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Ed Galleyer, democrat, will serve as assessor of Preble township, according to the decision of the inspectors of the north and south precincts, who met Tuesday night at office of the township trustee, Mr. Louis Kline to decide the question. They would have preferred not to have been called for such duty, but the task devolved upon them according to law, and there was nothing else to do. Accordingly they met as stated and decided to toss a penny, head or tail, the winner to be declared the duly elected official. This was done and Gallmeyer was successful over his opponent. Neither of the candidates were present, but Trustee Kline announced the verdict this morning. While this method of deciding a tie may seem rather odd, it is provided in the election law that in such cases the same shall be determined by lot. Mr. Gallmeyer should prove a capable officer and it is hoped that the troubles in that formidable democratic stronghold will soon be forgotten.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 11.—Andrew Smith, secretary of the Indiana Bankers' Association, opened headquarters at the Claypool Hotel last night and before his office closed nearly a hundred bankers from various parts of the state had registered. More will come in this morning and it is expected that 300 or 400 of the financial men will attend the annual meetings today and tomorrow. The executive council of the association held a meeting at the Claypool last night to arrange the final details for the meetings of the convention and everything seemed to point to a most successful meeting. The most attractive feature of the program as it appears to the bankers is the address by Henry Clews, the New York banking and financial expert. Mr. Clews will arrive at 7 o'clock this morning and his subject will be "Monetary and Trade Situation and Prospects." Much interest is being manifested in his address by the visiting bankers. The bankers' section will meet at the Claypool Hotel at 10 o'clock this morning and at 2 o'clock the trust company division will meet. The Rev. M. L. Haines, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will open both meetings. Various subjects of special interest to the bankers and the trust division men will come up for discussion in which all present will be given an opportunity to participate. Following the meetings today there will be a joint meeting tomorrow morning at the Claypool in which both the bankers and trust company men will participate. This evening there will be a smoker at the German House, a feature of which will be a debate between Indianapolis and Chicago chapters of the American Institute of Banking on bank guarantee. While the bankers are having a good time here the ladies who accompany them to the convention will attend the theater. Tomorrow evening the convention will come to an end with the annual banquet at the Claypool Hotel. Tomorrow afternoon those attending the convention will have an opportunity to look after business matters or to see the city, there being no program for the afternoon.

National bank and C. S. Niblick of the Old Adams County bank left early this morning to be in attendance at the meeting of the bankers, and will represent their institutions.

A long step toward the settlement of the Elm street sewer difficulty was taken Tuesday when the G. R. & I. Toledo, St. Louis and Western and the Chicago and Erie railroad companies withdrew their support from local people in the proposed litigation and paid, collectively, \$1,400 or their respective assessments to John S. Bowers. There is probably no other improvement ever made in Adams County over which such a controversy has arisen as in this case, and it will be remembered that the three railroad companies pledged their support with the local people in bringing about litigation. But little action has been taken lately, however, and the reason that the corporations failed to release their properties on the indebtedness, they have paid assessments in full, a check for being given to Mr. Bowers yesterday. It is not probable that the will be fought by the property owners now that the railroads have withdrawn their support, although they will take.

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Valair, Bohol, P. I., Sept. 20.

Dear Father—This is Sunday again and it is cloudy, cold and wet. I just got your two letters of July 13 and July 26. I had been away from camp two weeks and therefore away from communication with the outside world. Last Tuesday the high mogul came over and brought the mail with him. This man West is rather peculiar. He is a cuss and a driver. The man that now has the transit had the level before me and was never able to keep up with the party. He came very near once and then his rodman made a mistake and put him away back.

