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ATTEMPTED HOLD-UP FAILS

Dr. Taylor of Chicago, Confronted by Robbers, Worst of Them.

HANDS ONE TO POLICE

Other Escapes But When Taylor Appears to Prosecute, He Finds Culprit in Court.

An attempted holdup which failed through the intended victim's presence of mind and ability at self-defense, was the chief topic of conversation in the business district of the city last night. John Logan of Newark, N. J., and Frank Wiley, two former dock hands, were the assailants of Dr. Harry Taylor, 121 Locust street, Chicago, while the latter was walking along Plummer avenue, being on his way to the Michigan Central depot on his return home. In the city court this morning Logan and Wiley defiantly answered "not guilty," and without further parley were placed under \$1,000 bonds with instructions to appear in the Lake county superior court at its next session. Officer Whitaker arrested Logan in Plummer avenue and it was due to the station officer's alertness that it was possible to hold Wiley, who tried a bold scheme to get away. The story that Dr. Taylor told in the city court when he made his accusation against Logan and Wiley this morning was short.

Taylor is a Mason and was spending an hour in Mason and was spending an hour in Mason with lodge brothers before returning to Chicago, after making a short visit in South Bend and other points.

"I had been in Bicknell's drug store where I had been chatting with friends until nearly train time," said Dr. Taylor this morning. "Walking along Plummer avenue I was approached by a stranger, who asked me the time. I told him that I was in a hurry, but nevertheless pulled out my watch, intending to tell him as I walked along. He was a little bit behind me and just as I had my watch out he grabbed me by my coat collar. Just then another stranger, whom I had not noticed before, bumped into me. In a moment I realized that an attempt was being made to rob me. I got busy, first of all dropping my suit case and wheeling around I handed a few to the man who had asked the time and proved to be Logan. He wouldn't let go. I hit him repeatedly and finally I got hold of his coat collar. Then I had him in my power. Officer Whitaker just then came along and I gave my assailant into his custody. In the scuffle the other highway man, whom I can now identify as Wiley, disappeared."

One Takes to His Heels.

"I remained in town in order to appear in court this morning and you may imagine my surprise when on my arrival there I saw Wiley sitting in the police station. I knew him at a glance and the police were holding him for my identification."

The credit for this work is due entirely to the police, for Wiley tried a bold scheme to escape them, so bold in fact that only to a policeman would it seem creditable. A half hour after the holdup Wiley had the nerve to step into the police station and ask for a night's lodging. Such applications at this time of the year are common, and although the officers had their suspicions they decided to await developments until in the morning. Wiley seemed to be very much interested in Logan and even asked Captain Bunde for a piece of money in order to buy his new pal something to eat. The police reason that the two were old-time pals and decided to hold Wiley until Dr. Taylor should return. Their alertness was duly rewarded. Logan and Wiley have worked together in Chicago and Cleveland as dock hands. Their last position was in the Gibson yards, where they have been working for the last few days.

FORMING ICE TRUST.

According to information from New York the Knickerbocker Ice company, which owns an immense ice plant and large interests in northern Indiana, will soon be absorbed by the Western Ice company, which is in process of formation and will be chartered under the laws of the state of New Jersey. Other companies besides the Knickerbocker company will join the "trust," as the proposed corporation is being called.

WANT HAMMOND JAIL CELLS.

The town board of Tolleston has opened negotiations with different parties in order to secure a site for the proposed town hall and jail. It is now the intention to put the town hall and jail under one roof and there has been some speculation as to the feasibility of buying the jail cells that were formerly used in Hammond when its jail stood in the city hall building.

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SCANDAL IS NOT DROPPED

Lull at East Chicago Merely Calm that Precedes Storm to Come.

