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LOCAL NEWS

John Tyndal made a business trip to Huntington today.

Charles Sether was a business caller at Rochester, Ind., this morning.

Miss Mary Hite has returned from a visit with friends at Fort Wayne.

Miss Rose Hess went to Fort Wayne this morning to spend the day with friends.

Mrs. E. W. Lewton went to Fort Wayne today to visit with friends for a short time.

Charley Colter visited at Markle today where he was looking after business affairs.

Misses Lola and Flora Erwin went to Fort Wayne today on a several days' visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sprang accompanied by Mrs. Alex Bell have gone to Oden, Mich., for an outing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Schnitz, of Hartford City, have arrived in the city for a visit with friends and relatives.

Large crowds visit Maple Grove Park each day and enjoy the pleasures which are afforded by this resort.

Rev. Michael returned to Fort Wayne last evening after making a short visit here with Dr. Keller and family.

While running a launch at Lake James Saturday afternoon, a man named Cline, residing at Muncie, dropped dead.

Mrs. H. T. Sherry and children left this morning for Magley, Ind., where she will make a several days' visit with her sister.

Mrs. R. O. Johnson and son passed through the city today enroute to her home in Kendallville from a visit at Geneva, Ind.

W. H. Becker, of Decatur, was a visitor in this city over Sunday as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ernberger.—Bluffton News.

Quite a number of section hands are busy at present in this city on the Erie railroad putting in new ties in place of the older ones.

Work on the Sixth street improvement is steadily advancing, the curbing being nearly all set and is now about ready for the bricklayers work.

Clint Patterson is making some improvements about his home in the way of adding another story and when completed will present a nice appearance.

Mrs. C. C. Rayn transferred here Monday enroute from her home in Geneva to Mendon, Ohio, where she will visit J. W. Dunton and family.—Geneva Herald.

J. B. Stoneburner, proprietor of the Pictorium, has arranged to show moving pictures of the famous Gunness murder mystery tomorrow night. It is said that the pictures are unusually good.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lutz and daughter Jean and Miss Maude Shoaf, of Oxford, Ohio, left today for Crooked Lake, where they will enjoy an outing and have a general good time for several days.

Judge E. C. Vaughn and wife will leave Wednesday for their annual outing at Oden, Mich. The judge will be gone until near time for the opening of the September term of court.—Bluffton News.



GOV. JOHN A. JOHNSON.

Still thinks he is a candidate for the presidential nomination.

Julius Haug made a business trip to Muncie this noon.

Mrs. C. D. Murray is spending the day at Fort Wayne with friends.

Mrs. Neuenchwander has returned to her home at Berne after visiting here.

Dave Hensley returned from a few days' visit with his family at Rome City.

Miss Minnie Blazier went to Fort Wayne, where she will make a short visit.

Howard Wischaupt went to Muncie today, where he will look after business.

Mrs. Wurst went to Berne this afternoon for a short visit with her parents.

Vincent Forbing left today noon for Newcastle, where he will make a short visit.

Mrs. Sarah Elzey left this noon for Bluffton, where she will make a visit with friends.

Rev. J. F. Kuebler, of Shelby, is in the city the guest of W. A. Kuebler and family.

Henry Egly, of Berne, was in the city today enroute to Fort Wayne on important business.

Mrs. Carrie Kahn has returned to her home at Bluffton after visiting with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Swamp, of Fort Wayne, have come to the city for a visit with relatives.

Messrs. Charles and Eli Myers went to Allen county today to attend the funeral of a relative.

Miss Black left today noon for her home in Dayton, Ohio, where she will make a short visit.

Earl Brackett was a business caller in Marion today in the interests of the Ward Fence Co.

Mrs. W. A. Kendall returned to her home in Willshire this noon after doing some shopping here.

Mrs. Barbara Adams returned to her home at Berne this afternoon after doing some shopping here.

Mrs. Charles Buschell returned to her home at Muncie today after visiting here for some time.

Enos Peoples returned to Charleston, Ill., today after visiting here for a short time with his family.

Several eastern capitalists called on Mayor France last evening pertaining to matters of importance.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Hancher, of Willshire, Ohio, passed through the city today enroute to a visit at Portland.

