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TRAFFIC ABOUT NORMAL TODAY

Outlaw Strike is Broken and Majority of Men Return to Posts

REFUSED A HEARING Strikers Who Walked Out Without Consulting Em- ployer Were Ignored

(United Press Service)
Chicago, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—A statement issued by the general manager's association today claimed the railway outlaw strike is broken. Men have returned to work in Buffalo, Cleveland, New Orleans and other points, the statement said.

According to a statement by Geo. Worrill, an official of the freight handler's union, its membership of 30,000 will vote tonight on joining the striking switchmen. They are seeking wage increases and will confer during the day with railroad managers.

Washington, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Jersey City outlaw railroad strikers today were denied hearing by the railroad labor board. This was under a rule adopted by the board which requires workers with a grievance to first try to settle it in conference with their employers. This ruling states that the board will refuse to hear grievances where this provision has not been complied with.

Under the situation the established railroad brotherhood are given practically a closed shop on the railroad system of the United States.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Hundreds of striking railroad workers today were deserting the strikers ranks and returning to their jobs. All roads reported greatly improved freight traffic and passenger service into Pittsburgh was approximately normal.

Trainmen on the Baltimore and Ohio voted to return today in a body.

Cleveland, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Freight movement in the Cleveland district was reported 70 per cent normal today. All strikers were reported back at the New York Central and Erie yards. The Nickel Plate said that 50 per cent of the yardmen were back. The other lines reported a considerable number working.

NEGRO UNDER GUARD

(United Press Service)
Danville, Ky., April 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Lucien Jenkins, 25, negro, was under heavy guard in the Lexington county jail today, following his escape last night from a mob which stormed the Danville court house in an attempt to lynch him.

Jenkins is accused of complicity in the abduction and attack upon Wm. Trimble, 7, Friday night.

Officials heard that a mob was forming and rushed the negro from the back door of the court house and into a fast automobile. Five minutes later the mob was searching the court house.

Keith Phillips, 16, is also held in connection with the attack.

The child still is in a critical condition from a hammer blow on the head, but will recover, doctors said.

RENT PROTECTOR FINED

(United Press Service)
Winnipeg, Man., April 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Canadian courts are holding out the helping hand to the poor.

Charles Smith, apartment building janitor, was fined \$10 and costs for "profiteering." He advertised an apartment for rent to the one offering the "highest bonus."

LEGION BACKS MOVEMENT

(United Press Service)
Detroit, Mich., April 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The fourteen Wayne county American Legion posts will back the overall club.

The Wayne county council of the legion at its meeting yesterday endorsed the movement. It was decided to ask each post to urge members to support the movement with active participation wherever possible.

THE BALL TEAM

D. H. Campbell, of Bluffton, district manager for the Standard Oil company, who is planning to move his family to this city, is an enthusiastic baseball fan, and for several years was a league player. He wants to see a good team in this city, and promises to secure a catcher, an outfielder and an infielder, all first-class players. He plays at third himself, and with the assistance of Decatur men it is more than likely that a real baseball team will furnish entertainment for Decatur fans during the summer months.

SCHOOL CLOSES

Mt. Pleasant School in Root Township Closed With a Big Program

DINNER AT NOON

More Than Seventy Guests Were Present—Talks by the Patrons

The Mt. Pleasant grade school in Root township closed a most successful year last Friday, a program and entertainment being given in the afternoon, while at noon a big dinner was served in the school dinner, over seventy of the parents of the school children attending.

Miss Naomi Christen and Miss Gladys Suman, the teachers, assisted the children in rendering a program and during the afternoon a number of patrons made short talks and the afternoon was thoroughly an enjoyable one.

The patrons brought the dinner with them and a long table was arranged in the school building where it was served at noon.

The Mt. Pleasant school had a most successful year and much credit is due the trustee, Martin Gerke, and the teachers, the Misses Christen and Suman.

Unmarried Korean men are not allowed to wear hats.