IS TO BE A WITNESS

W. T. Carskaddon Will Appear in Behalf of State and Matter Will Be Fought to Bitter End.

There seems to have been a lull in the proceedings relative to the prosecution of the East Chicago exploiters who are charged with graft by W. T. Carskaddon of South Bend. Mr. Carskaddon was called up by telephone by a LAKE COUNTY TIMES reporter and told of the interest the people have in the case and questioned as to the authenticity of the report that the matter was to be dropped. The former member of the National Construction company referred the reporter to members of the firm of Knotts & Bomberger, who have the case in charge and said that they would give out any information they thought advisable.

When pressed regarding his attitude towards the men whom he had charged with bribery Mr. Carskaddon said he would certainly appear as a witness for the state and the implication was that the case would be carried into court.

Mr. Carskaddon seemed interested to know that the people had not forgotten the matter and the impression that was given out was that it would be carried to the bitter end and that the reported compromise was not possible.

Asked about the report that the statute of limitations would save both O'Connell and Hartley Mr. Carskaddon laughed and said, "Go and talk the matter over with my attorney." There is a story to the effect that there is one man implicated in the graft charge whose name has never been mentioned, and who told a supposed friend that he was guilty of receiving some of the bribe money. He was told without ceremony that if he did not at once split the proceeds of his graft and hand over part of it, the lawyers in the case would be informed. The man whose identity is a mystery pointed up half the amount and then the blackmailer made semi-public his part in the transaction.

22½ POUNDS OF BUTTER WILL BUY A TON OF COAL.

Price of the Golden Grouse Has Advanced to 35 Cents a Pound and May be 50 Cents Before Winter Is Over.

As the mercury goes down the price of butter goes up and this year there actually seems to be danger of a famine in the golden grease. About three days ago Jerry Brennan, one of the local dealers in this commodity, was compelled to raise the price of butter from 22 to 33 cents and yesterday the price jumped to 35 cents all at once. When asked what he thought the price would be by the middle of the winter Mr. Brennan said that it might go as high as 50 cents before spring. Housewives will have to reluctantly go back to the good old colorless oleomargarine, that product of the G. H. Hammond company that was the pride of Patrick Riley, its maker.

A pound of butter is now worth 1-65 of a pound of gold, or in other words, if your dairy will yield 655 pounds of butter a month you have as good a thing as though you had a gold mine producing a pound of gold a month. For one ton of butter you could buy 303 tons of coal, as expensive as that is, and for one ton of coal you could only purchase 22½ pounds of butter, and so there you are.

Let the children eat all of the jelly and jam they want, just so they do not endanger their lives, for it is cheaper by far.

STATHACOPOPOULOS ON HIS WAY TO PRISON.

Passed through Hammond This Morning in Charge of Sheriff Daugherty; Will Occupy Cell in Penitentiary Until Hanged.

Charles Daugherty, the county sheriff was in Hammond this morning bringing with him Constable Stathacopoulos the condemned murderer of Demetrius Kaeckelmann. From the Erie depot he was taken to the Michigan Central and thence to Michigan City, where he will be placed in the prison. Stathacopoulos will be hanged at the Michigan City prison on March 29, unless Governor Hanley interferes and commutes him to a life sentence or gives him a new trial.

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TROUBLES OF A HUNTER.



—Donahue in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

MAY REVERSE CALUMET FLOW

Officials of Drainage Board to Go to Washington To See Taft.

TO CONFER DECEMBER 19

Will Get Permission to Open Calumet Auxiliary to Sanitary Canal.

Now there is agitation looking toward the reversal of the flow of the Calumet river so that its waters will enter the drainage canal instead of Lake Michigan.

Local real estate men are interested in the controversy between the sanitary board and the war department. The war department seems to be contemplating a treaty with Canada that will limit the flow of water in the drainage canal and the sanitary board seems to think that if the flow of water is limited to 10,000 gallons a minute, it will be impossible to drain the territory south of 75th street and in the Calumet region.

President McCormick and Chief Engineer Randolph of the drainage board returned from Washington, D. C., yesterday, where they went last Wednesday to attend the sessions of the National Water Ways convention.

While at the capital President McCormick conferred with Secretary of War Taft, in regard to the issuance of a permit for reversing the flow of the Calumet river from Lake Michigan to the sanitary district canal.

