

BOARD OF SAFETY EXCITES INTEREST

Public Anxious to Locate Next Chief of Police and Electrician—Williams Opposes Consideration of Bureau.

Who is to be chief of police? That is one question that agitated the inquisitive mind of South Bend Saturday, following the announcement of Mayor-Elect Keller's appointments, and a part of those due from the board of public works, and board of safety, Friday.

All the appointees have accepted, so far as reported. Next to chief of police, among the things which the public would like to know is, first, who is to be city electrician?

The agitation of the fire insurance men, as merged into the South Bend & Mishawaka Fire Underwriters' association, is bringing this latter inquiry particularly to the front, especially since they have lost their much wanted chief of the fire department through the appointment of Capt. Irving W. Strel to succeed Chief Wilfrid Grant.

The underwriters are anxious to have the Indiana Inspection Bureau, owned by E. M. Sellers of Indianapolis, with local offices in the J. M. S. building, under the management of Fred C. Powell, appointed electrician. It is a matter which, it is understood, the new board of safety is giving serious consideration.

Not Without Opposition. The plan, however, is not without opposition, the present occupant of the office, W. E. Williams, particularly objecting to the move, even though it is understood that he does not expect a reappointment.

In determining whether the electrical work in South Bend has been properly done, it hardly seems the proper thing to cite what has been done in that line in Ohio, Maine and Texas," says Mr. Williams. "The things that concern us here in South Bend are the things done in this city."

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SUES FOR FALL FROM AMBULANCE

Ward Transfer Co. is Defendant in Suit for \$1,000 Damages.

Alleging that she was carelessly left fall from an ambulance while taken to the Epworth hospital on Dec. 16, 1911 (sustaining severe injuries as a result, Ocie Jellison filed suit in the circuit court against the Ward Hack and Transfer Co., Arthur M. Russell and John Russell. Floyd Jellison, the husband, has filed suit for \$1,000 damages for loss of service of his wife as an attendant in her care.

The complaint alleges that Mrs. Jellison was being taken from bed in her home to the hospital where she was to undergo treatment. At the hospital when they were about to remove her from the ambulance, one of the attendants fell from the rear and the patient was dropped to the pavement, it is charged. It is alleged that the attendant who struck the patient had been inexperienced and that the ambulance was not properly provided with a step.

BATTLE RAGES ON IN TAMPICO U. S. FLEET RUSHED IN BAY

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) enough to prevent the operation of the guns, and that it will long delay a resumption of traffic.

Shells Fall In City. Occasional shells fell in the heart of the city of Tampico during the day and night of the 12th and machine guns were numerous enough to make advisable that all residents not engaged in the operations seek cover. For the most part the firing was directed to the artillery of the rebels and the guns of the Bravo.

The rebels hold the area between Tampico proper and the coast, including Dona Cecilia and Arbol Grande, suburbs, where are located the storage oil tanks of the Waters-Pierce company, the Cowdray interests and the Huasera company. The Waters-Pierce refinery is at Arbol Grande. The Cowdray also have a refinery there, but it is not yet in operation.

According to reports received here the rebels have not damaged any property, and that the firing from the Bravo and a few federal cannon, endangers the tanks and the refinery of the Waters-Pierce Oil company.

The federalists have their possession in that part of the city behind a triangle formed by the Panuco river, which is really the city's harbor, and the canal running into it between the river and the city.

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MASONS OBSERVE ANNUAL BANQUET

Three Hundred and Fifty Present at Reunion and Conferring of Master Mason Degree.

With appropriate and impressive ceremonies the annual reunion and banquet of the South Bend lodge No. 249 F. & A. M. was held Friday afternoon and evening in the Masonic Temple. Over 350 men were present many visiting members being present from LaPorte, Michigan City, Niles, North Liberty, Mishawaka and Elkhart.

The afternoon's ceremonies began at 1:30 when the Master Mason degree was conferred on seven candidates. This work was given by a team composed of Past Masters, Geo. For, past master in 1874-75-76, presided and was assisted by the following: Charles H. Baxter, Dr. A. T. Montgomery, Dr. E. J. Lent, John N. Riland, Henderson McClellan, Charles H. Pierce and Fred Ruff.

