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JAMES HILDEBRAND DEAD.

Aged Resident of North Township Passes Away. Lapaz, Ind., April 3.—James Hildebrand, of North township, died Saturday afternoon, aged 77 years.

An Unavailable Applicant.

The construction of the Panama canal, involving the solution of many problems in engineering, is a difficult physical undertaking, but a still more difficult task will be to manage the details of the work and disburse the millions of money required in such a way that no scandal shall attach to the great water way when completed.

For the foregoing reasons there is no apparent likelihood that the president will accept the offer of Mr. Philippe Bunau-Varilla, who has tendered his services to the president in building the canal.

The De Lesseps company ended in financial ruin, disgrace and one of the most gigantic scandals in history. The management was rotten to the core, and the fact that some of the principals were put in jail was small satisfaction to the working classes of France, among them hundreds of poor washerwomen, whose small savings were dissipated through criminal mismanagement.

Mr. Bunau-Varilla's more recent connection with the Panama canal, however, is of still more interest and importance. He has been generally accused by the public press of having fomented the revolution in Panama which enabled him to negotiate the treaty with Secretary Hay whereby the United States acquired a be-smirched title to the canal zone.

Doubtless Mr. Bunau-Varilla's genius for intrigue will eventually obtain him a job of work where his peculiar talents are in demand, but there is no apparent need of such services under the present policy of the Roosevelt administration.

Lutherans Want to Sell Lima College.

Lima, Ohio, March 29.—An application was made in court today by the trustees of the Lutheran state college for the sale of the handsome building and ten-acre campus. The institution is heavily in debt and it is the desire to close an option held by J. B. Adkins, a wealthy oil operator, who, with a company, will conduct a private institution. The price agreed upon is \$16,500, which is but little more than half of the cost of the original building.

Identified Pennies by the Markings.

Rochester, Ind., March 28.—The Showley postoffice near this city, was recently robbed of \$26 in pennies, rolled in packages of twenty-five cents each. The postmaster sent warning to the bankers and other business houses in this city, to be on the lookout for any person presenting an unusual large amount of pennies. Joe Strickler, a junk buyer for Max Goldenberg, of this city, took pennies in packages to both of the Rochester banks, and exchanged them for silver. The authorities arrested him, and the postmaster at Showley identified the missing coin by the wrappers and figures thereon. Strickler, upon arrest, pleaded that he had received the packages from Goldenberg, who verified the statement, and he was thereupon released. Goldenberg will be further questioned.

CONFERENCE WEDNESDAY.

Annual Meeting of Evangelical Association in Rochester, Ind. Rochester, Ind., April 3.—The annual Indiana conference of the Evangelical association will begin in this city Wednesday and close Sunday. The Indiana conference includes the entire state of Indiana, several points on the eastern border of Ohio and some cities in southern Illinois.

The President's Reading.

Many persons explain their failure to read newspapers, to keep in touch with current literature or to do more serious reading than commonly comes under either of these branches, on the plea that they have no leisure, that their regular daily work occupies all their time. People who really love reading, to whom the gratification of the taste is almost as necessary as the satisfying of the appetite for dinner, know that this excuse is not a good one.

Such persons as these last will find no great cause for surprise in the statement by a writer in a current magazine that President Roosevelt continues his habit of reading in spite of his many duties and the incessant tax upon his attention. Even they, however, will be amazed at the wide scope of his reading and the amount he accomplishes. This same magazine writer presents a partial list of the books read by the President during the first two years of his term of office, the information being obtained from a personal acquaintance familiar with his library and his use of it.

The record certainly shows a catholic taste on the part of the Chief Magistrate. The list begins with parts of Herodotus, Thucydides, Plutarch, Sophocles, Aristophanes, Aristotle—these in translation; it includes many histories and biographies, Bacon's "Essays," a number of Shakespeare's plays, many of Scott's, Dickens's and Thackeray's novels, volumes of recent verse, a number of children's books, several volumes dealing with out of door life, books of travel, Abraham Lincoln's writings and his "Life," by Hay and Nicolay, the battles in Carlyle's "Frederick the Great," and many more works in the same line. Many of the books mentioned had, of course, been read before.

