

## Local Briefs

A. D. Suttles made a business trip to Indianapolis yesterday.

"Bud" White arrived home last evening from Indiana University where he is a student. The college was dismissed early for the spring vacation because of the lack of water in Bloomington and the notice in Bloomington would be indefinite, depending upon the condition there. It is probable the students will have a couple of weeks. Mr. White, of Preble, and Miss Monal Butler motored to Bluffton to meet "Bud."

Will Faurete attended to business at Indianapolis yesterday.

C. A. Dugan has returned from a business trip to Hamilton, Ohio.

H. F. Callow is home from a business trip to Richmond.

A. M. Fisher was looking after business at Geneva.

Will O'Brien and Orval Harruff are home from Indianapolis where they attended the utilities meeting. They report a splendid time.

Julius and Robert Haugk have returned from a business visit to Pendleton and Indianapolis.

Vernie Longwith, linotype operator at this office for a year past has accepted a position on a Huntington newspaper and left for there today.

D. B. Erwin is home from Greensburg, Indiana where he attended a Knights of Pythias meeting.

Miss Victoria Mills, student at Indiana University at Bloomington, is spending a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Mills. A week's vacation has been granted the state university students in account of the water shortage.

C. A. Dugan returned this morning from a business trip to Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Fred Sellemeyer and daughter, Della, spent the day in Fort Wayne with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sellemeyer.

Mrs. E. W. Kampe spent Friday in Fort Wayne visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Eli Ray, of Monroe, spent the afternoon here shopping.

Mrs. Ireta Prullender returned from Fort Wayne this afternoon after visiting friends and relatives there.

Chalmer Steele made a business trip to Fort Wayne this afternoon.

Miss Iva Spangler spent the day in Fort Wayne as the guest of friends.

Gordon Engeler, of Indiana University at Bloomington, will arrive tomorrow to spend a week's vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Engeler.

E. M. Ray of Berne, one of the trustees of the Adams County Memorial hospital, was a business visitor here this morning.

Thomas Rawley, of Monroe, was a business visitor here this morning.

LeRoy Packard, of Wabash, will spend the week end here with friends.

We don't know nothin' about C. Bascom Slomp's deeds, but it'll be many a day before his name is forgotten. We like the silver dollar 'cause we kin slap it on th' counter an' get some service.—Abe Martin, Indianapolis News.

Mrs. Harry Helm went to Fort Wayne this morning to spend several weeks with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yahnke.

Miss Mary Patterson, who has been in Chicago since her graduation from the local High school last spring, taking a course in beauty culture, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heller have returned from Indianapolis where they spent several days visiting with their son, Dick Heller.

Mrs. J. S. Patterson who has been the guest of her sons, Dwight and Robert Peterson and their families at Indianapolis, will arrive home tomorrow. She will be accompanied by her daughter, Miss Lois Peterson, of Indiana University at Bloomington, who will spend a week's vacation here with her parents.

The Misses Florence Biggs and Glennys Elzey arrived last night from Bloomington where they are attending Indiana University, to spend several days with their parents.

Miss Reba Bowers, of Fort Wayne, is spending the week end with her parents west of the city.

## Society

### CLUB CALENDAR

**Saturday**  
Children of Reformed Church age 6 to 13—Church parlors, 2:30 p. m.  
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of M. E. Church bake sale—Central Grocery, 9 a. m.  
U. B. Ladies' Aid Society Chicken pie supper—Church dining room, 5 to 7 p. m.

**Monday**  
Pythian Sisters—K. of P. Home. Woman's Club—Library, 7:45; program by civic section at 8 p. m., Mrs. Frank Sheehan, of Gary, speaker.

**Tuesday**  
St. Vincent de Paul Society—K. of C. Hall, 2 p. m.

**Wednesday**  
Historical Club—Mrs. Wilson Lee, 2:30 p. m.  
Odd Fellow Social Time—I. O. O. F. hall.

Miss Florence Holthouse entertained the members of the Auction Bridge Club last night at her home on Madison street. Mrs. R. C. Keller was a guest besides the club members. Prizes were won by the Misses Agnes Kohne and Naomi Durkin. At the conclusion of the games a delightful luncheon of pretty appointments was served. The next meeting will be held with Miss Tootz Keller, in two weeks.

The Pythian Sisters will serve a two cent supper Thursday, February 19 from five to seven o'clock. The proceeds derived from the supper will be added to the Orphan's Home fund. The liberal patronage of the public is solicited.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid Society of Pleasant Mills held an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. Ed France Wednesday. At noon a delicious dinner was served and the husbands of the members were guests. Miss Flossie Everett and Miss Bernice Master, teachers of the Pleasant Mills school, Mr. Shanahan and Harry Daniels, of this city, also attended the dinner. The proceeds derived from serving the dinner will be used in buying coal to be used at the church. Mesdames Ray, Burkhardt and Troutner were introduced as new members. Mrs. Orval Longenberger, president of the society, urged regular attendance at all meetings during the year. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. H. M. Crownover, all day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith entertained at a twelve o'clock dinner Friday in honor of their granddaughter, Marcelle Bandtel, who celebrated her fifth birthday anniversary. The appointments were carried out in pink and white, with a large pink birthday cake forming the centerpiece. Five lighted candles were placed on the cake. The guest of honor was the recipient of many pretty gifts. Out of town guests were Mrs. Fred Bandtel, and daughters, Marcelle and Alice, of Fort Wayne.

