

SCHROEDER HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM JAIL TERM

BECAUSE OF STIGMA WHICH WOULD FALL UPON FAMILY JUDGE MAKES FINE \$42.70

Bernetha Says that Attack of Ex-Trustee Upon Son Was Against Nature.

Because of the stigma which would be attached to his family if given a jail sentence, James M. Schroeder, of Tyrer ex-trustee of Polk township, narrowly escaped a term in the county jail, when he entered a plea of guilty, to assault and battery upon his son Remus before Judge Harry L. Bernetha, Monday afternoon.

On July 19th, 1910, the elder Schroeder, made a fensish attack upon his one armed, son Remus aged twenty-nine, with a pitch fork, which resulted in a fractured forearm for the boy, who threw his one arm above his head for protection, only to receive the blow, and another upon his forehead, resulting in the fracture.

The boy seized the dangerous implement, and held it, and shouted to Bulter Williams, an employe of the farm to come to his help, and then only did the elder Schroeder relinquish his attack.

The young man told an account of the assault in circuit court Monday afternoon: It was plainly evident that he was attempting to screen his father, with whom he had made amends and was making the crime as light as possible for his quick tempered parent.

In indirect examination the Prosecutor, Harry L. Unger forced the younger Schroeder to admit, that his father was subject to violent fits of angry passion—that he had bitterly quarreled with a daughter, and forced her to leave home,—that the son had often intervened between his parents in order to protect his mother, and that quarrels were frequent from his father.

The incident in which Schroeder broke the arm of his boy, occurred at the barn, on the farm in Polk township on July 16th, last, and was at 6:00 o'clock in the morning. The boy was in the stable placing a collar on a horse which was to be worked in the field.

In his decision Judge Bernetha at length expressed himself upon the unnaturalness exhibited by Schroeder in his attack and seemed inclined to sentence Schroeder to jail as demanded by the prosecuting attorney.

Believe that it is contrary to the instincts of humanity for a parent to strike at a child with a pitchfork and especially a crippled child," said the judge. "If a similar attack were made upon a stranger, I surely would send the offender to jail, and why not more so, when the object of this attack is a crippled son? I do not think a jail sentence too severe in an extraordinary case like this.

Although the father be of a quick temper, as stated, I cannot see how any parent could so far forget himself, as to make such an assault. It is very apparent that had not the arm of this boy been broken in his attempt to ward off the blow, it is quite probable that his skull would have been fractured. Then the renewed effort to confine the attack ever after the first blow makes the offense the more severe in my judgment."

The court finally stated that because of the stigma which a term in jail served by the father would have upon the son, and remainder of the family, leniency would be shown by the court, and a fine of \$25.00 and costs be assessed. Attorneys N. I. Hess, Herbert Hess, and S. N. Stevens represented the defendant. Arrangements were made at once to settle the costs. The costs, amounted to \$17.70.

At Poison. The 16 months' old son of Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Denison of Bremen at enough bi-chloride of mercury to produce death, but is still living. Tablets were kept in a drawer and when the room was cleaned the drawer was placed on a couch. In this way the child got one of the tablets and ate it. When seized with the effect of the poison the boy began crying. Milk served to neutralize the poison.

RELATIVE KILLED

Brother of Mrs. Steyick Meets Death By Being Struck by Train.

Absalom Burkett aged 70 years, was instantly killed when he was struck by a passenger train, near his home at Centerville Arkansas. Burkett was deaf, and did not hear the train whistle, as he was walking down the tracks. The body was horribly mangled. One leg and one arm were cut off, and the head and other limbs were almost severed. Burkett was a brother of Mrs. M. M. Steyick of Plymouth.

NAME REPOSITORIES

City Council Meets as Finance Board and Select Local Banks.

In accordance with the law the city council met at the council chamber Monday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock as the finance board of the city, to name the repositories for the public funds. The three banks, each presented its bid, which in reality consists of a statement of its capital and surplus funds, and the city funds are apportioned in that proportion. The First National Bank, the Plymouth State Bank, and the Marshall county Trust and Savings Bank, are the three repositories of this city.

