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## THE FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

The 18th annual session of the Jasper County Farmers' Institute will be held in Rensselaer Dec. 7 and 8. A. G. Burkhardt of Tipton county, both days, and Samuel B. Woods of Crown Point, will speak Dec. 7. Miss Ethel E. Berry of Jewell City, Kan., will speak Dec. 8.

There will also be institute sessions held at Fair Oaks, Parr, Wheatfield and Remington, as follows:

Fair Oaks, Dec. 11—J. M. Cantley of Logansport, speaker.

Wheatfield, Dec. 16 and 17—A. P. Burnside of Greencastle, speaker.

Parr, Dec. 12—Prof. W. W. Smith of Purdue University, speaker.

Remington, Dec. 18 and 19—Mrs. Oliver Kline of Huntington and Prof. J. H. Skinner or Purdue University, speakers.

At the session in Rensselaer, we understand, there will be a joint discussion between W. L. Wood and S. A. Brusnahan of Parr on the question of farmers buying all their goods at home or sending away for them.

## BACKED INTO BY AUTOMOBILE.

Wilbur Hart, who recently moved here from Illinois, though formerly a resident of Mt. Ayr, met with a mishap about 4:30 p. m. Thursday that might have resulted in a tragedy. With two small children he was driving down Front street with one horse hitched to a second-hand rural mail wagon that he had purchased from J. W. Knapp, the liveryman. When directly opposite Delos Thompson's driveway, the latter's boy backed out an automobile.

Mr. Hart did not see the auto nor the boy did not see him, and the machine ran square into Hart's wagon, throwing the latter out through the back of the wagon, breaking the rig up very badly and narrowly missing a more disastrous mix-up.

Mr. Hart had one child on his lap at the time, and he had the presence of mind to grab the other one as he went out through the back of the rig, pulling it out with him. The horse ran to the corner by J. J. Elgesbach's residence with the remains of the wagon, where it was caught. Mr. Hart's shoulder and arm was so badly hurt that he could scarcely raise his arm, one child was cut near the eye by a piece of the broken glass from the mail wagon, and the other one had a lump on its head where it came in contact with something.

It was a narrow escape, as the occupants of the rig might have been killed or badly maimed by the heavy auto.

## ABOUT THOSE RENNSSELAER BOYS AT PARR.

This incident no doubt would not have happened had it not been the third time that the young people of Rensselaer had showed a spirit of their superiority over the young people of Parr, by making fun and saying insulting things to them. But the latter had hitherto passed it up, and like the man that was kicked, they considered the source. But this time the Parr boys thought they would do the kicking and let the Rensselaer people do the considering, and it has been considered to the limit at this place.

While we don't wish to endorse any such conduct as egging anybody, neither do we endorse or indulge any such conduct as the Rensselaer people have been showing towards the Parr people, at and since the mayor of Parr held that big tent meeting. But the eggs were thrown and the boys have been justly and severely criticized for it.

But the Parr boys were not to blame only in part for the disturbance at the box social. If you want to call it a disturbance. Neither was it the private sale of those boxes alone. But it was the spirit and attitude in which this sale was conducted together with the action of some of the girls before and after the heroes of the scene came upon the stage of action. It seemed that their wearing apparel was all nice and good enough for all that was present, until the heroes appeared, when they almost went up in a flurry by "Oh, My! What shall I do? Those Boys have come and here I am not dressed!" Of course they were, but not in their opinion to suit those young heroes, and modified the case by putting on their cloaks.

We hope that another such an event will never occur in our little village of Parr and that all may reason and be benefitted by this occurrence, as there is a lesson in it for both sides—the targets and the shooters.

We are glad the boys of Rensselaer got out alive. Of course they would, under the pilotship of our mayor, W. L. Wood.

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## THE COURT HOUSE.

### Items Picked Up About the County Capitol.

The county option law of the late special session of the legislature became a law in fact Monday, when Gov. Hanly issued his proclamation putting the laws in force that did not carry an emergency clause.

State Statistician J. L. Peetz was here Thursday checking up the vote of Jasper county at the late election, trying, we understand, to get a little ammunition to use against the democrats in the contests which the latter will bring before the legislature. We doubt if anything was discovered here that would help the republicans.

