

Mrs. Jeff Bryson is at Marion at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. E. A. Huffman.

Herman Franklin of the Fair, returned from a business trip at Rochester, Ind.

Mrs. Robert Carlisle, of Cincinnati, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Flanders.

Mrs. S. S. Acker and Miss Minie Acker are visiting relatives and friends in Kentucky.

W. H. Niblick of the Old Adams County Bank, transacted business in Chicago, Monday.

Several of our citizens were at Bluffton this week as witnesses in the Townsend & Cox case.

The young people are endeavoring to organize a social club for amusement during the long winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ayres, of Marion, were in the city last week attending the funeral of the former's sister.

Rev. Freeman, who has resided in this city for some time, will move his family to Pleasant Mills in a short time.

Miss Effie Brokaw will leave Friday for Coverington, Ky., to accept a position with the Derm-Royal Co. as stenographer.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Burns have returned to their home after a short visit with the former's brother, M. Burns, of this city.

Mrs. J. F. J. Siegmund, wife of the proprietor of the Exchange Hotel at Huntington, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Herman Franklin.

Mrs. Edward Kintz and children left Tuesday for Tiffin, Ohio, where they will be absent several weeks visiting her parents and other relatives.

Several more families from this city have increased the population of Cardwell, Mo., going there to seek employment in the Vail egg case factory.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Fristoe will take up a temporary residence at Warsaw, during the winter, to allow the former to look after business interests in that city.

While at play the other day with Lulu Gessinger, Gerrie, the fifteen year old daughter of Mary C. Merryman fell and broke her arm. Dr. Boyers attended the injury.

The Peru oil fields seem to be attracting a number of our young men who are looking for employment. Several of them are already in the field and several of them will follow in a few days.

The Misses Mabelle and Abbie Kuechman, the well known musicians, will permanently locate here and give music lessons on the piano, mandolin, organ, violin and guitar. They have already quite a number of pupils.

An error was made last week in reporting the officers elected of the W. R. C. at the district convention held in this city. The following officers were elected: District President, Mrs. Helen Blossom; National Delegate, Mrs. M. Gilson; National Alternate, Mrs. Ella Watson, of Geneva.

Clerk Lenhart issued marriage licenses during the past week to August Gallmeier and Louise Berning, L. D. Redding and Ada M. Peterson, Edward Pyle and Nora A. Woodward, Albert Myers and Jennie I. Brunner, William Busse and Caroline Marhenke, Lemuel C. Austin and Addie P. Moore, John P. Hyett and Adda M. Eley, George W. Teeple and Caroline Reed.

J. G. Grandstaff, of Monmouth, is this week running over with admiration and praise of the kind treatment extended Company F of the 130th Indiana regiment, who held their annual reunion at Bluffton last Thursday. Twenty members of this noted company including an important portion of Company I, were present and enjoyed the hospitality extended. It is said to have been the most pleasant gathering ever enjoyed at a reunion of old vets. Mr. Grandstaff is the only member of the company who resides in Adams county. The remainder of the company are scattered to the four winds and living in all sections of the country. Mr. Grandstaff is secretary of the organization. They meet next year at Ossian where they will endeavor to have another high old hilarious time. All honor to the boys.

Miss Amelia Tonnellier will attend school the coming winter at St. Marys in the Woods, near Terre Haute.

Miss Mary Hower returned to her home at Logan, Ohio, after a visit with her brother, James H. Stone.

Miss Minnie McCabe returned to her home at Antwerp, Ohio, after a short visit with Miss Helen Grubb.

Mesdames Dan Niblick and Chas. P. Ehinger are home again after a week's visit with their parents at Minister, Ohio.

The Clover Leaf and Erie had excursions to Lancaster, Ohio, last Monday night. Quite a number of tickets were sold.

Wm. Darwechter who was injured at the stone quarry some time ago, is slowly improving and will soon be able to be out.