BUYS BUSINESS BLOCK

Otto Klingerman Purchases Old "When" Room on LaPorte st. and Will Occupy Same.

The old "When" room, on west LaPorte street, has been purchased by Otto Klingerman, who will occupy the same with his plumbing shop, now located on Center street. The block was purchased of the Hoham estate for the consideration of \$3000

BIG GROWTH IN CO. SURPLUS DURING YEAR

TOTAL NET BALANCE ON HAND ON JAN. 1ST 1911 IS \$13,621.23

Over Four Thousand Dollars Paid On Court House Contract -Total Saving Over \$10,000

There is not a more prosperous county in the state of Indiana, in proportion to its size, than Marshall county. During the year 1910, over ten thousand dollars was netted the county from its financial resources. The total net balance of money on hand January 1st 1911, as shown by records in the office of County Treasurer Fred H. Myers, is \$13,621.23. The balance on hand on January 1st, last year was \$7,048.76, or an increase of \$6,572.47, during the past year. If to this amount, the total of over four thousand dollars, paid by the county treasurer to Arthur W. O'Keefe on the Court House contract, a total of over ten thousand dollars is reached, which was netted by the county over and above all running expenses. Also in addition a goodly number of new bridges were erected in the county during the year, and other material improvements made by the Board of Commissioners. These figures are surely substance for pride and as stated above, cannot be beaten by any county, near the size of Marshall, in the state.

County Clerk's Receipts. The total receipts of the office of the county clerk, during the past year, as shown by the report of clerk Joseph E. Whitesell, was \$20,306.05. The total disbursements during the same period amounted to \$22,593.57. The balance on hand at the beginning of the last year was \$10,360.18, and the balance on hand at the beginning of this year was \$8,072.66. During the year clerk Whitesell collected on his salary the total of \$2455.97, which is an excess of \$55.97.

Teachers Training Meeting. The Teacher Training graduates and students of Marshall Co., are requested to call at the home of Mrs. Mary Hitecock, 303 N. Mich. St., on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 6th any time between 1 and 6 o'clock, for the purpose of voting on a design for the Teacher Training banquet program and also on other matters of importance to them.

Julia Yeokey Co. Secy of T. T. Estella Chase Co. Supt. of T. T.

Hoosier Hurler for Des Moines. Harry McKee of Michigan City, who has been playing independent ball with teams in northern Indiana and Illinois, yesterday signed a contract to play with the Des Moines, Iowa, Western Association team during the coming season. He will be a member of the pitching staff.

TO WELCOME NEW YEAR IN PLYMOUTH

PAST YEAR WITNESSED REMARKABLE AND RECORD BREAKING IMPROVEMENTS IN THIS CITY

Building Boom of 1910 Will Enter in the History of the Town-Parties Tonight

Plymouth rung out the old and in the new Saturday night. A number of watch parties were held throughout the city, to greet the coming of nine hundred and eleven. An invitation party was held by the Paw Paw Pleasure Club at the Y. of P., all consisting of dancing, cards, and social. Other forms of entertainment prevailed at private homes in Plymouth. The new year holds bright prospects for the residents of Plymouth.

The past year will go down in the history of this city as the period of greatest building activity so far in the city's history. Besides the scores of dwellings, many business blocks were erected in the town during the year, and the year witnessed the strating of three of the best buildings of the city, namely the Hospital and Sanitarium, the new Catholic church, and the Lauer building.

During last year a big stride toward the completion of the electric interurban line, connecting this city with South Bend, was made. The movement for a city library was started, and rapidly advanced toward realization.

In civic government the city has received one of the best years of government in its latter day history. The present council has improved the water works department, and placed it upon a paying basis. A more accurate, economical, and painstaking administration is being effected steadily.

A new, \$15,000 heating apparatus has been installed in the Plymouth public schools. The schools are bigger and better than ever before. Better teachers are lending effort and more systematic training employed than at any time in the past.

The bitter battle of the Court House fight, was waged throughout the entire year, but with the close of the annum, prospects for a clearing of the fray, seem very promising. With an improved and modernized county building, another step in advancement will have been made, in Marshall county's capital.

