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MONON ROUTE

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Time table No. 1, in effect Nov. 28, 1897.

South Bound.

No. 1—Louisville Mail	10:55 a. m.
No. 5—Chicago to Cincinnati, daily	10:55 a. m.
No. 23—Cincinnati to Louisville	1:45 p. m.
No. 39—Milwaukee accommodation	6:15 p. m.
No. 5—Louisville Express	6:15 p. m.
No. 45—Local freight	6:40 p. m.

North Bound.

No. 4—Mail	4:30 a. m.
No. 5—Milwaukee accommodation	7:31 a. m.
No. 22—Milwaukee stop.	7:55 a. m.
No. 6—Mail and express	3:27 p. m.
No. 30	6:32 p. m.
No. 38	7:57 p. m.
No. 46—Local freight	8:30 a. m.
No. 3—Milwaukee signal	7:52 p. m.
Daily except Sunday.	
Sunday only.	
No. 74 carries passengers between Monon and Lowell.	
Hammond has been made a regular stop for	
Number 38	

W. H. Beam, Agent.

Remington will celebrate the 4th of July this year.

Alf. McCoy of Kniman was on the streets Monday.

Dr. Berkley is visiting with his parents at Newman, Ill., this week.

Roy Blue went to Elwood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Leopold visited in Wolcott Sunday.

Thomas Cain is limping around with a sore foot. He stepped on the point of a rusty nail.

Bert Brenner a recent graduate of the Chicago College of Pharmacy returned to this city Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shroier of Barkley township went to Ohio last Saturday to visit Mrs. Shroier's mother who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Belle Brown who has been visiting here for two weeks past returned to her home in Francesville last Sunday.

Call on the Meyer Sisters for your summer hats. The very latest styles.

J. J. Montgomery went to Indianapolis Tuesday to see the soldier boys before they start for the front.

Chas. Malchow and wife visited with their daughter Mrs. Lena Swartz near Brookston last Sunday.

James Longstreath of Barkley township was called to Ohio last Monday by the serious illness of his mother. His wife accompanied him.

Mrs. O. C. Scott, of Delphi committed suicide last Thursday evening. The cause of the deed is credited to ill health and despondency.

Call on the Meyer Sisters for stylish millinery. First class goods and lowest prices.

Delos Thompson is building quite an addition to his already handsome house on Front street, and otherwise remodeling the same.

Mrs. Hershman is showing up a fine line of trimmed hats, selling them cheaper than any firm in town.

Will Burns of Barkley township purchased the old wind pump derrick on the corner of public square, and removed it Monday to his farm in Barkley township.

Rev. Jefferies of the Presbyterian church, Rev. Middleton, of M. E. church, and Sheppard of the Christian church each preached war sermons last Sunday.

One by one the old landmarks on and around the court house square are disappearing. Last Wednesday, the pump derrick at the north-west corner of the square was removed. Nothing remains as a reminder of "olden days" except a few trees, minus tops, and the "court house pump."

Dr. Carr of Monon was in the city last Saturday.

The Daughters of the American Revolution met, this week, at the residence of A. F. Long.

James Maanon and daughter of Kankakee township visited the Hub Tuesday.

Harmon Clark and G. J. Nickols of Wheatfield, were here on business, Tuesday.

W. H. Tyler, Reesen Dunn and D. E. Fairchild of DeMotte were in the city Tuesday.

George N. Dunn went to Indianapolis on the 1:30 train Tuesday to report for duty. He is a member of the state militia.

James Maloy has removed his barn to vacant lots owned by him, two blocks west of his present residence.

David Nowels has put in the foundation for a new brick building adjoining the one occupied by McColl & Coen.

Alfred Collins of Barkley township, who is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for sheriff, circulated among friends in the city Saturday.

Mesdames, M. L. Spitzer and C. W. Hanley, and Miss Maude Spitzer, attended the annual session of the Eastern Star Chapter, held at Indianapolis, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Special sale every Thursday, everything in fine Millinery at special rates. Ladies should attend these sales and secure some of the many bargains offered.

MISS COAD.

Merle Gwin of Rensselaer, came down Wednesday to spend a few days with Chas. Day. Merle had his right wrist broken last week while engaged in practice for their coming field day exercises.—Monon News.

Patronize home industries by smoking cigars manufactured in Rensselaer.

The contract for carrying the mail between Mt. Ayr and Rensselaer is one Ambrose A. Call of Ayera, Iowa. After July 1st, the mail from Mt. Ayr will arrive at 9:30 a. m. and leave at 11:30 a. m. on all days except Sunday.

