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## STOKES JACKSON

### Elected Democratic State Chairman.

### 42 BALLOTS NECESSARY TO CHOICE

New Chairman a Popular Democrat and An Ardent Bryan Man—Risk Withdrew Early in the Race.

The election of a state chairman by the democratic committee-men of the thirteen congressional districts of Indiana took place in Indianapolis Wednesday, and 42 ballots were necessary to make a choice. Stokes Jackson of Greenfield was elected on 42d ballot, receiving the votes of the First, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Ninth districts; Richard K. Erwin of Decatur received the vote of the Eighth, Eleventh and Twelfth, John E. Lamb of Terre Haute, the votes of the Second and Tenth, and H. A. Barnhart of Rochester the vote of the Thirteenth district on final ballot.

It became evident to James K. Risk of the Tenth that some other candidate in opposition to Jackson stood a better show of being elected than himself, and he withdrew and with others endeavored to unite this opposition on some one candidate. This was impossible to do, however, the Thirteenth district committee man having come instructed to vote for Barnhart from first to last, and he doggedly refused to budge from this position even at Barnhart's earnest entreaties to vote for some one else. Finally, M. E. Foley of the Ninth, who after the first ballot voted with the opposition until the 38th ballot, went back to Jackson, and a few more ballots settled the controversy.

It was the field against Jackson, who was considered the Taggart choice, and the latter won after the hottest fight of the kind ever made in the state. After it was all over Mr. Risk, who had led in the fight, when called upon, said that he had done all he could to defeat Jackson. "But," he added, "I never carry any fights beyond the place where they end. I may be back here two years hence fighting the same battle over again, but until then I will be found fighting Republicans, not Democrats. I have no animosities to carry home with me. This has been a manly fight and the party will be bettered by it. And you, Mr. Chairman, (addressing Mr. Jackson), will find me a friend and supporter, willing to make any sacrifice in behalf of the party and anxious to render any service for its success." Great enthusiasm followed Risk's speech.

Mr. Jackson has always been a Bryan man and was in attendance on "Bryan day" at Fountain Park last August. He is apparently a quiet, unassuming gentleman, against whom nothing can be said personally, and is evidently possessed of the necessary qualifications to make an excellent state chairman, and one who will lead the democratic hosts of the state to victory next November.

Gilbert H. Hendren of Bloomfield and Adam Heimberger of New Albany, two of the defeated candidates, were named as first and second vice-chairmen, respectively. Joe Reilly will be continued as secretary.

### BAUGHMAN & WILLIAMS WIN OUT.

Appellate Court Reverses Decision in Lowe Check Case.

The Appellate Court Tuesday reversed the case of J. C. Lowe of White county against Baughman & Williams, wherein he sought to recover on a check given him the Saturday afternoon before the McCoy bank closed its doors here, nearly four years ago. To those who are not familiar with the transaction a few words in explanation will be proper: The defendants made a collection for Lowe of \$629.24 and deposited the same in the McCoy bank with their regular account. Lowe came over the Saturday before the bank closed and they settled up their business, and one of defendants started to the bank with Lowe to get him his money. On the way across the street a new arrangement was made whereby he was to get \$10

more to pay another attorney who had assisted in the case and both returned to the former's office and when the matter was finally fixed up Lowe noticed that the bank was closed and said he would take a check for the amount and deposit it for collection at his home bank. He was given the check and went home with it. The bank never opened its doors again and he came back at Messrs. Baughman & Williams to make good the loss, which they declined to do. Suit was brought and a judgement rendered against them in the Newton circuit court, where the case was taken on charge of venue. Defendants took an appeal with the above result.

In rendering the opinion Judge Roby of the Appellate court said: "Certainly no one but himself was responsible for payment not being made in money, and while his action in that respect was probably influenced by his desire to get \$10 out of the attorney fee, it was nevertheless his action. Of course none of the parties anticipated the failure of the bank, but subsequent facts not within their contemplation do not bear upon their original intention. Counsel fail to indicate any evidence tending to show that the check was not accepted in payment of the debt. When appellee took the check in preference to the money in payment of the amount due him it became his check, just as if the appellant had paid him so much money, and the debt was extinguished."

### TERRIBLE ACT OF A CRAZY MAN.

Oxford was the scene of a terrible crime one morning last week. Claude Dodson, aged about 30 years, a brother of Co. Supt. Dodson of Fowler, returned recently from South Dakota where he had been for some time, and had shown signs of insanity. He was examined by a doctor who pronounced him insane, but said he was not dangerous. He became worse one night last week and while his father went to a neighbor's to telephone the town marshal to come and take him into custody, the insane man went to the bed occupied by his aunt, Mrs. Jane Harris, aged 75 years and who was an invalid from paralysis, and with a big butcher-knife nearly severed her head from the body. He has now been placed in jail and will be sent to the asylum.