Mrs. Loretto Smith passed through the city today from Willshire where she was visiting, to her home at Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Guy Christen returned this afternoon from a several days' visit to points in Michigan with her husband.

Veda Hensley arrived from Rome City this afternoon to visit with Winifred Ellingham, who is giving a house party.

Mrs. Harvey Elzey returned to her home in Bluffton after visiting here for some time with Mrs. Sarah Elzey and friends.

Mrs. Priscilla Burkhead, of Monroe, passed through the city today enroute from Monroe to Marion for a short stay with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Platt are the proud possessors of a big baby girl which made its appearance this morning at nine o'clock.

The city council will have its regular meeting this evening and much business of importance will come before the council.

Mrs. Jacob Bishop, of St. John, Kan., passed through the city today enroute to Willshire, Ohio, where she will visit for a short time with her brother Mr. W. A. Kendall.

A large crowd attended Maple Grove Park last evening and enjoyed themselves immensely. A dancing school is on at the park now and Prof. Linnemehr has quite a number of students already.

P. J. Bryan was in the city today enroute from Jefferson township to Fort Wayne. At that place he will be joined by his son, from where they will go to Texas and look after important business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. John Niblick arrived this morning from a several weeks' visit in the east, during which they attended the national federation of clubs, Mrs. Niblick being a delegate from Indiana. They report a delightful time.

Mr. L. H. Weber, of Ann Arbor, Mich., made a business trip to Fort Wayne today. Mr. Weber is in the city as book agent for the Personal Help Publishing Co., of Des Moines, Iowa, and is meeting with much success in his efforts.

J. D. Stuitz, superintendent of the United Brethren Sunday school has arranged to give a delightful entertainment at the church next Sunday night. Several prominent men are on the program for speeches and special music will be rendered.

Isadore Kalver was a business caller at Fort Wayne this afternoon.

Henry Peters was a business caller at Fort Wayne this afternoon.

Charles Teeple was at Willshire today, where he attended the funeral of Ned Dalley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lower attended the funeral of Ned Dalley near Willshire this afternoon.

Mr. Ernst Cross left this morning for Fort Wayne, where he will transact important business.

Messrs. and Mesdames J. L. Gay and H. Haruff have returned from an outing at the lakes north.

Bob Alexander the Indianapolis paper man, was here today looking after business for Lesh & Company.

August Freese returned to his home at Fort Wayne this afternoon after being in the city on important business.

The cool weather today is certainly appreciated after two days of sweltering. Still there are some who kick on this.

A letter from Herbert Lachot, who is working at Wooster, Ohio, gives the information that he will return home next week.

Ferd L. Litterer has given John G. Miller a commissioner's deed for 100 acres in Preble township, no consideration being recorded.

R. K. Allison will leave for Oden, Michigan, this evening. His father, Major R. B. Allison, who went there recently is still in very poor health.

Dick France, who has been spending a few days in the city the guest of his mother, returned to his home at Alliance, Ohio, last evening by way of Fort Wayne.

Probation Officer Henry Lankenau was in town yesterday and secured bond from Jacob Eley to bring his son before the juvenile court at Decatur at the time set.—Berne Witness.

Dent Spencer has landed the contract for washing the windows at the Ward Fence factory. The contract is a large one, two hundred and forty six windows being in the building.

Walter Johnson, of Monroe, was here today settling up accounts, after their big celebration of the Fourth. He says it was a great occasion, everything just as advertised and more.

Herman Conter left last evening for Jonesboro, Arkansas, where he will look after the interests of his branch plant of his ice cream factory at that city. He will be gone several days.

The city council will meet in regular session this evening and some important business is scheduled, including a speed ordinance for automobiles, and interurbans, two gas franchises and some other affairs of interest.

The Warren Commercial club has practically closed the deal with Isaac F. Beard, guardian of Mrs. Catherine Beard, for the purchase of the Andrew Beard farm just north of that town, for a site upon which the Old Folks' home will be built. There are some legal proceedings which have not been finished, but as soon as the court has acted the deeds will be made, the land going in the first instance to the Commercial club, to be turned over later to the trustees of the Methodist Memorial Home for the Aged.

