

GEN. LEW WALLACE IS DEAD.

Lawyer, Soldier, Diplomat and Author Passes Away at His Home.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 16.—General Lew Wallace, author of the great "Ben-Hur" died last night shortly after 9 o'clock.

Awarded \$50,000 Alimony.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 16.—Mrs. Avant today secured a divorce from William Avant, a wealthy business man, of Indianapolis, the court ordering him to pay his wife \$50,000 alimony.

The trouble between the Avants was caused by an unidentified woman. Mrs. Avant testified on the stand that two years ago someone told her that her husband was in love with another woman.

"When I was leaving Indianapolis for California," she said, "I told my husband what I had heard before I boarded the train. He said that he was in love with another woman and I asked him to give her up. When I came back I asked him if he had dropped her and he admitted that he had not. I tried in every way to get him to promise to be true to me."

Avant did not deny this on the stand and said that he had admitted to his wife that he could not give up the other woman.

The \$50,000 alimony was volunteered by him, of which amount \$22,000 is in cash and \$28,000 in stocks of leading Indianapolis concerns.

To Weigh the Mail on Trains.

All mails carried by the railroads are to be weighed by government agents, who are deputized in the state. This weighing of the mails will continue for from four to six weeks, and upon the average of weight found by the government agents, will be determined the amount to be paid the roads for the next four years for carrying the government's mail sacks.

This weighing of the mails takes place once every four years, and the rates decided upon are effective for the four years following the period of weighing. The government agents take entire charge of the work, going on the trains and being posted at the terminals. They require from the railroad employees only such aid as is necessary for carrying on their duties, and this the trainmen are instructed to give them. Agents boarded mail trains on all roads yesterday.

Pleasures of Life in Rochester.

The Rochester Republican prints this touching little item, which is full of heart-interest: While the life of a newspaper reporter is not all sunshine, the Republican news gatherer has but little to complain about, and many times we think we would not change places with Roosevelt's private secretary. We are not only met with expressions classes and kinds of citizens but at times the most liberal spirit is manifested by those whom we call on daily.

May Declare War on Standard Oil.

The House may declare war on the Standard Oil Company. Representative Guil, sponsor of a drastic anti-trust bill introduced in the House several days ago, has been the recipient, as well as many other members of the House, of letters from many men having oil interests in this state, asking that an amendment be made to the bill striking at the Standard Oil monopoly.

The amendment will probably, if it is made, provide that any cut by the Standard Company in one city or town for the purpose of driving out competitors shall hold good all over the state.

Warsaw is Fifth

The following list shows the ten largest State banks in numerical order of the 166 State banks in Indiana, as furnished by the auditor of state for his annual report on State banks and trust companies under his supervision for the year just closed.

- 1. Studebaker, Bluffton, \$210,000
2. Citizens State, New Castle 162,500
3. St. Jo. Valley, Elkhart, 145,000
4. Old Adams Co., Decatur 140,000
5. State, Warsaw, 136,000
6. Farmers, Princeton, 135,000
7. Citizens, Michigan City, 130,000
8. Farmers, Frankfort, 125,000
9. Commercial, Hammond, 120,000
10. Logansport State, Logan 113,000

Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Davis were completely surprised Thursday night when several of their friends and neighbors called to remind them of their 40th wedding anniversary. They were presented with two handsome chairs by their daughter, Mrs. Harry Swanson, of Atwood, who planned the surprise. A social good time was enjoyed by all. Light refreshments were served and on departing the guests wished them many more happy years of married life.

DIED OF HIS BURNS.

Crumstown Resident Victim of a Terrible Mistake from Haste.

Edward Kepler, who was seriously burned at his home at Crumstown last Thursday morning by the explosion of a gasoline can, and who was taken to Epworth Hospital for treatment, died at that place Sunday noon at 12:10 o'clock, after suffering intense pain from his burns for three days.

The particulars of the accident are given by relatives of the deceased as follows: Kepler had overslept in the morning and calling his wife told her that they must hasten, and that he would start the fire while she was dressing. Going to the kitchen Mr. Kepler intended to start the fire with kerosene, but in the darkness picked up the gasoline can instead. After lighting the fire, he started to pour some of the oil over the fuel and an explosion followed, the contents of the gasoline can spurting over him and completely covering him with flames.