### THE DEMOCRAT AWARDED STATIONERY CONTRACT.

The contract for furnishing letter-heads, envelopes, etc., for use of the various county officers for the ensuing year, was awarded The Democrat by the county commissioners at their meeting this week, its bid being \$2.35 lower than that of the next lowest bidder, the Rensselaer Journal. For several years this office has been bidding on this class of county supplies, always making its figures at a reasonable price for good work, but this is the first time it has been successful in getting the contract. During all this time however, although it has been considerable trouble to prepare the bids, it has had the satisfaction of knowing that the county was not being held up on this contract and it has saved several thousand dollars to the taxpayers by filing bids and preventing any combine or "hold up."

The year previous to its bidding on this work the price fixed by the successful bidder was four times the price now paid, and there is more stationery to be furnished now than there was at that time and it costs more to furnish it, too, because of the advance in labor and of raw material. These are facts that can be proven by official records.

The Democrat has saved the taxpayers of Jasper county a great many thousands of dollars during the ten years of its existence, and we believe the people generally appreciate the fact, judging from the continual increasing patronage the paper is receiving. It hopes to save them a great many more thousands in the future, and no taxpayer in the county can make a better investment than to give it support, at least to the extent of becoming a regular subscriber.

10 cent Embroidery Sale, Jan. 13 and 14. FENDIG'S FAIR.

Reduced prices on every shoe in the house, many at one half price, Jan. 6th to 25th. CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

## NEXT SATURDAY

### Date For Meeting of Parker Bank Creditors.

### IS TO BE HELD AT REMINGTON.

Creditors Requested By Referee Bowers to File Their Claims—Grand Jury Likely to Investigate.

The first meeting of the Parker bank creditors will be held at the bank building in Remington at 10 a. m., next Saturday, Jan. 18, at which time Referee Bowers of Hammond will be present. At this meeting the creditors may prove their claims and elect a trustee, etc. The referee requests that claims be filed prior to said date if possible. A creditor cannot vote for trustee until his claim has been filed and allowed. Creditors are practically united on W. H. Cheadle, a former trustee of Gilboa tp., Benton county, for trustee it is reported.

It is the general opinion that a grand jury will be called for the February term of court to investigate Mr. Parker's banking methods, and it is practically a foregone conclusion that a number of indictments will result. The bank has been insolvent for many years, it is alleged, and every deposit taken has been in violation of law, the penalty for which—embezzlement, it is called—is a fine of double the amount of the deposit and from two to fourteen years imprisonment for such offense, under the amended act of 1907, page 14.

Regarding checks and drafts that were given before the bank closed its doors, unless due diligence was used by the holder in getting them cashed they will be the losers, and not the makers, or endorsers of the checks or drafts. "Due diligence" in this matter seems to be construed about the same by the courts, it not being governed by special statute, and would probably mean within 24 hours, say for a man in town where the bank was located to present a check for payment, and two or three days for one residing several miles from the bank on which it was drawn. In the case of drafts, if the money was in the bank upon which it was drawn, say a week or ten days after it was drawn, and the party to whom it was sent carried it around in his pocket a week or two before getting it cashed, and when it finally reached the bank upon which it was drawn the bank issuing it had exhausted its balance and the draft was protested, the sender cannot be held liable, but the holder must be the loser. A \$140 draft sent out by J. A. Teter to an Ohio man some four weeks before the bank went broke and drawn on New York, came back protested, but it evidently had been carried about three weeks by the man Mr. Teter sent it to before he got it cashed at his local bank. The man to whom it was sent and not Mr. Teter is the loser in this case.

### THE GOODLAND BANK RECEIVERSHIP MATTER.

Attorney H. L. Sammons and County Treasurer Chas. Spinney of Kentland, L. A. Wiles, H. T. Griggs, J. A. Wickersham and several others from Goodland and State Auditor Billheimer of Indianapolis were here yesterday on business connected with the appointment of a receiver for the Baldwin & Dague bank at Goodland. Spinney and the creditors were lined up for the appointment of H. T. Griggs of Goodland, while the bankers and Billheimer, we understand, wanted a Logansport man named Boyer. They finally agreed on the former and Grant Hall of Fowler, but the attorneys for the bank were not fully satisfied and went home to consult Mr. Baldwin and the appointment will be made to-day. The Parker bank receivership matter was continued to the 25th when it will probably go off the docket here, it now being in the federal court.

The greatest event of the season, the great embroidery sale of over 8,000 yards of new embroidery, January 16, 17, 18 and 20, at the Chicago Bargain Store.

