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Any admiral who attacks the honor of his own country's navy is sure to be a hero among certain men in this country who make a living playing the great political game.

The Indianapolis Times is boosting McAdoo for president and Taggart for the senate and their suggestions will be approved by thousands of voters over the state.

Governor Goodrich is out on a peculiar campaign. He is defending the record made by the last legislature in order that he may safely call

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a special session to fix up the errors made by that body. He admits his record is great. Then why all this defense?

The dismissal of Secretary Lansing is now taken as positive proof by partisan opposition papers that the president is seriously ill, that his mind is effected and that he ought to resign. In due time Mr. Wilson will no doubt answer his enemies and in a way that will hit hard. One thing is certain and that is that a lot of people are securing much satisfaction from the fact that the president is in such condition that his physician will not permit him to fight.

The spirit of a united Decatur was the biggest and best thing of last night's meeting of the Industrial association. When any man or set of men desires he can of course render almost helpless the Industrial organization. Why any one should do this we can't understand, why any person should want to, is beyond us. United we can go forward a long way while divided we have only trouble. It is right that we have our opinions on the various questions and they should be openly expressed and earnestly discussed, but they should not be carried to that point where we divide our power and our strength. That's our big asset and by that we advance.

There are various opinions on the best way to solve the power problem in Decatur. A few believe one way and a few another but the great majority of our people as we find it are not so much interested in how it is done as they are in doing something that will assure more electric current that will properly take care of the situation here. This can be done some way and the rights and interests of Decatur properly guarded. No one wants any rights of the city given away. They expect the city officials to protect those rights. They must do this and furnish power and it's no easy task to figure it out but it must be done and we believe it will be.

In a speech at Logansport last Saturday, Governor Goodrich declares that considerable of the criticism within his own party against his administration comes from disappointed republican office-seekers. "You will find in every county in Indiana republicans of considerable influence who have been disappointed because



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they have not received the recognition which they have believed is due them." This is in part true. But the governor must not take all of the criticism being heaped upon the state administration by republicans as entirely personal. It is directed against the republican legislature, and the methods and theories of republican leaders in the state, as well as against the state organization.—Huntington Press.

### TODAY ASH WEDNESDAY

Today is Ash Wednesday, the day which marks the opening of the season of Lent. The day was observed in the Catholic church with special services, a high mass being celebrated at 7:30 o'clock this morning which was well attended, and at which time the distribution of ashes took place.

### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the many kind friends for their kindness to my children, Q. E. Mount and wife and son Marker, during their sickness and the death of Mr. Mount. I realize that we can never be able to repay those dear ones for their kindness, but there is one who sees all things and will never forsake us, nor forget their kind acts.

T. C. MARKER, Winfall, Ind.

### OUR DWINDLING BEEF-CATTLE

(By A. L. Spellmeyer)

"The United States is heading toward bankruptcy in its beef-cattle supply," declares A. L. Spellmeyer in The Country Gentleman of March 6th. "In 1907 our beef cattle numbered 51,566,000 and in 1919 the total had fallen to 44,385,000. In that year 1907 there were 7,621,717 cattle and 1,763,574 calves slaughtered under government inspection. In 1919, with the available supply of cattle more than seven million fewer, we slaughtered 10,938,287 and 3,323,077 calves. "We are expecting today something like 44,000,000 cattle to supply round 15,000,000 annually for slaughter, maintain numbers against loss and increase production to keep pace with a rapidly growing population. Any veteran cattleman will tell you that it can't be done."

Drought, uncertain prices and range hogging by the big outfits is driving the small cattle men out of the business and yet the little cattleman offers the biggest hope of replenishing the vanishing herds.

"Steps must be taken to safeguard the cattleman against loss. There is no time to waste, for it will require years to build back our beef herds to a point where the supply can be depended upon to meet the demands. It is up to our legislators to turn us back from our march toward bankruptcy in beef cattle."

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish in this manner to thank our good neighbors and friends for their help and kindness during our sickness. All are able to be up now. ARNOLD CROUCH and FAMILY.

### CLOSE TO A FIRE

Few of those in the audience at the high school gymnasium for the basketball game between the Phi Delta Kappas and Oswego quintet Monday night were aware that there was a lively time in the furnace room for a few minutes in pulling the fire from under the boiler, to avert what was feared to be a serious menace to life and property. It was about the close of the preliminary game that the discovery was made by the janitor that there was no water in the boiler, and the fire was yanked out of the furnace in double quick time. Smoke permeated into the gymnasium in a thin haze, but only a few were aware of the real significance of the fact. It was explained that from the circumstances it was indicated that some one had permitted the water to drain from the boiler, but whether this was intentional or through lack of understanding on the part of some one is not known. It appears more probable that the latter is the fact.—Bluffton News.

A number of Decatur fans attended the game and will be surprised to learn that they were close to a fire.

### ARE IN SESSION

Indianapolis, Feb. 18.—The state child welfare commission was to meet here today to prepare for the work mapped out for it by the 1919 session of the legislature. Governor Goodrich appointed the commission last July. Its duty is to make a study of child welfare and submit its findings in the form of a report to the next session of the general assembly. The report will also contain recommendations for the betterment of these conditions. Harry Wade, Indianapolis, will have charge of the division investigation of insurance and Mrs. Albion Fellows Bacon will over-see the child welfare work. Other members of the commission are Miss Vida Newson, Elizabethtown, and John W. Hayes, Indianapolis.

### TO BECOME PRESIDENT

Chicago, Feb. 18.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Hale Holden will resume his place as president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and the Colorado & Southern roads when they are returned to private ownership, was announced today. His resignation as a regional director will permit his resumption of the tasks.

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