

E. H. Harriman, the railroad king of the world, died some time yesterday afternoon, and his death caused a shock which affected the price of stocks around the globe. The end came at his palace at Arden, forty miles from New York City. This great man was born at Long Island, in February, 1848, and was sixty-one years of age. He began his career as a messenger in a New York brokers office and advanced rapidly. When twenty-two he owned a seat on the New York exchange and began the study of railroad finance. He was not only a multi-millionaire, but the keenest and best business man the world has ever known. He owned the controlling interest in a railroad system extending from ocean to ocean and interest in many other institutions. His system was to buy up a railroad line and make it valuable because of the improvement in the equipment and service. There have been and are now men who are richer, but there are none who have been of greater benefit to the people than this man. His health was broken because of the rush with which he eat his meals and his lack of rest, and when the illness came his slight frame was soon shattered. He hurried to Bad Casteln in the early summer, but the treatment of the world's greatest specialists could not save him and he came home two weeks ago and went to his home at Arden to rest, he said, but really to die. It is believed he knew the end was near, but kept the secret that the business of the country might not be affected. No one man can take up the burden he has borne, but it will be looked after by three or four lieutenants, who have learned the game under this great master and after a few days or weeks, the place of the master of the rails will have been filled. Mr. Harriman's wife, who survives him, was Miss Mary Averill of Rochester, N. Y., whose father, W. J. Averill, a banker, was largely interested in the Rome, Amsterdam & Ogdensburg railroad, and had large means. The marriage proved a most happy one. Five children were born, three girls and two boys. The eldest daughter is the wife of Robert L. Gerry, son of Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry. The second daughter is Mary, and the third Carroll. The eldest son, Walter Averill, is just out of college and is learning the railroad business. The youngest Roland, is 14 years old, and still in school.



E. H. HARRIMAN.

Bessie Brown was granted a divorce from her husband Eimer Brown, and the custody of the child, Alonzo Brown. The defendant failed to appear and the prosecuting attorney was required to answer. The court promptly granted the decree after hearing the evidence.

In the Decatur Furnace company receivership, I. A. Kalver vs. Decatur Furnace company, a petition, was filed by Thomas R. Feeley for leave to intervene and be made a party defendant, alleging that he holds a note against the company for \$1,300. Petition was granted.

Bank of Wren vs. The Cardwell Box company et al, rule to answer was vacated and set aside.

George W. Zimmerman vs. Chicago & Erie Ry. company, damages \$500, rule to answer absolute within five days.

National Bank of Commerce vs. Cardwell Box company et al, absolute rule to answer in five days vacated and set aside.

Daniel Cook, guardian for Harriet and Lewis Johnson, filed his current report which was approved.

W. D. Conrad, administrator of the Henrietta Schmitt estate, filed an affidavit that the estate had no personal property.

A. B. Bailey, guardian for Francis Kessler, filed an inventory which was approved by the court.

Real estate transfers: James U. Barr et al to Emanuel C. Lawrence, 40 acres in Wabash township, \$4,000; Paul G. Hooper, com., to Joseph D. Beery, 100 acres Kirkland township, \$1,000.

Grandma Perry Friday in a quiet and unostentatious way celebrated the ninety-fifth anniversary of her birth. She received many of her friends and acquaintances and accepted their congratulations and words of good cheer. She seemed especially bright, cheerful and happy and really enjoyed the social intercourse with the many who called to see and wish for her all the bounteous blessings that are provided so generously by an all wise Providence. Mrs. Perry is truly a remarkable woman, and notwithstanding her extreme age, is at the present time greatly interested in the many published stories relative to the discovery of the north pole. She talks much about it, and is really interested as she also is in every important public question. Her mind is alert, her memory good and she gets much pleasure and enjoyment out of life. Her life's history is an interesting and remarkable story, and her recital of many incidents during the early periods is most entertaining, especially to those who have lived only in the last half century. Among the pleasing remembrances of the day was a telegram of congratulations from Tacoma, Wash.

