

FAVORABLE

Action of Council and County Commissioners

Insures Building of Main Market Road 11, from C.H. & D. to Infirmary This Summer.

Council met in adjourned session last Monday evening with all members present but Reitzsch.

An ordinance, amending the ordinance regulating the tapping of the sanitary sewer was passed, as was a resolution providing for the curbing of East Fulton street.

WHEREABOUTS

Of Children of L. W. Langhurst Being Sought by Houston (Tex.) Attorney.

A letter received at this office this week from Houston, Texas, asks for The Democrat's aid in finding the whereabouts of parties whom he has reason to believe are in this state and possibly in or about Mercer county.

The name of the party he seeks is Langhurst. The individuals are Minnie, Louise, Lizzie, Sophia and William Langhurst, whose father was L. W. Langhurst.

DESERVE MORE THAN EMPTY PLAUDITS

The Celina Boys Band received much applause and many words of praise last Tuesday as they headed the column of marching militiamen through the streets of this city.

It behooves the seemingly unappreciative business men of this city to get together and boost the organization with might and main.

FITTINGLY

Observed by Handful of Veterans and Patriotic Friends Was Decoration Day.

Decoration Day was appropriately observed in this city last Tuesday by the handful of living veterans here.

BASE BALL

Coldwater last Sunday defeated the Dayton Carlisle aggregation, 4 to 2, in a fast and interesting game. The score:

Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Dayton . . . 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 2

Coldwater . . 3 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 4

Hits—Coldwater 6, Dayton 5. Errors—Coldwater 3, Dayton 1.

AND CAPTAIN BILL HASN'T BEEN SEEN SINCE

"My wife won't let me" is the refrain of a once popular song. It is almost true of Captain Borman of the Celina ball team.

Dr. Hetzler LeBlond, of Fairmont, Va., an old time Celina boy, came to this city the first of the week for a short visit with relatives and old time friends.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT ERASTUS

The ladies of the Trinity M. E. Church at Erastus will give an ice cream social, Saturday night, June 3d.

DESIRE TO BECOME FULL-FLEDGED AMERICANS

Seven students from the Carthage Seminary took out naturalization papers last Saturday.

HARD MAN TO KILL.

[Alexandria, (Ind.) Press.] Those Nebraska Democrats who thought they had shut the gate on W. J. Bryan by defeating him as a delegate from Nebraska to the democratic national convention have another think coming.

PRESIDENT

In Proclamation Calls on People of Nation to Observe Flag Day, June 14

Washington, May 30.—President Wilson today issued a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to celebrate Flag Day, June 14, with patriotic exercises, giving expression to "our thoughtful love of America."

SCHOOL ENUMERATION SHOWS 1033 PUPILS

The following report has just been by Mrs. Minnie Steiner, who took charge of the school enumeration of this city. The report shows a total of 1033 children between the ages of 6 and 21 years of age.

FARM HOUSE DESTROYED

Daniel Sprague's residence on the old Morgan farm, on the Mercer-Auglaize county line, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning.

SET NETS CAUSE TWO YOUNG MEN TROUBLE

As the result of finding several sets in the joint boat house opposite the laundry, last week, Roscoe Upton, employed by the local telephone company, and James Diegel, a mobile mechanic, were arrested on Thursday evening of last week by Deputy Game Warden Leitinger, on a charge of illegal fishing.

HEAD OF GOOD SAMARITAN ARMY COMING

The Good Samaritan Army will hold a special meeting in this city, starting May 28th, by General W. J. Ralston, the founder of the Army.

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Lima, O., May 29.—Alfred P. Sandles, former President of the State Agricultural Commission and a former clerk of the Ohio Senate, today formally announced his candidacy for the nomination for Governor on the Democratic ticket.

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The four year old son of Alfred Bader, eight miles southwest of this city was in a serious condition last Monday, after drinking a small quantity of gasoline.

Dr. Brumm was called and after giving the necessary medical attention the lad seemed to rapidly recover.

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Two years ago Mr. Cox was entitled to the nomination without opposition," said Mr. Sandles in his statement. "The field is now an open one and Mr. Finley and Mr. Durbin should not use their official positions as a means to shut any democrats out of the state primary."

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OPENING

Day of Celina Chautauqua to Be Made Hummer

To Be Children's and Home-Coming Day Combined, and is Staged for July 29

Let us all unite in our effort to make the first day of the Celina Chautauqua a big day.

The first day, Saturday July 29, is to be a combination of "Children's Day" and "Homecoming Day." A fine program has been arranged for this occasion.

