

NEW ANDERSON REGIME HALTS METER BUYING

Injunction Asked to Stop Payment of \$21,154 in Deal.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—The timely, but unwelcome arrival of Arch Jackson, bailiff of Madison superior court, at the city water works where a Christmas party was in progress, blocked the execution of city water works notes totaling \$21,154. The notes were intended to pay for 2,000 water meters contracted for a few months ago by the board of works.

The bailiff, acting under orders of Judge Lawrence V. May, served papers on members of the city administration as they were being seated at the dinner table, notifying them that they had been temporarily restrained from signing the notes as a result of a suit filed in the name of John T. Rock, a member of the board of works appointed by Mayor-Elect J. H. Mellett, Democrat.

Judge May issued a temporary restraining order and fixed Jan. 6 as the date for a hearing to determine whether the order will be made permanent or dissolved. Incidentally the hearing date will mark the change in the official control at the city hall so the matter is now regarded as being beyond the control of the present Republican administration.

The contract which is under fire was entered into between the board of works and the Federal Water Meter Company, East Orange, N. J., later reorganized as the A. P. Smith Corporation. It called for delivery of 2,000 meters at \$10.77 each. Sixteen hundred or more of them had been delivered and a large number of them installed when the members of the incoming administration tied up the deal.

None of the meters has been paid for. A desire to pay the bill in full prompted the board to order the remaining meters shipped and the notes executed in absence of cash in the water works funds to cover the bill.

The complaint for injunction alleges the contract is illegal because it was entered into when the city was beyond its constitutional limit of indebtedness, that the pretended contract was made without competitive bids and that meters just as serviceable can be bought for \$7.

CAR BUILDERS' MERGER AWAITS CONFIRMATION

Hammond Company Reported in Deal Involving \$450,000.

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 28.—Official confirmation of the merger of the Standard Car Company and its subsidiary, the Osgood-Bradley Car Company, with Pullman, Inc., was unavailable here in the absence of Joseph Thompson, general manager of the Standard company.

Thompson was reported to be in Pittsburgh, Pa., on business connected with the consolidation.

The Standard company employs about 3,000 persons in Hammond. It manufactures freight cars; the Osgood-Bradley company, Worcester, Mass., builds passenger cars.

The companies combined are reported to be about equal in size and financial strength to Pullman, Inc., engaged in the manufacture of passenger cars at Pullman, Ill. The merger would involve about \$450,000.

DEATH FOLLOWS WISH

Anderson Man Succumbs to Injuries After Christmas at Home.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Robert E. Wise, 48, who fell fifty feet from the top of a hill he was trimming and suffered fifteen fractures of bones in arms, legs and hips, asked to be removed from St. John's hospital to his home to spend Christmas. His wish was granted. Today he is dead.

He was believed to be improving when physicians consented to his being taken home.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Daisy Wise; a son, Earl Wise, at home; three daughters, Mrs. Ethel Himes, Mrs. M. J. Himes, and Mrs. Dorothy and Roberta Wise, at home; two brothers, John and George Wise, Greensburg and a sister, Mrs. Milton Wainscott, Anderson.

AID FOR BIRDS URGED

Madison County Farmers Asked to Provide Shelter and Food.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Five of Madison county's leading hunters in an open letter to farmers of the county ask their co-operation in a move to provide food and shelter for quail and other birds whose food supply has been shut off by snow covering the ground.

The quickest and most inexpensive way to provide shelter for quail is by the use of corn fodder, the letter points out. The suggestion is made that fodder be stacked around a stump or bush or along a fence, the tops tied securely, with an opening left in the center of the shock. Broken ears of corn, wheat and particularly sheaf oats should be used as food.

Muncie Gets New Pastor

Noblesville, Ind., Dec. 28.—The Rev. Frank Kerper of Indianapolis, who has been pastor of the Hill's Baptist church near this city for the past year, has notified his congregation of his resignation. He has accepted a call to the Walnut Street First Baptist church at Muncie and will begin his new work Jan. 1.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Packages containing Christmas presents were stolen from an automobile parked here by Mrs. I. E. Hall.

Civic Leader



Dr. B. C. Dale

The new chairman of the civic bureau of the Marion Association of Commerce is Dr. B. C. Dale.

INJURED MAN ASKS \$25,000

Railroad Sued Following Crossing Tragedy.

