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NOT A CANDIDATE

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ful Affair.

Thomas Taggart Not in
the Running for U. S.
Senator

STATE INSTITUTIONS

Governor-Elect Marshall
May Accompany the
Committee

Indianapolis, Nov. 17.—The senatorial running caused some excitement yesterday when the announcement was made public that Mr. Taggart was not in the race. Later he made the following statement:

"The interest shown by my friends all over the state in advocating my election as United States senator from Indiana, has been most gratifying.

"While I wish to assure all my friends that I fully appreciate the honor that would be conferred in such an election, and while I have been so long associated and in which I have always been an active worker in the ranks is a thing not lightly to be cast aside. I have carefully considered the matter and must decline to become a candidate.

"My business interests are such in extent that they demand all my personal attention and the sacrifice resulting even if my election were assured, would be too great.

"There are a number of able and deserving men in the Democratic party who have already announced their wish to take the senatorship and I feel sure that the party will make no mistake in its final selection.

"I shall be better satisfied to remain in the ranks and do what I can as one member of the organization in perpetuating the party of the people in power in Indiana.

"I most heartily thank all my friends who have been so insistent in urging my claims for the position.

"THOMAS TAGGART."

Indianapolis, Nov. 17.—The visiting committee of the legislature appointed by Governor Hanly to visit the various state institutions and report their needs to the legislature, while in session yesterday at the state house, arranged an itinerary for its visits to the institutions and will start today by going to Rockville, where it will inspect the site for the new state tuberculosis hospital. The tuberculosis commission in its report just filed with Governor Hanly, asks an appropriation of \$300,000 from the next legislature to begin work on the hospital. Dr. Henry Moore, chairman of the commission, was before the committee yesterday discussing the commission's report. Thursday the committee will visit the Indiana soldiers' and sailors' orphans' home at Knights-town, and on Friday it will go to Richmond to investigate conditions at the eastern hospital for the insane. The committee has employed Miss Margaret Crim, who has been connected with the Indiana bureau of statistics for some time, as its clerk. It is likely that Governor-elect Marshall will accompany them.

KISSED VISITOR'S HANDS.

Members of Catholic Missionary Congress Honor Apostolic Delegate.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—A brilliant scene brought to a close tonight the first day's business session of the American Catholic missionary congress. Under a bower of flowers and waited upon by members of the Catholic Woman's league of America, the distinguished prelates were given a reception at the Auditorium Annex. D. Falcone, apostolic delegate to United States, Archbishop Quigley and scores of others prominent in the church, formed in a long line while the visitors passed in front greeting and kissing the hands of the visitors. The apostolic delegates wore the simple garb of the Franciscan monks, which appeared in striking contrast to the ornate robes of other church dignitaries who attended.

ESCAPED CONVICT ARMED.

Burlington, Ia., Nov. 16.—Police from Burlington and Mount Pleasant in automobiles are chasing an escaped convict named Valentine from Fort Madison penitentiary. Valentine is armed and is desperate, and a fight is almost sure to result.

NATURAL CAUSES

Boston Officials Say Mrs. Chick Stahl Was Not Murdered

DRUGS AND ALCOHOL
Caused Exhaustion and Her Death in a Doorway

Boston, November 16.—The body of a well-dressed woman, found in a doorway in this city last night, was positively identified early today as that of Mrs. Julia Harmon Stahl, thirty-two years old, the widow of "Chick" Stahl, the Boston American League base ball player and captain, who committed suicide at West Baden, Ind., on March 28, 1907. The identification of Mrs. Stahl was made by her father, Mr. Harmon. It was said that Mrs. Stahl left her home last evening wearing jewelry valued at \$2,000, all of which, with the exception of a gold mounted comb and a wedding ring, was missing from the body when found. In seeking to account for the loss of Mrs. Stahl's jewelry and her presence in the rather poor neighborhood in which her body was found, the police sought a man who was seen to cross Andrew Square, South Boston, with Mrs. Stahl just before she entered the hall in which she died. This man is believed to have helped her into the doorway, but was not seen to leave the house. Up to the time that relatives of Mrs. Stahl noticed the absence of jewelry early today, the police had believed the case to be one of heart disease, but with the robbery as a possible motive the case appeared to be one of murder. Marks were found on the woman's throat, but it is not thought these had to do with her death. After completing the autopsy, Medical Examiner McGrath this afternoon announced that death was due to natural causes, "probably exhaustion, brought on by the use of drugs and alcohol." The police stated that they were convinced that Mrs. Stahl lately had worn very little jewelry besides the wedding ring which was found on her finger.

