

The republicans of Adams county gathered at court house Saturday morning to nominate the county ticket and although enthusiasm was not at a high pitch, the veterans of the party created interest among the assemblage, nominating each candidate presented by acclamation. County secretary Ferd Litterer, in the absence of Chairman John M. Frisinger, called the meeting to order and called for the nomination of a permanent chairman. R. S. Peterson was nominated and the motion seconded in double quick time, Mr. Peterson delivering a short address prior to his acceptance. He then proceeded to name the various offices for which nominations were to be made and asked for the suggestion of a man for representative. The name of Jesse C. Sutton of this city was presented and upon a seconded motion his selection was made by acclamation. Attorney C. L. Walters was then named as prosecuting attorney, and his nomination was likewise made unanimous as were the following: Surveyor, John A. Teeple, of St. Marys township; John H. Walters, assessor; C. D. Kunkle, auditor; N. B. Shepherd, treasurer; D. W. Beery, sheriff; Dr. Noah Lehr, of Berne, coroner; Emery E. Mallonee, of Root township, commissioner of first district and Emanuel Hocker, of Berne, commissioner of second district. In the nomination of commissioners, however, the names of James Teeters and William Farlow, of Wabash township were presented, the same being declared out of order on account of their residing in the third district. W. A. Lower was selected as permanent secretary. At the close of the nominations, Chairman Peterson introduced N. B. Hawkins, of Portland, candidate for congressman from the eighth district, who delivered a six minute speech in which he referred to some of the issues of the campaign. Mr. Hawkins began his short discourse by saying: Gentlemen and fellow citizens, I will endeavor to deliver a short speech. I will make it short for the reason that I am unable to give a long one. He boastfully told of his record as a senator and in fact consumed the major portion of his time in saying nice things about himself, leaving the big issues to be discussed by Leander Andrews, who followed with a well prepared talk on temperance and the meaning of the platform of the two great parties. Beginning in the times of Andrew Jackson, Mr. Andrews traced party affiliations to the present day and was greeted by vociferous applause as he would peg a humorous expression in his address. A crowd estimated to be one hundred and fifty were present to hear the spell binding talks. The convention adjourned at 11:35 o'clock.

A delegation of about 150 from Fort Wayne, headed by a band and drum corps, arrived Saturday afternoon and at 2:30 the meeting was called to order at the court room by Ferd Litterer, secretary of the Adams county central committee. C. G. Egly, of Berne, was chosen as permanent chairman and the republican newspaper editors of the district were named as assistant secretaries. Judge William J. Vesey, of Fort Wayne is the only candidate for the job and will be named by acclamation.

Charles R. Lane, of Fort Wayne, delivered an able address, during which he named Judge Vesey and asked for his nomination by acclamation. Attorney Jesse C. Sutton, the brilliant young attorney from this city will second the nomination which will go through in a well greased manner.

In his speech Mr. Lane opened with a patriotic word picture of Allen, Wayne, Adams and Decatur, "A galaxy of names to conjure with before a gathering of American sovereigns assembled to exercise one of their prerogatives of power," said Mr. Lane. He asked that party prejudice be laid aside and that the people vote for Judge Vesey because his opponent, said the speaker, is a young and vigorous boss who wears the livery of his party and bends it to his own purposes. Mr. Lane praised Mr. Fleming's private character and spoke of him highly as a husband, father and a private citizen entitled to the respect of his fellows.

His praises for Judge Vesey were of the kind that any man could well be proud to have bestowed and a life sized smile went the rounds of the convention hall when he said: "He began here the practice of law before the courts of your county in the daytime and the result shows that he spent his evenings in a successful suit for the hand and heart of one of the best young women." Mr. Lane closed by saying that the Judge is the man for a place of power and with thanks for the half hour's time required to deliver his eloquent speech, proceeded to nominate. Judge Vesey was called for and delivered the big speech of the day, his campaign keynote dealing principally with the local option plank.

