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One thing is sure, Bill will be elected.

Mr. Taft and Mr. Bryan each says he will be elected.

Be patient. It will last only a little over two weeks longer.

Harry Thaw recently bought 15,000 cigarettes. Keep him where he is.

This is an exceptional campaign. All the candidates for president are taking the stump except the one who is in jail.

A wind-jammer is usually built that way to make up for a lack of brain. Nature abhors a vacuum and in this case it is trying to provide something to fill the vacancy.

The American Meat Packers' Association in session in Chicago endorsed the present government laws controlling the meat business. There were 700 packers in attendance.

The supreme court of Wisconsin has declared as unconstitutional the eight hour telegraphers' law, enacted in 1907. The law is declared to be in conflict with the federal constitution in some of its provisions.

Ohio has become a doubtful state, according to reports. The state, which at first seemed safe for Taft, is now being disputed by the Bryan managers. The republican politicians have become quite concerned over the situation and will double their efforts to keep Ohio in the republican column.

When it comes to honesty and purity no one political party is blessed with a monopoly of these virtues. Each party is made up of only men, and when a speaker comes before the people claiming that his party is the only one having pure motives and the interests of the people at heart you can stamp that man as one who will wilfully misrepresent to gain a point. It is not a question as to which party has the majority of honest men, as there is no difference in this respect, but it is a question as to which is advocating the soundest and safest policies to perpetuate the best interests of the people in all the various avenues of business and labor.

The country had better have a socialistic form of government rather than to live under the regime of a few great trusts and corporations manipulated by a handful of capitalists. That would be as bad as a monarchy. If we are to have great trusts the people should own them, not a few men. We want either an honest competitive system of the true American quality or a socialistic system. In fact, we are likely to have one or the other, perhaps socialism, unless the great corporations are crushed and made to keep within limits, so that honest competition in all commercial lines can have fair play. The competitive system, when rightly regulated, is the ideal form of government and well adapted to the soil of free America, that is, when it is really free.

VIEW OF THE PRESS.

It is impossible to believe that it will ever be safe to run at 60 miles an hour at night any vehicle not confined to tracks and not running its own roadway, kept free from obstructions, whatever the drivers may hold in the way of safety for motorists who insist upon traveling at limited train speed, the pastime at present must inevitably be fruitful of tragedy.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Opportunity, give me opportunity, says the average young man of today. Well, they are lying all around you, but think how some men are handicapped. The supreme court of North Carolina has just admitted to practice a blind deaf-mute who is a negro. The man is getting along in the world, but can you think of a much greater handicap that could be placed on a man?—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Attacking John E. Lamb because he has worked himself into a lucrative law practice by dint of energy, industry and native ability, is one of the many reprehensible features of the present campaign. In his boyhood days John worked in a butcher shop, and he made good. The late Daniel W. Voorhees, become interested in this butcher boy, took him in and made an able lawyer of him. Is there anything discreditable about all this?—South Bend Times.

Eugene Victor Debs, of Terre Haute, candidate for the presidency on the Socialistic ticket, is being given more favorable attention this year than he has ever been given before. Throughout the west he was treated pretty much as a curiosity, while in the east he is taken with no little amount of seriousness. The condition of old line politicians in New York city has added greatly to the Socialist vote and has compelled the New Yorkers to sit up and take notice. Debs' chief value, it seems, is to awaken and arouse; he himself acknowledges that he doesn't expect to be elected. He is awakening and arousing and the fact is emphasized by the increased space he is receiving in the big newspapers, which all but ignored him eight years ago.—Terre Haute Tribune.

Card of Thanks.

To our friends who so kindly assisted us during our late bereavement we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks.

MARY A. GRANGER,
C. L. GRANGER
AND FAMILY.

Attention!

The members of the G. A. R. and ladies of the Relief Corps are invited, through this notice, to be guests of honor at the recital to be given at the M. E. church, Friday evening, Oct. 23. Complimentary tickets will be given at the door.

NEWS LETTERS

Items of Interest From Our Able Corps of Correspondents.

BARBER.

Ben Gardner has the foundation laid for a new barn.

Mrs. Neville was the guest of Mrs. C. Rupe Monday.