When I came out he proceeded to tell me how he would take 100 yards start and increase it to a mile by the time the day was over. He made all sorts of fun of me for not going with the bunch to the rough places and in general tried to make life miserable for the new man. When we made a survey of the Cebu Toledo road he took one-half days start and I caught him along toward evening and my rodman and his rear flagman camped on the same stake all the way to Camp 6. Then when we finished I ran check levels (a thing which was never done in the roads department before) and the levels checked to one foot to the mile. When we started here he took four hours the start over new country and I caught him the first day and never did let him get away. When we were about one-half way around the cliff which, by the way, was composed of almost perpendicular walls, I went back and started check levels. I then ran two sets of levels and kept up and the best was the levels checked fine. Two days before West came out I found a mistake of two degrees in my levels and went back and fished it out. I then went up one-half mile further and found another mistake, which I also fished out. The day the boss came out I quit at noon to help with preliminary 3,600 feet behind. He went back to the house and found my level book. We had worked several days in the rain and you can imagine how clean and nice the book looked. When I got in he went after me about my book. I said just enough to let him know how the levels had been running and kept still. The next morning he went with the party. They took 25 men and went ahead to help the transit man. I had one good native helper and my rodman. I caught the topographer at ten o'clock. At noon I was within shouting distance of the transit. Then I struck a mean patch of woods that held me for three hours. When I got through it I found the head man sitting on the road waiting. He was sitting where I had to go straight up a 1-1 slope or an angle of 45 degrees over loose rock, sticks, stumps and everything that makes it hard. He watched me come up and then started back without saying a word. At 4:30 my rodman camped with the rear flagman after my leveling three miles, over steep grades, some of them 20 per cent, and I had not hurt myself at all.

When we got back I said in an easy sort of way, "I think you fellows are pretty punk. Two Americans to boss the clearing, one man at transit and 25 men take 3,600 feet lead and let the levelman catch you." He walked over to where I was standing and said, "You can certainly run that level all right; no doubt about it at all; but you are just like a machine, no more feeling or passion than the level. A man that can run a level in that place and not cuss has no feeling at all. I don't hear any more from my friend the transit man about how he is going to beat me. Yesterday he and I kept even up till 11:30, when one of those tropical rains that you can't see through came up and filled my level with water. Then I came in. Up till 11:30 I ran 3½ miles. I have got a cold shower bath prepared for him when I get back to camp. I don't know how it will work and will not say anything until it works, and then if it doesn't work he will not have one. I don't think I will have any trouble holding even here, though. This is a fine country and a great place and this work is certainly interesting.

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woods at all and six months after it is all grown up again.

So long,

BERT.

KILLS MAN WHILE HUNTING.

North Dakota Man Stumbles With Tragic Result.

Calais, Me., Nov. 10.—Word was received here late today that the 14-year-old son of D. C. Rollins of St. Stephens, N. D., had been accidentally shot and killed by his father while deer hunting. Mr. Rollins stumbled when about to fire at a deer and his aim was diverted, the bullet passing through the neck of his son, who was in advance.

The Adams county apportionment of copies of the acts passed by the Hanly special session of the Indiana legislature have arrived at the county clerk's office and are being distributed by Mr. Haefling. The book is the smallest ever published for the purpose in Indiana, containing but twenty-eight pages, including index, fly leaf and frontis pages. The first chapter includes the appropriation bill, providing for the allowance of forty thousand dollars with which to meet the expenses of the session and including per diem and mileage. Chapter two sets out word for word that very interesting law known as Local option—An act to better regulate, restrict and control the sale of intoxicating liquors and providing for local option elections. Chapter three of the book has to do with the appropriations for the Indiana Girls' school, Indiana boys' school, Woman's prison, state soldiers home, reformatory, batte flags, the McCormick claim, a total of \$39,648.63. Chapter four arranges for the reversion of appropriations made at the previous session. Chapter five legalizes the contract made between the commissioners and contractors on the Southeastern hospital. The next one, number six, is the famous night-rider bill, an act to protect tobacco growing, while the seventh provides for an amendment to an act which governs coal-mines. The book closes with a report of the state treasurer and a list of the elective officers of the state at the head of which is that now famous and much-cussed originator of the special, J. Frank Hanly himself. Attached to each act is the emergency clause providing that they go into force immediately and as they are now published they are each a law as provided therein.

