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Monroe street is a thriving and progressive looking place just now. With the improvements going on there, the building of the new Waring model factory building, the repair of the residence property adjacent, the erection of the Knapp implement house, and the new Sowers block, things are certainly moving forward. It's up to the other sections of the city to hustle or East Monroe street will be "T.T."

Tom Marshall for president means much for Indiana. His nomination means the continual advertisement of the Hoosier state for six months or more. His election means the recognition of the state in a hundred ways, the placing in history of our leaders. Every citizen should be for him. He is a well qualified, dignified lawyer and gentleman, with a clean record as a man and a governor back of him. When the Indianapolis Star can say nice things about him, it is surely possible for every voter of the state to do so.

Readers of The Star do not need to be told how well pleased it would be to see the presidential nomination landed for a Hoosier of either party, especially for one who has been such a prime favorite in these columns as Mr. Marshall. On his proposed constitution The Star and the governor have had to part, but on nearly every other act of his administration The Star has sought and found opportunity to commend him, even to the point of calling down on itself the wrath of republican newspapers and politicians, in whose eyes commendation of a political opponent is a crime. It is the clear duty of Governor Marshall's party in Indiana to gather behind his candidacy in loyal union; and as it is well equipped from the standpoint of political acumen, the chances of success in this venture may prove much greater than thoughtless persons suppose.—Indianapolis Star.

A coterie of peanut politicians in Indianapolis, who do not like Governor Marshall because of his rugged honesty and his plain, old-fashioned democratic policies, attempted to boom John W. Kern for president. When Kern refused to become a party to this nefarious scheme, Woodrow Wilson, with his socialistic ideas, was invited to Indianapolis to start his campaign—not because these politicians loved Wilson more, but because they loved Marshall less. Personally, we are not especially friendly to Mr. Marshall, but this is purely personal. We concede that he is honest, conscientious, painstaking, and is making a record as governor that is a credit to the state and to the party that elected him. Above all, his dignified course in the presidential race is commendable, and every democrat in Indiana should give him honest, hearty support. He would make an ideal president and every Hoosier would be proud of him.—Scott County Journal.

The editor of the Worthington Times is a dyed-in-the-wool standpoint, a stalwart of the stalwarts, and is glad to get behind Taft and doesn't want any more campaigns "with one leg." He is quite outspoken and does not seem to consider that the "old guard" may need the votes of those "half-breeds." Listen:

"Such scant courtesy was shown, the president by the republicans of Indiana in their last lopsided platform, written by insurgents, that Mr. Taft cancelled one date and, for a time, it looked as if he would not come into this state. Indiana was too thoroughly in control of the half-breeds and insurgents who tried to run the campaign on one leg. This cost the party its state ticket, but a valuable lesson was therefrom learned by the traitors. We are glad, indeed, that all Hoosier republicans have come to their senses and that they gave the

president with a royal welcome at Indianapolis on the Fourth of July.—Washington Democrat.

One of the most pleasing events in the city's musical realm, was the musical given Monday evening at the Presbyterian church by the music pupils of Mrs. C. L. Lutz. At an early hour the audience, anticipating a rare treat, began to fill the auditorium, and at the opening hour the main room, the Sunday school room and the gallery were filled to overflowing. The church, with the large pipe organ, and the two pianos, which had all been tuned in unison, were backed with field flowers and ferns and potted plants, arranged artistically, and presented a pleasing background for the large class of music students. The program consisted of vocal and piano and pipe organ solos, duets, trios, quartets, sextets and choruses. Especial mention should be made of the pipe organ and piano sections, in unison, the pianos and organ having been tuned in unison especially for this. The students range from tots of tender age to the more advanced students, and every one showed the excellent and careful training of unusual ability, everything passing off smoothly, the selections being interpreted with rare skill and sympathy. The following program was rendered in full:

Jerusalem—Parker—Mrs. Anker.
Dream of the Reeper—Helen—Mildred Schreibe.
Welcome Song—Selected—Fourteen Little Girls.
True Friendship—Nero—Helen Pomeroy and Doris DeVoss.
La Norma—Laybach—Crystal Kern.
Little Fairies—Selected—Marion Helm and Teacher.
Flower Song—Lang—Nancy and Ruth Mayer.
Echoes of the Past—Tether—Mary Laughlin.
Duet—Selected—Helen Archer.
His Love Abideth Forever—Ruth—Dolores Ballinger.
Sleigh Ride—Trevelan—Nellie Nichols and Florine Edwards.
Sounds of Springtime—Wendell—Doris DeVoss.
Sweet Memories of the Past—Doris—Belle—Ruth Mayer.
Bony Fingers—Wach—Mildred Schreibe and Teacher.
Black Eyed Susan—Beliden—Grace Schreibe.
Gondoliers—Wach—Frances Laman.
Qui Vive—Ganz—Crystal Kern, Zaida Saitz, Gladys Graham, Helen Pomeroy and Teacher.
Evening Glow—Benson—Gladys Graham.
Morning Prayer—Songbook—Cora Peck and Teacher.
Valse Caprice—Chaminade—Zaida Saitz.
The Sailor Boy's Dream—LeHarb—Mary Laughlin and Teacher.
Jolly Jingles—Sawyer—Dolores Ballinger.
Shepherd Morning Song—Athena—Olive Perkins.
Bag Pipes—Ryder—Alta Teepie.
See March—Miller—Alta Teepie and Teacher.
Moorish Dance—Kaiser—Isabelle Edwards.
My Mother's Prayer—Beliden—Cora Peck.
Sottata-Pastorale—Beethoven—Helen Pomeroy.
Pomp and Pageant—Suppe—Lola Ann, Gladys Graham and Jean Lutz.
Yellow Jonquills—Sennett.
Goodnight—Bingham—Frances Laman.
The welcome song, which was a motion song, with bell accompaniment, was pleasingly given by the following fourteen girls: Marion Helm, Helen Archer, Isabelle Edwards, Grace Schreibe, Mildred Schreibe, Ruth and Nancy Mayer, Alta Teepie, Louisa Shoenberger, Dolores Ballinger, Rowena Shoad, Cora and Catherine Peck, Doris DeVoss.

Mrs. Lutz is a musician of unusual talent and training, and the efforts displayed by her class Monday evening are indicative of her ability. A number of parlor recitals will be given in the near future, with another public recital in the fall.

William Froese of Fort Wayne, a former resident east of this city for many years and while here was a familiar character in police courts, owing to various mix-ups and mistreatment which he administered to his while while in an intoxicated condition, has given the Fort Wayne police some trouble along this line while in a drunken stupor Saturday evening. Since their leaving here no trouble had been heard concerning their family affairs, which so frequently occurred during their residence here. They have been divorced and remarried on two or three occasions. He had become so fatigued from the large quantity of liquor consumed that he went to the home where Mrs. Froese was living and threatened to kill her. The Fort Wayne News contained the following article concerning the affair:

"William Froese didn't remember in police court that last night

while drunk that he visited the home of his wife on Lewis street and had threatened to kill her. He drew eleven days in which to get the action entirely out of his head. The couple have not lived together for some time."

NO CORRECT ANSWER.

With only two easy words left out the examination of the answers reveals that there is no correct answer. The words omitted were "roof" in Meyers' cement factory ad and "give" in the Jersey cigar ad. Easy, wasn't it?

And today we have left out some more just as easy, and if you look the paper over carefully, you are sure to find them, and then you have a good chance at the two-dollar prize. The dollar which remains here today will be placed with another and the two-dollar prize is offered for the solution of the next issue, appearing today. Plenty of time will be had for the rural route patrons to get in an answer and you should avail yourself of the chance.

Everybody get busy and some one of you will surely win the prize, for they are very easy to find this time.

Miss Rosa Schaffer of Bedford, Ind., a sister of the late Sarah Schaffer, the murdered school teacher of that city, arrived in the city from Marion, Ind., Monday evening, where she had been visiting and while here will be the guest of her uncle, Fred Schaffer. The following is a clipping taken from the Marion Leader:

"Miss Rosa Schaffer of Bedford, Ind., sister to the murdered Sarah Schaffer, and a most charming young woman, spent several hours in Marion Monday enroute to her home, and while she appeared on the down-town streets, it is altogether probable her coming would not have become known but for a single incident at the Soldiers' home. The fact that the home is an attraction of more than state-wide importance caused the young woman to stop in Marion as she journeyed to Bedford, and it was at the home her identity became known."

