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MONDAY, MAYBE,

A Decision Will Be Rendered

IN THE CARR DITCH MATTER.

Judge Hanley Hopes to Get Case Figured Out So He Can Render Decision by That Time.

Judge Hanley and Court stenographer Sigler were still wrestling with the names on the Carr ditch remonstrance Thursday, but hoped to get the thing figured out in time to render a decision Monday. There is a huge list of names to go over, and they are going over the full list of those affected by the ditch as shown by the report and the evidence, and also the list of remonstrators.

There are some cases, it is said, where the report shows only one landowner affected, this report being compiled from the public records. But suppose this party is deceased and left a number of heirs? They are each one affected by the assessments and will go to swell the list of nonremonstrators.

Those who are not legally entitled to remonstrate are being cut out and the whole list on each side is being carefully gone over. If there are a two-thirds of the number affected, as shown by the revised figures, to be on the remonstrance, then the present petition is defeated. Otherwise not.

Should it be defeated, it is reported a new petition will be immediately gotten up and filed, for the petitioners feel that they must have relief from the floods of water that the dredging of the Iroquois has already thrown down upon them.

GAULT DITCH COMPLETED.

D. H. Yeoman completed his contract on the Gault ditch in Cass county last week Thursday, and the dredge has now gone into winter quarters.

Commenting on the completion of the work the Royal Centre Record says:

Well, that celebrated Gault ditch has been completed and the waters from that shed are now pouring into the Tippecanoe river.

"That is a great ditch," remarked Mr. Yeoman, the contractor that constructed the section from the Louderback farm to the Tippecanoe river. "When we opened it out into the old Tip the current was so strong that stumps and logs were carried directly across the river to the other bank. It has a fine fall and the current is plenty strong to keep the Gault clean.

"Has the work been taken off your hands?" asked the reporter.

"Oh yes. The commissioner came down as soon as we had the work finished last Friday. He found that we had gone below the specifications and that the work was well done. That being the case, he at once accepted the work."

"How about the railroad—under the bridge?"

"Everything done right up to the handle. Went down the channel about half a mile. Didn't have to, but did it just the same."

The dredge is still in the ditch, but the cabins have been placed on the banks. In due time they will be torn down and shipped to other work. Mr. Yeoman was around with a valise full of money Tuesday settling up all debts.

STILL HOLDING OUT HOPES.

Henry Griggs went to Logansport Thursday and made a desperate effort to raise enough money to finish paying the fourth dividend that was promised the depositors before Christmas, but he found things at a standstill and was informed that the Daniel P. Baldwin will be probated in about a week or ten days. Mr. Randall, a nephew of Mr. Baldwin's, made the remark that the administrator of the Baldwin estate would be a prominent Logansport man and that he was well thought of in Goodland. Mr. Griggs was also informed that the depositors were in line for a very pleasing surprise as the Baldwin estate was in a much better condition than has ever been given out before. The above remarks are made from hearsay and it is the sincere hope of the writer that they may be true, however, that remains to be seen.—Goodland Herald.

ANOTHER FIRE AT GOODLAND.

Rufus Ross' Fine Large Residence Burned Thursday Morning.

F. P. Morton and son of Goodland were in the city on business Thursday. The fine and practically new residence formerly owned by J. A. Patton, a former poultry dealer of Goodland, situated on the Remington road, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday morning at about 5:30. It was owned by Rufus Ross, former

ly of near Monticello, who some months ago traded his farm for the Peter Brook harness and implement business at Goodland and moved to that place. He put in about \$1,200 worth of new furniture on moving into this house, it is said. The fire started in the roof, and Mr. Morton, who was the first to discover it, thinks it must have been caused from the electric light wires. He gave the alarm at once and the chemical fire engine, the only means Goodland has for fighting fire, was got on the scene after some delay, owing to the early hour, but nothing could be done to save the house and it was soon burned to the ground together with practically all the contents.

Mr. Ross is certainly having his share of bad luck, as his harness and implement store was totally destroyed by fire only a few weeks ago.

GOES TO CALIFORNIA TO WED A. L. BRANCH.

Mrs. Aetna Lebo, one of the First Grade teachers in the City schools, left Thursday afternoon for Sacramento, Calif., where she will be united in marriage to A. L. Branch, formerly of Rensselaer. Mrs. Lebo had kept the matter very quiet and none of the other teachers knew about her intended marriage until she was about to take the train. She had kept company with Mr. Branch a part of the time while he was here, and many expected when Mr. Branch came back here recently that the marriage would take place then.

Mrs. Lebo has been a very efficient teacher, having taught here for some three or four terms, and made a host of friends, whose best wishes for happiness go with her. Miss Lucy Beasley of Remington, who has been teaching at Wingate, Ind., has been secured to take Mrs. Lebo's place in the Rensselaer school.

JOE'S SMILES AND GOOD CHEER.