Logansport, Ind., Dec. 28.—William T. Hostler, living near Galveston, has filed suit in Cass circuit court here asking \$25,000 damages from the Wabash railroad as a result of a crossing crash April 15 in which Joseph Cook was killed and he received serious injuries.

Hostler's automobile, in which Cook was a passenger, was struck by a train here. The plaintiff alleges that his sight and hearing are permanently impaired as a result of a compound fracture of the skull. Hostler alleges that for twenty-three days after the accident he was unconscious.

POSSE HELD AT BAY

Farmer Faces Sanity Test After Attacks on Relatives.

Bedford, Ind., Dec. 28.—Claude Eliza, 30, Logansport, will be examined by a sanity commission here, following attacks on members of his family after which he barricaded himself in his home and held at bay a posse which included sheriffs of three counties and a mayor.

Armed with two revolvers, Eliza stood off those seeking to arrest him until a young woman acquaintance engaged him in conversation long enough to permit a man to disarm him.

MERGER PLAN OFFERED

Montgomery County Would Unite Two Institutions.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Dec. 28.—Merger of the Montgomery orphan home and infirmary to the extent of both occupying the same tract of land is advocated by W. A. Collins, county council member. Collins declares much money would be saved by his plan. He is seeking support for it from various organizations. President Benjamin Evans of the Kiwanis club has appointed a committee to study the proposal.

Chosen National Officer.

Cambridge City, Ind., Dec. 28.—Captain Bruce L. Peters of this city, has been elected senior vice-president of the Reserve Officers' Association. He has been president of the sixth district reserve organization and regional vice-president in charge of the Third, Fourth and Sixth districts. He was a delegate from Indiana to the national convention of 1928 and 1929. He was commander of the local American Legion post in 1925 and was elected to the office again. He is a member of the Richmond Vulture of Forty and Eight.

Railroad Official Dies

Richmond, Ind., Dec. 28.—John Collins, Pennsylvania railroad official, and a former resident of Richmond, died at Columbus, O., and the body was brought here for burial. For the past six years he was division freight agent of the Columbus division of the Pennsylvania. More than fifty Pennsylvania officials from all parts of the country attended the funeral. The body was brought here in a special car.

Delirious Man Tries Escape

Michigan City, Ind., Dec. 28.—Thomas Ames, 29, delirious while suffering from pneumonia, jumped from a second-story window in a hospital here and ran down a street attired in a bathrobe. Police caught him in an alley near the hospital. Ames, who had a high fever, was ordered placed in a strait-jacket.

Former Resident Dies

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—The body of Mrs. Ellen McMullan, 60, widow of William A. McMullan, who died at the home of a son, L. C. Borel, at Detroit, is en route here for burial. Mrs. McMullan was a native of Madison county.

Oldest Resident Dies

Greencastle, Ind., Dec. 28.—Funeral services for George W. Osborne, 90, oldest resident of Washington township, were held at the Reelsville church. He leaves five daughters.

Canary Song Over Radio Deceives Noblesville Cat

Noblesville, Ind., Dec. 28.—The large Angora cat owned by W. E. Axline business man here, like all members of the feline species, would like the opportunity occasionally to jump at a canary bird. In fact, he would not be a cat if he was not seized with a desire of this kind once in a while.

Recently, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Axline, the cat seemed to think the occasion was just about made to order for him to look a canary squarely in the face, but in fact the cat did not have even the slightest chance of getting his prey.

VINCENNES WILL MARK DATE OF LINCOLN VISIT

Celebration Tentatively Set for March 6 With Extensive Program.

Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 28.—March 6 has been set as the tentative date for a celebration here of the visit of Abraham Lincoln to Vincennes on his way from Indiana to Illinois. On this visit Lincoln saw a printing press for the first time in his life, the machine being in the office of the Vincennes Sun.

It is planned to have Governors of Kentucky, Illinois and Indiana attend the celebration and invitations will also be sent noted Lincoln authorities. It is proposed that the program be on as extensive a scale as the one held here in 1928 on the 150th anniversary of the capture of Vincennes by George Rogers Clark.

The Lincoln celebration was suggested at a meeting a few weeks ago by Joseph W. Kimmell, who will become mayor here Jan. 6, and who is advocating preservation of historical shrines in Vincennes.

As a result of Kimmell's suggestion a committee of fifteen was appointed and it has appointed a subcommittee which will present definite plans for organization at a meeting to be held early in January.