Marriage licenses issued: Nov. 23, George Culp, Jr., of Monon, aged 21, occupation farmer, to Olive M. Osborne of Rensselaer, aged 19, daughter of John L. Osborne, occupation housekeeper. First marriage for each.

Nov. 25, Cecil Rishling of Hanging Grove tp., aged 26, occupation farmer, to Nora Pearl Willets, daughter of Joseph Willets, also of Hanging Grove, aged 18, occupation housekeeper. First marriage for each.

The Dr. Solt of San Pierre vs. Warren J. White of Wheatfield case was still grinding as we go to press, and was expected to last all of yesterday and perhaps yet today. This is a case where Dr. Solt of San Pierre treated defendant's wife during confinement. She had considerable sickness thereafter and was later taken to Chicago for an operation by defendant, who alleges that her trouble arose because of the unskillful treatment of plaintiff. There has been some evidence to show that it was agreed by plaintiff that if defendant would not sue plaintiff for malpractice that plaintiff would not ask payment for his services. Suits for malpractice must be instituted within two years, it is alleged, and after the two years were up, plaintiff became angered at defendant's telling people of the trouble his wife had had because of plaintiff's treatment, it is alleged, and sued for some \$200, the amount he claims is due him for his services. This is the defense side of the case, in brief, so far as it has progressed at this time.

The jury was excused Wednesday evening until yesterday morning at 9 o'clock.

### PEACOCK WINS OUT.

Grand Lodge K. of P. Reverses Action of Local Lodge.

The Democrat has never considered it the province of a newspaper to jump onto a man whose actions or affairs were the subject of investigation by the courts, or were pending in the courts, and find him guilty and hang him before the latter had been given a chance to pass judgment. The constitution of our land grants a man a free and impartial trial by jury, no matter what crime he may be charged with, and until proved otherwise and declared guilty the presumption carries all along during the trial that he is innocent.

This paper has refrained from comment on the family troubles of Mr. and Mrs. Erastus Peacock, of this city. These matters were in the courts for adjudication, and we considered the courts amply able to determine on and decide the merits of the matters in controversy without our pointing the way.

There are usually two sides to all family jars, and possibly this one is no exception. We have heard both sides to this controversy, but it is not our province to decide it—especially when the matter is a subject of court inquiry.

One matter that has not been mentioned through the press, however, which grew out of this trouble, was the action of the local lodge K. of P., in expelling Mr. Peacock from the lodge. This happened several months ago, and Peacock, who has been very prominent in K. of P. circles, took an appeal to the grand lodge. He is said to have made a few remarks to the lodge here about the time this action was taken, in which some of the members who so ardently espoused his expulsion were held up to the limelight in a way that was not very pleasing to them, and of course this did not cause them to feel that brotherly love for him that these orders are supposed to have a special long suit on.

The appeal was heard by the proper tribunal at Indianapolis last Friday. Geo. A. Williams, Mr. Peacock's attorney, appearing for him, and Abe Halleck, Mrs. Peacock's attorney, appearing for the lodge. This tribunal reversed the decision.

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of the local lodge and it is understood will order Peacock's reinstatement as a member of the Rensselaer lodge, although the official ruling has not been received at this writing. This action would indicate that the local lodge had either acted hastily in the matter of expelling the appellant, urged on possibly by personal enemies of his, or that the evidence on which they had arrived at the conclusion they did, was not worthy of the consideration given it by the local lodge. The decision of the grand lodge tribunal is a victory for Mr. Peacock in more ways than one.

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### TAFT'S PLURALITY IN INDIANA.

Secretary of State Announces Figures, Based On Leading Elector.

Taft's official plurality over Bryan in Indiana was 10,731. This figure was given out Tuesday by Fred A. Sims, Secretary of State, after the official returns from all the counties in the State were canvassed and totaled. The vote cast for the various presidential candidates in Indiana was as follows:

Taft (Rep.)	348,993
Bryan (Dem.)	338,262
Chafin (Pro.)	18,045
Watson (Peo.)	1,193
Debs (Soc.)	13,476
Preston (Soc. Lab.)	643
Hisgen (Ind.)	514

The total vote for all the candidates for President in Indiana was 721,126.