Edith, the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leslie, of north Washington street, was terribly injured this morning, while playing about her mother, who was doing the family washing. The child passed too near the motor, used to propel the washing machine, and her hair caught in the line shafting. All of the hair on her head was pulled out of the scalp with the exception of a small lock near the ears, leaving the head bald. It is surprising that the scalp was not torn from the skull.—Van Wert Bulletin.

The Adams county mail carriers met in regular quarterly session here Thursday night at the town hall. Important among their business was the election of delegates and alternates to the state convention of carriers at Marion on Labor Day, Monday, September 7. Simeon Lehman, Berne, and W. S. Sutton, Geneva, were elected delegates and Mel Butler, Decatur, and Nelson Helmer, Geneva, were elected alternates. The next regular meeting will be held in Decatur the first Saturday after Labor Day, or September 12.—Berne Witness.

With the final arrangements for the transfer of the Van Wert franchise of the Indiana-Ohio league to Bluffton completed yesterday, and with the greatest hopes for the addition of Decatur and Kokomo within the next week or so, the league which for a time had a hard time to keep its head above the waves, is assured of life. Muncie will have league baseball, despite the fact that numerous rumors and reports predicted the death of the league immediately following the games of July 5.—Muncie Star. So far as we could learn today there is "nothing doing" in the league base ball line in this city.

W. S. Oppenheim, of Chicago, was the guest of Amos Cole and wife Saturday and Sunday. He returned to his home this morning to prepare for his annual trip to Europe. He sails the 17th.—Bluffton Banner.

Col. L. C. Davenport has joined the ranks of Bluffton's autoists and is the owner of a fine four cylinder rankin machine. He went to Indianapolis Sunday and a chauffeur came through with him in the machine.—Bluffton News.

The management of the Celina, O., Chautauqua has issued a twenty-page year book containing a complete program for the fourth annual assembly to be held at the Chautauqua Park on the banks of the reservoir beginning July 18th and closing August 2nd. Among the prominent numbers on the program will be George R. Stuart, the great southern lecturer; Senator Ben. R. Tillman on home-coming day, Friday, July 24th; Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota on Monday, July 27th; Lula Tyler Gates, the entertainer; Youna, the Japanese juggler and Bishop Harzell, of Africa.

Samuel Murdock, one of the owners of the Logansport and Wabash Valley Gas company and Thomas Wishard, the general superintendent, both of Lafayette, were here last evening looking after affairs pertaining to the installation of an artificial gas plant. Mr. Murdock said "We will have artificial gas in Decatur within four months. Our company will drill a number of wells for natural gas this summer and if successful in opening a good producing field, we will furnish that fuel, but if not we will certainly furnish artificial gas." They will ask the city council for a franchise to furnish artificial gas for \$1.00 per 1,000, their petition to be filed tonight at the same time the Fort Wayne men who were here recently will ask for a franchise, with a maximum charge for artificial gas of \$1.20 per 1,000. The old company has a franchise, but the maximum price is \$2.00, and this rate is cut in two by the new one asked. They can use their old mains and save the city the expense and inconvenience necessitated by a new line. The action of the council will be watched with interest. Artificial gas, however, is assured, no difference what action is taken, at least it looks that way now.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Helm royally entertained the junior class of the Salem church of which Mr. Helm has been the teacher for the past twenty-five years. At one o'clock an elegant dinner was served to the little ones and later in the afternoon ice cream. The little folks enjoyed the dinner as well as play. The class consists of Miss Essie Koos, Hilda Bernice and Herbert Kern, Clara, Crystal, Lawrence and Maurice Tricker, Harry Trickle, Forest and Johnny Walters, Daley Straw, Nellie Helm, Velma Alfater, Freeman Schnepf, Maggie, Florence and Emery Hinderlang, Evangeline, Ivy and Jennie Venis, Frances, Mary and Naomi Helm. The other guests were Forest Light and family, Ray Light, Rev. D. O. Wise, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Helm and daughters Nora and Laura. All report a good time.