In general the community has advanced and prospered. Although the decennial census showed a disappointing gain in population, citizens of "the prettiest little city in the state" compliment themselves that they possess in quality what they lack in quantity.

The Tribune wishes its readers a Happy New Year.

CHANGE TEACHERS' LICENSES

County Superintendent Steinebach Receives Some New Instructions from State Superintendent

L. E. Steinebach county superintendent of public schools is in receipt of a letter of instruction in regard to the changes made recently in the matter of the teachers' licensing system.

Terseley told the changes set forth that a five year license is not taken in two divisions any more. But anyone who gets a three year common school state license will be eligible to take high school subjects necessary for the five year license if taken in the same calendar year.

In view of pending legislation this license will be a very important one.

All applications for high school license hereafter must pass in the science of education.

A high school license in one or more subjects may be used for 12, 15 or 30 months.

Superintendent Steinebach has received a number of pamphlets giving further details in regard to licenses intended for distribution among the teachers of the county.

Attend Theatre Opening. Charles M. Walker ex-manager of the Orpheum theatre and the Balfour company spent Monday evening at Rochester where Manager Roy Shanks of that city celebrated the opening of his newly improved playhouse. The Balfour company entertained in vaudeville.

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Attend Funeral of Relative. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thomas went to Argos this morning to attend the funeral of his aunt Mrs. Henry Thomas, which occurs this afternoon.

L. O. T. M.'S. INITIATE

Plymouth Team Goes to Leiters Ford Saturday to Exemplify Work.

The Plymouth team, of the L. O. T. M. went to Leiters Ford Saturday morning where a class of eight was initiated into the order Saturday afternoon. The ladies from here were the Mesdames—Harry Kilmer, C. C. Miles, James Cook, Nettie Conger, W. H. McKinney, Daniel Jacoby Sarah L. Langdon, Ed R. Monroe, and Chas. VanGilder.

MORTUARY

Death of Thomas Bowles. Thomas N. Bowles, one of the oldest settlers of Marshall county died at his home, three miles northwest of Argos Saturday, aged 84 years. Death was due to old age, and complications, from which he had been suffering for the past fifteen months.

With his parents Thomas Bowles moved to this county, and settled at the present homestead in Walnut township, seventy years ago and has resided there continuously, ever since. His wife preceded him to the spiritual world, in 1898. There are four children surviving, as follows. Mrs. Melissa Vance three miles northwest of Argos, David Bowles Plymouth Mrs. Susan Miller west of Argos, and Jesse R. Bowles Hammond Ind. One sister, Mrs. Susan Lolemaugh, age 86 years, resides at Newton Kansas, and is the last of six brothers and sisters to be deceased.

Thomas N. Bowles was born in Kentucky in 1827 the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Bowles. When a small child he moved with his parents to Indianapolis and after a brief residence there removed to Marshall county in 1840. In 1848 he was married to Miss Artemina Moore, who bore him seven children, the four above of whom survive.

OLD OFFICERS OUT-NEW HANDS AT THE HELM

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ORGANIZE FOR YEAR AND ELECT MARTINDALE COUNTY ATTORNEY

James B. Severns Succeeding Himself Is Chosen President of the Board—Old Officials Treat

Officers who commenced new terms in Marshall county Monday, are the following—Sheriff James Falconbury, Surveyor William Schoonover, Assessor George W. Smith, Prosecuting Attorney Harry L. Unger, Coroner James Kizer, Commissioner 3rd District, James B. Severns. Of these the first three are newly elected, and the latter three succeed themselves in office.

Monday morning the retiring officers, namely ex-sheriff Daniel Voris, ex-surveyor Percy J. Troyer and ex-assessor William T. Leonard, passed the treats at the court house, oranges, candy, nuts, and apples for the ladies and cigars for the men, were dispensed in great abundance and the morning was spent in bidding farewell to the old, and welcome to the new.

Commissioners Organize. The Board of County Commissioners met in the morning for the regular January term. The board proceeded to organize by electing the re-elected member James B. Severns president of the board. The county auditor is clerk. The board unanimously chose Atty. E. C. Martindale, as county attorney for the succeeding year. The regular routine business was transacted the board proceeding with the auditing of old bills and allowance of new bills against the county. Monday afternoon was spent by the board in naming the public repositories for county funds as prescribed by law. Ten banks and trust companies of the county were candidates for a portion of the county funds.

