

WAS ILL FOR SEVERAL MONTHS

A Prominent Manufacturer and a Progressive Citizen—Funeral Wednesday Afternoon.

James W. Place died at 7:07 o'clock Sunday evening. His long battle against death is ended and his days of suffering are over. For a number of years, he has suffered from stomach trouble, which developed into dropsy and several serious attacks were successfully withstood. His determination to live apparently sustaining him. He was stricken July 3rd, last, and had been very ill ever since. Everything known to the science of medicine was done for him, but his condition was beyond aid. About two months ago, he was taken to West Baden, where he hoped to receive benefit from the health-giving springs, but he grew worse instead of better, contracted a heavy cold, and had to be brought home. After two or three weeks careful nursing, he rallied again, gained in strength and was even able to sit up and walk about the house. Friends hoped that he would again retain his former health, but it was not to be. Wednesday of last week, his condition took a turn for the worse and he failed gradually until last evening. He lost consciousness yesterday morning and during the entire day, life hung only by a thread.

Mr. Place was one of the foremost citizens of Decatur, and his death will be keenly felt. He was a leader in all enterprises which he believed would benefit Decatur and his active services were often called for. He was born at Willshire, Ohio, November 6, 1859, being forty-seven years old. He came here when a boy and secured employment. He became a successful business man, engaging in the restaurant business, in which he continued for many years. In 1885, he began the wholesale manufacture of ice cream, being one of the first to engage in this enterprise in the United States. His business grew rapidly and for several years the J. W. Place Company has been known throughout Ohio and Indiana. Several years ago he formed a partnership with Mr. H. L. Conter and this year they opened a branch factory at Jonesboro, Arkansas. Mr. Place was married November 16, 1881 to Miss Catharine Niblock of this city, their silver anniversary having just passed. Mrs. Place survives her husband, and her devotion and care during the long illness of Mr. Place made the last hours easier for him. But few men in this locality had a wider acquaintance than Mr. Place and scarcely a man, woman or child in the city but knew and hailed him as a friend. His good nature and happy manner made him a favorite and even in the face of misfortune, he smiled and joked. He was a member of the Decatur Knights of Pythian lodge, of the Fort Wayne lodge of Elks and of the Decatur Commercial club, in all of which he was held in high esteem.

The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 from the house, under the auspices of the K. of P. and Elk lodges. The pall-bearers were his old friends, C. A. Dugan, L. G. Ellingham, H. L. Conter, R. K. Erwin, D. E. Smith, and P. J. Hyland. Interment will be made at Maplewood cemetery. Besides the saddened wife, the only living close relative is Miss Alice Place of Gallipolis, Ohio. Others who are here from a distance are Andrew Niblock of Owosso, Michigan, and Will Niblock of Muncie, brothers of Mrs. Place.

THREE SCORE YEARS AND TEN

Had Been Afflicted Several Years and Was Seriously Ill for a Number of Months.

Daniel Death, one of the best known farmers in this section of the country, and a pioneer resident of Adams county, died Sunday morning at his home at Rivarre, at six o'clock, after an illness of several months. He was born in Champaign county, Ohio, in the year 1836, where he was reared until he was a young man, when he moved to this county and purchased a farm, where he resided until his death. He was some years ago stricken with paralysis, which impeded his power of walking, the affliction settling in his limbs and necessitating the use of two canes. He was an ardent Democrat and was an energetic worker in behalf of his party and did much for this cause in the community in which he lived. He was a popular citizen, being friendly to all and making friends wherever he went. He was a successful farmer, as he conducted the welfare of his farm in a business like manner. The funeral services will be held Tuesday morning at the house at ten o'clock, and interment will be made in the Mt. Tabor cemetery.

DRUGS ARE SHORT OF STANDARD

Dr. Hurty Sends Out a Rather Startling Statement.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 19.—According to figures just compiled by Dr. J. N. Hurty, secretary of the State Board of Health, for presentation to the next legislature, 47 per cent of the drugs sold in Indiana during the last year were either short of the standard in quality or were adulterated. He has figures to show that many of the food products sold in the State are injurious to the public health.

Dr. Hurty bases his estimate on the work done by Deputy Health Inspectors Bragg, McAbee, Cohen, Bishop and Thompson, who have been traveling over the State buying food samples and inspecting the stores where they were sold. The samples were analyzed at the State laboratory of hygiene and the results were placed before Secretary Hurty.

The State Board of Health has sent letters to nearly three hundred druggists of the State informing them as to the analysis of the samples found at their stores and advising them that the practice of selling such products must cease.

In many cases druggists and grocers objected to an inspection of their stores and refused to sell samples of drugs to the inspectors, but they were given to understand that the law compelled them to do so and acquiesced without further trouble. In all the inspectors gathered about 1,000 samples of drugs for analysis.

BEGIN THEIR DUTIES TODAY

Officers Appointed—A \$1500 Damage Case Filed Against the C. & E. Railroad.