GROWING CONCERN

Schafer Sadlery Company Are Enjoying a Steady Growth

BIG LEATHER BUY

This Concern Will Turn Out a Thousand Sets Next Year

The Schafer Sadlery company is an institution in Decatur which is growing rapidly and which will very probably be one of the biggest concerns of the kind in the country some day. They manufacture harness—all kinds and all grades—and they sell it. Just now they are busy contracting for space in farm papers all over the land and next year their announcement will be found in all the leading journals of the land which go to the homes of those who use harness. They have six men employed in this department making harness and from now on until spring they will be busy turning out single and double sets, plain and fancy to suit the taste of the buyer who ever he may be. They recently purchased forty-five rolls of leather, meaning an outlay of nearly \$3,000 in cash, and this is said to be as much leather as is used in a city twice the size of Decatur in a year, showing the amount of business they are anticipating. Their first year in the wholesale business has been a most satisfactory one and they expect to sell one thousand sets of harness next year and are planning their work with that idea in view. Mr. Walter Kauffman is in charge of the department, and if you don't think he is a busy gentleman, call some day and see. Just watch the Schafer Sadlery company grow.

CLEAR TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS
Rummage Sale Was a Most Success-
ful Affair.

The Methodist ladies who have just closed a rummage sale in the city building are delighted with the success and they certainly have a right to feel good. The credit side of their bank book shows a balance of about two hundred dollars as a result of the ten days in business, and besides this they fitted out a number of poor families who will bless them on many a cold day this winter. They also saved about twenty-five dollars worth of goods with which to pack their missionary barrel. The ladies are likewise more than ever certain that it pays to advertise. They sold quite a number of articles through the notices given them in the Daily Democrat and were very earnest in their thanks for same. One man came thirteen miles to secure some of the bargains after he had read of the sale, and several others told them in plain language how it happened that they knew of the sale.

A SONG BOOSTER

Jacob Kalver Gets a Half Column Notice in Chicago American

ON THE "RAINBOW"

Newest Song Hit—Shows Skill by Sitting for an Interview

Jake Kalver always was a smooth boy. He used to conduct a clothing store here, but now he is the Chicago representative for the Rennick company, biggest music publishing house in the country. One of Jake's duties is proper advertising and that "he's thar with lard in his hair" is proven by the fact that in yesterday's Chicago American he secured a half column notice which in part read as follows:

J. B. Kalver, the Chicago representative of the Jerome H. Rennick & Co. music publishing house, has returned from a trip of observation through the middle west. It was Mr. Kalver's mission to observe the music in the various states visited by him were playing and singing, and to gauge the popularity of the different song "hits" published by the Rennick and other houses.

"I was particularly gratified to note the wide vogue of 'Rainbow,'" said Mr. Kalver yesterday. "This song is certainly catching on with the public. I heard it played in restaurants in all the cities visited, and I don't know how many times I heard people whistling it as they passed me on the street and in the corridors of hotels. That's the best way we have of gauging the popularity of a song. If people begin humming it and whistling it and calling for it in high-class restaurants where the orchestras play request numbers, a 'hit' is a 'hit.' A popular piece of music must be haunting to take; the melody must stick in your mind; it must go humming around in your brain, so that you cannot rid yourself of it except by humming or whistling. That's why 'Rainbow' goes. It's a melody you cannot forget, once you hear it. In my opinion it is one of the very best popular songs ever written."

