

At a few minutes after one o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Coroner Dr. J. C. Grandstaff, filed the report of his inquest upon Jacob Mangold, who died while at work on the Lachot road last Thursday afternoon and within an hour after having been struck by a heavy club in the hands of one Charles Wolfe, who has since been in jail on a charge of murder. The report, however, tends to clear Mr. Wolfe of the terrible charge as the examinations showed that death was due to a diseased heart. Prosecutor Henry B. Heller stated this afternoon that he had not determined fully what course he would proceed and that he did not care to make a statement at this time. The reports follow:

CORONER'S REPORT.

After having gone over the report of the post mortem examination held by Drs. Charles S. Clark and Phillip B. Thomas and having heard the testimony of the witnesses present at the time of the death of Jacob Mangold, I find that the deceased in my opinion came to his death by cardiac failure and not by violence. The cardiac failure being probably due to the calcareous deposits on the mitral and tricuspid valves, also a stenosis of the above mentioned valves and a fatty degeneration of the base of the aorta. Anger and excitement might also be considered a factor in hastening a fatal collapse and death from the fact that during the period of excitement and anger the heart was left in a weakened condition by there being an over supply of blood to the brain.

J. C. GRANDSTAFF,
Coroner Adams County, Ind.
Oct. 13, 1908.

POST-MORTEM.

The report of Drs. P. B. Thomas and C. S. Clark as to the result of the post-mortem examination recites that on October 9th they conducted such an examination in the presence of the coroner, prosecuting attorney and others. They describe the wound on the forehead which reached the skull and was one-half inch by three-fourths inch in size. There was no fracture of the skull and no hemorrhage of the brain, nothing to show concussion and no irregularities were found as to the stomach, kidneys, spleen, pancreas or liver. The gall bladder contained eight or ten gall stones. The lungs were healthy except a small cartilaginous lump about one-fourth inch in diameter on the surface of the middle lobe of the right lung. Upon opening the pericardium to expose the heart, the cavity was found to contain besides the heart one or two ounces of a clear straw-colored liquid. Masses of fat were noted about the base of the heart and extending down the sides of the heart between the ventricles. The muscular walls of the heart seemed to be in very good condition, but the valves between the auricles and ventricles on both sides of the heart were found to be the seat of atheromatous and fatty degenerations. This atheromatous disease of the system affecting especially the heart as in this case, frequently terminates in sudden unexpected death, and it is our opinion that Jacob Mangold died on October 8, 1908, from this cause.

EVIDENCE OF WITNESSES.

Attached to the report also is the testimony as sworn to at the inquest by Ed Hurst, Charles Lord, Jeremiah Archbold, Grover Difenour and Samuel Magley, telling the story of how Mr. Mangold met his death on last Thursday.

NEW LAWS NOT READY YET

Will Be Published About First of November.

Frank I. Grubbs, deputy secretary of state, said recently that it likely would be the latter part of the month before the work of publishing the acts of the special session of the legislature is complete. Although only seven bills were passed at the special session, the time required for publication will be almost as long as that required for publishing the acts of a regular session. More than 20,000 copies will be published, and while the work of printing will not amount to much, it will require just as much time to bind 20,000 small volumes as it would be to bind as many large ones. All of the measures passed by the legislature had emergency clauses except the local option bill and one bill regulating the use of bits in coal mines. These that had emergency clauses became laws as soon as they had been signed by the governor.

TO TAKE THE STUMP FOR BRYAN
Ex-Senator Clark, of Montana, in the Thick of the Campaign.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—Asserting the business interest of the country would be benefitted by the election of W. J. Bryan, ex-Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, said he would take the stump. Mr. Clark called at headquarters and conferred with National Chairman Mack. Mr. Clark said: "Mr. Bryan is making a most remarkable campaign, and I believe his chances are far better than were those in any of his previous contests. He has behind him a truly united Democracy. To me the most foolish thing about this campaign is the prediction of the opponent of Mr. Bryan that the election of the Democratic nominee would injure business prospects and bring about a panic. It will be difficult for Mr. Bryan to do more to disturb business conditions than has Mr. Roosevelt. I have investments in various parts of the country, and as a business man I don't hesitate to say I would not vote for a man whose election, in my opinion, would injure the business interests of the nation. I believe the election of Mr. Bryan would stimulate the business world, and place it on a firm and healthy basis." Mr. Clark will make several speeches in Montana and other states.