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PLYMOUTH MAN SUICIDES AT SOUTH BEND

WALTER WILLIAMS ENDS LIFE AT SHERIDAN HOTEL THURSDAY NIGHT BY DRINKING ACID

Disappointment in Love Supposed to be Cause for Deed—Sent Note to Girl by Porter.

South Bend Ind. Dec. 30.—Supposedly crazed by disappointment in love, Walter Williams, 30 years old of Plymouth, Indiana, committed suicide last night about 9 o'clock in a room at the Sheridan hotel, by drinking four ounces of carbolic acid. He was discovered dead in bed by Charles Sheldon, negro porter at the hotel, 10 minutes after his death. Coroner Stanley Clark was called but an examination revealed that life was extinct. The body was then removed to the Orvis undertaking rooms.

A note was found near the body asking that W. T. Crab, 227 DuBall avenue this city, be informed of the young man's death. Crab, who is an uncle of the dead man was found to be absent in Streator Illinois, but is expected to return at noon today.

It developed after the dead had been discovered that Williams sent Sheldon, the porter, to the Jefferson hotel, 110 West Jefferson boulevard, with a note for Miss Pearl Bayman daughter of the proprietress of the hotel. She told the porter to return to Williams and tell him to call her up. He found that the man had committed suicide during his absence.

Mrs. Bayman when told the news last night, was very much shocked. "Walter left us at 6 o'clock saying that he was going to Chicago. And he said the other day that he intended to enlist in the navy and go to the Philippine islands. I can hardly believe that he has done this."

She denied the report of an engagement between her daughter and Williams, but admitted that they had been good friends for a number of years.

From a conversation between Mrs. Bayman and a young lady, it was learned that Williams left the hotel yesterday afternoon after a quarrel with her over back rent. He is alleged to have defrauded her out of a sum of money.

Relatives of Williams in Plymouth were notified of the deed last night by the police. No arrangements for the funeral have been made.

He had been employed for several months, here as a blacksmith at Oliver's.

Walter R. Williams was the son of George A. and Ella M. Williams. He was born in Knox, Indiana, on the 24th day of January 1881.

He had united with the Plymouth Methodist Episcopal Church several years ago, and was one of a family all of whom were members of that church.

He became a volunteer in the Spanish American War, saw service in Porto Rico, and after one year's enlistment, was discharged while at the age of 18.

He also did active service in the relief of Peking, China, during the Boxer rebellion.

He departed this life December 29th, 1910, at the age of 29 years, 11 months, and 5 days, leaving a mother, three brothers, and three sisters.

Many Holidays Come in 1911. Only one month in 1911 is without a holiday of importance. Some have as many as five that are remembered in some parts of the country. August is that month that has no holiday. The longest unbroken stretch in the year is from July 4 to September 4, which is Labor Day, January has three including R. E. Lee's and McKinley's birthdays; February has four, counting the ground hog day; March recognizes Ash Wednesday and St. Patrick's day; April has five mostly church holidays; May has Mother's day, Peace day and Memorial day; June recognizes Flag day and the first day of summer; September has Labor day and the Jewish new year; October has Yon Kippur, Discovery day and Halloween; November has election day and Thanksgiving; and December closes with the one biggest day of the year.

R. F. D. EXAM

Prospective Mail Carriers Will Take Here Next Saturday.

An examination for prospective Rural Free Delivery carriers will be held at the Plymouth post office on next Saturday, Jan. 7th. The examination will be in charge of Deputy postmaster Fred Price.

GIVES INTERESTING TALK

Miss Louise Campbell of Moody Institute Addresses Graded Union of Plymouth

One of the most beneficial meetings which has been held since the organization of the Graded Union was that of Wednesday Dec. 28. Miss Louise Campbell, a cousin of Mrs. George Thayer, and a student of Moody Bible Institute, Chicago gave a most interesting and inspiring talk on "House To Instill The Missionary Spirit In The Child." Miss Campbell is specializing in Bible school work under some of the great Sunday School leaders of the country and is well qualified to judge of that branch of christian work. She stated that her meeting together of all the S. S. teachers of the city monthly in the Graded Union, is one of the first steps toward real progress.