The November term of the Adams Circuit court convened at nine o'clock Monday morning; one of Judge Erwin's first duties was to instruct the grand jury. This body is now in session and woe be to the transgressor. Of the panel, Samuel Opliger, Theodore Fettler and Herman Derkes were excused and George Brown, Henry Stettler and John Melchi were appointed in their places. Henry Stettler foreman, Andrew Welfley, door balliff, and Huber M. DeVoss stenographer. The instructions were as usual as provided by statute.

Henry B. Heller, prosecuting attorney-elect, was appointed as deputy prosecutor and will serve in the grand jury room this week.

Peterson & Moran, as attorneys for plaintiff, filed a new case, entitled Elizabeth Kern vs. Chicago & Erie Railroad Company. The complaint alleges that about two years ago, fires were started along the Erie right-of-way to burn up trash and debris, that the fire spread to the adjoining farm of Mrs. Kern, destroyed fence and ruined the land. The sum of \$1500 damages is demanded.

Joseph Schroll vs. Mary A. Schroll, divorce, appearance by D. E. Smith for defendant, application for temporary allowance.

Dore B. Erwin vs. Cyrus Lyon, et al., partition of real estate, costs paid and cause dismissed.

William Pausch vs. George H. Gorman, attachment modified so as to allow the Bank of Fort Recovery, O., to draw oil dividends from Shepherd Oil Company.

Noah Loch vs. Dirkson & Zwick, receivership, petition for sale of agricultural implements, filed and so ordered.

Gus Rosenthal vs. Horace S. Porter, suit on \$75 account, dismissed and costs paid.

State ex rel. Jesse R. Chapman vs. Della M. Chapman, administratrix, et al., dismissed for want of prosecution.

Amanda Sells vs. Ora Sells, petition for order to modify order for custody of child.

For the second time, Mayor Hamilton of Bluffton, has vetoed the franchise giving a local company there a franchise for light and power for that city. It is now up to the members of the council to again pass it over the mayor's veto, and the chances are that they will. The last meeting of the council was warm, as many of those favoring and opposing the measure were heard at length in open council.

Local butchers are now using blanks to conform to the Inter-State commerce law, when shipping meats out of the State. The new law is strict and is being generally enforced.

AN ADDRESS BY REV. HESSERT

Appropriate Music and a Talk by Prof. Beachler—The New Building is Convenient.

Monday morning at the opening of school, the new addition that had been recently constructed, was open for use and was occupied by the members of the high school proper. In connection therewith special dedication services were held, Rev. Hessert of the Lutheran church being the principal speaker. The services were opened with prayer, which was followed by an address by Rev. Hessert which was most appropriate, and his address was well received by the students. Several songs were then indulged in by the school, after which the services were closed by a short address by Prof. Beachler. The new building is a dandy and gives the scholars and teachers ample room, the upstairs being converted into one room, while the lower floor is divided into two room, which gives the Central building all the room needed at present. At the services this morning, the school board and several citizens were present and lent their aid in making the services a success.

Contractor Will Christen has done his work well and the board is well pleased with his fulfillment of the contract. While it was hoped the building would be ready for use a month sooner, Mr. Christen did all in his power to hurry the work and considering the scarcity of labor, has done exceedingly well.

LOST CONTROL OF HIS AUTO

Big Touring Car Was Wrecked Sunday Afternoon.

Jeff Mosure of Berne, had a smash-up with his auto here Sunday afternoon. He purchased the machine, a big touring car, in Chicago recently but it was not working right and Jeff had sent it to Van Camp's Machine Shop here to have it regulated. Sunday afternoon he with a party of friends, called for it and started home. As they turned at the corner of Monroe and Second streets, the machine got away from Mr. Mosure, who was driving, and dashed upon the curb smashing the front wheels into kindling. Those who saw the accident, feared the machine would go through the big late glass front of Nachtrieb's drug store, but the car stopped at the curb. It was returned to the Van Camp shop for repairs.

MRS. HENRY DONNELLY IS DEAD

Formerly Lived Here and Was Very Well Known.

W. A. Kuebler received the following message Monday:

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 19.
W. A. Kuebler, Decatur, Ind.

Mrs. Donnelly died at 3:30 this morning and remains will arrive in Chicago Tuesday.

HENRY C. DONNELLY.

The Donnellys will no doubt be remembered by Decatur citizens, as they were formerly engaged in the hotel business here, running the Burt Hotel. The death was no doubt very sudden, as several letters had been received recently from Mrs. Donnelly, and in none of them did she say anything concerning her health. While here, Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly made many friends, who sympathize with Mr. Donnelly.

BROTHER OF MISS BYERLY DEAD

Caused by Eating Canned Oysters, Which Poisoned Him.

Miss Emma Byerly, high school teacher received word Sunday evening, announcing the death of her brother Edward Byerly of Knightsbridge, Ind. The sad news had been rather expected as the young man had been in a serious condition for several weeks, Miss Byerly having been called home some time ago, when it was believed her brother was dying. Some weeks ago, the young man was poisoned from eating canned oysters and so severe was the result that the entire lining of the stomach was destroyed.

