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Times-Herald has before it a copy of the Garrett Daily Public Press. It is just an every-day ordinary number, just like the average, and contains 15 inches of Garrett advertising matter and 93 inches of Fort Wayne merchants. And still it is likely that Garrett merchants are complaining that their people do too much trading away from home. Maybe if the aforesaid Garrett merchants would wake up and let their fellow townsmen know that they are in business it might help some.—Fort Wayne Times-Herald.

President Roosevelt's denunciation of the newspapers which charge that there was iniquity in the Panama canal deal is no more vigorous than his denial of Judge Alton B. Parker's charge, four years ago, that the corporations were contributing to the Roosevelt campaign fund. Yet the investigation of the high finance methods in New York made less than a year after the election proved that what Judge Parker said was true, only the corporation fund was larger than he said it was and the means of its collection more corrupt than he alleged they were. The developments in the insurance and railroad investigation proved that it was Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, and not Judge Parker, who was lying, deliberately and carefully lying. And who will believe he is more truthful in the case of the Panama canal case, which involves not himself, as Parker's charges did, but others?—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

While in the city J. B. Merriman the Wells county member of the Indiana legislature, gave expression to what should be the guiding star of Democratic legislators. It is all spelled with one word, "Economy." He would go back to the good old days

of Claude Matthews, when high salaries and gaudy looking commissions were unknown; when state house clerks were not so numerous but what they actually worked to earn their salaries; and when legislative appointees did not exceed in number the legislative membership. It all sounds good, and the Democrats in the legislature should show the Indiana electorate what real economy is. It is the first time in sixteen years that the Democrats have had an inning. We recognize that official hunger and thirst permeates the Democratic household, but the future of the Indiana Democracy is at stake, and that is of more importance than the placing of favorites in soft official place. Cut out and pare down all the high places, and let's make a record of economy. Instead of finding a "good thing" for the fellow that carries Polecreek township in his vest pocket, let's cut out the "good thing."

AN UNRULY DRUNK

George Bowers Causes Policeman Some Trouble in Arresting Him

HAVE A MIXUP

Fisher Landed Him in Jail—He is Wanted for Non-payment of Board Bill

Five dollars and costs was the package Mayor France presented to one George Bowers this morning after he had entered a plea of guilty to the charge of public intoxication and the man in question will partake of the hospitalities of Sheriff Meyer for fifteen days, hence, Christmas day included. Bowers, who for some time has been employed at the Decatur Furnace factory, suspended duties yesterday that he might devote his undivided attention to the art of "boozing." In this he did well, and before midnight he had on board all he could carry without a jug. Entering the Smith and Parrish restaurant he caused a disturbance, and Policeman Fisher started him toward jail. Bowers offered resistance but was easily taken care of by the officer. Bowers is also wanted by M. A. Ham, proprietor of the Park Hotel on account of \$10.75 for board. It is quite probable that Mr. Ham will file an affidavit against him at the expiration of his present sentence and he will then be permitted to remain in the county bastille for New Years also.

PLANING NEW DEAL

Indiana Legislature May Make New Congressional Apportionment

HARD TO AGREE

Many of the New Congressmen Want Better Show

Washington, Dec. 12.—It developed here that an effort will be made at the coming session of the legislature to re-district Indiana for congressional purposes. A congressional re-apportionment is earnestly sought by a number of the Democratic congressmen-elect, who were swept into power by the Democratic landslide this year. They fear that unless the legislature gives them reinforcements by changing the boundaries of their districts and including Democratic territory, they will be wiped off the political map in 1910. Several of the Democratic members-elect are in Washington and at informal conference with the Democratic congressmen from Indiana the question of a congressional apportionment has been discussed in all its phases. There is no legal barrier to a congressional re-apportionment by the coming legislature, but the chief obstacle in the way is the Republican majority in the state senate. As a means of overcoming possible Republican opposition in the senate the argument will be used that by helping to change the boundaries of the congressional districts the Republicans, especially in the northern Indiana districts like the Eighth and Eleventh, can iron out their local dissensions and differences as they could not hope to do otherwise. Congressmen-elect W. A. Cullip of the Second district, is taking a lead in the movement for a congressional re-apportionment. He wants the Second district strengthened so that it will be reliably Democratic. He would prefer that Dubois county, now in the Third, be added to it, but if that is not feasible he would like to have Jackson county taken off of the Fourth district and annexed to the Second. Congressman-elect J. W. Boehme of the First district also has his eye on Dubois county. It happens that Dubois is the home county of Representative William E. Cox, and, of course, Mr. Cox stands pat in favor of a maintenance of the present existing boundaries. One plan is to put Dubois in the First district, change Jackson from the Fourth to the Second, and transfer Allen county from the Twelfth to the Eighth district to help out Congressman Adair.

TO MEET TUESDAY

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None of them knows just what the program will be, but it is thought the proposed repeal of the county option bill will be discussed. Senator Ranke in discussing the matter yesterday said he did not believe the bill would be or ought to be repealed, but he favors the amendment of the law along the lines of the democratic state platform.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

Indianapolis, December 12.—Announcement was made that Governor-elect Marshall had appointed Miss Lucy Elliott, of Tipton, his official stenographer.

G. A. R. POLITICIANS

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names mentioned for the place are O. A. Somers, of Kokomo; Judge Dan Waugh, of Tipton; Captain A. R. Tucker, of Noblesville, and Col. C. G. Thompson, of Lafayette. Judge Waugh's friends are said to be making an active campaign in the interests of their candidate. A large delegation of Indiana G. A. R. members will go to Vicksburg for the dedication of the Vicksburg monument, December 29.