John Williams and family from Culver, Ind., visited over Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walterhouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Hocker very pleasantly entertained the following guests at dinner Sunday: Miss Mary Nixon, of Teegarden, Grandma Hocker, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Barber and children, Mr. Barber, and Mrs. Ira Neville, from Chester, West Virginia.

TYNER.

Ed Monroe spent two days of last week at the Bourbon fair.

Dr. Thompson and wife were at Plymouth on business last week.

Charles Ramsby and wife were guests of Ellison Strang and family last Sunday.

Miss Merle Fink has returned home from Indianapolis after a five weeks' visit with relatives and friends.

George Boner, Max Snyder and Waldo Keller started for Nebraska last Tuesday where they will be engaged in husking corn for a few months.

Miss Jessie Jarrell and Miss Mabel Drollingher of South Bend were guests of relatives and friends over Sunday.

Stillwell Beats Walkerton Again.

The Walkerton high school base ball team crossed bats with the Stillwell team at this place last Friday afternoon. The game was fiercely contested from start to finish but as usual ended with the score of Stillwell, 20; Walkerton, 7. A large crowd of rooters cheered the contestants of both sides. The game, sad to say, was not won by the brilliant playing of the opposing side, but by the innumerable errors of the home team.

At one time the loss of a game would hurt, but it has occurred so often lately that no one minds defeat now. A return game is scheduled to be played at Stillwell next Friday at 2 p. m. Every body is invited to go and "root," as that is certainly one thing that Walkerton can do.

John Flack and son, John C., feel very grateful to the friends and neighbors for their timely assistance in helping to fight the fire in the Flack huckleberry marsh Tuesday evening. By hard fighting only about a third of the marsh was burned and the fire was kept from spreading further which at one time threatened to destroy a large amount of surrounding property. The prompt work of these plucky fire fighters was no doubt the means of preventing a destructive fire.

Sale bills at this office.

RAGING FIRES

In the Marshes Destroy Much Hay and Fencing

The smoldering town, fanned by the winds, broke out into a fierce fire Tuesday on W. F. Cook's place, near Walkerton. The hillard Place's farm in LaPorte county, and spread rapidly to adjoining territory. The hay on the Cook farm had been destroyed by fire about three weeks ago, but the fire found fuel to feed upon and spread to D. W. Place's land where 75 tons of hay in stacks was consumed. Daniel Cripe, who had the contract for cutting and putting up this hay, is also quite mad, just as the fire spread to the Quisen place and sprang a streak a half. Much hay had already been burned by previous damage resulting from the fire, however. W. Place is following more men were hard at work to help fight it. After the flames were well under control.

A stack of hay of 15 tons on Willard Place's coming will have all been subduced in that locality and outbreaks are reported. On Tuesday evening fire started in Flack's huckleberry marsh about half a mile north of town. The blaze was first seen in the southwest part of the marsh. By the use of the telephone and other means a large number of people were brought to the scene and by hard fighting, back-flinging, etc., the flames were kept from spreading into a destructive conflagration. A pathway about 20 rods wide was burned across the entire marsh, destroying about a third of it—five acres. The beautiful piece of woods and the Rinehart huckleberry marsh were in great danger, being saved only by the most strenuous efforts on the part of the fighters.

Electrical Recital.

A recital will be given at the Methodist church for the benefit of the pledge taken by the Epworth League for the building fund, Friday evening, October 23, by Mrs. Beechwood's class in elocution. Following is the program:

Piano solo, Miss Hyde.

Music, Boys' Quartette.

Recitation, "Aunt Polly Green," Miss Beechwood.

Piano solo, Mrs. M. S. Denaut.

Recitation, in costume, "Aunt Gemma's Courtship," Edna Bennett.

Duet, June LeRoy and Alice McCabe.

Recitation, "What She Said," Esther Bailey.

Recitation, "Guilty or Not Guilty," Claire Barnes.

Vocal solo, Miss Florence McAllister.

Recitation, "Convict Joe," Caroline Parkins.

Violin solo, Helen McCabe.

Recitation, "Our Hired Girl," Claire Barnes.

Recitation, "Sister and I," Edna Bennett.

Recitation, "The Dead Doll," Caroline Denaut.

Solo, Rev. G. S. Reedy.

Recitation, "After the Battle," Mrs. Beechwood.

Solo, "Tenting Tonight," Mrs. S. J. Shadel, accompanied by male voices in chorus.