BULLET HOLE IN SKULL FAILS TO CAUSE DEATH

Bourbon Man Wounded by Shot While Cleaning Rifle.

Plymouth, Ind., Dec. 28.—Ernest Ford, 21, Bourbon, is recovering at a hospital here, despite a bullet wound which penetrates his skull. The young man was alone in the home of his grandfather at Bourbon, cleaning a .22-caliber rifle, when it was accidentally discharged.

The bullet struck Ford squarely in the forehead, passing through the skull. However, it ranged upward and lodged beneath the scalp. After being wounded, Ford walked to the home of Miss Eleanor Dickson, a girl friend, where medical aid was obtained.

MAYOR AWAITS RULING

Gary Case Will Be Decided Early Next Week.

Gary, Ind., Dec. 28.—Ruling on the injunction suit designed to extend Henry G. Hay's possession of the mayor's office here until eligible successor B. O. Johnson, Republican mayor-elect, and Emmet White, Democratic contender, is decided, will be handed down early next week by Judge E. Miles Norton in Lake county circuit court at Crown Point.

Final arguments in the three-cornered suit filed by Hay, who is completing the term of Mayor Floyd E. Williams, resigned, were heard Friday. The judge insisted that the case be speedily concluded.

Tries Oysters First Time

Dublin, Ind., Dec. 28.—James French, 21, a brother of Dublin's World war hero and town marshal, never had tasted oyster until he came here. French is a native of the hills of Tennessee, who moved to Dublin a few years ago with his family. Forrest Wilson, a friend, invited him for lunch and oyster stew was on the menu. "It was my first taste of oysters," said French, "and if you ask me, I'll say they are good eating."

Engineer Honored

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Officials of Delco-Remy Corporation were hosts at a banquet given in honor of A. B. Gomery, efficiency engineer, who will go to Germany to join the staff of the Opel Corporation, recently taken over by General Motors. Gomery will be succeeded here by Spaulding S. Meadows, who has been his assistant.

Aged Residents Die

Union City, Ind., Dec. 28.—Two aged residents of this city are dead. Daniel Miller, 90, is dead due to senility. He has lived here practically all of his life. He leaves two brothers. Mrs. Ella Robertson, 85, died after a short illness. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. D. R. Coats, Muncie, and a son, Dora Robertson, Grand Rapids, Mich.

\$3,000 Loss in Fire

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Fire destroyed the five-room home of William Jarvis at the north edge of Anderson. Sparks caused a fire at the adjacent residence of George Jester, which was saved by city firemen who were called when it was too late to save the Jarvis house. Damage to the two houses was \$3,000.

Injured Man Dies

Lebanon, Ind., Dec. 28.—Barth Leburn, 72, farmer living southeast of here, is dead of injuries suffered when struck by an automobile driven by Frank Carey, theater owner here. The tragedy was unavoidable, authorities state.

Auctioneer's Wife Dies

Knights-Town, Ind., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Bessie Button, wife of Everett Button, eastern Indiana auctioneer, was found dead at her home here by her daughter on returning from school. She was formerly Miss Bessie Dawson of Ogden.

Fall Injuries Fatal

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Sophia De Bolt has been called to Columbus, O., by the death of her son, Walter S. De Bolt, after an operation following injuries suffered in a fall from a tree.

Auto Arson Alleged

Connersville, Ind., Dec. 28.—Emmit Lyons is accused in a grand jury indictment of setting fire to an automobile belonging to Goldie Barnard.

Doll Dressing Winners



Miss Kathryn Murphy, left, and Miss Kathryn Pritchard, right, campfire girls of Franklin, Ind., were awarded first prize in a state-wide doll-dressing contest this week. The award includes a week's free attendance at the state camp of the organization near Noblesville, where they will take advantage of next summer. Dolls were given to several hundred girls who dressed them for distribution to poor children at Christmas time. Miss Murphy is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Murphy and Miss Pritchard is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pritchard of Franklin. Miss Mayme Johnson is guardian of the Franklin campfire group to which the girls belong.

CAPITAL PROBABLE SITE FOR HOSPITAL

Representative Enumerates Why Indianapolis Should Get Institution.

