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NARROW ESCAPE OF A WOMAN ON A PANHANDLE TRAIN.

Warsaw Youth Trips to Commit Suicide by Taking Poison While on Trial for Assault.

VIOLENCE IN TRACTION STRIKE

IT TAKES ON NEW FORM AND IS MORE PREVALENT.

Carnegie Library for Vincennes—Murder Trial Continuance—Spirits Order Dismissal of a Suit.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 13.—Some one fired a bullet from a revolver into the crowded ladies' coach of Panhandle train No. 48 near this city to-night. The bullet entered just under a window and grazed a woman, who fainted from the shock. It is thought the shot was fired either by a tramp or by some man who had a grudge against the conductor for being put off of the train.

Mike Foley Not Killed.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. NEW CASTLE, Ind., March 13.—Mike Foley, proprietor of the Fan saloon, of this place, who was shot at Cambridge City last night by Henry Wilkins, of Rushville, while engaged in a game of poker, was not so seriously injured as at first reported. The bullet entered his body in the region of the abdomen, and it was thought he was fatally injured, but a closer examination revealed the fact that the ball had been deflected by a muscle and had little more than penetrated the skin. It was found about ten inches above the place of entrance, lying just beneath the skin. Physicians regard the wound as very unusual, one, as well as extremely lucky for Foley. He came to his home here today.

Swallowed Poison in Court.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WARSAW, Ind., March 13.—Because his sweetheart had caused his arrest on a charge of assault and battery, John Price made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide today in Justice of the Peace Eller's courtroom. During the hearing of the case Price took a bottle from his pocket and swallowed the entire contents. In five minutes he became unconscious, but physicians were summoned and after half an hour's work they declared him out of danger.

BIG LABOR DEMONSTRATION.

Street-Railway Strikers Will Make It Violence is Increasing.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 13.—The street-railway strikers and the Central Lumber Union are making elaborate preparations for the labor demonstration to be held here on Tuesday by organized labor of this part of the State in sympathy with the strikers. At the time of the former demonstration the weather was very cold and the parade was not as impressive as the labor leaders desired. Now they expect to have several thousand men in the streets. The reports of violence are increasing, and the new line of action to drop the street cars by cutting the ropes which hold them thirty feet above the pavement and letting them fall to the ground, has been suggested. The drop breaks the lamp and extinguishes the light, with the result that the hanging cables are a menace to the lives of persons driving or walking past the location.

INDIANA OBITUARY.

Wm. H. McClelland, of Fort Wayne, Prominent G. A. R. Member.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 13.—William H. McClelland, aged sixty-one, died today, after a short illness. He served three years in Company E, Eighty-eighth Indiana Infantry, and was a member both of the G. A. R. and the U. V. L. During the administration of Colonel Oakley as mayor he was one of the two Republican members of the Board of Public Works, and had been an Odd Fellow for thirty-five years. In business life he was a hardware merchant. The funeral will be held on Sunday.

Dr. C. H. Hixson.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 13.—Dr. C. H. Hixson suffered a stroke of paralysis last night while helping to initiate several candidates in a lodge at Oakland City and died this morning. He was one of the pioneers of Gibson county.

Other State Necrology.

MARTINSVILLE, Ind., March 13.—Mrs. Robert Smith, aged seventy-eight years, died this morning at her home in the city of Waverly, after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Smith was born and had lived her entire life in a vicinity where she died. She was the oldest native-born woman in the county. Her husband died three years ago. Mrs. Smith was survived by Mrs. L. S. Keely, of this city, and the only surviving children.

BOURBON, Ind., March 13.—Anson Reed, one of the oldest citizens of Bourbon, died at the age of seventy-eight years. Mr. Reed was born in Erie county, New York, in 1824. He had lived in this county for forty-seven years. He was a soldier during the civil war. He left a widow and two daughters.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., March 13.—Charles Smith, aged eighty-four, a pioneer farmer of this county, died suddenly this morning. He was arising from his bed when stricken with heart failure. Yesterday he seemed in his usual health.

PORTLAND, Ind., March 13.—The body of Richard Hammons, who died in Washington, D. C., on March 12, was taken to the place of interment in the Presbyterian Church to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment in Green Park cemetery.