A GOOD ATTENDANCE.

At the Evangelical Church—Rev. Tracy Preached.

Although somewhat tired by the heavy work of Sunday, the people came out again Monday evening to the gospel meetings. Monday evening generally is considered an inopportune time to get an audience, yet the auditorium was well filled with people. Rev. Tracy took his text from Ephesians 5:14: "Wherefore he saith awake thou that sleepest and arise from the dead and Christ shall give thee light." His theme was "The Sin of Indifference." He spoke of the need of natural sleep and invigorating effect upon the human body; but, said he, there is a sleep that is dangerous—soul sleeping. Such slumbering is sure to bring death, not only to the church, but also to immortal souls. Being awake means light both in a physical and spiritual sense. There will be services each day throughout the week at 2:00 and 7:30 p. m. You are most heartily invited to all these special meetings.

Daniel Bailey for two years proprietor of the Peoples restaurant, who recently disposed of the place of business to Jacob Martin, has left for Oklahoma, where he expects to enter business in the event that he finds a desirable location. Mr. Bailey is a business man of ability and while here enjoyed a liberal patronage from the people, making many acquaintances during his stay. Several weeks ago he sold the restaurant to Mr. Martin on account of ill health, and has gone west primarily for the reason that he wishes to benefit his health. A farewell party was given Sunday in his honor by his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Houghton, at their home on west Adams street and a delightful time was enjoyed by all present. Mr. Bailey expects to enter the bakery business at Oklahoma. He will go direct to Bartlettville, where, if the proposition appeals to him, he will purchase such a business. He has the well wishes of his Decatur friends.

The members of the local order of Rebekahs have planned a delightful time for next Tuesday evening (one week from tonight), when the president and treasurer of the assembly will be present. The president, Mrs. Artie Andrews, of Lafayette and treasurer, Mrs. Katie I. Michaels, are on their annual inspecting tour, visiting the various chapters, a report of which will be made to the head officials. For Tuesday evening it has been arranged to give initiatory work to candidates and beside this and a musical program, an elaborate banquet will be in order. An event of this nature calls imperatively for the presence of each member that a good showing will be made and it is hoped that a goodly number will attend and enjoy the festivities of the occasion.

Mr. Herman Gillig went to Monroe this afternoon, where he will take charge of the new Monroe Hay, Grain and Milling Co. plant. The company made no mistake in securing the services of Mr. Gillig, as he is a competent man. He formerly worked at the Bremerkamp flour mill.

David E. Scott vs. L. A. Graham, suit for an accounting, demurrer to complaint, overruled, to which ruling defendant excepts.

Rurody Dry Goods Co. vs. Frederick Schafer, suit on account, demurrer overruled; answer filed, general denial. The defendant also filed twenty interrogatories which plaintiff is ordered to answer within ten days.

P. B. Dykeman, has been granted a hunter's license, good for one year from date.

Joseph W. Smith, executor of the Polly Steele will, filed final report, notice being for October 31.

Orlen S. Fortney et al has transferred to Sarah A. Tindall, a tract of land in St. Marys township, for \$800.

A crowd that comfortably filled the court room heard the issues of the day thoroughly discussed Monday evening by Judge Edward O'Rourke and Judge R. K. Erwin, of Fort Wayne. Chairman Gallogly presided and after a song or two by the glee club, introduced Judge O'Rourke, who spoke for an hour, in his interesting and capable way, touching first on the splendid traits of character of the Democratic candidate, W. J. Bryan, who he proved was honest, sincere, fearless and of ability. He then dwelt upon the revision of the tariff, the publicity of the campaign funds, the bank guarantee and other important features of the Democratic platform. He was listened to attentively throughout. Judge Erwin followed in one of the best campaign speeches ever heard in Decatur, and the audience cheered his almost every sentence and when he tried to close cried "go on," "give us some more." He criticized the Republican administration, state and national for the enormous increase in expenses, which more than doubles that of the last Democratic administration, fourteen years ago. Judge Erwin also explained the bank guarantee plank of the platform and kept the crowd in a good humor while pouring in the hot shots. Don't fail to hear Adair tomorrow evening.

