

WEATHER.
Fair and slightly warmer
tonight; rain or snow Sun-
day.

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DIAMOND BROKERS ARE SUED

West Hammond Woman,
Employed at Reid-Mur-
doch Plant, Succeeds in
Getting Manager of Con-
cern into Court.

BROKERS ARE SCORED BY JUDGE

Judge Says Case Is an Attempt at an
Outrageous Swindle and Firm Will
Have to Stand Trial in Chicago on
Dec. 10, When Witness Will Ap-
pear Against Yott.

Lottis Brothers, diamond brokers at
92 State street, Chicago, with whom
many Hammond people have come in
contact with on the installment plan,
have been made defendant in a suit
brought by Mrs. Mary Novack of West
Hammond on charges of having ob-
tained money under false pretenses.

In the preliminary trial that William
H. Yott, the manager of the firm had
yesterday in Judge Dicker's court, the
methods of the diamond brokers were
severely scored, but the end of the suit
is not in sight until Dec. 10, to which
date it has been continued.

Did Not Understand Contract.
The facts in the case, as far as pre-
sented, show that Mrs. Novack, who is
employed at Reid-Murdoch's, went to
Lottis Brothers some time ago and
made two purchases, on one of which
she deposited three dollars and on the
second two dollars. She was asked to
sign a contract which she did not un-
derstand, being unable to read and
write the English language. She was
also requested to give references, which
she did. Having made her deposit of \$5
she was sent away without her pur-
chase, it having been explained to her
that she would come into possession of
them as soon as the references had been
looked up. Legal action followed, in
the course of which Judge Dicker scored
the firm for its methods.

Received No Satisfaction.
Several days ago she called on the
firm for her purchase, but was told
she could not have it for the reason
that her references had been unsatis-
factory. Indignant at this, she de-
manded the money she had deposited,
but was told that it was used toward
payment of looking up her references.
She went back repeatedly but was sent
from one department to another in
search of her party, but with no suc-
cess. Legal action followed, in the
course of which Judge Dicker scored
the firm for its methods.

Find Letter at Home.
When Mrs. Novack returned to her
home at West Hammond yesterday af-
ternoon, after attending court, a letter
was awaiting her from Lottis Brothers.
Inclosed was a check for \$5. The mis-
sive had been mailed early Friday
morning. The letter, with the check,
read as follows:

"Dec. 4, 1908.—Mrs. Mary Novack,
West Hammond, Ill.—Dear Madam: As
you have evidently changed your mind
in regard to the purchase you expected
want your money refunded now, we beg
want the money refunded now, we beg
to hand you herewith our check for the
amount of your deposit, \$5, to balance.
"We trust we may be favored with
you future business when in the mar-
ket for goods in this line. We are
yours,
"LOTTIS BROS. & CO."

LAD IS IN THE HOSPITAL

George Darrow, Aged 15, of
East Chicago, Is Fat-
ally Injured.

East Chicago, Ind., Dec. 5.—As the
result of an accident in the C. T. T. rail-
road shops in this city, George Dar-
row, aged 15, lies at St. Margaret's hos-
pital, in Hammond, in a very critical
condition. The lad was crushed be-
tween a brick wall and a large car-
timer planer about 3 o'clock yesterday
afternoon and received injuries which
may prove fatal. The lad was taken to
the office of Dr. A. G. Schleifer who
declared that the care of the hospital
attendants was necessary to preserve
the young man's life.

Darrow is the elder son of a widowed
mother, who maintains a small candy
and cigar store on Forsyth avenue,
near the Wabash tracks. The case is
more pathetic for this reason: as the
son is rapidly nearing the age when
he will become a potent factor in the
support of the family, and residents of
East Chicago are sincere in their ex-
pressions of sympathy in the boy's mis-
fortune.

EDWIN FREDRICH WINS THE HONORS

Son of Charles H. Frederich
Easily Surpasses All His
Rivals in Contest.

VICTOR IS GIVEN TWO FIRSTS

Six Contestants Strive For Victory
and Each One Makes a Credit-
able Showing.

Edwin Friedrich, 10, was crowned
victor last night at the First Methodist
church in the annual declamatory con-
test of the Hammond high school. As a
result the young orator will represent
the local high school next year in the
Lake county oratorical contest, and also
in the northern Indiana high school
contest. The church was well filled
with relatives and friends of the young
orators.

The honors that the modest young
man won last night were well deserved
and able judges gave the decision that
of six contestants he was the best.