There will be an ice cream social given at the Zion Christian Union church at Honduras on Saturday evening, July 11th. Everybody invited to come and spend an evening of enjoyment. Proceeds for the benefit of the church.

Mrs. Fred Bell will entertain the Ladies' Aid society of the Christian church Friday afternoon. The ladies will first meet at Mrs. John Flemings on First street.

Miss Carlyle, of Cincinnati, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Flanders, will be the guest of honor at a card party, to be given this evening by Mrs. T. M. Reid, of north First street. The other guests will be the members of the Friday Night club. Mrs. C. O. France will also entertain for Miss Carlyle during the week.

The date of the Modern Woodmen of America initiation in this city has been changed from Wednesday, Aug. 5th, to Saturday, Aug. 8th. The Fort Wayne lodge will partake in the affair and promises to send two hundred strong. All the members will please notice the change.

The Knights and Esquires of the Holy Grail society will have a special business meeting this evening at the church, and every member is requested to be present.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Evangelical church will meet next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. A. Smith for work. A full attendance is desired as matters of importance are to be considered.

(Special to Daily Democrat.)

Denver, July 7.—The national democratic convention convened at noon today, being called to order by National Chairman Thomas Taggart, of Indiana. Secretary Woodson read the call. Archbishop James J. Keane offered prayer and the temporary officers were then announced.

The temporary chairman, Theodore A. Bell, of California, was escorted to the platform and delivered a remarkable and forceful speech, arousing great enthusiasm.

Representative Dunn, of Nebraska, who will nominate Bryan for the presidency, then introduced a resolution on the death of ex-president Grover Cleveland. It was read and unanimously adopted. It is rumored here that the resolution was written by Bryan. As a further mark of respect to Mr. Cleveland, the convention then adjourned until tomorrow.

Frankfort, Ky., July 7.—The last legal step in the famous Caleb Powers case was taken when Special Judge J. S. Morris went to Georgetown to formally call for trial the case of the commonwealth against Powers, charged with the murder of William Goebel. This day was fixed at the last trial of Powers for a re-trial. Jailer Finley filed a pardon granted Powers by Governor Wilson, and the case was finally stricken from the docket. Judge Morris ordered the \$5,000 witness claims of the last trial paid and the Marlin rifle said to have been used to kill Goebels, returned to Grant Roberts, of this city. The total cost to the state of the four trials of Powers aggregates \$40,000. The only case still pending concerning the murder of Goebel are those against ex-Governor W. S. Taylor and ex-Secretary of State Charles Finley, both of whom are refugees in Indiana. These cases will be called at the next term of Franklin court and Governor Wilson will be asked to issue requisitions for them.

L. W. Coppock, of the Coppock Motor Car company and several other men, left today with the newly constructed omnibus car for Attica and he expects to make the trip of 153 miles before tomorrow evening. The car is a beauty with a seating capacity of twelve and Dr. Dinsmore of the Huner Mineral Springs Hotel company will, in all probability, be greatly pleased with his purchase. The car is modern in design and durable in quality, which makes it indeed practical. The gentlemen in the car will reach Kokomo this evening, where they will remain for the night, leaving there in the morning for Attica. Three other cars are under construction at the Coppock Motor Car factory, two of which go to New York state, while the other has been purchased by a Boston man. The Coppock is certainly a great car.

The Ward Fence machinery is rapidly being placed in position in their new factory and the wheels in this institution will start in operation in the very near future. The Marion plant was closed last Friday and the machinery is on its way to Decatur. The Webber building in which the company's main offices will be located, is being prepared for occupancy and every prevailing condition in regard to this concern is very favorable.

Officials of the Cincinnati, Dayton & Fort Wayne Railway company, which several years ago projected an electric road from Cincinnati to Dayton and Fort Wayne, a distance of 194 miles, have given out the information that it will shortly begin the construction of a standard gauge line between the points mentioned. Current to operate the cars will be supplied by the third rail method. Power stations will be erected at Seven Mile and Celina, O., and West Elkton, O., has been selected as the location of the repair shops. The company, in addition to operating its railway, contemplates furnishing current for lighting. The capital stock authorized is \$3,000,000 and that issued is \$450,000. Bonds are authorized to the amount of \$2,000,000. The headquarters of the company is in Dayton and the officers of the company are as follows: F. George, Dayton, president and general manager; D. W. La Fetra, New York, first vice president; Chas. L. Hyde, Pierre, S. D., second vice president; Wm. D. Freeman, Dayton, secretary and treasurer; B. B. George, Dayton, purchasing agent.—Fort Wayne News.

