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Sensational Charges Made by Mrs. Elizabeth A. Savine

IN DIVORCE SUIT

Says Her Husband Frequently Threatened to Kill Members of Family

Merriman & Dailey, attorneys of Bluffton, filed a new case in court here, in which Elizabeth A. Savine demands a divorce from John Savine. The complaint recites that the parties were married May 7, 1869, and lived together until October 3rd of this year. They have eight children, ranging in age from sixteen to thirty years. Mrs. Savine says that for twenty-five years her husband has treated her in a cruel and inhuman manner, frequently threatening to shoot her, has even placed a revolver against her breast and said he would shoot her heart out. At one time he drew a revolver to shoot his son Jonathan but was prevented from doing so by another son, Amos. At another time while intoxicated he carelessly discharged a revolver, the bullet just missing a daughter, Caroline. Again in 1902 the defendant secured a pitchfork from the barn, brought it to the house and drove his wife and children from the house and then went to the barn and made belief he was hanging himself. Drunkenness and failure to provide are also alleged. With the exception of one calico dress each year Savine has bought his wife only one piece of clothing in their nearly forty years of married life. Mrs. Savine keeping herself by selling butter and eggs. Among other allegations is the one that Savine has frequently accused his wife of intimacy with her own sons, and has driven two of them away from home. These accusations being untrue and made for the purpose of tormenting his family. Mrs. Savine says that in 1870 she loaned her husband \$450 and in 1875 loaned him \$135 which he has never repaid, that he owns real estate in Adams county worth \$10,500 and personal property worth \$3,000, which she has helped to earn, after working in the field as a hand. Mrs. Savine has no money and asks an order of court for a sum sufficient to bring this action. A divorce decree and judgment for \$7,000 alimony are asked. Judge Merriman granted a temporary restraining order to prevent defendant from disposing of any of his property. The case is the most sensational filed here in years.

TO MEET TUESDAY

Democratic Members of the Legislature to Hold Conference

THE CALL ISSUED

Senator Ranke on County Option—Appointment by Marshall

Indianapolis, December 12.—The meeting of the democratic members of the legislature will be held at the Denison hotel December 15. This agreement was reached after the matter had been discussed by Representative W. S. Wells, of Allen county, and Representative Al Zearing, of Marion county, both of whom had been making plans for the meeting. Mr. Zearing, thinking Mr. Wells had not issued a call for the meeting conferred with some of the democrats and took the matter in hand, sending out letters suggesting that the meeting be held December 17. Later he found that Mr. Wells had sent out the call for December 15. Today Mr. Zearing sent out letters recalling his suggestion for December 17.

The Allen county members of the legislature will all attend the meeting of the democratic assemblymen to be held in Indianapolis next Tuesday. (Continued on page 2.)

A REAL AND TRUE DOG STORY

He was just an ordinary dog, apparently, but he and his master had made so many trips up and down the road that the train crews all knew him. He has a peculiar way of saying good morning, just turns his head one side and sticks his tongue out at you with such a comic twist you can't help laughing, returning his salute with a merry good morning. This afternoon his master stood at the car steps talking with some men and the dog quietly went up car steps, into coach and took a seat. The train started, but since the master did not intend going, anxiously looked for his chum, the brakeman passed, standing on rear platform, Mr. H. shouted at him asking if he had seen the dog. "Sure, he's in the smoker." Turning to the operator the owner shouted to telegraph to Monroe for them to put the dog off and return him on number 3. If that dog is wise he will refuse to travel with such an uncertain chum, unless he puts a string to him. If you doubt this, ask Fred Huffman. J. Bryson.