He had to compete with classmates
and students of the high school who
put his ability to a severe test, and
Hammond people who know young
Friedrich feel sure that at the coun-
ty contest next spring he will come
out with flying colors. He is one of
the natural speakers that has ever
stepped on the stage and he enters into
his subject with an enthusiasm that
is thrilling.

The contest last night was declama-
tory and the work was judged on the
delivery alone. For the contest of next
spring, however, each of the "contest-
ants" will prepare their own orations
and at that time they will be graded
in thought and composition.

Floyd Murray, 19, was a close sec-
ond, Friedrich having defeated him by
only one point for first. Raymond W.
Zoll and Robin E. Amos tied for third
and John Rhind and Floyd Monnett
tied for fourth. All, however, made a
good showing and were a credit to the
school, but they were out-distanced by
Friedrich and Murray. Edwin Friedrich
was born in Crown Point and is the
eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fried-
rich, 113 Webb street.

He chose for his declamation,
"Toussaint l'Ouvreur's Place Among
Great Men."

The others were as follows:
"Savonarola, Priest and Patriot"—
Floyd Murray.

"The University, the Training Camp
of the Future"—Raymond Zoll.

"The National Flag"—Robin Amos.

"The Orator's Cause"—Floyd Mon-
nett.

"The New South"—John Rhind.

Judges Figures Made Public.

The music for the evening was fur-
nished by the high school orchestra.

Farrell Dickover added piano solo.

Miss Mildred Collins sang a solo.

The judges of the evening were: Dr.
W. Mayes Martin, president of the Lin-
coln-Jefferson College of Law; Super-
intendent F. F. Heigh, F. F. Heigh-
way and Dr. E. M. Shanklin.

The markings were:

Friedrich 1 1 3

Murray 2 3 1

Zoll 6 2 4

Amos 5 5 2

Monnett 4 4 6

Rhind 3 6 5

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ELOPEMENT IS NIPPED IN THE BUD

Mrs. Bronko Branding Tries
to Get Away With
Her Affinity.

There was another scene over in the
police station this morning as a result
of the attempt of Mrs. Bronko Branding
to run away with George Bibin. She
not only intended to leave her husband,
but she took \$50 of his money and ac-
tually fought at the idea of being com-
pelled to go back and live with him.

Some of the foreigners in the Stand-
ard district have a strange conception
of morality. There have been numerous
instances where women have run away
with other men with a little thought
of the moral obligation to their hus-
bands as though there had never been
a wedding ceremony.

Mrs. Bronko Branding complained to
the police that her husband abused her.
She said that she had decided to live
with George Bibin. The fact that she
had not had a divorce and that she had
not yet been married to Bibin did not
seem to make any difference with her.

She simply put her 6 months old baby
on her shoulder and started out with
Bibin. Some one tipped it off to her
husband and the runaway couple were
taken to the police station.

Had Strong Competitors.

It appears that Lowden was given a
summons ordering Mary Garletz of 5032
Alexander avenue, to appear as witness
in the libel case of Katie Spudek
against Mary Magletz. Miss Garletz
evidently thought that she would be
safe in trading the summons prob-
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D.—and refused to appear in the court-
room at the specified time.

Jim Tried to Obey Orders.

Nine o'clock arrived—but no impor-
tant witness showed on the scene. The
hands of Judge Reland's watch slowly
crept around towards 10 o'clock when
he dispatched Lowden to the Garletz
home with instructions to bring the
woman into court. Lowden went to
Alexander avenue and found the woman
—but she refused to accompany him.

Being naturally of a modest nature, he
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to headquarters, where the assembled
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Constable Is Chagrined.

When Lowden reached Miss Garletz's
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learned that she had departed and gone
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A more perplexed or puzzled constable
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any reasonable advice, so the case of
Spudek vs. Magletz was postponed for
another week. In the meantime, Jim
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which to ensnare the unwilling witness
into the courtroom and swear that un-
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bring her before Judge Reland via the
"ambulance route."

The case has been continued until
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Gets More Bad News

Stricken Father and Hus-
band Gets News That
Mother Is Paralyzed.

The body of Charley Rice, the 15-
year-old son of William Rice, who died
last Thursday evening from injuries
which he received in the Erie yards
where he was employed as call boy,
was shipped to Decatur, Ind., this morn-
ing for burial. The inquest was held
at 10 o'clock, but was continued by
Coroner Shanklin until next Tuesday,
owing to the absence of some of the
witnesses.

