NABS LOCAL MAN UNDER INDICTMENT **ON ARSON CHARGE**

Officer Kell Arrests Bert J. Goff. South Island, Wanted for Quincy Job.

IS TAKEN TO SPRINGFIELD

Confesses to Assisting in Burning Up autos R. C. Cox Residence to Secure insurance.

shal of the state of Illinois, made a day, when the local authorities went good catch yesterday in the person of to work on the case.

Bert J. Goff of South Rock Island, who At first he denied any knowledge of 7:25, where he will be tried. Goff gardus and Chief Brinn. is 41 years of age and commercied.

ver Six is now doing time in the Jo-plot was hatched in the capital city. Het penitentlary for the act, and U. Goff was to receive \$100 for his part H. Heady is now under arrest at in the job, Six \$100, and Brady \$250. property, is as liberty on a heavy were to receive no money. Goff told

of \$15,000. According to confessions kerosens of the men. Cox bired them to burn his property in order to collect the Insurance

set on fire at the same time.

auto fire trucks of Quincy responded and later beat it out on a freight. Inois until 1920.

found and the state fire marshal be charge at Springfield, the party was not known, until Six's circles. wife turned state's evidence, connecting Goff with the crime. The author- FAY HAWES CAMP HOLDS itles have secured several letters Goff wrote to a friend in Decatur under the name of Bert James, in which he referred to the job, in one instance, by

Arrested by Kell.

noon by Officer Dick Kell on the corner of Fifteenth street and Second The local police, in conjunction with avenue. Mr. Bogardus got wind some A. H. Bogardes, Jr., deputy fire mar- time ago that Goff had relatives living Miss Rose Kinney, recitation; Miss here, and came to Rock Island Tues-

is under indictment on the charge of the crime, stating that he had never arson at Springfield, for an offense been in Springfield or Quincy in his committed on the night of Sept. 5. life, but when confronted with letters 1912, in Quincy. Mr. Separdus from and other evidence, he finally confesshis prisoner to Springfield last hight od to his part in the job to Mr. Bo-

In the confession Goff stated that Goff is the third man of an arson he met SIx in Peoris and that they gang which set fire to the palatial went to Springfield together. There home of R. C. Cox on Locust boule they met Brady, and several days later ward, Quiney. One of the gang, Har- R. C. Cox, owner of the property. The Springfield. R. C. Cox, owner of the in case the job was a fallure they now the three of them left Spring-Cox's residence was valued at \$12,000, field together on a noon train. Sept. 5. and he had it insured for the amount raking with them a suit case filled with

Never Were Paid.

On the night of Sept. 5, 1912, the spot near the Old Soldlers' home, sented a pair of English pheasants by of Jos residence, barn and pump house were where they waited until 10 o'clock Edgar F, Olson, a former Rock Island officer, that evening. The Cox residence was county boy, who is now cashier of the one o'clock on the morning of The interior of the residence was Brady was to do the work and he set Chicago. The birds were secured by beautifully constructed with mahos fire to the barn while Six and Goff Mr. Olson from the state game farm, near a vacant lot where Dr. Eli any stairways and hardwood floors, kept a lookout. He admitted that which has been abandoned. wall boards, and other furnishings. Brady had some trouble in setting fire pheasants have arrived at Milan. which made it hard to set on fire to the house. When they heard the When the time seems propitious they Neighbors discovered the blaze in the clanging of the fire wagons he stated will be liberated in nearby timber. barn and turned in the starm. The that they ran to the railroad yards, Pheasants are protected by law in li-

too quickly to suit the members of Goff says that the gang separated and the gang and they barely escaped. The that he never saw them again. He barn and pump house were burned to also claimed that he never received the ground and the residence badly one penny for his part in the job. damaged. Evidences of arson were Goff is already indicted on an arson

gan an investigation of the case. Six The arrest of R. C. Cox in connect was arrested shortly afterward, as was tion with the case at Quincy caused in Cox, and Brady was picked up several big sensation at the time. Cox was months ago by the state authorities. one of the influential men of the city For a long time the third member of and prominent in business and social

