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A hundred and fifty men gathered yesterday afternoon in a local church and discussed how they could make Decatur a better city in which to live. They were earnest, God fearing, splendid citizens and whether or not you agree with their opinions, you must admit that such meetings are sure to result in improved conditions. Results will come from these gatherings of the men and they will be real results that will help the boys and girls and the young men and women of this community more than you have any idea.

Three heatless Mondays are better than eight any way and we should be thankful that the deaprtment found it possible to shorten the order more than half. It is estimated that the three Mondays and the five days which preceeded them cost a billion dollars in loss of wages and manufactured goods. But it did the work and that's the big thing. Three and a half million tons of coal were saved in the eight days and every ship in Atlantic harbors was moved out to sea. Besides this, the suffering of the people in their homes was reduced to a minimum and the people now realize that it was most necessary that this drastic step be taken.

When the call comes for the Third Liberty Loan drive, every man and woman should help put it over in this splendid county. This is not any one man's war. It is your war and upon its result hinges much for you and yours for the future. Picture if you can this nation controlled by an European power, the paying of a great indemnity in addition to the cost of the war, regulation of the commerce on the high seas, to say nothing of the great loss of life and the ruin of every value in this nation before a German victory comes and then you will realize that it is necessary that every one does everything he can do to win the war and win it quickly. Let's settle our differences of opinion some other time—not now.

The jury which tried Joseph Bell, former Indianapolis mayor and twenty nine others in federal court, failed to agree and were discharged Sunday after twenty-two hours. It is said the jury stood six for acquittal and six for conviction and the result while not the vindication that the former mayor and his friends desired, shows at least a very serious doubt as to his guilt. It is said also that the jury was composed of ten republicans and two democrats and that one of the jurors most insistent for acquittal was a minister. These facts while not important perhaps should indicate that at least it was not a political division. Joe Bell gave a splendid administration to the city of Indianapolis. He accomplished things and he deserves credit. If therefore his prosecution was a political "frame up" the perpetrators deserve and will eventually get all that is coming to them.

Nothing could be more amusing to the Indianian than the systematic attempt to create the impression that Mr. Hays' election to the national chairmanship of the republican national committee is a triumph for the progressives. As a matter of fact his views are the stand-pat views, and he has always thought, as far as principles are concerned, in reactionary terms. He holds to the old aristocratic conception of government and takes pride in it. And he differs from Senator Watson only in the sense that where Watson would have the progressives return in sack cloth and ashes, Mr. Hays would make it easier for them to return without humiliation. The latter is favorable to the progressive politicians in that he would not exclude them from the party work shop; but he is utterly at war with the progressive principles which drew to the bull moose party the rank and file of its membership. The three men who more than all others were responsible for his election were Tobe Hert of Kentucky, former Senator Hemenway and Joe Kealing, and he who would persuade himself that these gentlemen would interest themselves in the selection of any but a reactionary of the old school is able to fool himself with his own sophistry.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

We are showing a dandy line of Young Men's Suits in the famous Society Brand make at $25. to $35.

THE MYERS-DAILEY COMPANY

SOCIETY

WEEKLY SOCIAL CALENDAR

Tuesday.

Euterpean Club at Red Cross Shop (evening.)

L. L. Merryman S. S. Class—W. H. Myers home.

Elements in Friendship

There are two elements that go to the composition of friendship: Truth and Tenderness.—Emerson.

All the members of the Euterpean club are expected to be at the Red Cross shop for work on Tuesday evening.

The L. L. Merryman Sunday school class will meet at the home of W. H. Myers on Winchester street Tuesday evening. Important business will be discussed, and a good attendance is desired.

The sixty-ninth birthday anniversary of Mrs. Jesteen Hocker, of Monroe, was celebrated in a very happy way Sunday with a reunion of her children and grandchildren. A fine dinner was served at noon and the remaining hours of the day spent in a very delightful social way. Twenty-four were present. These were Mr. and Mrs. John Hocker, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hocker, of this city; Mrs. R. B. McKeeman, of Fort Wayne; Otis Hocker, these being her children and their husbands and wives. Grand-children present were Thetus and Jesteen Hocker, Mabel Hocker, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Kessler and daughter, Evelyn; Walter, Gregg, Webster, John, Electa, Francile and Lucile Oliver; Miss Pearl Strickler.