LAPORTE, Ind., March 13.—Robert Curran, said to be the oldest Freemason in Indiana, having joined Laporte Lodge in 1842, died today. He was ninety-two years of age.

KOKOMO, Ind., March 13.—Mrs. Elizabeth Russell, the cavelline woman who refused food for six weeks to demand a night of voluntary starvation. She was ninety-two years old.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER CHARGE.

Crawford County Man Accused of Killing His Grandfather.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. NEW ALBANY, Ind., March 13.—Michael Morgan, charged with the killing of his grandfather, Harry Morgan, near Atton last August, was acquitted yesterday in the Crawford Circuit Court at English. It was charged that Morgan died from the effects of injuries suffered in a fight with his grandson, that the latter slammed a door against the old man and the door knob broke several of his ribs. J. H. Weathers, of this city, attorney for the defendant, introduced the door as evidence and showed that the knob would have struck him higher than the hip. The old man, who was past eighty-five years of age, died suddenly several days after the "punch" by his grandson, and the jury found that death was due to natural causes brought on by the infirmities of advancing age.

Weist and Butcher Assault Case.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PORTLAND, Ind., March 13.—The husband of Ross Weist and Harry Butcher, charged with assault and battery with

intent to commit murder, began in the Weist and Butcher, who were indicted by the last grand jury, are charged with having assaulted Harry Butcher, at his home, near New Corydon, beating him nearly to death. Drueley, whose skull was so badly crushed that several pieces of bone were extracted, lingered between life and death for some weeks, finally recovering. A damages suit for \$2,000 for personal injuries also has been filed against Weist by Drueley.

Date for Pitter's Trial Changed.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., March 13.—Judge Leffer today changed the date for the trial of Charles Pitter, the wife murderer, from March 25 to April 2, the change being made because the attorneys for the accused, Keener & Leaning, will be engaged in New Castle on the date first set.

Shook Case Again Continued.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., March 13.—The trial of James Shook for the murder of John Ryan, at Cambridge City, has again been continued in the Circuit Court. This time it is set forward to April 16. The postponement is at the request of the attorneys being engaged in another case.

ANDREWS BANK CASE.

Trial Is Ended and Decision Will Be Made in a Few Days.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WABASH, Ind., March 13.—The suit of the Capital National Bank, of Indianapolis, against A. C. Wilkerson, trustee in bankruptcy of James M. Key, wrecker of the Commercial Bank, at Andrews, ended today in the Wabash Circuit Court, Alvah Taylor sitting as special judge. Last August Vice President Orlando Packard, of the Capital National, who was here through the trial, had a tip that Key was about to abscond. He owed the Capital National \$5,000 on a note, and Mr. Packard went to Andrews and demanded payment. Key gave him \$1,000 in Chicago exchange and later \$500 in cash, leaving a balance of \$3,000 on the Capital bank. The credits were indorsed on the note, together with a credit for \$200 represented by the furniture and fixtures of the Commercial Bank, transferred to the Capital by a bill of sale from Key. There never had been any question concerning the last credit had not Key been forced into bankruptcy, but the other creditors of the broken banker say that under the bankruptcy act the claims of preferential creditors, to be valid, must have been made at least four months before the bankruptcy petition is filed. It is alleged that this interval of four months did not elapse in this case, and that the transfer was not a payment on the note, but was transferred to secure the debt.

Case Will Contest on Trial.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAFAYETTE, Ind., March 13.—The taking of testimony in the case will contest began today. A large picture of the deceased, showing a striking resemblance to the late Thomas A. Hendricks, was introduced in evidence and occupies a conspicuous place before the jurors. The allegation is that the picture was taken by the defendant today described his presence at seances and his reports thereof as confirmation of the evidence. In one instance that Case had claimed the appearance in the body of a dead niece and much else that her by the hand and conversed with her.

Verdict for the Defendant.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PORTLAND, Ind., March 13.—The jury which heard the evidence in the damage action brought by John Jordan against the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railway Company, for \$1,200 because his little son was killed by a train, found for the defendant at the conclusion of the plaintiff's evidence. No willful negligence on the part of the railway was shown, and the jury believed the testimony which had been introduced up to that time.