Admission will include doughnuts and coffee in the basement after the program.

Admission: Adults, 25 cents; school children, big and little, 10 cents.

Public Sales

Oden Mitchell will sell at public auction at his residence on the Daniel Koontz farm, 2 1/2 miles south of Walkerton, on Wednesday, October 21, at 10 a. m., a lot of personal property consisting in part of the following: Five head of horses, four good milch cows, hogs, farming implements, etc. A credit of nine months will be given on all sums over \$5 without interest if paid when due.

Luther Coil and Mellie Gardner will hold a public sale at the Daniel Gardner farm Tuesday, October 27, at 10 a. m. Five head of horses, one milch cow, several head of hogs, and young pigs, farming implements, goods, etc., will be sold. Twelve months time will be given on all sums over \$5 without interest when due.

Michler-Mahler at his residence on 3 1/2 miles northeast of Grovertown, Oct. 20, 1908, com. Two good horses, a cow, heifer, fall calf, 2 veal calves, farm implements, wagons, top, plows, cream separator, household articles too numerous to mention will be sold. On a credit of 8 months will be given without interest if paid when due.

C. B. Furry will hold a public sale at his place of residence 1 1/2 miles southeast of the Koontz mill, Thursday, October 29. Two good work horses, 3 good fresh cows, yearling steer and heifer, fall calf, 2 veal calves, farm implements, wagons, top, plows, cream separator, household articles too numerous to mention will be sold. A credit of 12 months will be given on sums over \$5 without interest if paid when due. Four per cent off for cash.

For a mild, easy action of the bowels, a single dose of Dr. Regulets is enough. Treatment continues 25 cents a druggist for them.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Junior League at 2 p. m. Epworth League at 3 p. m. Thursday prayer meeting at 7 p. m. The choir will meet on Friday night at the church at 7 o'clock. Let all who have been singing with the choir be present.

The Junior League is growing in both interest and numbers. There were 27 present last Sunday.

Plans are now on foot for a Sunday school rally. A special program will be rendered.

The pastor will preach next Sunday as usual. To all who have no church home a special invitation is extended to worship with us.

G. S. REEDY, Pastor.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH.

Walkerton Church—Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; Y. P. C. U., 6:30 p. m.; preaching, 7 p. m.

Barber Church—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.

The Ladies' Aid will meet in the parlor of the church Friday at 2 p. m.

JOHN T. KEESEY, Pastor.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Christian Endeavor at 6:00 p. m.

Prayer meeting and Bible study every Thursday evening at 7:30.

Preaching every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Subject next Sunday morning: "The Ready for the World's Restlessness." The evening subject will be: "The duty of Mental Self-Culture."

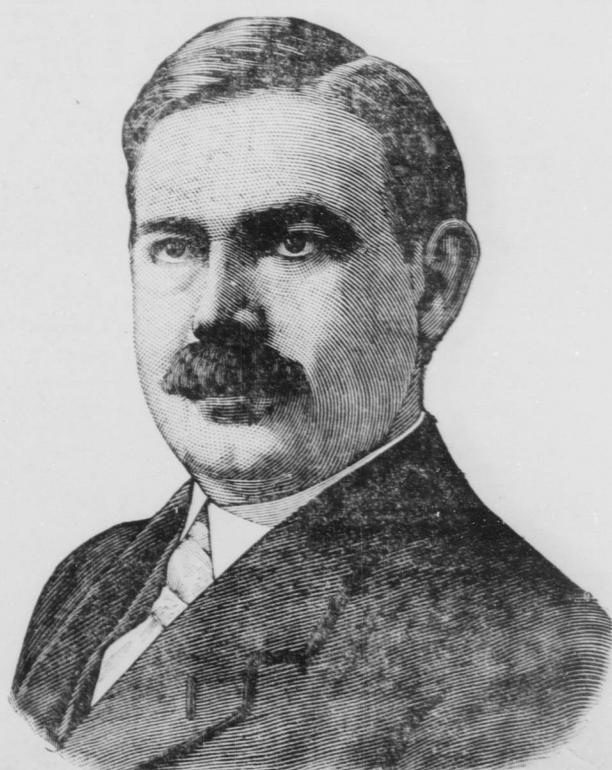
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For information see

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