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MONTICELLO SCHOOLS WERE SUSPENDED

In Order to Give the Janitor a Chance to Renovate the Rooms and Get Rid of Bed Bugs.

Monticello Journal:

Last year scarlet fever caused a dismissal of the schools in Monticello. This year it is bed bugs. A week ago Wednesday, Miss Orton discovered some queer insects crawling about on the walls of her school room, but thought they were some plant life that had been brought in on flowers or leaves by the children, but on going home her mother discovered what she pronounced to be a genuine bed bug on Miss Orton's waist. The next morning an alarm was raised and an investigation commenced, which developed the fact that the whole northwest corner of the room was literally alive with them, and they were found crawling around the room on floor and walls. The primary grade was dismissed and the work of fumigation and destruction commenced at once, but up to Tuesday evening you could scarcely see that any diminution had been made in the numbers. Monday they were discovered in the 8th grade room, which is just over Miss Orton's room, and Tuesday it was concluded that it would be a wise plan to dismiss the school in the afternoon and fumigate the entire building. The eighth grade had been dismissed in the morning.

Where they came from it is hard to say, but it is the general opinion that bats and swallows have colonized them in the big chimney and the heat of the furnace when it was started last week, started them to crawling out into the building. Some are of the opinion though, that their progenitors were snugly housed in the lumber used in the rebuilding of the school house, and that they have been multiplying along from year to year, and that conditions have been unusually good this year for the propagation of the "varmints" until they had to set up a migration and seek for new worlds to conquer.

Be that as it may, the "pesky things" are there and the housewives of the town, as well as the teachers and pupils, are very much put out about it.

After canvassing the situation carefully Wednesday afternoon, it was concluded that it would be the best policy to dismiss all of the schools until Monday, and go after the matter in a systematic way all over the building. They are getting the upper hand of the critters and it is thought that they can be controlled now.

No time will be lost, as the teachers will take their visiting days now instead of later in the term.

Death of Mrs. W. A. Green.

Mrs. W. A. Green died Wednesday night at about 9 o'clock at their residence on the Wm. McElreath farm, 6 miles northeast of this city. Mrs. Green has been in very poor health for several months, but was feeling no worse yesterday than she has been for some time. About 20 minutes before she died she retired and was at once taken ill. She had difficulty in getting her breath and before aid could be summoned she had passed away. It is probable that her heart and lungs both were diseased. She leaves a husband and eight children. Two of the daughters reside at home and Clarence resides near Surrey and Everett resides in Walker township. Two children reside in Boone county, Ind., and two in Illinois. The funeral arrangements have been withheld until word can be received from some of the children, but it is probable that the body will be shipped to Thorntown on the 10:55 train Friday, where the funeral will be held.

Marriage Licenses.

Oct. 6.—George Franklin Moore, born Jasper county March 8, 1886, present residence Rensselaer, occupation fireman, father's name William Moore, and Etha Honor Fleming, born Jasper county Sept. 26, 1890, present residence Rensselaer, occupation housekeeper, father's name Ephraim Fleming, deceased, 1st marriage for each.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

On Thursday, October 16th, we will have with us a representative from one of the largest cloak houses in this country. Any lady thinking of buying coat or suit cannot afford to miss this opportunity.

ROWLES & PARKER.

UNCONCERNED.



The Commoner: "Oh, well, never mind! There are plenty of other bubbles where that came from."

John Churchill Dies at Lafayette.

John Churchill died at the Lafayette hospital last Tuesday morning between 8 and 9 o'clock. It was reported here last Saturday that he was dead, and later word was received that he was getting along very nicely. Monday evening at about 7 o'clock, however, word was received here that he was sinking very fast and that it was thought he could not live through the night. His brother Fenton went down on the 11 o'clock train. Word was received of his death this morning together with the information that the body would be brought here on the 6:32 train this evening.

John went to the St. Elizabeth hospital about five weeks ago to be treated. He had been feeling poorly for several weeks before and finally decided to enter a hospital. His disease was diagnosed as typhoid fever. Deceased was a surveyor and was well known in and about Rensselaer. He was about 42 years of age, and was unmarried.

Just Issued.

Every reader of this article who has idle money, is requested to write for a little booklet just issued, that explains a first real estate mortgage, with a good rate of interest and glit edge security back of it. All successful farmers, business men, school teachers, bankers, professional men and capitalists are especially invited to read the book. It gives good photographs of the land and its products and explains the method of a 6 per cent first mortgage real estate bond issue. The Marion Trust Company, of Indianapolis, Ind., is trustee. The book will be mailed free upon request by writing W. J. Stapish Anderson, Ind. You must act without delay or you will miss more than you realize. Successful farmers should be especially interested.