Mrs. Kepler heard the explosion and her husband's cry for help and running to his side tried in vain to smother the flames. Her efforts were useless and she dragged the burning man through a window and in breaking the glass was horribly cut. She finally succeeded in extinguishing the flames, but not until she herself had been badly burned.

Mrs. Kepler is still in a serious condition as the result of her burns and cuts, the latter, however, being more serious. The most severe cuts were about her arms and limbs, the wound requiring several stitches to sew them up. Her injuries are not expected to prove fatal.

Edward Kepler was born December 11, 1875, and was 29 years, 2 months and 8 days of age at his death. His wife, Cora, six brothers, Francis, Adam and Fred, residing at Plymouth, Samuel, of Talma, Ind., Michael, of Deaver, Col., and Louis, of this city survive him. The remains were brought to this city Tuesday for interment.

DENOUNCE STANDARD OIL.

Kansas Oil Producers Appeal to People to Fight Trust.

Chanute, Kan., Feb. 16.—The advisory committee of the Kansas Oil Producers' association has given out a statement in which the Standard Oil Company is denounced and an appeal is made to the people to fight that concern. The producers assert the company has not kept its promise made at the time of its entrance into the Kansas oil fields.

The producers declare that the promise was made to them by representatives of Standard Oil that before the end of 1904 oil would be selling for 83 cents a barrel, instead, they say, the Standard has cut the price several times and that it is now less than \$1 a barrel.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 16.—It is generally conceded that the bill creating a state oil refinery will be passed when it comes up for consideration in the Kansas house of representatives. It was announced today that the state administration had ended its fight on the measure and from all over the state have come letters from the people demanding that the bill be passed.

Several hundred oil producers from southern Kansas reached Topeka today on a special train. They will try to influence the legislature in favor of the bill.

Victory for The Cigarette Bill.

After stemming the tide of half a dozen amendments and after two hours of impassioned argument, the Parks anti-cigarette bill, prohibiting the selling or owning of a cigarette or cigarette paper within the state, was advanced to engrossment, unchanged, in the Indiana House, Friday, by a vote of 57 to 35. On every amendment the vote by "yeas" and "nays" was demanded, and much time was consumed in this manner.

The session was one of the most exciting and interesting that has been held in the house this session. The gallery was black with spectators, and in the lobby beneath, the people were crowded, elbow against elbow. Among them were many Senators, who were "playing hooky" from their session across the hall. Most of the prominent ministers of the city and public men interested in the bill were also among the number.

What Whiskey Does.

An Argos man who was in an intoxicated condition, boarded the Lake Erie passenger train bound for Rochester Saturday evening. While enroute the fellow fell asleep and was carried to Macy. There he was put off the train to await the midnight train from the south, so that he might return to Rochester. In the meantime the man wandered away from the depot and later was found some distance south of town lying across the railroad track fast asleep. The passenger train from the south was due in a few minutes and had not the fellow been found just when he was, his fate would have been sealed.—Warsaw Union.

Arguments in Ditch Case.

Lafayette, Ind., Feb. 21.—All of the testimony has been heard in the Mitchell ditch case, one of the most remarkable lawsuits over drainage this part of Indiana has ever known. Judge Vinson, of the Superior Court will hear argument this week. The suit, which was instituted seven years ago, involves 5,000 acres of the most valuable land in the county, worth about \$500,000, and affects fifty influential and wealthy farmers of Laramie township. The costly litigation has been going on for three years, and if the court rejects the report of the commissioner, C. W. Richards, there is no telling where the case will end.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS.

Records Not Always Properly Kept By County Officials.

At the present time the press of the state is devoting considerable space to the laxity in which birth, death and marriage records are kept. The Culver Citizen gives the following information in regard to this subject:

The county records concerning births, marriages and deaths in the county, as required by law to be collected and kept by the secretary of the county board of health, contain, in the matter of births, nineteen items for record in each case, among which are: Give name of child, sex, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, age, residence and birth place, also father's name, age, occupation and birth place, and name and post-office address of the physician or householder, whose legal duty it is to report the birth, on a blank slip, to the secretary, and transcribed by him for permanent record.