In addition he reads a large number of books of light current fiction, including "The Gentleman from Indiana," "The Virginian," "Mrs. Wiggs," etc. and also read all the leading magazines, nothing of importance in the pages escaping him. He is also a newspaper reader. He is understood to make it desirable to renew the connection, especially in view of the fact that the president has done everything possible in the way of amend and reparation to cleanse the title.

It will be admitted that the President is an exceedingly busy man and that if any one has a valid excuse for not doing miscellaneous reading he surely has. That he is able to do so much of it can only be accounted for by the fact that he has the ability to read with great rapidity. A parallel case among public men was that of Gladstone, who not only read and reread the great works of literature throughout his busy life, but apparently missed few current publications of any note. It will certainly be pleasant to other omnivorous readers to know that the President has tastes like their own, and in the face of his example those who have been saying they had no time for reading may well be silenced.

Marshall County Fire Insurance Co. Elect Officers.

Members of the Marshall County Fire Insurance Co. met this afternoon at the court house for their regular annual meeting. The secretary and treasurer, submitted their annual reports which were accepted. Most of the old officers were re-installed. The following are the officers: President, John McFarland; Treas. Perry Sarber; Sec. Frank Becker; Directors: Peter Heim, Center; Henry Jarrell, Polk; E. E. Weeding, North; Valentine Ewald, German; August Siders, West; Manuel Shively, Bourbon; Wilbert Coar, Tippecanoe; A. N. Yost, Walnut; L. N. Bair, Green; Leonard Wilson, Union.

The case set for Wednesday, Christian Ward, vs. Grant Sosomen with regard to services as real estate agent and sale of land, was dismissed.

GIVES DIVORCE REMEDY.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox says Women Must Learn How to Love.

"Next to marriage, divorce is the best institution we have in America." It was with this epigram that Ella Wheeler Wilcox launched into the discussion of the mooted subject of divorce—a subject which had been prompted by a question relative to her opinion of President Roosevelt's allusion to the necessity for united action by the states in the framing of laws which will make divorces less easy to get.

"There is no doubt," continued Miss Wilcox, "that something ought to be done in order to check the tendency toward divorce, but I can think of no particular remedy that can be applied. Society is responsible for the attitude which is employed toward divorce and remarriage, and it is to society we must look for a remedy for this attitude. One of the most potent influences making for divorce is the fact that so few women really know how to love. Love after all is the solution of most of the world's problems. Women should learn how to love. Many a man's whole nature has been changed by the power of a good wife's love directed in the proper manner, and a life partnership saved which might otherwise have been bankrupt at the first threatened disaster."

Elected Officers.

Plymouth Lodge No. 393 of the Pathfinder met in regular session Thursday evening March 30th in the K. of P. hall and took in a class of eight candidates. After which the following officers were elected and installed: Deputy S. I. Booe acting as installing officer. Past Pres. Geo. Brown; Pres. R. D. Jones; Vice-Pres. Mrs. Geo. Brown; Collector N. Freeman; Chaplain Mrs. F. Long; Musical Director Mrs. R. D. Jones; Cor. Sec. Rollie Snyder; Associate Editor Miss Daisy Heffick; Serg. at Arms Wm. Himes; Guide Miss Ethel Liggett; Inner Guard Mrs. F. Hite; Outer Guard F. Long; Trustees, Geo. Brown, Mrs. F. Long and J. W. Platt.

Japan's High Credit.

One particular clause in the Globe-Democrat's dispatch telling about the readiness of the American investors to subscribe to the Japanese \$150,000,000 loan, deserves special mention. That is the part which notes the eagerness of the French to participate. Half of the loan, or about \$75,000,000, has been allotted to the United States and the other half is divided between England and Germany. The American life insurance companies are expected to take about \$15,000,000 of our share, leaving the rest to general subscription. A large number of offers for the American portion of the loan are coming from France, although no overtures were made to that country from New York for subscriptions.

