

### IT IS JUDGE CONVERSE SWORN IN YESTERDAY

After the adjournment of police court yesterday, Judge Freeman turned the office over to Judge William C. Converse. Mr. Converse was officially declared judge at 12 o'clock noon.

Mr. Converse qualified by filing a bond for \$5,000 secured by George H. Eggemeyer and Samuel W. Gaar, of the Second National bank, and approved by Mayor Zimmerman. Later he passed cigars among those in police headquarters.

### SMALL POX ON SHERIDAN ST. MRS. HEIMBAUGH AFFLICTED

A case of small pox was reported to the city health officer yesterday in the family of Charles Heimbaugh, 600 Sheridan street. The wife of Mr. Heimbaugh is the one afflicted. Mrs. Heimbaugh has no idea how the disease was contracted and the only supposition that the health officer has is that Mr. Heimbaugh who is a

conductor in the Pennsylvania yards, may have become exposed to it. Although he has shown no symptoms as yet, he is being closely watched by the city physician. There have been very few exposures to the case and there is but little fear in the midst of the health officers that the disease will spread.

### NINETY-FIVE YEARS OLD YESTERDAY

Walter G. Carpenter, Hale and Hart, Celebrates Event.

Richmond's venerable resident, Mr. Walter G. Carpenter, was ninety-five years old yesterday. He was born January 1, 1811. Many congratulations were showered upon the old gentleman. His aged companion, Mrs. Carpenter, was ninety-four years old on December 27. This is surely the most remarkable couple in the state.

### DANCING PARTY

One of the prettiest of Mrs. Kelp's dancing parties was given last night to the members of her Saturday afternoon class. It was in the form of a German and about twenty of the children took part. The favors given were of the prettiest. At nine o'clock programs were given out to the older people and the usual crowd of nine o'clock dancers were present.

### THE SICK

There is some improvement noticed in the condition of Mr. Adam H. Bartel. His many friends hope that this condition will continue.

Harry U. Wood is able to walk about the house and is very much improved.

Dr. W. W. Zimmerman is out again after his late illness.

### PROSECUTIONS

Against Daniel E. Storms Will Likely Begin.

Indianapolis, Ind., January 1.—It is understood that County Prosecutor Benedict has been asked by Governor Hanly to begin civil prosecutions, in the Marion county courts against Daniel E. Storms, Secretary of State, whose resignation was requested by Governor Hanly last Wednesday. Tomorrow was the day set for Storms's final answer, but it is understood that he will refuse to resign, and the contest will be on.

Prosecutor Benedict was in consultation with Governor Hanly this morning, at the Governor's office at the State House, but nothing was officially given out as to the result of the consultation. It is known, however, that this request was made of the prosecutor, and it is expected to be granted.

### LIQUOR LICENSES

No remonstrances having been filed or objections made to the application of John H. Kelly, Adam Kemper, Harmon H. Englebert and John Vosmeier, all of Richmond, the County Commissioners today granted them license to sell intoxicating liquors in less quantities than a quart at a time.

### CORONER MARKLEY

Makes Report for the Year Just Closed.

Dr. C. S. Markley, coroner of Wayne County, has had a very busy year: He held 48 inquests. There were three homicides, George Keever Joseph Lucy and Leonard Geisler. Then there were thirteen suicides—nine males and four females. Accidents numbered eight—six males and two females. Deaths from natural causes were 24. Males 15, females 9. Killed by steam railroad three; killed by street railway 1. There were no unclaimed bodies.

Last year there were ten suicides and no homicides. Last year the steam roads were responsible for eight deaths and the street railway for three.

### NEW YEARS DAY PROPERLY CELEBRATED

New Year's Day was opened by the weather man in an ideal manner. The day was "bright and fair" and it was necessary to think of the watch party of the night before to realize that it was New Years and not May Day that we were celebrating.

rooms were appropriately decorated for the occasion and served an elegant lunch to members.

Owing to the elegant weather numerous rigs were in evidence and the livery men report that nearly all of their rigs were rented.

Numerous New Year parties were given throughout the city and during the day and night in the evening. Most

### HONORED

W. S. Ratliff's Annual Report to the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Ratliff has just completed his annual report to the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C. He has been continued as a member of the Inland Division of the Biological Survey; special agent in Phenological work in the Bureau of Plant Industry; special agent in the Division of Pomology and his duties enlarged in the Bureau of Entomology.

### "OLD SLEUTHS"

Gave Annual Dinner at Westcott Last Night.