The body was accompanied by the
father and an older step-brother, Jesse
Rice, who came to Hammond yester-
day and laid away in a vault this af-
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and schoolmates of the boy called at
the morgue yesterday to view the body
and expressed general sympathy for the
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As an additional shock to the fa-
ther, whose home has been broken up
by a wife, who deserted him, came the
news this morning that his mother suf-
fered a second paralytic stroke and that
she is not expected to live. She lives
at Decatur, where her grandson is be-
ing laid away today.

STEALING OF COAL
RESULTS IN ARREST.

Four Residents of Standard District
Nabbed by Special Officer Burke.

Special Officer Burke arrested four
residents of the Standard Steel Car
district this morning when he caught
them in the act of stealing coal from cars,
which were in the C. I. & S. yards.

The four men were foreigners, and
were tried in Judge Prest's justice court
and fined \$12.55 each. They will all go
to Crown Point and stay out their fine.
It is hoped that this will put an end to
the petty stealing of coal by the fore-
igners in the Standard district.

Orders can be finished in three days
time at Johnson's studio. Studio is open
every day.—It.

LAKE SUPERIOR COURT.

NEW CASES.

5252. Heinrich Marotz and Albertin
Maritz vs. the town of Teolston.

848. State vs. K. Benjamin Kline.

5253. Arthur Arnold, by W. S. Red-
ding, his next friend, vs. Chicago, Lake
Shore & South Bend.

5254. John Ambos et al vs. Diny Ba-
celli.

MAIDEN FEAZES THE CONSTABLE

Miss Mary Garletz Takes to
Her Bed When Subpoened
in Indiana Harbor Court,
and Trusty Constable Is
Embarrassed.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

East Chicago, Ind., Dec. 5.—It is not
often that Constable Jim Lowden of
Judge W. A. Reland's local court fails
to get his witnesses, but he certainly
failed in a desperate attempt yesterday
morning. He was outwitted by a wo-
man, a resident of the Oklahoma dis-
trict, and Jim is still feeling a little
vexed at her treatment of him.

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CRUMPACKER SAYS: "TAKE COURT SERVICE"

Congressman Refuses to
Recommend Fourth Class
Postmasters Any More.

HENMENWAY DOESN'T WANT IT

Indiana's Senior Senator Refuses to
Consider Cabinet Appointment
in Washington.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—Represent-
ative E. D. Crumpacker of Indiana has
refused to make any more recommenda-
tions for fourth class postoffice ap-
pointments. Pending the taking effect
of the new executive order placing the
fourth class postmen under civil ser-
vice, the congressmen are being called
upon, as usual, to name the appoint-
tees. Crumpacker received notice today
from the postoffice department that
Whiting and Moses Specter for post-
master at New Chicago has resigned
and requesting him to suggest a suc-
cessor. He returned the paper to the
department with this indorsement:

"I suggest you refer this matter to
the civil service commission."

In discussing the matter, Crum-
packer said:

"The postoffice at New Chicago pays
about \$7 a year, and I imagine there
will be a fierce rush to take a com-
petitive examination for it."

Crumpacker made recommendation
for two presidential offices today. He
named James Nedjl for postmaster at
Whiting and Moses Specter for post-
master at East Chicago. S. L. Kirk and
Albert Lewis of East Chicago arrived
here today to object to the appoint-
ment of Specter, but Crumpacker in-
formed them they were too late.

Senator Declines Position.

A movement to request President-
elect Taft to appoint Senator Hemen-
way in his cabinet has been nipped in
the bud by the Indiana senator. The
facts as to the movement and as to
how the Indiana senator put a veto
to it were learned today.

W. Murray Crane of Massachusetts,
the long-headed conciliator and ad-
juster of national politics, started the
movement. Senator Crane is never
happy unless he is doing things in poli-
tics and in his noisome way he usually
accomplishes results.

He and Senator Hemenway came into
close relations during the fight of the
allied candidates against Taft prior to
the Chicago convention. Senator
Hemenway was leader of the allied
forces and Senator Crane worked with
him. After the convention both Crane
and Hemenway accepted the result in
good spirit and Crane, at Taft's re-
quest, took charge of Chicago head-
quarters.

Wants to Stick in Indiana.

Senator Hemenway was surprised
not long ago to receive letters from
some of the leaders of the republican
party suggesting he ought to be a
member of the cabinet, and offering
him support. Among those who wrote
were Senator Crane, Senator Knox and
Vice President-elect Sherman. The
senator was given to understand that
if he would permit the use of his name
his friends would be exceedingly glad
to take up the matter with President-
elect Taft.

