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## A Republican Panic.

The Jasper County Democrat this week printed the following paragraph in its local columns:

"Lyman Raymond, of Jordan township, is promised that new automobile by the 15th of this month, but he is not certain whether he will get it or not. This is one of the three machines that were to have been delivered Oct. 1, but owing to the crowded condition of the factory they could not be had. William Washburn has allowed Mr. Raymond to take the first of the three, although he was the first buyer."

Now, what do you think of an indiscretion of that sort in a democratic paper that has been howling that conditions in this country were such that the honest American farmer would never get out from under his load, and that all the factories were shut down and that the country was going pell-mell to the how-ows. And the American farmer is asked to contribute to the democratic campaign fund to ward off the evils of republican legislation, and at the same time the automobile factories are so crammed up with orders that they can't come any where near keeping up with them. And the purchases of the output are farmers. The two men named in the paragraph are democratic farmers, too, but they are great, broad, sensible men, and they have by their industry and thrift progressed in worldly ways within the past twelve years and aided in disproving the Bryan claim of 18-6 that the gold standard was dragging the American farmer to ruin. And the same paper that records the fact that automobile factories are pushed to the limit to meet their orders in order to supply farmers with automobiles, declares that there is a panic existing and that to forestall it the farmers of the country should contribute to the cause of electing William Jennings Bryan to the presidency.

Automobiles and 75 cent corn for the farmers.

And the Jasper County Democrat wants you to join the democratic 30 cent club, have your name appended to the "sucker" list and go back to 20 cent corn and free trade.

But the American farmer won't do it. He knows when he is well off. He voted by the tens of thousands for McKinley and for Roosevelt, and he will do it again for Taft and continued prosperity, for he has nothing to regret because he did it before.

There are hundreds of farmers in Indiana that want to order automobiles during 1909, but they will have to preserve prices in order to do it. And they will undoubtedly look back over the past twelve years and say to themselves: "This is good enough for me; I guess I will give Bryan another pass up. He was wrong in 1896; he was wrong in 1900; and he is wrong again. I think I would like a dunce to howl when the corn is worth 75 cents. I want that automobile."

And with Taft for president and American labor protected by a republican tariff, and business of all kinds having the assurance of fair play without needless persecution, the price of farm products will continue to be such that the American farmer can have an automobile if he wants one.

A Republican Panic—Automobile factories running over time to supply machines for the American farmer. Relief advised—Join the Bryan 30 cent club.

Great Scott, such consistency.

## Marriage Licenses.

Oct. 14—James Nathan Keen, born Jasper county, Ind., Sept. 18th, 1874, present residence Wheatfield, occupation harness maker. To Edna Dee Jessup, born in Illinois Jan. 24th, 1883, present residence Hanna, Laporte county, occupation housekeeper. 1st marriage for each.

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Any person having an unsettled account with Wm. A. Churchill, deceased, will please call within thirty days and settle the same with Wm. H. or Fenton O. Churchill, one block north of depot, Rensselaer, Ind.

WM. H. CHURCHILL AND SONS, Oct. 13, 1908. o.16-23-30w

You will save money and get the Michigan stock, by buying your potatoes of the G. E. Murray Co.

We will have 3 cars of Fancy Ripe Michigan Potatoes on and after Oct. 16th. 5 bushel lots and over out of car 73c a bushel; 75c a bushel delivered. JOHN EGER.

## WHAT A DULL WORLD THIS WOULD BE UNLESS WE HAD A LAUGH NOW AND THEN.



—Camden Courier.

## IN DEFENSE OF THE AMERICAN SOLDIER

### Cowardly Assault of the Jasper County Democrat Resented, and Its Author Branded a Traitor.

The most outrageously false and insulting language that we have ever seen used in reference to the regular soldier in the United States army, and the most cowardly and unpatriotic ever used in the local columns of any newspaper, appeared in the Jasper County Democrat this week. To exhibit the full peridy and shamefulness of the writer, be it of her Frank E. Babcock or John Jessen, we publish the paragraph in full just as it appeared in the Democrat in its Wednesday issue, this week.