The "Old Sleuths," an organization of several young men of the city gave their annual dinner at the Westcott last night. The club has been organized for three years and it is the custom to give dinners at the Hotel on New Years night. Those present were: Ed Wilson, Ray Meudenhall, Howard Kamp, Dean Jaques, Will Reller, Dudley Cates, Merle Genn, O. Decker, Chas. Kaufman, John Smithmeyer, Fred Fromme, Clarence Worrell, Ray Newman, Clifton Williams, Clamor Bartel, Carl Pierson, Gath Freeman, Roy Compton.

### NOW MAYOR BOOKWALTER

Indianapolis City Government Has Changed Hands.

Indianapolis, January 1.—Under the provisions of the new city and towns law, the city government passed from John W. Holtzman to Charles A. Bookwalter at noon today. This change of mayors was made in accordance with the election held on November 7, 1905, and Mayor Bookwalter is once more at the head of the administration after an absence of two years, to remain there for a term of four years, the period having been extended by the last General Assembly.

Today's proceedings were just the reverse of what they were a little more than two years ago, when Mayor Bookwalter surrendered the reins of government to John W. Holtzman. There was very little formality in the ceremony. Mayor Bookwalter took the oath of office several weeks ago in the Police Court, on his birthday, and for that reason he had only to accept the responsibilities in an official way from the man who laid them down.

### BUSINESS CHANGE

Mr. Philip Birek Buys Weyant Harness Store.

It has just been made known that Mr. Philip Birek of South Fifth street, has purchased the business of the Weyant Harness Co., formerly the Wiggins Co., on West Main street. Mr. Birek will take possession at once. He has had experience and will hustle the business. Mr. Birek and family have only been residents of this city for a short time, but have made many warm friends during their brief residence.

### ANNUAL AFFAIR

The Gonzaga Club held its regular New Year celebration yesterday at the club rooms. Ten candidates for membership were initiated. A light luncheon was served after the initiation.

### REPUBLICANS WILL MEET ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

In Their Respective Townships and Wards.

To the Republican Voters of Wayne County, Ind.—

Pursuant to the call of the Republican State Committee, the Republicans of Wayne County, Indiana, will meet in their respective Townships and Wards on Friday, January 12th, 1906, as follows:

All outside of the City of Richmond will hold their meetings at 230 p. m. and in the City of Richmond at 8 p. m. in all standard places of transacting business.

The election of one Precinct Committeeman for each voting precinct throughout the county, and also for the election of members of the Wayne County Republican Central Committee, as follows:

Abington township, one member; Boston township, one member; Center township, one member; Clay township, one member; Dalton township, one member; Franklin township, one member; Green township, one member; Harrison township, one member; Jackson township, three members; Jefferson township, one member; New Garden township, one member; Perry township, one member; Washington township, one member; Webster township, one member; Wayne township, one member from each of the seven wards of the City of Richmond and one additional member for the Township outside the City of Richmond.

2. The election of delegates and alternate delegates to the District Convention to be held at Shelbyville, on Tuesday, January 16th, 1906, for the election of a member of the Republican State Central Committee from the Sixth Congressional District as follows:

Abington township one delegate and one alternate; Boston township one delegate and one alternate; Center township two delegates and two alternates; Clay township one delegate and one alternate; Dalton township one delegate and one alternate; Franklin township one delegate and one alternate; Green township one delegate and one alternate; Harrison township one delegate and one alternate; Jackson township three delegates and three alternates; Jefferson township two delegates and two al-

ternates; New Garden township one delegate and one alternate; Perry township one delegate and one alternate; Washington township one delegate and one alternate; Webster township one delegate and one alternate; Wayne township, outside of the City of Richmond, two delegates and two alternates. The several wards in the city of Richmond as follows: First ward, two delegates and two alternates; second ward, two delegates and two alternates; third ward, two delegates and two alternates; fourth ward, three delegates and three alternates; fifth ward, four delegates and four alternates; sixth ward, two delegates and two alternates; seventh ward, two delegates and two alternates.

The meeting for Wayne township, outside of the City of Richmond, for the transaction of the above mentioned business, shall be held at the court house in the City of Richmond, and in all the other townships at such places as may be designated by the Township Chairman in their respective townships. The several meeting places in the different wards of the city of Richmond will be indicated hereafter by notice in the papers, as meeting places have not yet been secured in all the wards.

At each of said township and ward meetings no other business shall be transacted other than that set forth above.