President McCormick and Chief Engineer Randolph made an appointment to take the matter up formally with Secretary Taft Dec. 19.

The drainage canal is a project that was carried to completion for the purpose of insuring the people of Chicago a pure water supply and the members of the drainage board realize that if the drainage of the Calumet region is not carried off through this canal the whole purpose of a costly enterprise will be thwarted. These circumstances alone insure Hammond a drainage canal as it is believed the people of Chicago will not tolerate the jeopardizing of a pure water supply when it has cost them so much to secure it.

BIG SHOW LAST NIGHT AT GRAND.

Manager Brooks has a good one this week. The house was packed and 150 people stood up, not being able to get a seat in the theatre. The show opened up with a minstrel first part of seventeen singers with songs, dances and funny sayings.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale, singers, dancers and comedians, had four encores. Chatham Sisters have a neat and refined singing and dancing specialty. Miss Cora Youngbloodson the euphonium soloist, won hearty applause and responded to several curtain calls.

The Red Girl company, of five people have special scenery and have one of the best acts ever presented in the line of Western Indian life. All in all the show is a good one and deserves a packed house every night.

Read The Lake County Times for the latest Sporting News.

MEET VIOLENT DEATHS: "LODGE IS LUCKY."

"The Lodge Is Lucky." Such is the thirty-six point headline which unifies the front page of a local publication which aspires to be the organ of a number of Hammond's benevolent organizations.

The context which inspires or provokes the legend, relates two of the most pitiful tragedies that have wrung the hearts of this community in many months. One the sad fate of Maurice Quinn, who a few days ago met death in the Hammond Elevator company's elevator in its most agonizing form, and the other that of Frank Lawrence, whose body, as the Daily Mailprop, states was fished out of the St. Joe river in Michigan, last summer.

Each of these tragedies occurred on the eve of the victim's initiation into the local lodge of Modern Maccabees, and the spirit of the article throughout is not one of commiseration for the loss to the order of two worthy applicants to membership, but congratulation on the grounds of the lodge's escape from obligation to pay the insurance that would be owing, had the two prospective members been initiated before the accident. The article in other words is a sort of hallelujah from start to finish over the reasonable taking off of the unfortunate men who met such deplorable ends.

It is now up to the Maccabees to officially confirm or disclaim the spirit in the matter that the publication in question has seen fit to thrust upon them.

An organization whose foundation is supposed to be laid in the peaceful brotherhood of man, in love, friendship and helpfulness and all that is good and noble, can scarcely be expected to father the imputation which this atrocity breathes.

It is up to the Hammond Maccabees to set themselves right in this presumably false position in which they have been placed, for while some who have read the article may take the source into consideration and figure in the discount, the applied grain of salt will not entirely neutralize the bad flavor.

Incidentally the newspaper which published the incredible atrocity, has lifted itself out of the dead level of mediocrity and placed itself upon a pinnacle in a class all by itself. It may claim the distinction of having given utterance to the most diabolical scelerism that any paper was probably ever guilty of. The article will go down the ages as an example of unique newspaper effort, which it is to be hoped will never find a parallel.

This is not the first time The Lake County Times has felt called upon to deliver the misrepresented, (it trusts the application is not a misnomer) from their fool friends.

Republic Steel common, so its friends say, will be put on a 4 per cent basis before steel common, the claim is made that Republic is earning 30 per cent more on its capital stock than United States Steel, and one of the ambitions of its owners is to have it cross the steel common and pay higher dividends.

THIS MASHER IS PERSISTENT

Mrs. Bomberger Accosted on Street by Stranger Near Residence.

INTERCEPTED AT ALLEY

Young Woman Screams and Man Flees; Dogs Her Steps to Home Where He Tries Door.

Last night at about 9 o'clock Mrs. Louden Bomberger, 120 Ogden street, was returning to her home when she was accosted by an unknown man on South Hohman street, who insisted on walking along the street with her. She indicated in no uncertain manner that she wanted him to leave her at once. He did so but when she turned down one of the side streets the man had gone around the block and was in the alley way to meet her.

