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One paper in the home is worth a dozen in the by-way. THE DEMOCRAT IS THE HOME PAPER of Mercer County.

CONGRESSMAN JAMES M. COX

Democratic Candidate for Governor of Ohio, Will Be at Chautauqua Monday Night.

Other Noted Advocates of Proposed Constitutional Amendments Also Coming.

Congressman James M. Cox, of Dayton, Democratic gubernatorial nominee, will be the attraction at the Celina Chautauque next Monday evening.

At the same time either Mayor Brand Whitlock of Toledo, Mayor Newton D. Baker of Cleveland or Rev. Herbert S. Bigelow of Cincinnati will be here with Congressman Cox. Either of these noted men—all progressives in the best sense of the term—would attract an audience anywhere. There are no other Ohio men so much in the public eye in

Chautauqua Program for the Second Week

- 7:30 p. m. Class Instruction.
- 8 p. m. "Conservation of the Child," lecture by Dr. Geisel.
- 8:30 p. m. Sacred Musical Program, Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 9 p. m. Moving Pictures.
- 7:30 p. m. Sacred Musical Program, Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 8 p. m. Musical Program, by the Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 8:30 p. m. Moving Pictures.
- Monday, July 23—
- 9 a. m., King's School of Oratory opens.
- 10 a. m., School of Domestic Science opens.
- 3 p. m., Concert by the Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 7 p. m., Chautauqua Chorus.
- 8 p. m., Concert by the Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 8:30 p. m., Moving Pictures.
- Tuesday, July 24—
- 9 a. m., School of Domestic Science.
- 10 a. m., School of Oratory.
- 3 p. m., Humorous Prelude.
- 7 p. m., Musical Program, by the Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 8 p. m., Musical Program, by the Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 8:30 p. m., Moving Pictures.
- Wednesday, July 25—
- 9 a. m., King's School, School of Domestic Science, etc.
- 10 a. m., School of Oratory.
- 3 p. m., Humorous Prelude.
- 7 p. m., Musical Program, by the Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 8 p. m., Musical Program, by the Otterbein Male Quartette.
- 8:30 p. m., Moving Pictures.
- Thursday, August 1—
- 9 a. m., Musical Preludes.
- 3 p. m., Musical Preludes.
- 8:30 p. m., Faculty Entertainment King's School.
- 7 p. m., Chautauqua Chorus.
- 8 p. m., Entertainment by Hon. W. King.
- 8:30 p. m., Moving Pictures.
- Friday, August 2—
- 9 a. m., School work begins.
- 3 p. m., Puppets Entertainment, King's School.
- 7:45 p. m., Chautauqua Chorus.
- 8 p. m., Musical Preludes.
- 8:30 p. m., Lecture by Gov. E. W. Hoeh.
- 8:45 p. m., Moving Pictures.

the State and Nation as this big four, and the Chautauqua management are to be congratulated on having either of them in the program.

Another change in the program this coming week has also been announced, the Illinois Glee Club coming for three days in place of the Otterbein Male Quartet, engaged for two.

The program the past week has been a fine one and one of the best that the management has given the public.

YOUNG CELINA GIRL SUDDENLY DROPS OUT OF SIGHT

F. H. Merica, who formerly conducted a second-hand store on South Main street, reported to Marshal Humphrey, Tuesday evening that his fifteen-year-old daughter had disappeared from her home and asked for her assistance in locating her. It was found that she had left town over the Lake Erie and Western, going west and it is believed she went to Muncie, Ind., but efforts to locate her have so far proved futile.

Word was sent to the officers about seven o'clock last night that a girl answering the description of the missing girl was seen in the East End. Marshal Humphrey made a hurried trip out and after following the young lady at a merry clip for several blocks on East Market Street, found her to be a young girl. The young woman had been sent after, while answering closely to the description of the Merica girl, proved to be a stranger to the officers.

AUGLAIZE POWER PEOPLE SLIP INTO TOWN AND OUT AGAIN

J. M. Ashley, of New York City, head of the Auglaize Power Co., of Defiance, the million dollar syndicate who are endeavoring to secure the use of Lake Mercer as a storage reservoir for surplus water in the furtherance of their water power scheme, and J. S. Blaine, of Lima, member of the Board of Public Works, were in town yesterday. They met one of our citizens and but few people were cognizant of the hearing of the matter before the Board of Public Works and Attorney General Hogan, the first of next month.