Let us all be boosters this year—have our tents up and ready to spend the first day together on the Chautauqua grounds.

- The remainder of the Chautauqua program in a condensed form is as follows: July 29—The Chicago Male Quartet, 2:15 and 8:00 p.m. Father Michael D. Collins, 3:00 p.m. July 31—The Chicago Operatic Company, 2:30 and 8:00 p.m. Aug. 1—Ferguson's Dixie Jubilee Concert Company, 2:15 and 7:30 p.m. Dr. Stanley Krieb, 3:00 p.m. Aug. 2—Swiss and Alpine Yodlers, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Dr. P. Marion Simms, 8:00 p.m. Aug. 3—The White Hussars Band, 2:30 and 8:00 p.m. Aug. 4—Cap's Orchestra, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Dr. Wm. Spurgeon, 8:00 p.m. Aug. 5—The English Opera Singers, 2:30 and 8:00 p.m. Aug. 6—Florentine Musicians, 2:15 and 8:00 p.m. Henry "Play Ball" Clark 2:30 p.m.

WOODEM MEMORIAL SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

The local order Woodmen of the World will hold their half Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock prompt and march to the Presbyterian church, where memorial services will be held. Rev. Schaeffer will deliver the address.

COULDN'T

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CHILD'S PLAYFUL PRANK NEARLY RESULTS SERIOUSLY

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NOTICE TO NEWLY-WEDS!

If you are planning to build a home, we want you to read and study the dandy house plans that we have printed in this issue of the Democrat.

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Mr. and Mrs. McChristy were on their way to this city for a fishing trip. On passing the railroad, they noticed a farmer wave at them, evidently trying to warn them of the approaching train.

They were within a few feet of the truck before they noticed the freight train bearing down on them, being too near the track to stop and not being able to cross, their only chance was to jump, which they did.

They were not any too soon in leaving the machine, for the next instant the train had hit them.

The car was completely demolished, and Mr. and Mrs. McChristy were lucky to escape a horrible death.

Officers P. F. Callen and Fred Diener last Monday evening were kept pretty busy cleaning up the drunks about town.

John Myers and Mark Burch were arrested as follows: John Myers, Wapakoneta, Ind.; Bert Andrews and Mark Burch. They were charged with being drunk and disorderly.

John Doe, who was picked up for being drunk and begging on the streets was told to skip.

John Myers and Mark Burch were fined \$5 and costs and being unable to settle were lodged in jail.

Joseph Joice, a sounder, plead guilty and was fined \$5 and costs. Being unable to pay, he was given a suspended work house sentence and was ordered to get. He got.

Bert Andrews pleaded his usual "not guilty" and his hearing was set for next Monday. On Tuesday he was again arrested for being drunk and was told by the Mayor to get on his feet for his hearing this coming Monday.

Chloe Vingling was arrested Tuesday night for being drunk and was lodged in the calaboose. The mayor released out of town, Marshal Duncun being out until the return of his honor.

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FOURTH

District Politics Promises to Be Warm If Not Helevating

Sidney Man Last to Toss Hat Into Congressional Ring—Press on Goecke's Ultimatum.

[D. W. Bowman, in Lima-Times Democrat]

N. W. Cunningham, of Bluffton, challenged by his old rival, J. Henry Goecke to appear for a lively tilt or go out of the race for congress, will not announce his reply for a day or two, it was ascertained this morning.

That he will get out of the race seems out of the question. Those who are his closest advisers laugh at the idea, and it is a safe guess that he will reply to Goecke's ultimatum by saying that he is in the fight to stay.

But with the greater body of democrats, according to most signs, the matter is under the cloak of suspense and judgment. Those who are not yet active in the contest are waiting want to see more of the facts before passing a verdict.

The reaction resulting from the statement of the Auglaize county court is difficult to determine. First of all there is the divided opinion which remains after the primary fight of two years ago. This is personal and partisan and no other result could be expected.

Those who are warm adherents of either man are strong in their belief that his ultimatum will help their favorite.

An interesting commentary on the reception of the Goecke attack is to be found in the press of the fourth district. Such papers as the Celina Standard and the Greenville Advocate frankly and frankly attack Goecke and never cease to carry the story or any reference thereto.

The Wapakoneta News, out-and-out anti-Cunningham and generally pro-Goecke, refrains from editorial comment but carries the statement with a lengthy summarizing introduction, in which the opinion of the paper is evident.

It would not be difficult to guess who brother Hoffer has in mind, and as he is about to retire from the game he evidently desires to have a little more fun with those who disagree with him politically.

John L. Sova's opinion as expressed in the St. Marys Evening Leader is no milder, but apparently aims at a conciliatory adjustment on a third man.