France's eagerness to share in the Japanese loan, while she has refused that of Russia, or has been very slow about accepting it, is significant. Russia has three times Japan's population and five times Japan's natural resources. Her wealth, though small for her area and inhabitants, is far larger than Japan's. Moreover, though Japan will come out the victor in the present conflict, she can not invade Russia. Even if she meets and defeats the big Russian fleet which is still afloat, she will not be able to get any military foothold in Russia proper. Yet Japan's credit far stands much higher than Russia's in the world's money markets.

This is a large fact, and France's action in the Japanese loan calls the world's attention to it in an impressive way. France is Russia's ally. Her government has declared that the Russian alliance will be maintained. Yet her citizens see that Russia is to be worsted in the present conflict. They see, moreover, that her internal troubles are likely to make her politics for the next few years disturbed. Loans for large amounts are pretty sure to be asked by Russia even after the war ends, for the displacement of her industries and finances which has been caused by the war with Japan will have effects which will last for many years. The news that France is a heavy bidder in New York for the \$75,000,000 of the Japanese war loan which is assigned to the United States will arouse a good deal of serious attention in St. Petersburg.

'Anti-Cigaret' Bill Passed in Nebraska.

Lincoln Neb., March 30.—The Senate today, by a unanimous vote, passed the anti-cigarette bill. The measure will put a ban on the sale of cigarettes in the state. It is expected it will pass the House when the measure is sent to that body.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Zilmer who has spent the winter with her son, A. H. Zilmer, has returned to her home at Clarvo, Wisconsin.

LIBRARY AT CROSS ROADS.

Yet Plymouth Remains Without a Suitable Building.

Andrew Carnegie has found a colony of literary people at a cross-roads whom he will help. Mr. Carnegie has donated \$4,000 for a library at Topeka, Ind., a village in Lagrange County.

For forty years the farmers have supported a literary society at Sycamore Corners, near Topeka, and a movement was started to build a library. While Mr. Carnegie was in Cleveland attending the trial of Mrs. Chadwick, an Indiana man, who lives near Topeka, told the iron king what the farmers had been doing and Mr. Carnegie wrote a check in aid of a new building that is to be provided with an audience room.

When Jacob Strauss, a veteran merchant of Logansport, heard of Mr. Carnegie's action, he promptly added another \$4,000 to the fund.

Farm Schools.

What this country needs more than anything else in the educational lines is one or more farm schools in every state where agriculture cuts any sort of figure, and there is 'nt one among the forty-five states in which that is not the case. These farm schools should be conducted on a large scale, affording instruction and employment for boys and girls who have no suitable homes. There may be something paternalistic about this, but that doesn't matter. It is a condition, not a theory, that confronts us. We have thousands of human beings who don't know how to fit themselves for the battles of life. If the state, or society at large, doesn't take the matter in hand primarily it will have to do it later on, after the seeds of shiftlessness have sprouted. It is being conceded that an ounce of preventative is worth more than a pound of cure, and that a stitch in time saves nine, no argument is needed to demonstrate the necessity of placing homeless children under proper care and fitting them for useful occupation.—Farm Schools.

Nearly Met Death While Cutting Taffy.

John Coons, residing about six miles northeast of Warsaw, severed the ulnar artery in his left arm on Thursday evening. Mr. Coons was engaged in cutting maple taffy in a large pan when the knife slipped, severing the artery and cutting his left arm severely, the point of the blade penetrating through the entire wrist. He came near bleeding to death before a physician arrived.

Will Move Paper Mills.

Wabash, Ind., March 31.—It is announced here tonight that the United Boxboard and Paper company has decided to move its plant at Marion to Wabash, combining it with the enormous mill in this city. Several of the other unprofitable plants of the trust will also be dismantled and combined with the mill here, in which over \$1,000,000 is invested. The force of employees in this city will be more than doubled.

The Month of March.