FINDS A VALUABLE PEARL.

Indianapolis, Dec. 11.—A pearl weighing fourteen and a half grains of excellent quality and luster and said by experts to be worth \$150, has been found by C. E. Beekman, a molder. The pearl was found in a mussel shell in the White river, opposite Fairview park, and was only recently turned over to Edward Gardner, a jeweler, who declares that it is the largest he has ever seen coming from the fresh water streams of Indiana.

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COULDN'T COOK

George Shoemaker Has Lost Affections of Wife Because He Said So

SHE GOT DIVORCE

In Wells Circuit Court—The Defendant Failed to Make Appearance

A divorce suit venued here from Adams county was disposed of this morning, says the Bluffton News, when Mrs. Carrie Shoemaker was granted a decree from George E. Shoemaker upon the payment of costs. Some of the allegations were pretty severe against her husband but he did not appear to make a fight and Mrs. Shoemaker got the divorce without much opposition, the prosecuting attorney only appearing as required by law. Among the things to which Mrs. Shoemaker objected was that her husband charged that she did not know how to cook or to do housework and he told her that "she could not cook like mother used to." He also treated her cruelly, she said, in that he did not provide with sufficient food or clothing and went away at times for several days leaving her with nothing in the larder, with eight head of horses to take care of and part of the time she even looked after his engine when he was a pumper in the oil field, as he would go away and leave her alone. He also struck her and frequently left her at home alone at night.

Adams county folk are glad that the difficulties between these parties are at an end.

WESTERN CANADA AS SEEN BY A NOTED WRITER.

Emerson Hough, the celebrated novelist, who made a somewhat extended trip through Western Canada, during the past summer, grows enthusiastic in his description of "The Last Best West," which comprises the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, as all other writers who have ever visited that great country. To extract from what he has said we find the following:

"That black strip across the landscape—it was not the shadow of a passing cloud, but the record of a plough! These yellow gray bands were the fields of stubble already reaped. These other bands of green, of pale yellow, of deep bright yellow—they were the fields of wheat, among which the binders were yet to do their work! The centuries-old soil was finding its first upturned exposure to the sun. Surely the plough had come! There is no more thrilling experience than this, of seeing the ancient wilderness just passing into the first loose fingers of civilized man's occupation.

"Here was the wheat, crowding up to the trail, high as the wagon seat as we drove through. At the edge of a grumbling cow man's unowned but long occupied range, we reached down and plucked off ripe wheat in handfuls, crumping out into the palm the full ears of triple-rowed kernels, magnificent grain, the food which the world must have—that grain upon which the whole civilization of the earth seems so strangely to depend; for, when the wheat has come, civilization has taken hold of the land never again to loose its grasp. One who loves the open air and the wild world cannot suppress a sigh of regret at first thought of the passing

plains, at the thought of the dead romance of the rancher; but none the less, there must come the soberer thought that the wilderness of this world, as well as the scant fields of the older world, belong to the world and the world's peoples.

"Extended personal inquiry in the course of a long journey failed to discover one farmer who was homesick or discontented, or who declared that he was going back to Old England or to the States. Without exception they declared that they were not only contented, but prosperous. In most cases their one or two crops had given them their lands and their first farmstead buildings of rude comfort, at least, fully paid for; and this land was their own. No basement life for these settlers, nor for their children, nor their children's children; no rack rents, no struggle with a worn, exhausted soil; no cap-touching to a so-called superior class. Here was a different field for humanity. Is there any difficulty in predicting the difference between the product of such fields and those of the 'pent and huddled East'?

"It was a fascinating sight, this middle land between the old and new. Most fascinating of all was the air of hope and confidence. Something set the blood tingling in the veins. No one here spoke of despair or discouragement. These men made no repining at their lot as frontier farmers. Their sole and engrossing concern was the question of means of getting out their wheat to the markets—for even in Western Canada farming has run in advance of transportation.

"In such regions as this, one still travels as one likes across country, paying no attention to roads; although now and again one comes upon roads rudely ploughed along the section lines, in some case, near the railroads, fairly well worked. The time of the 'main-traveled road' is passing rapidly, in even in Canada. Soon the fences will come along the highways, and all travel will follow the lines bounding artificial rectangles. Exulting in our liberty, for the most part our party continued to travel toward a destination. We still held to the prairies; and still on every side of us was wheat, wheat, wheat!"

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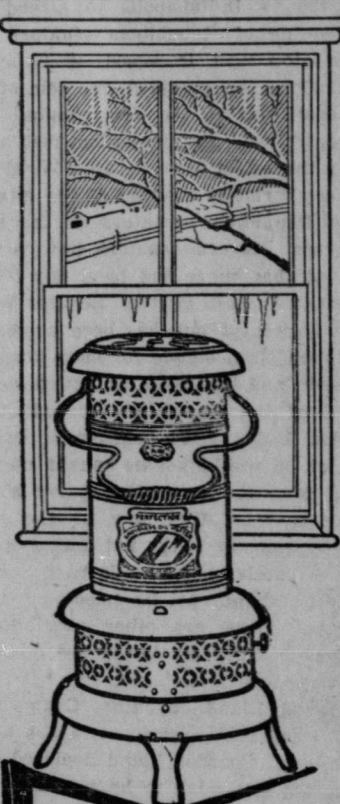
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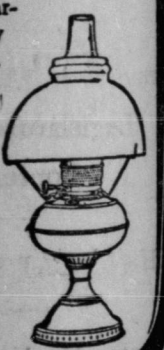
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