Jury Found for Defendant.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., March 13.—A novel suit for damages came to an end in the Circuit Court today. It was that of John Caldwell against the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railway Company. The claimant had caught cold in a poorly heated coach and demanded \$5,000. The jury found for the defendant.

Much Interest in Forthcoming Debates—Fraternal and Personal Notes.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FRANKLIN, Ind., March 13.—Kalamazoo College has submitted the following question for the Kalamazoo-Franklin debate: "Resolved, that the policy of the government in the enfranchisement of the negro was unwise and inexpedient." Franklin will choose the affirmative side. The debate will be held during the last week of May.

On Tuesday evening the debating club will discuss the question: "Resolved, that Franklin should own and control its own water works and light system." The members of the City Council and other city officials will be present. It is intended to make it the most important debate of the term.

The young women of the Sigma Theta Epsilon fraternity celebrated their founder's day on Monday evening with a banquet at the Kalamazoo Hotel. The banquet was served in the Macebae's Hall, which was tastefully decorated in old gold and royal purple, the colors of the fraternity. After the menu had been served the following toasts were responded to, with A. C. Evanson, president; J. M. Spurgeon, secretary; Fred W. Clark; corresponding secretary; A. B. Ward, treasurer; Will Coon, secretary; and J. M. Spurgeon, secretary. The college has received 160 Franklin College song books for use in chapel. The books are the gift of Mrs. A. J. Thurston, of Shelbyville.

New Principal at Plainfield.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., March 13.—E. W. Keely, of the class of 1902, has accepted the position of principal of the Central Academy at Plainfield for the rest of the school year. He will leave at the end of this term to assume his duties. Mr. Keely is editor of the Earlhamian and will return and graduate with his class, as he already has sufficient credits to secure his degree.

ORDERED BY A SPIRIT.

Dismissal of a Sensational Fraud Case in a Muncie Court.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., March 13.—The charges of obtaining money under false pretenses and grand larceny brought against William H. Thompson, a former Muncie business man, by Miss Sarah Williams were dismissed in the Circuit Court today. Thompson threatened to bring a damage suit. Six months ago Charles Hawkins, a good-looking barber, was charged with procuring \$4,000 from Miss Williams, who is a maiden lady of fifty-two, on a promise of marriage. Hawkins secured apartments at the Williams home and made love to Miss Williams. She retroceded, and soon afterwards mortgaged her farm to loan Hawkins the money. He left immediately and has not since been located. It was averred that Mr. Thompson, at his home, near New Corydon, had assisted in arranging the deal whereby Miss Williams' farm was mortgaged for Hawkins' benefit.

Thompson was one of the lucky persons in the recent Oklahoma government land drawing, and secured a tract of 160 acres. The trustees went to Oklahoma and arrested him. He was brought to Muncie and furnished bond, but claims that his arrest resulted in his losing his land claim, being unable to make the required improvements. The prosecution claims, will make grounds for a damage suit.

Indiana Notes.

LAFAYETTE—Reports from farmers throughout this county say that the wheat crop is a little better than prospects. It has been announced by Leopold Dreyfus, owner of the Grand Opera House here, that he will expend \$20,000 in reconstructing and refurnishing the house, making it modern and attractive. The reconstruction work is being started at once.

KOKOMO.—This city and county had a touch of the prevailing storm Wednesday night. At the new steel mill several buildings were twisted and loosened from their foundations. At the enameling works the roof was torn from one of the buildings. In the country several barns were destroyed. Fences and out buildings in this path, the trees were leveled.

BROWNSTOWN.—Wright Vermilya, cashier of the Peoples State Bank, and Capt. Ralph Applewhite, jr., cashier of a branch of the same bank located in the western part of town, and their families and their places have been filled by the election of Elias Brown, formerly cashier of the Peoples State Bank, and William Hackman, of this township.

LAPORTE.—The Chicago & South Shore Railway Company, which intends to build an electric line between Laporte and Michigan City, the same to be part of the system of interurban roads in northern Indiana and southern Michigan with Chicago in connection, has begun the delivery of steel rails at this point. The road will be completed in six months.

RICHMOND.—Isaac F. Ryan, who was hurt in a recent collision on the Cincinnati, Richmond & Muncie Railroad, was taken to the hospital at this city on Tuesday and met with the township assessors in the office of the county auditor, Mr. Winger, at some length to the assessors on the importance of their work and of that of their chief, the county assessor.