The month of March 1905, will go down in history as one of the brightest, fairest, warmest and best ever known in this section of country. Commencing with the 20th day of February we had forty days of the finest weather ever known at this season of the year. March came in like a lamb and the last day was as rare as the most pleasant day in June.

Wrecking Outfit in a Marsh.

South Bend, Ind., March 28.—Just west of this city, on the Three-I railway, the Lake Shore railway's heavy wrecking engine and derrick sent there to clear away a wreck on a siding, toppled over into the marsh. Another wrecking outfit was sent from Englewood, but with difficulty it was moved from the scene without accomplishing anything toward lifting the sinking wreckage. There are a hundred tons of engine and derrick in the marsh and the prospect is that both must be taken apart before removal.

Operating Out of Chicago.

Laporte, Ind., March 28.—Northern Indiana merchants will engage detectives to work on the many silk robberies committed in the last two weeks. It is estimated that \$5,000 worth has been stolen. Indiana officers believe a gang is operating out of Chicago, and that the plunder is sold there.

Spring Millinery Opening Friday and Saturday.

We extend to you an invitation to our Annual Millinery opening. Mrs. STYLES. d 4 w1

Sam Snyder who has been working for Ball & Co., has gone to Marshall Town, Iowa.

ANTI-DYSPEPSIA CRUSADE.

Domestic Science Committee Will Educate Young Women.

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 28.—The domestic science committee of the Women's Club League, of which Mrs. O. N. Guldin is chairman, has received the manual training high school cookery for the use of classes in cooking for wives and young women home makers.

There were so many applicants that one class will meet Tuesday night and one Saturday night and the onslaught on dyspepsia, the result of bad cooking, will begin tomorrow night under professional teachers. Not content with economics of this description, the committee has organized the same rank of women into serving classes, wherein they will learn to cut and fit garments for themselves and children. The school board has tendered the free use of the building to the Women's Club League, which is composed of 19 organizations.

Walnut Township Votes Subsidy.

Walnut township voted a subsidy for one per cent for the proposed Logansport & South Bend traction railroad, Saturday, by a majority of 138. The result makes the traction line along the proposed route a certainty so far as Walnut township's part is concerned. All the precincts except one in which Walnut town is situated, which is the third, voted for it. The vote by precinct is as follows:—

Table with 3 columns: Precinct, For, Against. Rows: 1st (109 For, 50 Against), 2nd (119 For, 38 Against), 3rd (17 For, 82 Against), 4th (91 For, 28 Against). Majority 336 For, 198 Against.

A like election was held in Bethlehem township, which resulted in a complete rout of the traction forces and the defeat of the proposed subsidy tax by a majority of 68 votes. The Bethlehem township people, believing that the road will be built without their voting a subsidy tax, turned down the tax and say that the promoters will not allow that to stand in their way, but will build the road anyhow.

German township of this county will vote next Saturday, April 8, and Liberty, Richland and Rochester townships, Fulton county, April 27.

Logansport Man to Hang.

George Warner, who was city electrician at Logansport a few years ago, will be hanged at Louisville May 19, for killing Pulaski Leeds. An effort was made to have Governor Beckham commute the sentence to life imprisonment and a petition, said to contain 50,000 names, was presented to him, but he refused and the day of execution remains the same. Warner is married.

Carpet Rag Sewing.

There was a carpet rag and quilting party at Mrs. John Weisserts sr., March 30th, at which 31 lbs. of rags were sewed before the noon hour. After dinner they all turned their attention to the quilts of which Mrs. Weissert is very proud. Those present were Grandmas Pecher, Denman, Ross, Stone, Kizer, Deveny, Machlan, Cramer, and Wise. Mrs. Anna Repregle and little son, Nettie Bortz and two children, Grace Weissert and son, Pollie Kizer and son, Dora Jones and son, Dell Goodyear and three children, Arta Denman and two children, Emma Kleckner and daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Redic and husband, Amanda Cramer, Margaret Stone, Eva Kizer, Lillie M. Borden, Etta Jackman, Ella Sherer, Misses Laura Stone and Olive Kenley. With the family there were forty-six people. All had a good time. "One who was there."

