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? "UNCLE BILL" ? Wants to Know — ?

Who played ball at Kendallville. If it was a good game.

Whether "Curley" Ellis made a hit.

If it isn't a shame that E. A. has to leave her at 10:30 each Sunday evening.

If you are coming to town for Merchant's Day.

If John Bowers new building near the postoffice is having what might be called a mushroom growth.

Whether you're going to burn gas. If you have made a deposit with the new trust company yet.

If their place of business isn't "out of sight."

Who threw that brick.

Who'll be our next mayor.

Why some one isn't getting busy about the primary.

If you attended the meeting at the library Wednesday evening.

If you are giving any aid toward keeping the Coppock people here.

If John Moran has that "smile that won't come off."

If "Giggie" Gast thinks that his new home will be near the north pole.

If he already has a Sunday night date with an Eskimo girl.

If Bruce Patterson is studying to be a farmer.

If Lawrence Biggs is too tired to operate the moving picture machine.

If Stoneburner and Biggs aren't giving the people more than their money's worth.

If it is true that the cigar was hidden from Daniels at the Center ice cream factory for a triple advertisement.

Why Henry Thomas did not have enough magnetic force to show Daniels where the cigar was hidden.

If Mayor France, Marshal Butler, Attorney Beatty and Henry Thomas didn't make a "shocking bunch—electrically enthused" so to speak.

If Mercer avenue is to be used as a canal this winter.

If Julius Haugk will favor it with ice.

If you are boosting for Merchants' Day.

If you are helping the town any by knocking and—

If there are not some people who have lived here all their life time and got along just as well before you came as they do now that you are here with your hammer.

If that means you.

If any one got cold going out to Colters last night.

What has become of the high school football team.

If R. D. Patterson can play "hearts."

If he will play the game during the soldier's reunion.

BOYS LOST VAN WERT GAME

The high school team from this place went to Van Wert Saturday, where they played a close and exciting game with the lads of that town, losing by a score of two to one. It was a well played battle. Biggs was in the box for the Decatur boys, and did good work, striking out six men. A return game will be played here next Saturday.

Mrs. John Fleming was given a farewell party Saturday evening by the members of the Christian church. Since living in the city, Mrs. Fleming has been a valued member of that congregation, and the church members regret to lose her. About eight o'clock they came to the Fleming home and enjoyed a pleasant time with the hostess. Mrs. Fleming

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Mrs. Charley Johnson gave a dinner party yesterday, covers being laid for six guests. The afternoon was spent socially in conversation.

Robert Schrock came in Monday morning and spent the day with his mother, other relatives and friends. He will leave tomorrow for Cornell university, where he teaches again this winter. He is just returning from a long trip which took him to different parts of Alaska and which also gave him a good opportunity of seeing that country as well as different part of the United States. He was with a government surveying party, leaving here some time the latter part of last May and all during the summer was helping set boundary stakes between the Dominion of Canada and Alaska. There was about thirty in the party, including government surveyors of note, representatives of the Canadian government, and other officials and the trip was one of value to those fortunate enough to be one of them. The party reached the point of about eighty miles north of Ketchikan, which is six hundred miles north of Seattle. They were within four hundred miles of Fairbanks, where the Decatur colony is located. He enjoyed the trip and had a good time, and returns to his school work fresh and in fine fettle. Southern Alaska only has mineral resources and these cannot be worked until railroads are built through there, and that will likely be some time yet. He reports the weather as being delightful and not as cold as some people in this country think it is.

Berne, Indiana, Sept. 27.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—A committee, including J. C. Augsburg, C. A. Mumma, J. Cosure and A. L. Carbone, met here today for the purpose of auditing the books of the French Township Mutual Fire Insurance company, preparatory to making a report at the annual meeting to be held next Saturday at the Election school house in French township, at which time also will occur the election of officers. The report shows an enormous growth in the company's business the past year, and it looks as though this company will soon be a recognized one over the state, though they at present write business only in Wells and Adams county. Last year the amount of business on the books totaled \$591,085, an increase over the year previous of over \$200,000. The company has been in existence for twenty-seven years and now has more than fifteen hundred members, it being strictly a mutual company, making assessments after each fire.

Miss Mary Heffner of this city, but who has been at Denver, Colo., for the past year trying to improve her health, has returned to the city for a visit with friends. Miss Heffner says the change of climate has benefited her very much and that she is feeling much better.

J. P. Hale has presented to the high school museum a piece of Obsidian glass from the Obsidian cliff in Yellowstone park. Mr. Hale visited the park a few weeks ago and while there was able to get a piece of the volcanic organ for the school collection.—Bluffton Banner.

The Montpelier police announce that interurban crews must observe the ordinance in that city regulating the speed limit, and that infractions in the future are to be followed by arrests. Officer Will Reynolds yesterday filed an affidavit against Motorman Ora Brown, who is charged with running one of the limited cars through the Montpelier streets at an excessive speed.—Bluffton News.

Earl Steele secretary of the Northern Indiana league, was in Bluffton Friday evening with the Huntington crowd at the fair. He has not yet got data from which to furnish an absolutely correct standing of the six cities in the league. He reports that the official scorekeepers in three cities have failed to report to him, and therefore he had been unable to compile official figures.—Bluffton News.

Mr. John McMullen, of Fort Wayne, is the architect and builder of the new business block which is to be erected by Mr. John Bowers on Monroe street. Mr. McMullen is not a stranger here, but is well known by a large number of our business men. About twenty years ago he built the Mrs. Barthel and Frank Ferrall residences on Fourth street. Mr. George Frank is also well known here, he having worked on the construction of our court house.

Sunday was the eightieth birthday of Jeremiah Archbold, one of the oldest and best known citizens in Adams county. The event was celebrated in a quiet way, the children and a few other relatives being present and spent a most pleasant day with both Mr. and Mrs. Archbold. The children included Mr. and Mrs. William Darwether, Peter Amspaugh and family, W. J. Archbold and family of this city, Mrs. Etta Rhinehart, also a niece Mrs. James Archbold and family of Wells county. Several others were present and a delightful day was spent at the Archbold country home.

George Wertzberger and his children, Marie and Walter, and George Conrad, yesterday afternoon took a stroll in the south part of the city along the G. R. & I. when the six year old son of Mr. Wertzberger ran about a square from them along the track. Just at the time a freight train was backing up and unnoticed by the little fellow, as he was running at the time, and did not think the train was in motion. Lucky as it was, Mr. Conrad reached the boy just in time to pull him from the track and in doing so saved the boy's life, as he had no sooner reached him when the train rushed past.

Twenty-five or thirty men, interested in the welfare of Decatur, met at library hall Monday night, to discuss plans for the general betterment of conditions. Before they adjourned each of those twenty-five or thirty had promised to attend another such meeting next Monday evening and to bring along three other men who should be interested in Decatur, so that the next session promises to be a little better. It is the idea to continue these meetings until we are on our feet again and everything running smoothly. Its wonderful how a fellow can go to one of these sessions, feeling blue and kinder "don't care a darn," and come away full of enthusiasm. Try it and see. The meetings are not held for the purpose of raising money but for heart to heart talks as to the best way to help the town and community. Last night's meeting was called to order by F. M. Schirmeyer and Judge J. T. Merryman was chosen as temporary chairman, accepting the duty with an easy grace and a neat talk in which he stated his idea of the purpose of the meeting. He spoke of the community as the "big family" and said that what helps one must help all of us. His call for talks was answered by a call for C. J. Lutz who said the town chaps oughter be ashamed of themselves to have to send out in the country to get a feller to make a speech. His was a good one just the same and showed that the boys who sent for him knew their business. He said that the conditions here now come to every town, to every family, even to the churches and what we need now is a little revival like is held by the churches. He also made a point by urging that we work together, that we extend words of encouragement instead of criticism to our fellow citizens, F. M. Schirmeyer, that we hold the meetings oftener and get closer together. French Quinn spoke on confidence in each other and the pulling together of the young business men. H. R. Moltz has confidence in Decatur and lots of it, and made a splendid talk along that line. Mathias Kirsh talked plainly and said it was time to put on the brakes, that we should step forward and do it at once. J. S. Bowers gave a half hour of plain advice, reminding us of the lectures of a self-made merchant to his son, and his remarks would have been of interest to every citizen of Decatur. It was a speech as the chairman expressed it, that "ought to last those who heard it for a hundred years. He told of the many times in his life he had turned defeat into victory, of the way to do it, of past experiences wherein Decatur had suffered because the men behind the gun gave up. He said he had been busy and had perhaps not given the attention he should to the various matters of so much public interest, but he had watched with interest the fight made here for the betterment of conditions in general, and that from this time on he would be with them and "we will fight it out together to the end." He said that more men should be at the meeting and suggested that we start from this time on, keeping a record to see who are interested and who are not, and that at each meeting the roll be called. W. P. Schrock suggested that another similar meeting, but an enlarged edition should be arranged for next Monday evening and the suggestion was carried. If you are a "booster" for yourself and your town you should be there. At library hall at eight o'clock.

