

OPPOSED TO MORE COURTS

Attorney Frank Gavit in an Interview for the Times, Tells Why an Independent Jurisdiction for Gary Is Impractical.

MUCH INTERESTED IN STEEL CITY HIMSELF

Says Lake County Lawyers Already Have Taken Their Hands Full in Looking After Their Business in Three Places at Once—Suggests Additional Judge.

Attorney Frank Gavit is probably as impartial a lawyer as there is in Lake county regarding the question as to the best means of relieving the congestion in the Lake superior court.

Mr. Gavit is impartial because, in a peculiar way he represents nearly every city in Lake county. Mr. Gavit lives in Whiting, he has larger interests in Gary than any other lawyer in the county; he files most of his cases in the Lake superior court in Hammond, tries them there, and goes to Crown Point to file some of his cases when he deems it expedient.

Attorney Gavit consented to an interview with a reporter for THE TIMES, in which he stated his opinion regarding the respective claims of Hammond, Crown Point and Gary.

Have Hands Full Now.

"In the first place," said Mr. Gavit, "I am willing to go on record as being opposed to any more independent courts in Lake county. There is not a lawyer in the county who will deny that we have our hands full right now looking after cases in three courts."

"An attorney may have an important case on in Hammond, and receive word that he is expected to appear in a case at Crown Point or in Valparaiso. The running around that lawyers are compelled to do makes litigation much more expensive than it would be if it was necessary only to watch the proceedings of one court."

"If Gary gets a court," he continued, "it will make a fourth court to look after, and it is beyond the physical ability of a lawyer who has anything of a practice to follow the proceedings of four courts."

SUGGESTS ADDITIONAL JUDGE.

"If an additional judge is established at Hammond, it will simplify the matter that much, and if the court at Crown Point is made continuous, that will eliminate the necessity of going to Valparaiso and Michigan City."

"In my opinion, to create another court at Gary will be to complicate matters, and to establish another judge at Hammond, or two more if necessary, and make the circuit court at Crown Point continuous will simplify matters."

Mr. Gavit's opinion in these matters always has a great weight, and his experience in waging one fight for additional court facilities makes Gary's ambition seem all the more impractical to him.

BOARD HOLDS MEETING

Gary City Fathers Appoint Fire Chief This Afternoon.

At the regular session of the Gary town board this afternoon the city fathers will continue the fire protection proposition and possibly make an appointment of a chief. President Knott refused last night to state who would probably be the selection of the board, but it is thought that the Chicago man, the ex-fire captain in one of the stations, is the most popular man.

There are applicants for the position from every quarter of the United States and Canada. Some of the men who have made application are well known fire fighters, so that when the chief is finally secured and the reorganization of the department starts, the business men of Gary can feel safer than they ever have before.

The construction of the new fire station, at the corner of Seventh avenue and Massachusetts street, has been started by Contractor Gallagher.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured.

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is to remove the disease. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and this is the disease that can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are cured by this method, but there is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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J. BENJAMIN KLEIN IN COURT AGAIN.

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