THEY HAD MEETING

The Republican Senators Fixed Up a Slate

NAME COMMITTEES

They Will Strip the Lieutenant Governor of His Power

Indianapolis, December 12.—There seemed to be a pretty general understanding among Republicans who came to Indianapolis to attend the meeting of Republican senators that Senator Will R. Wood, of Lafayette shall be the president pro tem of the senate during the next session. One report was in circulation last night to the effect that Senator Wood had been formally selected at the meeting of Republican senators at the state house. Several senators, however, denied that there had been any formal action in this matter. Senator Wood, it is pointed out, has been a member of the state senate for more than ten years and has taken an active part in all of the important proceedings of that body. His colleagues predict that he would not be caught napping in case the opposition party should attempt to work any of the little parliamentary tricks not uncommon in a legislative session. In case Senator Wood should not be selected for the place there are other possibilities. Among those mentioned are Senators Crumpacker, Springer, Cox, Mattingly and Bland. Senator Crumpacker has had long experience in the upper branch. Senator Bland declared that he did not wish to be president pro tem. He intimated that there was one committee chairmanship he would like to have. He would not say just which chairmanship it was, but it is supposed that he has his eye on the committee on mines and mining, as he comes from the heart of a mining district and is interested in all measures that affect mines and mining. The Republican senators in session in the supreme court room at the state house, appointed two committees, one on rules and the other on committees. The committee on rules consists of Senators Cox, Forkner and Kane, and the committee on committees is made up of Bland, Wood and Springer. These committees will make all plans for the legislative session, and the Republican senators, it is said, will not meet again until the night before the legislature convenes. While no special instructions were given to these committees, they have a perfect understanding of what they are to do. The committee on rules will draft a set of rules to put all power in the senate in the hands of the Republican majority and which will leave Democratic Lieutenant Governor Hall with little to do except to play the gavel and invite ministers to pray. This is the general understanding; the committee on rules will work out the details. The committee on committees will make up a tentative list of committee appointments. There was a general feeling yesterday among the senators that Mr. Hall should be allowed to make recommendations in regard to the minority appointments on the committees. This, it is believed, will make Mr. Hall feel good and at the same time will do no harm.

THE WETS AND DRIES

Planning for Many Local Option Elections

NOW SPARRING

Delaware, Jay and Randolph Counties in the List

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—That it is the plan of the liquor interests in Indiana to fight county local option elections by means of the injunction has developed in the counties where the new law is to have its first tests. In Whitley county the liquor men have secured a temporary restraining order against the commissioners preventing them from calling a local option election before February 4, when the final hearing for permanent injunction will come up. According to F. S. Shumaker, superintendent of the Indiana Anti-Saloon League, county local option elections have been called in Lawrence and Wabash counties for December 29, and in Pike county for December 31. The Anti-Saloon League is counting on putting out of business within the next month 379 saloons in the counties where election agitation has been started. The number of saloons in each of these counties as given out by Superintendent Shumaker, is as follows: Delaware, 107; Fayette, 29; Gibson, 23; Hamilton, 22; Hendricks, 3; Jay, 15; Lawrence, 14; Marshall, 11; Martin, 11; Ohio, 4; Pike, 1; Porter, 7; Putnam, 10; Randolph, 4; Switzerland, 4; Wabash, 20; Wayne, 57; Whitley, 11, and Huntington, 26. Petitions for county local option elections are being circulated, according to Mr. Shumaker, in Hendricks, Marshall, Huntington, Wayne, Porter and Switzerland counties, and movements looking toward option elections have been inaugurated in Putnam, Randolph, Jay, Whitley and Hamilton counties. There is also some agitation in Fayette, Martin, Delaware and Ohio counties. January, Mr. Shumaker says, will see a large number of local option elections.