MILTON.—The Rev. William Francis Shearer has resigned the pastorate of the Christian Church at this place to accept a call to charge at Eaton, Ind., where he is engaged in revival work and has had nearly 300 additions to the church. The resignation takes effect on or before May 1st.

MARTINSVILLE.—While Walter Rosenbalm, trustee of Adams township, was here on business, he was called to the bedside of his daughter Maggie, aged seventeen, who was taken to Illinois, where they were married.

BOURBON.—The Rev. George Mussen, of the Disciple Church, has been conducting religious meetings in this city for a month. Quite a number of persons have united with the church, and an organization of this denomination probably will be effected.

VINCENNES.—Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ritterskamp, a wealthy German couple, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary last night. The celebration was one of the most elaborate and elegant functions of the season and was largely attended.

MAIL SACK STOLEN. Daring Theft of Registered Matter in a Chicago Street. CHICAGO, March 13.—One of the most daring of recent post-office thefts committed in a crowded downtown street is now engaging the attention of local postal officials. Some one, by means of a duplicate key, opened a mail wagon to-night and extracted a registered mail sack. The contents of the pouch are estimated to be of the value of \$1,700.

The robbery was committed in front of the post office in State street, and the mail was passing. Driver E. A. Hannum, who was in charge of the wagon, went into the post office to report the theft. He was absent only five minutes, but when he returned he found the mail sack missing. There is no clue to the robber.

NEEDS OF OUR CONSULAR SERVICE.

Views of Edwin W. Gunsalus, United States Consul at Toronto. New York Tribune. In the main, I believe it is a recognized fact that the consular service of the United States is in a very backward condition, not superior to that of most other countries. In spite of this fact, there is an attempt to severely criticize the consular service in the United States in the various discussions of the subject, and in the meantime, the consular service is being improved.

Of course qualification of fitness for the service is a very important question, and this may be secured either by a special course of training or may come from the consular service itself. A man may have a technical knowledge of consular work and yet be lacking in the essential qualities of a consular officer, as much to do with the success of the service as a mere knowledge of the routine of consular work.

There are many clerks and consular agents who could, to the undoubted good of the service, be advanced to consult and a system providing for the filling of vacancies from these ranks might be a substantial benefit.

Our consular service is of wide range, differing greatly in character and kind with reference to geographical situation, and it is a great wonder that the consular service is not better organized and that a careful study of the regulations and the duties of consular officers is not given with a certain amount of adaptability, will in nearly every instance solve all difficulties.

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Warehouse Burns at Akron. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ROCHESTER, Ind., March 13.—A warehouse stored with general merchandise, the property of Daniel Leininger, of Akron, was destroyed by fire with all contents about 8 o'clock last night. The loss is about \$5,000, fully covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is not known, or less damaged, but a general fire was avoided by the citizens, who promptly volunteered their services.

Hammond Municipal Campaign—Kokomo Republican Organization—Fort Wayne Democrats.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. KEETLAND, Ind., March 13.—From present indications the Republicans of the Thirtieth judicial district, composed of the counties of Jasper and Newton, will not nominate a candidate for judge to be voted for next November. The convention was set for April 10 at Brook, but the Republican organization in Jasper county changed the method of selecting delegates from the usual township caucuses to an election of the delegates to the county convention, to be held in Reusseler. This action being without precedent in the circuit, the Newton county central committee entered an earnest protest and directed Chairman Little to confer with the Jasper county chairman. All efforts in the direction of compromise failing, Mr. Little issued a statement yesterday calling off the convention. Jasper county leaders assert they will nominate a candidate regardless of the action of the county.

Kokomo Republican Committee.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. KOKOMO, Ind., March 13.—The Republicans of this city reorganized last night. W. H. Arnett is chairman of the new committee and C. F. Springer secretary. The city ticket—mayor, clerk and treasurer—will be nominated at a delegate convention on March 27. The committee nominations will be made in April, in mass conventions, in each of the five wards. Every townman and city officer will be elected this spring.