Attorney General Bingham, of Indianapolis, is here for the convention, and will deliver a speech this afternoon.

Warren Reed, a young man who lives north of the city, came to town Thursday and hitched his horse on the vacant lot at the rear of Niblick & Co.'s store. About nine o'clock that evening he went to get his rig and it was gone. He reported to the police who have made a diligent search since and Warren has traveled all over this part of the country but with no result and it is presumed the rig was stolen, though it seems queer that the thief should have selected this outfit when there were a number of better ones there. The horse was a dark brown color, the harness old and the buggy an open one in fair condition. A reward is offered for return of the outfit.

A white colt, owned by Oscar Sprague, strayed or was stolen from a lot on Eleventh street, Thursday night. The colt is four months' old and has its sides clipped. Oscar will reward any person who phones information concerning the colt to Mike Bogner's phone 175.

WILL PETITION FOR FRANCHISE

Berne and Geneva Both Want Traction Line.

The fight for the new traction line to the east out of this city promises to become quite warm between the towns of Berne and Geneva. The backers of the effort to land the east line for Geneva will file a petition before the Adams county commissions next month, asking that subsidy elections be called in two townships in Adams county to give an opportunity to vote a subsidy to the line, while it is reported that Berne promoters will likely seek to secure a subsidy from three townships to get the line for that place.—Bluffton News.

Bluffton, August 29. David Moser, aged about forty-five, and resident of Adams county, was arrested by Sheriff Lipkey in the Clark saloon on Main street at 10 o'clock yesterday. Filed against him is an affidavit for rape upon Elsie Pearl Martin, the child whose disappearance nearly three weeks ago, caused such a commotion. Moser is in jail, and his preliminary in the court of Justice Rinehart will take place tonight or tomorrow.

It was suspected from the first that Moser might be the man who enticed the fourteen-year-old girl from her home with Mr. and Mrs. Levi Wullman on the Eugene Morrow farm, ten miles east of town, and took her to Keweenaw and Montpelier along the interurban tracks. Her description fitted the man, and in fact she mentioned his name in connection with the affair. A close watch has been kept by Sheriff Lipkey, who suggested the theory that the guilty party was probably some one from the former home of Wullman's and when Moser was seen here Thursday afternoon he was on watch and captured his man. Where Moser spent the night is unknown, but it is likely that he was in the vicinity of the Morrow farm for the girl says that he told her he would be back as soon as the matter of her running away with him had blown over.

Moser is a bachelor between forty-five and fifty year of age, more than average size. He is a wandering farm hand and sheep shearer and hunter, and spends much time in the woods and along the river, or working from place to place in the east part of Wells county and the west part of Adams county. He makes his home when he is at home with his cousin, Mrs. Ellebarger, two miles east of Linn Grove. He was well known to the Wullmans, who had lived near Linn Grove, for three years, and he knew where they lived. The girl, a slight, frail child, kept persisting in her story that she had been enticed away by a man and mistreated and the latter part of her story was borne out. When Moser was arrested he was not told the charge. He was taken on suspicion, but at noon today, an affidavit charging the serious crime of rape was sworn to before Prosecutor Dailey in the court of Rinehart. Moser had nothing to say when taken and seemed unconcerned. It had been noticed by the Wullmans that Moser seemed to be hanging about their house, while at Linn Grove. He seemed sheep for several days for them, was seen about the house on one occasion and on another he went to the woods where the girl was, but Mrs. Wullman was with her at the time. The penalty for the crime is very severe. For rape upon a child under twelve years the sentence is life, over twelve, from two to fourteen years. Should Moser be found guilty he would suffer under the last named clause, as the Martin girl is fourteen years of age.

John Prillaman has resigned his position as tower operator on the C. & E. at Decatur and is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Laura Prillaman, east of the city. He has a position with the Northwestern road near Chicago and will go there the first of next week to begin work.—Bluffton Banner.