DID GOOD WORK

Fire Department Did Timely Work at the Fire Last Night

OUT BUILDINGS BURN

At the Dallas Butler Property But Dwellings Were Saved

A fire originating in an outbuilding at the Dallas Butler property on Market street last night, threatened destruction to several houses in that vicinity and it was only the timely arrival of the fire ladders that prevented what would have been a heavy loss. The origin of the conflagration is a mystery, which no one has yet attempted to solve. Mr. Butler, a short time after eleven o'clock retired, and it was but a few minutes until he heard burning timber. Arising he was astonished to see his outbuildings a mass of flame. The alarm was sent in and it must be said that the ladders arrived at the scene in double quick time, just eleven minutes elapsing from the time the whistle blew until they were throwing water. The Colchin barn was but ten feet from the burning structure and was not scorched, although diligent work was required to save it. The Colchin house and several other dwellings were in danger for a time, but the fire department did their work efficiently and they are deserving of credit for the run they made. About \$200 worth of tools were burned in the woodshed, together with a quantity of coal and other supplies.

William Baumgartner, one of the best known business men in Berne, was a business caller in this city today, and made this office a pleasant call of a few minutes.

TO DEDICATE NEW COURT HOUSE

Tuesday, December 29th, a Big Day at Huntington.

Huntington county's new court house, after being occupied almost a year, will be formally dedicated the afternoon of Tuesday, December 29. The official order was made this morning by the Huntington county board of commissioners, which named Harry L. Bendel and Milo Feightner, chairmen of the Republican and Democratic county central committees, president and vice president respectively of the general committee which will have charge of the day. These two were today formulating a list of county residents to be submitted to the board of commissioners Saturday morning that a committee may be named to assist in the work. Congressman James E. Watson, as has been understood for some months, will be the principal speaker at the dedicatory exercises. The honor falls upon him considering the fact that the cornerstone laying exercises of the building conducted by the Masonic order, Thomas R. Marshall, Mr. Watson's opponent for governorship honors, gave the address. There will probably be other speakers.—Huntington Herald.

WILL SERVE A BIG DINNER.

Ladies of Presbyterian Church to Serve Feast Next Thursday.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will serve a big dinner at the church parlors on next Thursday, between the hours of eleven and one o'clock. The price is twenty-five cents and if you miss this opportunity to get a sumptuous dinner for that sum, you will regret it for days to come. The menu as arranged will be as follows:

Roasted Chicken, Cranberry Sauce
Mashed Potatoes, Gravy
Sweet Potatoes, Baked Beans
Dressing, Celery
Pickles, Jelly, Bread and Butter
Mince Pie, Lemon Pie
Cake, Fruit Salads
Coffee, Tea
At church parlors, Thursday, Dec. 17, 11 to 1. 25c.

SHE WILL RECOVER

Mrs. William Ault Baffles Physicians and Nurses—Will Not Die FROM HER INJURIES

As Was Stated by Physicians at Hospital—She is Recovering Rapidly

Contrary to the opinions of the attending physicians and nurses, Mrs. William Ault, confined at the Hope hospital, Fort Wayne, is recovering rapidly, the crisis having been passed with prospects very encouraging for her early and ultimate recovery. Her hip badly mangled and suffering intensely from internal injuries, which suggested inevitable death, the aged lady has battled vigorously against the grim reaper. Hopeful as she has been, she has been unsupported in her belief that she would survive the serious injuries inflicted by the iron monster until the change for the better came. Grieving the loss of her beloved husband, contributed to the heartache of the trying situation, but all this did not avail against her wonderfully strong constitution, which did not fall her in the hour of profound sorrow and untold agony. Mrs. Ault will have sufficiently recovered, it is said, to be able to be taken to her home before Christmas and this news will be gladly received by her many Decatur friends who have feared the worst since the aged woman was afflicted. It is hoped that nothing unforeseen will develop which in any manner will blight the hopes fostered by the many friends of the estimable woman.

J. N. Burkhead, the Monroe auctioneer, is home from one of the most successful sales of his career. The sale was given at the home of Lawrence Pugh, four miles east of Montpelier, and was a boomer.

OSSIAN COUPLE TO WED.

Popular Young People of That Place to Plight Vows.