HORRIBLY BURNED BY HOT PITCH

Charles Connor, West Livingston street, was horribly burned about the head and shoulders yesterday morning, and as a result may lose the sight of his right eye, when he accidentally spilled a bucket of hot pitch over him while working on the new poultry building being erected by the J. A. Long & Co. at the corner of Warren and Long streets, and was carrying hot pitch to the basement, when his foot slipped on a round of wood and he fell, splashing the hot pitch on his head and shoulders. He got into his mouth, nose and ears, and a large piece bit his right arm. He was hurried to the office of Drs. Riley & Riley, where his wounds were treated and the necessary medical care. It took several hours to remove the pitch from his body and dress the wounds.

HOPEWELL WOMAN BOUND OVER TO COURT

Mrs. Jacob Hair was arrested last Monday at the home of her husband, who is a brother-in-law, charging her with assault and battery with intent to kill. Mrs. Hair was examined by Judge J. A. Long's court and was bound over to the grand jury. She furnished bond for her appearance. Both are residents of Hopewell township.

LOGIC OF DISPOSAL PLANT

And to Determine on Kind of Sewer System, State B. of H. Will Determine To-Day.

L. A. Chienoweth, of the firm of W. J. Sherman & Co. of Toledo, engineer making the preliminary surveys here for the installation of the proposed sewer system, received word yesterday from the State Board of Health that one of the engineers of the board would be here to-day to approve of the location of a disposal plant and pass upon the advisability of a combined or separate sewer system.

COUNCIL TAKES IMPORTANT ACTION

Council held a brief session last Tuesday evening, with members Lennartz, Winkelman, Black and Meyer present and Mayor presiding. Owing to the absence of the Solicitor, some sidewalk matters were not taken up, and after the appointment of a sewer committee the body adjourned until next Tuesday night at 7 o'clock, an hour earlier than customary, on account of the Chautauqua.

The sewer committee appointed by the Mayor is made up of Messrs. Lennartz, chairman; Lumberman Winkelman; and Othmer Meyer. For the ensuing year this will be the most important of the council committees, as they will have charge of the most important public work yet undertaken by the municipality, the installation of the proposed sewer system. The preliminary survey for which was started by the consulting engineers last Friday and which will be finished up the first of next week. The committee is a strong one and will look carefully after the town's interests in the great undertaking.

Prof. Frank Lamb was in this city Wednesday and closed a deal for the sale of his fine hundred acre farm in Center township to Jacob Stover, who will occupy the place. The consideration was \$12,000.

Principal H. O. Mowry, of the East Side building, has purchased the fine residence property of Charles W. York, on East West street, and will move into the property as soon as Mr. York vacates. The Winkelman expect to purchase a fine new home, at least for a few years, and the climate particularly beneficial to Mr. York's health.

Rockford Horse Make Record

Stranger, owned by A. J. Hawk of Rockford, Ohio, and driven by Art Atwood of this city in the 21st trial at Findlay, Ohio, last Tuesday, won the event. The time of the three heats was 2:18.4, 2:18.4, 2:18.4. The horse is six years old and this is the second season it has been tracked.—Portland (Ind.) Sun.

Lighting Fire Barn

A barn on the Daniel Fisher farm, in Blackrock township, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground during the storm last Sunday morning, together with a large quantity of hay. The fire was discovered in time by the members of the family to get the stock and implements from the structure. The loss is covered by insurance.

Plea Gets a Deserved Bump

While holding court here last Tuesday Judge Mathers refused an application made by the defendant, Lacy, of Dayton, Ohio, in jail here for non-support, to release him under his present bond and reduce the amount to the extent of the weekly support of his children.

Look for Kelley's Brother book account sale in this paper for Big Pete.

SOME POLITICAL JUNGLE IS THIS 'ERE!

A statesman and scholar named Woodrow To the White House decided he would go to the White House, Ed. Zett.

For progressive men all have made up their minds that he should To sound stalwart Hoosier named Marshall.

Old Destiny says that his star shall shine in political skies, For the people to Marshall are partial.

A battle-scarred leader named Bryan Let our souls rest on his son, And when he was through There was nothing to do But to carry out his son's plan.

There was a rambunctious Bull Moose Who got his head into a noose When he said, "Let me run For the office of President." All the people replied, "What's the use?"

There was a big fellow named Taft Who was running a Salt River craft: It was loaded and sunk, We're all sorry that just left.

