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## THE GRIM REAPER

### Visited Two Homes in Rensselaer on Thursday Night.

The death angel visited two homes in Rensselaer Thursday night and bore away the spirits of two elderly people, Mrs. William P. Baker and Mrs. J. P. Green. The death of both was quite sudden, although they had been in poor health all summer.

Mrs. Baker had been quite sick since Tuesday, but death was quite sudden, coming at about 3 a. m., yesterday morning. She was aged 70 years on May 29 last. Her husband died the latter part of last December. One son, Lawrence Baker, of Miami, Arizona, and one daughter, Mrs. Taylor Boicourt, who lived with her, are left. At this writing the time for holding the funeral had not been set, as they were waiting to hear from the son-in-law, Taylor Boicourt, who is up at Hamilton, N. Dak., looking after real estate interests of Mrs. Baker's there.

Mrs. Green was the wife of Rev. J. P. Green, former pastor of the Baptist church here. She had been in poor health for several months, and with her other troubles, her mind had become so badly affected that she was declared insane only last week and it was expected to take her to the asylum Thursday. She became seriously ill Thursday, however, that the matter of removing her to the asylum was indefinitely postponed. She grew worse all day and was found dead in bed about six o'clock yesterday morning, although the folks had been up with her at times all night long.

Mrs. Green was born Sept. 3, 1849, in Erie county, N. Y. She leaves a husband but no children. Arrangements for the funeral have not been made at this writing, but it will probably be held either Sunday morning or Sunday afternoon.

### Once More, How About Those Boulevard Lights?

The Democrat again rises to ask, why all this delay in installing the boulevard lighting system on Washington street? The conduits have been in now for several months, there is plenty of money in the light fund—as evidenced by the recent loan of \$2,000 from said fund to the road fund—and there is apparently no good reason for this delay. Over at Monticello and Fowler, where the movement, we believe, was started much later than here, they have the system all installed and have practically forgotten about it. Some action should be taken here immediately toward going ahead and installing these lights.

Later—Supt. C. S. Chamberlain of the light and water plant, accompanied by Councilmen Kresler, Tobias and Wood, returned Thursday afternoon from a junketing trip to Chicago, Valparaiso and Laporte, where they were investigating boulevard lights, water rates and water meters. They will report to the council at its regular meeting Monday night, and it is hoped that action will be taken to install lights yet this fall. The new nitrogen lamps seem to be the latest and most popular lights now being installed, and are superceding the cluster lights. They are a single large light to the post, and give better results with a smaller consumption of "juice" than anything thus far discovered, it is asserted.

### C. T. Denham of Remington, in Another Auto Collision.

While driving to Rensselaer Tuesday afternoon with his wife and another lady, C. T. Denham had a head-on collision with a big tourist automobile driving south, and one wheel was broken off Mr. Denham's car, the axle bent and the wind shield and front lamps smashed. The other car escaped with very slight damage and the occupants of neither car were injured. The accident happened a short distance this side of Remington when Mr. Denham turned out to pass a gravel wagon, the dust obscuring the vision of the drivers of both machines. Both were driving quite slowly at the time of the accident.

### Michigan Apples.

Wylie Bros., Michigan fruit growers, will sell out of the car at Rensselaer, Ind., direct to the consumer, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 9 and 10, a car of fancy hand picked apples at one dollar a basket.

Ladies' suits received each week, in this way we always have the new things. Give them a look, you will be pleased with them at ROWLES & PARKER'S.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS IN BRIEF

### Interesting Paragraphs From the Various Departments

#### OF JASPER COUNTY CAPITOL

The Legal News Epitomized—Together With Other Notes Gathered From The Several County Offices.

Squire John Greve of Demotte, was a business visitor in Rensselaer Thursday.

Sheriff Hoover and David Overton took Harvey Casto to Longcliff Tuesday. He had become quite unruly, and only the night before he was taken away burned up the tank in his cell.

Special Judge George Marvin, who sat in the Marble ditch case here, came over from Monticello Monday to approve the contract recently let to the Williams Construction Co., of Chicago.