Blank slips for marriage returns are provided, upon which are filled by the person officiating, twenty items for record in each marriage. These are to be returned to the county clerk, and transmitted each month by him to the secretary of the county board of health, whose duty it is to transcribe each item in his record book of marriages. These records show the full names of groom and bride; place of residence and birth; ages; father's name; mother's maiden name; with place of marriage; occupation of groom; name of person officiating and date of marriage. These returns of both marriages and births are to be labeled with page and record number for the book in which they are recorded, and placed and preserved on file in the secretary's office.

The record of each death occurring in the county is obtained from a form of certificate of death issued by the Indiana state board of health, filled out from information obtained from the family or friends of the deceased, and the physician and the undertaker in attendance, whose names and addresses are attached to their respective forms of certificate. The returns contain for each death, full name of deceased; date of death; disease causing death; its duration; physician's name; age of deceased at time of death; sex; residence; occupation; condition in life; birth place; place of death; father's name and birth place; mother's maiden name and birth place; date and place of burial and undertaker's name—twenty items in all.

There is, upon an average, in Marshall county, annually about 500 births over 200 marriages and about 300 deaths, all of which are to be recorded as above described by the secretary of the county board of health, in addition to the record of all contagious diseases occurring in the county. Over 1250 names are recorded each year, consisting in all four per cent. of the population of the county.

These records are valuable to the people inasmuch as from them correct certificates can be obtained of births, marriages and deaths, establishing legal claims which may involve the present and future rights of any person who may have an interest in such a record. They become more valuable as time advances, and will be examined with intense interest by future generations, for they will contain a family history of every person who has the privilege of a birth in Marshall county, and the honor of being a citizen of the great state of Indiana. The officer entrusted to collect and keep these records covetously has assumed a great responsibility.

Gambling at Card Parties.

The Logansport Pharos says that the ladies of that city who have a tender card, and played for prizes to have their conscience troubled afterwards, may now cheer up, for there has been a decision rendered on the subject by a leading Logansport lawyer, which defines where innocent amusement leaves off and gambling begins. This jurist says the question is: Are persons who play for prizes to be called gamblers within the meaning of the law? According to the attorney, the answer depends on two facts. If the hostess furnishes the prizes, the players are not gamblers, for they have risked nothing, a thing they would have to do in order to be amenable to law. But if the players contribute to the purchase of the prize, or prizes, that's gambling, and, strictly speaking, the marshal would have a legal right to go to the house and take the party a walk. Does this decision make you feel easier?

Telegram Stops Wedding.

Lafayette, Ind., Feb. 21.—Just as County Clerk Earl was about to issue a marriage license to Bert Shuey and Hazel Gaines, a messenger boy appeared with a telegram and interrupted the proceedings. The message was from the father of the would-be bride, and contained the following statement: "Don't issue license to Bert Shuey and Hazel in Gaines. They are under age." The youthful lovers were turned down although the license had been ready to deliver. They came from Bainbridge, Ind. A train was three hours late, and this is all that prevented their wedding.

Must Have Permit.

A change in the state game laws is proposed by senate bill No. 99, favorable report on which has been adopted. It proposes to make it necessary for a hunter to obtain the written consent of any landowner before hunting on his property. Oral consent only now is required.

Fair Dates Fixed.

At the annual meeting of directors of the Bremen Agricultural Society, the dates selected for the next fair was Oct. 3, 4, 5 and 6. DeVoe, the long-range weather forecaster, predicts a cold wave for the 3rd, storms for the 4th and 5th, and rain for the 6th. Hence, we may reasonably expect fair weather.—Bremen Enquirer.

FOUND NEAR ARGOS.

Sheriff Steiner and Deputy Sheriff Antiss, of Laporte, Trace Woman to Her Father's Home near Argos and Capture Her.

Mrs. Harry Duck, of South Bend, one of the witnesses in the famous Stella Lulu shoplifting case, which is now being tried in the Laporte circuit court. After learning that she had committed perjury she suddenly disappeared. Deputy Sheriff Antiss, of Laporte, communicated with Sheriff Steiner, of this city and from the description of the woman the authorities here were able to identify her and give her father's name.

