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Before the Yeomen campaign is finished every man and woman in this community should be working. That will be a real organization and one that will overwhelm our visitors.

The strikes proceed, growing a little in violence as the men become hungry and the operators continue obstinate. In the meantime what has become of the congressional investigating committee appointed weeks ago? Perhaps Mr. Vestal who is here today can tell us.

According to the first vote on the soldier's bonus now being taken by the Literary Digest, sentiment is about evenly divided. Of the first 100,000 votes 46,609 favored the bonus while 47,469 opposed it. It is explained however that this vote was taken largely from the east and the sentiment there is known to be against the bonus.

Chairmen of the committees for Yeomen day started this morning and the big campaign is on in earnest. From now on until August 22nd there

is to be no let up. Of course this means hard work but the cause is worth it. We have cut all bridges behind us and we will make a real effort to bring the home to Indiana. To that end we will enlist the assistance of every citizen of the Hoosier state. Anyway we are going to have one big Yeomen day, unexcelled in all history of that lodge and it is safe to predict that the community which lands the home will have to overcome this city.

An Indianapolis dispatch says the state tax rate will be increased. You bet it will not only next year but the next and the next and on and on, time without end, so long as the present tax law exists. They are preparing you for it but the average citizen who thinks doesn't need to be prepared or reminded for he knows it. So long as control of taxes is in the hands of a few men in the capitol your taxes will grow until you finally tell them just to take the property and operate it. The state commission effects local taxes also for the limit of indebtedness is unchanged though the valuations have been tripped. Tax rate increase? Of course it will and if you don't vote for a change of the state administration this year you are approving the present system of taxation in Indiana with all its confiscatory powers.

The Literary Digest, perhaps the greatest weekly of its kind in the world, is now taking a test vote to ascertain the real sentiment of the people with regards to the present prohibition laws. To ascertain the real desires of the people they are taking the vote in a systematic way from ten million adults and to the surprise of many the results of the first 100,000 votes shows a distinct majority in favor of dampness. 32,445 voted to continue the strict enforcement of the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act while 39,665 favor a modification and 22,547 favor a repeal. Of course those who favor a repeal would

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likewise favor modification if that was all they could get and so you have a vote of two to one in favor of a change. The next one hundred thousand may show the reverse sentiment and as the total of ten million ballots will be taken, it is early to voice an opinion. The vote will be watched with interest however and no doubt there will be more or less ward heeling done, of course in a very proper way. On the first report however the showing is distinctly damp.

PROMINENT MEN NAMED IN RAID ON BOOZE RING

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three weeks to present all of the evidence to the grand jury.

"This evidence will cover the collection of \$500,000 most of which was 'cleared' through the offices of Mitchell," Earnshaw stated.

"Specialized and efficient business procedure, rivaling even the most highly organized modern establishment, was followed by the ring," Earnshaw stated. "The money collected was distributed freely among federal officials to gain immunity.

"A wealthy foundry owner was in charge of the drugstore whose licenses had been revoked. Within a few months, we will show he collected \$20,000 from druggists conclusively. This man's work was confined exclusively to drugstore violators of the law and he was strictly prohibited from approaching any others.

"There is evidence to show that all brewers were forced to pay this ring \$5 on each barrel of real beer shipped from the Illinois district."

A wealthy brewer, who has been granted immunity, will be one of the main witnesses for the prosecution.

The prosecution has followed an investigation covering a period of eighteen months, ordered by federal authorities when saloons started operating wide open in Chicago.

Besides federal officials, a number of city employees, including police officers, are involved in the evidence.

REVIEW BOARD MADE INCREASE IN ASSESSMENT

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sonal property in Decatur is \$1,971,720.

The county board of review will send a representative to Indianapolis on July 21 to meet with the state tax board and make a report on the true assessments in the county as fixed by the local board. The state board will make an investigation of the assessments and will have the power to make additional increases, providing the members of the state board think that the assessments are too low. The county board will be called into session again in August and act upon the recommendation made by the state board.

Following is the true values placed on real estate and improvements in the county and the towns of the county:

Real Unit	Improvement
Union	\$1,423,530
Root	1,909,330
Preble	1,351,760
Kirkland	1,563,830
Washington	2,250,160
St. Marys	1,312,590
Blue Creek	1,347,520
Monroe	2,409,780
French	1,445,830
Hartford	1,391,960
Wabash	1,813,580
Jefferson	1,349,100
Decatur	93,560
Monroe	3,040
Berne	33,130
Geneva	17,280
Totals	\$19,716,880

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DOINGS IN SOCIETY

CLUB CALENDAR

Tuesday.

Card party at Elks home for members of Elk's families.
Ladies of Elks—Elks Hall 8:00.
V. I. S. Class, U. B. Church.
Miss Ruth Gilbert, Studebaker st.
Psi Iota Xi—Mrs. Chas. Knapp.

Frank Baker of Indianapolis, former prosecutor of Marion county, stopped here last evening for supper. With his family he was motoring home from Chapam lake and expected to reach Indianapolis last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Mills and family have returned from Fremont, Mich., where they have been visiting Mr. Hill's father.

MANY KILLED IN MINE WAR TODAY

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Pythian Needle Club meets at the K. of P. home Tuesday evening instead of at the home of Mrs. Dr. Miller as was announced in Saturday's paper. A good attendance is desired as an election of officers will be held.

