

IS NO BINDING DEAL; WHEELAN

Minority Representative From This District Declares House Will be Fair.

DEMOCRATS ASK HONESTY

Present Alignment Will Not Be Maintained on Other Questions—Believes Stevenson Elected.

Hon. H. L. Wheelan, minority representative, returned this morning from Springfield, after an interesting initiation into the inner workings of the state legislative body. He declares that he is thoroughly in sympathy with the action the house has taken and believes that good will result. There is no evidence of a deal, he declares, which will go further than to insure to the democrats a fair recount of the vote of the state on governor. This is all that will be insisted upon. There is on intention or desire to oust the present governor by gavel rule in joint session, or by any other form of political trickery. The members, particularly the democrats, have shown a decided disposition to be independent of boss rule. He does not anticipate that yesterday's alignment will be maintained on other matters, not even upon the United States senatorship. However, he believes that others now have about as good a chance of being elected as Hopkins the present incumbent.

Grounds for a Contest.

In discussing the recount of the vote for governor Mr. Wheelan said the democratic state central committee bases its claims upon errors that have been found in numerous precincts, rather than upon fraud. It has been found that most of the scratched ballots were marked for Stevenson. Of ten the judges of election, in their long and tiresome ordeal, laid aside tickets as "straight," which were in reality marked for the democratic nominee for governor. So large has been the percentage of votes thus miscounted in known instances that it is believed should the vote of the entire state be canvassed it would be found that Deneen's plurality of 23,000 would be wiped out.

A quorum of the house remained at Springfield to keep up the sessions and thus throw the entire onus for delay upon the upper house and Governor Deneen.

OBITUARY.

William A. Hubbard.

William A. Hubbard, 832 Twenty-first street, died last evening at 6 o'clock, after an illness of about eight months. Mr. Hubbard was one of the

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We also have select Sealship Oysters, Malaga Grapes, Arizona Oranges, Florida Grape Fruit, Monarch Asparagus Points, Jersey Sweet Potatoes, Baldwin, Greening and Jonathan Apples. Club House Canned Goods, Lipton Teas, In Coffee we have the best there is.

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NEW HEAD OF MASONS



Otto W. Schwenker, Who This Evening Will Be Installed as Master of Rock Island Lodge.

old residents of the county, having lived here for 40 years, the last 11 of which were spent in this city. He was born at New Matamoras, Ohio, July 7, 1838. In 1868 he removed to this county and settled in Edgington where he remained until he came to the city in 1897. He is survived by his wife and three sons, County Clerk H. B. Hubbard, Harry H. Hubbard and Kenneth P. Hubbard of Seattle, Wash. There are six grandchildren. Private funeral services will be conducted at the home tomorrow morning at 10:30 by Rev. W. S. Marquis. Burial will take place at Chippianock cemetery. County Clerk Hubbard's office will be closed from 10 to 12 o'clock tomorrow, and there will be a recess of the county court during those hours.

PAYS FINE TO THE CLERK

H. A. Weld Settles for His Offense to the County Court.

H. A. Weld, who was fined \$1 for contempt in the county court because he took from the court house certain papers in an estate in process of probate, has paid the fine to the county clerk, and the order to commit him to the county jail until the fine is paid will not be enforced. While the order was put on the books some days ago, Mr. Weld was not placed in durance vile, but was advised to produce the dollar. The incident has occasioned much comment, and Mr. Weld is being chided much by his friends. He agrees that the court should take measures to enforce its rules.

Jasper L. Thurman and Nancy A. Perdue both plead guilty in the county court this morning to charges of adultery and fornication, and were each fined \$50 and costs by Judge R. W. Olmsted. The fine was paid.

TURNERS GIVE AN ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Young Men Show What Gymnasium Training Has Accomplished—Dancing Follows Exercises.

The Rock Island Turnverein gave an entertainment last evening for the members of the society and their friends at the Turner hall. The hall was thronged with spectators. There was a very interesting program of athletic events given by the members of the different classes in turning and acrobatic work and some of the feats done were exceedingly difficult and hard to perform. President Thomas Nessler of the society gave a short address at the opening of the program and extended a welcome to the guests of the evening and told them somewhat of the purposes and the accomplishments of the society. Following the series of athletic events dancing was indulged in for several hours and all present thoroughly enjoyed the evening. The program was as follows:

Orchestra Selection.
Address—President Thomas Nessler.
Center Pole—Boys.
Parallel Bars—First and Second Boys.
Staff Exercises—Actives.
Climbing—Boys.
Horizontal Bar—Actives.
Dumb Bells—Boys.
Parallel Bars—Bears; Actives.
Buck—Bears.
Pyramids—All Classes.