Connersville, Ind., Dec. 28.—Indianapolis is favored as the site for a new veterans' hospital to be erected by the government, according to Richard N. Elliott of Connersville, representative in congress. The capital has offered a site, Elliott explained, and surgical facilities are readily available there. The veterans' bureau is also in Indianapolis. The hospital will be of 150-bed capacity. Congress has provided \$500,000 for its erection.

Several other Indiana cities are seeking the hospital. The Chamber of Commerce and American Legion post at Anderson have started a campaign to obtain the institution for their city. Selection of a site is in the hands of the veterans' commission.

Woman Landowner Dies

Noblesville, Ind., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Matilda Moffitt Haverstick, 69, wife of John B. Haverstick, largest woman land owner in north central Indiana, is dead at her home in the southern part of Hamilton county of heart disease. She leaves her husband and the following children: Mrs. Adolph Schmidt, Indianapolis; Mrs. L. E. Tyner, Nora, and Miss Pearl Haverstick, at home. Most of her 1,000 acres of land is located near the line between Marion and Hamilton counties.

Kiwanians Elect

Cambridge City, Ind., Dec. 28.—The Kiwanis Club here has elected the following officers for 1930: E. V. Whelan, president; Hugh R. Foss, vice-president; Robert A. Hicks, treasurer; George B. Morris, secretary, and Bruce Henderson, district trustee. Directors are Robert A. Bertsch, H. B. Boyd, Harper Lindsay, J. V. Young, Russell Worl, Robert Hughes and C. M. Snyder.

Mail Record Claimed

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Working at top speed to handle an unprecedented volume of Christmas mail, four clerks of the local post-office staff established what they declare is a state record. Two teams composed of Edwin Thomas and Floyd Hudson, Muncie, and Henry Holden stamped and dispatched 1,400,000 pieces of mail in three hours.

Wilson Banquet Monday

Winchester, Ind., Dec. 28.—The annual Wilson day banquet will be held here Monday evening. Mayor L. E. Slack of Indianapolis and R. Earl Peters of Ft. Wayne, Democratic state chairman, will be the principal speakers. Prominent Democrats from Union City, Muncie, Bluffton, Portland and other Indiana cities will be present.

Legion Post Grows

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—The American Legion will conclude a membership campaign Tuesday with a gain of 300 members, according to W. O. Nelson, commander. Anderson is in competition with Kokomo post in the drive which to date has brought in 225 members.

Brookville Woman, 94, Dies

Brookville, Ind., Dec. 28.—Mrs. John Klemme, 94, lifelong resident of Franklin county, is dead at her home here. She and her husband would have reached the seventy-fifth anniversary of their marriage in January. They are the parents of eight children.

Check Grows

Alexandria, Ind., Dec. 28.—Bud Groover, 24, was sentenced to four months on the penal farm and fined \$10 when he pleaded guilty in city court to raising a \$2 check to \$32, and cashing it. Lestis Johnson, farmer, near Lincoln, paid Groover with a \$2 check for a day's work. Groover altered the check, adding \$30, and a bank here gave him the money.

CHRISTMAS GIFT TRICKERY BARES CRIME RECORD

Radio Presented to Girl Causes Man's Arrest at Rensselaer.

Rensselaer, Ind., Dec. 28.—Fred W. Snyder, 28, bought a radio set without a down payment as a Christmas present for a girl friend and as a result authorities have bared a criminal record which may cost him several years of confinement in prison.

The radio dealer, complaining that Snyder, after obtaining the set went into hiding, enlisted aid of authorities. They found Snyder and under severe questioning, he admitted being wanted on various charges in Indiana and three other states.

Snyder says a truck he has in his possession is the property of a South Bend financing company, and that he owes \$800 on it. He is using Kentucky license plates stolen in Louisville, where he admits cashing bad checks for \$400.

Snyder is accused of stealing an automobile in Fairfield, Ia., but denies the charge. He admits being wanted in Waukegan, Ill., and says that in Chicago he killed a man by accident while driving an automobile at high speed. He paid a fine, as no one appeared to press a manslaughter charge.

The radio set was found at Monon and the dealer is preparing to regain possession of it with a replevin suit.

RUNAWAY SON WILL MEET PARENTS SOON

Marion Newspaper and Wabash Police Aid Reunion.

Marion, Ind., Dec. 28.—A son and his parents, separated for nine years, soon will be united, due to the efforts of Wabash police and a newspaper here. Harry Ansel, 27, Los Angeles, the son, ran away from home in Wabash and joined the navy during the World war. He returned in 1919, but in 1921 re-enlisted against the will of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adams Ansel.