Today is Richard Tricker's fifth birthday anniversary. His aunt, Mrs. Aaron DeVinney had arranged to give a party for him and a niece of hers, little Jeanette Sudduth, but Richard has taken the whooping cough just in time to prevent the party.

COURT

Elmer Miller, brought here from Portland last week, pleaded guilty to issuing fraudulent check and was fined $100 and costs. The other case against him was dismissed.

The case of the State vs. David Bell, set for February 20, was continued.

Upon petition of the prosecuting attorney for assistance in prosecuting the case of the State vs. Dr. Elizabeth Burns, R. C. Parrish was appointed to assist him, at such compensation as the court may allow.

Edward Chronister filed a petition asking that Cora Chronister be declared of unsound mind and incapable of managing her estate. Hooper & Lenhart are his attorneys.

Charles E. Kurtz vs. Amos Reusser. Answer by Reusser. Demurrer of McKenzie overruled; exceptions.

Report of sale of real estate in the Musser partition case was approved, deed ordered, reported and approved.

In the Fleetwood partition case, E. B. Lenhart, commissioner, reported sale of lot 171 in the Welty addition, Berne, to George Ray, for $200. The sale was approved, deed ordered, reported and approved.

The case of Arthur L. Gaunt vs. Indiana Union Traction Company was set for March 27.

J. Ed Allison vs. Martin-Klepper Company. Motion to file cost bond was sustained. Bond ordered within ten days.

The case of Theodore Woerne vs. Everett C. Arnold, was set for March 14.

The further hearing of evidence in the case of Marion F. Andrews drain, was continued until March 20.

In the case of Monroe W. Fitch & Sons vs. Hutchson Oil Co., set for February 25, a motion for continuance by the plaintiff, was sustained.

The case of John Hill vs. Lydia Shamp, et al., was dismissed.

Dan D. Habegger, guardian of Margaret Jacobs, was authorized to lease ward's land.

In the estate of Nicholas Colchin, inventory number one was approved. A sale of hay and oats at market price was authorized. Report to be within thirty days.

A marriage license was issued Sunday to Samuel L. Moore, pharmacist of Ohio City, born August 10, 1894, son of George L. Moore, and Vera B. Hovermann, nurse, born January 12, 1894, daughter of Adam Hovermann.

Real estate transfers: Emil Badertscher, et al. to Jacob A. Wahlloff, lot 155, Berne, $600; Miles W. Hamrick, to Dye Ferguson, realty in Blue Creek township, $150; W. Beer, et al. to Mary A. Davis, lot 18, Pleasant Mills, $500; Riverside Cemetery Company, to F. L. Beerbower, east half of lot 49, Riverside Cemetery, $32.

VETERAN CALLED

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trimming; later made another expedition into Mississippi, then back to Jefferson barracks, Missouri, whence it started on its seven hundred mile tramp after the Rebel General Price, on return to St. Louis, Mo., they were ordered to Nashville, Tenn., after the two day battle Dec. 15 and 16, 1864, the command followed General Hood as far as Pinlaski, Tenn., thence going to Eastfort, Miss., and from there down the Tennessee, Ohio and Mississippi rivers to its mouth, on through the southwest pass and on to the Gulf of Mexico, landing in the rear of Mobile, Ala. Joining in the seige and capture of the forts. Thence from there to Montgomery, Ala., then back to Mobile, Ala., from there home.

During the entire term Comrade Burkhead was always with his company and on the firing line at all times.

STRIKERS GO BACK TO WORK

(United Press Service)

New York, Feb. 18—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Striking carpenters in the shipyards in New York and vicinity to the number of 6,000 will be back in their places by noon today, according to John Stuart, in charge of the local offices of the marine wood workers union.

"The president, having requested the return to work of members of our union, the members of the local board are getting in touch with them at their different meetings and advising them to return to work," said Stuart. "We are telling them that it is their patriotic duty as American citizens to return. There are about 6,000 members of our union on strike in Greater New York."

President W. L. Hutcheson, commenting on the order to the men to return to work, said:

"The situation has been entirely changed by the telegram from the president. The workmen who have been striking for a hearing of their grievances now feel sure that they will get it."

