

That the parcels post system, effective next Wednesday, January first, will require the employment of many more postal clerks is evident. Calls are sent out everywhere for postmasters to recommend men for the service. Postmaster W. A. Lower has received from the chief of the Clover Leaf railroad postal clerks' department, a request that he recommend two men for examination for the service, that they may be waiting to help in the anticipated rush. This he has done. Fort Wayne received a call to recommend five men, and other cities a proportional number. Just what will be required, of course, is not known even to Uncle Sam who is venturing forth upon a wholly new enterprise.

The railway postal clerks on the G. R. & I. railway have been notified to report every day for duty, in case that they may be available if needed. The railway clerks heretofore were required to work about half the time. The new order, however, will require them to report everyday, which means that if there is extra work, they will be used.

NOSE STOPPED UP WITH CATARRH.

A Common Sense Treatment for Colds and Catarrh—Gives Instant Relief.

No matter how miserable you are with catarrh or a cold in the head, nose stopped up, throat sore, eyes running, foul breath, Ely's Cream Balm will give you instant relief.

It gets right at the root of the trouble, cleanses, heals and strengthens the raw, sore membranes, stops the nasty discharge so that you are not constantly blowing the nose and spitting. In a few minutes after applied you can feel it doing its work of clearing the head, the pain and soreness are relieved, the breathing becomes natural and the stuffed up feeling is gone. This cleansing, healing, antiseptic Balm contains no mercury, cocaine or other harmful drugs. It is easy to apply, pleasant to use, and never fails to give relief, even in the worst cases.

Never neglect a cold and don't suffer the miseries of catarrh nor disgust your friends with your hawking, spitting and foul breath. Get a fifty-cent bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist, and start the treatment at once. You will find that it will be the best investment you ever made. The Holthouse Drug Co. t-ts (Advertisement)

THE FIRST GRAY HAIR SIGN OF AGE.

A harmless remedy, made from common garden sage, quickly restores gray hair to natural color. The care of the hair, to prevent it from losing its color and lustre, is just as important as to care for teeth to keep them from discoloring. Why spend money for cosmetics and creams to improve the complexion, and yet neglect your hair, when gray hair is even more conspicuous and suggestive of age than wrinkles or a poor complexion? Of the two, it is easier to preserve the natural color and beauty of the hair than it is to have a good complexion.

All that is necessary is the occasional use of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy, a preparation of common garden sage and sulphur, combined with other valuable remedies for dry, harsh, faded hair, dandruff, itching scalp and falling hair. After a few applications of this simple, harmless remedy, your hair will gradually be restored to its natural color, in a short time the dandruff will be removed, and your hair will no longer come out, but will start to grow as nature intended it should.

Don't neglect your hair, for it goes further than anything else to make or mar your good looks. You can buy this remedy at any drug store for fifty cents a bottle, and your druggist will give you money back if you are not satisfied after using. Purchase a bottle today. You will never regret it when you realize the difference it will make in your appearance. Holthouse Drug Co. m-ws (Advertisement)

A FANCY DUROC.

Colonel Fred Reppert, the auctioneer, is getting a picture framed, one that was given to him as a Christmas present, and which he values highly. It is a picture of a Duroc hog, and its former owner, Harry Browning, a well known stock man of Hersman, Ill., for whom Mr. Reppert cried a sale December 19th. There are, of course, Duroc hogs and Duroc hogs, but this one is very much out of the ordinary. At the sale it brought \$700. Its brothers and sisters are fine specimens also. The hogs sold averaging \$176 in sale price.

Lambert Haverman, a Belgian in the employ of John Frisinger, was arrested Saturday night by Officer Melchi for pulling a revolver on John Beineke and this morning was given a fine of \$20 and costs, amounting to \$33, and a jail sentence of sixty days.

