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KEEP ON

ADVERTISING

Did it ever occur to you that it's the business man who keeps overlastingly at it, advertising day after day, that becomes the greatest merchant. Just close your eyes and think for yourself, what clothier, shoe merchant or other dealer you think of in the city where is published the daily paper you read each morning. What brand of clothes, what breakfast food, what collar, suspender, other article you think of. Isn't it the one constantly advertised?

Some exceptions, doubtless: a few which you've really seen but once or twice but which you remember for some vivid reason.

As a rule, however, you will see that it is the Again and Again and Again Advertisements that have stuck in your mind.

That man who passes your home every day—you don't remember the first time you observed him; but he goes by so regularly that before you know it you know him by sight.

Most of the advertisements that you can lay your finger on got into your mind the same way. The first time you actually noticed them—you can't tell. They grew upon you speck by speck. Now you watch for them.

Maxine Elliott, the distinguished actress, was asked, after her divorce, why she had ever married at all. She answered, simply enough:

"When you see a man every day for a year or so, and when he asks you to marry him every day, why you just marry him, that's all. Repetition every day is too much for anybody to withstand."

These ever-repeated advertisements get you in about that way. You feel kindly toward them and grow to have faith in them simply because you have grown so familiar with their faces in this trustworthy environment.

Start at once.

A microscopic hunt in every city and hamlet of Indiana would have failed to produce a more clever or capable man for assistant secretary of state than Herman L. Conter, whose selection for that high office was formally announced today by Mr. Ellingham. Mr. Conter has all the qualifications and is worthy of the honor thus conferred. He has always made good and his happy smile, his competency, his strict attention to business and his all-around fitness for the place to which he has been named, will soon win for him friends at the capitol and over the state, proportionate to those he has here. He assumes the place with the best wishes of every one here and the knowledge that he will dispose of the trusts imposed upon him in a manner that will bring credit to himself, his higher officials, his state and his home county.

The national congress will soon convene. President Taft is even now at work on the message that he is to read at this time. It is expected that much important legislation will be productive of this session, the last one the republicans will have full sway for some time at least. There never was a time when the people needed it more. The great mass don't care half as much about the Panama canal, the big rivers and harbors bill, and the others which will eat up a billion dollar appropriation bill as they do about the high cost of living and the throttling of industries by the great trust and combinations.

Advertise—It's the foundation of every business, the back-bone that stiffens the trade, the life-blood that keeps it going. You might as well expect to grow fat eating saw-dust as to have your business grow without advertising. There never was a better time to try it out. Christmas is but a few weeks away. If you want

the business of the people of this community, ask for it. If you have bargains to offer, if you wish to convert your stock into money, if you want to increase your business, if you have special novelties or goods, that will make convenient presents for Santa Claus to pack, Mr. Business Man, say so.

Mexico in a revolutionary conflict is not a surprise to those who have watched the history of that republic during the past. For a third of a century or more President Diaz has held his people in check by means of a standing army made up of convicts. It brings home to us more than ever the greatness of our nation, wherein the people have the power to rule, and where we are all ready to jump to the defense of the old stars and stripes when that splendid emblem is assailed.

We congratulate Lew Ellingham for the selection of Miss Carrie Craig as one of his office staff. The compliment was due her for herself, a worthy, charming lady, who will do every part of her important work, precisely as it should be done. In her appointment every person who knows her feels the choice a wise one, and rejoice with her for the honor thus imposed.

The good-byes have been said and we at the Daily Democrat office have settled down to business. We will give you our best efforts and feel we are able to give you the kind of a newspaper that you want and will appreciate. Any suggestion tending toward the improvement of the paper will be thankfully received and will receive our attention.

The turkey feasts have been devoured, the cranberry sauce and the pumpkin pies have been laid away. We are thankful that we have withstood the ordeal and that it's four weeks until Christmas and its week of stomach-ruining candy, nuts and dinners.