Fearing efforts of his parents to remove him from the service, he did not advise them of his whereabouts. After leaving the navy the second time, he wrote to his old home. All his letters were returned by the postoffice.

Finally Ansel asked the Wabash police to aid in locating his parents. Through newspaper notices, they were found in Marion.

INJURED BY GIFT GUN

Bedford, Ind., Dec. 28.—Harold Bennett, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bennett, may spend the rest of his life with impaired sight as a result of an injury inflicted by an air rifle, a Christmas present to his brother, Fred, 10.

With the gun loaded and set for use, the boy dropped it and it was discharged, a shot striking the boy in the right eye.

SLAYER ASKS DIVORCE

Man Acquitted in "Unwritten Law" Plea Sues at Kokomo.

Kokomo, Ind., Dec. 28.—Elmer H. Decker, who was acquitted by a Howard circuit court jury when he pleaded the "unwritten law" for slaying Lloyd Turner, alleged lover of his wife, has filed suit for divorce.

The husband recites conviction of his wife on a statutory charge while he was a prisoner awaiting trial as ground for the divorce.

Auto Injures Two

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Walking on the paved roadway of West Twenty-second street to avoid snow covered sidewalks, was unfortunate for two of three Anderson girls. Miss Isabelle George, 19, student in the Salvation Army training school, Chicago, and Miss Ruth Newcomb, 20, who rooms at the Salvation Army citadel here, were struck by an automobile and injured. Their companion, Miss Edna Miller, 18, Anderson, was walking nearest the curb and escaped. The car was driven by a motorist whose identity has not been learned.

Twelve-Foot Snow Found

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Snowdrifts twelve feet deep were encountered by Mr. and Mrs. Orville Sells, undertakers, when they drove an ambulance to a home from Freeport, Ill. They were marooned three days at a farm house near Watsela, Ill., where twenty-two other motorists had taken shelter. When the farmer's food was exhausted, he killed a number of choice chickens to feed his chance guests.

Park Official Re-Elected

Noblesville, Ind., Dec. 28.—The city council has re-elected William Hayes a member of the park board for a term of three years. In his annual report to the council, Dr. Earl Brooks, chairman of the board, said that 221 family reunions attended by 14,578 people, were held at the park last summer as fall. Golf receipts at the park were \$6,788.

Gravel Contract Signed

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—C. E. Hashman, Anderson, was awarded a contract by the Madison county board of commissioners to furnish 15,000 cubic yards of gravel for use on county roads. Hashman, the only bidder, will receive 55 cents a cubic yard. The county highway department will use a county owned loaded at the pit to save additional expense.

County's Oldest



F. M. Applegate

Noblesville, Ind., Dec. 28.—Hamilton county's oldest man, F. M. Applegate, 90, spent sixty years as a blacksmith, and when advancing age caused that calling to be too arduous for him, he engaged in the grocery business, continuing for fifteen years. He has been a member of the Methodist church seventy years. The ninetieth anniversary of Applegate's birth was the occasion for a party given by his nieces, Misses Maude and Ola Dale.

FATHER SLAYER MAY BE FREED

Defense of Mother and Self Son's Plea.

Mishawaka, Ind., Dec. 28.—Sebastiano Crucitti, 25, may be freed after St. Joseph county grand jury considers his responsibility for the slaying of his father, Alonzo Crucitti, 50, on Christmas eve, police believe.

The young man admitted beating his father on the head with the butt of a gun, causing injuries from which death resulted two hours later, but said his father was "mad drunk and I had to hit him to keep him from killing mother and me."

Crucitti, arraigned in city court, pleaded not guilty to a charge of second-degree murder and was ordered bound over to circuit court under \$25,000 bond.

I. U. SENDS SEVENTEEN TO TWO CONVENTIONS

Faculty Members at Language and Law Meetings.

Bloomington, Ind., Dec. 28.—The modern language convention at Cleveland, O., Monday will be attended by seven members of the Indiana university romance language department and four members of the German department, while six members of the law faculty are at the meeting of the Association of the American law school, at New Orleans, La., which opened Friday and will close Monday.