At the municipal election at Danville, Ill., recently the democrats made a clean sweep, carrying a majority of the council. In 1896 the republican majority in Danville was nearly 1,000 in a total of 5,100 votes. The republicans have carried the city by large majorities for many years.

A. N. Lakin, D. W. Mellon, Marion O. Cooper and families returned from Florida last week, after a stay of three or four weeks. Messrs. Mellon and Lakin went on to Chicago, but Cooper stopped in Union township. John P. Petty, who went south a year or more ago, returned with them. They do not seem pleased with that particular section of the south.

In presenting a new bicycle to their pastor, Rev. H. M. Middleton, the church at Rensselaer probably wished to facilitate the reverend gentleman's work of pastoral visitation. No doubt he will take the hint so quietly given, and hereafter "double his diligence" in scouting around among the brothers and sisters of his beloved flock.—Winamac Democrat Journal.

New Bus Line.

Remley's new bus line makes all trains day and night. Calls for or delivers passengers to any part of the city. Headquarters, at the Makeever House.

Telephone 107 or 11.

JOHN REMLEY.

The Makeever house is undergoing a new coat of paint.

Walter Harrington who returned from the west last week says Jasper Co. is good enough for him.

Patronize home industries by smoking home made cigars.

Monticello will build quite an addition to her school buildings this summer.

John Jessen was over at Brook last week hustling for contracts for laying cement walks this summer.

Estil Pierson, the Republican candidate for County Clerk, returned last Saturday from a two weeks visit at Chicago Heights.

It is reported that a Hooperston youth became so patriotic on the Cuban question that he wanted his father to kill a Spanish rooster.

Mrs. T. J. McCoy returned last Sunday from a two weeks visit with her daughter, and other relatives at Buffalo New York.

Christian Church services, Sunday morning "The Spirit mastering the body." Sunday evening "The true and the false faith cure."

Saturday our ball players organized a ball team with a relay of 21 members. Wm. McMillin was chosen field Captain, W. E. Harry business manager and Fred Snyder Treasurer.—Brook Reporter.

It is not to be wondered at that the country is infested with hoboes and horse thieves, when one sees people who manage in some way, to exist year after year, and do not do a days work.

Bicycles repaired at lowest prices. A full line of bicycle sundries on hands for sale. All kinds of wheels ordered. Give me a call.

CHAR. GROW.

One door west of Makeever House.

General Lew Wallace has notified his friends and supporters of his race for the United States Senate, that he will not be a candidate for that office and that he will enter the army and fight for the Cubans.

John Lakin of Newton township received a dispatch from his son A. D. Lakin, who is now stationed at Tampa, Florida. He is a member of "Company A" 4th Infantry and until ordered south was one of the "Fort Sheridan boys."

Every democrat in the house or representatives voted to recognize the Cuban Republic, and all but two Democrats of the Senate voted for recognition. In the House all but three Republicans voted against it, while in the Senate two Democrats and nineteen Republicans voted against recognition.

Married on Thursday evening of last week at the residence of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Hollister, Mr. Henry Raymond Wood and Miss Pearl Louise Hollister. The wedding was private, the families of the contracting parties only being present. The Rev. H. M. Middleton assisted by Rev. C. D. Jeffries performed the ceremony. The City band serenaded them later in the evening.

A lecturer at Rochester gives the following patriotic word pictures of Uncle Sam's domain: "The United States is the seat and foundation of liberty, and any man of whatever nationality who does not recognize it as being bounded on the north by the aurora borealis, on the east by the rising sun, and on the south by the equinoxes and on the west by the day of judgement, should return to his native land and stay there."

The Wolcott Hay Co., has received an order from the War Department for 10 car loads of hay, to be sent immediately to Chattanooga Tenn.

J. A. Dodd of Walker township has recently returned from a trip over the "sunny south." During his trip he purchased a farm in Coffee County, Tenn. and expects to make it his future home.

Miss Fritz, daughter of Rev. Fritz, of the Missionary Baptist Church of this place came from Anderson Monday, to her new home in this city. She was accompanied by Miss Hattie Orcott of that city.

The total population of Spain at the present time is about 18,000,000, of this number 11,895,530 can neither read or write. No wonder they are perpetually at war with each other, and even anxious for a scrap with Uncle Sam.

Rev. David Halstead now residing at Andover, Dakota is visiting Arthur Spinney. Mr. Halstead was a long time resident of Jasper county and once the county auditor. Years ago he preached here to the Adventists in Mills' Hall.—Goodland Herald.

