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## REFUSES TO GIVE HER DIVORCE

Judge H. B. Tuthill at Valparaiso Tries One of the Singular Divorce Cases Ever Heard in Northern Indiana Yesterday.

## CALLED DEFENDANT LOVE'S PEON IN EFFECT

Sensational Hobart Divorce Proceedings and Well-Known Hobart Woman Must Live With Husband Whom She Wanted to Sell, According to His Talk.

"She has made her bed and she will have to sleep in it. John Knowledge is a simple Austrian. He came to this country from a quiet farming community in his own country and became a part of our complex American civilization."

"Upon his arrival here he was picked up, bag and baggage, by Mrs. Emma Shearer-Adams-Knowledge and taken to her farm near Hobart. There he was made a peon, enslaved by her wiles and her winsome ways. He was compelled to work hard each day, and his return was her excuse."

"Finally, when he refused longer to accept her advances in return for his day's work and rebelled against working for mere love, she suggested that they got married."

"Now, she refused to share her property with him. As she has grown tired of him she is seeking to cast him off by securing a divorce. It may be that he was cruel to her. It may be that he struck her and abused her, but she was not deceived by him. She deliberately deceived him in order that she might secure the services of a strong farm hand. I refuse to sustain her complaint for a divorce."

GIST OF JUDGE'S VERDICT.

(Special to THE TIMES)  
Valparaiso, Ind., Dec. 17.—"Love's peon." That is practically what Judge Harry B. Tuthill of the Laporte and Porter superior court called John Knowledge, the defendant in one of the most remarkable divorce suits that has ever come to trial in the Porter circuit court, to which it was venued from the Lake superior court at Hammond.

Mrs. Emma Shearer-Adams-Knowledge, who owns a farm of ninety acres of fine farm land as there is in the county, near Hobart; has fine horses and blooded stock, was refused a divorce from her foreign husband, John Knowledge, and was told by the judge that she would have to stick by a bad bargain.

The case was a farce from start to finish. Mrs. Knowledge was formerly one of the belles of Hobart. She was beautiful, and a further attraction was her inheritance of ninety acres of fine farm land.

She rapidly developed great business

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## SUPT. M'DANIEL'S HONOR

Hammond Educator Re-membered by College Association.

Superintendent C. M. McDaniel of the Hammond public schools, an alumnus of Wabash college and a director of that institution, was elected a member of the executive committee of the Wabash College association of Chicago. This association was organized at the banquet, which was held at the University club a few nights ago. The association will admit to membership all Chicagoans who have attended college for at least a year. This will include several Hammond men besides Mr. McDaniel.

The Chicago alumni of Wabash college number about 120 people who are among the most influential business and professional men in Chicago. The membership fee will be \$5, which will include the price of the annual banquet, which will be held in Chicago.

## SINGING SOCIETIES WILL SURELY CONSOLIDATE

F. C. Miller Chosen as Head of Amalgamation of Singing Societies.

## MEMBERS BOOST CLUB IDEA

DEMOCRATS HAVEN'T GIVEN UP

Big Yuletide Festival Is Inaugurated and Will Be Held on January the Third.

## SURPRISE COMPLETES ALL HIS EVIDENCE

Commissioners Cannot Compel Federal Clerk to Bring His Books.

## DEMOCRATS HAVEN'T GIVEN UP

Many Hammond Democrats Go Down to Crown Point as Witnesses.

(BULLETIN.

Crown Point, Ind., Dec. 17, 4 P. M.—It remained for the democratic witnesses in the Simons-Wickey contest to prove conclusively that it was only a matter of money which prevented the democrats from voting as many foreigners as the republicans did.

Perhaps the most enlightening testimony was received from Judge W. W. McMahon, the defeated democratic candidate for the office of judge of the superior court, who said that if the management of the campaign had been left in his hands the result would have been that the democrats instead of the republicans would have voted the foreigners.

He had no little share in making an evening like the one of yesterday a possibility. With the backing of the whole organization the proposed club house which is to be the permanent home of the society will be tackled with a renewed effort, and the prospects for the home were never brighter. It is now the one wish of the singers that their twenty-fifth anniversary, which will be celebrated a year from next April, will be celebrated in their clubhouse.

Boosting the Clubhouse.

The building fund is growing and an impetus for its growth, and also that the wives and children of the members may share in the pleasures of the society, a big Christmas festival has been inaugurated and will be celebrated on Jan. 3. A huge Christmas tree will be set up and it will contain a present for every child whose father is a member of the society.