Bolds Bros. are having good success in the Peru oil field. They have already drilled in two gushers and the field is entirely new.

R. B. Allison and daughter Tiny were at Washington, D. C. last week, where the latter will attend a private school during the winter.

Attorney J. T. Merryman is wearing large expansive smiles these days, all on account of a large boy that made his appearance Monday morning.

The seven year old child of Isreal Chrouster died yesterday morning. The funeral takes place this afternoon from the U. B. church. Interment at Maplewood.

A couple of gentlemen from Washington C. H., Ohio, are in the city trying to interest our people in a street fair, to be given some time in the near future.

Clerk Lenhart, Recorder Har-ruff, Lewis C. Miller and J. R. Graber were at Linn Grove last night where the latter was riding a third degree goat in the I. O. O. F. Lodge.

Frank Dibble, the drayman, is improving rapidly and will soon be able to resume his duties. His many friends are thankful for his rapid improvement as his chances for a trip to the dark beyond was very favorable for a time.

New circuit court cases are William H. Green vs John H. Bears, from Allen county. First National Bank of Huntington vs John Bass, from Allen county. Wadding Kinan Marvin vs M. T. Atwood, account, \$200. William H. Wood vs Patrick C. Kelley et al., foreclosure chattel mortgage; demand \$300.

Portland has considerable diphtheria in her midst. Three deaths occurred in one family within a short space of time, and several others are near death's door. This city only had four cases altogether and but one death resulted from these. At present this city is entirely free from diphtheria, and the board of health is making efforts to keep the disease from getting another hold in the city.

The Rathbone Sisters entertained a number of their Monroeville sisters at their lodge room last Monday evening. They also took occasion at the same time to pay their respects to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. N. Fristoe who will soon leave for their new home at Warsaw. The evening was spent in renewing social ties and friendship and enjoying a light repast. Those present from Monroeville were Messrs. and Mesdames C. E. Wright, J. L. Doggett, A. C. Robinson, J. F. Winans, Miss Reidelshiner, Mrs. Laura Winans and Mrs. Menser.

The truant law is difficult of enforcement, as an officer at Fort Wayne has discovered. A father refused to send his son to school this fall. The prosecutor looked up the law bearing on the case and was dumfounded when he discovered that under the statute the case could not be prosecuted at this time. A clause in the first section of the law reads as follows: "That every parent, guardian or other person having control or charge of any child or children between the ages of 7 and 14 shall be required to send such children to a public, private or parochial school each school year for a period of at least twelve consecutive weeks in each school year." From this it will be seen that the law is practically unenforced only the last twelve weeks of the year.—Logansport Pharos.

Miss Dora Merryman spent part of her short vacation with relatives and friends in Indiana and Ohio.

Mr. Wm. Geary and mother, Mrs. Charles Geary, both of Fort Wayne, were in the city attending the funeral of Miss Mary Geary.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rhinehart took the overland route to Darke county, Ohio, where they will visit relatives for a short time.

Regular services at the Presbyterian church Sunday. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Preaching 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

L. D. Adams returned Sunday from Meadville, Penn., where he had accompanied his wife in search of health. He reports Mrs. Adams as much improved.

The great and only Marcus Hanna will speak at Van Wert tomorrow and of course several admirers from this city will worship at the feet of the "whole thing."

The barn belonging to Dayton Herd, near Pleasant Mills, was burned Friday evening together with all the contents. The loss is estimated at \$1,200, with small insurance.

Miss Grace, the seventeen years old daughter of Elmer Cook, died at her home south of Decatur Tuesday afternoon of typhoid fever. The funeral takes place at Pleasant Mills at 10:30 this morning.

A small fire in a barn back of the Wertzberger residence on Third street, caused a little excitement Saturday afternoon. A few buckets of water applied to the right spot soon extinguished the blaze.

A well known traveling man while in the city a few days ago, pronounced Decatur the best county seat town in the state. He says more permanent improvements are being made in this city, and more business is transacted than in any other city of its size in the state.

