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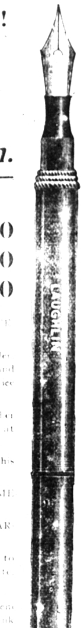

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

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Mrs. Philip Schlaack and Mrs. Frank Schlaack visited in Detroit last week.

[illegible]

Ed Parks, of Milford, called on Birmingham relatives and friends Friday last.

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AT THE THEATERS.

LYCEUM.

Rose Melville in "Sis Hopkins" has caught the patrons of the Lyceum this week and is drawing large audiences in consequence. Miss Melville's creation of the girl from Indiana is original and vastly amusing and her supporting company is excellent.

In "What Happened to Jones," which comes to the Lyceum next week, George H. Broadhurst has provided a farce that provokes genuine and healthy laughter; its situations are so extremely humorous and its lines so bright and genuinely witty. The story that furnishes the ground-work for the play is quite simple and there is not a dull moment in it. Matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

WHITNEY.

"Blue Jeans," Joe Arthur's celebrated drama, is on view at the Whitney Opera House this week. The play retains all of its old force and vigor and is as amusing as ever.

"Kidnapped in New York," a four-act melodrama by Howard Hall, is announced for next week. The play is based on the principal incidents in the celebrated Marion Clark case. A child being the central character, "heart interest," that is considered an essential element in a successful play, is abundant in Mr. Hall's work. The play it is said will appeal especially and forcibly to fathers and mothers and catch the popular fancy. Matinees daily except Wednesday.

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School Notes.

The Seniors give the public opportunity to hear one of the best impersonators the country affords, on April 27, at Library Hall.

Attendance at high school somewhat interrupted by sickness. Neil Blumberg was absent one week.

The removal of the Wright and McBride families lost us five children; but the number is more than made good.

Lilian McDonald enters the 7th grade from Lamont.

Three new pupils enrolled in primary this week and three in Miss Ennis's room.

Senior are about to close up their review in Grammar. Next comes Geography. With our present system of reviews it need not be necessary for a graduate of our school to attend summer school five weeks in order to secure a certificate.

Indeed, one of our Freshmen took a teacher's certificate last week, Joseph Green, of Franklin. Mr. Green is taking some Sophomore work and could have taken more, but took the Freshmen from choice.

Our school needs painting, woodwork, iron work, brick work and all. Walks needed. Lawn is crying for some thorough attention.

Our Sophomore Arithmetic class think they have some hard nuts to crack.

At the regular bi-weekly meeting of the teachers on Monday night, it was decided that it would not be best, at the close of this year, to give public exercises by the grades.

Our 7th and 8th grades are doing thorough work in rhetoricals this year.

Junior Exhibition on May 25; commencement on June 21.

Part I of Junior Exhibition will be given by the boys, five in number. Part II by the young girls. Look out for something good.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were passed by the Loving Rebekah of Royal Oak Circle No. 395 on the death of Companion Eva M. Bochatt:

Whereas, It having pleased our Supreme Ruler of the Universe to remove from our [illegible]

[illegible]

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A LOVER OF FLOWERS.

COUNTY LINE.

School vacation this week.

[illegible] Cromie is tiling for R. Hawthorn.

[illegible] Kedlick, who has been sick, is convalescing.

[illegible]

TROY.

[illegible]

ROYAL OAK.

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Cards are out announcing the silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Russell, Monday evening, April 23, from 8 to 12.

The following scholars of the Royal Oak School received 3rd grade certificates from the County Board of Examiners: Mary Staunch, Matilda Storz, John Campbell and Ernest Wemp.

The Easter exercises at the M. E. church Sunday evening were largely attended. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers. The singing was a pleasing feature of the services.

The Royal Oak Epworth League cordially invites you to take a trip to the Rocky Mountains with them next Saturday evening, April 21. Round trip 10c. Tickets can be bought from the R. O. E. L. R. R. office.

Of Interest to Horsemen.

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SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

A model of the Brooklyn bridge has been made at Trenton, N. J., for exhibition at the Paris exposition. The length will be twenty-eight feet.

Wire fences are blamed for damage to live stock by lightning stroke. The director of the Iowa weather and crop service recommends the use of earth wires at intervals along the fences.

A botanical garden has been established at Coquilhatville, Congo Free State, by the Belgian government. It will be called the Kew gardens, and it will probably be very important to the rubber and other tropical industries.

At one place in England, at least, slates are washed twice a day with a disinfecting fluid. The slates of children should be carefully inspected and great attention should be paid to the sponges with which they clean them.

The Geographical society of Philadelphia is to continue its work of setting wooden casks adrift on the ice north of this continent to demonstrate the currents of arctic waters north of Behring strait. Each cask will contain a blank to be filled in by the finder.

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