In headlines he refers to the Goecke proposition as a reasonable proposition and limits the introduction to a brief explanation of the article. In a leading editorial, (Continued on fourth page)

THE FIELD TO DATE

[Lima Daily News.] L. M. Studevant, cashier of the Peoples' Savings and Loan Company's Bank at Sidney, today announced himself as a candidate on the democratic ticket for the nomination in the Fourth district as a candidate for congress. He brings the field up to date as follows:

T. P. Riddle, Lima. N. W. Cunningham, Bluffton. Dr. F. M. Hunt, Piqua. L. M. Studevant, Sidney.

Others who are considered possible candidates are: Dr. F. M. Husey, of Sidney; J. H. Goecke, Wapakoneta; and U. M. Shappel, Lima, although none of them have made definite announcement.

The announcement of Mr. Studevant's candidacy came as a distinct surprise. It was not generally known that he was even thinking of entering the race.

Judge John F. Lindeman, of Delphos, is said to be a likely candidate on the democratic ticket opposing Kent W. Hughes for the bench as court of appeals judge.

This report was current today and was somewhat surprising especially as no opposition had been reported to Hughes up to the present time. Judge Lindeman,

it is said, met Mr. Hughes in the court house Saturday night in a stiff argument followed. It is said the conversation became very heated, especially when Lindeman said that he could not endorse Hughes, because he (the Delphos man) was undecided whether or not he would enter the race. But if he finish they both shook hands and departed smilingly. So the two men may both be in the race.

Francis M. Hunt, M. D., the erratic Piqua physician, who "also ran" two years ago, gave us a call while in this city last Friday and imparted the information that again he would run for congress in this great wretched Fourth district. The doctor should be able to dish out enough political dope pills to, at least, heal the deep wounds in Allen and Auglaize.

Judge S. S. Seranton announces his candidacy for representatives of Mercer county, subject to the decision of the Democratic Primaries to be held August 8th. Judge Seranton needs no introduction to the people of Mercer county with whom he has spent his entire life and it is not to be wondered at that he should be the support of his own home county—Celina Standard.

J. B. Maurer, of Mendon, candidate for County Recorder, made The Democrat a brief call Wednesday while in town looking over the political field. That he is in the game to the finish is evident from his public announcement in another column of this issue. He has a host of friends who would like to see him win. Like his competitors for the office—Messrs. Hart, Thomas and Preston—he is a clean, capable and conscientious man and deserves public consideration.

E. G. Ungerer announces his candidacy for County Auditor, subject to the decision of the Democratic Primaries to be held August 8th. Mr. Ungerer made a clean campaign on the occasion of his previous candidacy and hereby solicits the support of his friends. Celina Standard.

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

All men who expect to be candidates at the August primary election must have nomination papers filed with the Clerk of the County Board of Elections, Attorney John G. Kommer, of this city, on or before next Thursday, June 8, at midnight. This includes candidates for precinct committees for all parties. Each nomination petition must have at least five names signed, certifying to the names and good intentions of the candidates.

THE WEATHER OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

The Springfield Republican recently came across a diary which was kept one hundred years ago, in the year 1816. The diary stated that the winter of December 1815 and during the month of January, February and March of 1816, had been an open one mild and with promises of an early spring. But the following entries in the diary show that the promised early spring did not occur and that it was a year of which it may be said there was no spring. The record is as follows:

June 5—Season backward. June 6—Very cold and windy, with snow that covered the ground.

June 7—Ground frozen, half an inch thick. Ice on water, half inch thick in morning.

June 8—Still cold and frozen. The people have their great coats on.

June 9, 10, 11—Fields white with frost; vegetables destroyed, corn killed quite to ground. Fields barren.

June 12—Still cold and frozen. The people have their great coats on.

June 13, 14, 15—Fields white with frost; vegetables destroyed, corn killed quite to ground. Fields barren.

While the past winter was an open one and the present spring is a late one, it is to be hoped that the weather of June, 1916, will not be a repetition of that of a century ago.

DAN CUPID VICTIMS

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

Frank E. Bennett, 35, minister, of Chicago, Ill., son of James Bennett and Wilhelmina Brune, 26, bookkeeper, Celina, daughter of Fred Brune, Rev. Reitz.

Alfred Nichols, 28, farmer, Van Wert county, son of J. C. Nichols, and Mae Barber, 27, clerk, Mendon, daughter of A. H. Barber. Rev. Gottschall.

Van Kittle, 21, farmer, Franklin township, son of Marion Kittle, and Naomi Stafford, 17, housekeeper, Montezuma, daughter of Elias Stafford. Rev. Roebuck.

