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A RIOT AT GENEVA

Young Toughs Assault Gang of Italians

SEVERAL BADLY BRUISED

Votaw and Webb Will be Brought to Jail

Are Under Bond for Previous Assault and Bondsmen Want to be Released.

Geneva, Ind., August 2.—The town of Geneva was the scene of a riot last evening in which several well-known local characters and a number of Italians were the principals. During the early part of the afternoon Richard 'Votaw, known as "Nigger Dick," Bert Webb and Ernest Twigg began abusing the Italians, who were employed by a contractor on local street work. Shortly before supper Twigg began an altercation with one of the foreigners, and soon brickbats were flying thick. The friends of the foreigner began assisting him, and Twigg, with some of his friends who had arrived, were routed. About this time Votaw came down the street and he was soon in retreat. Votaw was badly cut about the head with rocks, brickbats, etc. During the melee a plate glass window in A. M. Redding's store was smashed and a door in a ware room broken down. Two Italians were also hurt. Marshall Whiteman swore in a number of assistants tonight and they were prepared to take action should the rioters again break out. No arrests have been made. The sympathy of the public is with the Italians. Sheriff Butler was notified but the disturbance was finally quieted without his assistance. Votaw and Webb are under bond to appear at the September term of court for assaulting an old man here a few weeks ago. Today their bondsmen sent word to Decatur that they wished to be relieved and the two young men will be sent to jail tonight.

LOST A HORSE

People & Holthouse have to Kill Valuable Horse

A sorrel horse, belonging to the firm of Peoples & Holthouse, last evening met with an accident, as the result of which he had to be killed, thereby entailing this firm a loss of one hundred dollars. About five-thirty a call was sent into the barn for a horse and buggy and one of the employees of the barn went upstairs to bring down the horse, and as they were passing a surrey a single tree rubbed against the animal, causing him to jump sideways and kick, its left hind foot catching in the surrey spring, holding the horse fast. Before assistance could reach the animal and unfasten its foot it fell heavily on its side, breaking the leg square off. After careful examination of the broken leg it was decided that the horse could never get well, and to put the poor animal out of its agony it was speedily hit in the head with a heavy sledge hammer, which caused sudden death, and a relief from all of its sufferings.

WAS PROMINENT

Ex-Governor Pattison of Pennsylvania is Dead.

Philadelphia, Pa., August 1.—Robert E. Pattison, former governor of Pennsylvania, one of the leading democrats in the United States and mentioned for the presidency in more than one campaign, as well as a leader in the Methodist Episcopal church, died at six o'clock this morning at his home in the suburb of Overbrook. Pneumonia which developed last Friday and was followed by heart complications, was the cause of death. Since 1902 when he was defeated for a third term as governor of Pennsylvania by Mr. Pennypacker the republican candidate, Mr. Pattison had not been in good health. He was a member of the committee on resolutions at the recent democratic convention at St. Louis, and his health failed under the strain. He remained in St. Louis a few days after the convention to rest, and returning home, resumed his business, dividing his time between this city and New York.

TO PLAY HERE

Fort Wayne Shamrocks Dated

Will Meet the Rosenthals Here Thursday Afternoon August 11.

Manager Hively of the Rosenthals closed a contract today with the Fort Wayne Shamrocks whereby that famous and fast aggregation of ball players will play in this city on Thursday, August 11th, the day of the 160th reunion. This team has a reputation as ball players and there is no question as to their knowledge of the national game. They will put up the first exhibition that the fans here have ever been able to see this season. To secure this team the Rosenthals have made some extra concessions, and it will require the hearty co-operation and attendance of all to meet expenses. This attraction was also secured to please the members of the 160th, and to assist the entertainment committee to entertain their comrades. The game will be called at three o'clock so that every one may be able to attend. Come out and see just how good the Rosenthals are when matched against the best amateurs in the state.

A NEW CASE

Suit to Quiet Title Filed in Circuit Court

Schurger & Smith have filed a new case in circuit court entitled Christopher Byer vs. Ellmira Garwood and ten others, to quiet title to a small tract of land in Blue Creek township. Elmira Garwood, the defendant is of unsound mind and an inmate at the county infirmary.

WAS FINED

Chauncy Steele Arrested for Provoke and Plead Guilty.

After eluding the officers and escaping arrest for nearly two months, Chauncy Steele was finally landed this morning by Deputy Sheriff Butler, and hurried before Squire Smith where he was given a prompt hearing and trial on charge of provoke, that was preferred by Alex LeBrun. The offense is alleged to have occurred on June 4, 1904. The Squire after hearing all the evidence in the case and well knowing the law governing such actions, dealt the young man out ten dollars worth of justice. He stayed the docket and was released.