One of the brilliant events in this week's social circles was the function of Monday night given at home of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Myers in commemoration of the seventy-fifth birthday of the latter's mother, Mrs. Sarah Hower. The sons and daughters of the aged woman and their families including Dallas Hower, Mrs. Ferdinand Nichols, Mrs. D. W. Beery and Messrs and Mesdames Jesse Dailey and Jesse Sellemeyer gathered at the home where a delightful social session ensued. An old fashioned taffy pulling furnished a prominent feature in the evening's entertainment and many occurrences of ancient times were reminiscently spoken of by the members of the family. Mrs. Hower, in whose honor the event was given, although past her seventy-fifth year, is hale and hearty and apparently she will live to enjoy several more such occasions. We can vouch that she enjoyed the meeting with her children and grandchildren very much.

In the presence of immediate friends and relatives, Miss Myrtle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Beachler and Attorney Fred Fruchte, of this city, were joined in the holy bonds of wedlock yesterday at one o'clock. Dr. C. B. Wilcox employed the ever impressive ring ceremony in joining the lives of this popular couple, who are well and favorably known in this vicinity. Immediately after the ceremony, a wedding dinner was served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fruchte and daughter Lucy, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reppert, W. H. Beachler and family, Dr. C. B. Wilcox and Miss Vera Meyers. Mr. and Mrs. Fruchte left this afternoon on their wedding tour and before their return they will visit New York, Buffalo, Washington, D. C., and other cities. The contracting parties have a host of admirers in Decatur. The bride is an accomplished young lady and moves in the best society the city affords, while the groom is one of Decatur's progressive attorneys. The well wishes of all are extended. Mr. and Mrs. Fruchte will be at home on south Third street after ten days.

On the evening of the twenty-sixth day of this month the Modern Woodmen camp of this city will take a class of candidates to Fort Wayne for initiation. It is expected that at least forty candidates will be given the work at that time. All are expecting a grand time.

Bluffton, Ind., Oct. 13.—Sheriff W. A. Lipkey arrived in this city at 3:40

o'clock this afternoon from Richmond with John W. Terrell his prisoner, and Terrell is now lodged in a cell in the Wells county jail in this city awaiting another trial on the charge of murdering his son-in-law, Melvin Wolfe. When the sheriff arrived he and his prisoner left the Union Traction car directly opposite the jail and as the hour for their arrival was not known there were less than half a dozen there to greet Terrell or to stare curiously at him. These few he did not give any heed and even those whom he had known in former years he did not appear to recognize. Later a number of people whom he had known well in former years, among them a newspaper reporter, called at the jail but he gave no greeting of recognition to any of them. He appeared to have little recollection of his surroundings and, when asked what the Grand opera house building across the street was, said he did not know. He had helped plan and build it. When one friend at the jail, whom he failed to recognize, told Terrell his name he did not appear even to recognize the name, and excused himself by saying: "You know I have been away a long time." He volunteered no information and answered questions shortly, and most of those who talked to him expressed the opinion that he did not appear to be in full possession of his mental faculties now. He also apparently has hallucinations for when asked by a reporter how he felt he said that he was the best man on earth and only this morning tipped the scales at 300 pounds. His correct weight is about 210 pounds. When Terrell's case is again called in circuit court it will come up before Judge Sturgis, but he will not sit as trial judge. He was one of Terrell's attorneys in the first trial and will have to appoint a special judge to hear the case. Judge R. K. Erwin, of Decatur, had been appointed special judge, but his term has expired and a new special judge will have to be given jurisdiction. This is the last week of the present term of court here and it does seem probable that the case will be called before the November term, although Terrell's attorneys might call it up in some phase this week. It will not go to trial at least before November. The November term will open November 16.

Camp 6, Cebu-Toledo Road, Aug. 30.

