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HE WILL
VISIT WITH US

The following is taken from the Cincinnati Enquirer:

"Senator Beveridge is expected to return to Indianapolis soon to remain two or three months. He has completed a beautiful new residence on Washington boulevard during the last year, and it is said that he is anxious to come home and enjoy it as long as possible. During his absence in Indiana he will make two or three speeches, and it is probable that some of the policies for the party in the next campaign will be fully considered."

It is pleasant to know that, having completed "a beautiful new residence during the last year," Senator Beveridge will soon return to Indiana "to remain two or three months." That is a long time for Mr. Beveridge to remain in Indiana. But besides all this, he proposes to favor his benighted constituents with "two or three speeches" in which he will mark out his plans for the next campaign. It is hard to tell how Indiana would get along if it were not for these rare visits and philosophical disquisitions of the senior senator. However, it might be well to have a senator who really lives in the state instead of one who makes only an occasional pilgrimage to look after personal fences.

A Richmond man has tried the bee sting cure for rheumatism and pronounces it a success. It is a trifle hard to take but the results, in his estimation, fully compensate one for the pain that must be endured. It is no trouble to induce the bees to perform their part of the cure.—Columbus City Post.

The New York Sun declares that the new corporation tax is not for revenue, but for "immediate political politics," and that it will be used to coerce corporations into being "good" according to the exigencies of Republican campaigns. And the New York Sun is a Republican paper, too. Surely it ought to know what it is talking about.

There is a wordy war on between Speaker Cannon and Congressman Fowler, a row on between Secretary Wilson, of the department of agriculture, and Dr. Wiley, chief chemist and another one between Secretary of the Interior Ballinger and Forester Pinchot. President Taft is a pretty busy man acting as referee for the three ring bouts.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

An Eastern paper, speaking of the tariff, says that "the plundering of the consumer will not go beyond a certain point." Certainly not. When the trusts have gathered in all that the consumer has there will be no need of further plundering. Until that is accomplished, however, it seems that the game will go on so long as the work of revising the tariff is left to its "friends."

The Dayton Journal is disposed to ridicule the statement that has been made the past summer that the people are studying the tariff. It acknowledges that they are manifesting considerable interest in its schedules; but as for understanding or even studying them, it doubts that three men can be found in Dayton who have even read the tariff law. The Times has suspicions that the same conditions exist in South Bend, and will gladly publish in conspicuous honor the names of any who claim to have even read the law.—South Bend Times.

Richard Sears, a member of the firm of Sears & Roebuck, the noted mail order house of Chicago, has disposed of his interest in the firm for \$25,000,000. Twenty-five million dollars is a large sum. It is so large that the ordinary man can scarcely comprehend what it means. It means money enough to buy Jay county, and this vast sum was accumulated in the space of seventeen years by selling goods to people by mail. This twenty-five million does not represent all the profits of the concern during this time, for there are several stockholders who profited proportionately. The very fact that one man \$100,000, is at large on a bond of \$5,000, Mr. Sears, who is said to be short a time is evidence that the firm

is reaping big profits from those who patronize it. They are selling inferior goods for good prices. There are no home merchants who have piled up twenty-five million dollars in the past seventeen years selling goods; there are none who have piled up the one-thousandth part of that vast sum. Then why send your money away from home to amass fortunes for strangers, when you can do your own town and your own county some good by buying at home? It is at home that you must look for buyers of your products, and it is to home concerns that you owe your own support in return for the favors and support you receive from them in many different ways.

Portland Sun.

Surely it was bad enough to pass the Payne-Aldrich-Cannon tariff bill but it is adding insult to injury for President Taft to travel over the country at the people's expense to defend it. No one would object to the use of any part of the \$25,000 a year allowed the president for traveling expenses if he were going out merely as president and on public business. But if he journeys as the leader of the Republican party and to make speeches in the interest of that party he should either pay his own expenses or ask the Republican national committee to do it.

The story that Hanly will make an effort to succeed Beveridge for senator in Indiana is revived quite frequently in this state. So far as heard from the ex-governor has kept mum on the subject. He is evidently keeping his eye on the situation and if the political wheel revolves to his advantage he may become a candidate. A good many standpat republicans are satisfied that Beveridge hurt himself by his attitude on the tariff question, but they don't want anything to do with Hanly. There is really an opening for some other gentleman—Jim Watson, for instance.

Columbia City Post.

Speaking of President Taft's forthcoming tour of the country—at the people's expense—during which he proposes to "defend" the new tariff law, the Indianapolis News (Ind. Rep.) says that, since the day it was passed "the imperfection of the Payne bill have become increasingly apparent, and its so-called 'downward revision' has done nothing toward relieving the people of the ever-increasing burden they are bearing. On the contrary, there has been a general tendency toward higher prices, toward a decided increase in the cost of living, the very thing it was hoped to decrease by real tariff reform. And with this increase in the cost of living there have as usual, been comparatively few cases where there has been an increase in the rate of wages. As a matter of fact, it is doubtful if this thoroughly unsatisfactory to everybody except 'the interests.' The task of defending it is one which few statesmen will envy the president."

This evening a company of twenty Woodmen from Decatur will drive to Tocsin where they will assist District Deputy Hardendorf of Fort Wayne in instituting a camp at that place. About twenty candidates have been secured at Tocsin and they will tonight receive the obligatory work as given by the degree staff of the Decatur camp number 9770. The local team is very proficient in the initiatory work and without doubt those who attend tonight's session will be deeply interested by the ceremonies. At the conclusion of the institution of the camp and the selection of officers an elaborate banquet will be served and a delightful time will be had socially. Tocsin starts off with a goodly number and they will undoubtedly increase rapidly as many have indicated their intention of becoming identified with the order. District Deputy Hardendorf is doing some good work in this section, and he is increasing the membership of the various camps wonderfully.