To all who wrote him, Senator Hemen-
way replied thanking them for their
kindly interest, but stating he could
not permit an application to be made in
his behalf. He said he was not and
would not be a candidate for any of-
fice. His answers were couched in
language so firm and conclusive as to
admit of no misconstruction.

APPOINTMENTS MADE

James Nedjl and Moses
Specter Get Postoffice
Plums.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Whiting, Ind., Dec. 5.—James Nedjl
received notice from Washington, D. C.,
last night that he will be recommended
as postmaster at this place. The ap-
pointment will give satisfaction to the
people here in general.

At East Chicago Moses Specter re-
ceived word that his name will be sent
to the senate for the postoffice at East
Chicago. There was little surprise over
the double appointment because the
news had been given by THE TIMES last
Tuesday and the forecast proved cor-
rect in every particular, though other
papers showed how little they knew
of the situation by denying the appoint-
ments.

RETURN TO HAMMOND.

Mr. and Mrs. August Schneider, who
were married at Crown Point yester-
day in the presence of Hammond
friends, returned to Hammond today
and received the congratulations of a
host of friends.

While the marriage was a surprise
to many of the friends of the young
couple there are others who are say-
ing: "Didn't I tell you." It is under-
stood that the young couple will board
this winter and will go to house-keep-
ing in the spring.

Mr. Schneider has been receiving the
congratulations of the newly weds
and among his University club friends and
is welcomed to the society of young
benefactors, who are increasing in num-
ber so rapidly just at the present time.

WILL LEGISLATURE BE HOSTILE TO STEEL CITY?

Lake County Lobbyist Who Owns
Much Valuable Property In
Gary, Anticipates War

HE SETS FORTH A VERY PLAUSIBLE THEORY

Riparian Rights Bill May Be Attacked by Democratic
Legislature Next Month and Veteran Leg-
islator Points Out Some Facts.

"Gary is to be punished by the Indiana state legislature for carrying out
its 'FIVE HUNDRED MAJORITY FOR WATSON' program." That is the in-
formation that was vouchsafed by a Lake county man who has probably had
more experience with Indiana legislatures than any other man in Northern
Indiana.

The Indiana House is democratic, the Senate is republican by a small
majority but the democrats will be practically in control. The democratic
leaders realize that many of the democratic state officers were defeated solely
through the activities of the republicans in Lake county and they propose to
retaliate.

WILL THE BILL BE REPEALED?

When the TIMES informant was asked what form of punishment the
democrats could prepare for Gary, and the north and generally, the reply came
without hesitation, "The repeal of the riparian rights bill."

This was a startling suggestion. It will be remembered that the repre-
sentatives from Lake, Porter and LaPorte counties, all of which border on the
shores of Lake Michigan, put up a gallant fight in the legislature before they
could secure the passage of the riparian rights bill.

This bill, by the way, provided that the owners of riparian rights on the
shores of Lake Michigan could purchase the submerged land of the lake from
the state as far out as the government dock line, at so much per acre and
could have full legal right to that land after it had been reclaimed.

This bill was designed as a special favor to the United States Steel cor-
poration which had just located in Indiana and was spending \$100,000,000 here
in the development of a new iron and steel center.

IS BENEFIT TO ALL THE INDUSTRIES.

It was also meant to help the inland steel company at a "Hanna Harbor
which has considerable lake frontage and in fact was a great benefit to all
of the industries located along the shore of the lake.

There was general rejoicing in Northern Indiana after the passage of the
bill and there was general grumbling down state because the corporation had
been given an opportunity to reclaim the useless bottom of the lake by
paying the state a small amount per acre.

"But the time has come," says the Lake county man, "when the democrats
will have their turn." In spite of the fact that Edward Simons worked for
the riparian rights bill along with the republicans it is understood that an
effort will be made to repeal the law.

A little inside history regarding the activities of the United States Steel
company after the law had passed will be interesting. The officials of the
company were advised by those who were close to the situation that they had
better immediately pay for the land they expected to reclaim so that if the
law was repealed they would have a legal claim to the property.

WOULD NOT AFFECT THE UNITED STATES STEEL COMPANY.

It is understood that the United States Steel company did this and as a
result the repeal of the law would not affect the company so far as the riparian
rights of the mill itself are concerned.

But the Gary Land company, a subsidiary concern of the United States
Steel corporation, owns several miles of frontage in addition to that which was
allotted to the Indiana Steel company.