One of the features of the evening was the raffle of a \$65 sewing-machine. The proceeds of the evening will be turned into the building fund.

The officers elected last evening are as follows:

President—F. C. Miller.  
Vice president—George Lewke.  
Treasurer—Otto Dueke.  
Financial secretary—August Zimmermann.

Recording secretary—C. Markmiller.  
Trustees—Carl E. Bauer, Emil Pickard, Henry Rennow.

Will Try Another Plan.

It is understood that the plan now is to take Surprise's deposition at Hammond and get at the records in that manner. Every effort will be made to introduce the evidence that the naturalization books are supposed to contain into the testimony.

Surprise was kept on the stand until 12 o'clock today and he gave way to William Hastings, who was the right-hand man of County Chairman F. Richard Schaaf during the election. Hastings was asked to tell what he knew of the election frauds and it is said that all the information they got out of him was some good pointers which the democrats may use when they essay to run another national campaign in this county.

Schrieber the Next.

Bruno Schrieber, that Lake county boy, is to be the next witness on the stand and he will be asked to tell what he knows of the voting of foreigners and the alleged election frauds.

Among the democrats who are at the county seat in the interests of the contest are: Judge W. W. McMahon, recent candidate for judge of the Lake superior court; John L. Rhoads, a big cog in the democratic political machinery; Peter J. Lyons, the man who tells about how he made foreigners vote the democratic ticket after their naturalization papers had been paid for by the republicans; William Steffin, the democratic election detective, Frank Shine, and Bruno Schrieber.

## PIONEER IS DEAD TODAY

Mrs. Elizabeth Linz, Mother of Five Children, Dies at Daughter's Home.

Mrs. Elizabeth Linz, one of the pioneers of Hammond, passed away this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lena Webster, 377 Oakley avenue. Death was due to old age, the deceased having been 78 years old. She is survived by five children, they being F. C. Linz of Hammond, Mrs. Louis Linz of Delton, Mich., but formerly of Hammond; Mrs. Lena Webster of Hammond; William and Martin Linz of Hammond.

The funeral has not been definitely arranged, but it is thought that it will take place next Saturday afternoon from the Oakley avenue residence, Burial will be at Oak Hill.

The deceased is a member of the W. R. C. and was also a member of the Hammond Baptist church.

## SUES CHICAGO & ERIE RAILROAD FOR DAMAGES

BECKER IS NAMED FOR SECRETARYSHIP

Phillip McLaughlin is suing the Chicago & Erie railroad to recover \$5,000 damages for the loss of a manure pile and \$1,000 for the loss of an acre of turf.

It will be remembered that about a year ago an Erie engine is said to have set fire to the grass and weeds along the Erie right-of-way and in that manner to have ignited Phillip McLaughlin's manure pile.

The fire burned in the manure for several days and finally destroyed a large part of it. It is to recover damages for the loss of this pile that Attorney W. J. McAleer is suing the railroad for his client.

The complaint alleges that it took years and years to accumulate the manure and that it had increased in value by being well rotted. It alleges that there was a good market for the manure among the farmers and that he has suffered an irreparable loss when the pile was burned.

McAleer is suing for \$6,000.

You will find that it is the merchants who are advertising in THE TIMES who are the ones who are doing the business. They are live ones.

## STRONG BUTTER SCARES 'EM

Wallace School Children Are Routed by William Goat; Teacher Is Rebuffed, Janitor Awed, and Principal is Hero.

## PROF. HILL DOES SOME GREAT WORK

Secures the "Big Stick" and Does Battle With Stone Breaker's Pride in Wallace School Yard While Terrified Teachers and Children View With Alarm.

One little blustering goat held siege to the Wallace school last Tuesday and it required the combined valor and the generalship of Janitor W. L. Marshall to break the blockade which Mr. Bill Goat established at the entrance of the building.

Not in vain have school authorities been so deliberately and shamefully defied. With the impudence and courage of a Castro, in his defiance of the school authorities, Mr. Goat, the property of Dr. A. Stonebreaker, took up a position of vantage abutting the front of the school house. If he had a penon of war on it would have been an all due to a lack of money.

Bruno Schrieber says that he had twenty foreigners naturalized and that his helpers had a large number more made citizens. He said that the only reason that the democrats did not win the election was that they did not have the rice to get the naturalization papers. Jacob Schrieber is on his stand.

