

WILL FIX LEVY FOR BIG DITCH

Commission Held Its First Meeting Saturday Morning in Gary and Received Instructions As to Mode of Procedure.

FIRST REPORT READY BY LAST OF THE YEAR

Much Preliminary Work Will Have To Be Done Before the Contract Can Be Let—Work Expected to Begin the Early Part of Next Spring.

The Burdick commission met Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the Victoria hotel where they had their first official meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to be advised by their attorney, Frank Pattie, of Crown Point, as to the proper course to pursue in starting the actual work of construction.

The preliminary work will be long and tedious before they are prepared to let the contract for the work. It will be necessary to levy the assessment and damages for each forty acres of property throughout all the territory, which the ditch will cover, beginning from a short distance east of Hammond and running to Dunne Park. In this space there are thousands of acres and will be assessed according to the use to which it will likely be put whether for farm land or for city lots. The first thing that will be begun by the commission is the careful survey and inspection of the territory which the ditch will run. If they find a better method of building a ditch than that proposed by Randall H. Burns, the originator of the plan, they are privileged to use this method. The survey of the route will be made by Guy Stinchfield, the county surveyor, who holds his place on the commission by virtue of his office.

First Report Dec. 31.

The first report which will be made to the court on the assessment and damages will be turned in by the commission Dec. 31. It will be necessary to make a report on the plan of building the ditch or of any other matter

Central Figures In Stately Procession Of Missionary Congress Delegates.



ARCHBISHOP DIOMEDE FALCONIO, PAPAL LEGATE, AND DEACONS OF HONOR, THE VERY REV. A. P. DOYLE, C.S.B. AND THE VERY REV. JOHN WILLIAMS, C.S.S.E.

In connection with the work, they having full charge of it.

After the assessment of benefits and damages have been levied, and the route of the ditch and the plans and specifications have been drawn up the contract for the work will be let and the work will probably start early in the spring.

Those who attended the meeting were Guy Stinchfield, county surveyor, of Porter county, Thomas Wilson, drainage commissioner of Porter county, A. P. Molton, of Gary who represents Lake county, and Frank Pattie. The next meeting of the commissioners and their attorney will be held a week from today, when they will begin actual work.

Don't overlook the big cut and slash sale of the Paxton & Baker Co's stock, 225-227 State street, by the Chicago Brokerage Co. Sale opens Wednesday morning.—2t.

HASTINGS EXPRESS BRANCH IN FIRE

Two Firemen Drag Their Comrades from Death Peril Yesterday.

MANY HORSES ARE SAVED

Calumet Region Concern Suffers Heavily In Loss of Plant at South Chicago.

Two firemen narrowly escaped death, twenty-two horses were rescued from the flames after a desperate fight, and property valued at \$40,000 was destroyed in a fire which raged in the buildings of the South Chicago branch of the Hastings Express company, Ninety-fifth street and Commercial avenue, yesterday. This is the express company which makes Hammond, East Chicago, Indiana Harbor, Whiting and Gary.

Captain Robert Ambrose and Pipe-man Isaac Weir were the firemen who were rescued. They were standing in the wagon shed of the plant, fighting the flames, when the floor suddenly collapsed. They were precipitated into the

basement of the building, literally buried in a mass of burning wood. Companions rescued them after a few minutes. Both were burned and scratched, but neither was seriously injured.

Jeremiah Cohen, an employee of the Hastings Express company, discovered the flames on a platform of one of the buildings. Realizing that the buildings would probably be lost before the firemen could arrive, he ran into the stable, cut the halter straps of all the horses and released them. They ran into the streets. Last night not all of them had been recaptured.

At one time it seemed that the fire would reach the plant of the Valvoline Oil company, 475 Ninety-fifth street. Over 200 barrels of oil were stored in their buildings. Had the fire reached the oil it would have been impossible to save any of the property. A few sparks fell on the roof, but they were quenched at once. Two cars of oil belonging to the company were burned.

