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BATTLE WAGED OVER \$400,000 ASSESSMENT

Corporation Seeks Reduction to \$40,000—Hen Island Dam Case Next for Hearing by Board of Review.

Former Judge Vernon W. Van Fleet, representing the Mishawaka Hydraulic Co. before the St. Joseph county board of review in its effort to secure a reduction of the valuation placed upon the Mishawaka dam, was today heard with his own ammunition when the hearing was taken up before the board Thursday.

Isaac Kane Parks, counsel for the Mishawaka Chamber of Progress, which is seeking to have the valuation raised, quoted figures in support of his contention which were taken from a special finding of facts made by Van Fleet when former judge of the dam came before him as judge of the superior court five years ago in the case of the hydraulic company against the South Bend Manufacturing Co.

Until a year ago the Mishawaka dam was valued at \$40,000 for the purpose of taxation. The valuation was then placed at \$50,000 through the efforts of the Chamber of Progress and this year it was raised to \$400,000. It is alleged that the company refused this year to produce any figures for the assessor on the grounds that it would do so only if the assessor would value the property at whatever he pleased anyway.

Arguments in the case were taken up Thursday forenoon following a continuance taken Wednesday noon when the board adjourned for the day. The Chamber of Progress is represented by Isaac Kane Parks. During his arguments Wednesday forenoon, Parks produced the figures secured from the findings of Judge Van Fleet in the aforementioned case of the hydraulic company against the South Bend Manufacturing Co.

This case was tried in the superior court in 1910. It had been brought for the purpose of compelling the South Bend Manufacturing Co. to pay the tax on the dam as assessed. The court found for the complainant and ordered the dam rebuilt so that the water of the river would not be backed up against the power wheel of the manufacturing concerns using power developed by the Mishawaka dam.

COMMERCIAL BODY IN NEW QUARTERS BY AUGUST FIRST

Only Details Remain to Be Perfected to Complete Amalgamation with Commercial Athletic Club Decided Upon.

VOTE TO CONSOLIDATE IS ALMOST UNANIMOUS

Members of Both Organizations in Speeches Voice the Opinion that Move Means Larger Usefulness.

STATE PAYS BACK LOAN MADE LAST FEBRUARY

INDIANAPOLIS, July 1.—The state finance board, which consists of the governor, treasurer and auditor of state, today paid off the loan of \$400,000 to the Merchants' National bank and the Indiana Trust Co.

This loan was made on the 18th of last February at two and one-half per cent, the temporary relief being necessary pending collection of taxes from the county treasurers later in the year.

Under the law the state may call upon the county treasurers in March, April and May for advances on the taxes collected, and this custom has been followed for many years by all administrations and temporary loans have been as regularly the rule, pending settlements in June. But these loans have never before been made at such a low interest rate.

RUMELY CREDITORS TO FILE CLAIMS IN 60 DAYS

LAPORTE, Ind., July 1.—Finley E. Mouton, receiver of the Rumely Co., today issued notice to creditors of the \$22,000,000 corporation to file all claims within the next 60 days.

FINISH PLANS FRIDAY FOR POSTAL MEETING

Local Employes of Uncle Sam Will Meet to Complete Arrangements.

Final plans for the three-day convention of Indiana postal employes here Saturday, Sunday and Monday, will be made at a meeting to be held Friday night at the postoffice. Representatives of the local rural and city carriers and of the clerks of the local office will be present.

ASK RECEIVER FOR CITY Unusual Steps Taken to Adjust Tangled Affairs of Municipality.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., July 1.—A receiver for the city of Santa Monica was asked in a petition filed here today by Ben S. Hunter, former city attorney of that municipality. It was the first instance in history where such a course was adopted in an effort to adjust the tangled affairs of a city.

RIOTERS OUT ON BOND Men Arrested Near Gov. Slaton's Home to Be Tried This Week.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 1.—The 26 men charged with rioting at former Gov. Slaton's home, and who were indicted by the grand jury, are all at liberty today on \$500 bond each. Their trials will probably be held this week.

COMPLETE PLANS FOR DEDICATION OF NEW PLAYFIELD

First Public Recreation Ground Completely Equipped Result of Cooperative Efforts of Committees and Officials.

With the exception of a few details plans are complete for the dedication of the first public playground in South Bend. This playground is the J. D. Oliver field and will be formally opened to the public Saturday afternoon.

The complete program for Saturday afternoon was announced Thursday by F. B. Barnes, director of municipal recreation. The program includes speeches, music, athletic events and the presentation of a flag and flag pole by the Rotary club.

Address, by Mayor Fred W. Keller, in behalf of the city of South Bend. Address, "Education and Recreation," by L. J. Montgomery, superintendent of public schools. Address, "The People of the Sixth Ward and the Council," by Councilman John Smozer.

Address, by Miss Lillian Allen, director of the city of South Bend. Address, by Miss Lillian Allen, director of the city of South Bend. Address, by Miss Lillian Allen, director of the city of South Bend.

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U. S. LIKELY TO HAVE BASIS FOR NEW PROTEST

Ambassador Page Reports Leyland Liner Was Engaged in British Admiralty Business—Under a Charter.

STATE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE THOROUGH PROBE

Forfeiture of Rights by Americans Will Not Be Acknowledged Until Uncontroverted Facts Are Revealed.

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