It was found that her father, Wm. Boice, lived four miles south of Argos. Further investigation satisfied Mr. Antiss that he was on the right track and that he would find her at her old home. Wednesday, armed with a warrant, issued by Judge Richter, of Laporte, as the result of affidavit and information filed in circuit court by Prosecutor Collins, he started for Argos, going by way of South Bend. At this city he picked up Sheriff Steiner and Mrs. Duck was located at the home of her father. Deputy Antiss started for Laporte with his prisoner and her father, the train leaving Plymouth about 11 o'clock, Wednesday night, but it did not reach Laporte until 5 o'clock Thursday morning.

The woman underwent a thorough "cross-examination" for the purpose of drawing out the details of the perjury story, how she came to tell the made-up story she did and who "fixed" her. She has admitted much already and it is understood that her confession involves a South Bend attorney. It is believed by the officers that if she coughs up the whole story it will cause one of the greatest sensations that Northern Indiana has had in years.

She was brought before Judge Richter Thursday afternoon, and upon a plea of guilty to perjury the court took the case under advisement and will sentence her at the proper time. She has made a statement, which is being carefully guarded by the officers as a result of which, it is thought, several will soon get the earth around several Indiana cities will tremble.

Cuts Wabash County Off Line.

Peru, Ind., Feb. 21.—Since Pleasant township, Wabash county, defeated the proposed \$10,000 subsidy for S. C. Dickey's Peru-Wabash electric line, it is now planned to run the line from Chili, in Richland township, to Gilead, Akron and then to Rochester before going to Warsaw. This would cut Wabash county entirely off the route and would give the line nearly twenty miles of taxable property in this (Miami) county. The territory of this route is thickly populated and the merchants of this city would prefer this route to the one voted on. The old Peru & Chili road, owned by the Wabash Railroad Company, and leased for a term of years by Dr. Dickey, can be used for the new line.

Jerome Herff is pleased with the Peru-Wabash company's good fortune in receiving the subsidy for the other day, and will now begin active work on the Central Indiana's traction line from here to Mexico, Denver and the other line towns paralleling the Lake Erie & Western road as far north as Plymouth. He will ask for subsidies at once. There is no doubt that a subsidy will be obtained from Peru township.

Liked Her Valentine.

A popular Goshen young lady, who is employed as stenographer in the office of a Goshen factory, Tuesday received a Studebaker wagon tongue, on which she paid \$165 express charges as a Valentine. As the lady in question is not a gossip, she took the joke good-naturedly, placing the mammoth tongue in her apartments and decorating it with many beautiful Valentines she had received from other sources.

Which One?

A preacher at Plymouth did not intend to cast a reflection on the choir, but he certainly did put his foot into it, when on a Sunday long ago, most of the singers had bad colds and their seats were empty he selected a hymn he thought the entire congregation could sing and said: Since Providence has seen fit to afflict the choir with colds let us join in singing "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Most of the choir were so mad they talked or resigned.—Warsaw Times.

Not in Thirty Years.

M. P. Dennison, superintendent of the Indianapolis and Michigan City division of the L. E. & W., said on that road, most of the time in an official capacity, he has never known the company to be so baffled by cold weather and snow as during the recent storm. There is generally moved on the L. E. & W. 2,000 to 2,500 loaded cars a day, but for two days not over 500 cars were handled. Much the same reports come from the northern divisions of the Michigan and of the Big Four.

Relief Measures to Be Vetoed.

Governor Hanly will veto the numerous relief bills passed by the legislature, throwing the loss of the broken banks upon the treasurers and trustees who had the public funds on deposit. Several bills for the relief of town, city, township and county officers in Elkhart, Lagrange, Steuben and Dekalb counties have been passed to reimburse the officers in question for public funds deposited by them in failed banks. Governor Hanly maintains that the bills are unconstitutional, besides he claims they would establish a dangerous precedent.

BRIDAL COUPLE WINS RACE.

Plan of Friends Defeated and Ceremony Takes Place.

Lapaz, Ind., Feb. 20.—In a race for the minister's home between a bridal couple on one side and friends on the other, the former reached the home first and the ceremony followed. The bride is Miss Myrtle Stilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Stilson, of this place, and the groom is William G. Houser, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Houser, of near Lakeville, Ind. They were married Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the residence of Rev. M. L. Peter, pastor of the Lutheran church.

