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## DEMOCRATIC JUDICIAL CONVENTION

The Judicial convention will be held at Portland, Ind., Wednesday, May 16, 1894, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Judge of the 26th Judicial Circuit and a Prosecuting Attorney for said district. The basis of representation to be one delegate for each 200 votes cast for Matthews for governor and one for each fraction of 100 and over.

GEORGE W. BOLDS, Com.  
JOHN HANLIN, Sec.

## VOLUME XXXVIII, NUMBER 1.

With this issue of the DEMOCRAT we grasp another round in the ladder of fame and longevity. For thirty-seven years the DEMOCRAT has been a co-laborer with the people of Decatur and Adams County in all enterprises of a public and beneficial nature, and we believe that the task assumed by us in these various enterprises has been fulfilled in a manner satisfactory to all.

Our aim in the newspaper business is to do right by all people; irrespective of their political or religious affiliations. In this we may occasionally err; but as we don't lay claim to infallibility, we may still be as infallible as those who would rate us otherwise.

The DEMOCRAT is Democratic from principle. Its mission in Decatur and Adams County is to advocate and maintain the principles of that party as we know them from such learned Apostles of that faith as Thomas Jefferson, Andrew Jackson and Grover Cleveland. Sectarianism, in whatever form presented, cannot be countenanced by any political journal without jeopardizing its chances of popular respect in any community.

This number of the DEMOCRAT, (as will be all subsequent numbers), is changed from a patent inside to all-home print. The size of the paper is also cut down slightly; it now being a six-column quarto instead of seven as heretofore.

Let our City Council give a wobbly of attention to having the alleys cleaned up to a healthful appearance.

The McKinley law is still getting in its work, enriching the corporations and bondholders, and robbing the laborer and farmer.

The President has to change collars three times a day. We could better account for his heated condition if more Republicans were fired out.

"SEEN-YUR-AGE is the way that that 'Bland Bill' word is pronounced. Should the President fail to sign it and make it a law, there can be but one reason assigned for failure,—too B and.

THE DEMOCRAT would suggest to the merchants of the City of Decatur, that they hang up a purse of \$500 to the neighborhood in Adams county which first takes up and completes a stretch of Gravel Roads leading into Decatur of two or more miles in length. Let our merchants take this suggestion under consideration at once.

THE Health Officer's attention is called to the filthy condition of Court Street. The City Council and others in authority should not allow this thoroughfare to be used as a feed yard, are either neglecting their duty as officials, or are incapable of knowing their duty when they see it.

## DEMOCRATIC CITY TICKET!

For Mayor,  
Dem. A. P. BEATTY.  
For Clerk,  
Dem. FRANK CRAWFORD.  
For Marshal,  
Dem. MILLARD P. COWAN.  
For Treasurer,  
Dem. F. E. McLEAN.  
Councilman—First Ward,  
Dem. J. W. PLACE.  
Councilman—Second Ward,  
Dem. BARNEY J. MEIBERS.  
Councilman—Third Ward,  
Dem. PETER CONTER.

## COUNTY TICKET.

For Auditor,  
Dem. W. H. H. FRANCE.  
For Clerk,  
Dem. JOHN H. LENHART.  
For Treasurer,  
Dem. DANIEL P. BOLDS.  
For Recorder,  
Dem. HARVEY HARRUFF.  
For Sheriff,  
Dem. PETER P. ASHBAUCHER.  
For Coroner,  
Dem. S. C. CLARK.  
For Surveyor,  
Dem. W. E. FULK.  
For Commissioner—2nd Dist.,  
Dem. CONRAD BRAKE.  
For Commissioner—3rd Dist.,  
Dem. DAVID ECKROTE.

## JUST NOW WE NEED THEM.

A number of our most prominent citizens were discussing the length of time that would intervene before Gravel Roads would be constructed and leading into Decatur from all sections of the County. Some thought within ten years this would all be accomplished; while others put the time at twenty-five years.

Gerhart Berling being one of the party in the discussion, sandwiched the conversation by giving his experience on sewer building in Decatur twenty years ago, when the Jefferson street sewer (the first one undertaken in Decatur) was built. He said property owners on each side of the street adjacent to this sewer were assessed as high as forty dollars for every sixty-six feet front. This took the breath away from a good many of the property holders for a short while; some claiming that it would break them up, that they would be compelled to sell out and leave the town. Mr. Berling was a property owner adjacent to the Jefferson street sewer when it was built. He, like a great many other people of that time in Decatur, thought this matter of sewer building a useless undertaking. He had never experienced the great benefit to property and health that these sewers afforded, and thought it an exorbitant assessment. He thinks differently now, and says rather than be deprived of the use of this Jefferson street sewer or some other, he would allow himself to be assessed three times the amount then paid.