"A company of soldiers camped here Friday night, enroute from Indianapolis to Chicago. They were regulars and had all their train with them consisting of three or four wagons and an ambulance. This ambulance would not have held a tenth of these defenders of the country, if they could have gotten half the whiskey the different members attempted to buy. A worse booze histing gang has never struck the town before, but be it said to the credit of our druggists, we did not hear of any of them that got their 'prescriptions' filled. These 'prescriptions' bore the name of a local physician, who did what he could to satisfy their thirst."

Believing this to be a libel on the American soldier the writer of this article made the most careful investigation of the allegations contained in the article, and finds it to be a lie, mischievous and malicious and traitorous.

Marshal W. S. Parks was one of the first persons interviewed by the writer in regard to the assault on the soldier. He said that he was on the street throughout the evening and never saw the slightest impropriety or the slightest evidence of intoxication of any soldier, and he saw no effort on the part of any soldier to procure liquor.

E. M. Thomas, night watch, was consulted. He was on the street all evening and all night. He did not think that many of the soldiers came down town. There were two or three little squads and they were talking with citizens and there was not a thing out of the way with their conduct. He did not see any of them drunk, nor drinking, and does not think they were. He says the charge that they were a bad lot of "booze histers" is false. Two soldiers did ask him where there was a doctor

and he told them, and they went to Dr. Merrill's office and came down and went into a drug store and he watched them. They went straightway across the river and to the soldier camp ground and did not come back to town. That was the only case he saw and he watched all night. It was the night of the republican speaking at the armory and there was a show at the opera house, and there were not many people on the streets.

Willis J. Innes, clerk at Fendig's drug store, was interviewed. He had been approached by two soldiers with a prescription from Dr. Merrill. He refused to fill it, as it called for whiskey. No others asked him. Mr. Fendig was interviewed. No soldier asked him to fill a prescription and none asked for liquor.

Bert Brenner, clerk at A. F. Long's drug store, was interviewed. Two wagoners, not enlisted soldiers, but civilian employees, who are hired to drive the wagons, came to him with a prescription from Dr. Merrill. It called for whiskey and he refused to fill it. They did not appeal to Mr. Long and they were the only two men in any manner connected with the soldiers who were passing through Rensselaer from Fort Benjamin Harrison, near Indianapolis, to Fort Sheridan, near Chicago, who tried to procure liquor at that drug store.

George Hopkins, clerk for Joe Larsh at his drug store, was approached by the same two wagoners with the prescription from Dr. Merrill. He refused to sell them, and they did not get any whiskey. Neither he nor Druggist Larsh were approached by any other soldiers wanting liquor. Mr. Larsh said that several of the soldiers were in his store, bought cigars and tobacco and souvenir postal cards, but that none of them asked him for whiskey or liquor.

Sheriff O'Connor was on the street that evening and so was his son and deputy, Joe O'Connor. Both said that they saw and conversed with some of the soldiers, and that they were an intelligent and nice lot of men. And Mr. O'Connor pulled a card out of his pocket that one of the enlisted soldiers had given him. Sheriff O'Connor served fourteen years in the American navy, and he was personally much pained to see that a newspaper published in the United States could so abuse and misrepresent the regular soldier.

Mayor Ellis was seen. He sold tickets to the theatre to some of the

soldiers, and a number of them went to the show. They were orderly and well behaved, clean and their conduct above reproach. Mayor Ellis remarked that they were an unusually fine lot of soldiers.

Postmaster Murray also came into contact with several of the soldiers and they passed his residence as they went to and from the camp to the city. He said that their conduct was irreproachable at all times.

Harry Kiplinger, who runs the pool room, said he saw a few of the soldiers and that they were all well behaved and none showed the slightest evidence of dissipation.