The Christian church people of Decatur are to be congratulated upon having secured the services of Prof. Wm. E. Adams as minister of their congregation. Mr. Adams is an eloquent speaker and a fine soloist as well as a genial cultured gentleman. He will preach next Sunday morning and evening at the Christian church.

Bolds Bros are decidedly in the swim in the oil business again. Two weeks ago they found a producer that made an average daily production of 250 barrels. Last Thursday a second well made them happy with a production of 700 or 800 barrels daily. It throws a continuous three inch stream and is one of the best in the Peru oil field. Another well will be finished in a day or two and evidence is very favorable for it's being an equal of the other two. They are "in it" so to speak, and will realize no mean amount of money for their investment.

Our attention has been called to the terrible condition of some of the catch basins in the city with a request that we notify the street commissioner. Now no doubt the catch basins need attention, for some of them do smell loud and are evidently afflicted with gangrene, but we do not like to say anything against our already over-crowded street commissioner. He may clean them out before his term of office expires if he has time, if not it will only be a little more work for the next administration. So be easy and maybe the catch basins will be purified.

The Adams County Lumber Company has incorporated and the papers have been filed in the Recorder's office for record. According to the articles of incorporation the principal offices are located in this city and the company is incorporated at \$75,000 and P. W. Smith, Jacob Colter and Winthrop Sargent are named as directors. This is one of the reliable manufacturing concerns in this city, giving employment to a large number of people and disbursing a large sum of money to the people of this city and vicinity each month. Their business is not entirely confined to this county as they have mills established in different parts of the country, but the business is transacted here and wherever their mills are located they are known as Adams County Lumber Company mills.

Mrs. Casper Eiting, an aged lady living just out of the southern corporate limits, fell and broke her wrist Saturday, which will compel her to remain quiet for a while.

George Teeple has made a very important addition to his household in the shape of a better half. The G. A. R. called on him Friday evening and extended congratulations.

There are unclaimed letters in the post office for Charles Johnson, Marie Seighel, Willie Scheirman, C. E. Browden, C. C. Dyson, Frank Fullerton, Mrs. Wm. Gloss, Lehen Gage, Ada Rush.

The second excursion to Chicago on the Erie was well patronized last Sunday. Two hundred and eighty tickets were sold at this place and the excursion was well patronized all along the line.

Colonel Kiger was unable to inspect "Co. B" the forepart of last week as first announced but was obliged to postpone that duty until last Friday evening. He pronounced "Co. B" just the proper stuff.

Rev. J. F. Horton, of the Presbyterian church, has notified his congregation that he desires to be relieved of his pastorate in this city within the next five or six weeks. He has several locations in view, but has not decided where he will permanently locate.

At a meeting of the Northwest Synod of the German Reformed church at Fort Wayne last week Adams county ministers were honored with important committee appointments. Chairman Overtures Committee, Rev. W. H. Vitz; Mission Committee, Rev. Edward Vonholt; Chairman Church Election Committee, Rev. B. Ruff.

Mrs. Sarah Headington, an aged lady of Monroe township, died Tuesday morning after a continuous illness lasting six weeks. The deceased was seventy-six years of age and was one of the pioneers of Adams county, having lived here for a long number of years. The funeral took place yesterday at one o'clock, with interment at Backs tow cemetery.

Captain James B. White of Fort Wayne, died suddenly Saturday afternoon while undergoing an operation for obstruction of the bowels. Captain White was only sick a few days when death overtook him. He was well and favorably known by all the older residents of our city. This acquaintance was formed through his connection with the Fruit House, of which institution he was proprietor, and which has been a popular trading place for visitors to the Summit City. His death comes as a personal loss to the citizens of Fort Wayne, who have learned to honor him for his many acts of kindness and charity.