Frank Cotton is again in the toils. He was arrested this morning at Decatur, and will be brought here this evening by Deputy Pierce to answer to a grand jury indictment charging him with issuing a forged check on Calvin Ditzler.

Frank has been driving a 'bus in Decatur for some months, and was seen there by Sheriff Lipkey yesterday. The warrant was turned over to Sheriff Meyers, as Frank had made his disappearance when he saw the Bluffton officer, and Meyers caught him man early this morning.

Frank was in Bluffton last spring, broke, consumed by thirst and ready to prey on his friends. He offered "Doc" Derr a check for \$5.00 but that gentleman was too foxy to cash it. Cal Ditzler, proprietor of the place, was more obliging and he gave Frank the money, only to be duped. The grand jury took up the matter, and an indictment for issuing a fraudulent check was the result.

Young Cotton generally escapes by some means, but this time it looks like a clear case against him. If any other person in Bluffton had been in as many forgery and other scrapes as Franklin he would have had sentences enough to last a lifetime. This time it looks as though he would make a successful race for penitentiary honors.—Bluffton Banner.

There are three or four gentlemen around this town who pass each other with a wink, and then chuckle harshly down their coat sleeves. Firmly denying the allegation, Mesdames Del Locke, Lizzie Ashbaucher, Abram Simmons and Amos Cole, are putting up what the gentlemen call a colossal "bluff." They came in sailing last night in the Seabold car which they had secured from their husbands, and over which feat they were highly elated. Pride goeth before the fall, so some authority in Bible days proclaimed with an air of wisdom.

The car left Decatur at 5 o'clock last night and by 6 o'clock the party expected to be in Bluffton. Chris Seabold was at the helm, and the good ship was sailing along nicely until the little town of Henpeck was reached when a tire burst with a report like a cannon. It was sent for a new tire nothing else doing. A carriage from the Seabold livery with Walter Grove and a new tire aboard, hustled to the scene, and while the work was being done the ladies desired to return in the carriage expecting to beat the machine home. They had reached the Wasson farm, two miles east of Bluffton where the Clover Leaf crosses the pike, and there Mr. Seabold overtook them. They climbed aboard the machine, and reached Bluffton at half past nine, serene as though nothing had ever happened, and with a compact never to tell a word. None of them did, for women always keep a secret, but it leaked out, and about three gentlemen in Bluffton are still grinning at frequent intervals and are asking the ladies how they enjoyed the trip, whether the automobile ran fast enough to suit them, and other leading and pertinent questions.—Bluffton Banner.

Postmaster Dyke Frisinger has received a letter from the fourth assistant postmaster at Washington asking information concerning the trial of automobiles for the rural route deliveries. No experiments have been made by Decatur carriers, but elsewhere in the state there are a number in use. It is stated that one carrier out of Daleville has a machine and that it has proven a success. There are but few routes in this county but that automobiles could be used. The roads are in excellent shape and Adams county is in a shape to have automobile mail service.

It is stated that the postal department is adverse to the use of motorcycles as one day the mail comes early and on the next, on account of inclement weather, does not come until much later in the day. The authorities hope to so organize the service that in a short time rural route carriers may yet be at the same place each day.

It is believed that the present investigation is to determine if delivery of mail by autos is desirable. If it is, it is probable that the department will adopt a machine that will be serviceable in all kinds of weather. It is believed that a solid rubber tire on the high wheel machines would be selected. In this way each carrier would be able to cover twice as much ground and therefore would receive extra.

Chicago is base ball mad at the present time. The great series of three games between the Cubs and the New York Giants is on at Chicago and the papers state the largest crowd that ever saw a ball game in that city will attend today. On account of the closeness of the pennant race, the two teams will fight desperately for the game. The Cubs have already the first game, that of Thursday, and are confident of taking three straight.

Another successful fair to the credit of the Great Northern association closed Friday night with the last heat of the five-eighths mile run, just as the sun sank on schedule time 6:23. Friday's crowd, while not as large as Thursday's, was a fairly good one, and every one enjoyed the event.

