of the officers of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. was held at their hall, Saturday evening and it was a most interesting event. The ranks are slowly diminishing and each year brings a report of those who have "fallen out" during the year. Those who remain, smile and move forward towards the setting sun, still patriotic and brave as in the days when they helped to preserve the union.

The program included music by the male quartet, songs by the audience, invocation by Rev. Minor, the installation services, song by the Andrews sisters, short address by Rev. Minor, reading by Miss Alta Teeple and then the climax when Veterans D. K. Shackley, S. B. Fordyce and J. D. Hale told of actual experiences from their army life.

It became a booster meeting for the Red Cross and the wonderful work being done by that organization today as compared with the civil war. Mr. Shackley told of being wounded in battle, shot through the arm and because of lack of care how he had carried a crippled arm ever since and how he had to oppose efforts of the army surgeons to amputate the arm. Mr. Fordyce told how his father and two brothers went to the war and how he, a lad of fifteen then, was the only one left. Mr. Hale, modest of his part in war, told for the first time in public how he was shot and was found by comrades many hours afterward and his life saved almost miraculously, while thousands died that day because of lack of attention. He espoused the cause of the Red Cross and his as well as the recitals of the other veterans was dramatic. It was a wonderful occasion.

Commander W. H. Myer, president and J. D. Hale acted as mustering officer.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

C. L. Walters is attorney in a new case filed today, entitled John R. Wheeler vs. Hershel Heimberger, et al suit for partition of real estate. Notice was given by publication and the order is returnable March 8th.

In the case of John W. Kline, Jr., vs. John W. Kline, Sr., suit on contract, appearance by Peterson & Moran for defendant. Appearance by C. J. Lutz with L. C. DeVoss for plaintiff.

The suit of Marion F. Andrews, et al, ex parte, appealed from the board of commissioners, is being heard before Judge Smith today and will continue perhaps a full week. The suit is one in which there is much interest. The original petition was filed two years ago before the commissioners, asking that Porum's run be cleaned and dredged, the estimated cost being \$11,600. Twenty property owners effected remonstrance on the grounds that the cost exceeded the benefits and that the dredged ditch was not necessary. The board ordered the drain established and the appeal was taken. B. F. Breiner and others are the remonstrators. Peterson & Moran and C. L. Walters represent the petitioners while C. J. Lutz and R. C. Parrish represent the remonstrators.

JOHN A. M. ADAIR HERE

John A. M. Adair, of Portland, for ten years the eighth district member of congress and a candidate for the democratic nomination, was here today attending to business and looking up old and new friends. He expects to make a canvass of the district later but says he is not yet worrying much about politics as the primary does not occur until May. He will leave with-

A SUGGESTION.

Here's one for those who intend to come to the fuel meeting Wednesday afternoon. Think about. Why not go to the board of commissioners and get permission to cut the timber or a part of it along the river bank? It occurs to us that there is a lot of timber down along the river banks, and there are a lot of trees that do no good. Why not cut them, thus furnishing a lot of fuel, helping co-operate in this time of necessity and at the same time clean the river bank? Bet you can get five hundred men to volunteer their services and some of them with teams for this work. Of course care should be used not to cut trees that are needed to beautify the banks, but these could easily be marked and saved. Think it over. This and other plans can be discussed Wednesday.

in a day or two for Washington where he will visit his son, Herbert, who is stationed there at present, being a first lieutenant in the ordnance department.

TRUCKS TO CARRY MAIL.

(United Press Service)
Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—A new motor truck mail route between Indianapolis and Fort Wayne which will connect with Hartford City and Bluffton was announced by the federal officials today. The route will be established in connection with the parcel post, and relieve the load of mail trains. The new service will start early in February. Trips will be made once each way each day. Besides Bluffton and Hartford City the route will touch New Cordsville, Pendleton, Anderson, Muncie, Eaton, Montpelier and Metamora. The announcement included the establishment of similar routes between Indianapolis and Goshen, and Indianapolis and Chicago.

TO SUCCEED SENATOR NEWLAND

(United Press Service)
Indianapolis, Jan. 7.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The senate democratic steering committee, tomorrow will announce the election of Sen. Ellison D. Smith, South Carolina, as chairman of the interstate commerce committee to succeed the late Senator L. Newlands. Smith's claims today were recognized by the steering committee as outweighing those of Senator Pomerene, of Ohio, who claims he is placed by a ranking member by Smith. Senator Ollie James, Kentucky, was elected a member of the committee to fill the vacancy created by Newland's death.

TREASURER McFARLAND FALLS

City Treasurer H. D. McFarland suffered a severe fall Saturday evening when he fell from the top step at the back of his home on Monroe street. He fell on his right side and in doing so tore and sprained the ligaments of his arm. He is now carrying the injured member in a sling and will be partly laid up for sometime. "Joe" says it was his inaugural debut, as he begins serving his second term as city treasurer today. Mrs. McFarland is assisting at the office.