After the cold and pulseless forms of the deceased, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Patterson and son Van, have slept for many, many years in the old cemetery near the Clover Leaf depot, they have been removed to the Decatur cemetery in response to the request of the children, Mrs. J. S. Coverdale of this city and John M. Patterson, of Logansport, the latter having arrived to superintend the moving. The mention of the names of the above diverts the minds of the people to the early history of Adams county, when Thomas Patterson, a thrifty farmer of Root township was known for miles around. Though not born here, he was probably one of the very oldest pioneers of the county, and was highly respected by his every acquaintance. He was an uncle of Robert, George and J. C. Patterson of this city and died in 1879. The son Van Rensselaer, whose remains were also removed to the Decatur cemetery today, died in 1864, while at Memphis, Tenn., fighting for his country. His remains were shipped to Decatur. The mother also died at about this time. Mrs. Dr. J. S. Coverdale and brother John Patterson, of Logansport, have purchased a beautiful lot in the new cemetery, where the bodies have been buried together. Another son, Tale, who died a few years ago, and is buried in the new cemetery, will be removed to the new family lot. Horace Bothoff unearthed the remains and did the moving.

HIGH COURT TAKES RECESS.

Justice Fuller Announces Two Weeks for Preparation of Opinions.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Chief Justice Fuller today announced that, beginning on next Monday, the supreme court of the United States would be in recess for two weeks. The recess is for the purpose of permitting the members of the court to prepare opinions.

Mr. and Mrs. William Parent celebrated their twelfth wedding anniversary yesterday very appropriately, entertaining about fifty guests at their home for dinner. The event was a happy one, social chat and music furnishing prominent features. The goose roast for dinner was not the least of the features. The C. B. L. of I. have arranged to entertain in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Parent at their lodge room tonight, where dancing will be indulged in and refreshments served.

The C. W. B. M. will meet at the home of Mrs. Sarah Fisher Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock the following program has been arranged: Subject, Reports from the national convention and plans for C. W. B. M. day; leader Miss Sarah Segur; Bible lesson, Isaiah 40 chap. 9-11 and 28-31; roll call; sentence quotations from Bible; hymn; circle of prayers for the success of C. W. B. M. day; reading, The Spirit of Union; reading, This Do and Thou Shall Live; reading, Psalms That Have Won Battles; hymn; Business period; benediction.

Sunday brought an event into the life of Mr. Lewis Goldner, which he will not so soon forget. It being the anniversary of his 68th birthday. The children, grandchildren and friends arrived early in the morning and at noon all partook of the bountiful dinner served. The table and rooms were prettily decorated with chrysanthemums and ferns. Mr. Goldner was presented with an oak rocker and numerous other gifts while Mr. Goldner was pleasantly surprised by being presented with a French mirror. The day was pleasantly spent in a social chat, music was furnished by E. A. Goldner, August Fuhrman, Arta Shady and Charles Kirchner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Goldner, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Goldner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Goldner, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Haugk, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Horstman, from Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Werling from Preble; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Switz and baby from Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. A. Fuhrman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Breiner, Mr. G. Kirchner and Mr. F. Schanz from Fort Wayne; Earle Fuhrman, Roy Goldner, Helen Horstman, Irvin Goldner, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kirchner from Preble; Hills Fuhrman, True Goldner, Irene, Esther and Vernon Horstman, Gladys Goldner, Charles Kirchner, Alfred Goldner, Amelia Goldner, Julia Werling, Dallas Goldner and Edna Werling. Several photos were taken of the group by Mr. F. Schanz and also of the farm and surroundings.

One of the most beautiful weddings in this county occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Jack in Monroe township last Saturday evening when Miss Blanche Jack was united in marriage to Volney Stiner in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. The ceremony being performed by Rev. Frank Hartman, of Berne, after which a grand supper was given. The bride wore a beautiful gown of blue silk, while the groom was attired in brown. Those present were A. L. Macy and family, Portland, Ind.; John Miller and family and H. E. Jack, of Wills, Ohio; B. N. Allen and family and Mrs. F. M. Allen and children, Mrs. Vilas Haecker, Rev. Hartman and family and Miss Gladys Holmes, Berne; Mrs. D. L. Allen, John Lusk and family, William Reichard and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Rawley, Misses Della and Lavina Beiter, John Jack and family and Ed McAlhaney, Mr. and Mrs. Stiner were the recipients of many beautiful presents and we wish for them a long and happy journey through life.