### THANKS, BROTHER, THANKS.

The Rensselaer Democrat is the only paper in Jasper county that gives a detailed account of the Parker bank failure at Remington. It is not policy or justice to the people to spare the feelings of one man at the expense of hundreds of others by suppressing facts when they are as vitally affected as he is himself, and have a perfect right to know the condition of the bank. The Democrat did the right thing in not suppressing any of the known facts.—Brook Reporter.

### FREE FOR THIRTY DAYS.

For the next 30 days we are going to present all new subscribers to The Democrat paying \$1.35 for a year's subscription and one of The Democrat's Wall Charts, a year's subscription to the American Farmer. Take advantage of this offer at once and secure the opening chapters of the Democrat's new serial, "The King of Diamonds," one of the best stories you ever read, the opening chapters of which appeared recently. For a short time we shall be able to supply new subscribers with back numbers of The Democrat containing the opening chapters of this excellent story, so that they may miss no part of it.

### NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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### PUBLIC SALES.

The Democrat has printed bills for the following public sales:

Monday Jan. 13, Fred Lee, 8 miles northeast of Rensselaer. General sale, horses, mules, cattle, hogs, farm implements, etc.

Wednesday, Jan. 15, James A. Gilmore, 1/2 miles South of Surrey. General sale of horses, cattle, hogs, farm tools, corn, oats, hay, household and kitchen furniture.

Thursday, Jan. 16, Jacob A. May & Sons, 3 miles north and 2 1/2 miles west of Remington. Big general sale, 23 head of horses and mules, 45 head of cattle, 100 head of hogs, including 40 head of pure bred Duroc Jerseys, farm tools, etc.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, Ed. Antcliff, 1 1/2 miles southeast of Foresman. General sale, horses, cattle, farm tools, etc.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, Schreiner & Son, 5 miles north and 2 miles east of Rensselaer. General farm sale, horses, mules, cattle, hogs, implements, etc.

Thursday, Jan. 23, Albert Duggins, 1 mile north and 3 miles east of Rensselaer. General sale, horses, cattle, hogs, farm implements, etc.

For discounts The G. E. Murray Co. is the place to trade, and you get the voting coupons, too.

Do not miss the opportunity of purchasing high grade Embroideries all widths at 10 cent Embroidery Sale. FENDIG'S FAIR.

When you come to the embroidery sale do not forget the one-half price sale on clothing, cloaks, remnants, etc., at the Chicago Bargain Store.

2000 yards new Embroideries at 10 cents per yard Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 13 and 14. FENDIG'S FAIR.

Granite ware first quality at lowest price ever offered at one half price sale.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

FARM FOR RENT:—250 acres, in Barkley tp., 10 miles northeast of Rensselaer, 100 acres in pasture, rest in cultivation. All good corn and oats land and quite well tiled, good improvements.

JOHN N. BAKER, R-R-1, Rensselaer, Ind. Phone 522-B.

## THE COURT HOUSE

### Items Picked Up About the County Capitol.

The county board of education will meet Monday.

Barkley tp., is out of debt, for the first time in a number of years, thanks to the wise and economical management of township affairs by Trustee Davison.

The report published in other papers here that White county had filed a claim against Jasper county for \$2,000, expenses of the McCoy trial, is incorrect. While the amount will probably be in that neighborhood, no claim has as yet been filed here.

The actual amount of funds on deposit by A. A. Fell as trustee of Carpenter tp., in the Parker bank when it closed its doors, as shown by the bank books was \$3,210.79. Mr. Fell's deposit was inadvertently omitted from the list published in The Democrat last week, hence we give it here.

Marriage licenses issued: Jan. 7, Lafe Denton of White county, aged 28, occupation farmer, to Effie Ethel Louks of Hanging Grove tp., aged 22, occupation housekeeper. First marriage for each.

Jan. 7, Geo. Coleman of Milroy tp., aged 51, occupation farmer, to Lula Risk also of Milroy, aged 37, occupation housekeeper. Third marriage for male, first wife having died in 1902, and second wife divorced; third marriage also for female, first husband having died and second husband divorced in 1907.

Robert Parker, the Remington banker who recently went broke, was in the city Monday morning in consultation with Foltz & Spitzer, whom he has retained with Judge Palmer of Monticello as his attorneys. He seems to be looking on the bright side of the bank trouble, says he will turn over all he has to satisfy the creditors so far as possible only retaining his \$600 exemption to save the household furniture. He states that he has nothing to conceal and will lend all the aid possible in settling up the tangled affairs of the bank.