The next meeting will take place Wednesday Jan. 25 and will probably form one session of the center township S. S. Convention.

Educator Visits Here

Prof. E. E. Irvin, returned to Bay City Mich., Friday after spending a few days in this city, the guest of Miss Auro Southwick, of the local school. Prof. Irvin is superintendent of schools at Bay City. While here he examined the school systems employed, and remarked upon their high efficiency.

THEATRE IS UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

BALFOUR COMPANY LEASES ORPHEUM AND WILL PRESENT VAUDEVILLE IN PLYMOUTH EVERY NIGHT

Total of 1102 Tickets Sold at Popular Playhouse Saturday Night

Establishing Local Record

The Orpheum Theatre has been leased by the Balfour family, which has been presenting vaudeville at that theatre during the past week, and the playhouse will be managed by that company in the future. The change of management was announced at the theatre Saturday night. The Balfour family will move to Plymouth from Fort Wayne, and will make this city their permanent home.

Their plans in regard to the management of the local playhouse were also stated during the several performances Saturday. The company will alternate vaudeville to be presented first one week by their own company and the next by an out-of-town company. The foreign company playing here, will exchange locations with the Balfours, who will play at the home of the company with whom they exchange. In connection with the vaudeville acts which proved so popular in this city during the past week, the regular run of high class motion pictures will be given. It is purposed to keep the price at the popular five cents rate.

Set High Record

The record breaking attendance of any theatre or entertainment in Plymouth was set, at the Orpheum Saturday night, when a total of 1102 tickets were sold. During the middle of the evening the immense crowd, located the sidewalk, and many were obliged to view the show gave up the idea after a long wait, otherwise the number of tickets would have been larger. The total number sold, represents a capacity number for the length of time. A full hour show was given at each performance and in spite of the abnormal attendance, nothing was out short. In the afternoon over three hundred admissions to the matinee were sold. The Balfours present a popular, entertainment including dancing, and dialogue and promise interesting entertainment for the remainder of the winter.

Moves to Indianapolis

W. O. Magellan and family have moved to Indianapolis, where he has purchased a photograph gallery, having sold his Plymouth gallery. They will reside permanently in Indianapolis.

Congressman Barnhart Here

Congressman Henry A. Barnhart was in the city over night and left Saturday. Mr. Barnhart will return to Washington Tuesday for the convening of congress on Thursday.

PROPERTY OF COUNTY SHOWS BIG INCREASE

TOTAL NET TAXABLES OF MARSHALL COUNTY FOR YEAR IS \$17,649,940 WITHOUT EXEMPTIONS

Taxables Show Increase of \$511,045 During the Past Year—December Distribution Is Made.

The total amount of taxable property in Marshall county, for the year 1910, is \$18,226,730, as shown by the auditor's sheet, which is being now made up. The total amount of mortgage exemptions is \$57,780, leaving a total of net taxables, of \$17,649,940. The total net taxables for the year 1909 was \$17,138,895, a gain of \$511,045 in the county during the past year. This growth in taxables is a healthy one, and one normal.

The December distribution of 1909 taxes, to the townships, towns, and city of the county has been completed. The distribution was made as follows: The following totals include township of town fund, local and special fund, road fund, sinking fund, and library fund:

Table with 2 columns: Township/Town/City and Amount. Includes entries for Argos township, Bremen township, etc.

The following totals of corporation taxes were distributed:

Table with 2 columns: Corporation Name and Amount. Includes entries for Plymouth, Bourbon, Bremen, etc.

Total 20502.90

NO CHOICE FOR SPEAKER

Aggart Said to Be Willing to Throw Influence to Adam Wise, of Plymouth.

Indianapolis, Dec. 29.—Candidates for the speakership of the house in the approaching general assembly have all taken permanent headquarters at the Dennison hotel in preparation for the final stretch of the race.

