JOHNSON INAUGURAL MONDAY

Gary residents will turn out en masse New Year's afternoon on Monday of next wek to witness the biggest civic affair ever held in the history of the city.

Mayor-elect R. O. Johnson, mayor of the steel city from 1913-1917, will again become the city's head for four years when Mayor W. F. Hodges will hand over the reins of the city, in elaborate inaugural services which will be conducted at the Orpheum Theatre in Gary, starting at 12 o'clock noon. At the same time Mayor Johnson's entire cabinet will take oath of office.

Heretofore, the mayor-elect of the city has been sworn in at the council chambers at the city hall while other city officials took oath of office in their respective offices. On account of the many requests being made for a public inaugural, the ceremonies will take place on the stage at the Orpheum Theatre. It will be the first public inaugural service ever witnessed by the residents of the city.

Subject to possibly a few changes the program will be given as follows.

Mayor-elect R. O. Johnson and all other officers-elect, including members of the city council, will leave the city hall at 11:30 a. m. and proceed to the Orpheum theater, preceded by the Emerson band.

Mayor W. F. Hodges will ride with Mayor-elect Johnson to the theater and after the inaugural ceremonies shall have been concluded he will accompany the new mayor back to the mayor's office in the city hall.

The parade of officials-elect from the city hall is expected to arrive at the theater promptly at 12, noon.

Judge Charles E. Greenwald of the Gary superior court will act as master of ceremonies at the theater and will probably administer the oath of offices to each of the officers elect, although this has not definitely been decided.

New Gary Officials Who Take Inaugural Oath Next Monday

Mayor—R. O. Johnson, 710 Connecticut street, lawyer and real estate.

Mayor's private secretary—Rufus East.

City comptroller—Wm. J. Fulton.

City Attorney—Jas. A. Patterson.

Assistant City Attorney—James W. Byrns.

Board of Safety—James Considine, president, John Oleska and Mrs. G. N. Hoodons.

Chief of Police—Wm. F. Forbis.

Chief of Fire Department—Winfield Grant.

Board of Public Works—Lewis E. Barnes, president, John B. Burke and William P. Patterson.

City Engineer—W. P. Cottingham.

Building Commissioner — Herbert Erickson.

Secretary Health Department—Dr. W. J. White.

Sanitary Inspector—Frank Sprowles.

City Sealer—Judge A. C. Huber.

Street Commissioner—Louis Spero.

Chief City Plumbing Inspector—C. W. Yerrbury.

City Chemist—John E. Zumfelde.

Bertillion Chief of olice Department—Martin Johnson.

Captain of Police—Frank Roach.

Captain of olice—William Linn.

City Clerk—Mrs. Bessie Ross, Washington and 44th, present city clerk.

City Treasurer—John Lane, 4366 Washington, employed in Gary Works until a few months ago, present councilman-at-large.

City Judge—Wm. M. Dunn, 660 Connecticut, present city judge.

Councilmen-at-Large—L. R. Snowden, 720 W. 5th, conducts electrical contracting and supply store at 1525 Broadway. W. C. Kunert, 2231 W. 10th, watchman at Gary Works, present councilman. R. G. Beck, employed at sheet mill, present councilman-at-large. H. H. Werber, 747 Polk, manager Werber & Roberts, bottlers of soft drinks, 2235 W. 11th, present councilman-at-large. R. G. Thompson, 733 Adams, grocer at 4th and Virginia.

Ward Councilmen:

First Ward—W. S. Eastburn, 521 Connecticut, employed at Gary Works.

Second Ward—Ralph Rowley, 6th and Jackson, asistant superintendent of Gary Works, present councilman from Second ward and president of the council. Also president of Gary City Plan commission.

Third Ward — Nick Bikos, 1239 Broadway, manager Cosmo theater.

Fourth Ward—J. D. Ratakowski, 1448 Virginia, employed in Gary Works.

Fifth Ward—A. B. Whitlock, 2209 Broadway, conducts grocery at same address.

Sixth Ward—W. R. Brown, 164 W. 11th, employed in the sheet mill.

Seventh Ward—C. H. Wheeler, 714 Jefferson, superintendent of blast furnaces in Gary Works.

Eighth Ward—Charles Wilson, 552 Marshall, watchman at bridge company.

Ninth Ward—A. L. Grimes, 3319 Maryland, employed at Gary Works.

Tenth Ward—Gust Strom, Miller, owns Miller bus line and drives a bus.