Former Court Reporter "Packey" McFarland, who has recently completed a year's dental course in Chicago, was shaking hands with old friends here Monday, having stopped off on his return from a sojourn at West Baden.

Stanley Case, the young married man of near Demotte who was taken to Watseka, Ill., last week to answer paternity charges brought by a young woman of that place, returned home this week, having settled the damages, it is alleged, for \$800.

H. W. Jackson, a well known farmer residing about two miles north of Rensselaer, who was a member of the present panel of the petit jury, was taken sick while at the court house Wednesday and was removed to his home. Later that night he had a light stroke of paralysis, and again yesterday morning had three light strokes. Mr. Jackson is also suffering with stomach trouble, but it is thought will recover.

The October term of the Newton circuit court will convene Monday, and the following jurors have been drawn for service: C. E. Murphy, Earl Hedrick, Jephtha Staton and Alex. Datzman, Jefferson; Harry Brunner, Wm. Carr, Howard Myers and Isiah W. Gerrich, Iroquois; Emmet Plummer, Addie Vayette, Daniel Bowers and B. H. Graves, Beaver; Reuben Gundy, Lincoln; Charles Le-Cross, Colfax; James Bell, Washington, and Thomas Inkley, Jackson.

Application has been made to send Mrs. Foltz, the aged mother of Attorney Frank Foltz, to the asylum at Longcliff. She was declared insane some time ago, but it was hoped by the relatives that she could be cared for here. However, she has become so violent of late that they could no longer handle her, and she will be taken to the asylum as soon as an acceptance has been received from there. Her mind has been failing for the past two or three years.

New suits filed: No. 8288. A. J. Blickenstaff vs. Charles and Elmer Clark; suit on account. Returnable first day November term.

No. 8289. Frank Wilson vs. Samuel and Glen E. Flora; suit on note. Returnable first day November term.

No. 8290. John O. Hurley vs. Irene W. Hurley; suit for divorce. The complaint alleges that the parties were married June 26, 1912, and that on March 15, 1913, defendant abandoned plaintiff, and has since lived apart from him against his wishes and consent. Plaintiff now resides in Walker tp., and says he is a farm laborer by occupation.

Following are the proceedings of the board of commissioners at Tuesday's session, Monday's proceedings having been published in the Wednesday issue of The Democrat:

Bridge contracts let as follows: Bridge in Marion tp., to B. D. McColly, \$340; bridge in Carpenter tp., to F. M. Williams at \$480; bridge in Jordan tp., to Rochester Bridge Co. at \$3,239; bridge in Jordan tp. to B. D. McColly at \$557; 2 bridges in Wheatfield tp., to the East St. Louis Bridge Co., at \$690 each; bridge in Wheatfield tp. to Elkhart

Bridge Co. at \$695; bridge in Barkley tp. to F. M. Williams at \$1,103; bridge in Barkley tp. to B. D. McColly at \$1,297.

Engineer DeVere Yeoman ordered to prepare profile and estimate for grade and removal of north half of Lamson bridge to grade over Iroquois river, Jordan tp.

The J. W. Hitchings stone road was ordered established.

Charles Staibum, contractor on T. F. Maloney stone road was allowed \$1,994.32; contractor on Lewis Zick stone road allowed \$1,900 on road No. 1; contractors on Frank Hill stone road allowed \$2,937.42.

C. A. Hensler was appointed superintendent of construction of the Lewis W. Hunt stone road in Carpenter tp. Bond filed and approved.

C. B. Stewart appointed delegate to meeting of board of state charities.

Estimates of supplies for county officers examined and approved.

County Surveyor DeVere Yeoman was directed to prepare plans and specifications for new bridges as follows: 1 in Hanging Grove; 2 in Keener; 2 in Carpenter.

Maurice Gorman stone road petition; DeVere Yeoman appointed engineer and George H. May and William Corey viewers, to meet within ten days.

Frank Fenwick stone road in Jordan tp.; same order as above.

George H. May stone road; DeVere Yeoman appointed engineer and Frank Fenwick and William Keen viewers, to meet October 15.