The Dr. George line will be remembered by many. It was first proposed a number of years ago and the doctor and others interested made line as then surveyed was to run from Celina to Rockford, Willshire and thence to Decatur and from here to Fort Wayne over the old river road through Poe.

For a time probably the Indiana-Ohio league has gone up. Official instructions were issued to the various clubs by President F. A. Gamble Saturday that Sunday would witness the finale of this league. Throughout its life the present year the little organization had tough sledding. Several times the project all but failed but by a manipulation of the wires the league ship would square away and again head away from the rocks.

President Gamble informed the local management that he could not see how the league could go on after Sunday. He says that neither Anderson nor Muncie has complied with the league by-laws in daily remittance to the league officials. Mr. Gamble also informed the local boys that the league was busted financially in that even all the forfeit money posted by each team had been expended in paying umpires' salaries, etc., and Huntington loses thereby its \$100.

An attempt was apparently made by a crowd of young men of Huntington to give the fans of this city a good class of baseball. About \$900 was subscribed among local fans and on this and the game receipts, despite many misfortunes such as wet weather and games cancelled, the management managed to keep the local project's nose out of water most of the time. With guarantees due from Muncie and the old Richmond organization, these now stand a dead loss. Financially the Huntington base ball club can close all accounts against it for less than \$100. Many stock subscriptions still remain unpaid, and the stock sold is non-assessable to cover the deficiency among the delinquent subscribers, which means about fifty cents on the dollar, possibly a little more. The subscription lists will be placed in the hands of a collector at once.—Huntington Herald.

An industry in Decatur, about which but little has been said notwithstanding the fact that it is an important factor in the business interests of Decatur, is the manufacture of cigars. The very best of five and ten cent cigars are made in our city and the excellency of same is more highly appreciated by transients than by the home people. It is a queer circumstance, but nevertheless true. Traveling salesmen and other lovers of good cigars manifest surprise when they are treated to a Sether ten cent cigar, a Stein ten center, a 252, a Standard, a Royal Ribbon, a Lone Star, an Atlantic King, an N. H. C. or some of the other favorite brands. Among the above stated brands, each and every smoker of cigars in Decatur can be pleased and if the people of our enterprising city will but pause a moment before buying a foreign cigar and select one manufactured here, it would be but a short time until thirty additional cigarmakers would be employed as a consequence thereof. This would cause the expenditure of \$450 more each week than is paid for this employment at the present time. It is a project well worthy of the consideration of the right thinking people, who are interested in the welfare of Decatur. The cigarmakers now employed in the various shops, manufacture 35,000 cigars each week, and the proprietors of the six shops pay out a little more than \$300 to their employees each week. How much better it would be for Decatur if the people would buy home cigars which would increase the collective salaries of the employees to \$750 per week. Charles Sether manufactures the Sether, which is as good as any ten cent cigar which is sold in our city. His 252 is a favorite brand as well as several others made by his large force of workmen. The Stein, which sells for ten cents, and the Standard for five cents, which are manufactured by Peter Stein, are great cigars and give satisfaction to the smoker. Geary Brothers manufacture the Royal Ribbon which is an excellent five cent cigar. The N. H. C. and Factory Bunch brands made by Harman Colchin are indeed elegant cigars. Frank Gast manufactures the well known and well liked brands, Atlantic King and Havana Midget, of which many are smoked. T. C. Corbett makes famous Lone Star. With these fine home cigars on the market, made and sold by home people, there is no reason why Decatur folk should not confine their purchases to these brands. It is true that some people imagine that articles shipped in from other cities are better than made at home, but a good fair trial given to the home cigars will be as convincing as is the experience of people who have ceased buying from mail order houses and buy at home. Patronize home industry and advance the interests of Decatur and yourself.

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