All the candidates for presidential elector on the same ticket did not receive the same vote, but the official plurality is based on the vote cast for the candidate for elector-at-large whose name appeared first on the ticket. In this case the Republican vote was the vote cast for Winfield T. Durbin and the Democratic vote was the vote cast for Adam Heimberger, John W. Spencer, the second Democratic candidate on the Democratic ballot, received 334,633 votes, and Fred C. Gardner, the second Republican, received 344,198.

### RESOLUTIONS.

A Resolution by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, Indiana, in memory of Jay W. Williams deceased.

Whereas, on November 17, 1908, one of our number was called to answer the summons to quit this life:

Therefore, be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, Indiana, that we cease for the time the transaction of the affairs of said city, to record the departure of Jay W. Williams whose official services for the City of Rensselaer began by special election of the Council on September 24, 1906, and continued until his death.

Mr. Williams was a man of honest and honorable character and by his upright conduct in life won for himself the confidence and esteem of a large number of friends and acquaintances. He was a thoroughly honest public official and capable in the discharge of his duties. His honesty and conscientiousness exemplified not only in his public life but in his private life have left behind him the respect and adoration of the entire community which will live long in the memory of all who knew him.

To living friends and kindred we tender the sympathy of a common loss.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be entered of record in the records of the Common Council as a memorial of our love and respect for one who was so long a conscientious and able member of this body and that a copy hereof be furnished the local papers for publication and a copy hereof be delivered to the family of the deceased.

Passed by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor this 23rd day of November, 1908.

J. H. S. ELLIS, Mayor.  
Attest: CHAS. MORLAN, Clerk.

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 9:30. The men's bible class will study the life of David.

Preaching service at 10:45 a. m., subject of the sermon, "The Secret of Happiness."

Preaching service at 7:00 p. m., subject of the sermon, "Tests." Everyone welcome to these services.

### PUBLIC SALES.

The Democrat has printed bills for the following public sales:

Tuesday, Dec. 8, James A. Kelsler, 8 1/2 miles southwest of Rensselaer. General sale, horses, cattle, hogs and farm implements.

### NOTICE.

All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the late Jay W. Williams will please call at the furniture store for settlement of account.

### RATES TO THE STOCK SHOW.

The Monon will sell round trip tickets to Chicago Nov. 29 to Dec. 4, final limit Dec. 12, account of International Live Stock Exposition, \$2.25. W. H. BEAM, Agt.

Wanted:—Family washings. Address X. Y. Z., care box 202.



FOR DECEMBER.

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Save, brothers, save with care.

A nickel here and a nickel there—

A two-bit piece will fill the tum—

Of some small celebrant with gum,

Nigger-toes, peanuts, bum-bum,

Apples, raisins, lemon drops,

Popolcorn, suckers, caramels,

Wiblets, taffy, butterscotch,

Walnuts, figs and angel cake—

Save for the Christmas belly-ache.

Save, brothers, save your dough,

Save for the stockings in a row—

A four-bit piece will buy a sled,

A pair of boots upholstered red,

A doll with skull grass on her head,

A Teddy bear, a horn, a drum.

An airgun, jack-knife, pair of skates,

Magic lantern, doll house, game

A box of soldiers made of tin—

Save for the Christmas morning din.

Save, brothers, save for keeps,

Save for the night nobody sleeps—

A six-bit piece will buy a book,

A piece of cat fur for the cook,

A picture for the empty nook,

A box of holiday cigars,

A hatpin, slippers, pair of mitts,

A dozen handkerchiefs, a shirt,

A piece of neckwear new and strange—

Save for the annual exchange.

December was the tenth month

in the old Roman year, and gets

its name from the Latin decem (10).

But what with forest fires

in the middle of autumn, the Ro-

man Fire Department had no time

to put out Christmas trees, and

he rearranged the calendar and

moved Christmas along to a time

when the firemen had nothing else

on.

The frisky calf will sniff the

morn and merrily cavort, and the

frost will nip him where his scant

upholstering is short. The boys

will flock to Sunday school with fine

religious fire, the hired man will

hang around unworthy of his hire,

the warning goose will hurry south

on frantic wings a-rustle, with

winter