STATE CONVENTION

Democrats Pouring Into Indianapolis

Kern the Probable Nominee for Governor—Reception for Taggart Tonight.

Indianapolis, Ind., August 2.—This city is alive with democrats and more coming on every train to attend the big democratic convention which convenes at Tomlinson hall at eleven o'clock tomorrow morning. The same officers who had charge of the former convention Alonzo G. Smith, chairman, and L. G. Ellingham, secretary, will occupy their positions during this session. The convention will endorse the St. Louis platform and candidates. The probable nominees are as follows: Governor, John W. Kern, Indianapolis; W. W. Stevens, Salem, secretary; Edward Fogarty, South Bend; Auditor J. R. Biggs, Sullivan. Superintendent of public instruction, Samuel L. Scott, Jeffersonville. Statistician, Jesse D. Smith, Indianapolis. The reception to National Chairman Taggart will take place tonight and will be an opening for the ensuing campaign. It will be the greatest political demonstration seen here in years.

A DUSTER

Erwin Oil Well Shot but Proved a Dry Hole.

The test oil well on the R. K. Erwin farm north west of town drilled in by W. H. Shepherd was shot this afternoon and proved a dry hole. One hundred and twenty quarts of nitro-glycerine were used. A slight showing of oil was noticeable in the sand but not sufficient to encourage further prospecting. A number of people saw the shot.

PROGRAM

The August meeting of the auxiliary of the C. W. B. M. will be held at the home of Mrs. Cyrus Weaver on North Fifth street, Thursday next at two p. m. Topics—"Appalachian America." Study—"The Appalachian region south of the Potomac river and the character of its people." Reading—"Our Mission of the Mountaineers of Kentucky." Mrs. Jacob Eady. Reading—"The Kentucky Mountain Girl." Mrs. Charles Sims. Reading—"From Springtown on the Pike." Mrs. H. Mercer. All ladies interested in missions are invited.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Charles Hockemeyer Badly Hurt

While wading River Run Rusty Nail in Knee Cap; Amputation May be Necessary

Charles Hockemeyer who lives about five miles north of our city, met with a painful accident yesterday morning which may make him a cripple for life. Early in the morning Charles picked up his fish pole and started for the river intending to catch a nice mess of fish for dinner. He arrived at the river all right and started to fish, but the finny tribe were not biting very well, so he took off his shoes and stockings and proceeded to wade in to deeper water. While walking out from the bank he came in contact with a rusty nail which was jammed into his knee cap with terrific force. Charles did not mind the injury much at the time and did not suffer any pain until last evening when his leg began to swell, causing him all manner of suffering. His parents then summoned Dr. C. S. Clark who after a careful examination dressed the wound. He informed us this morning that inflammation had set in and that he might have blood poison, which would necessitate amputation, and that the chances were that he would probably have a stiff leg the remainder of his life even should the leg be saved.

COSTS MONEY

Requires over Four Million Dollars to Feed Floyd Travelers.

Few people in Decatur realize the magnitude of an ocean steamer or what is required to meet the demands of the passengers each year. E. X. Ehinger of the First National Bank who has represented the North German Lloyd line for years and has sent a number of passengers over their ships gave us a list today which shows the provisions necessary each year and which are contracted for. It shows that enough meat is used to supply a city of 54,000 inhabitants the meat representing 13,270 oxen, 14,208 pigs, 7,205 calves and 16,243 sheep. Besides this over a million pounds of poultry and game are used. Nearly five million eggs were used last year, potatoes enough to supply a town of 90,000 people besides an amount of other eatables almost beyond comprehension and costs \$4,000,000 annually.

BOUGHT LIBRARY

Wells County Young Man Begins Law Business at Bluffton

J. Bamford Merriman, Liberty township boy, who recently graduated from the law department of Purdue today opened a law office in the rooms formerly occupied by W. H. Eichhorn. He has a fine library, having purchased the large library of the late John T. France, of Decatur. Mr. Merriman taught in the schools of Wells county for several years and has a wide reputation in the county and the qualities that deserve for him unlimited success.—Bluffton News.

NOTICE

As we have decided to quit the furniture business it is necessary for us to settle all book accounts for which reason we kindly ask all knowing themselves indebted to the firm to call and settle by cash or note.