Mrs. Fanny Cole will entertain a small company of friends at cards Friday evening and those invited are anticipating a delightful evening.

The members of the C. B. L. of I. met in regular session last night and transacted business of importance.

The regular meeting of the Modern Woodmen will be held tonight. All members should be present.

Mrs. John Bollinger of west Monroe street, was the charming hostess at a meeting held at her home by the W. R. C. social club this afternoon. Besides a delightful social session, important business was looked after.

Mrs. Bertha Heuer delightfully entertained the Ladies' Aid Society of the German Reformed church this afternoon. An elegant time was enjoyed by all present.

Indianapolis, Nov. 11.—Stephen B. Fleming's fine Italian hand is distinctly in evidence in the United States senatorship contest. Fleming is likely to be a very important, and certainly a very interesting, factor in the senatorial fight. The politicians who have their eyes trained on Fleming say he is the personification of activity. Their vision is not swift enough to detect all of his fine curves, but they do claim to have discovered that Fleming is organizing a coalition that may be able to hold the balance of power and control the selection of the next United States senator. Fleming is a genius as an organizer, as well as a monumental object lesson of industry, and as the newly elected state senator from Allen and Adams counties he is in a position to make his influence felt. Fleming has a rod in his pocket for John W. Kern, dating back to the time when the Fort Wayne man wanted to be state chairman and Mr. Kern failed to yield him the support he expected. Fleming then and there made it known in plain and forcible language that he would wait for a chance to "even the score" with Mr. Kern. From that day to this he and Mr. Kern never have spoken as they passed by. According to reports from inside sources Mr. Fleming has adopted the meat ax as his emblem in the senatorial campaign, and has started in to effect an organization that will make him the ruling factor in the contest. It is asserted that the candidacy of Edward G. Hoffman of Fort Wayne for the United States senatorship is a clever move of Fleming to hold the vote of the northeastern corner of the state until such a time as Fleming shall indicate. The announcement yesterday of the candidacy of Maj. G. V. Menzies of Mt. Vernon is construed as an omen of war. Maj. Menzies, like Mr. Fleming, is not an ardent admirer of John W. Kern. The charge was freely made by Mr. Kern's friends yesterday that Fleming and Menzies have an understanding and that they will "play ball" together in the senatorial game. Maj. Menzies and Fleming are close personal friends and the major's son, Capt. Menzies, formerly was in the employ of Mr. Fleming. Last night there was a conference of Maj. Menzies' leading supporters in Evansville, and arrangements were made to open headquarters at the Denison Hotel in a few days. A retinue of Maj. Menzies' friends will come to Indianapolis to look after his interests. It is alleged there is a Fleming-Menzies coalition, and that it is the beginning of a movement to arouse a sentiment against the selection of the next senator from the city of Indianapolis. There has long been a feeling against the capital city in the other counties of the state, based upon the assumption that Indianapolis is hoggish in the political sense, and is always reaching out for more than its share. Fleming and Menzies are accredited with almost as intense hostility toward Thomas Taggart as toward Kern. Those who insist a coalition has been formed say the plan is to bring out a number of candidates for the senatorship, with a view to preventing Kern or Taggart from securing the necessary majority in the caucus.

The jury commissioners, H. A. Fristoe, of Geneva, and S. B. Fordyce, met at the office of County Clerk Haefling yesterday and selected the petit and grand juries to serve during the November term of court. As chosen the grand jury includes Charles Brown, Geneva; Frank C. Wechter, Blue Creek; Alphonse Kohne, Washington; Ezra McBarnes, St. Marys; Marion Ketchum, Jefferson; Charles Kerber, Union. They will report to Judge Merryman next Monday morning receive their instructions and convene for business immediately. They will have several important affairs to probe. The petit jury is made up of J. N. Fristoe, Decatur; T. C. Corbett, Decatur; Charles Fetters, Jefferson township; Hiram Pine, Wabash; D. B. Roop, St. Marys; Joseph Shilling, Washington; William Glendening, Hartford; Joseph Martz, Monroe; Joseph Graber, French; Philip Boker, Root; John Fuhrman, Preble and J. H. Burnett, Blue Creek. They will report on the third Monday of the term, November 30th, when the criminal cases will be called.

