

WORK ON SCHOOL IS NEARING COMPLETION

The brick work on the Emerson school building in Gary has been stopped for the past few days, owing to the cold weather. What work remains can be completed in a few days.

LAKE COUNTY SAVINGS & TRUST COMPANY BANK.

Report of condition of the Lake County Savings & Trust Company, Hammond, Indiana, at the close of business Nov. 27, 1908:

Loans	\$195,184.15
Miscellaneous stocks and bonds	18,009.35
Furniture and fixtures	4,500.00
Cash and due from other banks	48,500.90
Total	\$264,544.44

Liabilities:

Capital stock (paid in)	\$ 50,000.00
Undivided profits	20,843.25
Deposits	193,701.31
Total	\$264,544.44

and the contractor will bid his time until climatic conditions are such that the work can be continued with safety. Contractor Gerhardt says that it will take but a few days more to complete all of the brick work on the building.

This appears as if the construction of the building was at an advanced stage and that it would be completed in time specified if nothing unforeseen occurs in the future. While the work is now stopped in laying brick the carpenters are still busy in laying the joists for the roof so that when the brick work is completed, the roof will also be finished, and the building will be enclosed for the winter.

This is in accordance with the program mapped out by the board of education.

During the winter months the finishing work will be carried on in the inside. This will require practically as much time as the construction of the frame. The heating apparatus is being installed as rapidly as possible so that when the severe weather comes the work of finishing can be done in the warm building.

PENNSYLVANIA TOWN IS BURNING UP.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Ashland, Pa., Dec. 4.—Messages received from Centralia tell of an immense conflagration there, which is wiping out the entire town. There is no power to save the place and the damage done is immense.

PETER W. MEYN, President. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of December, 1908.

WILLIAM F. MASHNO, Notary Public.

My commission expires Jan. 2, 1910.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE CITIZENS' GERMAN NATIONAL BANK.

At Hammond, in the State of Indiana, at the close of business, Nov. 27, 1908.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	\$285,732.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	647.91
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	40,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure U. S. deposits	150,000.00
Premises on U. S. bonds	8,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	50,594.13
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	1,200.00
Due from approved reserve agents	1,268.61
Exchanges for clearing house	99,223.12
Notes of other national banks	1,178.17
For clearing house	3,000.00
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ.	144.54
Specie	\$ 7,455.50
Legal-tender notes	14,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,000.00
TOTAL	\$365,782.92

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	12,000.00
Notes and bank notes outstanding	3,260.00
Dividends unpaid	40,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$286,113.71
Demand certificates of deposit	2,677.01
Certified checks	70,100.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	634.92
United States deposits	78.00
Total	150,000.00
TOTAL	\$59,762.40

State of Indiana, County of Lake, ss:

I, George M. Eder, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear and declare the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE M. EDER, Cashier.

CORRECT—Attest:

C. C. SMITH.

J. J. RUFF.

WILLIAM D. WEIS.

Directors.

My commission expires Nov. 12, 1908.

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ACREAGE PROPERTY BOUGHT UP

Borman and Waldron of Tolleston Invest \$21,750 in Fifteen Acres Which They Purchased From H. C. Lenz of Chicago.

WOMEN INTERESTED IN REAL ESTATE

Chicago Woman Will Erect Two-story Brick Building and Several Cottages—South Dakota Girl Will Build a Home Bakery—Other Deals Are Made.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Toleston, Ind., Dec. 4.—Not only are there signs of big real estate boom in Gary alone this winter, but all indications point to the fact that in Gary's sister town, Tolleston, will be a mecca for real estate transactions from this time on.

During the past two days several deals of importance have been consummated by the Borman-Waldron, real estate dealers, of Tolleston. Yesterday afternoon Mr. Borman closed a land deal wherein he purchased fifteen acres of land on Fifteenth avenue, between Chicago and Center avenues. The price being paid was \$1,450 per acre, making the total consideration of \$21,750. The tract of land was purchased in acreage from Mr. H. C. Lenz of Chicago. It will be subdivided at once and the lots will be put on the market early in spring, when the owners expect a ready sale.

WILL MAKE NICE PROFIT.

Messrs. Borman and Waldron purchased the property just for speculation, and have already had several good offers made on the acreage at a nice profit, but it is their intention to hold their recent purchase and dispose of it in lots. Other sales made by the company are as follows: A seventeen-two foot front by 231 foot deep lot on Borman boulevard and Grace street to Mrs. Ida M. Stebbins of Chicago. It is the intention of Mrs. Stebbins early in spring to erect two two-story brick stores and two cottages fronting on Grace street, which will be for rent when completed.