"After having been shown through the various buildings and over the grounds, Miss Schaffer indulged in a short conversation with the guide. Upon reaching the street, or walking, where the guide named, he asked in a friendly manner, where the young woman was from, and if she liked Marion. She answered that her home was in Bedford. 'That's strange,' remarked the guide. 'We had several visitors from Bedford Sunday, and by the way, did they ever learn who killed Sarah Schaffer, the school teacher?'"

Instantly the young woman began sobbing and after she had regained her composure, the guide learned she was a sister to the murdered girl. Before boarding a car for the city Miss Schaffer announced that as far as she had been able to learn the authorities had never succeeded in locating the murderer or securing evidence which would make known the cause for the crime."

County Auditor H. E. Michard has just completed the abstract of the assessment of the property of Adams county, as equalized by the county board of review which recently adjourned, and will send the sheet to the state board headquarters. The sheet gives the following interesting statistics of Adams county:

Number of acres	121,666.29
Value of lands	\$4,622,000
Value of improvements	1,236,239
Value of lands and improvements	\$5,858,239
No. of city and town lots	1,925
Value of lots	719,329
Value of improvements	1,639,029
Value of lots and improvements	2,358,358
Value of personal property	4,077,892
Number of polls	1,562
Value of taxable property	\$11,344,688
Deductions claimed by mortgage indebtedness	781,570

Deputy Sheriff Floyd Helms of Huntington arrived Monday afternoon and went at once to the jail where he interviewed the man, "Charles Smith," who was arrested Sunday night on suspicion that he might be the man "Klondike" Polk, one of the prisoners who broke from the Huntington jail. Deputy Sheriff Helms stated that the man looked much like Polk, but it proved not to be the man, and he was released Monday night by Sheriff Durkin. From here the Huntington officer went to Fort Wayne, where officers were holding another man on suspicion.

As soon as the acceptance comes from the Elkhaven insane asylum, of Miss Sarah Troutner, aged thirty-nine, of St. Mary's township, who Saturday afternoon was adjudged insane, this lady will be taken to the institution. She is now confined in the County

jail for safekeeping. She had at times been violent, it is said, but is giving her lawyers at the jail no trouble. The insanity board comprised Justice of the Peace Wash Kern of St. Mary's township, Drs. Edward J. M. Miller and P. B. Thomas.

Real estate transfers: John L. Helms to J. M. Youngkin, 40 acres, Prairie township, \$3899; Chas. L. Wilber to E. Burr Lehart, Jr., parts of lots 161, 83, 163, Decatur, \$10,000; E. Burr Lehart, Jr., to Chas. C. Wilber, part of lots 83, 161, 163, Decatur, quit claim deed, \$10,000; Fred Reupert to Adolph Stedrich, 80 acres, East tp., \$7200; Frank M. Schmeider, Jr., to J. E. and E. J. Yager, lot 29, Decatur, \$350; Minnie Walters to Calvin H. Carter 80 acres, St. Mary's tp., \$7500.00.

Becoming anxious as to the whereabouts of Jack Grady, the Monroe street G. R. & I. watchman, who had not been seen since the night before, the neighborhood parties called the police late Monday afternoon to undertake an investigation of the man's rooms, which are located over the I. A. Kader office.

Jack had come home from Fort Wayne Saturday and had supposedly gone to his room to spend the night but when at 1 o'clock Monday he had not yet shown himself, the neighboring business men became concerned and called the officers. Marshal Peterson and Deputy Sheriff Merion answered the call and finding all means of entrance locked and believing the man to be inside, probably dead, they broke through a window and entered the room. They found all in orderly shape, and all the doors locked from the inside. Also the windows were locked from the inside and as an additional barrier screens were nailed to the brick wall from the inside also. No means of egress was disturbed and the officers are at a loss to account for Jack's method of getting out of the building. It seems an insuperable problem and all are awaiting the appearance of Jack, who will probably explain how he managed to get out of the room.

Further investigation finds that Jack probably returned to Fort Wayne late Sunday night, although no information of a definite nature has yet been found.