The grand jury is grinding away slowly, it is said. While it is not known, of course, just what is going on behind these four walls, it is rumored that several important matters are being investigated. Anyway, some of the boys will feel considerably relieved when they know.

It is now Lew G. Ellingham, secretary of state, and H. L. Conter, assistant secretary of state. They assumed the duties of their respective offices at noon yesterday.

Mr. Merchant, you cannot spend too much money in advertising in newspapers. It's the best item of all your expenses. It's the thing that moves your stock, converts it into cash and makes possible a dividend. Don't overlook this important duty at this time of the year. It means dollars and cents to you. Write your advertisement today.

Goods Roads. It is one of the most important public questions of the day. An organization is being perfected in Indiana to push the movement along. It is doubtful if a state in the union has made more progress along this line than Indiana during recent years and it is known that no county of the great state has advanced more rapidly or substantially than old Adams. A state meeting is to be held at which time matters pertaining to this work will be discussed and Adams county should be represented there. It has been asked by those in charge that a public meeting be held next Saturday to perfect a local organization and some one should take the matter up and push it along. Just who is the proper person will develop if the meeting is held. We cannot afford to do anything but join this procession towards better roads in the state.

Martin Mylott received word from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mylott, who are at present at Chicago, stating that their daughter, Miss Genevieve, who has been at the point of death for a week past, is improving each day, and if her present condition continues, will soon be out of danger. Mr. Mylott was expected to arrive home today, but Mrs. Mylott will remain at her bedside some time longer.

ALWAYS INVITED.

By Germany France.

Of course we all are friends to all. But on Thanksgiving Day. On all our friends we cannot call. To come in fast array.

So to a cousin in the west
Is sent our welcome note—
"To come partake with us our best"
Is just the meaning wrote.

Some uncles from the north and south,
Some aunts from out the east;
We send our invitations kind,
To come and join the feast.

Our many friends from all around,
Are summoned to dine;
And as they crowd into the hall,
They form a jolly line.

Altho' we send so many bids,
Our waiting makes us wear,
We find when gazing o'er the throng—
We've missed some precious dear.

But there is one we never forget—
Not once in all the while;
And that is Mr. Turkey,
With his gobble and his smile.

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WAS OPERATED UPON.

Dorthy, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Enos underwent an operation Sunday morning for the removal of her tonsils and adenoids, from which she has suffered for some time. The operation was performed by Dr. Beavers at his office, and he was assisted by Dr. Smith. The operation was somewhat difficult, requiring the physicians forty-five minutes to complete. She came out from under the influence of the anesthetic nicely and this morning was doing as well as could be expected.

Geneva, Ind., Nov. 28.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—A severe thunder storm passed over this vicinity and west of here Sunday evening, a most unusual occurrence for this time of the year. The storm was at its heaviest at about 10 o'clock, and this morning the news came in that lightning at that hour had struck the handsome barn of Henry Reiff, largest and best barn in Adams county, located in Hartford township, and completely destroyed it. The barn was built of cement block, 90x40, built a year ago, and was the pride of the community in its line. It was totally destroyed, the loss being estimated at \$2,500. The stock was all saved but a large amount of baled hay was lost, making a total loss of perhaps \$3,000, partially covered by insurance.

Joe Brown, Willis Glendening and G. W. Cooper arrived Saturday from Munising, Mich., where they enjoyed about thirty days of hunting for wild game. During the time they brought down four deer.

The M. E. church here has been in darkness since October on account of a furnace being out of repair. An expert arrived today who will repair same in time for the second number of the lecture course which will be given at the church Thursday evening. During the time the church was closed the services have been held at the Coliseum.

Representative-elect Jacob Butcher is busy preparing several bills, which he will present at the coming session of the legislature, and which will prove his statements that he is "for the people."

Warren Streicher and Frank Armstrong are the two new justices of Wabash township. They appeared before Clerk Haefling at Decatur today and qualified. They begin at once and Squire Armentrout retires after eight years of service during which time he gave general satisfaction. We congratulate the old and the new.

Mrs. D. S. Cross, mother of W. D. Cross, returned to her home at Lima, this morning after a pleasant visit with her son and family.

Twenty-five tickets were sold from Geneva to Decatur this morning, the attraction being the grand jury. Of course we don't say just what was doing.

LITTLE BABE DEAD.

Margaret, the six-days-old babe of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bagman of Kirkland township passed away this morning at ten minutes after six o'clock, death resulting from stomach trouble. The funeral services will be held Tuesday morning and interment will be made at the Pleasant Dale cemetery.

A telegraph message received here Sunday evening at 5 o'clock by Joseph Shady and daughters, Mrs. Martin Shady and Mrs. Israel Rex, brought the intelligence that their grandson and nephew, Bruce Shady, was killed Saturday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock by being run over by

a railroad train in one of the Chicago suburbs. The full details of the occurrence are not known here and probably will not be until the arrival of the immediate relatives tomorrow, as the body will be brought here for burial. Meager information, is, however, that the young man, who was an employee of the railroad, stepped from one track to another in the way of an engine, which, unknown to him, was approaching, and that he was ground underneath the wheels.

The unfortunate young man arrived at his eighteenth birthday only last June and was in fact a mere boy. He was well known to many Decatur relatives and friends, having visited here only last summer. He was a son of George Shady, a former resident of Wells county, living near the Adams county line, only a few miles west of this city. For the past seven years the father and family have resided in McMillen, Mich. The boy's mother died about fourteen years ago. Besides the Decatur relatives named he is survived by the father, one brother, Raymond, who makes his home with a relative, John Warner, of Kimmel; a step-mother and three half-brothers—Arthur, Floyd and Glen. He is also a nephew of Martin Shady of Wells county and of Marion F. Shady.

SEND XMAS PACKAGES EARLY.

And Avoid Delay in Holiday Congestion of Mail.

Postmaster Lower is already urging the early sending of Christmas packages to insure timely delivery. As usual the greater number of Christmas donors wait until nearly the last hour for the sending of their packages and then the mails are so flooded and congested that it is impossible to handle all the mail on time and there is more than one disappointed little one—or big one, too, for that matter. So begin to send your packages early. Make this your slogan: "Do it now!"

PLEASANT MILLS YEOMEN.

About fifteen of the Pleasant Mills Yeomen will come over this evening and be the guests of the local lodge at their regular session this evening. A very good time is anticipated.

The big will case, John F. McArdle et al. vs. Patrick Gorman et al., filed in Huntington county, changed to Wells, and from there to Adams, and which was set for trial today, has been compromised and a decree satisfactory to all parties concerned, entered on the docket. The attorneys arrived at 11:15 and the matter was quickly disposed of. The case would have occupied some time in trial.

The finding was for the defendants.

Z. O. Lewellen and wife, Mary M., filed a petition showing their desire to adopt Marguerite Maryland, whose true name is unknown, and who was born December 18, 1906. The child was taken by Mr. and Mrs. Lewellen from a foundling's home in Illinois, when she was ten weeks old. The petition was granted and the child's name is Marguerite Maryland Lewellen. The petition was filed by Heller, Sutton & Heller.

Vesey & Vesey filed another case entitled The First National Bank of Fort Wayne vs. The Allison Real Estate Co. et al., a verified complaint, demand, \$20,000; appointment of receiver.

Alexander Bolds vs. Daniel P. Bolds et al., note and foreclosure of mortgage, dismissed and costs paid. Papers withdrawn.

Henry Nichols vs. Phoenix Preferred Accident Ins. Co., from Allen county, dismissed and costs paid.

