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The bankers of the county will meet at supper at the Hotel Murray tomorrow evening. They will organize to aid the Third Liberty Loan drive, will listen to addresses by W. H. O'Brien and C. H. Worden and will talk shop. It should result in a closer union of these men who have so important a part in the affairs of Adams county.

Mrs. Gibson, Red Cross nurse whose story has created wonderful interest, where she has told it, will speak at the court room this evening. She is a newspaper woman of twenty years' experience, a writer and a lecturer, an unusual woman who has visited the various battle fronts of Europe and can tell her story in a manner that will stir your heart. The public is invited.

This is the week for the national drive for the "Boy's Working Reserve." Dr. Fred Patterson, the county chairman for this work, has spent several weeks organizing for this drive and it is desired that not less than 400 boys sign up. These boys are used for work on farms and in shops, because of the need for men in the army, and they are not subject to call from the county either for work or for any army service. Boost the game.

Get your coat off and get ready to make this third liberty loan drive a ten time success. It's up to us to do it and we can if everybody will realize the importance of the work and how necessary it is that we put it over. To do less is to fail your government in a time of need, to invite heavy taxation that will prove burdensome, to cause those who know to feel that you are a slacker. The government will not only know those who buy but those who do not and why. Think it all over for on April 6th the big drive will start with a rush.

The casualty list of Americans in the great war now averages about a hundred a day and it will get larger, much larger. Soon we will have "over there" several hundred boys from this county, boys you know and love. To support these men, to make them comfortable and to make it possible for them to win and end the war, we must support them. The way to do it is to buy Liberty Bonds. Buy them with every dollar you can rake and scrape, borrow the money if you haven't got it, buy buy them. Show the boys in khaki that you are back of them and if they are willing to offer their lives, you are willing to offer your dollars. You get interest on

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these bonds and they are a splendid investment but we prefer that you buy them because you believe in the boys who are fighting for you across the sea. The campaign will open April 6th. Let's make the first day a big one and then keep on buying bonds until we have met the allotment. Don't make your government fix a tax. That's a burden you can avoid if you show your willingness now.

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR JUDGE 26TH CIRCUIT.  
You are hereby authorized to announce that I am a candidate for judge of the Adams circuit court subject to the democratic primary to be held on May 7, 1918. One term only. 66tf  
DORE B. ERWIN.

Please announce the name of the undersigned as a candidate for judge of the 26th judicial circuit, subject to the decision of the democratic primary election to be held Tuesday, May 7, 1918. 66tf  
JOHN C. MORAN.

You are hereby authorized to announce the name of the undersigned as a candidate for judge of the 26th judicial circuit, subject to the decision of the democratic primary to be held Tuesday, May 7, 1918. 66tf  
DAVID E. SMITH.

FOR SURVEYOR.  
Please announce my name as a candidate for surveyor of Adams county, second term, subject to the decision of the democratic primary to be held Tuesday, May 7, 1918. 66tf  
ORVAL HARRUFF.

FOR SHERIFF.  
Please announce the name of the undersigned as a candidate for sheriff of Adams county, subject to the decision of the democratic primary, to be held Tuesday, May 7, 1918. 66tf  
FRED BRAUN.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.  
You are hereby authorized to announce the name of the undersigned as a candidate for prosecuting attorney of the 26th judicial district, subject to the decision of the democratic primary to be held Tuesday, May 7, 1918. 66tf  
E. BURT LENHART.

Francis S. Armantrout of Geneva, announces his candidacy for prosecutor of the 26th judicial district, comprising Adams county, subject to the decision of the democratic primary election, to be held Tuesday May 7, 1918. 66tf

FOR RECORDER.  
Andrew J. Case, of St. Mary's township, announces his name as a candidate for recorder of Adams county, subject to the decision of the democratic primary to be held Tuesday, May 7, 1918. 66tf

## SOCIETY

### WEEKLY SOCIAL CALENDAR

Tuesday.  
Easter Bazaar Christian Pastoral Helpers—Gas Office.  
Hard to Beat Class—Mrs. Robert Garard.