We are unable to state at this time whether or not the 1908 fair has been a success financially, but we do know that they gave us a great show and that those who were not satisfied are mighty hard to please. It was clean, in every detail. The only bugaboo was the balloon ascension and that was no fault of the association as they contracted with Hogan Bros. for this feature each day and they received no pay, excepting for Wednesday, when the wind prevented the start. Just why they four-flushed as they did is not known, but they apparently never intended to send up the big balloon.

In the first event of yesterday's race, the 2:15 pace, the track record was broken when Lady D, owned by Allen, of Indianapolis, went the long mile in 2:12 1/4 and in the second heat this mark was equalled by Maconder, owned by Albin, of Springfield, Ohio. By the way this was the greatest race ever witnessed here. There were eight starters and six of them lasted four heats, and four finished. Maconder stumbled and fell in the fourth heat but won the race because Stephen Decatur, who took the fourth and fifth heats, had been in seventh place in two previous heats and thus fell short in the summary.

The 2:30 trot went to Victorene in straight heats but was chased all the way around each time. The 2:16 trot failed to fill, two drivers refusing to start at the last minute and the race was called off, disappointing many who especially wished to see Alacer, a Bluffton horse, go down the line. However, the management were in no way to blame. The five-eighths mile run and repeat was changed to a dash, because of the approaching shades of night and was taken by Blue Satan in a game finish on the stretch.

The judges for Friday's races were A. A. Boch, J. M. Miller and H. A. Worden, of Marion, and the timekeepers, J. W. Zizzard, D. D. Clark and J. C. Grandstaff.

THE SUMMARY.

2:15 Pace—Purse \$350—
Maconder5 1 1 6 4.....1
Stephen Decatur4 7 7 1 1.....2
Lady D1 2 3 3 2.....3
Fanny Bowers2 3 2 2 3.....4
Jay Co. Boy6 4 6 4 dr.
M. F. V.7 5 4 dr.
L. M. Williamson3 6 4 5 dr.
Rex R.8 dis.
Best time 2:12 1/4.

2:30 trot, purse \$300—
Victorene1 1 1.....1
Ladey Vancodor3 2 2.....2
Alvin Jr.3 4 3 4.....4
Best time 2:25 1/4.

Five-eighths mile run, \$100—
Blue Satan1.....1
Fay2.....2
Belle of Rockford4.....4
Oswego4.....4
Sea Gull5.....5
Time 1:02.

A PATERNITY SUIT WAS FILED

By a Jay County Girl—Two Notaries Appointed.

A paternity suit was filed in circuit court, Daisy Butcher, of Bear Creek township, Jay county, being the complainant. She accuses Oliver Wade, of Wabash township, of being the cause of her trouble. The case was first heard before Squire Vesey, of Geneva, who bound Wade over to court in the sum of \$600.

Frank D. Brewster, of Jefferson township, has received his appointment as a notary public and filed bond for \$1,000. A similar appointment was also received by Jesse A. Buckmaster, also of Jefferson township.

John C. Cowen has decided to Salina Barnett part of lot 24 Pleasant Mills for \$300. Fred Scheiman transferred part of outlot 18, Decatur, to Samuel Simison for \$1,400. Charles Lehman deeded to Fred Welty part of inlot 349 Berne for \$2,500. Daniel Welty deeded 60 acres in Monroe township to Claude Lehman for \$7,455.

Will Marquart went to Decatur today to attend the fair. Mr. Marquart this morning received from the Midland Coffee company a handsome open face, filled case watch with Elgin works, as a reward to him for his services for the company. He has represented the company for several weeks and his value to the company is demonstrated by the present.—Bluffton Banner.

Miss Bessie Baumgartner is making a few days' visit with Miss Cleo Studabaker at Bluffton. She returned this morning with Miss Studabaker who was making a visit with her in this city.