NEW GROCERY FIRM

Edgar Gerber has purchased the interest of Fred Baker in the Mangold & Baker grocery, taking possession this morning. The new firm will be known as the Central Grocery, Mangold & Gerber, proprietors. They ask your continued patronage and promise you excellent service. Mr. Baker, is reported to be planning a trip to Louisiana. Mr. Gerber, the new member of the firm, is a well known young man who has had several year's experience in business and is popular.

CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO CONSUMPTION IN FRANCE

The public has recently complained of the difficulty of finding in the French retail tobacco stores the usual supply of smoking tobacco and cigarettes of French manufacture. In explanation of this situation the authorities have issued a notice stating that it is due to the great increase in the consumption of tobacco since the beginning of the war, and to difficulties of all kinds which the tobacco manufacturers have experienced in obtaining leaf tobacco.

The consumption of smoking tobacco, which in 1913 amounted to 31,500,000 kilos, rose in 1916 to 47,100,000 kilos. The consumption of cigarettes rose from 3,767,000,000 to 4,637,000,000—an increase of nearly 30 per cent. The increase has continued in 1917.

COUNCIL MEETING TONIGHT

Mayor Charles W. Yager and the newly elected council and other city officials took their office today. Complying with the law a meeting of the city council will be held at seven o'clock at the city hall this evening.

WERE PREMATURE

Were Announcements of Increased Allowance of Sugar to THE CONFECTIONERS The Increase May Not be Available for a Few Weeks.

Indianapolis, Jan. 7.—Announcement of an increased allowance of sugar to confectioners and manufacturers of non-essential food stuffs from fifty per cent of their normal requirements to eighty per cent, were premature. Dr. Harry E. Barnard, federal food administrator for Indiana, has just received notice from Herbert Hoover, federal food administrator, that this proposed arrangement will not become effective until an ample sugar supply is available, "probably within a few weeks," and then, Mr. Hoover's telegram adds "will last only so long as the manufacturers show co-operation with the food administration."

The announcement of the increased allowance was hailed with confectioners, especially with pleasure, inasmuch as many of them had protested to the food administrator that they had been deprived of practically their entire sugar supply by the demands of the holidays for candies and confections. Requests have been coming in to the office of Dr. Barnard for assistance in securing the eighty per cent they thought they would be allowed to have. The subsequent announcement of Mr. Hoover was received with proportionate disappointment.

Following is the latest official notice received by Dr. Barnard from Mr. Hoover:

"Referring to telegram advising of an increase in the allowance to confectioners from fifty to eighty per cent, this increase is not to become effective until ample sugar supplies are available, probably within a few weeks and then will last only just so long as manufacturers show co-operation with the food administration in absolute reduction of the sugar content of products, and not forcing their manufactured articles. The sugar division's reason for the statement was the pressure of manufacturers to know if they should make wholesale reductions in their staffs and consequent hardship on a large class of workers. It may be necessary, eventually, to reduce below eighty percent, but if so we wish to do so gradually so as to cause the least amount of suffering possible. Any misconception of refiners or sugar distributing committees on this point will be rectified by wire at once."

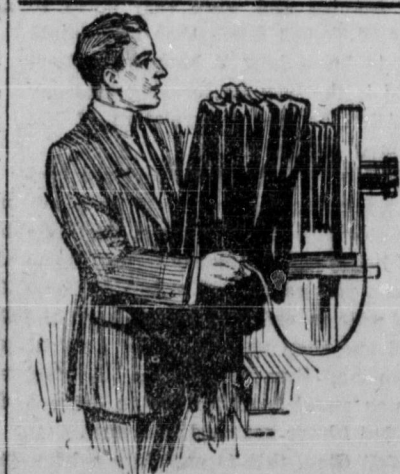
MRS. GLEN PATTERSON DEAD

Mrs. S. G. Patterson of Fort Wayne, sister-in-law of J. C. Patterson of this city, died Sunday at her home after a year's illness. She was seventy years old. The funeral services will be held Wednesday morning at ten-thirty o'clock from the Presbyterian church in this city, the funeral party coming here by automobile in the morning. Interment will be made in the Maplewood cemetery.

ROTARY MEETING THURSDAY

The regular business meeting of the Decatur Rotary club will be held Thursday evening at eight o'clock at the city hall. Members please be present.

WANTED—Girl or woman to do housework, room at home nights. Apply 515 Madison St.—Dick Townsend.



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ELECTION NOTICE.
Decatur, Ind., Dec. 31, 1917.
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Peoples Loan and Trust Company of Decatur, Indiana, will be held at the banking house of said Trust Company in this city.
Tuesday, January 15, 1918.

at 10:30 a. m., for the election of directors of said Trust Company to serve the ensuing year and until succeeded.
W. A. LOWER, Secretary.

Edmond Bosse returned to Fort Wayne this morning to resume his studies at the I. B. C. after spending Sunday with his parents.

NOTICE

All those who deposited with Old Adams County Bank their three and one-half per cent Liberty Bonds to be exchanged for the four per cent bonds are requested to call at the bank as early as convenient and get their new bonds.

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