Wednesday.  
Mt. Pleasant Red Cross Sewing Society—Mrs. Ernest Tumbleson.  
Ruth Circle St. Patrick's Social—G. C. Steele home.  
Helping Hand society—Reformed Church.  
Ruth Circle St. Patrick's Day Social—At G. C. Steele home.

Thursday.  
Christian Brotherhood—Dr. Burt Mangold.  
Silent Workers—Mrs. Joe Beery.  
Friday.  
Christian Choir Practice—Dr. C. R. Weaver.  
Pastoral Helpers—Mrs. William Ramey.

"The tomb is but the gateway to an eternity of opportunity."

The Ruth Circle of the Christian church has postponed its St. Patrick's social set for this evening, until Wednesday evening on account of the Red Cross mass meeting tonight. The social will be given Wednesday evening at the G. C. Steele home on Fifth street and a parcels post sale will be held in connection therewith. A good program will be given and refreshments served. A silver offering will be received.

The Helping Hand society will meet Wednesday afternoon in the school room of the Reformed church. Mrs. Edgar Gerber will be hostess.

Mrs. Robert Garard will entertain the Hard to Beat Class of the Evangelical church, taught by Mrs. Mills, at her home first house west of south

ward school building, Tuesday evening at 7:30. Every member should make a special effort to be there.

Misses Cecil Andrews and Ethel Fuhrman saw the Shrine show in Fort Wayne Saturday evening, and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hofman over Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Gunsett and daughters, Ida and Lydia, were entertained over Sunday by the Philip Sauer family.

The Pastoral Helpers of the Christian church will have a lovely stock of needlework at their Easter bazaar to be held at the gas office next Saturday. Everybody is invited to come and buy.

Mrs. J. S. Peterson had a lovely time at the entertainment of the grand officers of the Eastern Star at Gary last Thursday evening when a banquet was given. Sixteen men were taken into the order at that time. Mrs. Peterson is Grand Esther and other grand officers were also in attendance. Mrs. Peterson went to Whiting to visit over Sunday with relatives.

All Royal Neighbors are asked to bring their thimbles and scissors to the Thursday night meeting to sew for the Belgians. At a recent meeting it was decided to sew every two weeks at the regular meeting time.

The Delta Theta Tau sorority will meet this evening at seven o'clock with Miss Leona Bosse. Members please note change in time.

The Pastoral Helpers of the Christian church will meet at the home of Mrs. William Ramey, Friday afternoon at 2:30. A large attendance is desired. All the ladies that have things for the Easter bazaar that is to be held Saturday, March 23, will please bring them to the meeting Friday afternoon.—Contributed.

The Men's Brotherhood will meet Thursday evening at the home of Dr. Burt Mangold in their regular monthly meeting. There will be a special program at this time. Rev. B. F. Borton, of Marion, a former minister of the Christian church and his wife will be the special guests. Rev. Borton, who organized the Brotherhood, will speak at this meeting. A good attendance is desired.—Contributed.

The regular weekly rehearsal of the choir will be held at the home of Dr. C. R. Weaver, on North Fifth street Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All members of the choir are expected to be present, and any other persons that can sing of the Christian church.—Contributed.

The Mt. Pleasant Red Cross sewing societies' ladies will sew all day Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Ernest Tumbleson.

Every member of the Silent Workers' class of the United Brethren Sunday school is expected to be at the meeting Thursday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of Mrs. Joe Beery on North Tenth street.

## COURT

Licensed to marry: Dewald Beltler, carpenter of Berne, born March 25, 1894, son of John Beltler, to wed Naomi Martz, waitress of Berne, born July 6, 1897.

Real estate transfers: U. S. patent deed to Lewis E. Fouts, 80 acres of French township.

The current report of Robert C. Speicher, guardian of Ruth E. Speicher, et al., was approved and the trust continued.

Licensed to marry: Christian J. Amstutz, born April 29, 1887, son of Jacob Amstutz, of Wabash township, to wed Alvine Hanni, of Wabash township, born March 26, 1896, daughter of Fred Hanni.

In the estate of Nicholas Colchin, report of sale of personal property was approved.

The superintendent of construction of the Beberstein drain was ordered to make report within ten days from this date.