A GOOD LECTURE

Dr. Don D. Tullis of Indi- anapolis Entertained Large Audience

ON SUNDAY EVENING

At Presbyterian Church in Interest of the Inter- church Movement

Dr. Don D. Tullis, member of the state executive committee of the Inter-church World movement, arrived in this city Sunday afternoon and gave his illustrated lecture in the interest of this movement at the Presbyterian church last evening.

The church was well filled with people desirous of learning the real facts concerning the missionary work in heathen lands, and they were amply rewarded. The lecture was preceded by a musical program under the direction of Dr. Fred Patterson.

Dr. Tullis was accompanied to this city by Mrs. Tullis and two sons, Mrs. Tullis operating the lantern for her husband.

The slides disclosed the good that is being done by the missionaries of all denominations, and the vast work to be done, and the need of help by men or money to do the work. The Inter-church movement will provide funds to do the work by all denominations during the week of April 25 to May 2.

Dr. Tullis in his lecture Sunday evening made every man's duty plain, that it is not the command of men, but of the meek and lowly Jesus when He was on earth, that we should go to the uttermost parts of the earth and teach the gospel. If we cannot go, it is our duty to send.

The Rev. Mr. Tullis has many friends here, and his lecture was of more than usual interest because of this. He officiated at the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patterson.

INDIANAPOLIS MARKET

(United Press Service)
Indianapolis, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Hog receipts, 6,000; market 75 higher; best heavies, \$15.25@16; medium mixed, \$17.25; common choice, \$17.25@17.50; bulk sales, \$17.50; cattle receipts, 1500; steers \$9.50@15; cows and heifers, \$8@14; sheep receipts, 50; market steady; tops, \$8.50@10.

MOTHER IS DEAD

Mrs. Jonathan Mosure, Mother of County Auditor Mosure Died at Home

OF SON IN BLUFFTON

Well Known Lady—Funeral Wednesday Afternoon from Six Mile Church

After an extended illness and suffering from kidney trouble and infirmities of old age, Mrs. Jonathan Mosure, well known lady of Wells and Adams counties and the mother of County Auditor John Mosure of this city, died last night at twelve o'clock at the home of her son, Ed Mosure of Bluffton.

Mrs. Mosure who had been a resident of Vera Cruz for many years went to the home of her son in Bluffton about two weeks ago and since that time has been bedfast. Her condition became serious last week and County Auditor John Mosure visited her several times during the week. She gradually grew worse and Saturday it was seen that death was but a few hours away. She passed peacefully away at about twelve o'clock Sunday night.

Mrs. Mosure would have been eighty years old on her next birthday. She was born in Pennsylvania and came to Wells county with her parents when a young girl. For a while the family lived at Magley, later moving to Vera Cruz, living there practically all her life.

The children who survive are, Frank Mosure of Vera Cruz, County Recorder John Mosure of this city, Ed Mosure of Bluffton, Mrs. William Spade of near Vera Cruz, Mrs. Will Solby of near Vera Cruz and Mrs. Otis Riley of Sturgis, Michigan.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon, the relatives and funeral party meeting at the Ed. Mosure home at one o'clock, from where they will drive to the Six Mile church in Wells county and the funeral exercises held at 1:30. Burial will be made in the church cemetery.

TO FORT WAYNE

Several members of the local lodge Knights of Pythias will go to Fort Wayne this evening to be present at the banquet and initiation ceremonies to be given by Phoenix lodge of that city. Among those who will go are Fred Mills, H. S. Michaud, W. A. Lower and J. H. Stewart.

W. C. T. U. MEETING

Will be Held at Mrs. Harry Butler Home on Tues- day Afternoon

A GOOD PROGRAM

President and Vice Presi- dent Ill—Mrs Mary Eley Will Preside

The Women's Christian Temperance Union of this city will be entertained Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Butler on North Fifth street. Mrs. Butler will be assisted by Mrs. Walter Johnson and Mrs. L. L. Baumgartner. On account of the illness of the president and vice president of the union, Mrs. Mary Eley will preside.

The following program will be given commencing at 2:30 o'clock.
Music—Union.
Devotions—Mrs. Rex.
Music—Union.
Minutes.