Roy Silver, 23, St. Marys, son of Oliver Silver, and Mary Smeier, 19, housekeeper, Celina, daughter of Harry Smeier. Rev. Lance.

Carl E. Cawley, 26, machinist, Lima, son of J. S. Cawley, and Theresa Weamer, of Coldwater, daughter of Joseph Weamer. Rev. Lance.

G. W. Coate, 18, carpenter, Celina, son of Wm. Coate and Irah Schward, 18, housekeeper, Center township, daughter of John Schward. C. A. Stubbs.

Thomas Resh, 22, laborer, Ft. Recovery, son of Michael Resh, and Hazel Reynolds, 24, housekeeper, Ft. Recovery, daughter of George Reynolds.

Roman A. Hoynig, 28, hardware merchant, Coldwater, son of Henry Hoynig, and Cora Saylor, 23, housekeeper, Carthage, daughter of John Saylor. Rev. Russ.

Earl L. Preston, 22, contractor, Franklin township, son of Geo. H. Preston, and Anna Spillane, 19, housekeeper, Montezuma, daughter of John Spillane. Rev. S. Grub.

Clifford O. Gray, 21, laborer, Celina, son of Newton Gray, and Demona Cullen, 18, housekeeper, Celina, daughter of Joseph Cullen. Rev. Roebuck.

SCALDED

And Badly Injured When Governor Blew Off

Steam Traction Engine Yesterday —W. H. Monroe, Butler Township Man, the Victim.

Wm. H. Monroe, aged about 40 years, living near the Brock schoolhouse, in Butler township, a mile west and two and a half miles north of Coldwater, narrowly escaped death about three o'clock yesterday afternoon, when a governor blew off a steam engine he was operating.

He was blown about twenty feet from the engine, probably suffered internal injuries and was horribly scalded from head to foot.

Mr. Monroe was operating a saw mill on his farm with a big steam traction engine. The governor valve began leaking freely and he had climbed upon the engine to tighten it. He had hardly given it a full turn, when the valve let go, the 125 pounds of steam blowing the governor or more than fifty feet.

The left side of Mr. Monroe's body, from the waist and left leg were horribly scalded by the escaping steam, the flesh in some places coming off almost to the bone.

Dr. Weamer, of Coldwater, was hurriedly summoned and done what he could to allay the man's sufferings.

He was suffering intense pain from the scalds last evening, but will likely recover if he has not suffered internal injuries.

COLOR SCHEME

For Marking Wayne Highway Adopted and Clean-Up Day Suggested at Recent Meet.

The most interesting and productive meeting of the Wayne Highway Association had since its organization was held at Van Wert on Wednesday of last week, with a dozen good roads enthusiasts from this city present, including county vice president of the association, J. W. Desch, County Auditor Steinbrunner, County Engineer Hinton and others. The Rockford delegation was also present.

The trip was made in automobiles. A color scheme of marking and designating the highway was adopted. Three colors will be used, red, white and yellow, the red being the highway, the yellow being the highway, and the white being the middle one. A "W" will be painted, indicating the Wayne Highway.

These colors will be painted on the telephone poles along the highway, so that all travelers along the route may know where they are.

Each county will have a Wayne Highway Cleanup Day, June 21, and on that day all the excess trash, rubbish, etc. is to be taken from this highway. The roadway is to be scraped and dragged and the entire course is to be made clean. By June 14, each county will have its section of the road marked with the colors of the association.

On June 28 an automobile tour of the highway will be made from Hamilton to Toledo. The purpose of the tour will be to see how well each county has marked its section of the road and cleaned it.

At the afternoon session of the Association at Van Wert last Wednesday, S. P. Rudisill, who is connected with the Ohio Good Roads Federation, addressed the meeting, giving some practical suggestions on how to secure the necessary funds and upkeep of the highway and how the various counties should work to make this highway one of the big roadways of the state.

Mr. Rudisill has been spending some time in some of the counties through which the Wayne Highway courses and in a few weeks he will visit Mercer county. His work is to organize the counties in the further development of the big highway.

The out of town delegations were entertained by the Van Wert Commercial Club at dinner and then allowed the use of their club rooms for the sessions of the meeting.

Every city along the road was represented at the meeting.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMENCEMENT HELD MAY 25

The commencement exercises of the Washington Township High School were well attended. The auditorium was nearly filled with the friends of the class who came to see them receive their diplomas.

The music for the evening was furnished by the Salamanca Quartette, an organization of eight singers and a pianist. Their splendid