WENGER FORMALLY NAMED

is Elected Secretary of the Safety Deposit Company.

At the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Rock Island Safety Deposit company held this week the officers of last year were reelected to fill their respective positions, with the exception of Hope Thompson, who resigned his position as secretary. G. C. Wenger succeeds him. The officers are as follows: Hon. L. S. McCabe, president; C. J. Larkin, vice president; G. C. Wenger, secretary, and Hon. T. J. Medill, treasurer.

SPECIAL COAL SALE

At Mueller Lumber Company for a Short Time Only.

In order to move some coal which the mines are crowding on us on account of the unseasonable weather, we will sell for a short time only Carterville lump and egg, \$4 per ton; third vein chunk, \$4 per ton.

MUELLER LUMBER COMPANY.

POWER COMPANY MEN ORGANIZE

Adopt Constitution and Elect Officers for Year at a Banquet Held at the Harper.

J. L. S. SCADDING PRESIDENT

Purpose is Education of Members in Gas and Electric Branches—Will Meet Once Each Month.

At a banquet at the Harper house last evening the employees of the power company and others who were there formally adopted a name for the association which has been recently formed, and along with the name a constitution and a set of by-laws. The organization will be known as the Tri-City Railway and Light Employees' association, and its purpose, besides sociability, will be to educate the members along the lines of uses to which gas and electricity are put in the three cities. Besides forming a very interesting subject for study, this will materially aid in the efficiency of the members of the organization in their work.

Officers Chosen.

The meeting last night was the first real meeting of the society, although there had been several preliminary ones, at the last of which the following officers were elected:

President—J. L. S. Scadding.
Vice President—Carl Mochow.
Secretary—A. E. Littig.
Treasurer—James Normoyle.

These officers will hold office for one year, during which time monthly meetings will be held. There are several hundred employees of the company who are eligible to join, as the number is not confined to the employees of the offices. There were about 50 present at the banquet last evening, and a pleasant time was enjoyed.

Enjoy a Program.

Following the excellent supper served for the members, a few of the banqueters were called upon for short talks by President Scadding, who acted as toastmaster, and a short musical program was rendered. It consisted of two violin selections by Miss Catherine Noach, accompanied on the piano by Martin R. Noach, and a vocal solo by Carl Mochow, who was also accom-

panied by Mr. Noach on the piano. Following the music the meeting adjourned.

LADIES HOLD ANNUAL HOUR OF PRAYER SERVICES

Missionary Social Union Meets at First Baptist Church—Helpful Thoughts on New Year Resolutions.

The Woman's Missionary Social union of the city, composed of ladies from the various churches of all denominations, held the annual hour of prayer and praise service yesterday afternoon in the First Baptist church. Because of many conflicting dates the attendance was not as large as was hoped for, but the meeting was most beneficial and good short talks were listened to. Mrs. W. G. Oglevee spoke on resolutions for the new year and gave some helpful thoughts for the year just entered upon. Rev. W. B. Clemmer of the Memorial Christian church took as the theme for his address "Christ's Program for Us," telling of the life that Christ led while on earth and giving that as an example for the life of all to lead. The devotionals were conducted by Mrs. Phil Wagner and sacred hymns were sung.

The Broadway Presbyterian and First Methodist churches will again join in union services this evening at the former church. Dr. Charles E. Bradt of Chicago will speak at this service also, his theme to be "The New Church." The services conducted by Dr. Bradt last evening were well attended and interesting and profitable. There will be no services tomorrow evening, but Dr. Bradt will conduct the services Sunday morning and evening.

PROBE DEATH OF HOWARD

Alleged Poisoning at Des Moines Will Be Investigated by Coroner.

Des Moines, Jan. 8.—As a result of the physician's report showing that Dean Frederick Howard of Drake University Conservatory of Music died from morphine poisoning Coroner Newlen last night ordered an inquest to be held. An effort will be made to learn all the circumstances regarding the mysterious death. George E. Hufford and Ralph E. Jones, druggists, near Dean Howard's former home, will be among the principal witnesses. It has been reported that Dr. Howard was in the habit of buying morphine at their stores. Dr. D. C. Bice, who attended Dean Howard on the evening before his death and administered three small doses of morphine to relieve suffering caused by an acute attack of indigestion, will also be called.