W. C. T. U. Principles and Activities—Mrs. Mary Eley.
Child Welfare—Mrs. D. D. Heller.
Vocal Solo.
Piano Solo—Mrs. Noble.
Americanization—Mrs. Stottle.
Mrs. C. E. Bell and Mrs. Eugene Runyon are in charge of the musical program.

A cordial welcome awaits all who desire to attend the meeting.

MEETING SATURDAY

A representative of the State Board of Tax Commissioners will hold a hearing in reference to the Jefferson township centralized school building at Geneva, Indiana, on Saturday morning, April 24, 1920, the meeting to be held in the Geneva school building if same can be procured and will commence as soon after 8 o'clock a. m.

DISTRICT MANAGER HERE

D. H. Campbell, district manager for the Standard Oil company, was here from Bluffton Saturday, calling on the local agent, Roy Miller, and the garages and others using Standard gas. Mr. Campbell states his company is caring for patrons as best they can under conditions, and although his company has a several days' supply, he cannot promise something they cannot fulfill, but they will do their utmost to keep everybody supplied. He asks a careful conservation on the part of users.

HAVE A FIELD MAN

Erwin & Michaud Secure Services of Former Sur- veyor L. Baumgartner

BUSINESS IS GROWING

Have Had Some of the Largest Deals in Real Es- tate Recorded in County

EMPLOY FIELD MEN Hu...sc
L. J. Baumgartner, former county surveyor, and well known school teacher, has entered a new field of the business world.

This morning he started to work for the real estate firm of Erwin & Michaud. He will work in the capacity of field man, and that he will make a success of the real estate business, and increase the popularity of the well known firm of realty dealers goes without saying.

For some time the business of Erwin & Michaud has been so large that it was impossible for the two men to give it the attention it should have, and they decided several weeks ago to secure, if possible, a good field man. Their proposition was put up to Mr. Baumgartner and he accepted. Mr. Erwin and Mr. Michaud have handled some of the biggest deals in real estate this spring that have been taken care of in the county, and there are many others on their list that will soon be disposed of, and with the assistance of Mr. Baumgartner their already large business will grow in leaps and bounds.

RIVER OUT OF BANKS

The St. Mary's river has been rising steadily since the rains of last week, and is out of its banks. If it should rise three more feet it will be over the road east of the Monroe street bridge. It is now stretched over the Ahr field and over the bottom lands along the stream between here and Pleasant Mills, and also north of the city.

LOCATED AT MONROE

Dr. Somers is now located at Monroe. The doctor takes over the practice of Dr. Rayl, who is opening an office in this city over the Teeple, Brandyberry & Peterson clothing store. After a two weeks' rest Dr. Rayl, who specializes in surgery and abdominal pelvic diagnosis, will be ready for the practice here. Drs. Rayl and Somers will continue to operate the Hendricks hospital at Monroe.

ON MAY ELEVENTH

Kirkland Township Com- mencement Will be Held in School Auditorium

DECATUR ORCHESTRA

Will Furnish Music — Dr. Lawther, of Chicago, to Give the Address

The annual commencement exercises of the Kirkland township high school will be held Tuesday evening, May 11, in the auditorium in the township high school building.

Dr. Wirt Lawther, of Chicago, will deliver the commencement address, and County Superintendent Ed. S. Christen will have a place on the program. The Decatur high school orchestra under the direction of Prof. Minch of the high school faculty, will furnish the music for the occasion.

There are five graduates this year: three young ladies and two young men. They are: Misses Emma Dettinger, Elsie Arnold and Leona Henschen; and Messrs. Noah Arnold and Milton Werling. W. H. Dettinger is the trustee of the township.

YOUNG MAN DIES

Double Pneumonia Follow- ing Operation Caused the Death of Ernest Coffelt

EIGHTEEN YEARS OLD

Funeral Wednesday After- noon at 2:30 O'clock at Evangelical Church

Double pneumonia following an operation for appendicitis caused the death Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Decatur hospital of Ernest Coffelt, well known Decatur young man.