Important Meeting at the M. E. Church Last Night.

The official board met Tuesday eve at the church in large numbers. The church and parsonage were the subjects of deepest consideration. It was decided not to repair the old church, but to use it as it is for a short while and then replace it with a modern \$20,000 plant. Then the question of a new parsonage was introduced by the pastor. It was decided to get a new and better parsonage for the minister's family at once. A committee consisting of C. W. Mettsker, C. T. Mattingly and Samuel Schlosser was appointed to secure the new parsonage. The Methodist church has the largest membership and the most wealth of any church in the city, and with a united membership of 400, it can and will carry out the policy of the Official Board. We congratulate this church upon its victories.

Mrs. John A. Yockey returned to her home at Denyer, Colorado. She has been visiting her sister Mrs. John Green at South Bend and her aunt, Mrs. Pershing here.

WILL CALL MILITIA.

Governor Hanly Takes Drastic Stand in the Hammond Strike.

Governor Hanly, has served notice that rioting at the Indiana Steel Company's plant at Indiana Harbor, will not be tolerated, and that if any outbreaks occur he will send militia to protect property.

There must be no rioting," the governor told Sheriff Daugherty, "even if requires the presence of militia to preserve peace and I expect you to put a stop to it at once.

The threatened trouble grew out of the announcement that the company would start up its sheet mill with non-union men. The entire plant now is running.

PIONEER PASSES AWAY.

Henry P. Higgins, Old Resident Near Bourbon Dead.

Henry P. Higgins, a pioneer resident of this section died at his home five miles northwest of Bourbon, early Sunday morning. He was a veteran of the civil war. For a number of years he had been an almost constant sufferer from heart disease. Mr. Higgins was 66 years of age. The funeral will be held at Mount Pleasant Tuesday forenoon.

TRIM OLD ORCHARDS NOW.

Do the Work Thoroughly, Especially on Apples.

The old orchard would have done better the coming summer had it been trimmed a month ago, but it is not too late to do the work now except in sections where growth is far along. In trimming old orchards care should be taken that all of the dead and broken limbs are taken out, particularly from the middle of the tree; then go over the smaller branches, trimming as seems best, but always bearing in mind the necessity for getting all the light and sun possible into the middle of the tree, usually the weak spots in the old orchards.

Look over the trunks of the trees for insects and if no spraying can be done one can at least scrape off the loose bark and treat the trunks to a coat of whitewash. There are many old orchards that could be made fairly profitable for a number of years yet by a little care annually in the way of trimming.

Indians Not all Gone.

In scraping down the hill last week on the J. R. Vinnege place, better known as the old Brewery property, quite a number of Indian skulls were unearthed. One of the skulls was in good condition but the other was nearly all decayed. The best specimen is in the hands of David Field's youngest son. No relics were found except small particles of wood which seemed to be cherry and were no doubt part of the rude frame that answered for the Indian casket. The bulk of the bones were reburied.

Opening.

During this week the firm of Ball and Co. will give the formal opening of their new store. The decorations throughout the store on both floors are beautiful and the display of merchandise is the grandest of any previous display ever attempted in this city. They have one of the finest buildings in this part of the state, and all new furniture and fixtures making it an up-to-date store in every particular. A visit in the evening, this week through their store under the glare of hundreds of electric lights makes their opening displays and decorations even more beautiful.

HIBBARD ITEMS.

Mrs. Frank Hale returned to Terre Haute Tuesday. Ollie Clemens is the proud father of an eight pound girl. Quite a number from here attended Dunkard meeting at Ober Sunday. We wish to correct the joke and apologize to the gentlemen referred to as the champion fisherman as he now says he does not tell fish stories. C. Bope is working for William Klappe. Mrs. C. D. Andreas returned from Pieceton Saturday. Items are very scarce this week as our dear people are very sensitive and do not like to have their names in print.