Another sale of two lots on Grace street was made to Miss Fanny Hitchcock of South Dakota, who will build a two-story brick store building and cottages on the property at once. It is the intention of Miss Hitchcock to start a home bakery in the new building when completed, and for temporary quarters she has rented the basement under the Tolleston hotel and will launch into the bakery business at once.

An effort will be made to cater only to the best trade and it is thought that she will secure patronage from the Gary hotel and restaurants in home-made bakery goods.

OTHER DEALS ARE MADE.

Other deals of less importance have been made of late by other real estate dealers in Tolleston and the general tendency points that from now on the real estate market promises to become very active in Tolleston.

One of the chief causes for this is said, is on account of the completion of the Chicago, Lake Shore & South Bend Interurban, which will have cars in operation by the 1st of January. This is said by real estate men to do more for the increasing in value of real estate in Tolleston than any other factor.

Another deal of less importance was made by the members of the

Contractors' association yesterday afternoon in the Gary hotel, the committee, which will represent that body in the steps which are being taken to secure a superior court for Gary were elected. The three members are, Inwald Moe, C. H. Malone and M. L. Maxon. This committee will act jointly with the committees of the Commercial club, the Real Estate board and the Merchants' association. The matter was discussed thoroughly as the contractors are as much interested in securing the court as any other body of men.

Another important matter which was decided was the date for their banquet which has been set for the second Thursday in February. This date was decided upon because it was regarded by the members as the date nearest the close of the season for building operations and the start of the new year.

This will probably be made the annual date for this affair. The plan for this banquet is to make it a strictly social affair and business discussions will be eliminated.

At this banquet the officers of the organization will be selected and this will be made on the first Thursday in January which will be their next regular meeting time. At that time the committee which will have charge of the banquet will also be selected.

George Lusk was up for provocation yesterday and explained to the court that he did not know what the term provocation meant; that his wrongful act consisted of nothing more than merely pointing a revolver at Lucy Purver, with whom he had been keeping company.

Lucy Purver was the plaintiff in the suit, who charged the prisoner with provocation. When he innocently stated to the court that he did not know what the term provocation meant, he was searched for a weapon, which was found on his person, and when asked to tell his story, said that he had been serving three terms in the penitentiary.

Realizing what sort of a character the court had to deal with, Lusk was placed under \$1,000 bond and bound

to appear in the Lake circuit court at Crown Point.

According to his own story, he served two years in the Tennessee state prison for grand larceny, and was later sent up to serve from two to four years for stealing a horse from John D. Rockefeller, the oil king, which was valued at \$600. Having served two years in the Ohio penitentiary he got into a fight with his cell mate and almost killed him and consequently an additional sentence was placed on him.

The police will make inquiries to learn whether the fellow is wanted elsewhere.

Stocks, Grain and PROVISIONS

Latest Events in the Markets

Special Wire to The TIMES

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

	Open	High	Low	Close
Atchison	98 3/8	99	98 3/4	99 1/2
Atchison	102 1/2	103 1/2	102 1/2	103 1/2
Am. Can.	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Am. Copper	82 7/8	83 1/2	82 7/8	83 1/2
Am. Smelt	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Alcanada	107 1/2	108 1/2	107 1/2	108 1/2
B. & O.	107 1/2	108 1/2	107 1/2	108 1/2
Brook R. T.	55 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Chess & Co.	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Canad. Pac.	147 1/2	148 1/2	147 1/2	148 1/2
Eric. com.	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Grt. North.	142 1/2	143 1/2	142 1/2	144 1/2
H. & N.	122 1/2	123 1/2	122 1/2	123 1/2
Mo. Pacific	65 1/2	66 1/2	65 1/2	66 1/2
Nat. Lead.	82 5/8	83 1/2	82 5/8	83 1/2
N. Y. Cent.	116 1/2	117 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2
No. Pacific	142 1/2	143 1/2	142 1/2	143 1/2
Ont. & W.	45 1/2	46 1/2	45 1/2	46 1/2
Pennsyl.	122 1/2	123 1/2	122 1/2	123 1/2
Reading	129 1/2	130 1/2	129 1/2	130 1/2
R. & P. Ry.	69 1/2	70 1/2	69 1/2	