

FROM NEIGHBORING TOWN AND CITY

NEWS OF THE COUNTY SEAT

PREDICTED THAT CONTEST WILL GO INTO THIRD WEEK.

No Startling Features Are Brought Out In.

The Simon-Wickie contest case was resumed at the commissioners' court room yesterday morning, and continued through the day. Nothing of vital importance to either side was brought out in the evidence yesterday, and the case is minus the sensational features that marked its progress at its beginning. This marks the second week of the now famous case, and from all appearances it is thought that it will be continued into next week.

BLACK CLOUD SCARES CROWN POINT PEOPLE.

But Their Conscience Didn't Trouble Them Very Long.

Quite a few Crown Point residents were startled yesterday afternoon to see an immense black cloud rise up from the east in an apparently clear sky. Its intense blackness added a further mystery to its appearance, and much speculation was waged as to the cause of its origin. It was afterwards learned that a leak in the Standard Oil pipes along the Erie railway, near the county farm, had been repaired, and the workmen had set fire to the crude petroleum, thus causing the dense black clouds of smoke to arise in the peculiar manner that gave rise to the interest taken in it.

A daughter of Trustee William Kunert of Tolleston, Miss Gertrude Kunert, and Frederick Behnke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Behnke, of that town applied for a marriage license at the clerk's office yesterday. The couple will be married on New Year's day.

Recorder Herbert E. Jones is attending the meeting of the county recorders of Indiana at Indianapolis this week, and it is thought that among some of the important transactions that body of officials will work for will be an effort to secure a raise in their salary.

The volunteer firemen will hold their regular meeting tonight, at which time the annual election of officers will take place.

"Samson and Delilah" will be the subject for one of the best pictures ever shown by Manager Rudolph of the 5-cent theater at Central Music hall tonight.

Great preparations are being made for the Christmas exercises at the Presbyterian church on Thursday night and a fine program has been arranged for that time. All are cordially invited to attend.

The Free Methodists have recently ended a series of revival meetings and it is said quite a few new members were added to that faith.

The merchants report the holiday trade this year as hardly been up to the mark of last year, although it is good considering that the times have been hard.

The Q. A. M. Card club met at the home of Miss Anna Hoffman last evening.

Miss Emma Krost returned yesterday from a visit with Chicago friends.

Mrs. Howell V. Parry is expected home today after a week's stay with Muncie relatives.

Mrs. Robert Krost and son of Chicago are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Brown, over the holidays.

Things are quiet in the new line in Crown Point, and the only excitement noticed is what you stir up yourself.

HOBART.

The remains of Mrs. Wild, who died at Hammond, was sent here today over the Nickel Plate on the noon train and

Bad Symptoms.

The woman who has periodical headaches, backache, sees imaginary dark spots or specks floating or dancing before her eyes, has gnawing distress or heavy full feeling in stomach, faint spells, dragging-down feeling in lower abdominal or pelvic region, easily startled or excited, irregular or painful periods, with or without pelvic catarrh, is suffering from weakness and derangements that should have early attention. Not all the above symptoms are likely to be present in any case at one time.

Neurotic or badly treated and such cases often run into malady which demands the surgeon's knife if they do not result fatally.

No medicine extant has such a long and numerous record of cures to such cases as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. No medicine has such a strong professional endorsement, or such of its safety and efficacy, with more than any other. The very best ingredients known to medical science for the cure of woman's peculiar ailments enter into its composition. No alcohol, harmful, or habit-forming drug is to be found in the list of its ingredients printed on each bottle-wrapper and attested under oath.

In any condition of the female system, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription can do only good—never harm. Its whole effect is to strengthen, invigorate and regulate the whole female system and especially the pelvic organs. When these are deranged in function or affected by disease, the stomach and other organs of digestion become sympathetically deranged, the nerves are weakened, and a long list of bad, unpleasant symptoms follow. Too much must not be expected of this "Favorite Prescription." It will not perform miracles; will not cure tumors—no medicine will. It will often prevent disease, if taken in time, and thus the operating table and the surgeon's knife may be avoided.

Women suffering from diseases of long standing, are invited to consult by letter. All correspondence is held strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address, Dr. R. V. Pierce, Pres., Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser (1000 pages) is sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps for paper-covered, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound copy. Address as above.

The burial took place at the Crown Hill cemetery. Mrs. Wild is the mother of Trustee Alvin Wild and has been sick for some time. She was 86 years of age, and formerly lived here.

The Misses Anna Fleck and Ruth Bullock were in the city today.

Mr. D. Mackey, who is attending the Chicago Medical college, is home for a two weeks' vacation.

The services on Christmas at the Catholic church will be first mass at 5:30, second mass, a low mass, at 8 and the third high mass at 10. Special music has been prepared for Christmas.

Mr. Dwight Mackey went to the city this afternoon.

The surveyors for the electric line, which will pass through here, started to survey yesterday. At present they are surveying across the pond.

Miss Kathleen Killigrew visited with Miss Eva Odell at Valparaiso yesterday.

Mrs. Ed. Scheidt was in the city on Monday.

The Lion store 'bus made a double trip to Hobart yesterday, not being able to carry all who wanted to go in the first load, so a second load was taken in the afternoon and those that went in the morning returned on the 4 o'clock train.

Sam Smith moved his family to Gary yesterday, where they will make their future home.

Skating on the pond is fine and the young folks are enjoying it.

