

Craigville is booked for another rural route, thus completing the free delivery of mail to that immediate section. It is not known the exact time the new route will start.

Mrs. Theodore Smith has awarded a contract to Jacob Miller & Son for building a seven room, modern cottage on Fifth street just north of the B. J. Terver home. Mrs. Smith will also erect a new house west of the property in which she lives on Jefferson street.

Joe Osborne, the Decatur man convicted of murder of his father-in-law, John Busenbark, has been taken to Michigan City to begin his term of life imprisonment. His wife and children spent an hour with him at the jail before his removal the first visit since the man was arrested.—Albion Democrat.

After lingering long in the seclusion of dusty rear shelves, the tan shoe is to come again to the feet of the Indiana public this summer. It was thought that the shoe had been buried in oblivion, after their great popularity of several years ago, but it has demonstrated that they simply cannot be kept down and will be the style once more.

Decatur is building up the hopes of securing the division shops of the Clover Leaf railroad. Two hundred Decatur citizens gathered at the station there on Wednesday of last week to meet Clover Leaf Officials, President Shonts practically moved to located the shops there if the city would provide the ground and furnish money to erect the new house.—Albion Democrat.

The Sons of Veterans met at the A.R. hall Thursday night and proceeded in the organization of a new lodge. The name chosen is the H. H. Hart Camp and the following competent officers were chosen: John W. Tyndall, captain; Peter B. Johnson, first lieutenant; D. Andrews, second lieutenant; E. H. Hocker, chaplain. Speeches were made by various members of G. A. R. and S. of V. members. The meeting was a very interesting one. The order will meet every second and fourth Thursday each month and they will likely be in charge of the Decoration day services.

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Decatur has more than a fair chance of being made the division point of the Clover Leaf railroad. The company has made the city a proposition that it will not be difficult to meet. The shops, round house and ice plant will likely all be moved from Delphos, Ohio.—Winchester Democrat.

The Huntington News-Democrat says of J. Fred France, the next mayor of Huntington: "The personnel of the ticket is above the average usually selected for city offices. J. Fred France, candidate for mayor is a good lawyer, a clever fellow and a good mixer. He is eminently qualified and will, if elected, fill the office with dignity and credit to all our citizens."

John A. M. Adair, president of the new First National Bank has received a telegram from the Comptroller of the Currency authorizing the bank to commence business and giving the institution the number 7,180. The safe and vault fronts have arrived and the furniture will be shipped from Indianapolis next Tuesday. Everything will be in readiness for the bank to begin business in the early part of week after next.—Portland Review.

Three young men named Woods, Detro and Smith engaged in a real old fashioned fist fight Friday evening and caused considerable excitement for a few moments. Woods and Detro are blacksmiths and claimed that Smith had stolen a hammer from them. Detro caught Smith near Cress & Hughes marble shop and proceeded to clean him which he certainly did from the looks of Smith's face. After a few comments the men began a running fight, the police got after them and the chase wound up at the Erie railway where the men were captured. They were taken to jail and the result of their troubles are told in the police news. Woods denies having struck Smith and will stand trial Monday. Smith was intoxicated.

Mario Gurtner died of dropsy at the home of Chris Hofstetter, south of town, Thursday. Miss Gurtner was born in Canton Berne, Switzerland, November 17, 1842 and immigrated to this country in 1851. She was deaf and dumb all her life. The deceased was a sister to Mrs. Hofstetter and also to Mrs. John Schmitt near Vera [Cruz]. Her age was 61 years and four months. The funeral services were held at the German Reformed church, south of town, Sunday forenoon, the Rev. E. H. Vornholt, officiating. Berne News

President Shonts, of the Clover Leaf Thursday morning received the resignation of J. L. Frazier, general superintendent of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western railway. For a month or more there have been rumors of Mr. Frazier's intention to resign and his resignation therefore was no great surprise. He has been connected with the property for more than a year and a half and is one of the most popular railroad men in this section. He came to the Clover Leaf from the Southern Pacific railroad with which property he served as a division superintendent. Mr. Frazier asks that his resignation become effective on April 1, or as soon thereafter as possible. It is understood that he will return to California where he has considerable property. President Shonts has not as yet secured a successor to Mr. Frazier although he said this morning he hoped to secure a man before the first of the month.