Their friends had planned to reach Mr. Peter's residence first, occupy another room, witness the ceremony unknown to the bride and groom and then rush from their hiding place and extend congratulations, but the bride and groom won the race to the chagrin of their friends. The wedding was a very pretty one, the bride being attended by Miss Emma Houser, Miss Maude Reed and Miss Doris Rupert. The groom was attended by Oscar Houser, Frank Rupert and Clyde Reed. All of the attendants reside in Lakeville. Mr. and Mrs. Houser will make their home with his parents where he will follow farming.

Last of the County's Wheat.

Perry M. Thompson, in commenting on the supply of wheat in Kosciusko county in the Chicago Evening Post, says: "The last lot of wheat of any consequence in this county was sold Saturday to the Smith Milling company in Warsaw. There were 1,500 bushels of the crop of 1903, and it sold for \$1.20 a bushel. There were four milling concerns after the lot of wheat and after it had been put out one man who was wanting it said he would have given \$1.25 for it if he had known so and so. The fact is every miller, as well as ourselves is out of wheat, and five months ahead of us yet before we can expect any from any other source than the large grain centers."

Indianapolis Loses Over \$1,500,000.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 20, 1 a. m.—Fire which started in the large wholesale millinery house of Fahney & McCrea, located in South Meridian street, an hour before midnight spread to adjoining buildings and within forty-five minutes had destroyed eight buildings and is now menacing that portion of the wholesale district bounded by Meridian street and Georgia street, Jackson place and the Union station. The damage already done is estimated at over \$1,500,000.

There were several explosions in the A. Kiefer Drug Company's warehouses, and on account of the inflammable material stored in the adjoining buildings the fire is yet beyond control. A storm of firebrands is falling over the business portion of the town, and many fires are expected to result.

Among the heaviest losers are Fahney & McCrea, wholesale milliners; the A. Kiefer Drug Company; Griffiths Brothers, wholesale milliners; Delmetech & Co., toys and children's sundries; the United States Express Company's warehouses, Savoy Hotel, Sherman House, St. Charles.

So far as known there has been no loss of life. Every fire department in the city and outlying suburbs responded to the three general alarms.

The roof of the sheds at the Union depot are on fire.

Signed by 70 Haydens.

A Washington dispatch says: Lewis Hayden, of Lowell, Lake county, Ind., petitioned President Roosevelt Saturday to appoint him postmaster of his town. Mr. Hayden's petition is signed by seventy-one members of the Hayden family, all of whom receive letters through the Lowell office. The signers are Hayden's children, sisters, cousins, aunts, uncles and brothers. The applicant says there are ninety-one members of the family group but he fails to tell why the remaining twenty did not sign his paper. The Christian names of the Haydens are duplicated so many times that the individuals are known as John, Jane and so on No. 1, 2 and 3, until the figures mount high. Representative Crumpacker took the Hayden plea to the White House.

Overlooked Part of Salary.

The remarkable instance of a man who for two years overlooked a \$200 addition to his salary was brought out in a bill introduced by Senator Stephenson yesterday, appropriating \$1,000 for Harry Bernetha, judge of the Fulton and Marshall Circuit Court Judge Bernetha, who was chosen in November, 1902, did not know until a few days ago that under the law of 1889, basing the salaries of judges on the population and the list of taxables in the several districts, he was entitled to a salary of \$3,000 instead of \$2,500, as those counties had at the time of his election a tax list over \$25,000,000 and a population of 43,000. For the last two years he has been drawing but \$2,500 and now in order to recover the \$1,000 balance, a special act will have to be passed in his favor.

Has Cross For 85 Years.

Winamac, Ind., Feb. 21.—In the coffin of Charles Dymond, 85 years old, who died recently, were a golden cross and a Knight Templar's sword, upon which hangs a story of devotion to a mother's and a father's promise.

Born in Kentucky, Dymond's dying mother at his birth, pinned a cross to her baby's clothing with a promise from her husband that her boy should wear it from the cradle to the grave. Dymond's father died 20 years ago in a mining camp in Nevada. Before he died he gave to his son a Knight Templar's sword and said: "My boy, remember mother's cross and my promise. Here's your father's sword. At your death have a Masonic friend place it on your burial casket."