East Chicago, Ind., Nov. 15.—The East Chicago "Tigers" added another laurel to their fast increasing string of victorious games yesterday afternoon, by defeating the Oxford A. C., one of the fastest teams on the Chicago gridiron. The score was 12 to 5, and the game showed vast improvement over the previous game with the Oxford team.

TIGERS BEAT OXFORDS

Stenberg, the fast Harbor half, made the first goal for the local team, running the entire length of the field after a recovered fumble. Hassall made the other goal. In the second half, plunging through the line for fifteen yards, and a touchdown.

The forward pass was used successfully by the East Chicago players in several instances, while the Oxford team only attempted its prosecution once.

WANT TO IMPEACH TOWNSLEY

Mr. Hearst's Candidate for Judge of Indiana Supreme Court Is Made Defendant Against Lawyers as Plaintiffs.

TROUBLE GROWS OUT OF ATTACHMENT CASE

Gary Justice of the Peace Would Keep Court Costs Out of the Money Paid to Him in Compliance With a Decision Handed Down By Him in a Case Recently.

"We intend to start impeachment proceedings at once against Justice of the Peace, Harley A. Townsley, the recent candidate for judge of the supreme court of Indiana on the charge of attempting to collect illegal fees. There are several instances in which we believe him to be guilty of this act, and we intend to prosecute him," said Attorney John M. Fox, of the firm of Fox & Dunn.

The specific case which was cited yesterday by Mr. Fox was that of Gies Radisch vs. Misha Jokov, which was filed in the latter's court and in which the above attorneys appeared for the complainants. An attachment of the defendant for the sum of \$80 was sought against Jokov and judgment for the full amount was given to Fox & Dunn. The costs, however, the attorneys say, was assessed against them instead of against the defendants who lost in the case.

Who Must Pay the Costs? The amount of the costs was \$13.50. This they refused to pay, but after an argument with the court the amount of the costs was reduced \$10, and that amount was remitted to them. Yesterday, however, they received notification that the payment of the check for that amount which they had received, had been stopped. This means, they say, that they will be expected to pay all of the costs of the case, amounting to \$13.50.

The attorneys claim that in winning the case, for the attachment they were absolved from the payment of the costs and that it should have been assessed against the defendant. The above is the one specific case in which the impeachment proceedings will probably be started against the local justice of the peace.

The attorneys claim, however, that there are several other instances in which the same thing has happened and they will be brought to light at the proper time. Besides this charge they have complaints against the judge of another character, one of which occurred in this same case.

Civil Suit Is Started. Attorney Fox claimed that the \$80 which they had due them by winning the case was paid into the court by the defendant in cash shortly after the trial, and that this money was held by court illegally. Judge Townsley claimed that an appeal had been taken to the superior court and that he had held it pending the appeal. In contradiction to this, however, the attorneys said that the money should have been paid over at once. When they did receive it, it was given them in amounts different than that paid in, and partly also in checks, dated ahead they claiming that during this time the money had been appropriated by the judge for his own use.

A civil suit was also started Saturday by Attorneys Fox & Dunn for the amount of damages which they have paid to the judge. Their attorney in this case is Clyde Hunter.