"The gunboat, Rainbow, with the big, around-the-world fleet, beat all records in target practice the other day, and when the news of their victory was carried to the crew, I am told they started singing the song, 'Rainbow.' This is the first time, as far as I know, that a United States gunboat has had a special 'national anthem' all its own."

Mr. Kalver announced that other popular songs which he found enjoying a great vogue were "Are You Sincere?" and "The Pride of the Prairie," while "My Irish Fluffy Ruffles" and "Gretchen" were also being sung everywhere.

FIRST SERIES TO HUESTON

St. Louis, Nov. 16.—Thomas Hueston, of St. Louis, won the first of the three block series for the world's continuous pool championship here to-night, defeating Alfred De Oro of Cuba, by a score of 201 to 167. The championship is to be determined in a 600 point match and the second block will be played tomorrow night.

DEMOCRATS GET ANOTHER

They Now Have Twenty Majority in House of Representatives.

Indianapolis, Nov. 17.—Frank L. Grubbs, deputy secretary of state, is investigating the vote for legislative candidates at the recent election in Cass and Fulton counties, where the election of a representative is in controversy. If it is shown that a Democrat was elected in that district, and it is believed there is no doubt that is true, the Democratic majority in the house of representatives, owing to a change in the vote from Fountain county today, will be twenty and the Democratic majority on joint ballot will be sixteen. Yesterday Mr. Grubbs was notified by telephone message from Anson G. Madden, clerk of the Fountain circuit court, that the Democratic candidate for representative in that county had been elected instead of the Republican candidate, as previously announced.

A KITCHEN BURNS

Fire Came Near Destroying Home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lyons

LAST EVENING

Children Discover Flames and Neighbors Did Some Brave Work

A fire caused some little damage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lyons, east of the city, last evening, and only the brave work of neighbors saved the home. Mrs. Lyons had taken her husband, who is a traveling man, to the train here and the children were at school. When the latter returned they discovered the blaze which had already made considerable headway in the summer kitchen. They screamed and immediately devoted their efforts to saving the life of their pet dog, which they finally did, driving him out through the flames. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frickle arrived and did almost miraculous work, endangering their lives, but were successful in saving the main part of the house. After the wall of the house burned away the draft from the big fireplace drew the flames in that direction and made the fighting much easier. The Lyons had just finished remodeling and painting their home and the loss will be quite a little, as the kitchen and everything in it was totally destroyed. However, Mrs. Lyons is thankful it was no worse. Mr. Lyons who left on an afternoon train, knew nothing of the fire.

A LIVELY SESSION

Seven Macadam Roads to Be Sold at December Session

A DITCH SALE

The Treasurer Looking After a Few Delinquents

The December term of commissioners' court promises to afford considerable macadam road business. Seven roads are advertised for sale at that time, they being the W. A. Bowman road in Washington township, W. A. Tieman road in Root township, William Gallmeyer road in Preble township, Decatur and Bluffton No. 10 in Washington township, E. H. Faust in Washington and St. Marys townships, and the Henry Wafel road in Preble township.

Surveyor Baumgartner is advertising the sale of the E. L. Arnold ditch, a proposed drain that will traverse part of St. Marys township.

Treasurer Lachot is busy making out delinquents, but not the usual long list is found this fall. The strenuous efforts at the treasurer's office brought in many that frequently permit their taxes to lapse behind the usual statutory time of payment.

CONVENTION OPEN

Annual Session of Adams County Sunday School Association at Berne

A GREAT MEETING

Rev. L. C. Hessert and Mrs. C. Vogt, of Decatur, Gave Good Addresses

The annual convention of the Adams County Sunday School Association convened at Berne last evening and the initial session was very interesting. A song service and address by E. W. Halpenny were features. This morning's session held at the Missionary church, was of intense interest, also Rev. L. C. Hessert, of Decatur, delivering an address on "The Needs of Decatur," and Mrs. C. Vogt lectured on "The Benefits of the Sunday school to the Home." The program as rendered this morning was as follows:

Devotional Rev. D. A. J. Brown

Opening Remarks Jesse Rupp, County Pres.