ANNUAL INSTALLATION

Faw Hawes camp No. 281, Royal saying. Toot, toot, look out for the Neighbors of America installed officers at a meeting held last night at Math's hall. Mrs. Hada Carlson acted Goff was arrested yesterday after as installing officer. After the bush ness session a short musical program was rendered, the following taking part: Miss Esther Malmrose, solo; Nellie Freeman and Miss Nellie Puller, piano solos

The list follows: Oracle-Mrs. Mary Cary. Past Oracle-Mrs. Ella Frazer, Vice Oracle-Mrs. Mary Coleman. Chancellor-Mrs. Emma Sheesley. Recorder-Mrs. Agnes Simpson. Receiver-Mrs. Ella Fuller. Marshal-Mrs. Nettle McKinney. Inner Sentinel-Mrs. Elia Gutz-

veller. Outer Sentinel-Mrs. Ellen Calls-

Managers-Mrs. Johanna Wagner and Mrs. Mary Devine. Pianist-Miss Nellie Freeman. Physicians-Drs. Ella Petrie, J. E.

FIVE PAIR OF PHEASANTS ARE SENT INTO COUNTY

oders and W. D. Snively.

Charles O. McConnell, Fred Jenkins The party arrived in Quincy at 4:45 and Alfred, Lawrence and Hedley Pe- work he did was in the capture of

RECORD OF BRAVE OFFICER PRAISED BY FORMER CHIEF

Phil Miller Gives Interesting Reminiscences of Christian Metsch.

AN OFFICER WITHOUT FEAR

Discovers Murder of Joseph Rosenfield and Captures One of the Guilty Men.

"The bravest policeman the city of Rock Island ever had" was the tribute which Phil Miller, former city marshal today paid to the memory of Christian Metsch, veteran officer whose funeral services were held this

"From 1875 to 1885 he was on the force," continued Mr. Miller, while in his reminiscent mood, "and captured some of the most noted criminals in the history of the local department.

"Standing about 5 feet 11 inches in heighth and weighling about 220 pounds when in his prime, he was an ideal officer. He did not know the meaning of the word fear. He did not depend upon his revolver and like all capable officers, used it only in extreme cases. It was his good right fist that he often brought into play in handling the vicious and the toughs of this section had a wholesome regard for his wallops.

Rosenfield Murder.

"Perhaps the most remarkable in the afternoon and proceeded to a terson of Milan have each been pre Bernard Heeney, one of the murderers who was killed about only a short distance from the home. Franklin Trust and Savings bank of March 12, 1879, at the corner of Sixth avenue and Eighteenth street Bradford's house now stands,

"About 1:30 on that morning Policemen Metsch and Gorman met on Twentleth street near Major Connelly's residence. They heard some on approaching along Sixth avenue and concealed themselves until the parles came up. They saw four men and heard one of them say 'I gave

"When the two officers came out directions. Metsch started after the two and succeeded in getting one of had been secured. them, bringing him down with his cane. Gorman caught two of the

he corner at Sixth avenue and Eighteenth street. Metsch noticed someover the head, death ensuing in five found the officer waiting for him.

"After summoning aid, Metsch and implicated his brother Pat, Dublin Jack Cavanaugh and Tom Ross, all ot whom were soon arrested, except Ross who gave himself up to me

"A burglar by the name of Paddock was also caught by Metsch some time later, for the robbery of the Peter Fries home, Paddock was picked up by the officer before the latter even knew he had committed a crime.

A Clean Catch.

he showed signs of fight, the yegg officer was not unreasonable fired and the bullet went into the wall. Thoroughly alarmed Paddock a member of the committee. beat a hasty retreat and ran into Joliet for the Fries job but after he was not carried out.