A 12-year-old orphan boy who has been living with the family of Peter Greiser near the depot, has not been sent to school and is alleged to have been badly mistreated and improperly clothed. Wednesday morning Marshall Parks and Deputy Sheriff Joe O'Connor went out to the Greiser home and got the boy and brought him up town, and yesterday Joe O'Connor took him to the orphan asylum at Westfield. The officers had some trouble in getting the lad, Mrs. Greiser denying that he was there. They finally found him hidden in the chicken house attic and then both Mr. and Mrs. Greiser tried to prevent his being taken, the former striking the marshal while his wife attempted to chew him up with her teeth. During the melee a table was upset and several pieces of tableware were broken.

New suits filed: No. 7250. James W. Stevens vs. William Gilliam et al; action to quiet title. No. 7251. J. H. Martin vs. Frank P. Morton; suit on notes. Demand \$300.

No. 7252. Patrick Hallagan vs. Wilford Maxwell et al; suit on notes and chattel mortgage. Demand for possession of property, one black mare, buggy and harness, and \$200 damages.

No. 7253. Nelson Griggs vs. Minnie Griggs; suit for divorce.

Complaint states that the parties were married Feb. 12, 1907, and lived together until Nov. 27, 1907, when defendant left plaintiff without cause. Defendant is charged with having a vicious and ungovernable temper, refusing to cook or do other housework, stated that she did not love plaintiff, kept company with other persons against plaintiff's wishes, called him bad names, etc. Plaintiff resides in Rensselaer and defendant is alleged to be with her parents in Barkley tp.

Township trustees are hereby notified that The Democrat furnishes voucher-warrant and warrant-check books, required to be used under the new depository law, for precisely the same price charged by the supply houses, and they are more complete and require less writing, too. No need to send out of town for these books. Leave as much township money as you can at home, where it will enter the various channels of trade and indirectly help everyone. A dollar sent away to these supply houses, remember, is gone forever and means just that much taken out of circulation in the community in which you reside and where your interests lie. Don't send away for anything that you can get just as good or better at home and for the same money or less than the outside dealer would charge you, is a good rule for public officials, business men and the everyday citizen to follow.

The board of county commissioners finished the work of the January term Tuesday and adjourned. Following is a report of the proceedings:

Contractors on the Marion-Rensselaer stone road allowed \$1,194.94.

R. A. Mannon, supt of the Kankakee-Wheatfield stone road, filed a report of the completion of said road.

Frank Fenzel ditch in Kankakee tp., ordered established as per final report, Chas. R. Peregrine appointed supt. Attorney fee of \$75 allowed Foltz & Spitzer.

Samuel E. Sparling ditch; continued to second day Feb. term at 9 a. m., for hearing.

Henry H. Eaglesbach ditch; dismissed by petitioners without prejudice; costs taxed to petitioners. Commissioners ask for more time to report in the Jerry Shea ditch; granted till Feb. term.

Stationary contracts let to Burt-Terry-Wilson Co., of Lafayette, classes 1 and 3, and to F. E. Babcock class 4, they being the lowest bidders on the above classes.

Trustee of Kankakee tp., granted permission to extend additional poor relief to Harry Price, to amount of \$15; trustee Marion tp. same to Alice Potts, Cecil Potts, Marion Smith, Sarah Platt and John Albersen.

Report of grand jury recommending improvement to heating system at poor asylum was taken under advisement and for the consideration of the county council.

Andrew Grube, et al, petition for highway in Wheatfield tp.; transcript of Newton circuit court filed and auditor directed to certify to trustee and other officers to open highway without delay.

The treasurer's annual settlement was examined and approved and ordered printed in the Rensselaer Republican and Jasper County Democrat.

The one half price sale is on in full blast at the Chicago Bargain Store.

On men's and boys' suits and overcoats the G. E. Murray Co., is now making 10, 20, 25 and 50 per cent discounts.

Fancy Bellflower and Northern Spy apples down to \$1.35 per bu. including basket worth 15 cents. CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

A few more pounds of duck and geese feathers for sale. Call early if you wish any. B. S. FENDIG.

No store offers a bigger out in prices on all goods at this season than the G. E. Murray Co. The most seasonable goods at long discounts.

One half price sale on clothing, cloaks, remnants, etc. Jan. 6th to Saturday, Jan. 25. CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

PRIVATE SALE.

I offer at private sale at my residence in Barkley tp. 5 miles north and 1 1/2 miles east of Rensselaer the following:

2 Chester sows, due to farrow April 3;  
1 Brood mare in foal, season paid;

Kenwood corn sheller, new last March;  
About 40 bushels seed oats.  
Prices reasonable. Terms cash, or time if satisfactory.

THOMAS DRIVER, Rensselaer R-R-1. Phone 513-A.

Dance at Warner's Hall, Thursday evening, Jan. 16. Good music and good order.