GARY NEWS

$50,000.00 PERMIT ISSUED HERE

Building Commissioner Walter Dougan yesterday issued a permit to Welter and Company for the erection of a flat building to cost $50,000.00. The Welter Company is the owner of many flat buildings in the city of Gary and other property. The new building will be located at 452 Washington street and will be of solid brick construction. The building when completed, will contain eighteen three room apartments with basements.

Weller and Company own a flat building located between Fourth and Fifth avenue in Gary. This building was erected about a year ago and is also constructed in 3-room apartments.

FILES APPEAL IN SUPERIOR COURT

A petition has been filed by Roger E. Appleyard of East Gary in the Gary Lake Superior court in the form of an appeal from the special sewer assessment levied against his property in East Gary by the town of East Gary. He asks in his petition that three disinterested freeholders be appointed by the court to determine the benefits from the improvement.

The case will be heard probably at this term of court.

HOBART MAN SUED FOR $106.16.

Charging that Herman R. Pfinghoeft is indebted to him in the sum of $106.16 for calendars ordered and delivered to the defendant, Robert Chapman Co., has filed suit in the Gary Lake Superior Court in an effort to collect that amount.

The plaintiff is located in New York. The complaint avers that the money is now due and unpaid and that demand has been made for same and refused.

Husband in Jail; Wife Wants Divorce

Sidney Brownstein is in the Lake County jail at Crown Point. His wife is getting a divorce from him and charging cruel and inhuman treatment. Ida, his wife charges that her husband insulted and ridiculed her in private and public. The papers will be served on him in Crown Point.

Alleged Bill Raiser is Released from Custody

Harry Barber, alleged bill raiser, who was taken into custody day before yesterday after he had attempted to pass a raised one dollar bill to a ten dollar note in a Gary store, was released from custody this morning upon the advice of Thomas E. Halls, the Chief of the Secret Service department of Indiana at Indianapolis stating that there was not sufficient evidence to convict him.

HIGH WIND CAUSES DAMAGE

Considerable damage was caused in Gary last night and this morning as a result of the high wind storm which struck the city directly off the lake, resembling a young tornado in the form of a sixty-five mile an hour gale.

A large number of plate glass windows were broken, awnings torn down and loose windows and doors torn from their fastenings. Windows were reported broken at the National Bank of America, the Emporium clothing store at Seventh avenue and Broadway and the defunct Keener's restaurant near Sixth avenue on Broadway.

TRY A "TIMES WANT AD"

COUNCIL PASSES "JIT" ORDINANCE

Jitney Official Says Neither Council Nor Police Can Oust Jitneys

The Hammond city council last night in special session passed the jitney ordinance.

It is substantially the same as ordinances previously presented and killed.

The jitney men say they are in favor of the ordinance. The president of the jitney association spoke for the measure before council. Later he said neither city council, the police department, nor any other legalized authority could oust the jitneys from the streets of Hammond. He maintained a cock attitude to the mortification of several of the councilmen who had voted favorably on the measure. His name is Charles Nichols and he says the jits will stay because the people want them and because the Hammond jail isn't big enough to hold the jitney men if the authorities decided to prosecute.

Chief features of the new measure, which becomes effective within thirty days, are:

License fees of $25, $35 and $50 annually. Bonds of $2,500 and $3,-$00.

Fare of ten cents per trip. Children under eleven years ride free when accompanied by adult.

Six routes proposed. These encircle city. Each jitney driver must rotate his tripe so as to include every route consecutively, except the routes which take in Hessville and Robertsdale. Fare over these routes 15 cents. Inasmuch as there are approximately 125 jitneys now operating in Hammond it means that Hessville and Robertsdale will have adequate jitney service in the future. Each jitney must make at least one trip a day to these two points. Time of trip is optional with driver. This is a problem to be worked out by new council.

No smoking by either passenger or driver.

No driver to lay off for more than four days without written permission of mayor.

Every jitney to be equipped with it sign and six others designating routes.

Taxicabs, described as those charging minimum fare of 30 cents must be equipped with meter.

Violations of ordinance provisions carry a fine of $500 and jail sentence for each charge.

The measure, killed at the last session of the city council, was recalled by Councilman Bruce from oblivion and placed on second reading.

Debate on the ordinance was brief. At one stage of thecontest Councilman Pat Reilley nearly slipped one over on the other boys when he sprang to his feet and made a motion to table the measure. This was entertained favorably by the chairman. Councilman Luthman made a second to the motion. It went to a vote. The count was seven yeas to nine nays. Discussion was resumed but the jitney men wiped their brows. It was a close shave.

In a whirlwind finish Councilman Bruce, who has fathered the ordinance since its inception, made a remarkably fine speech advocating adoption of the measure. It was one of the best talks heard in the city council this year.