The members of the Republican County Central Committee, elected as above specified, shall meet on Saturday, January 13th, 1906, at 10:30 a. m. at the court house in the City of Richmond for the purpose of organization by the election of a chairman vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer.

It is urgently requested that the Republicans of the county attend these township and ward meetings and assist in the organization of the party. It is also important that the full names and post office addresses of newly elected precinct committeemen, members of the County Central Committee, and delegates and alternates to the district convention be forwarded to the county chairman as soon as elected. If on Rural Route please give number.

Dated this 2d day of January, 1906.

A. M. GARDNER, Chairman.  
WM. C. CONVERSE, Secretary.

### M'CALL QUILTS NEW YORK LIFE

Reported He Has Resigned Presidency of Big Insurance Company.

New York, January 1.—It was made known last night on excellent authority, that John A. McCall, resigned on Saturday the presidency of the New York Life Insurance Co., says the Times today, and that his resignation was reluctantly accepted by the trustees of the company. Official announcement of the resignation has been planned by the trustees, to be made tomorrow, when the annual statement of the company also becomes public property.

### BIRTH AND DEATH RECORD

Birth and death figures for the year 1905 indicate that Richmond has made a substantial gain in population. Following are the figures for the year:

	Deaths.	Births.
January	27	42
February	31	23
March	28	44
April	20	42
May	31	29
June	13	32
July	19	47
August	24	45
September	15	35
October	15	32
November	22	29
December	22	29

### COURT HOUSE

Marriage Licenses.

William E. Jones, Centerville, and Mattie E. Blue, Centerville.  
Louis W. Trowse, Richmond, and Stella N. Gibbs, Richmond.

Circuit Court Probate.

Thomas Maher, administrator of the estate of Ann Maher, reported sale of real estate; approved.

Rufus Williams, guardian of Jennie Williams and Lester Williams, minor heirs of Thomas Oler, report in final settlement as to Jennie Williams and partial settlement as to Lester Williams; balance \$429.25.

Patrick H. Dillon appointed administrator in the estate of Mary Schneider; bond \$500. Approved.

John Austerman appointed guardian of the heirs of John V. Schneider.

NOW PRESIDENT.

Col. C. E. Wiley is now president of the Board of County Commissioners, by rule of succession. Mr. Dynes has been president two years. Elwood Clark is a member of the board. He is also a candidate for re-election.

### THE GENNETT

No Vaudeville at This House This Week.

Owing to the fact that Maude Swisher has booked other attractions that would interfere, the Gennett will be dark as far as vaudeville is concerned, this week. Otis Skinnis will appear tonight, the second number of the lecture course on Wednesday, "Checkers" on Friday night, and "The Maid and the Mummy," Saturday matinee and night. All of these are metropolitan successes and should draw crowded houses.

MARRIED.

Lewis W. Trowse and Stella Norris Gibbs were married last night at the office of Judge Abbott. Both of the parties are well known Richmond people and the announcement of their wedding will come as rather a surprise to their friends. Only a few relatives and intimate friends were present at the ceremony.

### COUNCILMEN-AT-LARGE TO QUALIFY IN TEN DAYS

Henry H. Englebert, Matt Von Pein and Harvey J. Brown have been notified by City Attorney Gardner to qualify as councilmen-at-large, within the next ten days. Mr. Englebert will resign as a representative of the Third ward and his successor will be named at the next meeting of council, January 15.

### NARROWLY ESCAPED DEATH ON WAYNE WORKS ELEVATOR

Two men were injured by the breaking of a cable of an elevator at the Wayne Works yesterday afternoon. The men were removing bales of excelsior from the basement to the upper floor and just as the elevator reached the first floor the accident happened.

The elevator dropped carrying with it the entire gearing at the top

of the building. The men had enough presence of mind to jump or they would have had no chance for their lives whatever.

Both the men, however, received serious injuries. They have only been in the employ of the Wayne Works a short time and are strangers in the city their names could not be learned.

### FREIGHT WRECK

Eighteen Cars Derailed and Thrown Over Embankment.

A small freight wreck occurred last night about eight o'clock two miles this side of Summitville, on the

Pennsylvania. Eighteen cars were derailed and thrown over a twenty foot embankment into a ditch. The contents of most of the cars was so badly damaged that it will be a total loss. The accident was due to the breaking of an axle while the train was running about twenty miles an hour. No one was injured. All trains to and from Cincinnati are running via Dayton until the wreck can be cleared away.