Will Nominate by Primary.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. HARTFORD CITY, Ind., March 13.—The city central committee met last night and decided to hold the primary for the selection of candidates April 17, under the forms of the Iowa law. It will be the first primary in the history of the city. The committee is the first to announce itself as a candidate for mayor, although it is certain there will be several others.

Candidate for Representative.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUMFORDVILLE, Ind., March 13.—Samuel Winger, of the firm of Winger & Sons, of this city, engaged in banking, merchandizing and contracting, has announced his candidacy for joint representative for the district composed of Madison, Hamilton, Clinton and Montgomery counties. His opponent already announced is W. B. Campbell, of Anderson.

Madison City Committee.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MADISON, Ind., March 13.—The Republican city central committee organized to-night by electing Louis Ernest chairman; W. H. Miller, vice chairman; Charles Hoffman, secretary, and James White, treasurer.

ACTIVE CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN.

Major Steele and His Opponents Busy in Miami County. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PERU, Ind., March 13.—Frederick Landis, of Logansport, Dr. Good, of Warren, Cary Coggill, of Wabash, and Major Steele, of Marion, and their friends and followers are making an unusually active campaign for delegates to the congressional convention.

The selection in Peru township will be made at the courthouse on Friday evening and in the country districts on all in that afternoon. The opposition to Major Steele is active and determined. This county is considered the key to the election in the district, hence the energy displayed on all sides. Each is claiming a sure victory, but the actual result will probably be forecast by a disinterested observer.

HAMMOND MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN.

Republicans Have Three Mayoral Candidates, Democrats Have Two. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. HAMMOND, Ind., March 13.—Municipal campaigns in this city always have been noted for the bitterness of partisanship and the vigor with which they have been fought, but the present municipal campaign has far exceeded anything in that respect. In 1898 the Democratic city ticket, headed by Mayor Patrick Reilly, was elected by majorities that averaged 200, but during the 1899 campaign four Republican aldermen were elected, and at the presidential election the city went eleven Republican, though the majority insisted that the count was illegal. They could not prove their assertion, however.

Under the present situation perplexing candidates for the mayoralty in the field. To make the result more uncertain and more complicated both the Republican and Democratic parties are badly divided, and it is believed that the result will be a tie. Reilly, who is at the head of the executive branch of the city government, is again a candidate. The other Democratic candidates are Attorney Lawrence Becker, who holds the position of city attorney. There are several Republican candidates in the field for mayor on the Republican ticket. Charles Kason is superintendent of the G. H. Hammond Company on account of its large interest in the city.

He was brought out by the G. H. Hammond Company on account of its large interest in the city. He is a very strong supporter of the laboring classes, and the labor unions have a big fight on their hands to get him into the office as labor as an organization. The third candidate is ex-Representative A. F. Knotts.

REACHES THE EPITHEM STAGE.

Democratic Primary Campaign in and Around Fort Wayne. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 13.—The Democratic primaries will be held to-morrow for Saturday's convention, and the bickering and strife are near the limit with safety to persons. The organs, morning and evening, have reached the irreconcilable point and are passing uncomplimentary epithets liberally.

Now come the candidates for coroner with a fight as bitter as that between Dr. Barnett, incumbent, and Dr. Harrod, former incumbent. In last night's Sentinel writer signing himself "Physician and Democrat" recalls some alleged instances of serious official misconduct on the part of the former coroner in the interest of the nomination of the present coroner. Against both these doctors a railroading election case of George C. Tombs against Benjamin Capron, has been again decided. Judge Capron, of the Fulton county court, ruling in favor of Mr. Tombs.

In 1894 in the election for trustee of Perry township a tie was declared between Mr. Tombs, Republican, and Mr. Gregg, Democrat, and the tie was broken in favor of Mr. Gregg by lots. Mr. Tombs again claimed the election by a mutilated ballot which was thrown out. The Supreme Court decided that the mutilation was not sufficient to invalidate the ballot, and Judge Capron

is ready to do it over again. If any other prince wants to come and use our resources in the entertaining of the city, he had better be exhausted, and we are always pleased to show the country to strangers.

Ready to Do It Over Again. Baltimore American.

I concur in the suggestion that much good will be done by the sending of representatives of commercial and other bodies interested in the betterment of the service, and a delegation of consuls for the purpose of conferring as to the best steps to be taken to bring about the reform desired.

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