Crown Point, Ind., Dec. 17.—The commissioners at Crown Point who are hearing evidence in the Simons-Wickey election contest finished with Deputy United States Clerk Charles Surprise and the attorneys for the commissioners failed utterly in their efforts to compel Surprise to reveal his records at the Crown Point hearing.

They tried to make the refusal of Surprise a ground for contempt, but their efforts were unavailing and it was finally decided that Surprise could not be compelled to bring the books to Crown Point.

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Down the stairs tripped the trembling teacher to investigate, and all Bill Goat had to do was to blink his eyes at her to send her scurrying into the school room as fast as the children had gone. The sight of the pretty school ma'am tickled Bill to death and he batted his eyes at her several times, but the teacher then went to the door and tried to parley with the stubborn animal.

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Bert Tell of Glen Park Tries to Flip Fast Moving Freight Train.

## REMAINS HORRIBLY MANGLED

Boy Was Seventeen Years of Age and Horrified Companions Witness Accident.

Hobart, Ind., Dec. 17.—Bert Tell, age 17, of Glen Park, was killed and his body was strewn for 500 feet along the Michigan Central railroad track when he attempted to board a freight train in the vicinity of his home and slipped under the wheels.

The accident happened at about 10 o'clock Tuesday night. He and several other boys were on their way home, and as they crossed the tracks of the Michigan Central railroad Tell attempted to jump an eastbound freight train which happened to be moving over the crossing.

Infirmity Made Him Slip.

The boy was a cripple and his infirmity caused him to slip and fall beneath the wheels. His body was ground and mangled as car after car passed over it, and the swiftly moving train carried the remains of the boy for a sixth of a mile down the tracks.

The companions of the boy, who was killed, notified Coroner Gordon of Hobart, and he immediately sent Fred Rose and James Shearer to pick up the body.

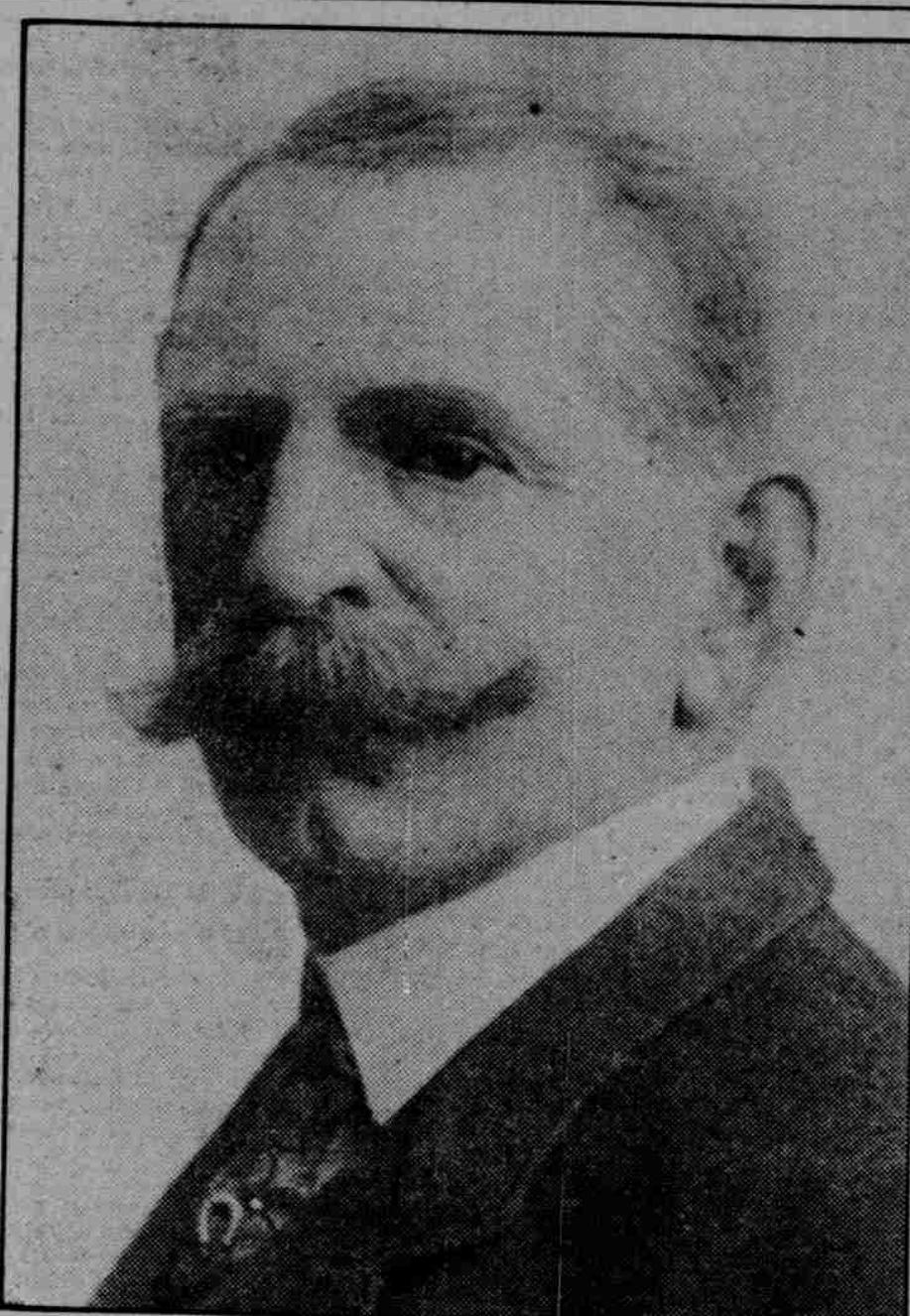
The terribly mangled body was taken to Will's undertaking establishment, where the inquest was held. The boy was well liked and much sympathy was expressed to the parents in their bereavement.