THE SPOILS REAPER

Mrs. Lavina Meister, aged 73 years, was found dead in her home, Mrs. Joseph Ayers, near Montezuma, last Tuesday morning. She had only been dead a few minutes when she was discovered. She was still warm. Coroner Ayers was summoned and pronounced death due to organic disease. The remains were taken to Montezuma for burial. She had been suffering for years. Up until a few weeks ago she and her husband, Christ Meister, lived just west of town. Becoming feeble, they broke up housekeeping. Mrs. Meister going to live with her daughter, and Mr. Meister to the home of his son, Underaker, near Montezuma. The remains were taken to Montezuma for burial. Funeral services were held yesterday morning.

On a Large Scale

Every feature of the Fair will be enlarged and in keeping with the occasion. Half of the states of the Union will contribute to the magnitude and success of the event. Thousands of dollars have been spent since 1911 to improve and beautify the grounds. New and commodious buildings have been erected this year, by act of the Legislature, to take care of the overflow exhibits.

HOST OF ACCIDENTS MARRIED WEEK

The little eighteen-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Knapp, living two miles west of town, narrowly escaped death by drowning last Friday afternoon. The boy, unobserved, had fallen into a watering tank containing twenty inches of water. Just how long the child was in the water is not known, but when missed by the mother, who thought he was playing with an older brother, he was found floating face downward, and the little body blue and stiff. The mother had presence of mind enough to grab the babe out of the water and hold him up by his feet, permitting a large part of the water to run out of his head and lungs. A physician was hurriedly summoned and it took two hours work to restore the child to life.

LATE ARRIVALS

Word was received here this week announcing the arrival of a son at the home of Mrs. M. L. Lacy, of Dayton, Ohio, formerly Mrs. Mildred Shook, East Market street, and her husband, Ernest, West Warren street, are the parents of a baby girl, born last Monday.

PERSONAL GOSSIP

Mrs. Wm. Spelner and daughter, Hilma, are visiting relatives at Germantown.

Mrs. J. A. Sellheimer and daughter, of Lima, are guests of Grover and Mrs. Joe McGriff.

Mrs. Tom Clark and son, of Beaver Dam, were the over-Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed G. Ungerer.

Mrs. Lydia Naugester, who has been the guest of her late husband, Mrs. E. Naugester, of Kempton, Ind., is filling his place here.

William Linniger, of the Linniger Bros. bargain store, who is spending the day (Friday) in this city, will be in town on business for a couple of days the first of the week.

Mrs. Ella Greenberry, of Lima, and Mrs. Maggie Hinton, of Kenton, were in this city Tuesday, enroute to Oudwater, where they attended the death of their brother, John McCoy.

STATE FARM BUILD CENTER

Of Columbus to Be Joint Attraction at Capital City This Year—Many Features

The State Legislature appropriated \$25,000, and the city of Columbus added \$50,000 more for the purpose of celebrating the end of one hundred years, since Columbus became the Capital City of the Buckeye State. This Centennial celebration will be held, by act of the Legislature, in connection with the Ohio State Fair, during the week of August 26th to 31st.

The Columbus Centennial Commission will have the expenditure of the \$75,000 above mentioned, and will co-operate with the Ohio State Board of Agriculture in building up and promoting the greatest event of this kind in Ohio's history.

Reports indicate that every county will take more than ordinary interest this year in the State Fair because of honor and respect that are to be paid to the Discoverer of America, Christopher Columbus.

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Plaintiff claims he entered into a contract with the defendants to grow sugar beets; that he grew same and delivered 104 tons to the C. N. railroad at a station near his place; that the defendants agreed to pay him \$70.55 for each acre.

COUP'S EFFECTS

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MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED.

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LUTHER LEAGUE TO GIVE LAWN FETE

The Luther League of St. John's Church will give a lawn fete in the Court-house park to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon and evening. The public is invited to come and enjoy the occasion with them.

ABBREVIATED NEWSLETS

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POLITICS LEVERED WITH SCRIPTURE

[Boston Globe]

One of the minor effects of Mr. Roosevelt's speeches and of Mr. Bryan's writings is to send some folks scurrying to the Bible. Both of those distinguished men frequently draw on the King James version of the scriptures to point a moral or adorn a tale, and both find in the English Bible an inexhaustible storehouse of illustration.