T. M. Guerin, a member of the general committee of the carpenters and joiners union said this morning that he expected 98 per cent of the men to be back in the yards by noon today.

"We have sent out seventy-eight men from headquarters to the different meetings in New York, New Jersey and Staten Island. We were informed this morning that 700 men were going out at Perth Amboy, N. J. We told the organizers to tell the men to go back to work.

"On Saturday night 400 non-union men came over to the union in Staten Island. Representatives of the union did not see Secretary Daniels last night as has been reported. The situation has been passed up to the president. We did not bother with little men because we wanted action."

TO CHANGE THE NAME

(United Press Service)

Indianapolis, Feb. 18—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Das Deutsche Haus, this city's largest and most exclusive club, will be known as the Athenaeum after Friday night, Washington's birthday, on account of the anti-German feeling in the city.

DAUGHTER IS ILL

Mrs. Margaret Bowers came from Newcastle being called here by the illness of her daughter, Vera, wife of John McClure, who is suffering from a nervous collapse. Her son, John Bowers, will come from Fort Wayne today.

INTERURBAN CARS RUNNING

The storm damage done to the tension wire poles at Fort Wayne was repaired in time to begin the operation of cars on the Ft. Wayne-Decatur line at seven o'clock last evening. The cars operated on schedule time today, except for the 8:30 car this morning, which was annulled.

PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will sell at public auction on the Frisinger farm, 1½ miles southeast of Decatur, Indiana, on Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1918, beginning promptly at 10:00 o'clock, the following property: 10 Head of Horses and Mules: Gray mare, 9 years old, weight 1700 lbs.; gray horse, 6 years old, weight 1700 lbs.; gray mare 7 years old, weight 1500 lbs. in foal; black mare, 5 years old, weight 1600 lbs.; these are all good workers; black driving mare, 6 years old, lady broke, also good worker; 2 year old sorrel colt, been worked; bay spring colt; span of mules coming yearlings, will make fine ones. Seven Cows: Three Holstein cows will have their second calf in April; 2 Poll Durham cows, coming 6 years old, will be fresh in April; Holstein cow, 5 years old, will be fresh in May; Guernsey cow, 3 years old, will be fresh in April; 2 Poll Durham heifers; Holstein heifer. Sheep: Thirty breeding ewes, some with lambs by side, others will lamb soon, one Shropshire buck. Eighty Hogs: Five Duroc brood sows, bred; two Berkshire brood sows, bred; Chester White sow, bred; 23 shoats, weight 100 lbs.; 6 shoats, weight 65 lbs.; 40 shoats, weight 50 lbs.; Duroc male hog. Hay and Corn Fodder: Ten ton of timothy hay in mow; 500 bushel of corn and fodder, also oats straw; 100 bushel of recleaned seed oats. Farming Implements: Two gang plows, 3 section harrow, rod roller, tandrum disc, Black Hawk corn planter, P. & O. corn plow, P. & O. 2-row corn plow, 2 mowers, hay tedder, hay loader, 2 farm wagons with box beds, nearly new; low down Clover Leaf manure spreader new, 10 disc drill, set of dump boards, 4 sets of heavy harness, 2 sets of light buggy harness, rubber tire buggy, storm buggy, 2 hay ladders and racks combined, 120 egg incubator, 5 gal. harness oil, 25 lbs. of axle grease, galvanized coal oil barrel, many other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms of Sale:—All sums under $5.00 cash in hand. Over that amount a credit of 12 months will be given, the purchaser giving bankable note bearing 8 per cent interest the last 6 months. 4 per cent off for cash. No goods removed until settled for.

M. F. RIPPERGER.

John Spuhler, H. Daniels, Aucts.
W. A. Lower, Clerk.

Lunch served at the noon hour.

A LITTLE WANT AD NOW AND THEN, WILL ALWAYS HELP THE MOST TROUBLOUS OF MEN.

NOTICE

If you are sick and have tried everything else without satisfactory results, consult Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Smith, D. C., Chiropractic Specialists.

Spinal analysis and consultation free.

Office over Morris 5 and 10c store. Hours, 9 to 11 a. m.; 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.