Following the degree work a magnificent banquet was served in the hall of the temple. Dr. C. A. Lippincott gave the invocation. Rev. J. L. Gardner was the principal speaker of the evening. Others who responded to toasts were Bishop John Hazen White, Atty. John G. Yeagley who spoke in behalf of the candidates, and Judge Harry B. Tutbill of Michigan City senior grand deacon of the Grand Lodge of Indiana. Several musical selections were given by the Masonic quartet and a cornet solo by Lawrence H. Smith. Accompaniments were furnished by Prof. Miranda on the pipe organ.

The local lodge closes its year with a membership of 520, 42 candidates being taken in during the year.

DORWARD AND DOYLE TO BE NEXT SPEAKERS

Knife and Fork Club to Hold Third Banquet of Season at Oliver Tuesday.

The third dinner of the Knife and Fork club for the season of 1913-14 will be held in the Oliver hotel Tuesday evening when William T. Dorward of Milwaukee and C. J. Doyle of Chicago will be the chief speakers.

Both men are well known throughout the country in their respective spheres. Dorward's subject will be "The Uncovered Canine Tooth." It is described as a thorough and original presentation of the history of sneers, and Dorward comes recommended as an highly entertaining speaker.

C. J. Doyle is a former secretary of state of Illinois. He will speak on "Fire Waste and Fire Prevention." Doyle is conceded to be among the best informed men in the country on the subject and he will tell why the minutes and how a large part of this nation's fire loss is \$5,000 every ten is preventable.

His power is marvelous. Do people write to you? Are my prospects bright? Send your letter to Mr. Clay Burton Elder, 400-A, Palais Royal, Paris, France. If you wish you may enclose 10 cents (stamps of your own country) to pay postage and a large part of this nation's fire loss is \$5,000 every ten is preventable.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL TO GIVE CONCERT THURS. Pupils of the grammar school will give a concert Thursday evening in the high school auditorium. A carefully selected program will be presented by the entire student body of more than four hundred boys and girls under the direction of Miss Heath and Miss Parker.

The program will be arranged in two parts. Part I will consist of cantata "Summer," by Franz Abt. In this, the chorus will be assisted by a number of soloists—among them Miss Garlock, assistant supervisor of music in the city schools; Miss Ruth Stouffer and the Misses Genevieve Fowler and Jennie Larsen, two pupils of the eighth grade.

Part II will be miscellaneous, a special feature of which will be a boys' chorus. The program is as follows: Orchestra; seventh grade, (a) Waken Lords and Ladies; (b) Santa Lucia; (c) Holy Night; (in German). Revue of the eLaves, (entire chorus). Boys' chorus, (a) Blacksmith; (b) A Warrior Bold; (c) The Heart Bowed Down. Praise Ye the Father, (entire chorus).

During the program several selections will be rendered by the Eighth Grade orchestra.

LODGE AND AUXILIARY SELECT NEW OFFICERS. F. A. Smith Named as Commander of the Harry O. Perkins Spanish War Veterans.

Both the Harry Perkins camp, U. S. W. V. and the woman's auxiliary of the lodge elected officers for the ensuing year at meetings held Friday night. The men elected the following officers: Commander, F. A. Smith; senior vice commander, W. H. Garret; officer of day, W. H. Lonsenecker; officer of guard, Barney Swartz; trustee, W. H. Teeple.

The woman's auxiliary elected the following officers: President, Gertrude M. Inwood; senior vice president, Sophia Lohaug; jr. vice president, Mettie Swartz; chaplain, Ida E. Kissinger; treasurer, Florence M. Duncan; secretary, Daisy M. Bertsch; conductor, Alma Reed; assistant conductor, Alvina Lemert; guard, Theresa Lohaug; assistant guard, Barbara Busch; patriotic instructor, Dora Nell; historian, Edith Rex.

The next meeting will be held in two weeks and the public installation will take place at the first meeting in January.

WILL SUPPLY FRESH EGGS AT 38 A DOZEN. BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Fresh eggs at from 38 to 40 cents a dozen, according to farmers will be put on sale by several dealers in the near future if the plans of Mrs. Edward P. Barry, wife of Lieut. Gov. Elect are carried out.