In his peroration at Chicago Mr. Roosevelt declared that "with unflinching heart and undimmed eye we stand 'Armageddon and we battle for the Lord.'" Nobody to-day is absolutely sure what or where Armageddon is or was, for the only reference to it is in the mythical book of Revelations, where in the 16th Chapter it says:

"And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and their came a great voice out of the Temple of Heaven, from the Throne, saying, It is done. And there were voices and thunders and lightning as much as for one hour as for a whole day's work. There was no voice, but a uniform minimum wage. That is Mr. Bryan intimates that Mr. Roosevelt is entitled to a full day's pay although he has begun to work in the progressive vineyard only at the eleventh hour."

It will not harm the political campaign at all to lighten it with a little Scripture.

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COUNTY FAIR THE CROSS-ROADS

Where the People Meet Once a Year to Shake Hands and Enjoy Themselves.

[By S. J. Vining, Secretary of the Mercer County Agricultural Society.]

The County Fair is the cross-roads where the whole county meets to shake hands. The county fair is the show-case of the farm and the farmer.

It is the up-stairs of the top-notch. It is the home stretch of the hustler. It is the playground of men and women who can win or lose in a good fight. It is the college of experience and experiment.

It is the place where you see ALL the live wires. Nine out of ten exhibitors can swim upstream, while anybody can float down stream.

The County Fair is right hand of prosperity and good citizenship. It is a school at which all can learn and get toward the head of the class.

It helps every farmer to be a better farmer. It is the cross roads of good fellows, good cheer and good dirt.

The Banner Fair will have many attractions. The exhibit furnished by the Board of Agriculture of Ohio will show what the state is doing to aid unfortunate children from whom the light of day is denied, teaching them trades and educating them, that they may be able to care for themselves and not feel that they go through life a burden to their friends.

The Wooster experiment station exhibit will be worth the price of admission. The boys' and ladies' road race, is being rapidly filled.

The farmers' individual exhibit in the new hall will be worth seeing. Berts & Myers' corn show will break all previous records.

Hundreds will be here on Wednesday, August 21, to see and hear Hon. Jas. M. Cox, candidate for Governor of Ohio. Every effort is being made to secure Judge Dillon, his opponent for candidate for Governor.

Our grounds will be filled with race horses. Motor cycle races on Tuesday and Friday.

Everybody will be there to see the flights of the aeroplane. The new agricultural hall and the art hall will be filled to overflowing.

More inquiries are made for space than at any previous Fair. Farmers and business men, get the habit of talking County Fair, and get your shape in shape to spend the entire week with us.

Attend and you will see many happy faces. Also number one races, at the Banner Fair. "It will make the sun shine brighter. Your hearts will be lighter. To see all the sights, and your friends who are there.

So lay aside all toil and care. And follow the crowd to the Banner Fair. Mark Twain said that the only place to eat an orange was in a bath tub, and the only place to meet your friends is at the Banner Fair. "So, 'May the sunlight of life shine down on you from a cloudless sky. May your bark of life drift gently down the river of time to the ocean of eternity. May your horses and cattle be your only care, and your supreme delight, the County Fair.'"

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THE TALE OF THE BATTLE OF BLOODY BATTLE

[As told by James W. Falkner, a noted correspondent.]

If anyone pretending to the possession of knowledge gives it out oracularly that in the late fracas at Baltimore, William Jennings Bryan was run over by a steam roller, had his tail feathers pulled out or lost his hold on the party, bet him one million dollars in pennies that he is full brother to the monkey of the jungles. It is true, possibly, that William lost the consideration and respect of certain politicians whose little game he blocked most beautifully, but it is not true that he lost anything else. And do not let any one, however high his brow may be, get away with the story that the bosses ran the convention. That is one of Hon. Theodore Roosevelt's hallucinations.

The politicians were like the celebrated pack of fox-hounds that a misguided man imported into a country infested with wolves. He took them out for a trial run and they disappeared in the timber. Whipping up, he followed the trail until he came to a cabin by the roadside in front of which sat a man with sandy chin-whiskers, who was meditatively smoking a corncob pipe.

"Neighbor," said the foxhunter, "Did you see anything of a pack of dogs around here?"

"The smoker nodded."

"How were they doing?" asked the owner, with pardonable pride.