The motion for a change of venue for the Uptegraft case, made Wednesday by F. C. Dailey, of Bluffton, attorney for the defendant, was denied by Judge LaFollette late that afternoon. The defense attempted to show that a derogatory sentiment existed against Uptegraft in this county and that a fair and impartial trial would be an impossibility. By introducing twenty affidavits from citizens, who swore to the contrary, the prosecution overcame this contention and the change was refused. The trial of the case will be commenced Monday. In refusing to grant the change of venue from the county, Judge LaFollette agreed to the selection of a jury composed of no resident in the northern tier of townships, taking that precaution to insure the selection of an absolute impartial jury, however, no order was made for the calling of a special venire of jurors. Deputy Sheriff John W. M. Cunningham was engaged Wednesday in subpoenaing the witnesses who will appear on behalf of the state in the case. In all thirteen witnesses have been called by the state but it said two of the most important are now in Michigan enjoying the ten days' excursion trip and may not arrive home in time for the trial.—Portland Sun.

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 10.—Out of the Democratic conference which began a two days' session here yesterday under the guiding hands of men who hold a prominent place in the party's history, there promises to grow a permanent organization to be known as the Democratic league. At the close of a day of Democratic oratory, during which speeches were made by Alton B. Parker, Thomas M. Osborne and Edward M. Shepard, outlining the purposes and hopes of the conference, John N. Carlisle of Johnston, offered the following resolution, which was referred: "That for the purpose of aiding and strengthening the Democratic party, bringing back to its ranks those who have been separated from it, and attracting to it the independent and the young voters of the state; offering a place of refuge for those Republicans who feel that their trust in their party has been betrayed and its solemn pledges to them broken, who deprecate its wastefulness and extravagance in administering the affairs of government, and look with apprehension upon the steady strides it is making toward the centralization of government at the expense of the legitimate powers of the states and of the rights reserved to the people; and for the purpose of disseminating the principles of the Democratic party, the efforts of this conference should be continued and for that purpose its organization be made permanent, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of this conference, and those who may hereafter become such, be, and they hereby are, constituted a permanent organization under the name of 'The Democratic League'; and that the present executive committee be continued in office until otherwise ordered by the general committee hereinafter provided for."

Two sessions of the conference, one in the afternoon and another at night

were attended by over 400 delegates. While all the speakers urged co-operation for the rehabilitation of the Democratic party and declared that the conference was not directed against any leader or leaders, the utterances of some of them were looked upon as thinly veiled attacks upon certain leaders of the present state organization. Samuel Tilden, second, of New Lebanon, Columbia county, a nephew of the late Samuel J. Tilden, called the gathering to order and named Alton B. Parker as temporary chairman. Judge Parker was enthusiastically cheered as he was escorted to the platform. His declaration that "the party must be Democrats in fact as well as in name," met with hearty applause. Edward M. Shepard was chosen as permanent chairman.

TO MEET IN DECEMBER

The Township Trustees to Meet at That Time.

Indianapolis, Sept. 10.—The executive committee of the Indiana state trustees' association met yesterday at the Grand hotel and fixed upon Dec. 21 and 22 as the date for the annual meeting of that body. Speakers were secured and the details of the program worked out. The meeting will be held in the house of representatives of the state capitol. The feature of the program will be an address by W. A. Dehority of the state board of accounts upon the new accounting law, which affects each of the 1,016 trustees of the state. He will make plain the law as governing the office of trustee and be prepared to answer any questions that may arise. The time of the meeting is a week before the law goes into effect and the address of Mr. Dehority is expected to prove of immense value.

HE CALLED ON THE GOVERNOR

Alfred Ayres Spent a Pleasant Hour With Governor Marshall.

While in Indianapolis last week attending the state fair, Alfred Ayres of rural route two Monroe, called on Governor Marshall at his office in the state house, and spent a pleasant hour with the chief executive of the state of Indiana. Mr. Ayres reports the visit one of the most pleasant of his life, and he says that Governor Marshall is all right. The state's finances and her needs were discussed and in all Mr. Ayres was highly entertained during the brief time he spent in the governor's office.

