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The last of the series of union services was held in this city last night and the wonderful interest manifested is proof that the people like them, that they would support such meetings a great part of the time. The spirit of unity is one that ought to be greatly encouraged, especially during these days when the combined strength of the community is so often needed. It is to be hoped that similar meetings will be frequently held during the future.

The credit of the United States was so high and unquestionable that in 1900, two years after the Spanish War, 2 per cent bonds were offered at par and oversubscribed. This is a financial performance no other nation has ever equaled. United States 4 per cent bonds in 1888 sold as high as 130 and in 1901 brought 139% on the stock market. The United States has never defaulted on any of its bonds. Not one of its bondholders has ever lost a cent of principal or interest except those who voluntarily have taken losses by selling their bonds in a period of temporary price depression. One hundred cents on the dollar, principal and interest, has the United States always paid. Back of the \$250,000,000,000, to \$300,000,000,000 of our national resources stands the rugged honesty of America. Liberty loan bonds are the safest security in the world.

Local boys who think it makes them more manly to "hop" trains and make excursions to nearby towns, should take warning from the sad death of Bryce Harden who was killed when he tried to alight from a Clover Leaf freight at Ohio City, Saturday night. Others of the crowd of boys who had left Bluffton to come to this city, succeeded in getting off here and a lad named Allen who was with Harden got back home safely, while Bryce gave his life as a payment for his few

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hours of supposed fun. It seems that many boys think they have to do a certain amount of train riding and buming to make themselves appear heroes. They disobey their parents and they take a fifty-fifty chance with death. Local lads should take this lesson home and should remember that the cost of such experiences is always more than the pleasure derived.

SOIETY

WEEKLY SOCIAL CALENDAR

Tuesday.

Three Link Club—Rebekah Hall. Reformed Young Woman's Missionary—Miss Letta Wetter. Reformed Missionary—Mrs. Otto Reupert. Presbyterian Missionary—Mrs. Box Opening Social.

Anyway, some features of the story of home will always coincide. "Home will find a way" as long as there is a mother in the world or a woman who likes to coddle somebody else besides herself. —The Country Contributor in Indianapolis News.

There will be a meeting of the Young Woman's Auxiliary of the Reformed Missionary society at the home of Miss Letta Wetter Tuesday evening. All members are requested to take notice.

William Beavers left this noon for his home at Bucyrus, O., after a visit since yesterday afternoon with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Beavers.

The Three Link Club will be entertained after dinner Tuesday evening by Mrs. Ralph Miller, Mrs. Elgin King, Miss Nell Winnes and others. There will be games and a good entertainment and all Rebekahs are urged to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hilliard returned this afternoon to their home at Hicksville, O. They were weekend guests of the A. J. Haney family.

The members of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Presbyterian church, and their friends, and the public in general, are cordially invited to the annual mite box opening-social at the home of Mrs. Will Krempers Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The following program will be given: Hymn; devotions, Mrs. Louise Myers; "The Story of Woman's Progress in Japan," Miss Laura Ainsel hymn; reading, "As the Presbyterian Crow Flies over Tokio"; Mrs. J. L. Kocher; reading, "Meesima—a Hero"; Mrs. L. A. Graham; piano solo, Mrs. Clyde Noble; reading, Mrs. Fay Smith Knapp; piano solo, Gertrude Moses; offering; benediction.

GOURT

Miss Rose Nesswold, stenographer for Schurz, qualified as notary public, giving \$1,000 bond.

Real estate transfers: Charles Lehman, et al to Abraham Beer, 1.5 acres in Berne, \$400; Noah M. Neuenschwander to Straus Bros., realty in Blue Creek township, \$5,000; Joel Schwartz et al to Marion M. Meeks, 30 acres of French township, \$12,400; Ralph S. Tedder, et al to William A. Long, 160 acres of Jefferson township \$28,800; D. N. Erwin to Henry Lehman, 120 acres of Union township, \$19,000; Straus Bros. to Oscar Bultemeier, realty in Root township, \$9,200; H. S. Michaud to Fred J. Schearer, 30 acres of Union township, \$11,000.

In the matter of the voluntary assignment of the Decatur Herald Company to The Peoples Loan & Trust Company, inventory number 1, was filed and approved and appraisement of property filed.

March 30 is the date set when the court will fix the value of the estate of Anna Gruber for inheritance tax purposes.

In the Della Thomas guardianship, appraisement was filed; also bond in the sum of \$6,000. A private sale of real estate was ordered, after notice, terms one third cash; one-third in six months and one-third in twelve months.

Licensed to marry: Lieutenant William Claude Briggs, of Geneva, born December 1, 1885, son of William William Briggs and Hope Beatrice Hoffman, born May 20, 1897, daughter of Fred Hoffman.

Alfred F. Chronister qualified as guardian of Cora Chronister, giving \$2,500 bond.

Lucy J. Gregory took out letters of guardianship on Irene Gregory. Her bond was \$2,000.

DECATUR BOYS TO PRISON

Bluffton, Ind., Mar. 2—Earl and Frank Neuenschwander, aged 21 and 24 respectively, of Decatur, who entered pleas before Judge Elchhorn here to charges of passing forged checks, were sentenced to the state reformatory at Jeffersonville for terms of two to fourteen years each, to which were added fines of \$10 and costs each. Frank Neuenschwander passed a \$12 forged check at McKinney Bros. store at Ossian, and his brother passed a forged check for \$16 at the Solinger & McKirman store in Bluffton.

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