On last Monday a small party of strangers were in the city, each of them trying to dispose of what appeared to be gold monograms. Marshal Cowan had noticed the actions of the men for some time and feeling that all was not right followed one of the men into the jewelry store of Jacob Closs where he was endeavoring to dispose of a monogram, apparently made of a \$5 gold piece. Mr. Closs asked the privilege of drilling a hole in it, and upon examination found it to be nothing more than a composition. Marshal Cowan then stepped up and asked if he had been trying to dispose of the coin, which the fellow denied. The marshal however decided to arrest him and his partner, and accordingly placed one of them under arrest, at this the other fellow took leg bail to wards the western part of the city. The marshal delivered his prisoner at the Mayor's office and then, accompanied by a small posse started after his man. He was chased down the Clover Leaf railroad towards Bluffton for quite a distance and left the track and went into the woods. All evening a crowd of men and boys remained on his track but were unable to capture him and his escape was effected. In the absence of the Mayor the prisoner was taken before James Smith, justice of the peace, where a search of him was made. A revolver and \$80 in money was found, and a charge of carrying concealed weapons was placed against him. To this he pleaded guilty and was fined \$12 and costs. It is thought by the officials that they are badly wanted some place, and are believed to be noted counterfeiters.

Pat Bobo was circulating petitions last week in the interest of Postal Saving Banks. This is a plan inaugurated by the Chicago Record to further the establishments of these institutions, but chiefly to further its own interests.

Next Sunday will be Old Peoples' Day at the M. E. church. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 by Dr. Spellman. Junior League at 3 p. m. Senior League at 6. Preaching at 7. Subject—"The Giant of Gath." All are cordially invited.

The long dry and warm spell has caused a reaction in nature. In all parts of the city cherry trees are found in full bloom, and a little more warm weather would develop the second crop of cherries. We are slowly but surely nearing the tropical regions, and bananas will soon be found growing in our gardens.

Mayor Quinn is recovering from the recent surgical operation which he underwent at the hospital at Fort Wayne, and bids fair to entirely put down the rebellious intruder. It was a close call and at one time was considered about hopeless. His recovery is gratifying to his many friends in this city and county, and they also hope it will prove permanent.

It is becoming more and more evident day by day, that a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals would be just the thing in this city. Scarcely a day passes but what we hear complaint about the mistreatment of some of our dumb animals, and scarcely a day passes but what we see unmistakable evidence for such a need. Teamsters applying the whip to an already overworked team is one of the common sights in our city. Total disregard for the feeling of some of our dumb animals has placed many humans beneath the level of the brute creation. This city shows absolute need for a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, and if started on a proper basis, will find sufficient support.

On Monday evening last a most enjoyable musicale was given at the home of Dr. and Mrs. McMillen by the Misses Mabelle and Abbie Kuechmann of Muncie, who gave the concert at the Methodist church on last Thursday evening. The spacious parlors were filled with people representing our local musical talent and lovers of music. Miss Dollie Schafer assisted in the evening's entertainment by giving a number of selections in reading. For three ladies to entertain an audience for two hours is a difficult undertaking, but the interest never flagged. The Misses Kuechmann come here highly recommended being musicians of rare ability. They have a thorough knowledge of the art, being raised in a musical atmosphere and having had the advantage of several years of study in New York City, being pupils of the renowned pianist, S. B. Mills of Stenway Hall, and of Paul Hoffmann, the violinist. Among the numbers rendered was the "Gay Huzzar" a duett, played with dash and brilliancy, which was followed by a solo, "Mendelssohn's Song Without Words," played by Miss Mabelle. "Wiegenlied" by Hauser and "Intermezzo" by Mendelssohn, was given on the violin by Miss Abbie, playing with great ease and grace, her full, round tones pure and sweet, showing years of careful study. A number of Chopin waltzes were rendered by Miss Mabelle. The quick transition from grave to gay was a pleasing evidence of their ability. The "National Airs" given by Miss Abbie on the violin, aroused the patriotic fires in the hearts of all present. The selection was composed by Prof. M. Kuechmann, the father of the young ladies, he being a masterful performer on the pipe organ. Of Miss Schafer it is hardly necessary to speak, as her ability as an elocutionist is well known, having carried off honors of her class in the school of oratory at Philadelphia. Dr. Neptune, by request, threw on the mantle of eighty-four years and sang "I ain't as young as I used to be," and received a hearty encore. Should the Misses Kuechmann decide to remain with us they will prove a great acquisition to our musical circles and society in general, both being charming young ladies. The out of town guests were Mrs. Kiehl of Massillon, O., and Mrs. Steele of Creston, Ohio.