Haverman indulged a little too heavily in the "bug-juice" Saturday night and about 11 o'clock he entered the Beineke & Gird restaurant and attempted to run the business to suit himself, but at this point in the game he was interrupted by Mr. Beineke, who led him to the door and ordered him out of the place of business. Beineke had turned around and started for the lunch counter when Haverman rushed in the door and pointed a 32-caliber revolver at him. The police call was immediately sent in and when Haverman saw Melchi entering the building, he rushed out, then through the Menig pool room, and was finally captured in front of the court house. He put up a stiff fight and it was necessary to tap him over the head in order to subdue him. Haverman has been in America about six months, coming across with a load of horses for Mr. Frisinger, and it was necessary for the mayor to secure the services of Oscar Lankenau to act as an interpreter for him.

Michael Mozolis, a sugar beet worker, was found guilty of public intoxication, and also of assault and battery, Saturday afternoon, by Squire J. H. Stone, and was given a fine of \$5 and costs in each case, amounting to \$32 in all. The peace bond proceedings filed against him by Mary Figus were continued until later.

VACATION IS OVER

And School Resumes Studies—All Return to Work.

With the ringing of the bells, school opened this morning after a week's holiday vacation. All the pupils, with glad, merry faces, were back in their places and among them, many who had been ill and absent several weeks. Miss Mary Erwin, who had been absent several weeks on account of an operation for appendicitis, and Miss Eda Butler, who underwent an operation for the removal of adenoids, returned to their studies this morning. Miss Winifred Ellingham, of Indianapolis, and Paul Myers, a graduate, who is now a student at Indiana university, were among the visitors at the school this afternoon. The city schools will be given New Year's day as a holiday also. The teachers who attended the annual State Teachers' association meet at Indianapolis the last of the week, report an unusually good session. Among those who attended were City School Superintendent E. E. Rice, and the teachers, D. A. Baumgartner, Dell Sellemeyer, Margaret Moran and Miss Bess Schrock. The Northern Indiana Teachers' association will be held in Indianapolis in April.

"FAUST" HERE TUESDAY NIGHT.

On Tuesday, December 31st Manager Bosse of the Bosse opera house offers to the public Manley & Campbell's production, new and up-to-date in every detail, of Goethe's immortal tragedy of "Faust." There has been in the past few seasons such a demand for this play that Messrs. Manley & Campbell grasped the opportunity and have put before the public one of the finest productions of that piece ever exploited. They have secured the services of that renowned romantic actor George W. Wakefield, who impersonated the role of "Great Gogs" (the Giant Demon) in the Cat and Fiddle company for the past five years. His peculiar style and his great stature make him the most desirable factor extant for the role of Mephisto and he has been surrounded by a carefully selected and adequate cast, as each member of his supporting company has been chosen with especial reference to their fitness for the part, type and appearance being necessary qualifications.

Mr. Wakefield is six feet and seven inches in stature and will easily be recognized as the great Mephisto on the arrival day of the company. The play is in five acts and seven scenes and each act is carried complete by the company. The costumes are new and beautiful, the electrical effects are grand; especially so can this be said of the "Great Brooken Scene."

The price for this engagement will be 25, 35, 5 and 75c, and seats are on sale at the Holthouse drug store.

Quite a number of farmers gathered at the court house Saturday afternoon to meet the representatives from this part of the state and discuss the laws in which they are interested and in which they want changes during the coming session of the legislature. However, the officials were unable to attend and the meeting was postponed until next Saturday morning at 9:30 when the meeting will positively be held. Every farmer and every merchant has his ideas about what the laws should be and this meeting is only a friendly one, in which you will be given an opportunity to tell your views that the representatives may know what you want and what you don't want. It will give them the chance to so post themselves that they may vote intelligently and work in the committee rooms in accord with the wishes of their constituents. It is in

no sense a political meeting, simply an opportunity given you to instruct the men who will go to Indianapolis one week from today in your interest. You should be patriotic enough to attend the meeting and assist them in any way you can.

Bob Beery, a former Decatur boy, who has made the west his home for several years, is rapidly advancing there. Friends here have received word that he has been appointed postmaster at Mott, N. D., and will soon enter upon his new work.

Mr. Beery is a son of Joseph Beery of this city, and while a man still young, has made good in the west, going to Mott, North Dakota, about seven years ago. He had the honor of being the first auditor of Hettenger county, North Dakota, and is closely connected with all the lines that have advanced that district. After relinquishing that office, which he held some four or five years, he entered the clothing business, there, recently disposing of that. His many Decatur friends will be pleased to hear of this new office.

er and preacher, former president of Depauw university, will give a series of lectures at the Methodist church, this city, during the week, from January 7th to January 12th.

Dr. John P. D. John comes under the auspices of the Methodist Brotherhood which order is making elaborate preparations for the event. Dr. John's general theme is "The Religion of the Future; is Christianity going or coming? can the Bible withstand the twentieth century searchlights?" and includes such excellent and promising specific subjects as: "A Glimpse of God in the Microscope;" "A Glimpse of God in the Human Body;" "A Glimpse of God Without Eyes;" "Did Man Make God, or Did God Make Man?" "The Most Notable Event in History;" "The Worth of a Man;" "A Fire-proof Conviction." Stirring music will be rendered.

Fine New Year Service.

A fine New Year's service was conducted Sunday morning at the Evangelical church. One thing which added to the interest of the meeting was the manner and spirit in which the thank offering was given. After the sermon on the blessing of the past year, the congregation came forward and laid their gifts upon an open Bible, no one knowing what the other gave, as the offering was enclosed in a small white envelope, upon which were the words "Thank Offering." No names or amounts were written. Quite a few of the boys and girls participated in this delightful service. The result of the offering was \$19.16. At the meeting Miss Elzey of Ossian sang a splendid solo.

GRAND TRI-KAPPA PRESIDENT

Visits With Local Chapter Saturday Evening.

Miss Hazel Harrison, grand president of the Kappa Kappa Kappa sorority, and Miss Wyke, both of Columbia City, stopped off here Saturday afternoon enroute from Winchester, where they installed a chapter. While here they were the guests of the local chapter, and in the evening, with all the sorority girls, were entertained at the home of Miss Frances Dugan. They were guests of Miss Jean Lutz overnight, returning Sunday to Columbia City.

MEETING POSTPONED.

Farmers Will Meet Legislature Next Saturday in This City.

The farmers of Adams county called a meeting for Saturday afternoon to be held at the court room here when they would meet the representatives and senators from Allen and Adams county and lay before them matters which they wish acted upon at the coming session of the legislature. There was much disappointment among the party assembled there, when the principal ones failed to show up and the meeting was postponed until next Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock when it will be held in the court room.

SLEIGH RIDE LAST EVENING.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kiracofe and daughter, Juanita, returned this morning from eastern Ohio, where they visited with Mrs. Kiracofe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wood, near Warren. Last week there was six inches of snow and they enjoyed a sleigh ride to the train last evening. The snow was rapidly melting, however, and when they left, a warm rain had begun. Rain and snow were falling at alternating places at which they stopped enroute home.

In the death of Abraham Fugate, which occurred Sunday night at 11 o'clock, Kirkland township lost one of its most highly esteemed pioneer residents, who has resided in this vicinity forty-nine years or more.

His death occurred at the home of

his son, D. F. Fugate, three miles south and a half mile east of Peterson, after an extended illness from cancer of the stomach.

Mr. Fugate was a native of Ohio, being a son of Peter Fugate. He was born January 29, 1833, and was just exactly a month less than eighty years of age. His wife, Anna Mary Fugate, died several years ago, and surviving are the two sons, P. E. and D. F. Fugate. Francis, Millie, Lilly, John and Cora are children, who have passed into the great beyond. He also leaves two sisters residing at Millersburg and Akron, Ohio.

Mr. Fugate was one of the substantial farmers of the county, who endured the hardships of pioneer days, but rose above them and his works in the behalf of the community will be a lasting memorial to him.

The funeral will be held Tuesday morning, December 31, leaving the home at 9:30 o'clock for the Pleasant Dale church, where the Rev. Dan Byerly will conduct the services. Interment in the Pleasant Dale cemetery.

The various strands of preparation and entertainment which have been set winding by the Tri-Kappa sorority for some time will be brought together this evening at the K. of C. hall in the grand New Year charity ball, one of the happiest of the season. The sorority girls have engaged the services of the Ashbaugh orchestra of Ft. Wayne and the grand march opening the ball will begin promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

Special efforts have been made to make the ball not only a social success, but a financial success as well. The public should encourage the young ladies in their efforts by attending, as they plan to devote the proceeds in some gift to the city, the nature of which will be announced later.

The tickets are selling for \$1 a couple, and while many have been sold, there are still many more. You can get one by applying to any of the sorority girls.

A large number of guests from Fort Wayne, as well as other neighboring cities are expected.

Rev. Robert Ball, who preached his first sermons here Sunday, as pastor of the local Baptist church, left this morning for his home at Lebanon, Indiana.

During his stay here since Saturday, Mr. Ball made arrangements to lease the Keller residence on Adams street, occupied by the John Staker family. The Staker family has its goods packed preparatory to moving to Bluffton, where Mr. Staker has been employed for some time. Rev. Ball expects to bring his household goods and family here this week, and expects to be comfortably at home by Friday. His family consists of his wife and daughter.

Rev. Ball preached two very good sermons yesterday and the congregation and all who heard him are highly pleased to secure him. Rev. Ball has a very pleasing personality that is peculiarly adapted to the ministerial work and the congregation is anticipating that his ministry here will be very successful.

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Real estate transfers: James E. Heath to Chicago & Erie railroad, realty in St. Mary's tp., \$75.

The case of John C. F. Manley vs. Homer Charlston, for accounting and appointment of receiver, was dismissed and costs paid.

Charles Sether, administrator of the

estate of his late uncle, Peter Sether, filed petition for sale of real estate. Waiver of service and assent to sale was also filed by defendants. The petition was granted, appraisal and additional bond filed, and public sale ordered at not less than two-thirds of the appraisement after due notice; terms, one-third cash; one-third in one year and one-third in two years, or all cash if desired.

John Senelman and L. A. Graham were appointed appraisers of the real estate petitioned to be sold in the guardianship of Marie M. Daniel et al.

Bluffton, Ind., Dec. 30.—The three executors of the will of the late John Studabaker, H. H. Deam, and J. W. Sale, filed a petition in circuit court asking the court to construe the interpretation of the will and ask the court to affirm this, if it is correct, or if it is erroneous to give them the correct interpretation. It is recited that there is an estate which includes personal property of about \$200,000, and real estate of a value of \$150,000, a total of \$350,000, and that there is indebtedness against the estate of about \$2,000 only. The executors name as defendants the heirs-at-law in addition to D. E. Studabaker, and include Martha J. Waring, a daughter, Mattie McCormick, John L. Waring, Martha Roush, Bessie Sale, Mary Rhue, R. S. Todd and Charles A. Studabaker, grandchildren, and Robert W. Rogers, a great-grandchild, with the latter's guardian and father, W. W. Rogers, also named.

It is set out that large advancements were made to various heirs by Mr. Studabaker, many of them previous to the date of the execution of the will, July 17, 1908, and many such advancements thereafter, up until the death of Mr. Studabaker, November 18, 1912. The executors explain that their interpretation of the will is that heirs-at-law, with one exception, are to have cancelled all advancements previous to the date of the will, under the provisions of that instrument, while all advancements made after the date of the execution of the will are to stand against the respective interests of the heirs. The exception to this general rule is Charles A. Studabaker, whose father, John A. Studabaker, died previous to the date of the execution of the will and since he and his son are neither named in that instrument it is interpreted by the executors that all advancements made to the father are to stand against the share of the son, Charles Studabaker.

The executors state that their interpretation is that after all just indebtedness and claims of various kinds are paid and provision is made to pay \$500 per annum to David E. Studabaker and \$2,000 per annum to Mrs. Martha J. Waring, and taxes on the residences of this son and daughter during their life time that the residue of the property is to be divided as follows: to D. E. Studabaker and Mrs. Martha J. Waring, one-fifth each; to John L. Waring and Mattie McCormick, one-tenth each; to Charles A. Studabaker, one-fifth; and to R. S. Todd, Mary Rhue, Martha Roush, Bessie K. Sale and Robert Rodgers, one-twenty-fifth each, with advancements to each to be accounted for as stated above.

The case of Henry Knapp vs. Harve Clark, on account, demand \$100, was called in the circuit court this morning for trial before a jury and Judge Merryman. All the members of the regular jury panel were retained, except Ernest Franz, who was excused, and Melvin Kelley selected to serve in his place. The two items on account, are a lawn swing, which it is claimed Mrs. Clark purchased from Frank McConnell instead of the plaintiff in this suit, and also a cream separator, from Mr. Knapp. The cream separator, Mr. Clark says, was left at his home only on trial, the agreement being that if he decided to sell milk, the separator was to be taken back. He says he later decided to sell milk, and notified the plaintiff to get the separator, which he never did. It remained at the Clark home five or six years, and the suit is to collect payment therefor. The evidence was completed this morning, about five or six witnesses being used. Mrs. Dwight Wilder, one of the witnesses summoned, failed to appear on time and an attachment was issued for her to show why she should not be accountable for contempt of court. She appeared later and stated that her baby had been ill with the croup which prevented earlier arrival, and she was excused. D. B. Erwin is the plaintiff's attorney and John Moran, the defendant's attorney. The arguments were taken up after the noon adjournment and concluded at 2:40, the case going to the jury after the instructions given by the court.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

as the action must be taken in the United States circuit court of appeals in Chicago.

HONDURAS BOY "IN BAD."

Bluffton, Ind., Dec. 30.—Orrie Hess, aged twenty years, whose home is near Honduras, Adams county, was arrested Saturday on a charge of stealing a bicycle belonging to J. E. Reynolds. He rode the wheel away from Mr. Reynolds' store last Thursday and was traced to his home in the country. He entered a plea of guilty before Justice J. K. Rinehart, and immediately another affidavit was filed in circuit court in order that he might be arraigned there Saturday, which was the last day of the court. Judge Elchorn remanded him to the sheriff under bond of \$500, that he may secure an attorney and make his showing in court at the next term. The bicycle was found in the possession of Hess, and he said that he was drunk on the day he took it and he did not know what he was doing. He said he got his whiskey at Monroe, but did not know from whom he got it. Petit larceny is the charge.

INTERURBAN NOTES.

W. H. Fledderjohann, general manager of the Fort Wayne & Springfield Railway company, is at Indianapolis today where he attended a called meeting of traction officials of the state, relative to arrangements regarding signals, etc., of general interest.

Mr. Glover of Rushville began work Saturday for the Interurban company as armature winder.

SHOE STORES WILL CLOSE EARLY

Notice is hereby given that the shoe stores of Decatur will close at 6 o'clock p. m., beginning New Year's day and continuing until June 1st. The only exception to this rule is that they will be open on Saturday evenings and after April 1st on Mondays and Saturdays.

MISSION COLLECTION.

The Presbyterian Sunday school Sunday morning took a special collection to be sent out of the city for home missions, amounting to \$26.50. The classes also brought vegetables and good things in the eatable line, which will be used for charitable and home mission work in this city.

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Ralph Miller gave a delightful dinner party Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mart Miller, for a number of Indiana university students, including Will Bowers and Carl Battenberg and their guests, Messrs. Sowers and Kirtley, and also Fred Smith.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid society will have its first meet of the new year, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. F. M. Schirmeyer. A report of the past year's excellent work will be given and a good attendance is desired.

RHEUMATISM

This nerve-racking disease is caused from impure blood and uric acid poison. External applications sometimes give temporary relief but won't cure; the sure way to secure permanent results is to thoroughly cleanse the blood of all the impurities. Nothing on earth will drive out the poisons from your system, keep the bowels, kidneys and liver in good condition as SEVEN BARKS, the wonderful remedy that has proved its great merits the past 42 years. SEVEN BARKS can be had of all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle. Give it a good trial and watch your rheumatism disappear. LYMAN BROWN, 65 Murray St., New York, N.Y.

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