Owing to the fact that the wires were grounded near the greenhouse last evening, all electric lights but six street lamps were out for some time. William Parent in an effort to adjust the defect was severely shocked by touching a live wire.

Washington, Nov. 11.—The supporters of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, have taken offense at the omission of Mr. Gompers' name from the list of guests at the so-called labor dinner to be given in the White House November 17. Other central labor bodies are expected to follow the example set by the Central Labor Union of the District of Columbia last night in sending Mr. Gompers a telegram congratulating him on the fact that he was not invited to the dinner. It is alleged that President Roosevelt desires to eliminate Samuel Gompers, James O'Connell, Frank Morrison and John B. Lennon from the official roster of the American Federation of Labor, and has adopted the dinner method of doing it. Here at the capital, there is much comment over the fact that the dinner invitations should be sent out on the eve of the election of a president of the American Federation.

Washington, November 11.—Now that it is practically settled that Elihu Root will succeed Thomas C. Platt as senator from New York, the cabinet makers, without consulting the president-elect, are looking about for a secretary of state for Mr. Taft. Ohioans who are here have an impression that Theodore E. Burton, of Cleveland, may be chosen for the place. At one time Mr. Burton was slated for the Ohio senatorship to succeed Mr. Foraker, but now that Charles P. Taft, brother of the president-elect, is out for that place, the cabinet slatemakers turn to Mr. Burton as Mr. Root's successor in the state department.

Washington, Nov. 11.—Senator Culom, of Illinois, who was at the White House today, said he believed the Republican party would make an honest revision of the tariff at the extra session next spring. "The party has pledged itself to a general revision," said he, "and I think you will find that this pledge will be carried out. Yes, I think a good many of the schedules will be lowered. Personally I am in favor of making reductions on iron, steel, etc. I should think the committee might have a bill ready by the time the extra session meets and then we can go to work and thresh the whole thing out in the house and senate."

BOAT NAMED AFTER MARSHALL

Enthusiastic Columbus Fishermen Embark in New Craft.

Columbus, Ind., Nov. 11.—A new boat named for the newly-elected governor of Indiana, weighed anchor this morning and moved slowly down White river. The occupants were A. G. Dahn, Carey Davis, Ivory Cutinger, Frank Ritzler, Frank Dahn and Melvin McGee, who will enjoy a three weeks' hunting trip. The Thomas R. Marshall is the largest row boat that was ever launched on White river.

A marriage license was issued to James Frank Arnold, aged twenty, an oil well supply man from Geneva, to Alta Jane Ford, aged twenty-one, a school teacher from Wabash township and daughter of D. B. Ford.

Another license issued to marry, was that Samuel Bertsch, aged twenty-four, a farmer, to Rosa Minger, twenty-one, both of this county.

Hunters' licenses have been issued to George G. Flanders, L. D. Jacobs, Erwin Briner, Earl Ault, B. T. Ault, R. R. Black, John E. Briggs, H. F. Baird, Sam Fink, Charles Fink and Orland Fink.

County Clerk James Haefling was suffering with symptoms of lagippe today and therefore detained from his duties at the office.

Real estate transfers: Frank Weber to Catherine Schneider, pt. of inlot 28, Decatur, \$500; Theodore A. Cooper to John W. Beavans, 80 acres in Wabash township, \$6,800.

Herb Bremerkamp, popular and genial clerk at the Myers-Bailey clothing store, is the most original and unique window dresser in the city. If you keep watching his windows at that store you will soon be convinced. Just now in one of the fronts is a canary and over the cage is the sign "It's a bird," referring to the suits sold by this firm. This is only one. Each week you will find something new and attractive there. Keep your eye on this window, and see if we haven't tipped you right.