Dear Father—Well this is Sunday, and writing time again. I have felt just bum enough today that I came very nearly not writing. Tonight I feel about as strong as a cat. I took some of your medicine today noon, however, and I am commencing to feel better. Tomorrow morning early we start on a two weeks' trip to Bohole. I am to handle the level. We are to locate about 10 miles of road up through the mountains across the lower end of Bohole. About the only thing that I hate about this being so weak is that the transit man is quite a bluffer and says with a 100 yards start he can leave me away back, while in every trial yet I have sat down behind the transit and waited for him to get ahead. I am afraid now that he will be pretty nearly able to live up to his threat. I like this place fine, get all kinds of practice in all kinds of engineering connected with road building. I was to finish up the monthly estimates today, but I am afraid that they will have to wait for a couple of weeks now, a thing which frequently happens in this country. I haven't seen the inside of a church since I have been here. The nearest church is 15 miles away, and they only have church in English there in the evening. All of the men here have squaws, and they certainly know how to use them rotten. I think from all I have seen, however, that my own position is the best, even from a financial point of view even though the men here do think that I am an oddity.

I have a lot of pictures to send you when I come back. They take in all of my views that turned out well from Angola to here. I would send them now, but I have not written the description on the back. I am going to exchange views with some other fellows and then I will have a lot more to send.

Well, I guess this all for this time. So long. BERT.

Mrs. A. J. Blake-Hedges, of Geneva, was in the city this morning for the purpose of starting a china painting class at the home of E. B. Adams. She met with much encouragement, and will return later and complete arrangements.

Rev. L. C. Hessert, pastor of the Decatur German Reformed church has returned from Kiel, Wis., where for several days he was in attendance at the business sessions of the synod. Rev. Hessert accompanied by Matthias Kirsch, the latter representing the congregation, left here October fifth, Rev. Hessert stopping at Sheboygan, Wis., to visit the school he attended when preparing for the ministry. Leaving there Wednesday he arrived at Kiel in ample time to attend the initial session and business affecting all of the churches was transacted. One hundred and twenty-five ministers beside the many elders formed the largest attendance ever had at a synod, a feature very encouraging to the officials. The chief topic of discussion was relative to mission work, the fact being revealed that students for the ministry were grossly inadequate in number to care for the fields which have been opened, reluctant to the wonderful progress the church has experienced. The project of dividing the synod was extensively discussed it practically being decided that Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Kentucky will form one and the other division is to be composed of the northwestern states. However this will be decided at the general synod to be held at Canton, Ohio, two years hence. Committees were appointed from the thirteen classes of the synod to investigate as to the practicability of the division and Matthias Kirsch of this city was chosen as president of the committee, an honor well appreciated. Among other important matters, two new professors were engaged for the Franklin, Wis., college in the persons of Prof. Dahmann, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Prof. Hafer, of Ebenezer, N. Y. We are informed by Rev. Hessert that the church is, at the present time undergoing unprecedented progress and every department is looming up in a way that becomes the organization.

The ticket sale for "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" goes merrily on and it is safe to say that a record breaking crowd will attend the Pythian Sisters benefit at Bosse opera house Monday evening, Oct. 19th. The play will be staged by local talent and the direction of Henry Thomas and from the interest taken and the efforts put forth by the cast and big double chorus the performers will no doubt surprise even their most intimate friends by the excellent and finished performance they will give. The play is a delightful musical comedy and cannot fail to please any lover of good live spirited music. The chorus will be beautifully and sumptuously gowned and you will laugh until your sides ache at the irresistible comedy of the lines. The musical program:

No. 1—Opening chorus
..... "The Buster Brown Girls"
No. 2—Broncho Buster Jim...Mr. Carroll, Cowboy Girls and Broncho Busters.
No. 3—Morning, Cy.....Mr. Helm and Sunbonnet Sues.
No. 4—Won't you be My Baby Boy Miss Holthouse
No. 5—Somebody Lied.....
.....Company and ensemble
No. 6—Summertime.....Mr. Johnson and the Summer Girls and Beaus.
No. 7—Don't Be Cross with Me....
.....Miss Holthouse and Mr. Carroll
No. 8—Dixie Dan.....Mr. Ellis and chorus.

No. 9—Take Me Out to the Ball Game.....Miss Kintz and the Rooters
No. 10—Down in Jungle Town....
Miss Patterson and the Kaffir Kids
No. 11—Grand finale..... Company and chorus.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Dan Gillespie...Mr. Clayton Carroll
Jenkins Jobson.....J. J. Helm
Deacon Smith.....Sam Shamp
Sally.....Miss May Holthouse
Miss Camson.....Miss Minnie Orvis
Louisiana.....Mr. Walter Johnson
Master Gillespie.....Master Johnny Holthouse.

