

Some Useful Presents

SILVER PLATED KNIVES AND FORKS
SILVER PLATED TEA AND TABLE SPOONS
CARVING SETS
RAZORS
POCKET KNIVES
SCISSORS AND SHEARS
TIMBALE IRONS
WASHING MACHINES
WRINGERS

And last, but not least, a

Banner Steel Range

Buck's Cash Hardware

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Julia Work spent Wednesday at Chicago.

Alva Porter transacted business at Bourbon Saturday.

Mrs. S. S. Reed of Hibbard, spent Saturday morning here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jacoby spent Saturday at South Bend.

Mrs. Irvin Reisch of Argos, spent Saturday in this city.

Ray Clark of Hibbard, spent Saturday morning in this city.

Mrs. M. J. Bennett of Culver, was a Plymouth visitor Saturday.

Miss Tressie Hite of Bourbon, was a Plymouth caller Saturday.

Donald Rose of Argos, was a Plymouth visitor Friday evening.

M. C. Hamlin of Etna Green, was in this city on business Saturday.

Misses Nettie Corse and Lucy Hite were South Bend visitors Saturday.

Miss Hazel Cummings of Pierceton, was a Plymouth caller Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas Garwood of Burr Oak, spent Saturday morning in this city.

Mrs. Ralph Kleckner and Miss Grace Royste spent Saturday in South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Helsel are spending a few days with friends at South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Jacoby have gone to Elkhart, for a few days visit with relatives.

Mrs. Emma Baxter has gone to South Bend, to remain over Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. Catherine Trowbridge has gone to South Bend to spend a few days with relatives.

Dr. J. W. Orr of Rochester, was in this city Friday attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Bennett.

Mrs. Gail Potts of East Chicago, is in this city visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. North.

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Plymouth Kilwinning Lodge No. 149, F. and A. M., will meet Friday evening, Dec. 18th. Stated meeting and election of officers for 1909.

Whenever you see three farmers standin' t'gerher ther talkin' 'bout a ditch. A woman don't begin t' look purty till nine o'clock in th' mornin'. —Ae Martin.

Mrs. Anna Gardner of Lincoln, Neb., spent a couple of days with her cousin, Fred Shoemaker and family, in this city, enroute to Providence, Rhode Island.

The next session of the legislature will be stormed by Lake Wawasee cottagers, who want to prevent the Syracuse Cement company from dredging the lake for marl.

The Evangelical Sunday School will hold their Christmas meeting on Thursday, Dec. 24, at 7 p. m. A program appropriate to the occasion will be rendered. Everybody welcome.

Christmas exercises will be held at the Reformed church on Christmas eve, Thursday evening, Dec. 24. An interesting and appropriate program is being prepared and everybody is most cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woods of Babbels, North Dakota, who have been visiting with the family of Frank Pierce, in this city for a few days, went to New Troy, Mich., for a short visit with friends Saturday.

The terms of 31 United States senators, 18 Republicans and 13 Democrats, expire March 3, 1909. Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Maryland have chosen Democrats and Kentucky a Republican, while Vermont has chosen a legislature which will name two Republicans. The present senate is composed of 61 Republicans and 31 Democrats.

IN GERMAN UNIVERSITY.

Albert Hume Describes Method of Entrance and Study—Similar to American Institutions.

Leipzig, Nov. 7, 1908. The week has gone rapidly. We have heard from home. Your letters will come now and life will go a good deal as of old. We wish you could look in on us here, that you might realize how much we live as we always have.

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You may be interested in the method of entrance to the German university. The way it works out here practically, is that you go either to the Professor himself or his proxy to reserve your place. If he has a place you get it. If he has not you are out and it is regarded as a mere matter of fatality.

But assuming that you get all your places then you yourself write them down by title and number and name of Professor in your "Collegian Buch."

Then you pay the Quaestor whatever sum attaches to those courses—they vary greatly—and he receipts you in the book. On the last day of the course the Professor signs also. Thus you got in, you paid, you got out. So far as I know, there is no grade and no written record of attendance.

If you can pass your examination for a degree without coming to class—well and good. Men have been known to actually do that thing. So far as that is concerned it works out much the same with graduate students in American Universities and all here are graduate students.

During these first days it has been very pleasant to have visiting here Dr. Edward Burton Livingston of Carnegie Institute. He has been doing some work at Munich and came out here to visit Leipzig, among other universities, before going home.

He attended Prof. Pfleider's lectures while here and we had some visiting together. It helped a good deal to see him several times while the ice was broken.

Already the strangeness is much less. Even the lack of German is a sort of matter of course that we have gotten into the habit of expecting to outrun. As a matter of fact it will take some time to do that, though it is getting a little easier for me to read. The lectures do not begin to come very much yet.

A good many words I know and get some general idea but when it comes right down to the point I miss it. But it will improve.

My botany laboratory work is coming on for things look the same through a microscope in German as in English.

I read Strassburger's as fast as I can keep up with the laboratory work and by the time the lectures are understandable, I'll hope to have the information from reading. There is a lot of hard work, but it is the most delightful work as well. Among my instructors, Prof. Correns speaks slowly and very distinctly and will be a great help in learning the German. It will be pretty fine to get the language so we can pick acquaintances among our neighbors many of whom seem to be among the best in the world.

In some ways you would be shocked at the way the women work here. Nearly all the shops are tended entirely or partly by women. There seems to be a few exceptions in the larger stores down in the city. Women bring milk, haul apples, dig potatoes and one passes them on the street with a dog harnessed to a little wagon hauling what not. No doubt they do work extremely and one need have no patience with the extremity, but they are strong, these mothers of the sons of Germany. They are out doors, under the open sky, in the cold air, with earth under their feet, and in spite of hard work they seem to have health and some happiness, and a good deal of contentment to the credit side of life.

Contrast them with the other extreme. Nothing to do—slim and slender with no room for lungs and so artificial as not to know pure air. Shielding the sun off with a hand-sick, puny, idle, aimless, worthless, expensive, unhappy. If extremes there must be, it is easy to know which is best for the nation and the individual.

Try just one package of Pierce's Golden Blend Rio Coffee and you will use nothing else after you have tried it.

Among the Plymouth boys attending school who have returned to this city yesterday and today, to spend Christmas are Samuel Baker and Glen Cressner from Purdue, Glen Worthington, Harry Woodbury, Allen Goodrich of Indiana University, and Rudolph Shakes from Ann Arbor.

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Death of Mrs. Jacob Yazel.

Mrs. Nancy Marie Yazel died at her home one mile north of Inwood, at 4:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, aged 52 years, 10 months and 13 days. She was a widow of Jacob Yazel, who died two years ago. She has several children living, some of whom are married and live in other parts. The funeral was held at Mount Pleasant cemetery Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

Marriage License.

Byron N. Carpenter to Carrie J. Thompson.

Wilber Phillips Marshall county 21, to Bessie Armantrout, Marshall county 18.

bound. But what do you think a dressed hare costs—that is a Belgian hare—two or three times the size of one of our wild rabbits? Four marks if you please. We get several sorts of "Wurst," but in Germany the average people do not have meat every day. They cannot get it, because there are too many people and too little meat to go round. We may find in time there are more hungry people in Germany than we thought. About every day some one comes to the door begging. In the United States we have always been considerably of the opinion that begging was not necessary for any individual, at least not for long. That may be true everywhere. But take some cases in a country as densely populated as this and it makes a very important study.

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