The first lecture of the Yeomen course given under the auspices of the Decatur high school seniors, the first two of the numbers having been musical entertainments, will be given tomorrow evening at Boase's opera house, the date having been changed from December 2nd, as at first announced. The lecture will be given by Dr. Robert Parker Miles, a noted author, traveler and lecturer, and Decatur people who enjoy the best in the way of lectures will be given a royal feast tomorrow evening. Benjamin I. Salinger, supreme court reporter of Iowa, says regarding him:

"Fifteen years ago Robert Parker Miles, whom this introduces to the platform, passed the turnstile of Castle Garden, a penniless English lad. His ambition was without limit, because he had all to get. He strove under the lash which impels drowning men to attempt swimming. Yet in his early thirties, he has wrested from life fine academic training. He has been the co-worker of Moody and Booth Tucker, the visitor of Gladstone and Pope Leo XIII—comrade of the leading American literati. As a star writer upon the New York Journal he has started and moved a million readers into practical, religious thought and forced New York into

humanity towards its working girls and its fallen; and while still a boy preacher he outstripped the wheels of justice and moved the vilest murderers of this century to confession, with burning and pathetic words. A success while in the eye of the nation and while the simple pastor of a village flock—a marked man. A moralist, treating vice with true sympathy which influences the vicious for good, a Bret Harte in sunny analysis of the good side of bad men and things. A natural dramatist, emotional, vivid, picturesque, he also tempers the sorrows of life with a good wit and consoling, quaint humor. Teachers are as much in demand as ever. But they must be able to impart with moving words the gleanings of a life of achievement. This striking individuality has that title to lecture."

BOY AT CHRISTEN HOME.

A fine baby boy was born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Christen of Monroe street. As this is the first boy in the family, there being two girls, the family is unusually happy over the new arrival.

Some night prowler gave the R. A. Andrews home near Pleasant Mills an unceremonious call the other evening while all of the family except thirteen-year-old Dewey were away from home, and while that little fellow was attending to his chores at the barn, got in the house and completely ransacked things. The boy was at the barn and noticing a light in the summer kitchen, where he knew he had left none, immediately suspected that something was wrong. When the night prowler got wind of his discovery he "hiked" out through the orchard. The lad got a shot gun and fired, but missed him, which was quite lucky for Mr. Incognito. Investigation of the house revealed the fact that the prowler had visited the bedrooms and had turned the beds topsy-turvy in addition to tearing up in general. Nothing was missed, however, so the purpose of the visitor is unknown. Mr. Andrews and sons live alone in the house since the death of Mrs. Andrews, but the father and another son were away from the house at the time.

SPRAINED FOOT.

Mrs. Elizabeth Heldeman met with a somewhat painful accident on last Saturday at her home south of the city, while doing her work, and as a result it is somewhat difficult to get around. She was leaving the house and when stepping off the porch her foot slipped from under her, causing her to fall and to receive a badly sprained ankle. She was able to be up today, but experienced quite a bit of inconvenience, and she will be partially disabled for several days.

THREE TRAINMEN KILLED.

Wheeling, W. Va., Nov. 28.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Baltimore & Ohio passenger train, the New York and Chicago express, westbound, one of the crack trains of the system, was wrecked early today near Grafton in collision with a yard engine and three trainmen were killed, three men seriously injured and a number of passengers hurt. The dead are L. J. Flannigan and H. H. Demoss of Grafton and John Weaver of Piedmont.

TEACHER TRAINING CLASS.

Will Be Organized by Members of the Christian Church.

Howard Wischaupt, one of the officers of the Adams County Sunday School association, of the teachers' training department, gave a talk at the Christian church Sunday morning relative to the organization of a Sunday school teachers' training class. His talk was a very excellent one. He spoke earnestly of the great need for as thorough preparation for the Sunday school teachers as for the day teachers, that they might direct the minds of the young, and advocated the establishment of a training class for this purpose. The church had such a class about three years ago, but none at present; and it was decided that the members meet Wednesday after the usual mid-week prayer service for the reorganization of the class. It is thought there will be fourteen at least to enter the beginners' class. The book used is "Training For Service."