CHILD'S STORIES WILL INTEREST ARGUS READERS

The Argus has secured and tomorrow will begin the publication of a weekly series of children's stories entitled "For Every Boy and Girl." Each story is complete in itself and of the very highest class published. The most famous juvenile authors and the most noted artists contribute to these pages. This is a feature that cannot fail to interest all the young people and many of the "grownups." "Her First Day at School," by Fanny Adam Wilkes, will be printed tomorrow.

Jigsaw puzzles are very popular nowadays, and The Argus has secured a series of these entertaining devices of which the first will be printed tomorrow. They are entitled "Teddy in Jangleland."

FIRE IN A GARAGE

Zeman Auto Company of Davenport Suffers Through Defective Furnace.

NINE MACHINES DAMAGED

Four New Meteors Among the Number That Must Be Sent Back to the Factory.

Fire about 2 o'clock this morning badly damaged the auto garage of the Zeman Auto company at 310-314 Main street, Davenport, indicating a loss of probably \$7,000. Eight cars were partially destroyed, being damaged so badly that it will be necessary to rebuild them. On the automobiles the loss is placed at between \$4,000 and \$5,000, while \$1,000 damage was done to the stock of Blanchard Brothers, an advertising novelty concern on the second floor of the building, and an equal amount of damage was inflicted upon the building. The blaze originated from the furnace and was controlled by the firemen before it had a chance to spread far. Though several of the cars had gasoline in their tanks there was no explosion.

The Cars Damaged. There were four new Meteor touring

cars, one with limousine body, and a Mitchell demonstrator belonging to the owners of the garage, two Maxwells belonging to Buck Zeman and Ed Henselmann, a Stoddard-Dayton, the property of Gus Haase, and a Deere-Clark owned by Henry Kuhner. All were fully insured, with the exception of the Mitchell, which of course was new. The Meteor machines were manufactured in Davenport.

PERSONAL POINTS.

E. H. Guyer is in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hill, formerly of this city, are here from Goodland, Kas., for a brief visit.

Mrs. O. V. Holmgren left yesterday for Paxton, Ill., where she will spend several weeks visiting.

Will Beecher left last evening for St. Mary's college at St. Mary's Kan., after spending the holiday season at his home at Bremen, Ind.

Daniel Koenig who came here to attend the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Dorothy Koenig, has returned to his home at Bremen, Ind.

W. R. Butler, ticket agent of the Rock Island at the Thirty-first street depot, has left the service of the road to engage in a new line of work. He has been succeeded by James Meehan, who was transferred from the Twentieth street depot, and Mr. Meehan's son has been transferred from Davenport to the Thirtieth street station.

DIVORCE CASES ARE HEARD

Judge Graves Listens to Evidence But Defers Decision.

Judge E. C. Graves in the circuit court today heard evidence in two divorce cases. Mrs. Alida Peterson charged her husband, Frederick Axel Peterson with cruelty, and Mrs. Sophia A. Shurtleff, also of Moline, asked for a divorce from her husband, Judson A. Shurtleff on the grounds of desertion in 1905.

Yesterday afternoon Judge Graves was occupied with the hearing of arguments on the master's report in the Interpleader case of the Western Catholic Union, which asks the court to determine whether it shall pay a death claim to Mrs. J. J. Murrin or to Miss Jessie Murrin, both of whom claim the \$2,000 due on a policy on the life of the late Mr. Murrin. Judge Graves took the matter under advisement.

RECORD OF COURT HOUSE

Real Estate Transfers.
F. C. Denkmann to city of Rock Island, block 49, lower addition Rock Island, \$1.

\$100 MORE FOR SUFFERERS FROM QUAKE

L. S. McCabe & Co. added \$100 more to the Rock Island fund for the relief of the earthquake sufferers in Italy and Sicily in the form of a check sent to The Argus office this morning, the total subscriptions to date being as follows, and there is plenty of opportunity yet to subscribe before another draft is sent to Washington:

First Church of Christ, Scientist	\$173.50
L. S. McCabe & Co.	100.00
First Baptist church	26.00
First Church of Christ, Scientist, second collection	15.50
The Argus	10.00
Grace Lutheran church	8.13
Rev. R. B. Williams	5.00
George F. Roth	5.00
Hon. William Payne	5.00
L. E. West	5.00
Timothy Beecher	3.00
Dr. Eli Bradford	1.00
A. Friend	1.00
J. Schilling	1.00
C. L. Esbjorn	1.00
J. M. Paridon	1.00
Wyman Beardsley	1.00
G. Elmer Blakesley	1.00
Total	\$368.13

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