

NEWS OF ELKHART AND VICINITY

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BABY NEGLECTED; MOTHER IN JAIL

Mrs. Ethel Parks Pleads Guilty to Charge of Prostitution.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—At a night session of police court, Tuesday night, Mrs. Ethel Parks and Mrs. Kate Lerch pleaded guilty to the charge of being prostitutes and sentence was deferred by Judge Lee. Both women have left their husbands, and in the case of Mrs. Parks' four little children are concerned. The two women were found in the company of one Tom Brown of Goshen while they were in McNaughton park about midnight Sunday night.

Brown, when brought before the court, pleaded guilty and his case was continued until he could see a lawyer and it is probable that he will fight the case. Another man by the name of Joseph Firestone made his escape before Police Patrolman Fay and Officer Withers could arrest him.

The two women have been living at a boarding house at 319 St. Joe st. One of the pitiable features of the case is that Mrs. Parks has a 14 months old babe that has been neglected during her stay in jail, having had the child with her at the boarding house. The three other children are being cared for by the father, who is an employe of the Standard Oil Co., the mother having left home with the babe in February.

ELKHART SUPERIOR COURT. News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—W. A. Rowe, administrator of the estate of Francis H. Rowe, reported the sale of real estate to Alvin Ruch for \$2,300 cash.

The defendant in the divorce case of Emma Laura Beldier vs. Archie F. Beldier filed an action in denial in the superior court Monday.

Arguments for a new trial in the damage suit of Steve Matus against Nat Newell were heard by Judge Harman Monday forenoon, but his ruling was withheld. Matus, who sued Newell for \$10,000, was awarded damages of \$1 by a superior court jury.

Bessie M. Davis was granted a divorce from Frederick Earl Davis in the superior court Monday morning on grounds of non-support. The plaintiff was granted the custody of a minor child, and was ordered not to remarry for 10 years.

James B. Richardson, administrator of the estate of William H. Richardson, qualified Monday, filing a bond of \$600. W. H. Richardson was killed by a runaway horse last Tuesday.

Ellen Boyer was granted a divorce from William B. Boyer on grounds of cruelty. The plaintiff was allowed \$25 attorney's fees, and granted the custody of a minor child. The defendant was ordered to pay \$7 per week for the support of minor children.

Lyle J. Billings qualified as administrator of the estate of her mother, Mary Billings, filing a bond of \$200.

May Carter was granted a divorce Monday morning from Earl L. Carter on grounds of desertion. The plaintiff will be allowed to resume her maiden name of Gilston.

After an illness of two days, Pros Oscar Jay was again able to meet the grand jury Monday and the Harris murder case was taken up by that body. Two Negroes were brought over from the county seat by Sheriff Sanford Monday evening and they will appear before the grand jury Tuesday.

ELKHART, June 26.—At 2 night session of the police court Monday evening the case against James Peak for furnishing liquor to minors was continued until Tuesday morning. Peak is accused of furnishing liquor to a 15-year-old girl who was employed at a boarding house conducted by him on Clark st.

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FIREMEN AND POLICEMEN GET SALARIES RAISED

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—At a special meeting of the city council held Monday night an ordinance was introduced and passed allowing the firemen and police an increase of \$10 per month in salaries, to take effect July 1. No appropriation was necessary at this time to cover the increase provided for, as there is money enough on hand to meet all expenses until late in the fall, and the appropriation can be made at any time.

When the ordinance was introduced and read it was passed without a dissenting voice, although it was reported that some opposition to the measure might develop. The section of the cemetery, city electrician and the city sealer also came in for a substantial increase in their salary checks.

WOMEN VOTERS TO MEET.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—A series of meetings in which women will be fully instructed in the method of voting are to be held in this city, and opportunity will be given for filling out registration affidavits, and a number of prominent speakers will address the meetings. The first meeting of the series will be held Wednesday of this week when Mrs. Oliver B. Lewis of Richmond will speak. It is planned to have at least four meetings each day in as many wards, and at different hours so that the speaker can address each meeting.

BURGULAR SCARE.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—The police were called to the L. W. Potts home on W. Jackson st. about 2 o'clock Monday morning, the telephone report stating that a prowler or burglar had been seen on the porch and in the Potts home. Mr. and Mrs. Potts had retired for the night and the light was seen by the neighbors on the lower floor. Captain Short and Officers Withers and Merrill answered the call, but by the time they arrived the prowler had fled and trace of him could not be found.

STREET CAR HITS AUTO.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—Street car No. 42 on the Jefferson line, while crossing Second st. on Jefferson going st. west at 11:40 Monday, struck an auto driven by Leon Swayne, badly damaging the machine. Motorist was injured and a heated argument with Swayne as to who was responsible for the accident with the result that Sailor got slightly the worst of it.

ORPHEUM TO OPEN SATURDAY.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—Announcement has been made of the opening of the Orpheum next Saturday with summer vaudeville. Saturday and Sunday of each week will be the only days open and vaudeville artists from Chicago will furnish the program. The regular season opening will be on Aug. 9.

INJURED WHILE DRIVING.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—While driving at Klinger lake Sunday Mac Childs was injured about the head and spine, on account of striking his head on the shallow bottom as he dove into the water. Mr. Gildea was a member of the Red Cross and expected to leave for France in a few days, but his departure will be delayed until his recovery from his injury.