COMPANY I INSPECTED.

The Militia of This City Passed a Favorable Inspection Last Night.

Captain Charles E. Taymen, of the 1st Infantry, U. S. A., assisted by Lieutenant Roy Kelsey, of the 1st Battalion 3rd Infantry, I. N. G., were in this city last evening and inspected Co. I. All the drills were exceedingly good, and the extended and closed order was executed in a manner that more than pleased the inspectors. The militia has a membership of fifty at present, and Captain Charles Holtzendorf, and 1st and 2nd Lieutenants Harry Grube and Frank Thomas have been constantly drilling the company, until now they are able to be classed among the best companies in the state. Captain Taymen expressed himself highly pleased with the condition of the company, and as all turned out last evening it was highly gratifying to the officials.

At present there is a good opportunity for recruits. This is a rare opportunity and the young men of the city and county should avail themselves before the company is filled.

PUNISHMENT FOR MRS. DUCK.

Her Wealthy Heart-broken Father Speaks.

Laporte, Ind., Feb. 18.—David Boice, of near Argos, who is the father of Mrs. Harry Duck, the self-confessed perjurer, who is confined in the jail here arrived in this city last night from his home, where the arrest of his daughter took place Wednesday, and is heartbroken over the state of affairs in which his daughter has placed herself, speaking of the case Mr. Boice said: "I feel that my daughter should be punished for the stand she took in perjuring herself in the Lulu case, but I insist and command that those who drew her into the scrape should also be punished, and to that end I will give my assistance." Mr. Boice is a well-to-do farmer and is said to be worth \$15,000.

Judge John C. Richter and several attorneys took a statement this morning from Lemuel Darrow, one of the attorneys for Mrs. Lulu. The statement was a lengthy one. In an interview with Mr. Darrow today he stated that he did not know Mrs. Duck, the woman who made a startling confession Thursday, which involved several prominent people, until she came into court to testify in the Lulu case. In Mrs. Duck's statement she alleged that she met Mr. Darrow at South Bend and the two in company with another gentleman hatched the entire scheme used in the defense of the Lulu woman and that she (Mrs. Duck) received \$25 for perjuring herself. Mr. Darrow states that the Duck woman was cured and brought to Laporte through the efforts of a Chicago detective. The public feeling continues to grow here and the court, and in fact, the whole Laporte county bar feel that the honor and integrity of the court has been shadowed by the startling statements made by Mrs. Duck. To such an extent has the matter grown that it was practically decided here this morning to probe the matter to the core and when the grand jury is called, one week from next Monday, the case no doubt will be taken up by that body. Attorney F. E. Osborn, who was Thursday appointed by Judge Richter to assist Prosecutor Collins in fighting the case of Attorney M. R. Sutherland and R. N. Smith have been secured as attorneys for Mrs. Duck, who is being held, and they too in connection with the former attorneys will investigate the startling case.

The statement made by attorney Darrow this morning before the court and prosecutor will not be made public, at least for the present.

Shredding Said to Be Unprofitable.

Some farmers who have tried shredding for one or more years are complaining that it does not pay the cost of putting it up, that horses do not eat a third of it, and say that they will not put up any more. If this is true it is a pity it was not discovered sooner. It would have saved several thousand dollars paid for machines and several hundred hands and arms.

Mr. J. V. Astley Receives Fine Gift.

Mr. John V. Astley, who recently retired from the Hardware business, which he has been connected with during the last twenty-five years, and who intends farming the remainder of his days received a handsome gift from the Oliver Plow Works. The letter follows: South Bend, Ind., Feb. 17, 1905. John V. Astley, Plymouth, Ind. Dear Sir: We are pleased to write you that your message has been delivered to Mr. Oliver and it has been a great pleasure to him to review your long connection with us in the sale of our plows, beginning as it did, when the concern was in its swaddling clothes. We appreciate your faithfulness and loyalty to the plow for practically forty years and we are unable to recall anyone who can ante-date you. In recognition of your long representation, we want to place a No. 11 Sulky on your new farm with our compliments and we hope that the next time that you are in South Bend you will come to the factory and pick out the plow you want, or if more convenient, you can let us know what will be adapted to your needs and we will ship it to suit your convenience. We want your farm to be a success in your old days and know of nothing that would contribute more to your happiness than a "James Oliver Sulky."