"I have already completed the arrangement with several farmers and poultrymen," she explained, "but have not yet arranged as to the stores where the eggs will be sold."

Mrs. Barry as head of the United Housewives league heads the campaign for lower prices of eggs.

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Is This Man Gifted With Strange Power?

Prominent People Say He Reads Their Lives As An Open Book.

Do You Want to Know About Your Business, Marriage, Changes, Occupation, Friends, Enemies or What to Do to Achieve Success?

TEST READINGS FREE TO ALL SOUTH BEND NEWS-TIMES READERS WHO WRITE AT ONCE.

Attention of the mystically inclined seems to be centered at present upon the work of Mr. Clay Burton Vance, who, although laying claim to no special gift of supernormal powers, attempts to reveal the lives of people through the slender clues of their past.

The following letter is published as evidence of Mr. Vance's ability: "Prof. Dixon, M. A., Director Lanka Observatory, member of the 'Societe Astronomique de France,' member of the 'Gesellschaft der Freunde der Wissenschaften,' Germany, writes: 'Dear Sir—I duly received your letter and Complete Life Reading. I am perfectly satisfied with your Reading; it is in every respect what I needed, and it is especially appreciated that those who wish to avail themselves of this generous offer make application at once. If you wish a delineation of your own life, if you wish a true description of your characteristics, habits and capacities, simply send your full name, the date, month and year of your birth state whether Mr., Mrs. or Miss, and also copy the following verse in your own handwriting: 'Your power is marvelous. Do people write to you? Are my prospects bright? Send your letter to Mr. Clay Burton Elder, 400-A, Palais Royal, Paris, France. If you wish you may enclose 10 cents (stamps of your own country) to pay postage and a large part of this nation's fire loss is \$5,000 every ten is preventable.'"

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DEATHS. D. H. CORDIER. Friends in South Bend have received notice of the death of D. H. Cordier, 40, of Pueblo, Colo., on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He is survived by a wife and two children in Colorado; two sisters, Mrs. W. D. Hotchkiss of Chicago and Mrs. W. C. Shelton of River Park, and one brother, I. E. Cordier of River Park.

MRS. CORA HICKS. Mrs. Cora Ward Hicks, daughter of George Ward of this city, died in Seattle, Wash., Friday morning at 6 o'clock. She was born in Mishawaka, Ind., Nov. 19, 1865, and afterward lived with her parents on a farm in Clay township. She later married Richard A. Hicks of Edinburg, Mich., and moved to South Bend, where they lived until 11 years ago. They then moved to Seattle, Wash., where they have resided since.

MRS. JULIA BARBER. Mrs. Julia Barber, 43, died at her home, 108 S. Emerick st., Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock, after a several years' illness of heart trouble. She is survived by her husband, Richard Barber, her father, George Ward of this city; two sisters and one brother, Mrs. W. D. Roop and Mrs. A. L. Sturgis and Albert Ward of South Bend.