FORT WAYNE AND DECATUR TRACTION LINE

CENTRAL TIME

Effective October 15, 1917

Leave Decatur	Leave Ft. Wayne
5:40 a. m.	7:00 a. m
7:00 a. m.	8:30 a. m.
8:30 a. m.	10:00 a. m.
10:00 a. m.	11:30 a. m.
11:30 a. m.	1:00 p. m.
1:00 p. m.	2:30 p. m.
2:30 p. m.	4:00 p. m.
4:00 p. m.	5:30 p. m.
7:00 p. m.	8:30 p. m.
10:00 p. m.	11:05 p. m.

Car every hour and a half. Running time 1 hour and 5 minutes.

Freight car leaves Decatur at 7:45 a. m. and leaves Ft. Wayne at 12:00 m., arriving in Decatur at 2:00 p. m.

A. J. BAKER, G. P. & F. A.

LAYMEN MEETING

Held Yesterday Afternoon and Attended by a Hundred and Fifty Men.

TO HOLD ANOTHER

Adopt Resolutions Endorsing City Officials for Enforcing the Laws.

A hundred and fifty men met yesterday afternoon at the Evangelical church to discuss the questions of great importance just now, the greater unity of churches and church workers. It was a wonderful meeting, earnest and far reaching in effect.

C. J. Lutz presided, and the men sang with W. F. Heary as leader. Talks were made by a dozen or more prominent men and the greatest interest was manifested. Various subjects all looking to the bettering of conditions for the people, young and old, of Decatur, were discussed.

A resolution was offered, endorsing and giving the whole hearted support of the men of this city to Mayor C. W. Yager and Marshal Hancher, for their efforts to make Decatur a better city, by the strict enforcement of the laws, and the resolution was unanimously adopted. C. L. Walters offered a resolution which also carried unanimously, providing that two men from each church be selected to confer with the ministerial association concerning the continuance of the union meetings which have proven so popular. These men will take the matter up and some plans no doubt will be made for a continuance of services at least occasionally. Upon motion it was decided to hold another layman's meeting at the M. E. church next Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

WANT EARLY DECISION

(United Press Service)

Indianapolis, Feb. 18—(Special to Daily Democrat)—An early final decision on the prohibition test cases now in superior court at Evansville was urged by both wets and drys today so that the matter may be presented to the state supreme court at the earliest possible moment.

The decision in the Vanderburg court does not effect other counties of the state in the opinion of Attorney General Ele Stansbury.

REVIVAL AT BEULAH CHAPEL

The revival services which were to have been held at Beulah Chapel, south of Preble, a month ago and were postponed on account of the bad roads and the cold weather started last evening. There will be services every night this week, in charge of the pastor, Rev. Leach and the public is most cordially invited to attend.

FOR SALE—Ten tons hay, $20 per ton, in mow. Inquire this office.

LET THE BOYS HELP YOU.

Possibly some farmers will not look with great hopefulness on the prospect of putting soft and inexperienced corn boys at the farm jobs of the older boys who have been called to the colors, but it must be remembered by the farmer that these boys who are willing to give up their summer vacation time for patriotism will be the sort of boys that will keep going when their arms are sore and their backs breaking and they will be pretty certain to stick until the agreed term of employment is ended. They will not expect as high wages as the ordinary agricultural laborer because they will not be as efficient, but they will be worth their hire.

A wise farmer ought not to have great difficulty in making useful employes out of this sort of a boy.

The wise farmer may find all things considered, that the boy, or boys, are the best and cheapest help he ever had.

To supply such boys to the farms is the principal purpose of the "United States Boys' Working Reserve." Many of the boys of Adams county have already enrolled as members. Many more expect to become members.

Last summer and fall hundreds of farmers throughout the state, throughout the entire country, for the movement is nation-wide, used these boys and practically every man of them were more than satisfied.

ENCOURAGE THESE PATRIOTIC BOYS BY GIVING THEM EMPLOYMENT.

This piano shown here is decidedly one of our most popular players.

Liberal allowances for old instruments. We make exchanges and sell it ourselves. To have on display at Arch's Jewelry Store:

One Walnut Player Case, upright.
One Walnut 88-note Player.