This time the woman screamed and the man, evidently becoming frightened, disappeared. The lady went into her own home only a few doors away and had no more than removed her wraps when she heard some one trying the door.

The police were notified at once and an effort was made to locate the man, but by this time he had left the neighborhood apparently for good. Later in the evening the woman's husband came home and when informed of his wife's experience he made another effort to locate the prowler.

The police believe that the young woman's experience was a case of mistaken identity and that the prowler who accosted her was in search of a notorious character who has been known to frequent the vicinity, and in whom a great many young men are interested.

The whole neighborhood is aroused over the affair, thinking it an outrage that a respectable woman cannot go out upon the streets in the residence portion of town without being insulted. In fact, feeling is so strong that it would go hard with the stranger if he were caught in the act of approaching a woman in the future.

SIMPLEX BENEFIT CLUB ELECTS ITS OFFICERS.

The Simplex Benefit club, an organization formed two years ago by the employees of the Simplex company, held its annual meeting last night in Roth's hall and elected the following officers: President, E. M. Lewis; vice president, Nick Lynch; secretary, P. Ripley; treasurer, W. Thomas; board of directors, H. F. Millis, C. Thiel, V. Kohl, P. Fisher, H. Radloff. The club is in a very flourishing condition and promises to render much aid in the coming year to employees that may be taken sick or be injured.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Ed Morton, Chicago,31
Sadie Porter, Chicago,37
Edward J. Chilesky, Chicago,23
Jane Fishburn, Chicago,19
Gabriel Davoust, Whiting, Ind.,54
Louise Hardouin, Whiting, Ind.,48

The Financial News in The Lake County Times is not only the latest, but is authentic.

ADOPTED WITH FEW CHANGES

Meeting of Lake Co. Lawyers Accepts Bill Drafted by the Committee.

ANOTHER SESSION SOON

Intention to Discuss the Measure With Members of Porter and LaPorte Bars.

With the exception of a few minor details, the model bill for a continuous session of the superior court in Hammond, which was drafted last Saturday by a committee of seven, selected from the members of the bar of the entire county, was accepted last night when representative lawyers of the county met for a discussion of it. It is now the intention of the promoters to discuss it with the members of the bar of Porter and LaPorte counties at a meeting which is to be called in the near future.

Judging from reports from Michigan City and Porter county at large, there seems to be opposition to such a bill on the part of the lawyers from that county. The feeling there seems to be that Lake County lawyers are deliberately looking for trouble and are forgetting that it was with Porter county's cooperation that Hammond secured the superior court.

The lawyers of this county feel differently about the question. It seems to them that after the Michigan City lawyers and their associates understand the situation their objection will cease and as far as Lake county lawyers being ungrateful and forgetting the help that Porter and LaPorte counties gave they take the position that it was through Lake county's help also that the circuit was established and furthermore that the drawing away from Porter and LaPorte counties would not disturb the circuit between those two counties.

A special to THE LAKE COUNTY TIMES this morning says: The members of the bar in Crown Point are unanimous in the desire to see a continuous court at Hammond, and also wish a longer term of the circuit court here. Owing to the great amount of criminal work this term, little civil business will be transacted and much important litigation will have to be postponed until the February term with little prospects then of getting the docket cleared.

LAWYERS AND FARMERS PREDOMINATE IN ASSEMBLY.

Only Five Editors; A. J. Bowers of This District One of Them. Business Men in Third Place.

Of the 150 legislators, who will comprise the House and Senate, just one-fifth of them, or thirty, will be farmers, twenty-six of them in the House and four in the Senate. The farmer strength in the Senate shows a decrease of one vote from 1905, but in the House it has increased from eighteen to twenty-six. Business men will hold third place, numerically, in the House during the coming session. The sixteen, who are recorded as "business men," are merchants of various kinds, drygoods, drugs, groceries, implements, etc. The Senate has only three men classed as merchants. In the Senate there will be four manufacturers and in the House one.