MARKETS. EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 13.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300 head. Market slow and steady. Prime steers, \$8.75@9.00; shipping steers, \$6.00@8.25. CALVES—Receipts, 100 head. Market fairly active, 50c to \$1.00 higher. Cull to choice, \$4.00@12.00. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 9,000 head. Market slow, 25c to 30c lower. Choice lambs, \$7.50@8.00; culls, to fair, \$6.00@7.25; yearlings, \$6.00@7.00; sheep, \$2.00@3.50. HOGS—Receipts, 5,000. Market active and steady. Yorkers, \$7.50@8.00; pigs, \$7.00@7.50; mixed, \$8.00; heavy, \$8.00; roughs, \$7.25@7.40; stags, \$6.00@6.75. PORK—Receipts, 13,000. Supply light. Market steady. Choice, \$8.00@8.25; prime, \$7.50@8.00; good, \$6.00@6.50; city butchers, \$7.25@7.75; fair, \$6.50@7.00; common, \$5.00@5.50; common to good fat hogs, \$4.50@5.25; common to good fat cows, \$3.00@3.50; hogs, \$3.00@3.50; fresh calves and springers, \$3.00@3.50; and veal calves, \$1.50@2.00; heavy and thin culls, \$0.50@1.00. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Supply light. Market steady. Prime wethers, \$10.00@10.50; choice, \$9.00@9.50; culls and common, \$2.00@3.00; lambs, \$5.00@6.15. HOGS—Receipts, 25. Market active higher. Mixed and butchers, \$7.25@7.50; good heavy, \$7.50@7.80; rough heavy, \$7.25@7.50; light, \$7.50@7.80; pigs, \$7.00@7.50. CALVES—Receipts, 2,000. Market steady. Native and western, \$3.00@3.50; hams, \$3.50@3.85. CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—OPENING—WHEAT—Dec. 8c; May, 92½c. CORN—Dec. 67½c; May, 69½c; July, 69½c. OATS—Dec. 60½c; May, 42½c; July, 41½c. PORK—May, \$21.00. LARD—May, \$11.07. RIBS—Jan., \$10.92½c; May, \$11.17. SOUTH BEND MARKETS. FLOUR AND FEED. (Corrected Daily by Knoblock & Ginz, Hydrant.)—Buying wheat at 90c; oats at 42c; retailing at 70c; rye, 90c; corn, buying at 50c, selling at 50c. TALLOW AND HIDES. (Corrected Daily by S. W. Lippman, 210 N. Main St.) Tallow—Light, 20c to 22c; rendered, No. 1, 4½c to 5½c; No. 2, 3½c to 4½c. Hides—No. 1 green hides, 12c to 13c; culls and light, 10½c to 11½c; wool, 17c to 20c. POULTRY AND MEATS. (Corrected Daily by the Fremont Market, 125 N. Main St.) Poultry—Spring chicken, paying 12½c to 13c; selling at 20c to 22c; round steak, 30c to 25c; sirloin steak, 30c; porter house, 35c to 40c; beef roast, 20c to 25c; boiling beef, 10c to 20c; lard, 15c smoked ham, 20c to 40c; old chickens, paying 12½c; selling at 20c. Oysters, 40c to 60c quart. Turkeys paying 15c to 20c dressed, selling 20c lb. PROVISIONS. (Corrected Daily by W. Mueller, 216 E. Jefferson Boulevard.) Fruit—Oranges, per case, \$3.50; selling at 20c per doz. Lemons, per case, \$6.00; selling at 40c per dozen. Bananas, buying

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South Bend's Best Christmas Store. Taxed to our utmost these days of Christmas preparations. Scores of additional salespeople have been provided to make shopping an easier task than is usually found. Our stocks are aglow with useful merchandise that makes appropriate gifts. It means dollars and cents to you to first inspect Robertson's Christmas Stocks.

The Season's Greatest Sale Sensation is This Quick Disposal of Wooltex Coats at \$10.00 and \$15.00

A brilliant selection of dependable Wooltex Coats in the styles approved for winter wear. Chinchilla, velour de laine, astrakhan, velour de peche, plush, broadtail cloth, etc., are the materials represented. The linings are of the finest. All sizes up to 56. To select the choice of the big assortment. Choose early.

Suggestions Worthy of a Place on The Gift List

Hand-Crocheted Bedroom Slippers. At 50c and 59c pair. Made of Germantown four-fold yarns. Lambs' wool soles. For women or children. Mufflers at Great Reduction. Bradley or Phoenix: 25c grade, 15c—50c grade, 35c—75c grade, 48c—\$1 grade, 69c—\$1.50 grade, 98c. All colors. Xmas Stationery. 50c value at 25c. Appropriately boxed writing paper of superb quality. 48 sheets of paper, 48 envelopes, worth double.

A Tremendous Purchase of New Umbrellas Affords the Greatest Values We Ever Offered

Men's Umbrellas at 79c up to \$5 — Hundreds of new styles in handles. The best coverings on each. Splendidly reinforced frames. This mammoth shipment of extraordinary values comes to us from the most reputable maker in America. Actual values are 25 per cent more than our prices. Initialed without charge. Women's Umbrellas at 79c up to \$5—No store at any time ever offered a newer or more complete selection. A unique selection of the latest handles. Coverings absolutely the best obtainable at the usual prices such umbrellas sell for. This sale saves you 25 per cent. Select early.