If you are looking for a bargain, now is your time to consider.

Schaff Bros.' Pianos are Reliable.

C. BALDWIN, Mgr., Decatur, Ind.

BUY Deering Twine NOW

We still have some Deering Twine on hand, and will have another shipment on in a day or two that we will sell at 26½ cents, cash or note with 6 per cent interest.

Do not take a chance on binder trouble caused by poor twine. Buy Deering Standard, the best made, and save yourself this inconvenience.

Remember we are the only distributors of Deering Twine in Decatur.

We would advise you to buy now as we think twine will be higher.

Schafer Hardware Co.
WE SAVE YOU MONEY

MAY NOT TRY BELL AGAIN

(United Press Service)

Indianapolis, Feb. 18—(Special to Daily Democrat)—That former Mayor Joseph E. Bell and his 30 political associates charged with conspiracy to defraud the 1914 election, will not be tried again, was the general belief today. The jury reported at 11 o'clock last night that they had been unable to reach an agreement after considering the case since early Saturday afternoon. The jury stood six to six on the question of the existences of a conspiracy. Although government officials would not say what steps would be taken now they indicated the charges would be dropped. The Rev. John Coy, the only minister member of the jury, is understood to have been among those who held that there was no conspiracy.

PUBLIC SALE

OF

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

At the Schumacher Sale Barn, Bluffton City, Indiana, on

FRIDAY, FEB. 22, 1918

The following described Property, To-Wit:

Realizing that I must get away from too much strenuous business, I will offer the real estate described below, as follows. Please note that these properties will sell at 10 a. m. as possible and before any personal property sales. So be on time if interested. The first offered will be by my sale barn, consisting of a large storage room about 40x80 feet, on concrete foundation, with grain bins, horse barn 20x100 feet, and hay loft, cattle shed 36x60 feet, with concrete floor, with large feed rack; another open shed 18x100 and a nice lunch room. Also a good five-room and a four-room house to go with the barn. These buildings are on about one acre of ground, located conveniently to Pennsylvania railroad, and could be used for several different lines of business. The other property is located three blocks west of the court house on brick street, two good lots with an eight-room house, modern throughout; also grocery store room 20x80 feet, and is a good location for business. Will give special terms any way to suit purchaser. You need very little cash to bind the deal. Want no notes for mortgages. Property is free from all encumbrance. Solicit investigation.

THE PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Consists of three extra fine imported Percheron stallions, good age for service, and should be kept here as they are the only good ones in this locality where they show their breeding. These horses cost over $4,000, and are good ones. Also special terms on these will be given. One extra fine five-year-old dapple grey mare, weight about 1600 pounds, sound and a good worker. Extra good six-year-old black gelding, weight 1600 pounds, sound and the best worker I ever owned. One black registered Percheron mare, weight 1750 pounds, no better worker. One span of mules said to be eight or nine years old; anybody can work them that can work any team at all; weight about 2000 pounds. Will have several other horses and possibly some mules not described. Some good fresh cows, young cattle and bulls. A lot of extra fine full stock Oxford ewes, finding lambs now, all worth about $40. Fourteen to twenty brood sows due to farrow soon. Some full stock spotted Poland Chinas. Spotted Poland male hog. A lot of feeding shoats. Chickens, etc.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS

Turnbull wagons out about a year, good as new; other wagons; extra good hay ladders; riding breaking plows that we plowed ten inches deep with; walking breaking plow; disc harrow; new spike tooth harrow; revolving stock cutter; extra good new corn planter; field roller; cultivators; several double sets of work harness, some as good as new, and ought to bring $100; other articles not mentioned. I want to sell one or two car loads of good corn if railroad brings it in; old seed corn; fine white seed oats; clover seed; timothy seed; baled oats straw; possibly baled clover or timothy hay. Come Rain or Shine as We Will Sell.

Lunch Served by Lutheran Ladies' Aid and Luther League Societies. Proceeds to go to Red Cross Fund.

CHAS. SCHUMACHER

Chas. Dean and Others, Auctioneers. J. M. Bonham and John Stoll, Clerks.

P. S.—All political candidates are requested not to make a nuisance of themselves by passing their cards or talking campaign dope.