

## ADDITION MENACED BY FIRE

Flames Sweep Over Prairie Surrounding Gary—Residence Valued at \$2,500 Is Destroyed While Men and Women Stand Helpless.

## CITY NOT EQUIPPED FOR SUCH EMERGENCY

Chemical Wagon Though On the Scene Is Useless and Fighters Resort To Brooms and Bags. All Due To Burning Cigar Stump.

One hundred and fifty men, women and boys, with brooms, carpets and sacks, yesterday fought a prairie fire which was so fierce that before it could be checked had destroyed the home of Mike Kessler, valued at \$2,500, and imperiled every building in the vicinity of Twenty-sixth and Massachusetts streets.

The fire in the marshes, which have long since dried up, raged fiercely for over three hours, most of which time the fire fighters were making a desperate effort to beat it back. The flames leaped at times so fast that several of the men had difficulty in getting out of the way themselves. It was seen that unless immediate action was taken the whole vicinity would be imperiled.

**Chemical Wagon Sent For.**  
The city chemical wagon was sent for and it was pulled down to the south end by a team of horses. After it had arrived on the scene, however, Mayor Knotts deemed it useless and not a particle of chemical was used. The police, however, with coats off, fought the flames with brooms and sacks. The most effective work was that of Officer Neuman, whose splendid reputation as a fire fighter received the heartiest commendation.

The Kessler home was destroyed by

an apparent subterfuge of the flames. While the men were fighting the advance in one place, the flames crept around them until they came to some hay which they fed upon until, fanned by the wind, nothing could stop them consuming the house. Even before Mrs. Kessler, who was working in the field, could reach her own home, the fighters who had been attempting to save the building, gave up the fight and saved part of the furniture. The remainder, consisting of several hundred dollars' worth, was destroyed.

After the Kessler home had burned completely to the ground it was seen that if something could not be done at once, the whole Lincoln Park subdivision would be doomed.

### Wind Changes.

In a short time the wind changed, however, and the flames started to go east with great rapidity. It looked last night as if they would follow the river bank and endanger the Pennsylvania railroad bridge, but a gang of section men were put on the lookout and were prepared to give battle should they at any time prove dangerous.

The origin of the fire is supposed to be a cigar which was thrown into the grass at the south side ball park, while it was still lighted. There, it is supposed to have smoldered for some time and at last broke out into a full-sized prairie fire. A fire of this kind is more dreaded than anywhere else in the city, because of the fact that the grass is so dry and heavy, that with a good wind nothing could stop it. The Kessler home, which was consumed yesterday, had \$500 worth of insurance on it.

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## GAS EXPLOSION LOOKED DANGEROUS

Accident at Indiana Steel Plant Burns Two Workmen Slightly.

## FURNACE WAS BEING TESTED

Damage By Fire at Mill Was Slight and Progress of Flames Stayed.

An explosion in a gas furnace at the Indiana Steel works yesterday while the furnace was being tested, caused a small fire which for a time looked dangerous and injured to a slight extent two of the workmen. One of these, Fred Walton, was the most seriously burned of the two, and he was removed to the steel company's hospital in Chicago, where he was later released after his face and hands had been bandaged. The other victim, the superintendent of the department, H. E. Yost, was only slightly burned and was able to return to work at once.

### Starts During Test.

The explosion happened while the furnace was being tested after it had been completed. In some unaccountable manner the gas exploded with great force, and in a few seconds the place in the vicinity was all afire. The fire spread among the chaff and lumber in the vicinity until it threatened a lumber yard in the vicinity. The Indiana Steel company fire department had been fighting the flames up to this time, but when they reached the lumber yard they thought it time to call for assistance. The city chemical engine was asked for and the latter responded, but when they were well on their way towards the mills they were stopped and told that the fire was all under control, and they then returned to the station.

The damage by fire at the mill was slight.

## JEWISH SOCIETY HOLDS MEETING.

Gary Organization Will Elect a President Tonight.

The Jewish society of Gary meets tonight for the purpose of electing a president for their organization. The election is held for the purpose of supplying the vacancy caused by the resignation of the former president, Aaron Levi. There have been several names placed in nomination and the contest this evening promises to be spirited. The meeting will be held in the synagogue at Eighth and Connecticut street.

## SALOON BUSINESS IS VERY GOOD

Another Gary Saloonkeeper Quits Though License Is Good Till June.

## SITUATION THERE IS PECULIAR

Rents Building To Indiana Harbor Man Who Will Start a Store.

Julius Ash, one of the oldest saloonkeepers in Gary, suddenly packed up his goods yesterday afternoon and decided to quit the field for good. The license of Mr. Ash is still good, and in fact he has one of the best in the city, being good until the month of June. Mr. Ash says, however, that there is no money for the saloonkeeper in Gary at the present time and he wants to get out of the business.

There have been several other saloonkeepers who have laid down in the past few weeks because they were not able to do the business. Besides Mr. Ash, there is M. Silverman and Alex Hartman, who have shut up their saloons in the past week. This fact is peculiar because of the fact that nearly half of the saloons that were in operation in Gary have been put out of business, and the trade should improve correspondingly.

### Mr. Ash Rents Building For Store.

Mr. Ash has rented his building to M. Rosenthal of Indiana Harbor, who burned out several weeks ago in the disastrous fire on the south side. Mr. Rosenthal will start a store in this building at once and will open up just as soon as Mr. Ash can get his goods moved out. The saloonkeeper says he will open a saloon in Chicago, somewhere on Madison street, near the heart of the business district.

## WILL BE LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY.

Dolese & Shepard Plant To Build Big Plant at Gary, Ill.

What is said will be the largest stone crushing plant in the country is being erected by the Dolese & Shepard company at Gary, Ill. About 2,200 tons of structural steel will be used in its construction, and it will have a daily capacity of 6,000 tons of finished product. It will be completed about six months, and will represent an investment of \$300,000. It is the purpose to obtain 2,500 horsepower from the Sanitary district to operate the plant.

## EAST CHICAGO DADS HOLD WEEKLY MEETING

Full Representation Present and Mayor De Briae Presides in Chair.

## 148TH ST. CONTRACT IS LET

Hammond Autoists Will Be Glad To Hear of Connecting Link's Improvement.

East Chicago, Ind., Oct. 6.—The common council of this city held their regular session last evening and transacted several matters of importance to citizens of this city and Indiana Harbor. A full representation of the body concurred in the presence of Mayor DeBriae in the chair.

The action of the council in advertising for brick pavement bids in the improvement of Michigan avenue was repealed. The petition of the property holders to use Westrumington compound in the remodeling of this main thoroughfare was presented by Attorney Abe Ottenheimer, who explained the rather late appearance of the remonstrating petition by declaring that Alderman Schock had failed to tender the original copy at a previous meeting. New bids will now be advertised for in accordance with the wishes of the property owners.

### Fills Long Felt Want.

A long felt want was filled last night by letting of the contract for the improvement of 148th street from Forsyth avenue to the western limits. W. G. Proudfoot, a Chicago bidder, was awarded the contract and will pave the street with brick, presenting both a neat and durable road.

The thoroughfare has been an eye-sore to motorists and residents of the street for years and the action of the council furthering the prosecution of the work meets with their absolute approval. The road, when completed, will be an important link in the mammoth automobile boulevard link now being considered by the councils of the cities of Hammond, Whiting and East Chicago.

A question of riparian rights also commanded the attention of the council. Aldermen Schock, Walton and Lewis were appointed as a committee to confer with Attorney J. Duff Haney of the Lake Shore railroad regarding the securing of riparian rights along the shore of Lake Michigan in front of the park property, described as Block "B" of the Indiana Harbor sub-division of East Chicago. The city at present is without any property fronting on Lake Michigan and for years has been endeavoring to secure a 25 foot riparian concession from the railroad owning the valuable lake property. Alderman Lewis yesterday declared that the ambitions of the city were about to be fulfilled and that within a few weeks a deal would be closed whereby the city would be given the 700 foot strip of beach extension.

## INVASION OF TOLLESTON

Meeting, Though Poorly Advertised, Draws 100 Voters to Hall.

The republican meeting at Tolleston was not as well attended last night as the meetings which have been held in the other towns of the county, for the reason that the party leaders over there had failed to properly advertise it.

However, there were in the neighborhood of 100 people in the hall when Chairman Bill Kunert called the meeting to order and introduced the speakers.

A negro quartet from Gary sang several selections and some good campaign parodies and made a hit with those in the hall. The speakers were Attorney W. J. McCalister of Hammond, Judge Virgil S. Reiter of Hammond, Attorney W. T. Hardy and Edward Wickley. There were many of the other county candidates present and the meeting was a success beyond the question of a doubt. Judge Virgil S. Reiter's speech was especially effective, and the Hammond jurist impressed his hearers with the facts which were driven home with great effect.

## HIS WIFE WAS STRANDED IN CHICAGO.

Woman En Route To Gary From St. Joe, Miss., Wants Funds.

Word was received by C. E. Miller of Gary, who is employed on the Emerson school building as a bricklayer, that his wife was stranded in Chicago at the Stanton avenue police station without funds. The woman was en route from St. Joseph, Miss., to Gary and in some manner had run short of funds. Mr. Miller left at once for Chicago, where he met his wife and brought her back to Chicago.

## MURDER CASE IS STARTED AT HUB.

John Milligan Put On Trial For the Slabbing of Patrick Ryan.

Crown Point, Ind., Oct. 6.—(Special)—The Circuit court yesterday started on the trial of John Milligan, charged with the murder of Patrick Ryan, and the day was used in securing a jury. T. M. C. Hembroff is acting for the state in the absence of Prosecutor Boone, and Mr. Frank Gavitt of Whiting is representing the defendant. It is thought by the parties concerned that the trial will last three or four days.

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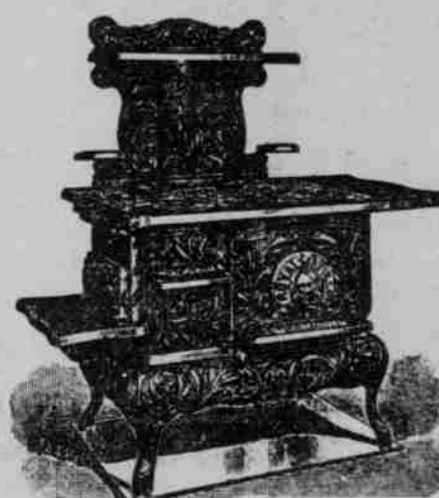
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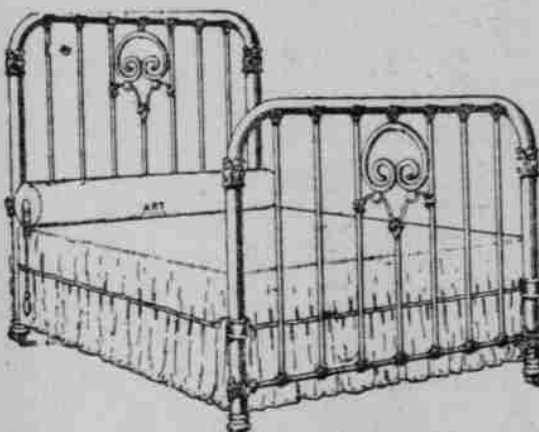
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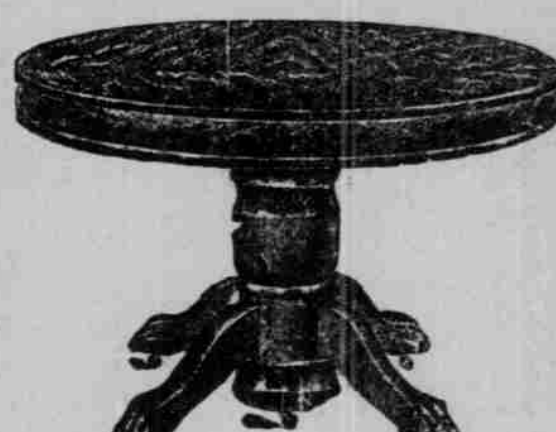
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