Van Grant, who conducts one of the restaurants and ice cream parlors, said that several of the soldiers visited his place of business, bought some tobacco and sodas and were perfectly orderly and that he did not see one thing out of the way with them.

Vernon Nowels, who also conducts a restaurant and ice cream parlor, said that a number of the soldiers visited his restaurant, bought tobacco and other things and were exemplary in their behavior and that none of them showed any signs of intoxication.

C. Arthur Tuteur, first sergeant of the local militia company, visited the camp and talked with the officers, and was told that there were not to exceed ten or fifteen of the soldiers that used liquor. The officers spoke with just pride of the morals of their men.

Lieutenant Miller, battalion quartermaster, who contracted and paid for the rations for the men and animals bought here, settled with Druggist Fendig for some purchases, taking the government receipts as is required. After the settlement Mr. Fendig offered him a cigar. He declined, with thanks, saying that he neither used tobacco or liquor, and explaining that as soldiers they knew what was best for them and that their work could not be performed properly if they were guilty of dissipation.

The soldiers marched from Monon to Rensselaer on Friday and from Rensselaer to the Otis ranch, north of Fair Oaks on Saturday, and this would have been impossible had they been guilty of the false charges so contemptibly made in the Jasper County Democrat.

And this creates the wonder as to where the Democrat stands on the matter of a United States army, and the further wonder as to how they stand on the republican policy of pensioning the men who were the "defenders of their country" from 1861 to 1865. And it makes us wonder where Frank E. Babcock and John Jessen would have stood with their newspaper had they been publishing one during those years when a patriot was known by the way he walked.

The American soldiers of today and the soldiers of the past are due an apology from this strapping big pair of cowards who publish the paper that "knocks" everything and everybody that fails to meet their ideals of successful citizenship.

And some will ask, "Why didn't this paper that self boasts of its fearless exposition of wrong doers print the

## HEAR CRUMPACKER NEXT TUESDAY

### Our Representative in the National Congress Will Be Here to Address All of the People.

Congressman Crumpacker will speak at the opera house next Tuesday evening. He comes to meet the people that he has been representing for the past twelve years and to tell them what the congress of the United States has been doing and wherein the legislation that this country has enacted during all these years has contributed to the prosperity of the nation and has made it the greatest nation on the face of the globe. He comes to make his bi-ennial report to his constituents, democrats, prohibitionists, socialists and republicans, and he would like to be greeted by a full

house. The farmer can afford to drive to town that evening to hear Mr. Crumpacker speak and his wife should assert her right to come along and if any one wants to know about any measure that has passed or is pending in the national house of representatives, we feel safe in saying that Congressman Crumpacker will inform them.

Don't let your politics keep you away; this is a meeting for the men and women of all parties, and the strangers can have the front seats if they will only come.

The speech will be a good sound argument and none should miss it.

name of the doctor that "did what he could to satisfy their thirst." Was it because Dr. Merrill is a democrat and opposed to county local option?

Come, neighbors, clear up your minds and inspire a bit of real patriotism and don't insult and lie about "these defenders of the country."

## Real Charity from Barkley.

The ladies of the Women's Home Missionary Society of the Barkley M. E. church believe in the exemplification of their name, and last Saturday they visited the Monnet Children's Home, each one bringing some useful article. As a result of their visit the home received 1 1/2 bushels of potatoes, some beets, turnips, sweet potatoes, cabbage, apples, pears, tomatoes, 22 quarts of fruit, milk, eggs, two cakes, some clothing and \$7 in cash. It was like the visit of a good angel, and the splendid ladies of the Barkley Home Missionary Society have engaged in a bit of practical missionary work that every person should approve. To Miss Minnie Messner, matron of the home, and her little flock of girls, it brought real joy, and as Miss Messner wrote to the Republican, "I am sure the ladies have no idea how thankful we are, and how much good any little favor does us."