### But Why Silent All These Years, Al?

Former United States Senator Albert J. Beveridge, the progressive candidate for U. S. senator from Indiana, and Will H. Ade, progressive candidate for congress from this district, spoke in the Gayety air dome Tuesday afternoon, and the place was fairly well filled. Mr. Beveridge's speech was perhaps an hour and a half long and was devoted to the corruption and short-comings of the two old machine-ridden parties, as the speaker denominated them.

On thing that impressed his hearers, however—or those not of Mr. Beveridge's present political faith, perhaps we should say—was the fact that he never told them how rotten the republican party was during the time he was a member of that party and sat in its councils. He waited until his party had turned him down before he began to tell the people how bad that party really was. The democrats knew this all the time.

He was followed by Mr. Ade, who spoke but a few moments and surprised all who heard him, many being old friends of years standing, by his ability as a stump speaker. Mr. Ade's remarks were principally of the necessity of the farmers having more representation in congress and the fact that he was a farmer and should be elected. He condemned both the candidates of the old parties and said that all Peterson had done in the two years he had been in congress was to hang onto the mileage graft; that away back in the days of Andrew Jackson, when our representatives in congress had to travel by horseback to Washington, a fee of 20 cents per mile was fixed for their traveling expenses, and that it was worth it, but now when Mr. Peterson goes down to Washington he steps into a Pullman car and travels there for 2 cents per mile, and yet he was the only congressman in the Indiana delegation when the matter came up a few months ago of abolishing this old mileage graft, who did not vote in favor of abolishing same. Mr. Ade said that if he was elected congressman and drew this 20 cents per mile for traveling expenses, he would ride back and forth on horseback and try to earn the money.

The speakers came here from Monday by auto, and went from Rensselaer to Kentland, where they spoke at night. Tuesday was Mr. Beveridge's 52d birthday anniversary and over in White county the progressives presented him with a handsome loving cup, about a foot in height and of handsome design. Engraved upon it was the following: "Presented to Albert J. Beveridge, Oct. 6, 1914, by the Progressives of White county, Ind., commemorating the 52d anniversary of his birth."

At the Princess theater, Saturday night, will be disclosed the great modern problem story, "The Trey O' Hearts."

Louis Joseph Vance received \$15,000.00 to write the "Trey O' Hearts," the great problem story which is now being run in over 200 of the large metropolitan newspapers.

Don't miss it. A thrill in every paragraph. A tremor in every scene. Notice the dramatization, piano and drums. Shows: 7, 8 and 9 p. m.

## GENERAL AND STATE NEWS

### Telegraphic Reports From Many Parts of the Country.

#### SHORT BITS OF THE UNUSUAL

Happenings in Distant and Near-by Cities and Towns.—Matters of Minor Mention From Many Places.

##### John F. Fry Dead.

Lafayette, Ind., Oct. 7.—John F. Fry, 86 years old, father of James H. Fry, state oil inspector, died in a hospital here today of the infirmities of age. He was brought here a month ago from his home in Delphi for treatment. He had been a resident of Carroll county sixty years and for nearly fifty years was engaged in the contracting business. His wife died several years ago. Besides the son three daughters survive. The funeral will be held at Delphi tomorrow afternoon.

##### Former Goodland Banker Dead.

Col. S. C. Spoor, for many years a well known pioneer banker of Goodland, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. J. Kitt, in that city, Tuesday morning, aged 84 years. The funeral was held at Goodland Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Spoor located in Goodland in 1868 and had since lived there most of his life. During the past few years he had lived at Elwood, where he was vice-president of one of the banks of that city. He had been in poor health for several months. He leaves a wife, and one daughter, Mrs. Kitt.

##### WAS IT OUR JOHN B.

Who Nearly Fell for Practical Joke On New Mileage Graft Bill?

Washington, October 8.—It is a well known fact that not all congressmen write their own bills, speeches or resolutions, and that many a statesman has been made famous by acting upon the hint of some outsider and fathering a project really not his own. If the real inside story of many interesting things that go on in the house of representatives were known, it would be found that the lower branch of congress is particularly prone to having some one else do its thinking.