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during the day a large number of her friends and relatives will gather at the place to make it a happy and long remembered event. Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Moore and children left this morning for that place to be in attendance at the wedding, Mr. Moore being a brother of the bride.

Indianapolis, Sept. 27.—The theory of J. Frank Hanly, former governor of Indiana, that the act under which the Vincennes university bond issue of \$120,548 was authorized by the legislature in 1907 is invalid, was given setback when Judge Vinson Carter, in the superior court, handed down a decision declaring the act to be valid and refusing a writ of injunction asked by Mr. Hanly to prevent the delivery of the bonds to the Vincennes university. Mr. Hanly will take an appeal to the supreme court as soon as the papers can be completed. During Mr. Hanly's administration as governor he refused to sign the bonds on the theory that the act under which the issue was authorized is an invalid one. Later Governor Marshall, however, affixed his signature to the papers, but before Secretary of State Sims had signed them as required by law, Mr. Hanly went into the superior court and secured a temporary restraining order directed against Sims to prevent his signature to the bonds until the matter could be threshed out in court. The ground upon which the injunction was asked was that the act was contrary to the state constitution. The board of trustees of the Vincennes university said there was an indebtedness standing against the state in favor of the board, the debt having been contracted by the sale of certain lands. Judge Carter holds that there is a moral obligation on the part of the state toward the university, and that the debt contracted through the sale of the lands was an existing debt at the time the legislature passed the bill authorizing the bond issue, and that the enactment of the law did not create a new obligation.

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last Saturday looking after the contracting business.

The cold weather has made every one brace up and wonder what they did with their last winter's supply of coal. The hardware merchants are selling stoves while the Economy store is busy chasing carpet beaters across the counter.

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J. C. Moran made a business trip to Fort Wayne this afternoon.

Tomorrow Frank Gast and family will leave for the northwest, where they will make their future home. They have disposed of the personal property and everything is in readiness for their leaving. Their many friends regret to see them leave, as they have always been good citizens of Decatur.

CURES CHICKEN CHOLERA

Mrs. G. A. Beasley, Trenton, Ky., says: "I certainly had fine success in treating my fowls for limberneck and cholera with Bourbon Poultry Cure. I gave them this medicine in both drinking water and feed. I like this remedy fine." Sold by H. H. Bremerkamp.

Samuel Muldock, one of the principal stockholders of the Fort Wayne & Wabash Valley traction company, head of the Muldock traction syndicate in the northern part of the state and general manager of the Indiana Light company, S. E. Mulholland, assistant general manager of the Light company and Attorney Barlick, Fort Wayne, passed through here this morning for Hartford City, where they attended the funeral of Harry B. Smith.—Bluffton Banner.

'T WAS A GLORIOUS VICTORY.

There's rejoicing in Federa, Tenn. A man's life has been saved, and now Dr. King's New Discovery is the talk of the town for curing C. V. Pepper of deadly hemorrhages. "I could not work nor get about," he writes, "and the doctors did me no good, but after using Dr. King's New Discovery three weeks, I feel like a new man, and can do good work again." For weak, sore or diseased lungs, Coughs and Colds, Hemorrhages, Hay Fever, LaGrippe, Asthma or any Bronchial affection it stands unrivaled. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Sold and guaranteed by all druggists.

James Clark, auditor of the M. B. & E. and his wife and son, Ralph, went to the home of relatives in Adams county Saturday for the purpose of spending a ten days' vacation, but they had been there only a short time when Mrs. Clark became seriously sick from an attack of stomach trouble and had to be brought home. She was in a serious condition Saturday night and Sunday, but is much better today. If she improves sufficiently the family will return to the country to complete their visit.—Bluffton News.

CURED HAY FEVER AND SUMMER COLD

A. S. Nusbaum, Batesville, Indiana, writes: "Last year I suffered for three months with a summer cold so distressing that it interfered with my business. I had many of the symptoms of hay fever, and a doctor's prescription did not reach my case, and I took several medicines which seemed only to aggravate it. Fortunately I insisted upon having Foley's Honey and Tar. It quickly cured me. My wife has since used Foley's Honey and Tar with the same success."

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