All Pythian Sisters are urged to attend the meeting Monday night at the home. Business of importance

## BIG SUM ASKED FOR HIGHWAYS

Highway Commission Asks For \$18,000,000 For Next Two Years

Indianapolis, Jan. 24.—The state budget committee today was considering requests by the state highway commission for approximately \$18,000,000 a year for the next two fiscal years.

This figure is an increase of \$3,000,000 of what was spent during the past fiscal year. The increase to necessary, the request stated, if the program for the next two years is carried out and none of the funds the commission now receives are withdrawn.

This request will absorb approximately \$4,000,000 from federal aid. From the gasoline tax the commission estimated it will receive \$5,275,000 in 1925-26, and \$6,300,000 in 1926-1927.

The automobile license revenues were estimated at 1925-26, \$4,700,000 and 1926-27, \$5,200,000.

The inheritance tax which is also used for the construction of state highways is estimated at \$1,000,000 for each of the two years.

A large part of the proposed increase in expenditures is for new bridges. The remainder is to be spent on new roads and maintenance work.

It is understood that the budget officials desired the report of the committee in order that their requests be budgeted and be given legislative approval. If their wishes prevail the revenues will be put into the general fund.

Highway commission officials are opposed to this plan, however, because they declare they could not receive full aid for road construction from the federal government if the plan is carried out.

### TO LECTURE HERE



W. C. Brooks  
"Civilization Doomed But Millions Now Living Will Never Die" is the subject of a very interesting Bible lecture to be given by Mr. Wayne C. Brooks of Fort Wayne who is an able speaker. This lecture will be given in the Adams Theater on Sunday, January 25, at 10 a. m. The public is cordially invited to attend. Seats free and no collection.

## Vera Cruz Man Fined For Public Intoxication

Bluffton, Jan. 24.—Claude Campbell was taken into custody at Vera Cruz Thursday night by Sheriff Noah Frauhiger and was brought to Bluffton, when the officer found him in an alleged intoxicated condition, in an automobile, and being threatened, the officer feared, of being frozen or suffering otherwise from exposure to the cold. He was without an overcoat, the officers reported. Yesterday in Squire Walbert's court, he entered a plea of guilty to a charge of intoxication, and was fined \$5 and costs, a total of \$13.80, which was paid.

There was a dance at Vera Cruz Thursday night, and it was reported yesterday that some of those attending had been imbibing pretty freely.

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Don't forget the big chicken dinner Sunday, Hotel Murray, 50c.

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## THE CORT

—TONIGHT—

JACK HOXIE, the Western Star in  
"FLYING HOOPS"

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"HAREM FOLLIES," a good comedy.  
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Sunday and Monday—Reginald Denny in  
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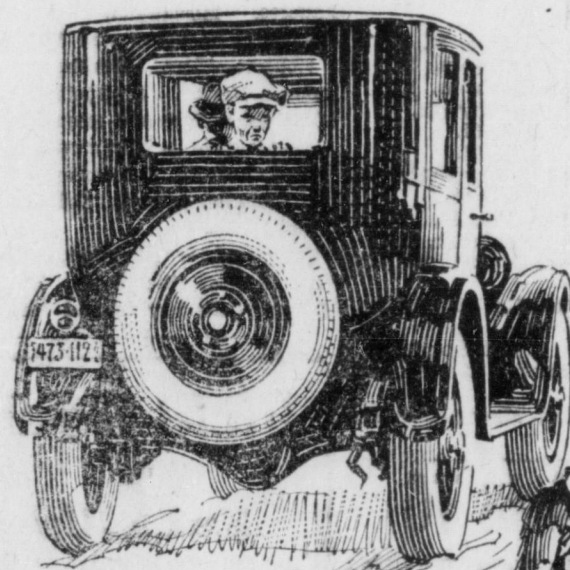
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## A WEEK FROM TODAY -- SATURDAY JANUARY 31st IS THE NEXT GIFT DAY IN DECATUR

### LIST OF PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY

- 2—\$100 Coupon Books
- 1—\$75 Coupon Book
- 1—\$50 Coupon Book
- 1—\$25 Coupon Book
- 1—\$15 Coupon Book
- 1—\$10 Coupon Book
- 5—\$5 Currency Bills

Save your tickets and be on hand for the big drawing next Saturday. You are entitled to tickets with every cash purchase and with the payment of your accounts. ASK FOR THEM. The more tickets you hold, the better are your chances to win. Some one is going to be lucky. Will it be you?

The Decatur Merchants offer you trading facilities equal to any of the larger cities. The various stores carry a complete and excellent line of merchandise at all times which enables you to fill your wants properly. At the present time they invite you to take advantage of their January Sales.