Uncle Jerry Harrison, of Battle Creek, Michigan, is here for a visit with relatives and will likely remain for some days. Years ago, more than half a century, he lived in this county, being a son of Columbia Harrison who was known as one of the best citizens of the county, living in St. Marys township, east of Decatur. When twenty-one years old Jeremiah left here and went to Michigan, where he engaged in farming. He is now within a few days of being seventy-six years old. During the fifty-five years since he left this county, he has visited here but few times, once a number of years ago, when his mother died and again fourteen years ago when his respected father passed away at the ripe old age of eighty-six. Both those trips however, were hurried ones, and he had but little time to look over the town. Now he is comparing it with those days of his young manhood and says he can scarcely believe that this is the same place where they used to come to trade. The improvement is marked and wonderful. One of the greatest of all the advancements is in the matter of roads, the old mudholes having given place to macadam that are not excellent anywhere. Uncle Jerry came to Decatur this time to visit his sister, Mrs. Susan Archer, who is in very poor health, and also another sister from the far west whom he had not seen for many years. For the greater part of the time since leaving here, Mr. Harrison has lived on his big and valuable farm located seventeen miles from Battle Creek. About three years ago he was badly injured in a runaway accident, and since has not had the use of his right arm. For a year past he has resided with his children in Battle Creek. He is well and hearty and looks as though his days would be extended to even a greater number than were allotted his father. He is very interesting.

The dray war waxed warm Friday evening. It has been brewing for some days past and will likely now be fought out and disposed of for good and all. It looks as though a good many people feel that the ordinance is too broad, especially if it is to be construed as in recent cases. At any rate, the draymen and the teamsters want to know just how far reaching it is. Is a man who owns a team and does a few days' hauling for some merchant a drayman and liable unless he pays a license? Under the deci-

sion of the mayor last evening he is, and if this is true there will probably be an effort made to change or repeal the ordinance. Andrew Baxter and his son Charles were arrested for hauling coal for J. D. Hale. They stood trial at four o'clock, L. C. DeVoss appearing for the city and D. E. Smith for the defendant. About seven or eight witnesses were examined and the cause submitted. Mayor France held that under the ordinance, the defendants were guilty and fined them one dollar and costs. On suggestion of City Attorney DeVoss, it was decided that if the defendants would take out the license, the fine would be remitted. Much interest developed and there was a division of opinion among attorneys and citizens, that will cause them to watch future developments with interest.

The evening session of the mayor's court was even more interesting when Dan Hill, an eighteen year old lad, was tried for violating the ordinance. He has been working for about a week, hauling sand and brick to the K. of P. building. The evidence required about an hour and upon its completion, the mayor announced that he could only find him guilty under the law, and assessed a fine of one dollar and costs. Mr. DeVoss again looked after the city's case and the defendant, was represented by Mr. C. L. Walters. An appeal to circuit court was immediately prayed and granted, the bond being fixed at \$100. The ordinance will be tested in that court.

Lafayette, Ind., Sept. 10.—At today's session of the St. Joseph conference of the United Brethren church new boundaries were fixed and the conference was divided into three districts—Elkhart, Fort Wayne and Lafayette. The new superintendents are J. E. Grimes of Warsaw, L. O. Ollar of Huntington and W. E. Stanley of Rockville. Dr. L. B. Bonebrake president of the Indiana Central Institute at Indianapolis, spoke in the interest of the college tonight. After his talk \$2,500 was pledged, to be paid in three years, to assist in building Hamilton Hall, a dormitory for women, at the college. Among the boundary changes made were the following: Cunningham Chapel and New Hope, taken from Thorntown charge and added to Frankfort circuit; Farmer Chapel detached from Frankfort circuit and added to Dayton circuit, the new circuit being renamed Mulberry; Brook, Ambia, Morocco, Swanington, Clarkshill, Battle Ground and Gilboa circuits unchanged; Monmorenci detached from Grenehill charge and attached to West Lafayette, and named Montmorenci circuit; Independence attached to Grenehill charge and name changed to Otterbein circuit. All these points come from the old Upper Wabash conference, which was dissolved.

Attorney J. C. Sutton filed two new cases entitled German Stove Co. vs. Noah Loch et al, account \$350, and E. L. Roberts & Co., vs. Noah Loch et al, account \$250.

Andrew Jackson vs. Jane Jackson, divorce. L. C. DeVoss appeared for defendant and filed an answer asking for an allowance.

Isadore A. Kalver vs. Decatur Furnace Co., motion filed for leave to sell furnaces at private sale for cash. Sales ordered. Claim filed by city of Decatur for \$45.67.

Ella Debolt vs. Chauncey Debolt, divorce, appearance by L. C. Walters for defendant.