Cobwebs Evidence.

"By the time I arrived at the staion, Officer Metsch was there with two men. On his beat, he had heard the late home, 2501 Fifth-and-a-halt two revolver shots coming from the avenue. Rev. F. J. Rolf had charge and heard the men in the basement and fired out the window to frighten them. Metsch made it his habit to stop every man in his district whom WOODMEN OF THE WORLD he did not recognize. Acting upon his plan, he soon ran into two strangers and he immediately took them

to the station.

To the Voters



POLITICAL ADVERTISING.

Of Rock Island

After due and timely consideration, and upon the personal advice of friends, (including many of our prominent citizens) I have decided to announce myself as a candidate for the office of city commissioner. The encouragement received from these gentlemen, together with those whom I have met, gives me good reason to believe I will be a contender in the race at the coming primaries and election.

My platform will be one of honesty and efficiency. It is my candid opinion that our city should be governed on strictly business principles.

From a successful business experience of twelve years in your city, together with the fact I claim it as my birthplace, this of itself should qualify me for the position desired.

Being a property holder gives me further reason to ask your consideration, as I hold the best interests of our city at heart.

I assure you of being under no obligations to any person or interests whatsoever. If elected it will be solely upon my merits. I seek no votes from those who expect compensation for favors shown me.

My campaign will be free from slander or abuse so far as my friends or self are concerned. Should you deem me worthy of your support I will be indeed grateful to you for any assistance extended me from this date. Respectively, WM. M. BEAL.

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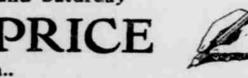
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which had been used to pry open the ranged by the committee in charge.

to him making Officer Metsch a little number of friends a member may in nto the street the men started to gift and when I said no, handed him vite and all who attend must be proun, two going south on Twentieth \$50. He also gave Metsch \$25 and vided with guest cards and present street and the other two in opposite all his coal for that winter, when the them at the door, officer discovered where the chisel Grove No. 27 is planning to give a

Schmidt is Fooled.

man in the city by the name of invite two friends. At the Tuesda Finds Body.

"Up to this time, Metsch did not know for what crime his man was wanted. As he look his prisoner past the corner of Schmidt, who ran a produce market in a little shack on Third avenue between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets. He had caused the police department a great deal of translation of the corner of the partment a great deal of trouble and Peoria in April. The local Grove w word came one day he was on a ram- have three representatives at the co page again in the vicinity of Milan vention, Mrs. Anna Downs being or ey if it was one of the party. No, that Ing to shoot up all the natives, I put grove. a a policeman, was the reply. The Metsch on the case and when the icer investigated and found that terrible Schmidt went to his store Rosenfield had been terribly beaten with a big revolver in his hand he

"'Say Schmidt, give me your gun quick, shouted Metsch, 'There are ook his man to the city jail where robbers in your store, and the as-Major C. W. Hawes, then marshal, tonished Schmidt meekly handed night at their lodge rooms. The sec-third game and the Colts rolled it out over his weapon, whereupon the wily retary and other officers made a re- for averages. sleuth took him to the station.

Aggressive Tactics,

and threatened with discharge from visitors from Moline attended the ses- Vo the force, because of his agressiveness, sion. On one occasion Parker Wyman, a well known horseman, coming through the C. R. I. & P. yards late at night was hailed by Metsch. Wyman was ordered to take his hands out of his pockets and when he refused to do "Metsch saw him coming from the so, a fight ensued in which the offiard at the Major Connelly home. He cer came out without a scratch. Wyput him under arrest and at the sta- man, badly beaten up, preferred ion it was found that he had broken charges against him but at the hearinto both the Fries and the Connelly ing it was shown that Wyman had residences. Major Connelly had been a revolver in his pocket and under awakened by the prowler and when the circumstances the order of the

"Why did you attack him?" asked

"Because he would not take his Officer Metsch who had that beat pockets out of his hands' was the Paddock was given eight years in backhanded reply Metsch gave him. "Metsch was a terror to the small had been there six months broke out. lads of the city. In those days no set off the burglar alarm in the base, his work in a practical matter-of-fact ance is looked for. ment by lifting a window and offered way, regardless of what people the suggestion that who ever had at thought of him. It will be a long tempted to crawl into the window time before Rock Island again has as must have cobwebs and dust on their efficient and courageous an officer as the man who was buried today."