Edward C. Pelz, a prosperous farmer of St. Mary's township, has purchased a residence in Fort Wayne, and will give up the labor and strife incident to a farmers' life, and move his family to that city where he will reside in the future. What is Adams county's loss is Fort Wayne's gain.

A report has been circulated that cholera is raging in the vicinity of the farms of Joseph Shady and Son who will hold their first annual hog sale on October 21. We have been requested by the Messrs. Shady to deny this in every particular. No cholera has been found in that vicinity, neither is there any among their hogs. The sale will take place as advertised, and nothing but good healthy hogs will be offered to the public.

The circuit court has consummated the following business during the past week: William H. Hood vs. Patrick C. Kelley et al; Orla Weldon filed application for a receiver which was granted and W. W. Briggs appointed and ordered to take charge of the hotel and operate the same until the further order of the court. Anna Roop vs. William M. Roop, nunc pro tunc entry; plaintiff granted divorce. Edward Marshaud vs. Magdalena Marshaud et al, case dismissed. Barney J. Terveer vs. Aaron B. Tullis et al, set for trial Oct. 21. Marie Stetson vs. Peter P. Ashbacher, dismissed and costs paid. State vs. Frank Davis, whose christian name is unknown, affidavit and information; bond \$200. James H. Ward vs. John T. France, executor, still at issue.

The city council met in continued session Tuesday evening with all councilmen present. Mayor pro tem Coverdale presiding. The minutes of September 21 and 28 were read and approved. It might be well to say that the minutes of September 28, contained all their official action regarding the cutting down of the poles and wires belonging to J. D. Edwards, and yet these minutes were approved and now bear the stamp of approval of each and every councilman in the city. Not one of them turned his face to the wall or stuffed cotton in his ears to keep from hearing that terrible resolution. "Two weeks later they sat down and admired their own handiwork." A petition was presented signed by E. N. Peoples et al asking for an arc light at the corner of Second and Jackson streets. The matter was referred to the electric light committee with full power to act. But one lonely bill was allowed—A. J. Teeple \$9.75. A resolution was passed accepting the final report on the Gregory alley and ordered the assessments placed against the property. The street committee made a report on several needed improvements and repairs. They reported the street at the corner of Holt-house's livery barn as being in a dangerous condition and the street committee and street commissioner were ordered to place it in a safe condition at once. They also reported an obstruction in the France sewer, and this was placed in the hands of the street committee, street commissioner and city engineer with full power to act. They also reported that the hydrant at the corner of Second and Madison streets was broken and removed and the water works superintendent was instructed to repair it at once. The school board made their report of receipts and disbursements and the same was referred to the school committee for examination. J. W. Merryman submitted plans and specifications for raising the air compressor at the water works station at a cost of \$310. The council finally concluded to go as a committee of the whole to examine the expediency of the proposed improvement on next Monday. The council then adjourned before arranging a line of march for the committee of the whole on the way to inspect the water works station and we have taken the liberty to arrange a suitable line of march. Council will form at the city hall, corner of Monroe street and the alley, where they will be joined by the street commissioner who will act as Grand Marshal. The parade will then proceed west on Monroe street to Third street, south on Third to Adams, east on Adams to Main, north on Main to Patterson & Pillars mill, thence south to water works station, and after inspection, south thirty-eight rods to place of beginning, all in Adams county, Indiana.