Up for final passage and adoption the measure carried 11-5. The vote was as follows:

Yeas—Keeler, Kline, Haman, Heckleman, Bruce, C. G. Smith, Reissig, Dreesen, Voorheis, White and Brandt.

Nays—Lindley G. Smith, Skufakies, Martin, Luthman, Reilley.

Absent—Highland, Stocker.

Mayor Brown was present. He offered no comment either on the floor or after the ordinance had been passed.

Voorheis was insistent that the provisions of the ordinance are to stringent for the jitney men. He says they can not operate profitably under terms of the measure.

Police will have their hands full enforcing the provision mandating jitney men to traverse each route. All the drivers will want to stay on the most profitable routes say police. How are we going to regulate them?

"Utopian dream of a group of irresponsibles whose ideas of transportation have been gathered by playing with the baby's Christmas toys" said one disgusted business man today referring to the measure aimed at regulating the jitneurs.

MRS. GAL AND MIKE DANCH ARRESTED

Mike Danch, former Gary policeman and Mrs. Julia Gal, garage owner on the south side who were in the limelight several weeks ago when a south side foreigner alleged that Danch and Mrs. Gal swindled him out of some $7,000 on the pretense that she was going to take him as a partner in the business and also to marry him were arrested on sheriff warrants served in Gary yesterday afternoon.

They were taken to Crown Point by deputy sheriff Clem Hentges where charges were filed against them. The nature of the charge was not made known although it is understood that the charge will differ from the above. From reliable information it is said that both were indicted by the recent session of the grand jury.

SURGEON URGES THE REMOVAL OF ALL APPENDIXES

[INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE]

KANE, Pa.—Dr. Evan Kane, the surgeon who last Summer cut out his own appendix without first taking an anesthetic, has suggested to the Elk County Medical Society that a law should be passed by the next State Legislature compelling every child to have its appendix cut out. Properly performed and with the right hospital care afterward, he said, the number of deaths from such operations would be few. He contended that many human ills were directly traceable to diseased appendix. Chronic invalidism from rheumatism, dyspepsia and other illnesses are results of chronic appendicitis, he said.

OLD YEAR SEES SITUATION GROW STRONGER

BY H. K. REYNOLDS

[STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The economic situation of America is growing stronger as the old year dies, Frank White, treasurer of the United States, declared today in predicting "better times ahead" and a substantial improvement in financial and industrial conditions during the coming year.

White urged the lifting of restrictions in the money market and asserted that an extension of bank credits was "absolutely necessary." He contended that money conditions today indicated a business revival which could be continued in 1922 with the help of the big financial institutions.

"America enters the new year under peculiar financial conditions," White said. "I feel that the nation has passed the bottom of depression that better times are ahead.

"The currency in circulation is the barometer of the nation's industrial activity. During active times when business is flourishing, a large volume of currency is needed. In prosperous times, large amounts of money remain in the people's hands.

"In 1920, the maximum per capita was reached—nearly $60— and it also was the peak of industrial activity.

"In 1921 the reverse occurred. Money left the pockets of the people. There was a reduction of almost one billion dollars in the money circulated. Business reached the bottom of depression. The per capita was about $52 for the year.

"The great volume of money coming to the treasury was for redemption. The federal reserve banks sent in money for credit rather than for re-issue. This volume has remained practically stationary for the last three months.

"The indications for 1922 point to a business revival if money restrictions are removed. Business must get better; surely it cannot get worse.

"The readjustment of prices is moving slowly. Accumulated money reserves must be loosened. It is absolutely necessary that there be an extension of credits. The banks have a larger cash reserve now than a year ago. This money must be put back into circulation and the return to normalcy will follow."

FILES COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

Family troubles of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin J. Boardway, Fifteenth and Columbia aves., Hammond, culminated this morning in the filing of a complaint for divorce by Mrs. Boardsway in the Hammond superior court.

The complaint which was prepared by Attorneys Cleveland and Cleveland, recites two instances in which Boardway attempted to kill his wife. One time he threatened her with a razor. On October 27, she says he tried to kill her with a shot-gun but others intervened. Then he accused her of supporting other men.

Mrs. Boardway says he has never provided a home for her and their child but that it has been necessary for her to draw upon her savings in order to support herself. She asks for the custody of the child and $2,-000 alimony.

Valuable Food Grows Wild.

"Florida arrowroot" is made from species of Zamia, or "coontie," growing wild in southern Florida. This plant supplied the Seminole Indians with food during their long wars with the United States.

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FOR RENT—Three room cottage, furnished, bath, gas, electricity. Inquire 436 150th st., Hammond. 12-31