It is impossible at this time to say who is in the lead. Harry Strickland of Greenfield; George Sunkel, of Dana, and Homer McMillin of Martinsville are acknowledged to be the weakest of the lot, with little chance of any combination of circumstances coming about to put them actually in the running.

It is understood that Thomas Taggart is willing to throw his force to Adam Wise of Plymouth.

Adolph Seiderschickler of Indianapolis, John Fankling of Michigan City, A. J. Vanneman of Evansville and Joseph Cravens of Madison are the other candidates.

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ROYAL NEIGHBOURS ELECT

Local Auxiliary Lodge Names New Officers and Installs at Same Meeting

The Royal Neighbor Ladies met with Mrs. Angie Cook Thursday afternoon and installed officers. Mrs. Cook treated the ladies and all spent a jolly good time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS

Reformed Church Names Heads of Departments for The Coming Year.

The Reformed Sunday School starts out the New Year in a very prosperous condition. All obligations for the past year have been met and the supplies for the first quarter are all paid for and still there is a surplus in the treasury. The Sunday School elected the following officers for the New Year:

- Supt.—N. V. Hoover. Asst. Supt.—Chas. Bechnell. Secy & Treas.—Mrs. Bessie VanGilder. Librarian—Katherine Scherer. Asst. Librarian—Bessie Cramer. Organist—Mrs. Bertha Jewett. Asst. Org.—Iva Stocken. Supt. Cradle Roll—Mrs. Chas. Bechnell.

Adam Well Endorsed

Adam E. Wise of Plymouth one of the nine candidates for speaker of the House of Representatives at the approaching session of the Legislature, who has been in Indianapolis for the last few days looking after the interests of his candidacy, departed last night for Plymouth well satisfied he said, with his prospects for a cautious nomination.—Indianapolis Star.

Marriage License

A license to wed was issued Saturday to Franklin Markley 24 of Bourbon township to Carrie E. Gooden 20 who resides north of Inwood. His Godfather is the daughter of township assessor Fred Gooden and wife.

Move to Culver

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sullivan left for Culver Tuesday where they are moving from this city and will reside on a farm near that town.

WARRANTS ARE ISSUED ON INDICTMENTS

COURT DELIVERS NINETEEN CASES OVER TO NEW SHERIFF JAMES FALCONBURY

Violations Against Plymouth Men Were Returned Monday afternoon.

Nineteen bench warrants were issued by Judge Bernetha, to the newly installed sheriff, James Falconbury Monday afternoon. The warrants are for the arrest of persons indicted by the recent session of the Marshall county grand jury.

Two warrant were returned Monday afternoon. They are against Grant Hanes and Harvey Miller and Edward Shipley, and are for "keeping, running, and operating places where intoxicating liquors are kept for unlawful purposes, and for unlawful possession of intoxicating liquors. Each indictment contains four counts. The violations are charged on July 26th, 1910. These indictments are on old cases, which have progressed through the justice of the peace courts. The witnesses named in each case, are the following: Marshal Daniel W. Jacoby, ex-sheriff Daniel Voris, Nightwatchman Mitt McNeely, ex-deputy sheriff Fred Schroeder, Ivy L. Miller, Charles Crombe, agent for the L. E. & W., Justice of the Peace Holloway, and Special Policeman, Joseph Glass.

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MEDICAL MEETING

Physicians of Marshall County Hold December Session Thursday Afternoon

The December meeting of the Marshall county Medical Association, as held in the parlors of the Room House hotel, Thursday afternoon session was well attended. A paper was given by Dr. S. C. Loring of this city which was the discussion of this city which was the discussion of this city which was the discussion of this city.

Obituary

Here is the kind of an obituary which editor put up for a man. "Poor Jim Jones along his engagements on a link and again the other yesterday. He did not stand back because the wife was cold, but lunged right in and struck out for the other shore and met the angels miling. Jim was a poor man but his other subscription paid up to his own paper and got them in good shape. Peace to his memory."

Local Vocals to Participate. Miss Hazel Deff Wolf of this city will assist with vocal solos, at the House pipe organ recital, at the Presbyterian church tonight.