The time is ripe for farmers in Adams county to look this matter of gravel road building square in the face. They should realize at once the great benefit derived therefrom over the present mud roads. Not a farm in the county but what would enhance in value twenty per cent if good gravel roads were constructed in close proximity thereto. Buyers from other neighborhoods in search of farms generally enquire into the condition of roads in any county when making purchases.

The DEMOCRAT would like to see our farmers take such an active interest in this matter of Road-building this year that at least one "stretch" of several miles would be completed before August 1.

WHERE is the manufacturer or corporation that did increase the wages of the laborers after the McKinley law went into effect?

## LET IT WAVE.

A bill has been introduced in the New York Legislature providing that no other flag than the stars and stripes shall float over public buildings in that State on any occasion. This law seems to be necessary in New York where there is often much doubt whether the people understand what patriotism requires of them or not. It is well known that Wall street is a dependency of Great Britain, while the City Hall seems to be an appendage of the ancient Irish kings. Here in Indiana we need no law to remind us that the United States of America are free and independent and that being free it is the right of any of her naturalized citizens to fly the flag of their native land on occasions when such display of the colors of fatherland is appropriate.

No citizens are more loyal to the Stars and Stripes than our foreign-born citizens and the patriotism of a man who does not find his heart stir with pride and love for his mother country occasionally can no more be trusted than the wretch who would dishonor his mother's good name. No one is fit to be a citizen of a free country who must be reminded of his duties as a citizen by constantly waving his country's flag before his eyes. The flag of the United States is an inspiring ensign that every true American would fight and die for, and none more cheerfully and bravely than foreign-born citizens without whose valor and devotion to the cause of independence there would be no flag of the Union in existence. As long as it represents a government of the people, impartially guarding their liberties and securing to them the full fruits of their industry, it will be revered and honored in this and every other land under the sun. It is what a flag represents that makes it the object of respect and affection and therefore it is more important to preserve the free institutions of which the flag is but the symbol than to bestow upon the flag itself idolatrous worship. Let the stars and stripes wave as long as this land continues to be the land of the free and the home of the brave, but no longer.—Evansville Courier.

While the Wilson bill is what will be a good law when once on the statute books, Congress can give as much relief to the people by passing a law that will allow the people the right to say who their officers shall be. Elect every officer from President of the United States down to the man who drives the tramp from the town. Give the people a chance, and officers will be honest and efficient.

## HERE'S YOUR CHANCE.

We have parties here who are anxious to build gravel roads for our people. They will contract to build roads out on each of the main thoroughfares from the city a distance of six miles for two thousand dollars per mile. The roadway to be sixteen feet wide and the gravel or broken stone fourteen inches in center and eight inches on each side,—thus making a roadbed that will last forever. This is a chance that may never come to our farmers again.

## ENGLAND AND HER LORDS.

A majority of two votes in the House of Commons favoring an amendment to the reply to the Queen's Address, to the effect that it is the sense of the Commons of England that the House of Lords be abolished, is only startling because of its suddenness and unexpectedness. The House of Lords will not be abolished—in this century at least. A fact of significance in the recent vote in the Commons is that such a motion should receive the votes of more than 70 members outside the Irish contingent. These votes came from Radicals representing English, Scotch and Welsh constituencies. But the most significant fact of all is that if the division had been expected, and the full vote of the house polled, the motion would have met defeat by an overwhelming vote.

## LOOK !!

## THE BOSTON STORE

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## PROGRAM

Of the Fifty-first Session of the Northern Indiana Annual Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to be held at the First Methodist Episcopal church, Bluffton Ind., April 4th to 9th, inclusive.

MONDAY, APRIL 2ND.  
7:30 P. M. Sermon by Rev. C. King, of Hartford City, Ind.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3RD.  
8:00 A. M. Examination of classes in course of study.

1:30 P. M. Examination continued.  
7:30 P. M. Lecture, "Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison," by Chaplain C. C. McCabe, D. D., N. Y.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4TH.  
8:30 A. M. Devotional and Sacramental Services, conducted by Bishop D. A. Goodsell, D. D.

9:30 A. M. Roll call, Organization, Appointment of Committees and regular Conference Business.

12:00 M. Adjournment.