"The Needs of the Sunday School"—

(a) Our Needs at Decatur.....

(b) Our Needs at Berne J. F. Lehman

(c) Our Needs at Geneva Rev. C. King

(d) The Needs of the Country Schools W. F. Johnson

Discussion Rev. E. W. Halpenny

"The Benefits of the Sunday School"—

(a) To the Individual

(b) To the Home Mrs. C. Vogt

(c) To the Church Rev. E. L. Jones

(d) To the Community and State

..... Rev. E. W. Halpenny

Discussion.

Announcements.

Appointment of Committees.

Song.

11:15 Benediction.

ONE BALLOON STILL GOING

San Francisco, Nov. 16.—A telephone message from Seeley's flats, on the summit of the mountains, describes the position of the balloon United States as being on the desert above Victorville and Barstow and going east.

A GREAT PROGRAM

Entertainment to Be Given at Christian Church Will Be Great

MISS COX LECTURES

On the Passion Play and Besides a Musical Program is to Be Given

The entertainment to be given at the Christian church Thursday evening will be exceptionally interesting.

The fact that Miss Mary B. Cox, whose travels have been far and wide and who has visited the scene of the Passion Play, is on the program is a drawing card which will no doubt cause the house of worship to be packed. The address of Miss Cox, however, is not the only attraction. An excellent musical program is to be rendered, which will add much to the interest of the entertainment. The program as it will be rendered is as follows:

Music Male quartet

Reading Mrs. A. Artman

Solo Margaret Daniels

Reading Mrs. Artman

Music Quartet

Lecture Mary B. Cox

"Passion Play"

Ten cents admission will be charged, which is very small in consideration of the excellence of the program, and furthermore those who attend are encouraging a good cause, that of a Christian organization under whose auspices the entertainment is to be given.

NO BETTER ON THE ROAD

The Guy Company to Give "A Cry Baby" Here.

One of the best attractions of the season is Mercer Bros. big production of the great comedy drama "The Cry Baby" which will be seen at the opera house next Thursday with the popular young character star, Carlton Guy, in the title role. Mr. Guy is considered one of the foremost character artists of the stage today, and his work in "The Cry Baby" is said to be the best he has ever done. He is supported by a big company capable players, and the piece is given a heavy scenic mounting. This well known young actor, Mr. Carlton Guy, will appear at the opera house next Thursday, Nov. 19, in the new comedy dramatic success, "The Cry Baby" a four act play written especially for Mr. Guy, and elaborately staged by Mercer Bros., who have picked an excellent company in Mr. Guy's support.

Joseph Bremerkamp vs. Mary Bremerkamp, removal of guardian, defrauder argued and sustained; leave granted to amend petition.

James W. Drummond et al vs. William Drummond, partition, proof of notice of sale filed, approved and deed ordered.

Conrad D. Gallmeyer, trustee, vs. Edward Gallmeyer et al, demurral filed to cross complaint and to third paragraph of answer.

Hannah E. Webber vs. Samuel A. Webber, divorce, set for trial for Tuesday, November 24.

The case of Henry C. Davis vs. Fred W. Fuelling, was marked off the docket because the appeal was not perfected as prayed.

Peter N. Moser, guardian for Henry Snyder and three others, filed final report as to Henry and current report as to others.

John A. Cook, guardian for Jessie Cook et al was ordered to file a report within ten days.

Real estate transfers: Maud Hughes et al to John W. Hendricks, in lot 5, Monroe, quit claim deed, \$250; B. F. Brown to Mathias Thomas, 20 acres Washington township, \$1,900.

Evidence was heard in the case of Carrie E. Hamilton vs. William A. Hamilton, divorce. The divorce was granted.

The grand jury room was a busy place today and Bail