While riding a horse which was hitched to a harrow at the place farmed by his brother, Henry, Edmund, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Annan, of Preble township, was thrown from the animal with such force that his arm was broken, causing him much pain. The horse became frightened and started to run, throwing the boy to the ground with the above stated result. A Decatur physician was hastily summoned and the bones were set and the boy will in all probability recover without much inconvenience.

Oscar Fritzinger, the carpenter, residing at Monmouth, sustained a painful injury while working on the Magley house, under construction at that place. He was pursuing his duties when he stepped on a big spike nail which was protruding through a board, the nail nearly penetrating his foot. An examination made by a physician disclosed the fact that there is much danger of blood poison and everything known to medical science is being done to prevent same.

A letter from Mott, North Dakota, announces the fact that Robert Beery, son of Joseph D. Beery, of this city, auditor of Hettinger county, left the North Dakota town last Tuesday with the state exhibit, his appointment to have charge of same, having been made some time ago. "Bob" as he is commonly known here is in Chicago this week and will be at the Indianapolis state fair. He requests that his Decatur friends who attend the fair call on him. Mr. Beery located at Mott, a few years ago and has progressed wonderfully. He was elected as the first auditor of the county of Hettinger and was so efficient in the discharge of his duties that he was re-elected this spring. Now that he is appointed by the state officers of North Dakota to represent them in the exhibit at the different fairs is a further demonstration of his prominence. "Bob" is a hustler and bids fair to live a remarkable career.

CAME TO LIFE AGAIN.

Marvelous Restoration of Man Dead Three Minutes.

A young man of Brooklyn, N. Y., Oscar Culver, was dead for three minutes in the eastern district hospital, Brooklyn. Then by means of a powerful heart stimulant and artificial respiration to get his lungs into play again the doctors brought him back to life. His heart was beating, he was breathing today, but his hold on life was most precarious. Culver is twenty-nine years old. He has been in bad health for a long time, but up to four weeks ago worked in a rolling mill. His physician found that Culver had tuberculosis, complicated by rheumatism, and a fortnight ago had him removed to the hospital. The nurse in the ward reported that Culver was dead. It happened, luckily for Culver, that Dr. Michael Jaeger, of the visiting staff was in the office. Dr. Jaeger believed Culver was dead, but he said he wanted to see the body and try an experiment. He hurried to the ward where Culver lay and made some of the tests for death. The pupils of Culver's eyes did not respond to irritation. He was pulseless at his wrist; his heart was not beating; he had ceased to breathe. To all appearances he was as dead as a man could be. Still, hurriedly, Dr. Jaeger injected under the skin over the heart of the seeming corpse one-tenth of a grain of strychnia. Instantly, too, Dr. Jaeger performed artificial respiration trying to inflate and empty Culver's lungs systematically, as in natural breathing. Three minutes had passed since Miss Ryan thought Culver died, when he sighed ever so faintly. All the doctors in the hospital heard the astounding news and hurried to the cot they relieved each other in keeping up artificial respiration. Pretty soon Culver breathed less weakly and his heart beat more regularly. Then he opened his eyes and stared fixedly into the world from which by all the signs known to medical men, he had made his exit.

A series of petty thefts seems to be occurring in the western part of our city and some definite action should be taken to put a stop to such misdemeanors. A home on north Eighth street was entered into one afternoon this week, but fortunately only a few dollars were taken by the thief or thieves. On another occasion the wouldbe intruders were frightened away by the barking of the family dog. This should cease and the guilty parties if caught ought to be dealt with severely and given a good jail sentence.

Prof. Irt Hicks weather forecast is out and as usual is filled with storms hot spells, etc. Sometimes the mark is hit right to the dot and others he is a very long way from it. Anyhow weather man, hurry up and give us some rain.