2:00 P. M. Lecture, "The Value of the Study of Oratory in the pulpit," by Rev. George K. Morris, D. D., Cincinnati, Ohio.

3:00 P. M. Annual Meeting of "The Preachers' Mutual Aid Society."

7:30 P. M. Anniversary of the Missionary Society; address by General Secretary, Rev. C. C. McCabe, D. D., New York.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5TH.  
8:30 A. M. Devotional services in charge of Rev. W. Lampert, Wabash, Ind.

9:00 A. M. Conference Business.

12:00 M. Adjournment.

2:00 P. M. Lecture, "Pulpit Oratory," by Rev. George K. Morris, D. D., Cincinnati, Ohio.

3:00 P. M. Annual Missionary Sermon, by Rev. F. T. Browne, Huntington, Ind.

7:30 P. M. Anniversary of "The Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society;" address by Rev. J. C. Hartsell, New Orleans, Louisiana.

FRIDAY, APRIL 6TH.  
8:30 A. M. Devotional Services, in charge of Rev. C. E. Disbro, Greentown, Ind.

9:00 A. M. Conference Business.

12:00 M. Adjournment.

2:00 P. M. Lecture, "Pulpit or Sacred Oratory," by Rev. George K. Morris, D. D., Cincinnati, Ohio.

3:00 P. M. Anniversary of "The Woman's Home Missionary Society," in charge of Mrs. C. G. Hudson, Conference Secretary, W. F. M. S.

4:00 P. M. Anniversary of "The Epworth League," in charge of the Conference Committee on Epworth League.

7:30 P. M. Temperance Anniversary; address by Rev. A. E. Mahin, Ft. Wayne, and Rev. H. A. Gobin, Greentown, Ind.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH.  
9:00 A. M. Conference Love-Fest, in charge of Rev. E. Holdstock, Muncie, Ind., and Rev. A. Greenman, Marion, Ind.

10:30 A. M. Sermon by Bishop D. A. Goodsell, D. D., followed by the Ordination of Deacons.

3:00 P. M. Memorial Service, in charge of the Conference Secretary, Rev. C. G. Hudson, D. D., of Noblesville, Ind., followed by Ordination of Elders.

6:30 P. M. Epworth Devotional Service in the Chapel, in charge of Rev. J. K. Walts, Winchester, Ind.

7:30 P. M. Sermon by Rev. J. P. D. John, D. D., Greentown, Ind., followed by revival services led by Bishop D. A. Goodsell, D. D.

MONDAY, APRIL 9TH.  
8:30 A. M. Devotional Service in charge of Rev. A. S. Wooten, Auburn, Ind.

9:00 A. M. Conference Business.

Pendegast, the assassin of Mayor Harrison has been granted a two weeks stay of execution by the governor, to inquire into the murderer's sanity.

Lieutenant-Gov. Gill said that this was a duty devolving upon him which he preferred some one else had to deal with; that from defense he could gather Pendegast was insane.

## SENATOR BLANCHARD.

Career of the Man Appointed to Succeed E. D. White.

Louisiana's new United States senator, Newton C. Blanchard, had sufficient parliamentary experience in the house of representatives to qualify him for a position in the senatorial end of the capitol. He was a member of the house continuously for 13 years and did a great deal of hard work on several important committees, especially on the rivers and harbors, of which he was chairman at the time of his resignation from the house.

Mr. Blanchard represented the Fourth Louisiana district in the house and was elected for the first time in 1880. He is a native of the Pelican State and was born in Rapides parish in 1849. His home is at Srevereport, where he has been engaged in the practice of law ever since his graduation from the law department of the Louisiana university in 1871. From early manhood he has taken an active interest in the politics of his parish and the state, and when he was but 27 years of age he was chosen chairman of the Democratic committee of Caddo parish.

Three years later he represented his parish in the constitutional convention of 1873, which framed the present organic law of the state. He served as aide-camp, with the rank of major, in the state militia on the staff of Governor Wiltz, and also on that of Governor McEnery and was a member of Louisiana of the board of trustees of the University of the South, at Sewanee, Tenn. The legislature which meets in May will elect successors to both Senator Blanchard and Senator Caffery, the governor having authority only to appoint during a legislative recess.

## DAN COUGHLIN'S BRAVE WIFE.

She Was a Constant and Conspicuous Attendant at Her Husband's Trial.