"Well, it appeared to me they were a little bit ahead of the wolf," was the answer. And that's just the way the bosses won at Baltimore. They nominated Governor Woodrow Wilson—after Bryan was through with the job. The hour's dawg, the Tammany Tiger and all the other foreclosing animals of politics were the fox-hounds, and the Nebaskan was the wolf of the story.

of the Democratic voters outside the convention, while the leaders of the opposition were operating upon the thousands of delegates within the hall. Reducing to ordinary arithmetic, he offset the thousand with the six million and a half voters. His tactics were bound to win in the end if he could get sufficient time, rammed in their own foolish devices, they gave him more time than he needed. He was not to forget that there was such a thing as the magnetic telegraph or the daily newspaper in existence. The limit of their field of operation was the city of Baltimore. His extended from ocean to ocean and from Canada to Mexico. Like the muscular party at Donnybrook Fair, with the black shillalah, his work was "beyon-tiffl." It showed what one plucky man with sense could do with a clutch of fat-headed politicians who were playing the game under the rules of 1860. It wasn't until the avalanche of indignant telegrams descended upon them, propelled by aroused sentiment at home, that they began to discern how skillfully he had trapped them.

To begin with, he knew every card they held in their hands when the game began, and they weren't aware of what he was holding. They thought he was a candidate for President—and he let them think so! To smoke him out they put up Judge Alton B. Parker for Chairman and Charles Alton B. Parker for Chairman and chuckled. The Nebraska sought out a private room and did a Highland fling in exceeding great joy. He had them. Reappearing with a face that resembled that of an undertaker at a \$500 funeral, he appeared to be very much concerned for the safety of the Republic. In the language of the sporting world, they fell for it, and fell hard.

"Here were the hang the binger on Bill," they chortled as they proceeded to push Parker over the line. Right then and there he won the game.

Inside of an hour the country was ringing with his declaration that the predatory interests were endeavoring to seize the high parliament of Democracy and sell it into bondage to Wall street. Daringly enough, he singled out those two shocked persons, Thomas Fortune Ryan and August Belmont and used them as Exhibits A and B, respectively, to prove that the money devil and his imp were there in their proper persons. They were merely modest delegates, but William had them on exhibition in an entirely different guise. Inside of 12 hours the telegraph companies began to reape a golden harvest from the frightened Democrats' "back bones," who sent messages to their chosen representatives to resist with all their power this fiendish attempt to throttle liberty. If they couldn't get their way clear to do this, the messages said, they were requested to remain in Baltimore the rest of their days or run the risk of being tarred and feathered and carried on a rail if they dared show their faces in Cohosh or wherever they hailed from.

Just as they were breathing easier after the first batch of telegraph indignation and peremptory orders, William delivered the second instalment by offering his now memorable resolution, inviting Messrs. Ryan and Belmont to go away from there

and pledging the party not to nominate any one who owed them money, marbles or chalk or who had been elected in any other way than direct descent from the Accuser of the Brethren. That finished them for all offensive purposes and then he landed the knockout or bacon-producing punch by leaving Hon. Champ Clark for having accepted the support of New York. They couldn't get away from him in his rage demanded to know "why Ohio, in jail here for non-support, to release him under his present bond and reduce the amount to the extent of the weekly support of his children."

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And that man laughed at them!

My Lady of Doubt

By RANDALL PARRISH

Author of "Love Under Five," "My Lady of the North" and other stories.

ILLUSTRATIONS BY HENRY THIEDE

[Continued from last week]

She was upon her feet, and I could even see her hand clapping a lattice of the summer house.

"Why do you ask this? What right have you? There was never a promise between us."

"The understanding has existed for ten years; never denied until now," he protested hotly. "You knew I loved you; I've fought a dozen men on your account—"

"True enough," she broke in, "you have challenged every gentleman who has dared address me. Did you think such swashbuckling was going to win my heart? Any girl possessing self-respect would revolt at such methods. Whatever affection I may have felt for you as a boy has been driven from me by these actions. You wanted a slave, a servant, not a companion, and it is not in Mortimer blood to yield to every whim, to every crack of the whip. I never loved you, never confessed I did. I tried to be obedient, endeavored to like you to please my father, but this past winter has so thoroughly revealed your real character that I will pretend no longer."

"My character! We have known each other from childhood. I know well enough what has made the difference in you."

"Indeed!"

"Yes, indeed; it's that damned Continental spy."

"It has been some one all along according to your theory—any gentleman who has shown me ordinary kindness. You have called out Captain Kincaid, Lieutenant Matheson, Major Lang, and others, just to prove your ownership of me. You have made me the laughing stock of Philadelphia."

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