Miss Byerly left last evening, to attend the funeral services.

GEORGE KERN BUYS STUDIO

George L. Kern has closed a deal whereby he becomes the owner of the Robert Ernsberger studio, located over the Nachtrieb drug store. Mr. Kern took possession today and is already greeting his friends and customers. He has had several years' experience in the photo business and will no doubt succeed. Mr. Ernsberger has been in business here several years and has proven himself an artist, a business man and a gentleman. His future plans are not known.

"CHICK" STAHL IS MARRIED

Weds Miss Harmon of Boston—Now Enjoying Honeymoon.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 14.—Charles E. Stahl, center fielder and manager of the Boston American base ball team, was married here today at the parochial residence of St. Francis de Sales church, Vernon street, Roxbury, the Rev. Father John Harrigan officiating, to Miss Julia Harmon of Boston. The wedding, which occurred at 10 o'clock, was a very unostentatious affair, only a few relatives of the bride being in attendance. At a wedding breakfast served in the bride's home at 9 o'clock many Boston admirers and personal friends of the groom were present. The Rev. Father Harrigan, who performed the marriage ceremony, is an old friend of the groom. Thomas J. Bresnahan was best man and Miss Margaret E. McKenna was the maid of honor. The bride wore a pretty blue going-away dress and a blue picture hat, with ostrich plumes to match. "Chick" was attired in a plain business suit. The couple took a train at the Back Bay station at 10:45 for Old Point Comfort, Va., and were given a rousing send-off by many of the groom's friends. Their wedding tour includes Hot Springs, Ark., and Syracuse, N. Y., where they will be the guests of Jimmy Collins. They will make their home in Fort Wayne, Ind., where Mr. Stahl's parents reside. The famous ball player met Miss Harmon several years ago while playing on Tenney's team. They met at a friend's house and it was a case of mutual love at first sight. They have kept little romance secret for several years the engagement having been announced only about three months ago.

CITY COUNCIL MADE A DEAL

Sell Electric Unit and Will Buy New Machines.

The city council met in special session Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, every councilman being present and the mayor presiding. The nature of the meeting was to discuss the proposition to dispose of the unit now in use in the electrical department at the city plant. The matter was thoroughly discussed and the unit was finally sold. Stern and Silverman of Philadelphia, purchasing the outfit for \$250, the machinery to be delivered at Philadelphia not later than sixty days from date. The deal as made is a good one as the machinery was a second-hand affair and they received more for the same than they paid for it. The council has been contemplating purchasing a new machine for some time and will now be forced to put their plans into execution, which means a better electric service for our city.

LOCATING IN THE DAKOTAS

Two Adams County Citizens Will Try the West.

L. E. Watson returned Saturday from North Dakota, where he accompanied August Feusse and J. D. Hill, who became interested in that section of Uncle Sam's domain and concluded to stay. Mr. Feusse took up a section of land comprising eight hundred acres and Mr. Hill took up one hundred and sixty acres of land. The men are Adams countyites and are well pleased with their new investment and are enthusiastic over the country. Adams county is becoming well represented in this section of the United States and they will soon be able to organize an Indiana colony. Messrs. Watson and Ward, the agents, are working hard to interest people and so far have been more than successful.

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

The Indiana Horticultural Society to Meet December 5 and 6.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 19.—The forty-ninth annual meeting of the Indiana Horticultural Society will be held in rooms 11 and 12 of the State House Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 5 and 6. From the interest already manifested the meeting will be largely attended. The program for the session has just been issued. It contains the names of some of the most prominent horticulturists in the United States, besides those of prominence in Indiana. The topics to be discussed are practical and are expected to lead to practical results in fruit culture.

The society has entered upon a new era of prosperity and usefulness. With the liberality of the legislature permanent headquarters have been established in room 11 of the State House.

Dr. Wilbur Blackman of this city, expects to leave soon for an extended trip through the south. He will make an extensive tour through many of the southern states, expecting to spend some time there.—Bluffton Banner.

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LOTS OF BREAKERS ARE AHEAD

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 18.—It was learned today from an authentic source that the Republican members of the legislature in the Tenth district will resist Governor Hanly's program for the organization of the house. For reasons that are obvious to politicians they are not talking for publication right now as to what they propose to do, but they have been consulted about it and they will be prepared to act when the time comes.

For a long time it has been no secret that the governor was weaker perhaps in his own district than anywhere else in the State. It has six members of the house this time who are Republicans, and with one exception they are anti-Hanly men. If they do not buck on his attempt to name Branch for speaker and to parcel out the chairmanships of the three most important committees in advance it will be because the party bosses take a big stick and drive them into line. These six Republicans alone can defeat Governor Hanly's program. They say now that they don't intend to be bossed. They are for whatever reforms the Republicans want enacted, but they are not for anything the governor wants.

It was learned today that at least half of the Marion members have determined to resist the governor's plan of organization of the house without consulting them.

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