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GARY HAS A DEATH TRAP.

Gary has a wicked death trap in the Madison street crossing of the Michigan Central railway tracks. A few weeks ago a foreigner was killed there and this week another man had the narrowest possible escape from being tossed into eternity. These two accidents have called the attention of the town board to the serious phase of the situation. They know that the crossing is the worst death trap in the city and they have discussed the crossing in view of ameliorating the danger and making the death trap one of comparative safety to the people of Gary who live south of the Michigan Central tracks as well as many others who are compelled to travel the route in reaching their destination.

Owing to the fact that there are no outlets south in any other streets, except Madison and Broadway, all traffic must pass under the viaducts of the Gary and Western railroad on these two thoroughfares.

President Knotts, bringing up the matter in its true aspect, said that the only way that these crossings could be made safe would be to maintain gates as well as watchmen. This alone would obviate all danger. If there is any other way that this can be done, save by the passage of an ordinance compelling the railroad to place the proper protection at the crossings, people would like to know what it is. Of course it is only a matter of a short time when the Michigan Central will be forced to elevate its tracks, but it is imperative that the danger at these two points be lessened immediately. It is hoped that the wise city fathers will take some action at their meeting next Tuesday afternoon.

MR. MARSHALL BESET BY JOB HUNTERS.

The persistency with which the hungry and the thirsty dog the footsteps of Governor-elect Thomas R. Marshall, driving him to his home in Columbia City to seek refuge from the importunities, is remarkable. Mr. Marshall has asked to be let alone long enough to recuperate from the arduous campaign he not long ago finished, yet the clamor of the hundreds who want a piece of the pie, is giving him no rest.

It is a fine thing to be governor of Indiana, yet Mr. Marshall no doubt feels that it has its drawbacks. The horde of politicians who are seeking appointments is enough to embarrass any successful candidate for elective office. As Mr. Marshall stated repeatedly in his campaign, he is going to give Indiana an administration free from frills and furbelows and it will not surprise anyone if he does not cut off some of the state board and jobs that the hungry and thirsty are casting sheepeyes at these days. Many of the office seekers and job hunters are going to be sadly disappointed.

SULENTICH'S PITIABLE STORY.

The story of Stanley Sulentich, the alleged Gary embezzler, which was told yesterday will excite the pity and the compassion of the most hard-hearted. If it be true even that Sulentich has offended against the law and humanity, he has paid dearly for his crime in the loss of his health. It gives one a feeling of horror to think that a man in the possession of robust health and ambitious to the highest degree should become a wasted victim of tuberculosis because he was incarcerated for seven months in a jail, supposed to be merely the abode of those charged with crime but not proven so. That the alleged embezzler will live after he is released from custody is doubted by his physician and a glimpse at his wasted form and his sunken face is enough to scout the idea that he has long to live. The disappearance of the witnesses against him and the failure of the prosecution to bring Sulentich before the bar at an early period, together with the condition of the prison in which he has been incarcerated are a sad commentary on the way we do things.

Justice is indeed blind.

HIS FRIENDS ARE INDIGNANT.

IN ONE OF ITS jejune and venomous jeremiads, a Hammond paper, said by some to be the organ of the democracy, assails the Times because it published the exclusive story that friends of Hon. Johannes Kopelke were advocating his candidacy for the United States senatorship. These friends all over the state in general, and in Lake county particular, will be extremely interested in learning that it is "rapping the democrats" to speak kindly of the fact that Mr. Kopelke's candidacy was considered by them. They express indignation that such shabby treatment was accorded the distinguished gentleman in an effort to belittle their work for his interests.

The dolorous tirade published by the paper is all the more ridiculous in view of the fact that the Times is in receipt of a communication from the Hon. Johannes Kopelke thanking it for its word of appreciation.

DOES IT NEED NEW POLICIES?

Judge Parker, the distinguished democrat who ran for president on the democratic ticket in 1904, is quoted as saying that the party needs new policies. Just what Mr. Parker means by this statement is hard to tell. For the past eight years the democratic party has, it would seem to most people, been burdened with too many policies. It has had a new policy changed as often as the little girl of old used to change her pinafore.

What the democratic party needs is some new leaders instead of new policies and it will never be much of a party until it does get leaders who really lead.

ALL THOSE WHO find their names in the published list of contributors to the democratic national campaign fund can hardly rectify the omission now. The list is closed and that seems to be the little joker attached to the publicity program of the democrats. Yes, be patient, Alexander, the republicans are getting their list ready.

THE SWEET AND lovely Maxine Elliott who is well rid of the nauseating Goodwin, has only proven her worth by remaining single after she had been divorced from him. It is indeed refreshing to find an actress who doesn't wed the next day after she secures her separation papers.

IF MESSRS. BRYAN and Kern both are sent to the United States senate, perhaps it can be arranged so that they can sit together or in close enough proximity that they can deceive themselves they are occupying the White House together.

STAR GAZERS who like to get up early and take their own telescopes with them can see a beautiful sight these nights. Jupiter and Venus are so close together that we suspect they are holding hands.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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SPECIAL FAVORS TO THAW.

Harry Thaw killed a man. He was saved from the electric chair by his plea of insanity and the expenditure of \$700,000 in high priced lawyers, experts, etc. He was finally declared insane.

During his stay in jail he had special accommodations and enjoyed many luxuries refused to the ordinary jail prisoner. In the lunatic asylum where he was sent he was given comparative freedom and was served with many delicacies.

Then Thaw was released from the insane asylum by a writ of habeas corpus.

He was taken to jail, where the privileges granted him became a constantly increasing scandal.

Thaw had an entire floor of the jail to himself, with thirteen cells for his bedrooms, the hall for a smoking room and dining room. His meals were served by a private caterer; he had flowers, books and magazines in profusion.

Resides—This degenerate Pittsburgher with sybaritic tastes enjoyed frequent automobile rides—ostensibly on business—gay excursions to the referee's office, court hearings at White Plains, etc.

And all this was done under the legal fiction that he was "a dangerous lunatic with homicidal tendencies," but really—

BECAUSE THAW HAD PLENTY OF MONEY. No poor man could have had such privileges and attentions. For the ordinary prisoner—the narrow cell, the iron cot, the coarse food, the gruff orders.

Now, such discrimination is not only subversive of justice and wrong; it is impolitic and DANGEROUS. It tends not merely to break down prison discipline; it outrages every sense of justice.

When you show the poor man that equity is denied him in the courts because the rich man can hire able lawyers, when you show him that money will buy special privileges and immunities from prison officials, privileges denied the poor prisoner, you foster class consciousness and strike a body blow at Washington's republic.

The nauseous details of the Thaw trial carried contamination and moral danger. The story of the special favors granted this weak-minded murderer is even more dangerous socially.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- November 12.
- 1615—Richard Baxter, who created popular religious literature, born near Shrewsbury, England. Died in London, Dec. 8, 1691.
- 1774—Louis XVI re-established the French parliament.
- 1775—Montreal surrendered to the Americans.
- 1780—Americans under General Sumpter defeated the British in battle of Broad river.
- 1829—Troops at Monterey revolted against governor of California.
- 1845—Maria Brooks, American poetess, died.
- 1854—Charles Kieble, noted English actor, died. Born Nov. 27, 1775.
- 1864—Sheridan sent a raiding army through Front Royal in the Shenandoah valley.
- 1898—Earl of Minto sworn in as governor-general of Canada.
- 1905—Martial law declared throughout Poland.

THIS IS MY 47TH BIRTHDAY.

Preston Lea, governor of the state of Delaware, was born in Wilmington, Del., Nov. 12, 1841. After completing his education at the Lawrenceville school in New Jersey, he became connected with his father's extensive milling business, of which he later became the head. Though more or less active as a republican leader in Delaware for many years past, it is as a business man and capitalist that Governor Lea is best known. He is the president of several banks and trust companies and a director in numerous railroads, insurance companies and large industrial corporations. In 1904 he was elected governor of Delaware on the republican ticket. His term of office will expire next January, when he will be succeeded by Simeon S. Pennington, the successful republican candidate in the recent election.

RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

We are glad to record another sign of prosperity. Our esteemed office boy sailed in with a new suit of joyous habiliments yesterday.

There are only a few more weeks left of leap year, girls. My word! but some of you must be getting busy.

Election Eve.

Enid is nearly paralyzed over the fact that Revivalist Bulgyn forgot to take up a collection last Monday evening. The oldest settler never before heard of such an omission—Oklahoma State Capital.

Never blame a girl for playing the piano all the time, merely because she has no ear for music. Perhaps she does it to show that she has pretty hands.

We'll wager one thing, that Governor-Elect Marshall won't charge any

UP AND DOWN IN INDIANA

BAPTIST BECOMES METHODIST.

The Rev. William Spencer, who for a year was pastor of the Baptist church in Connersville, and recently resigned on account of friction among some of the members, has entered the Methodist ministry. The Rev. and Mrs. Spencer have disposed of all their household effects and have gone to Toronto, Canada, their old home, where Dr. Spencer will begin his evangelistic work.

CHURCH WORKER COMPROMISED.

Elijah Harrell, 54 years old, of Marion, once a justice of the peace of Washington township, and for several years an active church worker and superintendent of the Sunday school, who is on trial in the circuit court accused of attacking a 12 year old girl, was on the witness stand today, and admitted the charge.

SMOKERS ARE ROASTED.

Severe blows were struck at the tobacco habit at Earlham college, in Richmond, today by Professor Elbert Russell. Among other things he said: "No man is a gentleman who smokes in the presence of others. Women of ordinary self-respect will not welcome the company of those who use tobacco. The use of tobacco is a selfish luxury."

EDUCATOR WILL SPEAK.

The corner stone of the new Carnegie library in Greenfield will be laid Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Prominent Robert J. Ale, who was elected superintendent of public instruction last week, will make the principal address.

TRIAL BEGINS SOON.

The selection of a jury for the trial of Ray Lamphere of Laporte, on the charge of murdering Mrs. Belle Gunness and her three children by burning them in a farmhouse to which to murderess had lured her victims, may be completed in time for opening testimony Friday afternoon.

high school twenty-five dollars for delivering a commencement oration.

WE NEVER YET SAW A WOMAN WHO WOULDN'T RATHER LOOK YOUNG ANY DAY IN THE WEEK THAN FEEL YOUNG.

Leap Year Item.

For weddings our little town seems to be in the swim. When our girls once get a notion in their heads to marry, you cannot stop them.—Belling-broke Cor. Monroe (Ga.) Advertiser.

She who isn't always talking about others is talking about herself.

ANXIOUS READER.—You can lay ten to one that we will advise you when Hanly starts out of the state for his chautauqua career. Bill.

A wife never realizes what shocking bad taste her husband has until she begins to get a good view of his affinity.

Carnegie's Heroes.

The following conversion is reported from the canal bank at Port-Dundas:

"Did ye read about Carnegie's plan tate reward folk that risk their lives? If a man dis, some extra brave thing, instead o' a sully maldal he'll get a reward frae Carnegie. It's a very gid scheme."

"It is jist. It micht be sicht better nor wurkin." I'll tell ye whit, ye'll gang along the canalw there, an' trip over a rope an' tumle in. I'll rush up an' save ye. Carnegie wid stump up tae the tune o' maybe a hunner pounds."

"Ay, maybe."

"Then I wid hauf the proceeds with you."

"No bad!"

"Whit dae ye say tae try it?"

"Ach, naw! It's ower caul the day."

Glasgow Herald.

IT USED TO BE SAID THAT THE BEST PEOPLE WENT TO CHURCH; NOW IT LOOKS AS IF IT WAS THE BES-DRESSED WHO WENT.

The religious sect which has dew baths for its feature can have all it wants of them these days.

The trouble with one class of society is that it tries to lionize too many bores.

Something is wrong somewhere. It was Mr. McTurnan's turn to be elected today, and Mr. Alex's tomorrow.

IN POLITICS

The next Pennsylvania delegation in congress will consist of twenty-seven republicans and five democrats.

One of the surprises of the recent election in New York City was the poor showing made by the socialist candidates.

Jonah Kalamiananole, republican territorial delegate to congress from Hawaii, was re-elected, but his plurality was considerably less than he received two years ago.

One of the surprising features of the recent election in Utah was the overwhelming defeat of the American (anti-church) ticket in Salt Lake county.

Congressman William P. Hepburn, who was among the republican members to go down to defeat, has represented the eighth district of Iowa for twenty years.

Carroll S. Page, the new United States senator from Vermont, is a for-

WANTS ORGANLESS CHURCH.

Jacob Rhonemus has donated the land on which is situated the Church of Christ at Sweetser, west of Marion, on the condition that no musical instrument be used in any service and that no festival be held within the structure. There are two Christian churches at Sweetser, as the old congregation was divided on the subject of musical instruments and festivals.

BRICK WAS WORTH \$50,000.

An inventory of the appraisal of the debts, dues and demands in the estate of the late Congressman A. L. Brick of South Bend, has been filed with the probate clerk, showing \$24,728.23 due from various sources. The estate is worth about \$50,000.

PAST MASTERS PRESIDE.

Past masters will confer the Master Mason degree at a meeting of the South Bend lodge, No. 249, Friday night. The event will be notable, as it will be participated in by Masons from nearly all of the cities and towns in this vicinity. Among the well-known Masons to be present is Hon. Daniel McDonald of Plymouth, Ind., past grand master of the grand lodge of Indiana. A banquet will follow the work of the evening.

FEDERATION TO SUCCEED.

It is evident the meeting to be held in Richmond November 18 and 19 to organize the proposed Federation of Indiana Commercial clubs is to be successful. While the delegates probably will not exceed 100 they will represent the principal cities of the state.

MARSHALL IN CONFERENCE.

Governor-Elect Marshall was in Ft. Wayne today and was closeted with E. G. Hoffman, ex-county chairman. It is believed Mr. Hoffman's candidacy for the senatorship to succeed Mr. Hemenway formed the principal topic of conversation.

mer governor of that state. He is a man of much wealth and is said to be the largest dealer in green calfskins in the world.

Representative Charles N. Fowler of New Jersey, who has announced himself as a candidate for the speakership, is the recognized authority of the house on the subject of finance. For some years he has been chairman of the committee on banking and currency.

Bloomington—Horace Blakely, republican county auditor-elect of Monroe county, has appointed his nephew, Ray Blakely, as his deputy. The deputy is a young business man of the city, and has been connected with his father in the grocery business.

Lyons—The sickness of five republicans and their inability to get to the polls on election day gave Greene county a democratic sheriff by a majority of four, and Washington township a democratic trustee by a majority of four, and a democratic assessor whose majority was only two.

Nashville—George W. Long is the newly-elected joint senator for the counties of Brown, Jackson and Washington. He earned enough money by teaching school and other work to attend Indiana university. He is poor and a hard worker, but is popular with both republicans and democrats.

Columbus—William V. O'Donnell, who was elected prosecuting attorney of the judicial district composed of Bartholomew and Decatur counties, will not resign as the private secretary of Congressman Lincoln Dixon, of the fourth district, at once. He will remain in Indiana university, where he is studying law, until Dec. 5, when he will go to Washington with Congressman Dixon. He will remain there until the Christmas holidays, when he will return to Columbus and resign as secretary. On the first day of the new year he will assume his duties as prosecuting attorney.

Thomas Taggart said at Indianapolis yesterday that he had not yet made up his mind as to whether he would be a candidate for United States senator to succeed Senator Hemenway.

"I am still hearing from a friend now and then," he said, "but I have nothing to say at this time. But I believe I will have something to say in a day or two."

Taggart had just finished a short, quiet talk with George S. Pleasant of Vevay, and Dr. G. E. Douglas, joint representative from Ohio and Switzerland counties, both of whom dropped into the Denison hotel yesterday. Nobody other than the three men themselves knows what they talked about, but it was a pleasant conversation on a pleasant subject, judging by the fact that they all smiled.

Taggart said he was more interested in the outcome of the state election and the count of the votes than in the senatorship, and that he would not take up the latter subject until the count was disposed of. He said he believed the democratic candidates for the state offices would be able to show errors in the count and in the returns sufficient to give them the offices.

TEACHERS MEET IN WINONA.

Winona, Minn., Nov. 12.—Minnesota school teachers are taking Winona by storm today and practically every accommodation in the city will be taxed to provide places for them. It is quite certain that several hundred teachers, a number of them from outside the state, will be in attendance when the sessions of the Southeastern Minnesota Educational association formally open this evening. A special reception committee is meeting every train and guiding teachers to stopping places. The program arranged for the gathering covers three days and carries out practical points on instruction in every field in which teachers are interested. Moral training in the public schools and overcrowding of the course of study are the two leading topics scheduled for discussion. Foremost among the speakers who will address the convention are Dr. Jenkin Lloyd Jones of Chicago and Miss Mabel Carnegie, a noted rural school expert from Macomb, Ill.

Denver Woman at Whom Blackmailer Threw Dynamite When Balked at Bank



Mrs. Allen F. Reed, who sought to extort \$20,000 from Mrs. Genevieve Chandler Phipps in Denver on the threat of death by dynamite, was declared last night to be the "Mrs. Frank E. Brown" who a week before attempted to steal \$20,000 in bonds from Chicago brokers by the substitution of a worthless check.

Detective Frank Repetto of the Auditorium Annex hotel, who apprehended the "Mrs. Brown" in Chicago, makes the identification. He says she confessed that Reed was her real name before beginning her flight to Denver.

This latest development raises the question which police, criminologists and alienists alike confess to be baffling. Is Mrs. Reed insane? Is she desperate, or is she in the hands of hypnotists?

In Chicago she is said to have confessed to Detective Repetto that a human life depended on her ability to raise \$20,000 within the next two weeks. "It will save a man from the penitentiary, perhaps save his life," she is quoted as saying. "He is dear to me. I must save him and I will."

Voice of the People

HE FAVORS PRESERVATION.

H. H. Langdon, Food Expert, 427 West Twenty-Second Street. New York. Nov. 10, 1908.

Editor, Times, Sir: I note in your October 24 issue that six persons were made ill in Hammond by partaking of food in which poisonous ptomaines had developed. It is certainly appalling to learn how rapidly ptomaine poisoning cases have increased since the enforcement of the pure food law. According to press dispatches there have been in the United States, since the enforcement of the pure food law, eleven thousand seven hundred and eighty-two cases of ptomaine poisoning, 423 of which were fatal. Prior to the enactment of the pure food law borax and boric acid were used on meat, fish, fowl, sausage, oysters, etc., consequently such food which readily becomes contaminated was kept in a hygienic, healthful condition.

The pure food law compels truthful labels on all articles, packages or containers of food. A truthful label, however, upon meat, fish, fowl, sausage, oysters, etc., will not prevent them from spoiling, so that conditions are favorable for the propagation of poisonous germs. Thus, while the pure food law compels truthful labels, it does not, on account of prohibiting preservatives, insure that food will reach the consumer in a pure, healthful condition; neither does the label prevent perishable articles of food from deteriorating when in the consumers hands so as to become a menace to health and life.

The authorities should realize the above facts and amend the laws so that preservatives would be permitted on all articles of food that favor the propagation of poisonous germs.

Yours very truly,

H. H. LANGDON.

TO HANG AT SAN QUENTIN.

San Quentin, Cal., Nov. 12.—Tomorrow is the date fixed for the execution of Mark A. Wilkins, the Oakland murderer, who recently sought to cheat the gallows by attempting suicide. The crime which Wilkins is to pay the death penalty was one of the most brutal in the criminal annals of Alameda county. His victim was Mrs. Verne Carmin, a woman with whom he lived in Elmhurst, a suburb of Oakland. Wilkins murdered the woman in a fit of jealous rage and then endeavored to hide his crime by burning her body beneath a shed in the rear of his home.

THE CREAM OF THE Morning News

Body of Explorer Andree, who in 1897 started for the north pole in a balloon, is said by reports in Copenhagen to have been found.

After exciting debate, in which Emperor William and Chancellor von Buelow are scathingly denounced, the reichstag rejects a proposition censuring the kaiser.

Schools for consumptives and for subnormal children may be opened on the Gage farm in Chicago.

City Electrician Carroll urges plan which requires only a bond issue to light streets, with but slight increase over present cost.

First of delegates to the American Catholic missionary league congress is expected to reach Chicago today.

Social war is blamed for the ousting of the Ridgelys from the management of the Kansas City National Bank of Commerce, it being said that the wives of the two officials held aloof and refused to "mix" with other women in the city.

Harvey W. Waterson, son of the Louisville editor, accidentally plunges to death from a nineteenth-story window of an office building in New York.

Brother of Guinness victim brings letters from woman in which she calls Lamphere jealous and state will base upon these notes theory prisoner aided murder.

Lively fight before the United States supreme court is likely before the Michigan-Wisconsin boundary dispute is settled and the former state secures large tract of land it claims.

National Association for the Study of Epilepsy in session at Indianapolis petitions the Illinois legislature to establish a state colony to care for victims of the disease.

Democrats on house committee on tariff revision favor an increase in duties, while republican members oppose protection on the one article.

William Jennings Bryan in Commoner declares his intention of keeping up fight for reform.

Statement is given out at White House denying that the labor dinner which has aroused criticism is in any way an official affair and declaring it no public affair as to who is invited.

Only partial response in Europe to recent advances in wheat here leads to considerable taking of profits; other grains and the provision list average steady; cattle and hogs higher; sheep strong.