ELKHART BRIEFS.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, June 26.—Mrs. Rose Countryman of East Indiana av. returned Monday morning from Montpelier, where she was called by the serious illness of her mother who resides in that place.

Miss Gertrude Grabel has accepted a position as office manager of the North End Taxi Co. and will have charge of the affairs during the night.

Three recruits have been added to the roster of Co. E within the past two days, and the company still lacks about forty men to come up to war strength.

Elkhart Hive, Lady Macabees, will hold their regular meeting at Odd Fellows' hall, Tuesday night at 7:30.

Officers James Leachman and Frank Enslies of the local police force are enjoying their annual ten days' vacation.

The annual election of officers of the local lodge Knights of Pythias will be held at the regular meeting Tuesday evening.

Reports from South Bend state that Joseph Zimmerman, the Russian Jew who spoke on the streets here Saturday evening, was arrested in that city for using seditious language in a socialistic speech Sunday evening.

The Union club will hold their annual picnic at Heaton lake Friday, and the trip will be made in autos, and the day will be spent in restaurant, fishing and boating.

Invitations are being sent out for the annual reunion of the Eversole family to be held at McNaughton park, August 10, and it is expected that about two hundred members of this family will be present for the occasion.

Several auto loads of United States soldiers passed through Elkhart, Monday, their destination being "somewhere" in the west. The equipment consisted of trench digging outfits and camp accessories and the machines were of the army gray color.

EXPERTS TO MAKE SURVEY OF ROAD

Will Determine if Washington Township Highway is Acceptable.

News-Times Special Service: GOSHEN, June 26.—Expert Cheney of Indianapolis, Surveyor Kinney, Deputy Surveyor Kercher, A. H. Beardsley of Elkhart, state senator, and several residents of Elkhart and Bristol will Tuesday start a complete survey of the Washington township gravel highway, constructed by the W. W. Hatch & Sons Co. The road is completed, but full settlement in payment for it has not been made by the board of commissioners. The report of the survey to be started will be filed with the county commissioners and action, it is expected, will be taken on it when the board meets in regular session Monday, July 2.

More than \$2,000 is due Hatch & Sons on the contract.

The road, it is claimed, is as good as any gravel highway built in Elkhart county and the quality of the gravel used on it is recognized by experts as fully up to standard.

Those who are opposing final acceptance of the road say that the full amount of gravel was not placed. This issue will likely be determined by the survey.

GOSHENITE STATE DEPUTY.

State Veterinarian Northrop has announced the appointment of Dr. W. J. Armour of Goshen as a deputy state veterinarian for this district.

SUSTAINED INJURIES.

Harry Streeter of Bristol sustained severe injuries at that place when he was struck by an automobile driven by Bruce Mosier.

UNITED IN MARRIAGE.

John W. Young of Goshen, 24, and Miss Faye E. Roekenbaugh of Millersburg, 19, were united in marriage.

SICK LIST.

Mrs. A. Showalter of Middlebury underwent an operation at Goshen hospital.

BIRTHS.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Welty of New Paris at Goshen hospital.

BIG WAR ORDER.

Under date of June 18, the war department awarded a contract to flock Run mills for 100,000 garments, shirts and drawers, amounting to \$162,500. At present, changes are being made at the mill for the handling of this order, and production will begin as soon as the necessary supplies are delivered. The contract specifies monthly deliveries up to Jan. 1. Owing to the needs of the government for wool underwear, it is likely that an additional order will be taken by this mill in a few months.

SINGING LARDNER SONG.

In "The Folies of 1917," produced by Florence Zieffeld, Jr., and now current in New York, Bert Williams, the colored comedian, is singing a song written by Ring W. Lardner. New York reviews of the Folies indicate that Comedian Williams is not overburdened with good material.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

John W. Young, Goshen, 24, Faye E. Roekenbaugh, Millersburg, 19, Harrison Paul Brown, Indianapolis, 23; Ruth Marie Banta, Goshen, 24.

BITTEN BY DOG.

Charles Eckenrood, Jr., is suffering from severe injuries to his leg received Saturday when he was bitten by a dog in West Goshen.

AFTER RECRUITS.

Capt. Deal and Lieut. Baron of Co. E, Elkhart and Corp. Laughlin, the regular army recruiting officer at Elkhart were here Monday to make arrangements for conducting a campaign for recruits. A recruiting party will be here next Thursday, it was announced. At least 34 men—25 privates, four corporals and two sergeants—are wanted from Goshen.

ASSESSING CORPORATIONS.

The board of equalization of Elkhart county is now on the last week of its annual session. Corporations in the county are being assessed. Some difficulties have been encountered, board members said today.

ASSAULTED AND ROBBED.

Adam Burkett of Pittsburgh, Pa., who has been employed in this city, was assaulted on the north side near the foot bridge over Rock Run creek by two unknown men and robbed of about \$4 in cash, a gold watch and other valuables. Pedestrians discovered the victim and carried him to the residence of Mrs. Pearl Griffith-Pletcher, where his wounds were dressed.

TO SELL PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Personal effects owned by Laura A. Kindig, who died at her home here several weeks ago, will be disposed of at auction at the Kindig home, next Thursday afternoon. Appraisal of personal property owned by Mrs. Kindig is on file in the court at \$59.75. As yet nothing has been done in connection with founding the Laura

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