The house, however, apparently has turned over a new leaf, for the other day the most diligent canvass of nearly a dozen members failed to find one willing to make himself famous by introducing a resolution to read as follows:

"Whereas, Under the democratic administration, the railroads, in order to offset poor business conditions and to meet growing expenses, have felt compelled to raise their passenger mileage rates 25 per cent above those existing under the preceding administration; and

"Whereas, This increase must prove an onerous and poignant burden to democratic members of the house of representatives; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the mileage emoluments of said democratic representatives be increased from 20 to 25 cents per mile, that they may profitably reap the increased mileage rates and avoid inconvenience and loss."

The author of this resolution was a practical joker who is not a member of congress. One member almost decided to stand for the resolution, but his second thought deterred him. He was having a difficult contest in his own district, and he had consistently voted for the "mileage graft" ever since he had come to congress.

##### WE WANT YOU TO VISIT US!

To Come and Get Acquainted With Our Business Men and Business Houses.

Many times we have wondered if those who reside some few miles from Rensselaer, and who perhaps have never made this city a visit or had business dealing with our merchants, have ever thought of the many advantages to be derived to themselves and family by becoming better acquainted with the business men and business houses of this city. Many of these business houses are far superior to any that are

found in any town in this section outside of Lafayette and Hammond or Danville on the southwest—and we have a few stores here that equal any to be found in any of those cities—that it will pay you handsomely in purse to become acquainted with our merchants, to know the men personally, know the merchandise handled and of the many values to be found here at all times.

There are many reasons why such values and variety of stock are to be found with our merchants, placing them far in advance of any merchant in the surrounding towns.

The size of the territory from which they draw their patronage enables them, as a whole, to do a larger volume of business, to buy in larger quantities and to turn their stocks over oftener, which means a great deal to a merchant; consequently the buying in larger quantities, getting lower market prices, and doing a larger volume of business enables them to have a lower overhead charge or per cent margin for carrying the business on.

Then again, Rensselaer possesses a greater variety of stores which carry a wider selection of goods, thus appealing to all classes of trade.

The roads, as a whole, leading to this city from any direction are in a good or fair condition for travel and while perhaps a few are not up to a high standard yet one can comfortably make the journey here.

The fall season is here now and many of you will be buying large quantities of merchandise, to those we say look over the columns of The Democrat and you will find many of our leading business houses setting forth their wares.

Again we say, come and get acquainted with our business houses and business men.

It will pay you.

##### A TOTAL GAIN OF 195

In the Registration in Jasper County Over That of Two Years Ago.

The complete registration figures from all the precincts of the county shows a net gain of 195 over that of the registration of two years ago. The greatest gain was in east Barkley, where 78 more voters were registered than in 1912. This was occasioned by the settling up of the Gifford district and the gain in population of both Newland and Gifford. Carpenter tp., showed a slight gain in every precinct, while Marion showed a loss in each of its four precincts except in No. 2, where there was a gain of 3. The net loss in Marion tp., is 43.

The gains by townships are as follows: Barkley, 73; Carpenter, 26; Gifford, 12; Hanging Grove, 8; Kankakee, 12; Newton, 4; Keener, 28; Wheatfield, 18; Union, north, 29; Union, south, 5. The townships showing a loss are: Jordan, 7; Marion, 43. Milroy is precisely the same as two years ago, 78.

The registration by precincts both for 1914 and 1912 follow:

	1914	1912
Carpenter, East	196	187
Carpenter, West	186	169
Carpenter, South	179	169
Marion, No. 1	266	286
Marion, No. 2	322	319
Marion, No. 3	213	216
Marion, No. 4	223	246
Milroy	78	78
Wheatfield	275	257
Walker	196	176
Kankakee	131	119
Barkley, East	255	187
Barkley, West	128	133
Union, North	184	155
Gifford	159	147
Hanging Grove	116	108
Newton	146	142
Keener	213	185
Jordan	170	177
Union, South	176	171
Totals	3,822	3,627

##### Recent Purchasers of Ford Cars.

The local Ford agent, W. I. Hoover, has sold Ford automobiles to the following persons since the new prices went into effect, August 1:

Warren Poole, Hanging Grove township.  
Frank Hill, Rensselaer.  
Arthur Mayhew, Newton township.  
H. J. Kannal, Rensselaer.  
J. L. Babcock, Union township.  
Albert Brand, Rensselaer.  
Sylvester Hinen, Collegeville.  
Charles Schatzley, Wheatfield township.  
E. R. Smith, Gifford township.  
G. W. Goer, Teft.  
Co. Supt. Ernest Lamson, Rensselaer.  
Louis Fritz, Walker township.  
Mrs. G. M. Allen, Fair Oaks.  
R. D. Thompson, Rensselaer.  
George W. Tudor, Rensselaer.  
Mr. Hoover, just got in another carload of Ford cars this week.

##### Birth Announcements.

Oct. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Branneman of east of town, a daughter.

## KING OF BELGIANS LEADS HIS ARMY OUT OF ANTWERP

Scores Killed in Besieged City When Germans Drop Bombs From Airships.

### BRITISH FORCE IS LANDED

Huge Siege Guns Used by Teutons and Air-Bombs Demolish Buildings, Kill and Maim Civilians Who Flee Town.

Bordeaux, Oct. 9.—News has been received here that King Albert of Belgium marched out of Antwerp at the head of a portion of his army. The Germans are bombarding Antwerp furiously. The invaders' 16-inch siege guns are hurling their mighty and devastating shells right into the heart of the temporary capital of tiny Belgium.

London, Oct. 9.—It is reported here that a British expeditionary force of formidable strength has entered Antwerp after passing through Ghent. The war office refuses to confirm the report, but it comes from a credible source. The expedition is said to consist almost exclusively of artillery and a naval detachment with heavy guns. The Germans before Antwerp, it is estimated, cannot number more than 250,000.

##### Shells Set Fire to Antwerp.

Upon suffering Antwerp night has fallen, but it is hideous night, for the steady, systematic bombardment of the city by the German 16-inch shells continues.

The first shell came through the darkness at three o'clock in the morning. In the darkness the unseen siege guns are still sending destruction, scientifically, with the mathematical accuracy of a surveyor. The gunners know the "range"—the rest is a matter of the manipulation of dials.

The destruction has been terrific. Fires have been started here and there and the flames illumine ruins. Many citizens have been killed, many have been horribly injured. Some were old men, some women, some children, some soldiers. The shells cannot separate combatants from noncombatants.

##### Six Zeppelins Drop Bombs.

In the daytime the streets leading to open railroad stations were thronged with people struggling to escape from the city. Some of them carried bundles of their most prized belongings; others carried their maimed and dying relatives; a woman carried a dead child.

Death and destruction are carried into the city not only by the siege guns, but also by a fleet of six Zeppelins, which circle high overhead, dropping bombs. These have destroyed, by some accounts, at least a score of houses, maiming and killing the thirty or forty occupants.

There has been hysteria, an epidemic of it, among the civilian population. The sick and injured have been taken from their beds in hospitals and carried to the outgoing trains. Lunatics from the asylums are being led away.

The Belgian army has sortied repeatedly into the open field in efforts to relieve the hard-pressed city. But it has been impossible thus far to reach and silence the German siege guns stationed in far places, in security, throwing their shells over both armies and over the outer forts into the midst of the city itself.

##### Shells Fall Near to Cathedral.

A message from the London Star's correspondent at Ghent says that at sunrise the German shells were falling in the Place Verte, close to the cathedral.

Thus far, according to all reports, the cathedral has escaped damage. From its spire floats the red-striped flag which indicates that the building is not being used for military purposes. Similar flags float from other public towers. The Germans have promised to respect these flags as much as they can. In the cathedral the Belgian military authorities have determined to keep the German wounded, as the French did at Reims.

Berlin, Oct. 9 (via wireless via London).—It is reported from Dutch sources that fierce fighting occurred in the Nethe district, outside of Antwerp. The Germans advanced in a northerly direction from Wavre and Waelhem and commenced the bombardment of Antwerp from these positions.

Shrapnel shells had already caused great damage in many places, thus showing that the investing forces were close to the city. Belgian emergency corps, stationed mainly between Linth and Lisse have been retreating for the

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