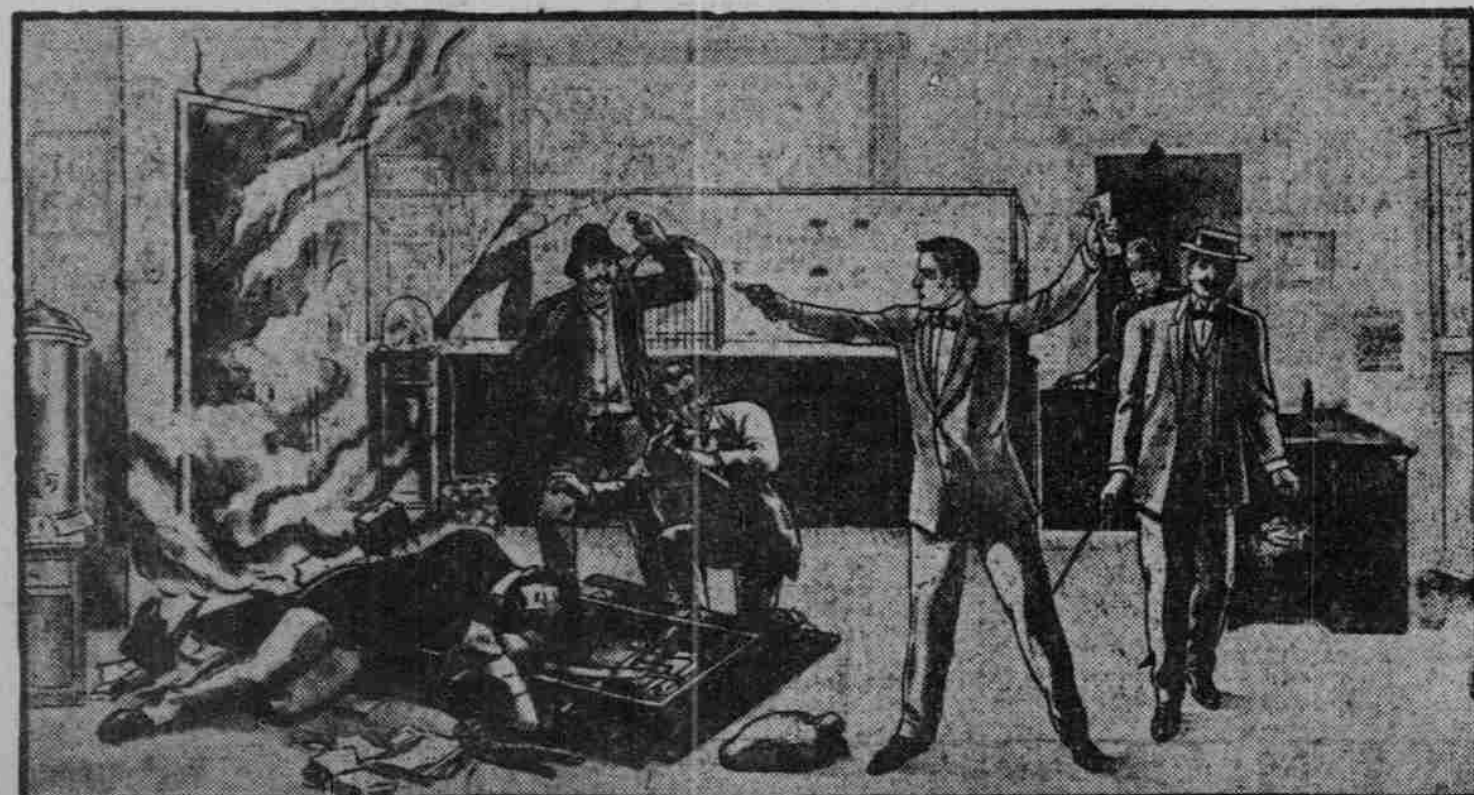
PRISON SWEEP BY FIRE

Jeffersonville Reformatory Inmates Cheer Work of Firemen.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Nov. 15.—Five buildings of the Indiana state reformatory and nearly the entire plant of the Indiana Manufacturing company were destroyed by fire late today. The loss will total about \$250,000. There were no fatalities, the 1,300 inmates of the reformatory remaining locked in their cells, a portion of them sending cheer after cheer through the grating windows as they watched the work of the firemen.

When the fire was discovered in the reformatory the fire department of the institution was put to work, but the water failed and the Jeffersonville department was summoned. By the time it arrived the flames had gained such headway that Louisville, Ky., across the river, was called upon for help, responding in a short time. After destroying five buildings the fire spread westward to the plant of the Indiana Manufacturing company, destroying three buildings.

JOIN THE ARMY WHO HAVE TRIED TIMES WANT ADS AND HAVE NOT FOUND THEM WANTING.



A SCENE FROM "HOW HEARTS ARE BROKEN" AT THE TOWLE OPERA HOUSE, BY THE IMPERIAL STOCK COMPANY THURSDAY, NOV. 19TH.