Another large crowd of men and women were on hand at the tent Monday evening to hear Evangelist Miller's earnest presentation of the gospel. Choosing for his text the words: "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God," he began by saying there doubtless would be great excitement in many homes if that text had read: "So then every one of us shall give account to his wife or to her husband." In that case it is highly probable that the lawyers would be about the busiest men in town for a while. Great anxiety is often manifest, also, when certain parties are required to make immediate settlement of some old account. But if such consternation comes because settlement with men is required, how will it be when you are summoned to give an account of every word and deed in your whole life to God?

Men may commit almost any crime on the calendar and not be brought to a bar of civil justice; but who ever heard of any one escaping when the Almighty sends his messenger to bring one to the bar of sovereign justice? We may choke memory and smother conscience into insensibility, but we can not kill them. When God says, "Son, remember," our memories will be fresh with many things we had rather forget. Conscience will accuse and remorse point her bony finger at every unrepentant sinner.

Quite a number of people from Bluffton are expected to attend tonight's meeting. Seats will be reserved for them. Song service will begin at 7:45, and the service proper will open promptly at 8 o'clock. Everybody invited.

QUEEN ESTHER'S PICNIC.

The twenty or more members of the Queen Esther society, with a number of guests, left this afternoon on the interurban for Moomouth, where they will have a picnic supper in a grove near that town.

A ONE MAN BAND.

Tonight and tomorrow night one of the rarest features of the entertainment world will be shown in the Star auditorium, it being Professor Harpke of London in a musical act where he plays without any assistance whatever twelve musical instruments at one time. He is ably assisted by a band of trained dogs who play the drums to the life music which the professor furnishes, giving the audience many of the old-time war pieces with the proper instruments. The exhibition is rather lengthy, but nevertheless interesting and all who appreciate the result in music will be glad they have attended. No higher ad-

mission will be charged, the same amount, five cents, being all. The professor will be here only tonight and tomorrow night, as he has engagements for the balance of the week at Toledo.

The Woman in Black, which bolts up every now and then in divers cities, like the wind—where it listeth—coming to one knows whence and going to one knows where, is with us once again. For several weeks—has long as four weeks in the last stretch, and eight weeks in various stretches—she has been acting mysteriously on Fifth street and vicinity. She is said to wear a long, black veil and a long, black cloak, and seems to steer clear of people, inasmuch as she steps aside on the far edge of the lawn when passersby approach apparently to screen herself as much as possible from their view. At another time she was seen to be hanging over a fence on Jackson street. Whether "she" is a man dressed in a woman's garb, to see whom "she" can frighten, or whether she is really a jealous "she" watching her spouse's actions, is not known. Very little attempts to determine just who she is have been made, the last being Saturday evening, when Lloyd Peery and his brother-in-law, J. O. Seilmeyer, noting her queer actions, followed the queer-garbed being. Finally noticing her pursuers, she started down the Myers alley, where she was finally lost in the darkness and the pursuers gave up the task.

The hand boys, who last week made a success of the business men for the raising of a fund to help them go ahead and complete plans for the giving of a free street concert each week have reported as being successful and are more than pleased with the generous aid which they have received. Each business man agrees to donate so much each week to carry out the plan and in return the boys have agreed to furnish at least an hour of good music on Wednesday evening at the corners of Madison and Second and Monroe and Second streets. The time has been changed from 7 to 8 o'clock and beginning with this evening and continuing until October 1st. The reason of changing was for the advantage of the business men. By having the hour set for 8 the public can do their shopping between seven and eight, instead of heretofore, when they had to do their buying between the selections given by the band. A new band stand may be a move in the near future, and will be, if the people co-operate with the hand boys by showing their appreciation for the time and work which they have put in for months past. The first free concert will be given tomorrow evening at 8 p. m.

CALL AWAY BY ILLNESS.

Mrs. John Stewart has gone to Warren, where she was called by the illness of her grandmother, Mrs. Aaron Adams, who suffered a stroke of paralysis, her condition being rendered the more serious by her advanced age of eighty-two years. Mrs. Stewart's mother died when she was but five years old and she was reared by her grandmother, who filled both the place of mother and grandmother.

MRS. MCCRORY FUNERAL.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah McCrory was held Tuesday at 8:30 o'clock at the home of her son, J. S. McCrory, by the Rev. Imier, the procession leaving at 9 o'clock for Van Wert, Ohio, where the body will lie in state at her own home until tomorrow morning, when the funeral will be held.