Mrs. Wilson is still away and Miss Messner is very busy with the little ones. She writes, "We have four new girls; one from McKeesport, Pa., one from Mt. Airy and two from Chicago." The inmates of the home range from five to twelve years of age, and they are having a splendid home, with the best moral influences surrounding them.

The Republican has always felt proud that it helped to secure for this home its first assistance in Rensselaer. That was almost a year ago. It wouldn't come amiss if the good people would extend them some further aid at the approach of winter.

## Prof. J. H. Snoddy is Dead.

A letter from James L. Alter, the Hoosier traveler, postmarked Miller, S. Dak., tells of the death of Prof. J. H. Snoddy. It says: "Many of our old Jasper county teachers and people will feel sad to learn that Prof. J. H. Snoddy departed this life Tuesday, the 6th day of October, 1908. His age was 71 years, 4 months. His trouble was heart failure. He leaves a wife and eight children to mourn his loss. He was an ex-county superintendent of Jasper county and the county's best teacher till the fall of 1882 at which time he and his family moved to St. Lawrence, S. Dak., and for some time he was professor in the college there. He removed thence to Miller, where he resided until his death."

## Republicans Nominate in Milroy.

Milroy township nominated a mighty good ticket Wednesday. For trustees they have put up the man who is now successfully conducting that office, namely, G. L. Parks. For assessor they have nominated S. E. Johnson, who is also a good citizen. This ticket should commend itself to all the substantial voters of Milroy township.

Good fresh eggs 22 cents per doz. CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

## Married at Methodist Parsonage.

Mr. James Nathan Keen, of Wheatfield, and Miss Edna Dee Jessup, of Hanna, accompanied by her sister, Miss Susie A. Jessup, and Mr. Andrew J. Knapp, drove to Rensselaer Wednesday and after the two first named had procured a marriage license, repaired to the M. E. parsonage and were married, Rev. H. L. Kindig performing the ceremony. They are a very fine young couple, and will make their home at Wheatfield, where the groom is successfully engaged in the harness business and where he is regarded as one of the substantial business men of the community. The bride is also one of the most popular young ladies of her home town.

From here they went to Godland, and after a short visit there, they will take up their residence at Wheatfield.

## Delivery Wagon Overturned.

H. C. Hoshaw suffered a fracture of the tip end of the fibula, or small bone of the right leg Wednesday afternoon and Chas. F. Rhoades was somewhat bruised up by the overturning of E. S. Rhoades' delivery wagon.

Both were in the seat of the covered wagon and Charley was driving a young horse that had not been hitched to a covered equipage before. They were near A. Battleday's residence in the northwest part of town when the horse discovered what it was hitched to, and it backed and turned so suddenly that the wagon was pitched over on its side. Mr. Hoshaw will be laid up for two or three weeks, and Rhoades will be laid up for a few days. The wagon was not much damaged, and Rhoades held firmly to the horse and kept it from running away.

Now is the very best time to buy Xmas goods in fancy work, at Mrs. Goff's, as she expects to close out her fancy work between now and Xmas, all except embroidery threads and stamping, which she will continue with her corset business. She has the most complete line of stamping patterns in the city and is continually buying new. She also has a fine line of pillow cords, pillow tops and center pieces with work started and free instruction given. Also pillow case linen, belts and pine cushion forms. After a year's study in the corsetier's art and her week's instruction at Madisonville, Pa., under some of the very best eastern corsetiers and instructors, Mrs. Goff now feels she is in a position to give entire satisfaction to her patrons.

Eggs that comply with the pure food law, 22c per dozen. CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

Your wife wants a new sewing machine. Why not get her the very best and have it last a life time. Worland has the FREE, the best ever manufactured.

The highest market price for your eggs and butter. CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

DON'T buy a sewing machine until you see the FREE at Worland's furniture store. Will put it up against any machine ever manufactured, and I am selling it at a rock bottom price, either cash or on installments. See it before you buy.