Huntington Morning Times, Dec. 22.—Huntington now has a new merchant and he is one of those fellows who has a smile and a pleasant greeting for every one he meets. It is Joe Jeffries, the new proprietor of the Truth grocery recently purchased of Mrs. Alida Tuttle. He took possession yesterday morning and with the same force of clerks, the new proprietor is handling out the goods to the many customers and shaking hands with every one that comes in as if he knows them and their ancestors for generations back.

Mr. Jeffries has been the cashier in a bank at Rensselaer. He knows every detail of the operation of a business place and as he has secured one of the best business houses in the city, he is destined to enjoy success from the start. His family will be here about January 1 and they will become permanent residents of Huntington.

PUBLIC SALES.

The Democrat has printed bills for the following public sales:

Thursday, Dec. 31, Harvey Dayson, 9 miles north of Rensselaer on the gravel road. General sale of horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and farm implements.

Monday, January 4, Harvey Maxwell, 6 1/2 miles south and 1/2 mile west of Rensselaer. General sale, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and farm implements.

Thursday, Jan. 7, H. N. Moulds, 9 miles east and 2 miles north of Rensselaer, in Hanging Grove t.d. General sale, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, farm tools, household goods, etc.

That Farmer's and Working Man's Friend Store at Remington, Indiana, is the talk of the country, for good goods and extremely low prices.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The Jasper Savings and Trust Company, of Rensselaer, Ind., will be held at the office of said company in Rensselaer, Ind., on Wednesday, January 6, 1909, at 7 o'clock p.m.

CHARLES G. SPITLER, Pres.

JUDSON J. HUNT, Secy.-Treas.

Largest stock of watches in the county, and at reasonable prices, at Clarke's.

Only \$1.40 per sack for the Gem of the Valley flour that won the highest test ever made in Jasper county.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

Buy your overcoat or cloak at Murray's at 20 per cent discount. Now is the time to get in on them.

We are very busy these days. We want to serve you the best possible and therefore ask that you telephone us your order as early as possible.

HOLE GROCERY.

94.7 per cent test, the best test ever made in a bread contest in Jasper county, December 8th. Bread made from the Gem flour.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

THE COURT HOUSE

Items Picked Up About the County Capitol.

The county officers celebrated yesterday, by closing their offices.

The Christmas rush for marriage licenses was conspicuous only by its absence.

Joe Thomas of Newton township, was pulled over to Morocco last Saturday and fined to the amount of \$22.50 for violation of the game laws. From the meager reports of the matter we have been able to get, the prosecution appears to have been more in the nature of spite work than any laudable desire to have the game laws observed. The people in that neighborhood with whom we have talked regard the prosecution unjust, as Joe is said to have asked for and received permission to hunt on the lands of the very farmer who caused his arrest.

The county commissioners were in special session Wednesday to let the county stationery contracts and to allow claims.

In stationery classes 1, 2, 3, the Burt-Terry Co. of Lafayette was the only bidder, and was awarded contract for same. In class 4 Healey & Clark and F. E. Babcock were the bidders. On the face of the bids there was but \$1.66 difference. All letter heads and envelopes are required this year to be of Strathmore Parchment paper. The bid of the latter specified the weight at 20 lbs to the ream, and submitted samples, while the former bid did neither. The matter was continued to the January term.

Sheriff O'Connor reported fees earned to the amount of \$589.26 since last report.

New Suits Filed: Patrick Halligan vs. Charles Pattee and John Pattee; suit on note and chattel mortgage. Demand \$200.

No. 7884: Frank E. Babcock, a taxpayer of Jasper county, Indiana, vs. The Board of Commissioners of Jasper county, Indiana; appeal from the Commissioners' court.

The complaint alleges that the plaintiff is the editor and publisher of The Jasper County Democrat a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in Jasper county, Indiana, that said Jasper County Democrat is the only leading Democratic newspaper printed and published in said Jasper county, Indiana, and as such leading Democratic newspaper published the rate of taxation for the year 1908 of the State, County, and Township taxes for Jasper county, Indiana.

It also states that one James W. McEwan without authority from the treasurer of said Jasper county, Indiana, printed an alleged notice of the rate of taxation for the year 1908 in the Democratic Sentinel which is not a leading newspaper of general circulation in said Jasper county, Indiana, that said Democratic Sentinel is not recognized by the Democracy of Jasper county, Indiana, as a representative newspaper of its party; that the Democratic newspaper is the editor and publisher of The Jasper County Democrat a newspaper of general circulation in said Jasper county, Indiana, that said Democratic Sentinel is not recognized by the Democracy of Jasper county, Indiana, as a representative newspaper of its party; that the Democratic officials past and present of the Township and county in said Jasper county, Indiana, do not recognize said Sentinel as its representative, in this, they refuse to publish legal notices in said Sentinel, but on the contrary publish all legal notices in said Sentinel, but on the contrary publish all legal notices in the Jasper County Democrat; that the Democratic County and Township Central Committees recognize the Jasper County Democrat as the official newspaper of the Democratic party in said county, in this: by publishing all the calls for Township and County meetings and conventions in said Jasper County Democrat, and further by resolutions at said conventions officially declaring the Jasper County Democrat to be the official newspaper of the party, in Jasper county, Indiana; that said James W. McEwan filed an illegal claim with the Auditor of Jasper county in the sum of \$65.00 for printing and publishing said rate of taxation for the year 1908 in said Democratic Sentinel which illegal claim was allowed by said Board of Commissioners of Jasper county, Indiana, at the December session 1908 of said Board in the sum of \$65.00 which said allowance was illegal and unwarranted; that this affidavit is entitled to receive the allowance made by the Board of Commissioners and now demands the sum of \$65.00 the amount due this affidavit for printing and publishing the rate of taxation for the year 1908, State, County, and Township Taxes for Jasper county, Indiana.