Mr. Coffelt had been ill during the week and Friday evening was removed from the Aaron DeVinney home to the hospital for the operation, which was performed at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Ernest Coffelt was born in Washington township, October 31, 1901, the son of Henry and Margaret Coffelt, and at death was eighteen years, five months and eighteen days old. He was a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron DeVinney and had made his home with them practically all his life. The father and one sister preceded him in death. He was a fine young man, well liked by all who knew him and his death caused sadness among a wide circle of acquaintances. He was a member of the Evangelical Sunday school.

The mother, one brother, Harrison Coffelt, of Decatur, and two sisters, Mrs. Grace Tricker, of Oak street, and Mrs. Beatrice Weible of Bluffton survive.

The remains may be viewed at the home of the uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. DeVinney, 318 Oak street, this evening, and Tuesday, and until the time of the funeral Wednesday.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Evangelical church, Rev. Haney officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery.

ARRANGE PROGRAM

The dramatic and literature departments of the Woman's club met Saturday evening and arranged their departments and programs for the year. The closing of this club will be next Monday night at the Masonic hall, Mesdames Knapp and Weaver and Misses Eva Acker and Elizabeth Peterson having charge of the program. Club members are privileged to bring their husbands and gentlemen friends.

TWO WEDDINGS

Well Known People Wed Saturday—Henry Bark- ley and Mrs. Gallogly

TAKE LIFE VOWS

Jesse S. Braden and Eva Welch of Ft. Wayne Mar- ried by Rev. Ghidoni

There was unusual activity in the marriage license department of the county clerk Saturday and several known people secured the necessary papers that permitted them to join in wedlock. A license was issued to Henry Barkley, well known farmer living south of the city and Mrs. Mary Gallogly of North Second street. They were married at 6:30 o'clock by the Rev. Haney of the Evangelical church. The ceremony was witnessed by Mr. Barkley's son, Glen, and Mrs. C. L. Haney, wife of the pastor. They are already at home on Mr. Barkley's farm southwest of the city.

A second marriage was that of Jesse Braden of Fort Wayne and Miss Eva Welch, also of that city. They were married at 5 o'clock by the Rev. Ghidoni, pastor of the Christian church, at the Bain home on North Third street. They remained in this city over went to Fort Wayne yesterday.

Mr. Braden is a postoffice employee at Fort Wayne and the bride has been his housekeeper since the death of his wife in July, 1918. They will reside in Mr. Braden's home on South Wayne street, Fort Wayne.

CHICAGO MARKET CLOSE

Chicago, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Corn: May \$1.71½; July \$1.66; Sept. \$1.61½. Oats: May, 97, July 89c.

THE ALUMNI PLAY

The Alumni class of the Pleasant Mills high school will give a play at the Pleasant Mills high school auditorium next Saturday evening, April 24. The title of the play is "The Masonic Ring" and is a comedy in three acts. The case is made up of graduates from the high school, who have been rehearsing the play for some time and are all prepared to give those who attend the treat of their lives. Curtain rises at 8 o'clock. Admission thirty-five cents.

ARE ON A STRIKE

Three Million Students in Northern China Object to Teaching of

ALLIANCE QUESTION

Of Shantung—Are Parading the Streets Seeking to Gain Support

(United Press Service)

Shanghai, April 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Three million students throughout the fourteen northern provinces of China went on strike today in protest against the teaching advocating direct negotiations with Japan on the Shantung question, according to reports received here.

The students who are parading the streets of the principal cities are seeking to enlist the support of trade unionists.

Abrogation of all secret treaties is demanded by the striking students who have promised they will not molest foreigners.

Intense feeling against Japan has marked the attitude of nearly all Chinese students since the Shantung peninsula settlement by the Paris conference. The issue became crystallized recently when students boycotted Japanese merchants at Foo Chow. Disorders marked the boycott.

MR. G. KURT DEAD

Cancer Causes Death of Well Known Man—Lived Here During Entire Life

FUNERAL WEDNESDAY

Body of Lawrence Gordon Cappaert Arrives From Saginaw, Michigan

Death relieved the sufferings of Godfrey Kurt, well known resident of this city and Monmouth, at 12:30 o'clock this morning at the home on Ninth street in this city.