Jesse Welch vs. Lulu Welch, divorce. Appearance by Erwin for the defendant, who is ruled to answer. Application by the defendant for an allowance.

John Russell Wheeler vs. Hershel Heimberger, et al. J. T. Merryman was appointed guardian ad item for the minor, Hershel Heimberger. Upon motion, William Miller, guardian of Hershel Heimberger was made a party defendant and he filed a cross complaint.

J. W. Teeple, attorney for the Decatur Cemetery Association, filed a suit against E. C. Engle, et al., on note, demand \$65.29.

Democrat Wants Ads Pay

## JOIN NOW.

Do you want to "Swat the Kaiser?" The best way you can do it is by joining the Boy's Working Reserve.

Let's show Kaiser Bill that Uncle Sam doesn't have to draft his boys to get them to work for him.

It is a noble thing indeed to desire to achieve glory on the field of battle, but it is even a nobler thing to be willing to lay aside personal desires and without any blare of trumpets take our place in the army of toilers to help feed those at the front.

The Sammies will never give up unless they run out of food; let's see to it that there is never even any danger of that.

If your parents object to your joining the Working Reserve, explain the whole plan to them. No sensible parent will object after he once understands the purpose of the movement.

## FOUR SPIES ARRESTED

(United Press Service)  
New York, March 18.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Madam Despinas Storch, beautiful Turkish woman, divorced wife of a French army officer, Baron de Beville, with whom she had been associating; Madam Charlotte Mix of German birth, and a man calling himself Count Robert Clermont were arrested this afternoon by agents of the department of justice, charged with complicity in a spy plot involving former German Ambassador Bernstorff. The seizure was the culmination of an investigation lasting several weeks.

The four according to the agents are members of a German spy ring, which has been operating in various cities since the outbreak of the war in 1914. Baron de Beville, according to information comes from a reliable French family, is believed to have been doped by the woman. She is said to have lived at various places under different names. They will be deported at once according to the present status of their cases.

## REV. MILLS IMPROVING

Rev. W. S. Mills who has been confined to his bed since a week ago today, of the grip and acute bronchitis, is improving day by day, but is still bedfast. Mrs. Mills who had been ailing of bronchial trouble also, is able to be up again.

## DECATUR FRANCHISE LEAGUE

The election of officers of the Decatur Franchise League will take place at a meeting to be held one day this week, the date to be announced later. Members are requested to look for the announcement and be present.

## IS GRANTED PENSION

Mrs. Julia Bottenberg, 1631 Howell street, widow of Andrew Bottenberg, a civil war veteran, was granted a pension of \$25 a month by the Washington department yesterday.—Fort Wayne News.

## BEN HUR NOTICE

The Ben Hur members have been solicited for worn clothing to send to the Belgian and French needy. All are requested to bring the same to the hall next Friday evening. There will also be initiation.

## BARNHOUSE-SMITH

Marion Barnhouse and Miss Eriol Smith were married Saturday evening at seven o'clock by the Rev. W. Paul Marsh of the Christian church, at his home on West Monroe street. The couple will live in Bluffton. The bride is a daughter of the late Will Smith, former Decatur man.

## SECOND WARD A IS BUSY

Dick Townsend, chairman of the second ward A liberty loan committee has notified the members to meet at the office of Graham & Walters Wednesday evening to complete the organization.

DEMOCRAT WANT ADS  
PAY BIG.

## PARENTS TO BLAME

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there so that when they do become the age when they must go out, they have not an ounce more of sense than has a bird just let out of a cage.

Daughters often go astray, he said, because the parents are not lovable. All persons have affection in their natures at a certain age that must be lavished on somebody. If it is not lavished on the parents, it will be on somebody else. Let the parents see to it, that they are clean and lovable and that their daughter's affection is lavished upon them.

Often times the parents are not sympathetic. They do not encourage their children in educational, religious, business or social lines, and the children become discouraged and go away, which is many cases the synonym of astray. The influence of a good mother, as the greatest blessing a man can have, was touched upon, also that a bad mother is the greatest curse a man can have.