Left Note Saying That His Accounts Were All in Order.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 25.—Word was received here by the Hudson Bay company that its steamer Stork, which plies between London and Hudson Bay, was wrecked on Lisbon Shoals in Hudson Bay.

The crew were rescued and are now at Moose Factory. The cargo consisted of \$1,500,000 worth of furs.

BANK OFFICIAL ENDS LIFE

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Worcester, Mass., Dec. 25.—Frank W. Cutting, fifty-seven years old, for the last forty years connected with the Worcester Mechanics' Savings bank, and for seven years its treasurer, was found dead by suicide at his home.

He left a note saying that the accounts were all right.

WARNER ESTATE DIVIDED

Pension Commissioner Gets \$250,000 and Stepmother \$500,000.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 25.—The formal order dividing the Warner estate, in conformity with the recent decision of the Illinois supreme court, in favor of the widow, Mrs. Isabelle Warner, was entered by Master in Chancery Fred Booth in the DeWitt county court.

Her stepson, United States Pension Commissioner Vespasian Warner, opposed the demand of the widow for her third, alleging that she had negro blood in her veins. The widow, however, won her case at every point, and by the order of division will be given \$500,000, instead of \$10,000, as left by the will.

Colonel Warner and his three sisters will each receive \$250,000.

ARRESTED AS TRAIN ROBBER

Police Positive They Have Man Who Held Up Oriental Limited.

St. Paul, Dec. 25.—George T. Frankhauser, alias Ed Smith, has been arrested at Moorhead, Minn.

The police assert that they are positive in their identification of the man as the robber who held up the Oriental Limited on the Great Northern railroad, near Rondo, Mont., Sept. 12, 1907, and secured nearly \$50,000 in booty.

JANUARY MELON

IS A LARGE ONE

Dividend and Interest Payment Sets New Mark.

New York, Dec. 25.—Dividend and interest disbursement for January, 1909, will exceed \$210,000,000. Up to the present time the dividends declared upon the stock of the New York city banks and trust companies, the various railroads, industrial, miscellaneous and street railway corporations in the United States aggregate \$75,218,000, which compares with \$76,300,000 declared in January, 1908, and \$71,347,000 in January, 1907.

The interest payable upon the bonds of the railroads, industrial, miscellaneous and street railway corporations and upon the bonds of all the cities, counties, and states of the United States, and the government bonds totals \$133,492,000, which compares with \$115,327,000 in January, 1908, and \$110,948,000 in January, 1907.

The large increase in the disbursement in January, 1909, over the same month of 1908 can be attributed to the large amount of securities issued during the past twelve months, which totaled about \$800,000,000 bonds and \$300,000,000 notes for the railroad and industrial companies.

FLAW IN BIG SOLAR GLASS

Authorities at Mount Wilson Observatory Have Unpleasant Surprise.

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 25.—An unpleasant surprise greeted the authorities of the Mount Wilson solar observatory when the 100-inch glass, the largest ever cast, was unwrapped from its packing.

After the first grinding began a large flaw was found, so that the casting will have to be thrown away and a new one made. This will delay for many months the construction of the great eight-foot reflecting mirror.

The casting of the glass disk was made in Gobain, France, and the cost was \$50,000.

M'MANUS TAKES A BRIDE

Artist Who Created Famous Newlyweds and Baby Is a Benedict.

New York, Dec. 25.—George McManus, the newspaper artist who created the famous Newlyweds and their baby, was married to Miss Florence Bergerie, of St. Louis, at the Hotel Belleclaire.

Mr. McManus gave his age as twenty-seven. His bride is twenty-two. The bridegroom formerly lived in St. Louis.

HEAVY LOSS OF FURS

Hudson Bay Company Steamer Goes Down with Valuable Cargo.

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LABOR APPEALS TO ROOSEVELT

President Asked to Intercede for Convicted Chiefs.

WILL DO NOTHING AT PRESENT

Desires Time to Study the Decision Before Taking Any Action in the Matter—Letters to President Say Judgment of Court Is Dangerous Invasion of Private Rights and Unwarranted Attack on Constitutional Guarantees of Free Speech.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Appeals by

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