If there was ever any one tired of answering one question it is Sheriff Johnson and Deputy Freme Carlisle and they have good reason to be. Not a day has passed since the 12th of last July that they have not been asked "How is Terrell?" For a long time since Terrel became insane everyone who met them, even strangers, asked them but they still have to answer the question on an average of ten hours a day. Through all the trial and since they have answered the question thousands of times but they always return a courteous answer and the answer is generally "He is about the same, but sinking slowly." A News reporter saw Terrel at the jail yesterday afternoon. The prisoner was lying in his cell in a comatose condition and the noise of going to the cell did not arouse him. He spends most all of his time lying down. At the beginning of his dementia he walked day and night but now he seldom walks. He eats very little and just what can be forced into his mouth. He has not spoken an word since the insanity inquest and is more like an animal than a man. Under his present condition he may not live a week, it is impossible to tell. He is slowly starving to death. The technicalities of the law denies him being taken to a hospital or even to the penitentiary and he will probably die in his little narrow dark cell.—Bluffton News

The Monroe schools closed last Friday after a successful term. Appropriate exercises were held which were greatly appreciated by those present. Although the inclement weather kept a number away from this event, quite a large audience was present, nevertheless.

Mrs. J. S. Colchin left last Saturday for Fort Wayne to attend the funeral of her cousin, James McMullen, who was killed at Crestline Thursday morning. The funeral was held from the St. Patrick's Catholic church, Fort Wayne, at nine o'clock Monday morning. A number other Decatur people also attended the services.

Judge Allen Zollars has been ill for a week and for a time his family and physicians feared he could not recover. He overworked himself in the trial of several important cases recently, and was prostrated. Then complications set in which made him a very sick man. Last evening however, it was reported that he was very much improved and it was thought there was no further danger.—Fort Wayne Journal Gazette.

Charles B. Yobst, the plumber has received a contract from John Baker for the putting in and setting up of a modern bath room and all other water conveniences necessary. John is contemplating putting in a fine water system and when completed will cost him in the neighborhood of three hundred dollars which alone should insure him a fine job. Charles is a fine plumber and is having good success when it comes to landing this kind of contracts.

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It is feared Postmaster Anderson of Elkhart must personally stand for the loss of \$11,000, which he had on deposit in the defunct Indiana National bank. There is not much prospect of the bill passing to reimburse him, it being urged that Anderson should have known the bank was shaky.

All trains on the Grand Rapids were delayed owing to several washouts along the line, one being at Winchester and one at Ridgeville. The train from the north only run as far as Portland and the one from the south only to Winchester, thus holding passengers for intervening points. Other points along the line are being carefully looked after on account of the high waters.

Manager Hively received a letter last Saturday from the Nebraska Indians who are desirous of securing a date here this coming season. They much prefer a Sunday date, which in all probability will be given them. This team played here some years ago and proved to be quite a drawing card, and put up a fine article of ball. Their record last season was a fine one, winning 144 games out of 177. They should prove a good drawing card and put up a fine game. Mr. Hively also received a letter from Lima, they also wanting an early date here.

Manager Hively of the Rosenthal's received a letter from the manager of the Celina team stating that they would be in readiness for their game here on April the 10th, and that his men were working hard every day to get in shape. From the tone of his letter one would infer that he meant to win the game but talk is cheap and will have to show us some pretty stiff ball playing before he defeats the team that will represent this city this summer. There will be a preliminary work out next Sunday if the weather will permit and all aspirants for the team are requested to be at Steele's Park at two o'clock and in readiness for the first work out.

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