Another wedding announcement in the famous S. P. C. Square club of Ossian was announced last night at a party held at the home of Miss Fern Krewson, in that city, this time the interested member being Miss Golda Woodward, a young lady teacher in the Ossian public schools, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wils A. Woodward, who is to wed Emmett Rector, a son of Thornton Rector, the senior member of Rector Bros., merchants of that city. Both young people are among the popular set of the city on the north, are well known and well liked by their whole list of acquaintances, which is large. The happy event will take place on Christmas day, the ceremony to be performed by Rev. G. W. Martin. The S. P. C. Square club is getting a reputation in northern Indiana, by the very great number of marriages taking place among its members and is considered a very lucky club for a young lady to belong to.

AFTER PRESIDENT

Committee Appointed to Consider Ways and Means

TRY TO PREVENT

Some Healthy Appointment Curtailed—Other News

Washington, December 12.—Immediately after the house committee convened yesterday. Representative Representative Perkins, of New York, introduced a resolution which had heretofore been agreed upon, providing for the appointment of a special committee of five members to consider the proper means of dealing with that portion of the president's message which criticizes the course of congress in prohibiting the detail of secret service men to duty outside of their own bureau. The resolution is preceded by a preamble reciting some expressions of the message. No effort is made to give voice to the feeling of the house. In presenting the resolution, Mr. Perkins made a brief statement saying that he was satisfied that the house would not hesitate to take such action as the dignity of that body required. He said that some of the president's expressions were unfortunate. The resolution was adopted and Messrs. Perkins, of New York, Denby of Michigan, Weeks of Massachusetts, Williams of Mississippi, and Lloyd of Missouri were appointed on the committee.

Washington, December 12.—Francis B. Loomis, of Ohio; Francis D. Millet, of New York, and Fred J. V. Skiff, of Illinois, appointed during the recess of congress to be commissioners-general to the Tokio exposition at a salary of \$10,000 each a year, whose nominations were sent to the senate Tuesday, will not be permitted to draw that handsome stipend if the senate committee on foreign relations can prevent it. The attaches of these commissioners will be found in the same dilemma. When these three nominations were taken up by the foreign relations committee the attention of members was called to the fact that the Japanese exposition had been postponed from 1913 to 1917. The appropriations for these and other expenses of the government had been made by the last session to prepare for the exposition of the earlier date.

Washington, December 12.—During yesterday's sitting of the ways and means committee, the newspaper correspondents sent up a note to Representative Crumpacker asking how he liked the words "Made in Great Britain" on the office building towels. He sent back a note saying: "Look on the bottoms of your chairs." This is a number of persons proceeded to do and they found on each chair this: "Made in Vienna, Austria." It soon developed that most of the furniture used by the committee is of foreign manufacture.

The jury on the Smith-Laisure case had quite a long siege of it, for a suit in which the amount in controversy was so small.

IN CIRCUIT COURT

Jury Finds for Mr. Smith and Award Him Sum of \$100

A NEW CASE FILED

A Marriage License—Will of Andrew Striker Was Probated

After nine hours' deliberation, the jury in the case of William G. Smith vs. Muri Laisure, returned a verdict at one o'clock this morning, giving the plaintiff judgment for \$100. The case went to the jury a few minutes before four o'clock Friday afternoon and the verdict was read in court at nine o'clock, a sealed verdict being returned.

Attorney Dore B. Erwin filed a new case this morning entitled, Wisconsin Lumber Company vs. Cardwell Box Company, suit on drafts, demand \$1,100. The suit demands payment of four drafts accepted but unpaid.

A marriage license was issued to Solomon Massier, 32, a farmer from near Geneva to Velma E. Burley, 23, also from Geneva.

Hunter's licenses have been issued to H. S. Steele and Sherman Watson.

Real estate transfers: Angelina Schlegel to Mary E. Steele, lot 477 Decatur, \$471.39; U. S. Drummond et al to Charles W. Yager, pt. outlot 71, Decatur, \$1,925.