Well, we went to the fair Thursday, and as predicted, we liked it. Everything was just as represented. There were more people, more exhibits, more stands, more snows, better attractions and better races than we ever saw on the Great Northern grounds. The only thing on the program that "fizzled" was the balloon ascension, which failed to ascend. It was dated for four o'clock and at that hour was nearly ready for the "cut loose" when the big bag caught fire and before the blaze was under control several holes big enough to let the gas escape had caused a collapse and the ascension was postponed again. It will go today, unless something else happens. The crowd was orderly and everything went along in an easy old-fashioned manner with everybody happy. The judges on cattle, poultry, horses, hogs, sheep, etc., were busy during the day and completed their work.

THE RACES.

A great race card was furnished the thousands who visited the grounds yesterday and each event was pulled off as advertised. W. H. Fleming, of Fort Wayne, again gave the starting signal and got the horses away nicely each heat, showing his cleverness and proving his ability. The judges were H. L. Conter, of this city, W. H. Meyers, of Fort Wayne and Wilbur Longacher, of Winchester, with Dr. Leslie, of Convoys, Ohio, Dr. D. D. Clark and Dr. J. M. Miller as timekeepers.

The first race was the 2:25 class pace and eight horses started in the first heat. It was a "hoss" race all the way around, Marie R nosing the others out. She also took the next two heats and the race.

In the 2:24 trot, where seven were entered, but three drove out when called. Then Tom Dellinger got mad and took his horse to the barn, leaving only Electric Belle and Rose Riley, but they furnished a good race. Electric took the first heat, but couldn't stay on her feet after that and Rose took three straight. The \$500 stake race went to Elector Hal in straight heats with Legal Jr. second and best time 2:14.

SUMMARY.

2:25 Pace, \$350—
Marie R1 1 1.....1
Guliver Chimes2 2 3.....2
Shl Carlton4 6 2.....3
Black Leon3 3 6.....4
Chas Patchen6 4 4
Battling Nelson7 dis.
Jessie Moore5 5 5
Beautella dis.
Best time 2:17 1/4.

2:24 Trot—\$350—
Rose Riley2 1 1.....1
Electric Belle1 2 2.....2
Best time 2:25 1/4.

2:20 Pace—\$500—
Elector Hal1 1 1.....1
Legal Jr.3 2 2.....2
John A2 3 3.....3
Black Twister4 4 4.....4
Best time 2:14 1/4.

Half Mile Run—Purse \$75—
Fay1 1.....1
Lady Rathmore2 2.....2
Frank Bill3 3.....3
Walter Douglas4 dr.
Best time .52.

SUMMARY WEDNESDAY.

3 Minute County Pace or Trot; Purse \$80.
Rex Pontius, 3 3 1.....1
Fred S. Litchfield 1 2 2.....2
Tulley Ozin 2 3 3.....3
Best time 2:35.

2:20 Trot, Purse \$350.
J. A. S. 1 1 1.....1
Truxton McGregor 2 dis.
Carrie H. 3 dis.
Best time 2:20 1/4.

2:18 Pace, Purse \$350.
Lady Greatheart 2 1 1.....1
Peter Tromby 1 2 3.....2
Eliza Jane 4 3 2.....3
Jesse Dillard 3 5 4.....4
Dandy Coral 5 6 dis.
Lecton 6 4 5
Best time 2:15 1/2.

County Run, Purse \$100.
Oswego 1.....1
Belle of Rockford 2.....2
Lilya M. 3.....3
Best time 2:52.

5,776 tickets were sold yesterday, be-

The Herald has been badly handicapped the past two weeks, because of a breakdown of our newspaper press. As yet we have been unable to learn the cause or extent of the trouble, but we do know that we had to take our newspaper forms of The Herald to Decatur, where this week's Herald was printed on the presses of the Decatur Democrat through the courtesy of Manager John Heller of that popular paper.—Willshire Herald.

It may not be generally known to patrons of the telephone companies on rural lines, that it is a crime to divulge any conversation overheard on the lines which is intended only for the parties talking. It has so been decided by the supreme court of the state of New York. So if you should "happen" to hear anything, you had better keep it to yourself.