ROBERTSON'S Latest Standing of Contest

Assumption 12,383 Laurel 5,819 St. Adelbert's 3,516 Colfax 9,965 Linden 7,991 St. Hedwig's 28,527 Coquillard 9,386 Lincoln 11,384 St. Joseph's 9,964 Eighth Grade 11,457 Madison 11,350 St. Casimer's 3,024 Elder 6,857 Muessel 30,025 St. Mary's 2,264 English Lutheran 4,596 Franklin 11,079 Oliver 11,876 St. Patrick's 9,968 Franklin 7,241 Perley 8,558 St. Paul's 2,279 Hight School 9,822 River Park 12,941 St. Stanislaus 3,521 Jefferson 5,255 Sacred Heart 7,179 St. Stephen's 3,682 Lafayette 7,147 Studebaker 18,824 Zion Evangelical 3,014

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MARKETS. EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 13.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300 head. Market slow and steady. Prime steers, \$8.75@9.00; shipping steers, \$6.00@8.25. CALVES—Receipts, 100 head. Market fairly active, 50c to \$1.00 higher. Cull to choice, \$4.00@12.00. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 9,000 head. Market slow, 25c to 30c lower. Choice lambs, \$7.50@8.00; culls, to fair, \$6.00@7.25; yearlings, \$6.00@7.00; sheep, \$2.00@3.50. HOGS—Receipts, 5,000. Market active and steady. Yorkers, \$7.50@8.00; pigs, \$7.00@7.50; mixed, \$8.00; heavy, \$8.00; roughs, \$7.25@7.40; stags, \$6.00@6.75. PORK—Receipts, 13,000. Supply light. Market steady. Choice, \$8.00@8.25; prime, \$7.50@8.00; good, \$6.00@6.50; city butchers, \$7.25@7.75; fair, \$6.50@7.00; common, \$5.00@5.50; common to good fat hogs, \$4.50@5.25; common to good fat cows, \$3.00@3.50; hogs, \$3.00@3.50; fresh calves and springers, \$3.00@3.50; and veal calves, \$1.50@2.00; heavy and thin culls, \$0.50@1.00. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Supply light. Market steady. Prime wethers, \$10.00@10.50; choice, \$9.00@9.50; culls and common, \$2.00@3.00; lambs, \$5.00@6.15. HOGS—Receipts, 25. Market active higher. Mixed and butchers, \$7.25@7.50; good heavy, \$7.50@7.80; rough heavy, \$7.25@7.50; light, \$7.50@7.80; pigs, \$7.00@7.50. CALVES—Receipts, 2,000. Market steady. Native and western, \$3.00@3.50; hams, \$3.50@3.85. CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—OPENING—WHEAT—Dec. 8c; May, 92½c. CORN—Dec. 67½c; May, 69½c; July, 69½c. OATS—Dec. 60½c; May, 42½c; July, 41½c. PORK—May, \$21.00. LARD—May, \$11.07. RIBS—Jan., \$10.92½c; May, \$11.17. SOUTH BEND MARKETS. FLOUR AND FEED. (Corrected Daily by Knoblock & Ginz, Hydrant.)—Buying wheat at 90c; oats at 42c; retailing at 70c; rye, 90c; corn, buying at 50c, selling at 50c. TALLOW AND HIDES. (Corrected Daily by S. W. Lippman, 210 N. Main St.) Tallow—Light, 20c to 22c; rendered, No. 1, 4½c to 5½c; No. 2, 3½c to 4½c. Hides—No. 1 green hides, 12c to 13c; culls and light, 10½c to 11½c; wool, 17c to 20c. POULTRY AND MEATS. (Corrected Daily by the Fremont Market, 125 N. Main St.) Poultry—Spring chicken, paying 12½c to 13c; selling at 20c to 22c; round steak, 30c to 25c; sirloin steak, 30c; porter house, 35c to 40c; beef roast, 20c to 25c; boiling beef, 10c to 20c; lard, 15c smoked ham, 20c to 40c; old chickens, paying 12½c; selling at 20c. Oysters, 40c to 60c quart. Turkeys paying 15c to 20c dressed, selling 20c lb. PROVISIONS. (Corrected Daily by W. Mueller, 216 E. Jefferson Boulevard.)