It was a pathetic sight at the close of the long Coughlin trial in Chicago when the defendant, after the verdict had declared him guiltless of a crime for which he had once been sentenced to imprisonment for life, turned with streaming eyes from the jury, to whom he had been expressing his gratitude, and for the first time in several years embraced his faithful and devoted wife. With a deeper interest in the result of the trial than any one else except the prisoner at the bar, what wonder that the little woman who had so bravely borne herself during the four months through which the trial dragged should break down and sob convulsively when at last the strain was relaxed and her darling hope fulfilled?

A modest and unobtrusive little woman is Maggie J. Coughlin, but fair to look upon and brave beyond the average of her sex. Her loyalty to her husband since he was first accused of murder five years ago is as true and as touching as any that ever figured in song or story. Throughout both trials of his case she was in attendance at every session of the court and gave no outward sign of the sorrow that was tugging at her heartstrings. Husband and wife never spoke in court. Sometimes their glances met across the space that separated them, and her lips parted in a smile of encouragement to him, while her eyes told the story of wifely devotion that was forbidden to her tongue.

In her love, loyalty and devotion to her husband and in her sublime faith in his innocence Mrs. Coughlin was at once the most beautiful, the most innocent and the most piteous figure in the Cronin case. She is still quite an attractive looking woman, though the years of mental suffering have left their traces upon her, and she looks older than the 27 years of her age that have passed.

Mrs. Coughlin is a native of Pennsylvania, but was reared in Michigan, where, at Ishpeming, she was married to Coughlin about 10 years ago. They have one child, a daughter, who was but an infant at the time of her father's arrest.

MRS. COUGHLIN.



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GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	No. 1	No. 3	No. 5	No. 7
Cincinnati, Ind.	7:35pm	11:00am		
Richmond	8:34	11:49		
Winchester	9:14	12:29pm		
Portland	10:12	1:25		
Decatur	10:55	2:15		
Ft. Wayne, Ind.		2:55	8:00am	
Kendallville		3:41	8:10	
Rome City		3:56	8:26	
Wolcottville		4:01	8:31	
Valetine		4:11	8:42	
LaGrange		4:19	8:53	
Lima		4:29	9:10	
Sturgis		4:41	9:21	
Vicksburg		4:58	9:42	
Kalamazoo, Ind.		5:05	11:45	
Gr. Rapids, Ind.		5:20	5:40am	12:35pm
D. G. H. & M. Co.		5:35	7:25	2:15
Big Rapids		5:45	7:35	
Reed City		5:55	7:45	
Cadillac		6:05	7:55	
Traverse City		6:15	8:05	
Kalkaska		6:25	8:15pm	
Petoskey		6:35	8:25	
MacKinnon City		6:45	8:35	

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	No. 2	No. 4	No. 6	No. 8
MacKinnon City		7:40am		
Petoskey		8:15		
Kalkaska		8:25		
Traverse City		8:35		
Cadillac		8:45pm		
Reed City		8:55		
Big Rapids		9:05		
Howard City		9:15		
D. G. H. & M. Co.		9:25		
Gr. Rapids, Ind.		9:35am	11:25pm	2:15pm
Kalamazoo, Ind.		9:45	10:00am	4:00
Vicksburg		9:55	10:10	4:05
Sturgis		10:05	10:20	4:20
Lima		10:15	10:30	4:35
LaGrange		10:25	10:40	4:50
Valetine		10:35	10:50	5:05
Wolcottville		10:45	11:00	5:20
Rome City		10:55	11:10	5:35
Kendallville		11:05	11:20	5:50
Ft. Wayne, Ind.		11:15	11:30	6:05
Decatur		11:25	11:40	6:20
Portland		11:35	11:50	6:35
Winchester		11:45	12:00	6:45
Richmond		11:55	12:10	6:55
Cincinnati		12:05	12:20	7:05

Trains 5 and 6 run daily between Grand Rapids and Cincinnati.

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## ERIE LINES.

Schedule in effect Nov. 12, 1893.

## Trains Leave Decatur as Follows:

TRAINS WEST.	
No. 5, Vestibule Limited, daily for Chicago	2:40 P. M.
No. 3, Pacific Express, daily for Chicago	1:08 A. M.
No. 1, Express, daily for Chicago	10:45 A. M.
No. 31, Local, daily, except Sunday	10:30 A. M.
TRAINS EAST.	
No. 8, Vestibule Limited, daily for New York and Boston	7:35 P. M.
No. 2, Express, daily for New York	2:08 P. M.
No. 12, Express, daily for New York	1:30 A. M.
No. 30, Local, daily except Sunday	10:30 A. M.

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