Miss Margaret Daniels of this city has been named county secretary for the Christian Endeavor association of this district, which has just closed a most successful annual convention at Huntington. The appointment is one that is highly pleasing to all, as Miss Daniels is one of the consecrated Christian workers, not only in the C. E. department, but in all the departments of church work, and will prove an efficient county secretary. She is at present the president of the Christian Endeavor society of the Christian church of this city. The

district officers appointed are:

District Secretary—Irvine E. Bitter, Fort Wayne.
Intermediate and Junior Superintendent—Miss May Landsdown, Fort Wayne.
County Secretaries—Adams, Miss Margaret Daniels, Decatur; Allen, Mrs. Anna, Farian, Fort Wayne; Huntington, Miss Nina Stemen, Ubes; Wells, Claud Bryena, Bluffton; Whitley, Miss Ruby Rear, Chubbuck.

The district secretary is the chief officer, his duties being in the nature of those of district president and presiding at the conventions. The convention was attended by 150 delegates.

The banner for the largest number of delegates present was awarded to the Grace Reformed society of Fort Wayne.

The next convention will be held in Chubbuck during Thanksgiving week of 1911.

The report of the committee on resolutions of which Rev. J. M. Dawson of this city was a member, was strongly in favor of Indianapolis for the next international convention and also for the movement for the state building at Indianapolis for a C. E. headquarters.

One of the features of the convention was the address given by Miss Mary B. Cox, one of the teachers of Huntington, who has seen the Passion Play at Oberammergau, both in 1900 and 1910, speaking of the production, giving descriptions of the scenes, the characters and the place the play takes in the life of the little village. Miss Cox is a personal friend of Mrs. John Fleming, formerly of this city, and gave this talk here about two years ago.

Answering to the call of death at twenty minutes past four o'clock Tuesday morning, Mrs. wife of John Peter Baker, living three miles south of this city, and one of the most widely known ladies of this community, and a resident of this county for the last thirty years, was called to her reward. For the past six months she had been ailing from a general breakdown, combined with heart trouble, from which she had suffered for a number of years, and her advanced age also contributed to the cause of her death. Her age at time of death was sixty-seven years. For the last few weeks her condition has been such as to require the best of care and attention, and at times the end had been looked for almost momentarily. Many of her children were at her bedside during her last hours, and death came to her as a sweet repose. Her maiden name was Mary Luxenbarger, and she was born in Germany, coming to this county at the age of twenty, nearly forty-seven years ago, on her wedding day. Upon the arrival of her family in this country they went to Massillon, Ohio, where they resided for one year, going from there to Summit county, near Akron, Ohio, where they resided for several years. From there she came to this county with her husband, where they became most highly respected residents, Mr. Baker being one of the most prosperous farmers of the county. To this happy union were born twelve children, eleven of them—six boys and five girls—with the father, survive. Following are the children: Mrs. John Gross of Newcastle, Morris and Frank of New Mexico, the latter being here at the time of her death; Morris will be unable to attend the funeral, because of the distance and the serious illness of Mrs. Baker at the present time; Mrs. Dan Jones and Joseph Baker of Gas City, Mrs. Jerry Coffey, Mrs. Tena Schultz, Mathias and John of this city, and Mary and Fred, still at home. The funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning from the St. Mary's church, of which she has been a most ardent member for a number of years. Father Wilken will officiate. Interment will be made at the St. Joseph cemetery.

DR. C. C. RAYL HAS RETURNED.

Dr. C. C. Rayl, who has been at Indianapolis for the past three weeks, doing hospital and laboratory work, returned today. He reports a profitable and pleasant time, but says he is glad to get back to his work and among the "home folks."

Fred Avery still continues to improve since his return from Hot Springs, Ark., where he took treatment for rheumatism. He walked the entire distance down town and back again, on this raw cold day, and is getting along very well indeed.

The "Salisbury Family Entertainers," a company which will appear at the Methodist church November 2nd, is daily producing for the enrichment of the artistic tastes of people who love sweet music and clean, pleasing specialties, a program that cannot but help the cultivation of higher ideals in entertainment. They are a high-class company and are dated far in advance.