John E. Taylor vs. William H. Taylor et al, partition, final report filed and allowed and commissioners discharged.

Bank of Wren vs. Cardwell Box company et al, note \$6,000. By agreement of parties this cause was assigned to Hon. Charles E. Sturgis as special judge, by reason of Judge Merryman being related to parties interested in the case.

August H. Sellemeyer, administrator of the Matilda Reed estate, filed an inventory and a petition to sell personal property at private sale.

Arbuckle-Ryan Co. vs. David L. Marshand and Margaret Scherry, foreclosure of mortgage, rule against plaintiff and defendant Marshand to answer cross complaint filed by Scherry.

M. F. Rice, administrator of the Edward B. Rice estate, filed an additional inventory which was approved.

John M. Rose, guardian for Lilly Boze and others, filed a current report which was allowed.

Real estate transfers: Ida Crozier et al to Fremont Boners et al, 40 acres in Union township \$1,800. Mary E. May to Ida Crozier, 40 acres Union

township, \$225. David C. Myers to Daniel J. Cook, 80 acres, Washington township, \$7,200.

William Sutliff of west of this city, left Saturday for the Light and Hope orphans' home, located in the hills between Vermilion and Birmingham, Ohio. His trip is made for the purpose if possible, of saving his brother Beanie Sutliff, aged fifteen, and his sister Ruby, aged 13, from any further torture by removing them from that place. These children were placed in the home when it was located at Berne, by the mother, and after the father had died leaving her with a large family. It was supposed by the relatives that the children were well cared for, though William says that when he has visited them he noticed that they seemed afraid to talk or tell him anything concerning the manner of treatment. However, they had no idea that they were being mistreated until they read the recent accounts of Mr. Sprunger's arrest and trial in the Daily Democrat. He will take the children out of the home even if he has to bring legal proceedings to do so. William is a young man who has to depend on his own labors for existence. He was a year ago supposed to be dying of consumption, and since that time has slept most of the time in a covered wagon, out in the air, and subsisted chiefly on eggs and milk. He is much better now and has the nerve to go after his brother and sister and will bring them to his own home. He deserves the encouragement of the people of this community.

Invitations are being sent to all judges, county commissioners and township trustees in Indiana to attend the state conference of charities to be held at Columbus, Oct. 23 to 26, inclusive. W. C. Duncan, chairman of the local executive committee at Columbus, was at the office of the board of state charities yesterday in consultation with Amos W. Butler, secretary of the board, relative to the arrangements for the meeting. It is expected that the conference will be one of the largest ever held. The conference opens Saturday evening, Oct. 23, with a general session, at which the principal speaker will be President Emil W. Leipziger. In addition ther will be an address of welcome by the mayor of Columbus, with a response. The usual plan of having prominent members of the conference speak in the different local churches will be followed this year, for the Sunday morning service. A mass meeting will be held in the afternoon, at which Governor Thomas R. Marshall will make the principal address. In the evening will occur the "Juvenile Charities" general session. Miss Jane Addams of Chicago, president of the national conference of charities and correction, has consented to speak on the subject, "Child Labor." There will also be short addresses by the Hon. John F. LaFollette of Portland, judge of the Jay circuit court, and the Rev. Francis H. Gavisk of Indianapolis, a member of the board of state charities. The entire morning on Monday will be given up to round tables. Several will be held at the same time—one on state charities, one on county institutions, one on needy families and one on dependent children. It is also the desire of the Indiana child labor committee to hold at this time a special meeting of those interested in child labor conditions. On Monday afternoon the committee on county charities will hold its general session. Several short papers will be read. The general session on state charities will be held in the evening. Of special interest will be a paper by W. A. Dehority, chief of the new state board of accounts, created by the last general assembly.

Harry Olson, the night clerk at the Murray hotel at Decatur, who is charged with having skipped out with \$75 and an overcoat belonging to guests at the hotel, was in Fort Wayne begging for two weeks previous to his going to Decatur, and it is thought that it was here that he begged the money which paid his way to Decatur. Tuesday night of last week the man presented himself at the office of O. E. Mohler, secretary of the assnated charities, and asked for the fare to Decatur. Olson told Mr. Mohler that he had come to Fort Wayne two weeks before from Chicago, where his family lives. He said he had a relative on the Pennsy signal force, who was out of the city. He said he had been told by a drug store proprietor to go to Mr. Mohler, who would give him his fare to Decatur. From this it is thought that he had been begging in this city for two weeks. The man presented a recommendation from Mrs. Fitzgerald, of the employment agency. Mr. Mohler told him that he would let him work for money to pay his way to Decatur, but this the man refused to do. He went away and it is thought that he begged the money to pay his way to the nearby town.—Fort Wayne News.