Romance language department members who will go to Cleveland are Dr. Bert E. Young, Dr. John M. Hill, Dr. Agapito Rey, Dr. George D. Morris, Dr. Lander MacClintock, Professor Ernest J. Leveque and Toy Wood. Members of the German department attending will be Mrs. Hedwig Leser, Professor Carl Osthaus, Dr. Bert J. Vos and Dr. E. O. Woolley.

Law school faculty members at New Orleans are Dean Paul V. McNutt, Professors W. E. Treanor, B. C. Gavit, M. J. Bowman, V. F. Harper and Alfred Evans.

QUARANTINE ENFORCED

Dublin Postmistress Compels Exposed Employee to Remain at Home.

Dublin, Ind., Dec. 28.—Jonas Mervier, mail messenger between the postoffice and the railroad station here, with two cases of smallpox at his home, refused to give up his work and remain in quarantine until Mrs. Grace Adrien, postmistress, forced him to do so. Then Marshal Henry French tackled up a warning sign at the home and told Mercer to stay indoors. Mercer's wife and one daughter have the disease.

The family of Harvey Hoover is also under quarantine because of the disease. It is reported there are forty-eight cases of smallpox at Cambridge City and there is one case north of here.

Burglar Accused Silent

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Still refusing to talk concerning alleged attempted robbery of the William Beaton home, east of Alexandria, John Davis, 40, Elwood, captured in the basement of the home after one or more of his companions had escaped, was placed in the county jail. He will be charged in circuit court with housebreaking. Fred Alumbaugh, Elwood, alleged partner of Davis, is a fugitive.

Burglar Gets 50 Cents

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—The effort was hardly worth the trouble for a thief who broke into the Paul Long grocery. The thief passed up all merchandise and contented himself with fifty pennies, contents of the cash drawer.

Garage Worker Loses Finger

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 28.—Harry Bennett, 40, garage employee, lost the little finger of his right hand while he was attaching a cable to a disabled automobile. The finger was so badly crushed it was amputated.

PURDUE TO BE HOST TO STATE FARM SESSION

Various Organizations to Meet During Annual Conference.

Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 28.—County agents, farmers and representatives of various organizations over the state will attend the annual Purdue agricultural conference to be held here Jan. 13 to 17. Trophies will be awarded counties having the largest delegation at the conference. The state is divided into districts and the leading county in each section receives a silver loving cup. The cup must be won three times before it can be kept permanently.

Among state organizations which will hold their annual meetings and elections of officers during the conference and the Agricultural Association, Indiana Dairy Association, State Draft Horse Breeders' Association and State Livestock Association.

Exhibits will include poultry, potatoes, corn, dairy, livestock, home economics work and farm equipment. Demonstrations and talks will be given on agricultural engineering, livestock, poultry, home economics, agronomy, beekeeping, horticulture and dairy work.

The conference will close with the annual banquet of Indiana Master Farmers. Medals and trophies will be awarded by the Prairie Farmer. Principal speakers will be W. S. Winder, secretary of the American Farm Bureau Federation; G. O. Hall, Purdue; H. H. Whiteside, Washington, D. C.; Miss Rosamond Cooke, University of Cincinnati; E. R. Honeywell, and Professor William Aitkenhead, Purdue.

OLDEST WOMAN MAKES DRESS AT RICHMOND

Mother of Mayor Piles Needle After Dispute With Seamstress.

Richmond, Ind., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Margaret J. Handley, Richmond's oldest citizen, will be 98 Tuesday. The dinner which it has been customary to hold on birth anniversaries of the venerable woman, has been canceled owing to the serious illness of her son, John S. Handley, in whose home she lives. Another son, L. A. Handley, is Richmond's mayor.

Recently the mayor's wife presented her mother-in-law with material for a dress. She could not agree with a seamstress on a design for making the garment, so she made it herself. She accompanied the mayor on a motor trip over the city to view Christmas decorations.

BLOOMINGTON BACHELOR SURE HE'S STILL ONE

Resents Announcement by Woman That She Is His Wife.

Bloomington, Ind., Dec. 28.—Congratulations were extended to Alton B. Parker when he returned from Detroit to take up his new duties as foreman in a stone mill, but not for long.

During his absence a Bloomington woman, after a visit to Detroit, had returned here and announced she had been married to Parker. Resentful of the woman's encroachment upon his bachelorhood, Parker publicly declared that he did not marry her, has no intention of doing so, and will not be responsible for any debts she contracts.