Extra Session in October.

Washington, D. C., March 30.—Senator Julius C. Burrows of Michigan, stated today, after a conversation with the president, that he expected a special session of congress to be called not later than Oct. 16. Senator Burrows came to Washington to make plans for a trip to the Philippines with Secretary of War Taft, but has practically concluded to abandon them since he has seen the president and learned his views on the special session.

ONE OF THE NEW LAWS.

Of Interest to the Township Trustees and County Commissioners.

One of the new laws which will go into effect in about ten days is of general interest. It regulates the labor of the inmates of the Indiana reformatory on state account, provides for the schooling and the training of the inmates, provides for trade schools, utilizes the inmates' labor for state account and disposes of all articles made in such trade schools. It provides that state institutions and political divisions of the state shall purchase certain articles from the management of the reformatory.

It requires that all township trustees, county commissioners, superintendents of poor asylums and county sheriffs shall make requisition on the board of managers of said reformatory for such articles as are needed, giving the board of managers a reasonable time to manufacture the articles so required, and shall not purchase any such articles elsewhere unless the same cannot be furnished by such reformatory. The governor of the state, state auditor and president of the board of managers of said reformatory shall constitute the managing board. Any member of a county council, a county commissioner, township trustee, etc., who wilfully violates any of the provisions of this law shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$1000 or less than \$100 and in addition may be removed from office.

SENSATIONAL CHARGES.

Are Against 500 Ex-Township Trustees in Indiana.

Bluffton, Ind., April 3.—Wells county taxpayers, township trustees, advisory boards and the public in general are tense with interest and excitement over the advent of a Warsaw firm of attorneys, ferrets and accountants that has just caused to be brought in this county a suit against Lot McCulick, ex-trustee of Chester township, alleging fraudulent purchases of township supplies, and is preparing to have brought suits against two or three more of the nine township trustees of this county, that went out of office January 1, of this year. The work of the Warsaw firm in this county is part of a general plan to go after 500 ex-trustees in all parts of the state alleged by J. C. Graves, of the Warsaw firm, to have been engaged in grafting while they were in office, in the years prior to January 1, 1905.

On the other hand Lot McCulick, against whom suit has been brought, is preparing to fight it out in the courts, and when the time comes he says it will be shown that J. C. Graves, before the suit was filed, came to him with a proposition to settle which McCulick says Graves had no authority to make. The coming of Graves and his partner, Walter Brubaker, is resented on the ground that they are strangers, by those who stand up for the trustees. It is a new business the Warsaw firm is undertaking, and before it is done, startling revelations are talked of.

Proof That Fame is Fleeting.

A half dozen years ago there were four pre-eminent great after-dinner orators in New York City. They were Chauncey M. Depew, Joseph H. Choate, Elihu Root and Judge Henry Howland. Mr. Depew is not asked once where he was ten times then, and declines most of the invitations he receives. Mr. Choate is engaged in diplomatic business abroad. Mr. Root accepts only on special occasions. Judge Howland is seldom heard from.

Russia's Weak Point.

When Japan declared war and struck the first blow, like a trip-hammer on the Russian bear's head, the world was startled at such daring. But this surprise was followed by others continuously. The destruction of the Russian fleet, the capture of Port Arthur, the several land victories and the complete defeat and capture of Kourapatkin's army at Mukden, place Oyama, the planner and leader in all these operations, among the greatest generals of earth and make this war one of the most remarkable of history. The huge empire of Russia, seething with political and military activity does not evolve one man who is competent either to shatter the existing system or to reconsolidate the ancient order. Russia has no Napoleon, no Mirabeau, no Bismarck, no Lincoln, no Grant, no Dewey; only a Witte for a Colbert, only a Count Lamor-dorfi for a Richelieu.

New Cases.

Through her attorney Chas. Kel-lison, Julia A. Cochern has applied for a divorce from John L. Cochern. Case to be tried April 13, 1905.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Charles C. Lucas 23 Bess E. Gerrard 21