Congressman John Adair, of the eighth district, will deliver the principal address in Hartford City Monday afternoon, the occasion being the opening of the Eagles' carnival and fall festival. Mr. Adair, the scrapping politician from Portland, is one of the state's best orators and he will be a great drawing card. His address will be delivered immediately after the mammoth industrial parade.

INFIRMARY SUPERINTENDENT

Wells County Makes a Change at Their Infirmary.

The change in superintendents at the county infirmary took place today, when John Ditzler and wife moved on the place and replaced Mrs. John H. Miller took charge of their successors. Mr. Ditzler and wife will have their goods stored in this city about two weeks, when they will move into the property on west Market street which they bought of Dr. Asa Haughton. It is the intention of Dr. Haughton and family to move to their farm east of Bluffton in about two weeks. Mr. Ditzler has not made complete arrangements further than for the winter, and he may get back onto a farm next spring. He has made a good superintendent for the county infirmary and he and his wife leave the place in good shape. Mr. Miller and wife have the qualifications that promise to make them fit and able successors to the Ditzlers.—Bluffton News.

A PAIR OF COUNTRY KIDS'

"A Pair of Country Kids," a rural comedy drama, is the play announced at the Bosse opera house Friday, Sept. 3, and from all reports that have

reached Manager Bosse the country

kids are a lively pair and seem to be

making a large number of friends

everywhere. The play is highly spo

ken of as a clean up-to-date rural

comedy drama true to nature and

with all those lovable folks "down

on the farm" that we all remember

after we have moved to the city, or

that we meet every day where we

have been content to remain close to

nature with the homespun folks. This

company is made up of real actors

who can act, sing and dance and will

give you an evening of genuine amuse

ment and you will surely laugh

at the kids for they are busy con

stantly getting in and out of mischief.

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The ball scores are becoming more interesting each day and there is always a crowd at the Corbett and the Reiter & France cigar stores when the reports arrive at seven o'clock each evening. In the National league the Pittsburghs apparently have a clutch and it looks like a sure thing for Wheeling in the Central. In the American league and the American association the end looks like a fight, and these are now the principal attractions.

Miss Nellie Sautbne returned to Craigsville after a visit with her aunt, Miss Ada Sautbne.

LYDIA ELLEN OLIVER

A summer day dawned bright and clear

Nor thoughts of cloud nor storm was near;

The song of birds, the hum of bees

The green leaves rustling on the trees

Filled all the world with gladsome

cheer;

Yet ere the sun had reached his

height

In shedding o'er the world his light

The day grew dark, an awful pall

Obscured the light of sun, and all

Seemed wrapped in mystery and

night.

The life of Mrs. Marion L. Oliver, so bright, so happy, so useful, so promising it truly seems very mysterious

that it should come to such a seem

ingly abrupt close, yet we are com

forted in the thought that for her

the clouds have lifted and the sun

shines more brightly than ever. The

eternal day of brightness and joy

having just begun. Lydia Ellen, daugh

ter of Wm. A. and Adeline Wisner,

was born in Adams county, Ind., Sept.

28, 1868, and departed this life Aug.

27, 1909, being aged at death 40

years, 10 months and 29 days. On

Dec. 25, 1886, she was married to

Marion L. Oliver, to whom were

born three children: Chauncey Leo,

William Homer and Edward Francis

all of whom with the husband, moth

er, two brothers and a sister sur

vive. Ten years ago in February,

under the pastorate of the Rev. N.

Paul Barton, she was gloriously con

verted; subsequently she was bap

tized and united with the church.

Her experience was unique, in some

features peculiar, yet these char

acteristics made it very real and

personal, giving a distinctiveness and

vitality to her Christian life that

made it a thing of strength in the

church and community. Ella was a

real Christian; this is a comprehen

sive declaration; from it we truth

fully infer that she was a faithful

wife, a true mother, an affectionate

daughter, a splendid neighbor and a

friend worth while. She will be

missed by all of us; she is missed

already, but may our sorrow be

the lighter that we know of her good

fortune; while we miss her, let us

reflect upon her present joy and be

comforted that she rejoices in the

presence of Him, who to her was the

"fittest among ten thousand, the one

altogether lovely."

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OBITUARY.

Ervin Crater, son of Adellias and

Hannah Carter, was born in Franklin

county, Ohio, July 7, 1842; died Aug.

27, 1909, aged 67 years, one month and

20 days. He moved with his parents

to Adams county, Ind., Aug. 19, 1845.

He was united in marriage with Sophie Jackson January 16, 1868. To

this union was born eight children,

one having preceded him to the spirit

world. There is left to mourn his

demise, a faithful wife, three daugh

ters, four sons, six sisters and four

brothers, besides a host of relatives

and friends. He with his companion

united with the primitive Baptist

church a number of years ago and

remained a faithful member until

called to his reward. He was a kind,

indulgent husband and father, a noble

citizen and had the courage to contend

with his wife and his wife's friends

and also politically, feeling free to

exercise his convictions before all

men.

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TO MOTHERS IN THIS TOWN.

Children who are delicate, feverish,

and cross will get immediate relief

from Mother Gray's Sweet Powders

for Children. They cleanse the stom

ach, act on the liver, making a sick

child strong and healthy. A certain

cure for worms. Sold by all drug

stores, the Gem