

Aunt Ros McLaughlin, who has been confined to her home for several months with complications, due to old age, and from which she has been quite serious for some time, remains about the same, and but very little change for improvement can be noted.

Mrs. Dr. D. D. Clark, who underwent an operation on Monday afternoon for appendicitis, is doing nicely, and it is said, eight-year-old son of Dan Niblick, who has been quite sick with believed she will gain steadily from now on.

typhoid fever, for the past three weeks, following a hemorrhage, after the removal of his tonsils and adenoids, is better, and it is thought will be able to sit up in a few weeks. The trained nurse is still in attendance. At one time his life was despaired of.

Miss Fredericka Heuer, who was operated upon Monday morning for appendicitis, is getting along nicely, and it is thought will soon be fully recovered. She was ill only a short while before the attack, having been to town on last Friday.

Ernst Bloemker of near Magley, the pioneer farmer, who was badly paralyzed several weeks ago, is better and is able to be about.

#### HAND CAR HITS DOG.

And Four Men Were Hurt When Car Left the Track.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Sept. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Four men were injured when a hand car on the Findlay branch of the C. H. & D. struck a dog at Tillman, Ind. The car was hurled from the track. John O'Brien received a broken leg, George Schaffer a broken arm, and Albert Busha and David Heckert were cut about the head and arms.

This morning a young son of Crist Macke, residing in Preble township underwent an operation for several ailments from which he had been suffering, and it was deemed best that the operation be performed, which was thought to be the only means left for the restoration to health. The operation was a successful one and it is thought that within a few weeks he will again enjoy his former health.

The second operation of today took place this morning when Mrs. John Reitz of Washington township, who has been afflicted with adhesion of the bowels for several years, was relieved of the trouble by submitting to an operation. The ordeal was considered a very successful one, she withstanding the anaesthetic very well, and coming out from under the influence in a like manner. It was a very serious operation, and required some time before it was completed. A speedy recovery, it is said, will be hers.

The postoffice will be closed on Labor Day except between 8 and 9 o'clock when patrons can get mail by calling at the office.

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Court will open Monday, September 4th, after the long summer vacation. On account of Labor Day, however, it is quite likely there will be very little doing on the first day, except the formal opening of court. The dockets are quite heavy, a number of very important cases being among the many and the coming term of court promises to be a most interesting one.

After a somewhat stormy marital career, Rosa Blazer has filed a suit for divorce from Elwood Blazer, demanding the care of the children, \$20 a month for their support, and \$500 alimony. The last parting of the ways of this couple is said to have been in August, the month just passed, when, according to Rosa's complaint, Elwood threw all of her clothes out of his house and told her to get out, which she says she did, and she has since been living with her son. "Cruel and inhuman treatment of the plaintiff all their married life" is the gist of Rosa's complaint, set out more specifically as follows: That they have separated many times because he threw her clothes out, cursed her, called her vile names in the presence of their children and neighbors and accused her of unfaithfulness when she was working for the Decatur Produce company, earning money with which she paid their house rent and "bought coal and food while the defendant laid around his house in idleness, warming by the fires she had provided and eating the food she had bought with her own earnings." She said when she would return home from work in the evening, nearly worn out by labor, he would swear at her, say she had earned her money immorally, and several times while she was working at the Decatur Produce plant, the defendant would walk the floor of their house from evening to morning, singing, slapping his hands together, to make their home unpleasant and miserable for her, and to tease and torment her, so that on various occasions the marshal was called to quiet him. She says he has a violent temper, and often, after she had worked hard and bought furniture he has come home and broken it up and thrown it out of the house. The cook stove, she cites, was one piece broken up. She says he has also come home and without cause upset the table, spilling the food on the floor, and breaking the dishes. She says he has never provided her with a proper home, and that his conduct has been such that they have been shunned by the neighbors and compelled to move from house to house, being unable to procure a house fit for swine to live in. They have had nine children, five grown to manhood and womanhood, now caring for themselves. Four of the younger children are Bertha, aged twelve; Osie, aged six, and Albert and Alta (twins) aged six.

Through the efforts of the Tri-State Sheriff's association, of which Sheriff Durkin is a member, a horse and buggy stolen from the Heney livery barn at Avilla early in the week has been recovered at Huntertown. The rig was taken by a stranger who declared he was in the employ of the G. R. & I. railroad and was left at Huntertown on the evening of the 29th. The stranger took a car at Huntertown, going to Fort Wayne, saying that he would return later to claim it. When he did not return to Huntertown, representatives of the Tri-State association got busy and soon located the owner through Sheriff Reichelderfer and his officers.