A reorganization of a ball team for Decatur has taken place. It can hardly be called a reorganization, since the list of new players will comprise altogether new names, but that a change has taken place since the former team has gone defunct. A spirited meeting was held Monday evening at the Foret Elzey barber shop, at which time Tom Stoneburner was chosen manager, Arthur Ford captain, and Otto Wemhoff was elected secretary and treasurer. A complete lineup has not as yet been made, although several have been assigned and others under consideration. They will try to better the former team all around and with Mr. Ford as captain, they are looking forward to a team that will hold together and with his assistance in former years, will have a strong and active line-up. They have asked the help of the business men, who responded liberally, and with this fund they have made arrangements for the securing of the Steele park grounds between the race track and where the diamond will be laid out at once. It will be known as the "Seippes' Base Ball team," and backed by Isadore Kalver, who has presented to them the suits. They will play their initial game next Sunday, already having a number of engagements from nearby cities desiring to come here. Just who they

will bump up against for the first is undecided, but a good fast game is assured.

LESS PEOPLE DROWN.

Less than the usual number drownings are reported from Indiana lakes and streams. Cases of supposed expert swimmers who sink and go down without a struggle are mysterious. The old fallacy about a drowned person going down for the third time is disproved in many instances where the swimmer sinks and stays under. It is believed that the cause in such sudden syncope from a violent reaction in the circulation. One who learned to swim never forgets, many good swimmers have been surprised at the short space of time required to exhaust them after they have been out of practice for a few years. People who try to swim a great distance are exposed to great danger and the danger is manifold the attempt is made when they are not in practice.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hensley and Mrs. O. L. Vance returned Sunday evening from a week's visit in the east, attending the Shriners' national convention in Rochester, N. Y. The report that the trip was one of the best they ever enjoyed. Shriners from all over the world—Honolulu, Canada, the Philippine Islands, and other foreign places, as well as the United States, attended this convention, and a royal entertainment accorded the thousands of visitors. Both the Decatur representative brought back with them badges of all kinds, representing the various lodges in attendance, and these will make a handsome collection. Four Shriners from the oldest Masonic lodge in the world were also in attendance. The Decatur party also took several trips, including Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Toronto, Canada, and on their home stopped off at Connetquot, N. Y. Here they visited the Carnegie school yards, and viewed one of the most wonderful plants in the state. Machinery of the latest improved type, arranged for the handling of as much as 500,000 tons of iron-ore every two hours. Willard Sutcliffe, formerly of this city, is superintendent of the department, but was out at the time of the Decatur party's visit there and they did not get to see him.

Jack Grady, the well known G. R. & I. watchman, but who for the past month has been off duty on account of his injured foot, which has recently been giving him much trouble, he being at a Fort Wayne hospital taking treatment for same, has returned, feeling much better. A thorough examination was made of the injured member and at an operation held, a small portion was removed. He returned home Saturday, and if the same heals without any further trouble, he will perhaps have better use of it than heretofore. Jack, who is one of the best known employees along the road as a man of pleasing personalities, has been greatly missed since his leave. During his absence his duties were cared for by Samuel Jones, who will look after this work until Mr. Grady is able to report for work. This will be good news to Jack's many friends, who will be glad to hear of his improvement.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC.

All arrangements are complete for the Christian Sunday school excursion picnic to Robinson park, Fort Wayne, Thursday. Special cars will leave the interurban station at 8 o'clock, and all wishing to go should be there at that time. All the Sunday school children will be given free transportation, while a round trip fare of sixty-five cents will be charged for adults. Children under twelve years of age, and not members of the school will be charged forty cents round trip. Tickets good returning on all regular cars. Everybody invited to go.

BROKE ARM.

Miss Catherine Ehrman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Ehrman, of Kirksland township, met with a very painful accident, Sunday evening while performing her regular duties about the farm yard. She was driving one of the cows into the barn to milk, and when at the door she was crowded against the wall in such a manner as to break her right arm. Dr. Grandstaff of Preble was called and set the fractured member, but some time will be required before same can be freely used.

ARE GETTING NEAR.

The locust, commonly called the seventeen-year locust, is beginning to make its appearance at several nearby places. The cinch bug is already at work on the corn, and the farmers are expecting a lively skirmish to hold their own for the next week or so. Up to the present time much damage has already been done by this insect, and there seems to have been found nothing yet that will kill the bug.