The last will and testament of Andrew Striker, late of Berne, was filed for probate this morning. Mr. Striker died November 29th last. The will was written September 22, 1905, and witnessed by Matthias Striker and William J. Rawley. After providing for the payment of debts and funeral expenses, he bequeaths all his real and personal property to his wife, Eliza. If she survive him, for her to use as she finds necessary for her comfort. It is his further will that at the death of his wife and after the payment of her debts and funeral expenses that his granddaughter, Effie Wagoner first be paid \$140. The remainder of the estate is to be divided equally among his legal heirs, Mary E. McCarty, Anna A. Schug, John H. Striker, Clara B. Hendricks and Effie F. Wagoner. He appoints his wife Eliza Striker as executrix and asks that she be not required to give bond or take out papers.

G.A.R. POLITICIANS

Several Members Want to Be Department Commander

MAKING THE FIGHT

These Events Are Usually Warm and Interesting

Political bees are buzzing in the ranks of the state G. A. R. in preparation for the state encampment, to be held in Crawfordsville, probably the latter part of May. Candidates names are flying about thick and fast, and already six veterans are said to be aspiring to the place of department commander. Capt. M. N. Lacey, of Fountain City, and a member of the Vicksburg monument commission, is in the race by virtue of an endorsement made at the regimental reunion a few months ago. Captain Lacey has not formally announced his intention to be in the race, but the understanding among the veterans of the state is that the captain will be one of the most formidable candidates when they get together. John W. Dyer, of Hammond, is a candidate by his own announcement, made at Kokomo, last year, at the annual encampment. Mr. Dyer said at that time that he believed the office should go to the north part of the state, and that he would like to have it. Among the other (Continued on page 2.)



MRS. GEORGE GOULD
The Home-Life at Georgian Court.

One of the most magnificent country houses in the United States is Georgian Court, at the head of the beautiful lake Canasajo, among the tall, straight pines of Lakewood, N.J., and the wife and mother who makes this place a home is Mrs. George J. Gould, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kingdon, formerly of Toronto. The beautiful Edith Kingdon, after completing her education in England, adopted the stage as a career, and her talent, grace, charm and presence were winning recognition when in 1886 she was married to George Gould, the millionaire railway owner, and son of Jay Gould, at one time America's leading financier. Mrs. Gould soon became one of the most popular of the younger society women of the country and a leader in the world of fashion. Beautiful is the house in which she lives, but far more beautiful is the atmosphere of love, sweetness and companionship that fills the home with sunshine and happiness. It is said that wealth often makes fair favorites of fortune forgetful of the privileges and joys of motherhood, sacrificing on the altar of fashion, time and attention that should be paid to loving watchfulness of the welfare of the children; but Mrs. Gould is a model mother to her seven children, a devoted companion, confidant and friend. The Goulds are practically the only members of the ultra-fashionable set who reside in the country the year round. Georgian Court, built of light gray brick and terra cotta in the style of the French Renaissance, lies in beautiful grounds rendered exclusive by a high fence of wrought iron with bases and interspersed posts of gray stone to match the house. The stables, harmonizing in architecture with the mansion itself, are stocked with horses of every description for the family and guests. Over the stables is the theatre, a dainty, bijou play-house, complete in every detail, furnished in dark red and gold and seating about one hundred and twenty-five. The Casino, devoted primarily to sport, has a special race-track, a great plunge swimming tank, courts for all games, and about forty bed-rooms and half as many bath-rooms, to be used when a large house-party overtakes the hospitality of the mansion. The Sunken Garden, which is sixty feet in width and 120 in length, is floored and walled with flawless marble, and fine sculpture peeping from a dark background of evergreen shrubs and bushes, is reflected in the clear waters of a lagoon. Near by, too, is the wonderful electric fountain, sixty feet in diameter, of white marble; the centre piece consisting of a colossal Nautilus shell of bronze, forming a chariot on which stands the heroic statue of a man driving a pair of purest marble sea-horses. Copyright, 1906, by Wm. C. Mack.