Miss Eda Barger, of near Monroe, gave a dinner party at five o'clock yesterday afternoon. Those at the table being Misses Rose and Baxter of Ashley, Ind., Misses Lulu and Alice Miller.

Two hundred pupils were guests of the faculty Friday night at the reception given at the high school building to the new superintendent, Prof. Rice and the new pupils, who are mostly freshmen. Completely filling the hall and assembly rooms, the high school members passed several pleasant hours in a social way. Students were welcomed at the hallways and doors by the members of the faculty—Prof. Tritch and Baumgartner, and Supt. Rice, and the Misses Rose Dunathan and Annette Johnson. During the evening a musical program of several numbers were given. Miss Rose Smith, a member of the alumni, gave a piano solo and favored her hearers with a second solo after a hearty encore. Miss Faye Smith of the alumni, gave a reading and Miss Marie Ball, a junior, gave a reading. Refreshments of grape juice and Nabisco wafers were served by two of the juniors. The freshman class this year is the largest on record, numbering sixty-five pupils at present.

James Zimmerman, son of Ed Zimmerman, has just closed a deal whereby he has become the possessor of a racket store at Butler, Indiana, a progressive little town of DeKalb county. The stock of goods will be invoiced next week by George Steele of this city, who is well versed in the line. Mr. Zimmerman is a young man well and favorably known in Adams county. For a number of years he has taught school in the county and as a teacher was successful wherever he was. Some time ago he was united in marriage to Miss Viola Yager, also well known here. That they will succeed at their new place of abode is the wish of their many acquaintances in the county. There is but one store of the kind in Butler, and Mr. Zimmerman will undoubtedly do a big business on the start.

DEATH OF PROMINENT MAN

Judge Harvey B. Shiveley of Wabash, is Dead.

Wabash, Ind., Sept. 11.—Judge Harvey B. Shiveley, 65 years old, dropped dead at his home in this city yesterday of paralysis of the heart. He had practiced law continually and had numerous cases now on docket. Judge Shiveley was past commander of the Indiana G. A. R., having been elected in 1895, and was twice elected judge of the Wabash circuit court. He also served in the state legislature. When 17 years old here moved from his birthplace in Preble county, Ohio, to Miami county, Indiana, and at the beginning of the war enlisted in the Fortieth Indiana Infantry. At the battle of Missionary Ridge he was wounded and discharged after thirty months' service. He was common pleas prosecutor in Wabash while the court was in existence. In 1892 he was elected to the state legislature, and served with distinction in the general assembly. He was elected judge of the Wabash circuit court in 1890, and again in 1896, and during these twelve years he had the distinction of never having had a decision reversed by the supreme court until near the close of his last term. At the time of his death Judge Shiveley was president of the Farmers' and Merchants' National bank of this city. Besides his widow he is survived by a brother Charles E. Shiveley of Richmond, Ind., former state senator.

THEY ELECTED A CHAIRMAN

C. H. Plessinger is Chairman of Bluffton City Committee.

At the meeting of the Democratic city committee Thursday night the time honored custom of electing the county chairman to handle the affairs of the city campaign was followed and C. H. Plessinger was selected city chairman. The meeting was held in the office of Eichhorn & Vaughn. The meeting Thursday night was the first one for the new committee, but now that the committee has been organized there will be frequent meetings and the campaign will be carried on with a vim. Charles G. Dailey was selected as secretary of the committee and Dr. Tom Sturgis as treasurer. While nothing was done Thursday night relative to the real opening of the campaign the committeemen got after the sixty day poll within few days and get statistics as to the true state of democracy this fall. Bluffton Banner.

August Douer, better known here as Bismark the glass eater, is here again. He was arrested at Fort Wayne yesterday and found guilty public intoxication, his sentence being a fine of \$100 and thirty days jail. He said it just suited him as needed a place to stay just now, it may turn cold at any time.