He pictured the sad state of the prodigal, who has wasted his substance in riotous living. He set out that substance did not mean money only, but also health, energy, strength and manhood. The memories of home and their influence in bringing the prodigals to a realization of their straying, if the memories of home have been pleasant ones, were illustrated with several examples from life. The sad home-coming, in case where the parents had died, was also illustrated and the fact that the home-coming should not be delayed too long.

This parable of the prodigal son was the third and strongest of three recorded in the chapter of St. Luke, showing the pitying love for the children who have gone astray. The first was of the finding of the lost sheep which was one of a hundred; second was of the finding of the lost coin, one of ten; and the third the finding of the lost son, the most precious thing a father has.

At the conclusion of the service, three went forward to make the confession. Prof. Bachmeyer lead the song service during the evening and sang two beautiful solos.

The house was more than filled, and many were unable to obtain seats, finding it necessary to stand.

## All Well Attended.

All of the services at the Baptist church are well attended, and many who come late, are obliged to turn away from the church being unable to get in. "Popular Amusements" was Saturday's sermon, and three made the confession. The women's service Sunday afternoon was also an excellent one.

## CHRONISTER CHILD DEAD

Miriam Charlotte Chronister, aged three years, five months and twenty-two days, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Chronister of High street, died this morning from whooping cough and complications. This is the sixth child deceased in the family. Five survive.

## MAKE EASTER The Occasion

for that new portrait you have promised yourself so long. It's an appropriate time to exchange photographs, and besides, the pretty EASTER hat and frock will show you at your best.

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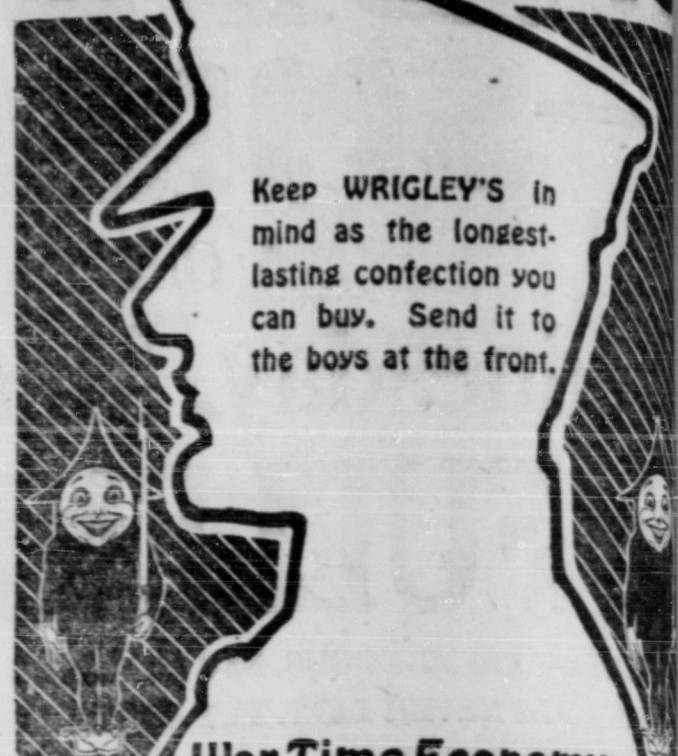
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## TONIGHT

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## Automobile For Sale

A WILLYS SIX, MODEL 89, 1918.

Used only a few months. New tires. In good condition. Equipped with all the latest devices and conveniences. Will sell at the right price. A gain for you. Inquire of A. D. Suttles, at Adams County Bank.

## Feeding Chick

Chicks must not be fed before they are 60 to 70 days old. If fed before diarrhoea and other digestive troubles will result.

If convenient they should be given nothing but sour milk for the first four weeks. If not convenient give fresh, clean water each day.

Keep Blatchford's Milk Mash, Fine Grit, Ground Beef Scrap, and fine Charcoal before them at all times.

After they are four days old feed our little chicks five times daily for the first week. Feed only what will eat up clean, except at night, give them all they will eat.

Lettuce and other green feed is absolutely necessary each day.

After they are a few weeks old they should have a feed they will consume. A self feeder is the best and most economical and easily made.

One of our BLUE HEN (Hard Coal) brooders is the only practical brooder, will raise your chicks better than most mother hens.

A box of coal ashes placed where it will keep very necessary.

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