With best wishes, we remain, Yours very truly, Oliver Chilled Plow Works.

Indiana Chief Becomes a Citizen.

After thirteen years of litigation in the Miami county court the case of Gabriel Godfrey, the aged chief of the Miami Indians, against the commissioners of Miami county has been compromised. The attorneys for Godfrey have accepted the commissioners' terms by which Godfrey is exempt from all taxation and is awarded the rights of citizenship. The case has been in court for over thirteen years.

CALLS ROOSEVELT IDEAL.

Points to President as a Man Who Has Lifted High Office Out of Politics.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—A plea for "ideal American Citizenship," with President Roosevelt pointed out as an example who had "lifted the presidency out of politics," was made by President Arthur T. Hadley, of Yale University in an address before the Chicago Latin School today. Money making, he said, was not the only aim for which students should be educated. Broad-mindedness, he pleaded, was a higher purpose which should be inculcated by all educators.

"There is no danger that the country will feel the lack of money-makers," said President Hadley. "What we do need to fear is the possibility of lack of public spirited men who think not of themselves first. History, poetry—whatever is studied in school—is intended to broaden your mind and sympathies."

"This spirit is growing in this country. We can be proud we have a President who has in large measure lifted the presidency out of politics, who thinks not of his party nor of himself, but of the whole country. That's the kind of a man we want, whose name is Roosevelt or something else. We want men who stand for ideals, who make life worth living."

HOCH SIGNS THE BILL.

State Oil Refinery for Kansas Is Now A Certainty if the Law is Valid.

Topeka, Kans., Feb. 20.—The desire of Kansas for an oil refinery of its own was realized when Governor Hoch signed the bill appropriating \$200,000 for the erection and maintenance of a state plant, which was passed for the avowed purpose of fighting the Standard Oil company. In returning the law to the legislature after affixing his signature thereto Governor Hoch sent with it a long message in which he touched on the general question of trusts. "No greater question," said he, "confronts the American people than the control of these great aggregations of capital."

"It is due to this state to say," says Governor Hoch, "that this movement has not been conceived, as many suppose and some charge, in the spirit of socialism. Governor Hoch continues: "It is not an attempt to establish a monopoly, but it is an attempt to compel a monopoly already existing to be decent."

"It is only an attempt to make competition possible, and not to destroy competition, as socialism does, and when its purpose is achieved: when private capital can come to Kansas and find investment in oil refineries with a fair chance of success, and when normal conditions have been restored, \* \* \* then the state will not only be willing, but will be glad, to retire from the refining of oil and leave the business, as well as other lines of industry, in the hands of private competitors, where it is legitimately belongs. \* \* \* This is not an attempt to drive the Standard Oil company from the state, nor to deprive it of its rights; it is not an attempt to establish a monopoly, but an attempt to compel a monopoly already existing to be decent."

Timely and significant illustration of the coercive character of these modern combinations of capital was furnished by the recent telegrams of the manager of the Standard Oil company, petulantly and arbitrarily withdrawing its patronage from the producers in the oil fields. Were that order maintained thousands of good people would soon be bankrupt and homeless. An economic condition which makes it possible for a man with a stroke of his pen to bankrupt thousands of his fellow citizens is inherently wrong."

Another Subsidy in Whitley County.

Columbia City, Ind., Feb. 18.—The taxpayers of Thorn Creek township this county, yesterday voted a subsidy of \$5,000 to the Huntington, Columbia City & Northwestern railway company. The vote was 141 to 49.

The Methodist Supper.

The supper given by the ladies of the Methodist church at the home of David J. Yavator, about three miles southwest of town, was attended by a large crowd from this city. The sleighride and supper were enjoyed by all and over \$25 was cleared.

Ancient Locomotive Rests at Purdue.

Lafayette, Ind., Feb. 21.—Purdue university added to its collection last week an old locomotive, the "Daniel Nason," built in 1855, and owned by New York, New Haven and Hudson railroad. With the "Daniel Nason" is an antiquated passenger coach. The gift comes from Samuel Higgins, general manager of the New Haven railroad.</