Eugene Dilly Found.

Eugene Dilly, formerly of Rensselaer, who disappeared from his home at Trafalgar several weeks ago, has been found at Chatsworth, Ill., according to a telegram from Franklin, and has been returned to his home. Because of a blow which he received on his head several years ago, Dilly has at times been insane, and it is presumed that he was demened when he left home.

New canned goods just arriving at the Home Grocery are opening fine.

Seemed to Like the Devil.

While the attendance was not up to the expectation at the opera house Monday night to see "The Devil," there was a tolerably good sized audience, and the performance was greatly appreciated. It was a very able company and the difficult parts were so cleverly taken as to create the most favorable criticism.

"The Devil" is a new play, produced for the first time in this country only a few weeks ago, and it is quite remarkable for a really new play to reach the country so soon after its city production, even while it is a city craze. Some people pronounced it the best play they had ever seen in a Rensselaer opera house.

Membership Change in Fire Department.

The fire department held a meeting Monday night and accepted the resignation of Fred Hemphill, who had been a member since the organization more than two years ago. Fred resigned because he was unable to take the time away from his business. Cecil Clouse was then voted a member to fill the vacancy made by Fred's resignation. Clouse is now employed by the city as a laborer and he boards with City Teamster Zea, who lives over the fire engine house, and in the future there will always be two firemen right at hand when the alarm is given. The efficiency of the department continues to improve with age.

Keener Files Remonstrance.

A remonstrance has been filed from Keener township containing 88 names, and assuring that the little village of DeMotte will be saloonless for another two years. The good people up there did not wait to have the county vote dry, but employed the means at hand to keep rid of saloons. It is now about two years since the saloon was chased out of DeMotte by remonstrance.

Funeral of Louis Wildberg.

The funeral of Louis Wildberg occurred this Tuesday morning from the late residence on Cullen street, and in deference to his long business career here all business houses were closed between the hours of 10 and 11, and many of our citizens attended the funeral, which was conducted by Rabbi Krass, of Lafayette. Interment was made in Weston cemetery.

Dilley Was Not Found.

The telegram from Franklin stating that Eugene Dilley had been found at Chatsworth, Ill., was a mistake. It proved not to be Dilley.

His wife is still trying to find him, and the Republican has received a postal card containing his picture and a description of him, sent out from Trafalgar under date of Oct. 6th, and Mrs. Dilley makes an appeal to all editors to help her in finding her husband. The card reads as follows:

Trafalgar, Ind., Oct. 6, '08

Editor Republican:

Dear Sir:—My husband, Eugene Dilley, has been missing since July 25. He was injured on the head several years ago and was operated on for pressure of the brain but has since had spells of mental trouble. He always wanders away from home and does not seem to know who he is or where he belongs. Mr. Dilley is 39 years of age, 5 feet, 8½ inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, black hair, blue eyes, dark mustache and has a horse-shoe-shaped scar on left side of head nearly concealed by hair. He is a man of good education, quiet, steady and a great lover of home. We have had several traces of him but he seems to go from place to place always trying to get home. \$25 reward will be paid for information that will lead to his whereabouts. If found, detain him and telegraph to us or write if you can give information. Respectfully,

MRS. BELLE DILLEY,

Trafalgar, Indiana.

Republican Speaking.

Republican speaking has been arranged for as follows:

Oct. 10—Attorney G. A. Williams at Fair Oaks.

Oct. 15—Attorney Frank Foltz at some point in Barkley township.

Oct. 16—Judge S. P. Thompson, at Parr, during the afternoon; Attorney G. A. Williams at Parr at night.

Oct. 16—W. A. Ball, of Muncie, and Henry M. Dowling, of Indianapolis, will hold a big meeting at Wheatfield.

Chairman Leopold has appointed Attorney Chas. M. Sands, of this city, to look after the speaking dates in the out of town townships and he is giving it diligent attention.

No matter how much your neighbors praise Aristos flour, you will not believe it is better than any of the others until you try it—then you will know. It costs but \$1.40 a sack at

JOHN EGER'S.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT ROSELAWN

East Side of the Town Wiped Out By Flames Tuesday Night—I. N. Best and Family Have Close Call.