Mr. Kurt was born in Root township, May 13, 1861, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Kurt, who came to this country from Switzerland. His age at death was 58 years, 11 months and 6 days. He resided in this county all his life and was married to Miss Annette Lord, who survives him. The following children also survive: Lizzie Ballard, Maude Johnson, Jennie Hill and Edward Kurt. One sister, Mrs. Mary Magley, is the only surviving member of the parental family.

The deceased was a member of the United Brethren church in this city, from which place the funeral will be held Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock, the Rev. Miner officiating. Burial will be in the Monmouth cemetery.

The body of Lawrence Gordon Cappaert, two year, three months and seventeen-day old son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Cappaert, arrived in this city this afternoon over the G. R. & I. railroad from Saginaw, Mich., and was conveyed to the home of the grandmother, Mrs. William Bernard, by the Yager Bros' funeral car. The little boy died Friday morning from spinal meningitis after a ten days' illness. The father is employed on the farm of Eli Sprunger, a former resident here. The mother was Miss Barrone before her marriage. One other child, a little boy, eight months old, survives, besides the parents. Arrangements for the funeral had not been completed at press time.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Rain tonight and Tuesday.

TEXAS OPPOSES TROOP MOVEMENT

Governor Hobby Files a Formal Protest With Secretary Colby

AGAINST MEXICANS

Entering His State—Yaqui Troops Gather—Prose- cute Profiteers

(United Press Service)
Austin, Texas, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Texas today voiced formal protest against any contemplated movement of Mexican troops through its territory. Governor Hobby telegraphed Secretary Colby that Texas is unalterably opposed to any such movement.

Washington, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Extensive prosecution of profiteers will occur within thirty days if investigations now being conducted by department of justice agents disclosed the expected evidence Howard Figg, special assistant to the attorney general, today told the senate sub-committee investigating shoe prices.

Figg said the profits of several huge corporations were under investigation.

Senator McNary asked whether Figg had investigated a report that one of the big five packers had stores of large quantities of hides to keep them off the markets thus causing higher prices for shoes. Figg promised to investigate the report.

Ague Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Four additional Yaqui troops and four hundred Sonora cavalry men arrived here within the last twenty-four hours making fifteen hundred troops now stationed here to oppose the Carranza government.

BELIEVES IN REGULATIONS

(United Press Service)
New York, April 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Labor should be subjected to government control and regulation like other organizations, Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, said today in outlining the company's stand on unions at the annual meeting of stockholders.

"Discrimination by law in favor of or against any particular class is detrimental to the interests of the general community," Gary said. "It contradicts the fundamental principles of our government."

Gary reiterated intention of the company to maintain the open shop.

TORE LOSE IN CHURCH

(United Press Service)
New York, April 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—"Ignorance of God through a darkened understanding and blindness of heart," was the text which Dr. Karl Reiland, pastor of the fashionable St. George's Protestant Episcopal church chose yesterday.

The minister had just finished his sermon and the vestrymen were passing the collection plate when Thomas W. Simpkin, a man with a "darkened understanding," jumped from the pew and started to shoot.

Dr. James Wright Markee, physician for the family of the late J. Pierpont Morgan, who was passing the collection plate, fell dead, struck by the first shot.

STEAMER AFIRE

(United Press Service)
New York, Apr. 19.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—A Norwegian steamer was afire off the Bush terminal, Brooklyn, here today. Two fireboats were fighting the flames. The blaze broke out following three violent explosions which shook the water front. The vessel was loaded with nitrate. Three men were known to be injured.

For a time the great terminal itself was menaced but tugs succeeded in towing the vessel to midstream. Thousands of persons watched the fire, one of the most spectacular ever seen on the water front. Police reserves were called out to keep back the crowds. Firemen were hampered by the constant explosions of chemicals in the cargo. At 2:30 p. m. flames had spread to several oil barges.

Oriental regard turquoise as a protection against disease.