There will be five editors in the General Assembly, three of them in the House and two in the Senate. One of the editors in the House is Daniel McDonald of Plymouth, who has served in the House off and on for more than thirty years.

A. J. Bowers, editor of the Chester-Tribune, representing Lake and Porter counties in the Senate is one of the five editors.

Should any of the legislators become suddenly ill there will be plenty of doctors within hailing distance. The House has six and the Senate three. The physicians are expected to push such legislation looking to purer foods and better sanitary conditions.

STATION LODGER TAKEN SICK.

James Hawkes who, from appearance, is a floater, applied at the police station last night for a night's lodging, and while there was taken seriously ill. The police called in a doctor in order to give him medical aid and sent him back to Chicago today where he came from.

K. E. Blair, superintendent of the western division of the Nickel Plate road, and James Rogers, superintendent of construction were in Hammond today in their private car. They came from Fort Wayne this morning.

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FIFTY POUND COON LAID LOW

St. John Again Comes to Front With 'Big Game' Brought Down.

'T WAS A FOX BEFORE

Reports Indicate Woods Again Infested With Wild Creatures Huntsmen Long For.

Judging from the reports that come from St. John and its neighborhood it seems that either the woods thereabouts are becoming alive with the game that gives joy to the hunter's heart, or the young men there have stepped into the first class of lucky sportsmen.

The latest report is to the effect that Joseph Gerlach shot a raccoon weighing fifty pounds, and he shows the animal itself as evidence. It is by far the largest coon that has been killed there in many years. The oldest settlers even have to go back many years to tell of a time when it was as large as the one shot by Gerlach.

It was only a few weeks ago that John Dewes, a young lad, succeeded in shooting a fox, while his brother on the same day brought down a large hawk. The raccoon is becoming extinct in these parts and many of the younger generation who have not visited the Lincoln park zoo in Chicago, have never seen one.

The raccoon belongs to the bear family but is entirely harmless unless he is cornered, when he will put up a game fight. He generally has his nest in a hollow tree where he goes to sleep in the winter time. His color is gray and black and he has as a very prominent feature, a bushy tail.

The raccoon has a peculiarity that few other animals have, that of washing everything he eats and therefore, in German he is called, literally translated, a "washbear."

Observations of Artie.



I see they had a big blowout over at the Aetna powder works yesterday and there was such a big large time that the people all over the county felt the shock. None of that job for me.

I would just as leave work in the molasses factory they are going to build over at Robertdale but when it comes to dabbling in stockyards and working around stuff that's likely to blow you into heaven any minute I believe I would rather sell papers. Now what if I was carrying a dipper full of that stuff and should happen to stub my toe and take a tumble. The church bells would be ringing in Hammond and the preacher would soon be telling the people what a good boy Artie was. No jobs in the Aetna mills for Artie. No siree.

Fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer; minimum temperature tonight above the freezing point.

ROBERT DOWNING APPEARS IN NEW ROLE.

"The Gladiator" Forsakes Forsakes Heroic Drama and Finds Congenial Comedy Part.

Hammond theatre-goers may enjoy a treat tomorrow evening at Towle's opera house when Robert Downing presents the comedy, "Running for Governor." The star will be assisted by his own company, including Helene Andree. Mr. Downing, however, will be the attraction for he is a comedian, throughout the country as a comedian, men, who turn from the light to heavy Mr. Downing has turned from the heavy to the light, having made a success as Spartacus in "The Gladiator," the classic drama. To those who do not know Mr. Downing personally, this change would seem rather strange, but critics in San Francisco and in other cities as well as his personal friends in Hammond, say that he made a success as a heavy tragedian by hard work and perseverance, but that he is a natural born comedian and this together with the study that he has made of the stage, accounts for his success in this line. Mr. Downing is making a tour of the United States with his company, having started in San Francisco on Nov. 7.