Roselawn, a small town in Newton county, about 17 miles north of this city, was visited by a disastrous fire Tuesday night, practically the entire business section east of the Monon tracks being wiped out. The fire originated in the back part of I. N. Best's livery stable, and himself and family were awakened at about 11:30 o'clock by the noise the horses were making in their frantic efforts to free themselves. Mr. Best and family resided over the stable and he hurried down to see what the trouble was and was met by a volume of fire and smoke as he opened the door that led to the stable. He ran back up stairs and himself, wife, daughter and Mrs. Best's brother made their escape clad only in their night clothes.

The barn and residence and all they contained were destroyed, including nine horses, two cows, all his household goods and all the clothing of the family.

The flames then communicated to buildings on both sides of the livery barn, and the Roselawn hotel, which Mr. Best had just bought, the W. T. Kight saloon, the room formerly occupied by George Steel's saloon, which is a two story building having a public hall above. It was occupied by a pool room and soft drink restaurant run by Steel. The Mellinger building, where the old "Seven Points"

saloon was conducted but for some time unoccupied, was next consumed. Then came the office and store room of the Roselawn Lumber Co., and next to it the large lumber shed containing a large stock of lumber, all of which was destroyed. Zack Scifres, of Salem Ind., who owns a part of the Templeton ranch, was a guest at another hotel, and his fine iron gray driving team was in the livery barn and was destroyed. The hotel was not occupied, having been recently vacated by Aug. Schrieber. It was a three story building.

So narrow was the escape of the Best family that they did not have time to put on even their shoes or even to gather up their clothing. They went to the home of friends and were supplied temporarily with clothing and the following morning went to Lowell to buy things to wear.

The origin of the fire is a great mystery, but it is thought that it must have been the work of an incendiary. The total loss is probably about \$20,000, and the insurance was small. Mr. Best had about \$1,500 on his barn and contents, but this is a small amount compared to his loss. He had just purchased the hotel and was preparing to furnish it. Mr. Best was formerly sheriff of White county, and is a well known temperance man, and had been instrumental in remonstrance interests at Roselawn.

Moore-Fleming Wedding Wednesday

At 12 o'clock Wednesday at the residence of William Moore occurred the marriage of their son, George Franklin and Miss Etha Honor Fleming. About 40 or 50 relatives and intimate friends had gathered to witness the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. G. W. Payne, grandfather of the groom.

After the ceremony had been performed and the young couple had received the congratulations of the guests all were seated at a sumptuous wedding dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore left on the 2:01 train for West Point, where they will visit friends for a few days. The groom is employed as a fireman at the Babcock & Hopkins elevator, and they will make their home in Rensselaer.

You can save \$5 on your cloak or suit. Sale days Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 14th and 15th.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

A palate pleasure—butter-scotch drip syrup at the Home Grocery.

John Churchill's Funeral Friday.

The body of John Churchill arrived on the 6:32 train Tuesday evening, and was taken to the home of his father, Wm. H. Churchill, north of the Monon railroad, where he had resided. The funeral will be held at his residence Friday morning.

Telegrams announcing his death have been sent to his brothers, who are scattered over the country, and it is hoped that they may all arrive here for the funeral. Fenton O. Churchill, one of the brothers, is the only one at home. Herman is in Tennessee, Marion A. is at Randall, Minn., and the other brothers, Atwood, Luther and Thomas, are also in the west.

Mr. Churchill was the engineer for the Marion and Carpenter township gravel roads, and the commissioners have appointed W. Frank Osborne, as his successor.

Special Cloak and Suit Opening at Rowles & Parker's, Thursday, Oct. 15th.

See the new bread mixer only \$1.95. CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

REPUBLICAN SPEAKING TO BE AT ARMORY

Friday Night Meeting Should Attract Voters from Far and Near—Don't Miss It.

Owing to the fact that the opera house is engaged for the week, the republican meeting will be held at the armory Friday night, Oct. 9th, at 7:30 o'clock. The speaker as previously announced will be George Edward Reid, president of Dickenson college. He is reported to be a forceful speaker and thoroughly able to discuss all of the issues before the voters this fall. He will be accompanied here by the Ladies' Hemenway Glee Club, a quartette of fine singers from Huntington. They are

proving a great attraction wherever they sing and every person in Rensselaer and surrounding country should want to hear them. The recently organized Rensselaer Watson Octette composed of eight male voices, will also sing their many campaign songs, and they will aid in making the meeting a huge success.

Men should bring their wives and children to this big meeting. Remember, you don't have to be a republican to come. Everybody is welcome.