Lewis W. Hunt and wife who have been visiting relatives in this county returned to their home at Boseda, Michigan last Tuesday. Mr. Hunt is a brother of our townsmen J. J. Hunt, and his wife is the daughter of William H. Mills of near Mt. Ayr. Mr. Hunt is the agent of the Vandalia R. R. at Boseda Michigan.

The post office authorities have advertised for carrying the mails between Rensselaer and Mt. Ayr. Just why this primitive mode of mail carrying should be resorted to, for a town already situated on a line of railroad, is not apparent.—Remington Press.

The reason is very plain Bro. and is because the "cow" path road is a great deal slower and more uncertain than the primitive mode of carrying the mails.

The farmers are elated over the excellent prospect for a good oats crop. With the increasing acreage and prospect for good prices the crop will under favorable conditions be the most valuable crop, of that cereal ever raised in the county.

The Missionary Baptists are circulating a paper to secure subscriptions to build a new Church near the Benson cemetery, in Millroy township. The Church is to be located near the home of Rev. D. J. Huston a former pastor of the Baptist congregation of this city. Quite a number of our citizens responded with liberal contributions.

Commissioner Martindale circulated a paper Monday asking for subscriptions to purchase a new flag for the court house. The "big flag" is liable to be damaged by high winds and to valuable to be exposed in damp weather, and the one to be purchased is to be used on days when it is too damp or windy to use the big one. Our citizens showed their patriotism by liberal contributions.

Operations were resumed at the stone crusher on Thursday after four months shut down for the winter. "It will take several days to empty the large pit of the winter rains before the work of taking out stone can begin. The company already has several good orders for macadam and the prospects are that the crusher will be kept running day and night through the entire season.—Monon News.

The War Situation.

TROOPS ARE ASSEMBLING

125,000 Volunteer Soldiers Called For.

War Formally Declared and Fierce Battles May Occur at any Moment.

There is so much and yet so little to be said about the war situation that it is difficult to give a true synopsis of the case. Event after event and capture after capture has crowded so fast one upon another and the public interest is worked up that the generality of people has perhaps informed itself through the medium of the great dailies as the main situation, that there remains but the latest facts to be told.

The following is the list of Spanish prizes captured by American ships since the war began:

Date	Prize	Captor
April 22	Str. <i>Buena Ventura</i> , Cruiser Nashville	
April 22	Ste. <i>Pedro</i>	Cruiser New York
April 22	Fishing schooner	Torpedo boat
April 23	Schooner <i>Methilde</i>	Torpedo boat Porter
April 23	Schooner <i>Condida</i>	Gunboat Wilmington
April 23	Str. <i>Catalina</i>	Cruiser Detroit
April 24	Str. <i>Satsuma</i>	Riverine cutter Winona
April 24	Schooner <i>Antonio</i>	Torpedo boat Porter
April 25	Ste. <i>Panama</i>	Lighthouse tender Manzanillo
April 25	Sloop <i>Paqueta</i>	Gunboat Newport
April 25	Schooner <i>Pirene</i>	Gunboat Newport
April 27	Ambrose Bolivar	Monitor Terror

So far it is not positively known that any American boat has been captured by the Spaniards, but a recent dispatch from the Philippines islands via Spain's capitol says that the Spanish gunboat El Cano has arrived in port with the American *Bar Saracan*.

The guns from the Havana fortress have sent a few scattering shots at our blockade fleet which were not returned by the Americans. In the capture of several of the vessels several lively races took place, but after a few shots from our vessels the enemy always have surrendered without any blood being shed.

It is confidently expected that our fleet now in Philippine waters, will come in conflict with the Spanish gunboats in the very near future—perhaps before the end of the week. In the meantime the officials have been doing their utmost to get the army and navy into the very best shape possible.

A call has been issued by the President for 125,000 troops which have perhaps been more than raised by the present time. In response to the call the governors of the several states have called for the state militia to assemble and be reorganized ready for the field. The regular army is being increased from 27,000 to 61,000 troops, and the regulars are being rushed across the continent at the fastest speed possible to the old battle-fields at Chickamauga, which is now over-run by infantry, cavalry and artillery companies.

At Springfield, Ill., 10,000 state troops are assembled at the fair grounds, at Indianapolis a like number of Indiana guards are in camp, the same is the case all over the nation. A paper of the date of the 28th, says the only trouble is to discriminate who shall go to war, there being so many more applicants than places for men. If the President wanted an army of 1,000,000, instead of