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THATS THE TRUTH

Farming is the Only Business not Over Crowded

There is one kind of business that is not overdone in this country—that of farming. The large cities with their slum districts, are overcrowded. Thousands live from hand to mouth. Misery prevails where these people are huddled together. Vice dwarfs young people who, if engaged in honorable employment on the farm, would grow up to vigorous manhood and womanhood. How to induce such people to emerge from their miserable abodes is one of the great problems of the day. It is difficult of solution and yet much could be accomplished if those abundantly able to do so would effect organizations and push along the good work. Such an organization was started in Chicago some time ago. It may be in active operation, but little has been heard of its doings of late.

MORE ADVICE

Some Wise Statements for Girls to Remember

Don't pick out a man for a husband because you love him. The most important thing is whether he loves you. A woman who loves her husband better than he does her is a doormat on which he treads. If he loves her better than she does him he looks up to her as a goddess and spends his life trying to win her favor. A too adoring wife bores a man with her affection, but no woman ever had enough love given to satisfy her, and the more affection the man lavishes upon her the stronger the claim he establishes. After marriage a thousand things draw a woman's heart to her husband, a thousand things estrange him from her.

OLD RELICS

Mrs. Edwards of Steele has a Prize Collection.

Mrs. Edwards, of Steele, this county, has a valuable collection of old relics, including perhaps several as old as any in the county. Her display includes a tea spoon, 200 years old, tea canister, 103 years old, bunch of flax 200 years old, bible 75 years old, spice box 250 years old, pillow slips 30 years old, a white cap worn by her great grandmother, an old Indian wheelstone, a stone that fell from a comet years ago the family record of her great-great-grandfather, a plate that was purchased at the first store in Fort Wayne and a number of other articles of interest to people of the present generation.

GENEVA SPORT

Results of Sunday Ball Game at the Place

Geneva, Ind., August 1.—Yesterday the sporting element of this place had the pleasure of witnessing two very good games of ball. The first game was played between the Geneva Reds and a club from Blaine resulting in a score as follows:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Geneva	0	0	5	3	1	4	0	0	—13
Blaine	3	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	—9

The second game was between the Geneva Blues and the Globes of Portland. The score stood:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Blues	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	2	—6
Globes	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	—5

Batteries—Blues, Brayton and Drew Globes—Nelson and Bergman. Base on balls—Brayton 1; Nelson 2. Struck out—Brayton 5; Nelson 10. Two base hits—Kimball 2; Ricketts 1, Drew 1. John Brigg, umpire.

DECIDE TONIGHT

Marion Council to Argue Traction Rights

Geneva Interurban Company Want a City Franchise.

The matter of granting a franchise to the Geneva Traction company which desires to enter the city from the east, will come up before the city council again Tuesday night. After an hour's discussion and wrangle at the last council meeting the matter was laid over until tomorrow night's session. The council will probably ask that the traction company give a bond guaranteeing to have cars running into Marion within the time named in the franchise. The council wants to be sure that the company means business and will likely refuse the company privilege of using the streets without some guarantee the road will be built. The company is objecting to the giving of the bond. Another item to be settled is in regard to the life of the franchise granted. The traction company wants the franchise to hold good fifty years, but the council has been unable to agree upon the time. Some of the councilmen want the new company's franchise to extend up until the time of the expiration of the franchise held by the Indiana Union Traction company; others think that twenty-five years is long enough; another wants it thirty, another at thirty-five, another forty and a few at fifty. At the last session the majority of the aldermen would not agree on any certain time and after voting on the matter some time it was laid over until the next meeting. Each councilman suggested some time limit, but none of them could get a majority vote on the time they favored.—Marion Leader.

BOWMAN-REBER

Happy Wedding of Well Known Young People

In the presence of about fifty guests Mr. Van Bowman was united in marriage to Miss Nannie Reber last Saturday at 5:00 p. m. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Reber, who live seven miles southwest of the city, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. A. Sprague. The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white silk. The groom wore the conventional black. A beautiful luncheon was served. The young people received a number of fine presents.

MISS ROHER DEAD

Well Known Berne Lady Died last Evening

Lydia Roher, sister of Editor Fred Roher, died last evening at eight o'clock after an illness of several months with dropsy. The deceased was born in Berne Switzerland, January 7, 1881, and came to America with her parents, May 11, 1883. Her age was 23 years, 7 months and 24 days. She leaves her aged parents, four brothers and one sister all older than herself. Two brothers and six sisters preceded her in death. She suffered severely from the time her condition took a change for the worse until yesterday evening when death relieved her. She was a member of the Mennonite church where the funeral service will be held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock.