

WEATHER.  
Fair weather today, warmer tomorrow; southwest winds.

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## SHRINER FUNERAL IS HELD

Masonic Brethren from Six Lake County Cities Gather at the Grave of John M. Ballantine in Hobart Yesterday.

## IMPRESSIVE SERVICES HELD AT CEMETERY

Funeral Cortege Is the Largest Fraternal Event of Its Kind That Was Ever Held in Lake County and High Masons Attend It in a Large Body.

Masonic brethren and friends from six cities in Lake county, Whiting, Hammond, Gary, East Chicago, Hobart and Crown Point, gathered at the grave of John Miller Ballantine in Hobart yesterday and paid a high tribute to a man who in the activities of every day life had gained their love and friendship and whom they desired to honor in death.

While Mr. Ballantine was a resident of Whiting, it was the desire of his relatives that he be buried near his father, who died six weeks ago, in the cemetery at Hobart.

**FUNERAL IMPRESSIVE AFFAIR.** In spite of the cold, inclement weather the funeral cortege, which was composed of Hammond Knight Templar, Whiting Blue Lodge members, Hobart Blue Lodge members and numerous friends, was the largest and most impressive that has ever attended a funeral in this region.

Immediately after the death of Mr. Ballantine, which occurred at the Englewood Union hospital after an operation for appendicitis, the remains were removed to the home of his brother and sister, 6726 Rhodes avenue, Chicago, where they remained until the time of the funeral yesterday.

**MANY PRESENT FROM HAMMOND.** The funeral was attended by the Hammond Knights Templar, forty in number, who left Hammond for Whiting yesterday in time to take the Pennsylvania train, which was due at that place at 1:46 p.m.

At Whiting the Hammond Commandery, No. 41, was met by Blue Lodge No. 613 of Whiting, the Royal Arch Masons, chapter, No. 117, and the Whiting Masonic band.

In addition to these the Masonic body there were a large number of Masons from East Chicago and Indiana Harbor, who joined the party at Whiting and journeyed to Hobart.

**MET BY MCLELLAN LODGE.** At the depot the arriving Masons were met by M. L. McClellan Lodge, No. 257 of Hobart. The remains had been brought from Chicago on the same train, which conveyed the Hammond and Whiting lodges, and after they were transferred to the hearse the funeral cortege moved towards the Hobart cemetery.

Here the impressive Masonic rites

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## ATTENDANCE GROWS AT ST. PAUL'S MISSION

Question Box Arouses Much Interest and Keen Attention Given Missionary.

Increased attendance at the services at St. Paul's Episcopal church gives very gratifying evidence of the growing interest being manifested by the members of the parish and the people of this city in the eloquent, instructive and helpful sermons of the Rev. Father Howard of Plymouth, Ind., who is conducting the mission.

One of the most striking features of these mission services is noted in the keen attention given by the congregation every evening to the replies by Father Howard to queries placed in the question box in the vestibule of the church.

**Questions for Saturday.** On Saturday evening replies were given to the following questions:

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## BEER DRIVER IS HIT BY TRAIN

Joe Walski Is Hit by Nickel Plate Passenger Train This Morning.

## HAD BEEN OUT AT STANDARD

Hammond Man Suffers Some Injury But Has a Narrow Escape From Death.

Joe Walski, the driver for the local branch of a brewing company, had a narrow escape from death Saturday evening when a Nickel Plate passenger train, going west and due at Hammond at 4:30, struck his beer wagon at the Columbia avenue crossing and demolished it.

Mr. Walski had been to the Standard district with a load of beer and was on his way back with an empty wagon. He did not notice the approach Nickel Plate passenger train, which was late, and before he knew it his wagon was on the track.

**Traps to Get Away.**

He made a desperate effort to whip up the horses and get out of the way of the train, but it was too near him and the next thing he knew the engine had struck his wagon and he was sent flying off the seat.

The horses escaped with only a few slight injuries, but the wagon was demolished and Mr. Walski was cut over the eye and suffered an injury to his back which may prove serious later on.

The injured man was picked up by the train crew and brought to the depot at Hammond, where he was taken to the hospital. His wounds were first dressed by Dr. Clark, but he was afterwards turned over to Dr. Kelly, who was given the case because he is a surgeon as well as a physician.

The beer wagon which Walski was driving was carried down the track for a distance of 200 feet and it is marvelous to those who have seen the wreckage that the horses and driver were not killed.

Joe Walski was taken to his home where Dr. Kelly made a more minute examination of his injuries. He is reported to be better today and although the injury to his back is serious it is believed that he will recover.

## MISMATED COUPLES IN SUPERIOR COURT

New Cases Are Filed in the Lake Superior Court House Today.

Two divorce cases were filed in the Lake superior court this morning. In one, Conrad Rynes is suing Annie Bishop for a divorce on the grounds that he has been abandoned by his wife.

Conrad Rynes has retained W. J. Riley, an Indiana Harbor attorney, to represent him. He alleges that his wife steadfastly refuses to live with him in their Indiana Harbor home, notwithstanding his repeated requests that she do so.

He says that she has left their four children in his care and that they are from to 15 years of age. Another allegation is that she is guilty of cruel and inhuman treatment.

In the other case which was filed today, Christians McAllister is suing her husband, William McAllister, for divorce and makes a number of allegations. She says they have lived together until the second day of November, 1908, at which time they separated.

Mrs. McAllister alleges that her husband was guilty of cruel and inhuman treatment and that he beat and struck her. She says that he used indecent language in the presence of the children and is a habitual drunkard.

She says that at one time he pointed a revolver at her and threatened to shoot her. She asks the custody of three children, a judgment for \$500 and \$50 a month alimony. She says that her husband is capable of earning \$250 a month.

## KLINE GETS A DEER

Hammond Man Meets With Success in Wisconsin Woods.

Max Kline, bookkeeper for the Paxton-Baker Lumber company, is in Wisconsin on a hunting trip.

So far he has succeeded wonderfully well. He has evaded the death-dealing shot of the average deer-hunter and has also succeeded in winging a fine young buck that weighed 154 pounds. Mr. Kline writes home that he is having great sport, and there will no doubt be a big amount of venison for his Hammond friends when Mr. Kline returns to his home.

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## LAKE CO. MEN ARE HONORED

## QUARTETTE OF COLUMBIAN KNIGHTS TAKE FURTHER ADVANCEMENT IN FRATERNAL WORK IN CHICAGO YESTERDAY.

For Second Time in Its History General Merchandise Store of Gerlach Bros. Is Threatened.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

St. John, Nov. 16.—Fire broke out in the lumber yard owned by Gerlach Bros. Sunday afternoon, about 1:15, shortly after the No. 33 fast train passed on the Monon. All the lumber was burned up, as it was too late to save any of it by the time the fire was discovered. The people from the surrounding county were summoned to the place by means of the phones which are installed in almost every house, and only by their greatest efforts were the people able to prevent the store from burning, which had caught fire from the roof time and again.

**Store Is Saved.**

The fire was checked finally by the almost superhuman efforts of the people who worked at the greatest disadvantage on account of the south-west wind blowing, which changed the course of the fire towards the store, and also on account of the great distance between the fire and the water tanks on top of the windmills from which the men had to carry the water in pails to the store. If the store had burned, the adjoining residence of Frank Gerlach and Stark's hotel would have been also reduced to ashes. It is thought that the No. 33 train started the fire. The lumber, which was burned, is very valuable, most of it having been flooring, sliding, etc.

This is the second time that the store has been threatened by fire, as a number of years ago the warehouse was destroyed completely by fire.

The loss is estimated at \$3,000 and is not covered by insurance.

## NINE HUNDRED MEN SIT AT BANQUET

Tables and Listen to Splendid Address Made By Rt. Rev. Patrick J. Donnahan and Drink Toasts In Water.

(The fourth degree of the order of the Knights of Columbus was conferred upon four Lake county men yesterday in Chicago, when a class of 360 members was admitted to the Illinois general assembly. The Lake county men, who are also members of Unity Council, are Attorney D. J. Moran, Dr. W. D. Weis, both of Hammond, Dr. J. Chevigny of Dyer, and A. J. A. Hill of Grasselli. J. O'Callahan of Whiting, a fourth degree member, witnessed the work.

Yesterday was a big day in Chicago for Catholic knighthood. The congress for church extension opened there yesterday morning with an unparalleled pageant in the history of the church of America, and the gathering of the Knights of Columbus of the fourth degree at this time, seemed only most fitting. They took a conspicuous part during the forenoon services and in the afternoon at the Masonic temple conferred the degree upon the large class.

**Nine Hundred at Banquet.**

After the work a banquet was served, at which covers were laid for 900. The Knights all appeared in full dress suit, wearing the sash and sword. Many of the church dignitaries and priests who are in Chicago owing to the church extension congress, were present at the banquet and many sterling addresses were made. The Rt. Rev. Patrick J. Donohue, one of the speakers, probably ingratiated himself more into the hearts of his hearers than any other one. His speech sparkled with many sallies and scintillating wit that stirred the laughter of his hearers.

The board was served in the large banquet hall of the Auditorium, James Maher presiding.

**Bishop Muldoon Makes First Address.**

Bishop Muldoon was the first to address the audience.

"To the Holy Father, restorer of all things in Christ, we are proud to kneel and ask his blessing," said the bishop. "The Father in the few years of his reign has expressed time an dagas his love for America, and for every pulsation of love we of this young nation, I am sure, return him a full measure of affection and veneration. We hope for him many years of successful reign.

We trust that from this body of Knights never shall come aught that shall offend his heart or cause him shame.

"Now with your glasses, gentlemen, let us drink this toast to the Holy Father: 'Restorer of all things in Christ, we admire thee. May thy years be long and thy victory be great.'

The assemblage arose and drank the toast in water.

## AUTOMOBILE FRIGHTENS HORSE ON ROAD.

Miss Schwartz of Griffith Is Injured in Auto Accident Yesterday.

Michael Grimmer of Highlands reported to the Hammond police that an automobile bearing the No. 16,559 Illinois, frightened a horse which a young woman was driving between Highlands and Stahlbaum and threw a young woman out of her carriage.

The driver of the automobile said that he would go to Hammond and get a doctor, but he did not return in an hour, and so the farmers in the vicinity took it for granted that he had disappeared.

Dr. Kelly of Hammond was called to attend the young woman, whose injuries were found to be not serious. The young lady was Miss Schwartz of Griffith.

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HOLD SHORT SESSION.

Wants Erie to Replace a Fire Hose Which a Yard Engine Destroyed During Fire Last Week.

The board of public works held a short meeting this morning, at which it instructed the city clerk to notify the Erie Railroad company to pay for a fire hose that had been destroyed last week in the yards, when an engine cut in two a hose which department No. 4 was using in putting out a fire. Instructions were also sent out to F. S. Cotton to repair the pavement on Michigan avenue where it had been damaged owing to house moving.

Blecker Brothers, the Hammond coal and feed dealers, say: "Try our Hocking coal and we will sell you more."

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