Funeral Services. The funeral of Mr. Metsch was

of the services. Interment was in

PLAN AN ENTERTAINMENT

Chippiannock cemetery.

At meetings held Tuesday evening at Math's ball by Camp No. 85, W. O. "The first thing I noticed was that W. and Grove No. 27, W. C. four canboth prisoners had cobwebs on their didates were obligated by Camp No. 85 caps. I suggested when the men were and six were initiated by Grove No. being put in the cells that they leave 27. Several applications for membertheir coats and hats behind, which ship were received by both orders. On they did. I noticed one of the men Friday evening the Camp and Grove try to slip something under the stove will entertain their members and and after they were locked up I in friends at the Odd Fellows' ball, an restigated and found it to be a chisel, excellent program having been

Owing to the lack of room, the com-"Mr. Cable asked me if I objected mittee have been obliged to limit the

private masquerade some time during Tailends Rally and Win Last the coming month at their own hall "In the early days there was a Ger- and each member will be allowed to body lying in the road. He asked Heen and was enroute to this city, threaten of the grand managers of the head

OFFICERS OF ERICKSON LODGE IN FIRST REPORT

port that was encouraging to the members. This lodge has been organ-"Several times Metsch was called ized but one year but has made much Swr before police committees of the city progress in that time. A number of Gre

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLUB ENJOYS SPREAD AT HARMS

A banquet was enjoyed last night at the Hotel Harms by members of Ha the Wednesday Night club of Daven- Bas port. Covers for 12 were laid in the San banquet room. Preceding the spread Ha a bowling contest was held. This club Sha is composed of 12 young men of Davenport, who meet and bowl every Wednesday night at the Harms' alleys. Fines are collected for errors and the Dr spread was paid for in this manner.

UCAL LODGE TO CONFER THE INITIATORY DEGREE

He was later recaptured. It had been curfew laws were needed. The ferred upon five candidates by Ucal The initiatory degree will be conthe plan to have him tried for the children feared Metsch and when lodge No. 608, I. O. O. F., at a meet. Taher Connelly theft as well but the idea night came they kept off the streets, ing to be held this evening at Odd Steinhauer Metsch was bravery itself. He never Fellows hall. After the degree work Salzmann "In 1880 when I was city marshal, flinched. He faced any situation the members will enjoy a program pre- Clemann P. L. Cable called me up one night without question, doing his full duty pared by the entertainment commit. Jensen and told me his home had been bur as an officer, as he saw it. He did tee, in which some surprises are prom glarized. He said that some one had not care for praise but went about ised for the evening. A large attend-

> Attention Members. Members of Eudora Rebekah lodge

afternoon at 2 p. m. to attend the futhe Methodist church LOLA MCLEAN.

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Game of the Series-Colts Take Three Straight.

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The Rock Island Plow team of the lommercial league won two straight games from the club quinter at the club alleys last night. Sanford rolled the high single game of 212. At the St. Julien alleys the Cubs took three Members of John Erickson lodge No. | straight from Clemann & Salzmann's

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An unexpected fish dinger was at joyed by some of the German troop around one of the Masurian lakes in No. 73 are requested to meet Friday East Prussia recently. The Russian batteries were shelling the German neral of deceased Brother Dale, from position. Many of their shells dropped into the lake, where they exploded and stunned or killed great numbers of perch and pike. They one to the surface and were collected by the

Clemann & Salzmann.

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