Forty thousand blank forms for hunters' licenses have been prepared in the office of the state fish and game commissioner to be sent to the clerks of the various counties in preparation for the fall and winter hunting season, says an Indianapolis dispatch. Last year the clerks ran out of forms about the middle of the fall shooting, and considerable trouble resulted, but the supply this year, it is believed, will be sufficient.

A marriage license was today issued to William C. Bradtmueller, farmer, of Allen county, born October 11, 1886, son of Fred and Louisa Bradtmueller, to wed Caroline Louise Berning, born December 8, 1890, daughter of William and Caroline Berning. The wedding will take place next Wednesday at the Fuelling church.

Real estate transfers: Viola M. Allison to Charles H. Worden et al., pt. lot 274, pt. lot 275, lots, 6, 30, 58, pt. lot 40, lot 49, Decatur, quit claim deed, \$1.00.

#### A LITTLE REAL WILD WEST.

Bert Smith Tried to Ride Heifer and Receives a Fractured Shoulder.

Harve Smith, better known as "Mushmellion Harve," has two of the liveliest boys in Adams county, Bert and Harry. They are real, fearless, adventuresome sons of the Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn order, willing to try anything once. When the famous 101 Ranch Wild West show was here a few weeks ago, these boys had front seats, and since then they

have been busy lassoing all the roosters on the farm, riding the cows and practicing all the feats of ranch life. Thursday evening they tried a new one. They had two heifers and Bert practiced jumping over one onto the back of the other, while Harry twisted the tails of the cows, to make them move faster. Bert missed his hold, the red heifer reared up, and the lad made a high dive, head first, receiving a broken shoulder. His father brought him to town where the fracture was reduced, and Bert showed his grit by smiling all the time. It's great to be a boy.

#### INTERURBAN KILLS HORSE.

The Decatur-bound interurban car leaving Fort Wayne at 9 o'clock Friday night, in charge of Motorom Homer Ruhl and Conductor Ed Green, killed a horse at Stop 7, or about two miles north of Hesse Cassel, about 9:35 o'clock Friday night. The horse, it is said, was loose, and had roamed onto the track, and was facing the car when struck. It was killed instantly, but the car was not derailed, nor was any damage done to the car or passengers.

#### ELKS' MEETING.

The Elks' lodge held a very interesting meeting Friday evening at their headquarters and a good attendance was present for the evening's work. The meetings are held only monthly during the summer and business which arises between then looked after.

#### NOTICE TO POSTOFFICE PATRONS

Monday, September 4th, being Labor Day, and a legal holiday the Decatur postoffice will be closed all day. Patrons desiring their mail will please call between 8 and 9 o'clock. No deliveries made by city or rural carriers.

W. A. LOWER, P. M.

September 1st saw the formation of the new green house firm, now known as The Moses Green House company. Dale Moses purchasing from his uncle, E. S. Moses, a three-eighths interest in what for many months has been known as the Ernsberger Bros. & Moses Green House plant, located in the north part of the city.

A few weeks ago, E. S. Moses, who for many years had been a member of the firm, and also manager, purchased from Mr. Ernsberger his share of the plant, thus becoming sole owner, and it was at the same time known that at the first of September, Mr. Dale Moses would become a partner, and active worker in the green house. The firm is a very strong one. While Mr. E. S. Moses will continue in active management of the plant, Mr. Dale Moses will also be actively engaged in the business, and being very capable will soon acquire a deep knowledge of all the intricacies of the business, and will prove a very valuable assistant. While the green house has made a specialty of the wholesale growing of cucumbers and lettuce, it also grows flowers to a great extent, and furnishes floral designs and bouquets of all kinds. Those not in stock here can be readily supplied by them upon short order. Mr. E. S. Moses, as soon as he can secure a suitable home, will move from the green house residence, which will be occupied by Mr. Dale Moses and his bride.

The Ben Hur lodge held one of the most interesting sessions in several years Friday evening—a roll call meeting. One hundred ninety-six invitations to the members had been sent out by the scribe, Mrs. Minnie Daniels, at the instance of the committee in charge, and of these, the large number of fifty-one responded in person to the call of their names. Those who were absent from the city and could not attend, sent letters in response and these were read, bringing messages of good cheer and encouragement to this band. One of the most pleasing "responses" was that given by Harvey Harruff, formerly of this city, now of Fremont, Mich., where he has a large farm and peach orchard, the "response" being a bushel of the finest, most luscious and rosy peaches that the Decatur band had ever set eyes upon or "sunk teeth in," leaving a pleasant memory that will last long. Mr. Harruff had long promised the order a treat of fruit from his farm and Friday evening's occasion was a most appropriate one. Mr. McElfresh of Fort Wayne, the state deputy, was a visitor of note present, and the excellent talk given by him was highly appreciated. Following the social period when all mingled in good fellowship, the assembly repaired to the Will Colchin ice cream parlors where refreshments of ice cream were in order. The evening was a most successful one. The order is preparing for the initiation of a large class of twenty-five candidates on the evening of September 25th, and it is quite probable that the Fort

Wayne team will be here at that time to do the initiatory work.

Seventy-one and one-half was the average temperature for the thirty-one days of August, according to the records of the government thermometers. The highest point reached by the thermometers was 101, which was on the tenth day of the month. The minimum temperature was 47, which was reached on two nights, the 28th and 29th. The greatest daily range of the mercury was on the tenth of the month, when it went from 57 to 101. There were fourteen clear days, fifteen partly cloudy and two cloudy.

A noticeable feature of the weather in August was the similarity to the weather in the same month of last year. In August, 1910, the average temperature was 72; the maximum temperature, 96 and the minimum temperature 42. There were two cloudy days during the month, thirteen partly cloudy, and sixteen clear.

The rainfall for the past month was extremely heavy, there being 6.72 inches of rain during the thirty-one days.

#### BIRTH OF A DAUGHTER.

Word has been received here by relatives of Mr. and Mrs. William Bixler of Van Wert, Ohio, announcing the birth of a baby daughter Friday morning. The little one has been named Charlotte Adeline. Both mother and babe are doing nicely. Mrs. Bixler is well known here, her former name being Miss Nola Yocom.

#### RED MEN OF STATE

To Meet at Indianapolis on Seventeenth of October.

The state council of Red Men will convene at Indianapolis on the seventeenth of October at which time there will be representatives of all councils from over the state in attendance. A number of the locals will leave to attend the day of celebration, which is being looked forward to as a day of much interest.

After an absence of more than three weeks from duty, from which he had been granted a leave, Rev. Gleiser, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will again fill his pulpit for the congregation Sunday, and conduct the services as usual. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Gleiser, to whom he was married while enjoying his vacation, the glad news of which reached this city shortly after the occurrence of the happy affair. The greater part of the time absent from this city was spent at Winona Lake, enjoying the pleasures afforded at this popular resort, while they also spent a brief period at Tefft, Ind., another resort, which they enjoyed while there. They arrived home this morning over the G. R. & I. from the north and will at once enjoy home life at the parsonage just south of the church. Today they were gladly welcomed home, and received the heartiest congratulations of their many friends.

#### THE FORT WAYNE FAIR.

Ed Geers, veteran pilot of race horses, and the most famous driver on the grand circuit, will be at the Fort Wayne fair September 12-16, and on Thursday will have an entry in the free-for-all race.

This, race horse men declare, is the classiest event scheduled for any track this fall. It is for the Anthony hotel prize of \$1,000 and in it will be represented the best racing stables of the country. Five of the horses entered have marks of better than 2:04 and it is expected that the Fort Wayne track record of 2:03 will be shattered.

Another well known grand circuit reinsman who will be seen at this fair is W. H. McCarty, known in horsemanship as "Knapsack" McCarty. He trains and drives only trotters and will have two entries in the free-for-all trot on Thursday. Both of these horses have marks of 2:06.

All the leading importers and breeders of horses in the central states will have big stables on show and this division of the fair, as will the other stock departments, will be the largest in the history of the institution. Great crowds will also be noticeable in all the other exhibits, judging from the advance entries, was a statement by an official of the association who was here on business last evening.

All traction lines and railroads entering Fort Wayne will give low rates and operate extra cars and trains on the four big days of the fair, and, as in former years, many local people will visit the big annual show. Returning specials will not leave Fort Wayne until midnight so as to allow out-of-town people to attend the free night fair, which is a new feature this year.

The body of Mrs. Frank Trim of Fort Wayne, whose death as stated in Friday's paper, occurred Friday morning at 5 o'clock from tuberculosis and complications, was brought

here for the funeral service and burial. The body arrived at 1:11 o'clock this afternoon over the G. R. & I. and was taken to the home of her father, Clinton Fisher, on Eleventh street, where the body arrived at 1:11 Saturday noon, when the funeral will be held at 2 o'clock at the United Brethren church, of which she was a member. The services will be in charge of the Rev. I. Imler. The Fort Wayne Sentinel gives the following account of the death:

Mrs. Destina Trim, aged 32 years, 2 months and 28 days, wife of Frank Trim, a well known Pennsylvania yard conductor, died this morning at 5:15 o'clock at the family residence, 1729 Hayden street. Death was due to complications following an illness of six weeks' duration.

The deceased had been a resident of Fort Wayne for the past four years, coming here from Decatur, where she was born and reared. She was a member of the United Brethren church and had many friends. A sad feature about her death is that she leaves a baby, Glen, only seven weeks old. She is survived by two other children, Eddie and Don Trim; her father, Clinton Fisher, of Decatur, and two sisters, Mrs. Fred LaDelle of Decatur, and Mrs. Dennis Hendricks of Kendallville, and four brothers, Louis Fisher of Van Wert, Ohio, and Charles, Frank and Tom Fisher, all of Decatur.

Burial will take place in the Decatur cemetery, beside the grave of her oldest babe, which died at the age of ten days.

Perry Ogg, who recently purchased the Reuben Breiner feed and hay barn just on this side of the Monroe street river bridge, and who is at present conducting same, Friday evening met with a very painful accident which will lay him up for some time. Friday he bought a cow and not wishing to keep it in the barn all the time had planned to take it to the pasture field belonging to Henry Yocom, just west of the Clark Lutz home, south of the city. Friday evening he mounted a horse and intended to lead the cow in this manner to the field. He had only gotten as far as the corner of Dr. Beavers' property when the cow took a sudden dash in front of the horse, tripping and throwing it with the rider to the street. In the fall the horse fell upon the rider's right foot, mashing it and breaking one of the bones. He was soon picked up and taken to a physician where the injured member was dressed, and the ankle, which was thrown out of place, reset. The injury is a very painful one, and it will be some time before he has the use of his foot. This morning he managed to come down street by means of crutches, but experienced much inconvenience along the way.

#### BABE IN SUIT CASE.

Put There Just For Fun—Case Refused to Open.

Miss Irene Nidlinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Nidlinger, who operated upon her appendix, is at the home of Dr. D. D. Clark, is recovering nicely and it is thought will be able to return home in a few days.

Charles Ball, the typhoid fever patient, who was quite serious for a number of weeks, is able to be up and around, and his recovery is now assured with careful attention for a short while longer.

Mrs. Harry Funk, who was operated upon at the St. Joseph's hospital, Fort Wayne, the forepart of last week, according to the latest reports received from her bedside, doing fine and gaining strength daily. Her condition was very serious the first few days following the ordeal, but she is doing well as could be looked for.

John Jones, the well known carpenter, is suffering from a dislocated shoulder which he sustained in falling while at work on the building which will be occupied by the L. Kalver business.

Henry Scherry of Preble went to Fort Wayne for treatment from an eye specialist. His eye which was operated upon recently, is much better.

Miss Lilly Gates of Wren, Ohio, passed through the city yesterday on her way home from Fort Wayne, where she visited since Wednesday with her grandfather, S. D. Merica, of Wren, Ohio, who was operated upon a week or so ago. He is getting along well. Miss Gates was met here by her mother, Mrs. D. S. Gates.

#### THE NORTH RIVER CLUB.

The North River club seized the river in the corporate limits Friday and were successful in securing a nice bunch of fish. About five of the club started in at the jail and worked down the river to the Monroe street bridge and drew for their work fifty pounds of fish and sixteen buggy wheel Monday they will go to the Henry Dirkson farm a few miles north of the city and seize a part of the river at that place. A number of the boys are figuring on enjoying the sport that day and we don't they will be rewarded for their trouble as the river in those parts has not been fished so extensively as that nearer town.

Miss Shinkel did not know that the suit case would lock when the lid was closed and when it snapped shut with her baby sister inside she was not alarmed. She became frantic, however, when she found that she could not open the suit case. She tried to open it in vain for some minutes and then ran in all speed for the owner of the case.

She found him several squares away and he arrived with the key in the nick of time. The child was unconscious when taken from the suit case.

#### SIMP A HORSE.

Frisinger & Sprunger today shipped another horse to Michigan, this Percheron going to Saginaw, Mich., where it will be kept with others which have been purchased before. This enterprising firm is securing a large amount of business in Michigan and the coming season is expected to be a banner year in shipments to that point.

With the turning over of the deeds Saturday morning Emerson Beavers, well known furniture dealer, disposed of his attractive and comfortable home on West Monroe street to William Schamerloh, a retired farmer of Union township, who will after the completion of arrangements of all concerned move to the city. The deal was practically closed Monday, but on account of the necessary credentials being still held off, it was kept quiet until this was completed. The home purchased by Mr. Schamerloh will make him an up-to-date home in every respect, it being but recently remodeled by Mr. Beavers, who placed in it all conveniences for his own use. The disposing party has purchased a lot in the Fullenkamp addition,