A number of people were entertained Sunday afternoon at the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weber and family living north of the city in Root township. The afternoon was spent by all kinds of amusements. At 5:30 a chicken dinner with all the good eats was served. Those present were their minister, the Reverend and Mrs. W. O. Bischoff; their teacher and Mrs. A. W. Rossman; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weber, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Buhler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dicke, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scharpenberg, Mrs. Pauline Bischoff, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bulmann, Mr. and Mrs. August Scharpenberg, the Misses Amy and Pauline Bischoff, Clara, Ella and Nora Weber, Delta Scharpenberg, Lydia, Paula, and Dorothy Rossman, Margaret Bischoff, The Masters Carl Rossman, of Columbia City; Edward, Paul Hans and Richard Bischoff, Herman Weber, Edward Rossman.

The Psi Iota Xi sorority will meet

Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Chas. Knapp.

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his third term as republican county chairman has the endorsement, we are informed, of Congressman Vestal, senators New and Watson, and State Chairman Lyons, which assures him of the appointment it is believed. Mr. Vestal is here today to dispose of the matter and since it is unlikely that any objections will be offered, it is expected he will recommend Mr. Fritzinger. He was elected county chairman in 1918, reelected in 1920 again this year after a rather heated contest.

FRENCH TOWNSHIP MAN FINED FOR KEEPING DOG WITHOUT PAYING A TAX

Albert F. Moser, of French township, was fined \$1 and costs by G. F. Kintz, Justice of the Peace, here Saturday for harboring a dog without paying tax on the same. The affidavit was filed against Moser by John Toney, trustee of French township.

LAWYERS ARGUE IN BLUE CREEK TOWNSHIP CASE

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Avalla, Pa., July 17—The death list in the mine war at Cliftonville, W. Va., may reach thirty according to word received here by Justice of the Peace Campbell. An unidentified foreigner staggering into Avalla at noon in broken English told a lurid story of the bloody battle.

Cleveland, O., July 17—Confiscation of coal by railroads was threatened here today because of the fuel shortage resulting from the rail and miners strike. "We have not taken that step as yet, but we will if the situation warrants it," H. B. Green, superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio said.

Williamset, Mass., July 17—Buildings were wrecked, a railroad line was washed out and hundreds narrowly escaped death here today when a dam in a pond situated on a high level above here burst, releasing 15,000,000 gallons of water.

Holland, Mich., July 17—Loss of \$300,000 was caused at Lake Michigan's most popular summer resort when fire destroyed thirty cottages at Macatawa Park. Including the cottages burned was the home of Rev. Mel Trotter, evangelist. The fire began when an oil stove was turned over in a cottage occupied by Mrs. C. E. Ellis, Harrin, Ill.

Washington, July 17—President Harding proclaimed the effectiveness of the Yapt treaty between Japan and the United States on July 13, it was made known today at the state department when the official text of the proclamation was made public.

Indianapolis, July 17—Passenger service on one Indiana branch of the Monon railroad was completely annulled Sunday and considerably curtailed on another due to the rail strike, it was announced today.

Indianapolis, July 17—Seven boy automobile thieves whose operations have mystified police for a month were arrested here today. They confessed to stealing 32 automobiles among which was the death car that killed Josephine Burns. It collided with one in which Miss Burns was riding and injured her companion.

Cleveland, O., July 17—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Four hundred car repairers, members of the American Federation of Railroad Workers went on strike here today in compliance with the nation-wide strike order.

Chicago, July 17—Wheat: July, \$1.44%; Sept. \$1.12; Dec. \$1.14. Corn: July, 62c; Sept. 64c; Dec. 61½c. Oats: July 34½c; Sept. 36½c.

Program—Night

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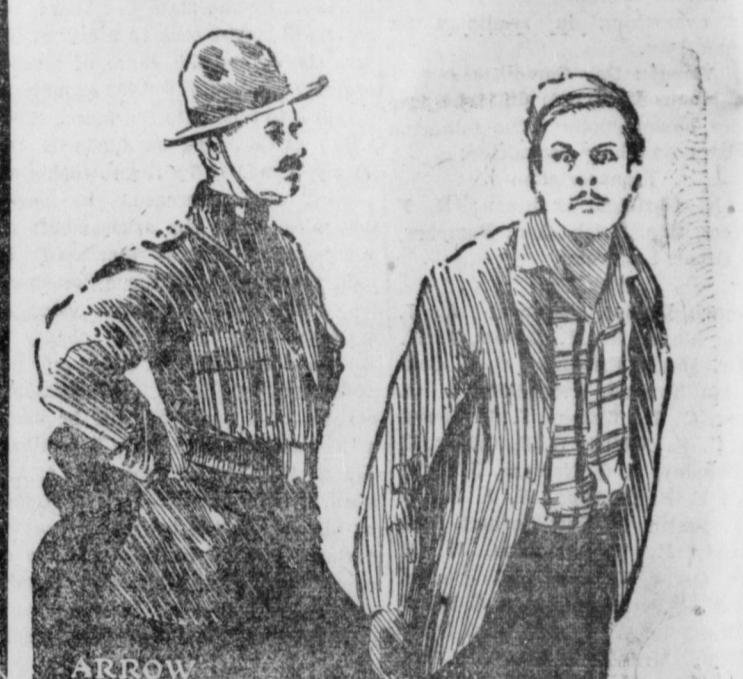
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