The price of tickets will be twenty-five cents to every one. Seats reserved without extra charge at the Holthouse drug store, beginning at 8 a. m. on day of show. The proceeds of the show are for the benefit of Pythian Sisters to be used in furnishing their rooms in the new Pythian home. If you haven't bought a ticket do it now. If you miss this one you miss the brightest, funniest and most musical of any home talent yet seen in the city. Remember the date, October 19th.

W. L. Keller, the progressive Monroe merchant, has an announcement in this issue which should interest the people in that vicinity.

New York, October 14.—The labor vote is the one factor on which the outcome of the election now turns. This is the statement frankly made by managers at both national headquarters today. Both crowds are nervous and worried. The Democrats make more show of confidence, but the Republicans seem to be doing the most work. President Roosevelt has practically taken charge of the fight for the labor vote and has put into the field an immense number of labor leaders who are his personal and political friends. The national and state committees of both parties are also keeping out just as many men as they can command and finance on the same work. These men, for the larger part are not making speeches. They are quietly going about, talking to the men and trying to convince them by personal appeal. Ohio is the center of labor disaffection, and this is the feature which gives the Republicans their fear of that state. There is no doubt that the fear is genuine. No effort is made to conceal it, though it is declared conditions are now improving, and that the swing seems to have set in in a fashion which gives ground to hope it will continue to the end. The Republicans have felt out centers of disaffection in labor ranks with the Gompers political program, and are working hard to make the most of this condition. There are many jealousies among the leaders and would-be leaders, it is said, which make it difficult for Gompers to hold his forces. Many labor papers would oppose the Gompers program, it is said, but for the fact that their charters as official organs depend on the good will of the national leaders. A Republican manager said today: "The Democrats, through Vice-Chairman Hudspeth, today put out a claim to about every state with an important labor vote. He said: 'We place now in our sure Democratic list, the states of New York, Maryland, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana and Nebraska. The debatable states are New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Illinois and Wisconsin. From Illinois our report of this morning is that Bryan sentiment is now at fever heat, and while the state was regarded as close two weeks ago, our people make very strong claims that we shall carry it. In Connecticut the German, labor and colored votes are with us and we never had them before. Lilly for Governor is conceded even by the Republicans to be beaten. We have a careful report from leading Delaware Democrats which reviews the situation and declares we are certain to carry the state.' Republican headquarters decline to make comment on Mr. Hudspeth's statement, except to observe that Chairman Hitchcock recently made a statement claiming most of the states which Hudspeth calls both Democratic and doubtful. It was observed, however, that Mr. Hudspeth a week ago claimed New Jersey as certain to go Democratic, while he now rates it "debatable."

Indianapolis, Oct. 13.—Will H. Hays, chairman of the Republican speakers' bureau, tonight announced the complete list of cities and towns to be visited by W. H. Taft, Republican nominee for president, during his speaking tour of Indiana, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 22, 23 and 24. But two night meetings will be held in Indiana as Mr. Taft will go to Chicago Saturday night to speak at the rally to be held in that city.

Mr. Taft's Indiana itinerary is as follows:

Thursday, October 22—Lawrenceburg, Aurora, Osgood, North Vernon, Seymour, Brownstown, Mitchell, Bedford, Indian Springs, Elmore, Linton, Terre Haute, Sullivan, Vincennes, Princeton and Evansville.

Friday, October 23—Brazil, Greencastle, Crawfordsville, Lafayette, Kokomo, Franfort, Greentown, Marion, Muncie, Anderson, Knightstown, Rushville, Shelbyville and Indianapolis.

Saturday, October 24—Greenfield, Richmond, Winchester, Portland, Decatur, Fort Wayne, Columbia City, Warsaw, Goshen, Elkhart, South Bend, Laporte, Michigan City, Hammond and Chicago.

There will be a pole raising at the nine-mile house this evening Judge R. K. Erwin and Harry Kennerk are the principal speakers. A special car will be run from Fort Wayne on the traction line.

Mrs. J. E. Moser who has been in quite poor health for some months, but who was thought to be improving since returning from the hospital, is again in a rather serious condition and will be taken to the hospital again tomorrow.