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## GETS DEAD MAN AFTER TWO YEARS

Indianian, Thought to Be Alive, Faces Big Fraud Charge, and Gary Salvation Army Man May Be Implicated.

## FORMER INDIANA SOLON ARRESTED

Clever Deception Practiced By Henry E. Agar Whose Disappearance in 1905 was the Reining Sensation In Indiana and Question of Insurancce Is Now Pending in Courts.

The Captain Herrington mentioned in the story is believed to be the Salvation Army man created a sensation in Gary sometime ago for hurling rocks at passers-by, while he was intoxicated and addressing a street meeting. Herrington had a mephine outfit on his person when arrested.

Princeton, Ind., Dec. 17.—Henry E. Agar, a former Gibson county representative, supposed to have been drowned two years ago in the Wabash river at Mount Carmel, Ill., and who was subsequently found, it is said, to be more than \$140,000 short in his grain business, is under arrest at Princeton, Tex., and will return to Indiana without retribution.

For some time Agar has been thought to be in Mexico. It appears he crossed the border yesterday and was caught. Telegrams stated that Agar had confessed and waived his rights. Local officers left for St. Louis last night and will go after Agar.

Agar's insurance, amounting to about \$20,000 in various companies, has been bitterly contested in the courts, but two policies have already been paid to the supposed widow and estate.

At the time of his disappearance Agar was one of the best known business men in this part of the state, his chief interest being the Princeton Elevator company. Early in January, 1907, he gave much attention to corn buying. With the river a flooded stage and wind raging, Agar, crippled with rheumatism and wearing a heavy closely buttoned overcoat, was on a corn barge on the Wabash river one night when he suddenly disappeared. Herrington heard a cry and a splash, but no trace of Agar could be found on the river except a hat.

Later developments gave rise to a suicide theory and his death was generally believed, though some doubted it.

Then came the insurance suits. An attempt was made to prove Captain Herrington an accomplice in the alleged fraud, but nothing was proved in this except that Herrington had received a \$100 check from Houston, Tex., from a Frank Williams, which he admitted he couldn't quite explain. It is claimed, Herrington is now supposed to be in Gary, Ind.

## GIFFORD ROAD COMING

Advance Guard of Lake County's Newest Railroad Strikes Town.

(Special to THE TIMES)  
Crown Point, Ind., Dec. 17.—Some of the engineers and advance men on the Gifford railroad, which is constructed to about four miles southeast of Crown Point, have already made this town their headquarters. Constructing Engineer Hobbs reports that the progress of the road is going slowly, but it is still coming this way and will strike the Panhandle road about a mile east of town. Mr. Gifford is having considerable trouble in obtaining right of way, and cites a case where one farmer asked \$900 for scarce an acre of ground with no improvements on it. Where it can be done the ground is being bought outright in acreages, to be held by the promoter of the road until the price of land advanced to make the purchase a good investment. Parcels of the Rosenthal and Woolie land were purchased this week for right of way, and the engineer expects to reach the Pennsylvania railroad in the early spring, providing they are not hampered too much in securing right of way.