Mr. J. B. Johnson moved his family yesterday from the Gordon house into the Hillman house on Center street.

MERRILLVILLE.

Mrs. Mattie Merrill of Crown Point spent a few days in town last week the guest of the Pierces.

Frank Popp is disposing of his personal property and will start for California Saturday evening.

The Epworth at their entertainment on Friday evening cleared \$25.

Margaret Adler and Anna Auterman visited friends in Hammond yesterday.

Mrs. H. S. Iddings and daughter, Eva, did shopping in Crown Point today.

Mrs. Ralph Pierce visited with the A. O. Merrill and family yesterday.

Mrs. Fred Krieter of Turkey Creek left for California this morning, she expects to spend the winter at Santa Barbara.

MUNSTER.

Christmas exercises were held at the Munster school last evening. The following program was delightfully rendered:

Song..... Room One

Recitation..... Peter Jabany

Instrumental..... Minnie Kaske

Dialogue.....

Recitation..... Esther Grugel

Song..... Room Two

Instrumental..... Minnie Kaske

Dialogue.....

Miss Mabel Crawford of Crown Point spent several days here visiting friends.

Hugo Stallbohm and Mollie Stallbohm were in Chicago yesterday.

ST. JOHN.

Miss Helen Gerlach returned from a visit in Hammond.

Charles Kaiser of Crown Point transacted business here yesterday.

Joseph Geis, the cigarmaker, of Dyer was here on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Gerlach was a Hammond visitor Tuesday.

Joseph Gettler was a St. John business visitor Tuesday.

F. Huckins of Dyer was a visitor here Tuesday.

Anton Spieker of Hanover Center was a business caller here Tuesday.

County Superintendent F. F. Heighway visited the schools in Schererville and Griffith Tuesday.

LOWELL.

Lew McNay is visiting his father and sister at Elkhart.

A. Geishman and son, Ike, attended the wedding of some Jewish friends in Chicago Sunday night.

At a well attended meeting of the Lowell Business Men's association Monday night Gus Westberg was elected night policeman, there being three other candidates in the field. The committee appointed at the meeting held a week ago to confer with the head officials about getting the new railroad from Monee to Gary to come through Lowell, brought in a report that they had had a telephone conversation with Mr. Seaman, president of the road, who said that he would be glad to meet the citizens of Lowell after the holidays with regard to the question involved. Mr. Seaman seemed favorable to the proper grade can be established, and our people should not lose sight of the prospects of getting a new railroad, but keep busy all the time till something or nothing is accomplished.

High School Notes.

The seniors do not like to see stars when they have a test.

The Philomathian society will give their program Thursday afternoon.

The seniors were given a physics test Tuesday morning.

Vernon Kelsey, Cora Hayden and Lela McNay received 100 per cent in commercial arithmetic.

The beginning music section received their examination papers back Monday.

They showed a wonderful improvement.

Miss Violet Viant visited the music classes of Miss Benson Monday.

Will Purchase made 100 per cent in the senior examination.

The next school entertainment for the organ fund will be given on Monday evening, Jan. 4, at the Methodist church. Come, everyone. Admission 10c. These entertainments are growing better each time.

The bookkeepers are nearly through with their work in bookkeeping theory and will begin business practice about two weeks after Xmas.

Lizzie McNeely made 100 per cent in the freshmen algebra this month.

VALPARAISO.

O. C. Wright is here today from Fort Wayne.

George Brown left yesterday for Tippecanoe, where he has accepted a position as day telegraph operator for the Nickel Plate. R. Brown is a son-in-law of Joseph Crowe.

A number of fire escapes are being installed around town in compliance with the new law.

Judge C. R. Collins of Michigan City was a Valpo visitor yesterday.

C. W. Bemheyer was over from Hammond yesterday.

Rev. L. W. Applegate of Gary paid us a business visit yesterday.

C. Ellwood was in the Vale yesterday from Winona Lake.

G. R. King was here yesterday on business from Indianapolis.

STIEGLITZ PARK.

Miss Clara Subinski of Whiting was a Stieglitz Park visitor yesterday.

Miss Bridget Gorman of Stieglitz Park did her Christmas shopping Saturday.

Mrs. James Sullivan of Indiana Harbor was a Stieglitz Park visitor Saturday.

Mr. Lucy of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, Stieglitz Park, moved into his new home on Alice avenue, Stieglitz Park.

Mrs. O'Keefe of Stieglitz Park made a business trip to Chicago yesterday.

Mrs. Lucy of Stieglitz Park made a business trip to Hammond, Ind.

Mr. Michael Gorman of this city was shopping in Chicago yesterday.

John Moxhimyok of Stieglitz Park made a business trip to Whiting yesterday.

Mrs. Lighting of Chicago was a Stieglitz Park visitor yesterday.

HEGEWISCH-BURNHAM.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church will not hold their meeting this week, as the Christmas committee of the Sunday school will be busy at the church getting ready for the entertainment to be given Christmas eve.

Mrs. Frank Welland and Mrs. John Patterson drove to Hammond yesterday afternoon to do some Christmas shopping.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church will hold a business meeting in the rear room of the church tonight for the election of their new officers for the coming six months. All officers and members are requested to be present at this meeting.

Mrs. Charles Fisher of Ontario avenue was a Chicago Christmas shopper yesterday.

Mr. I. B. Silverman and Mr. Eugene Miles were initiated into the Eastern Star lodge of Hegewisch Monday evening.

The Swedish Lutheran church will hold Christmas services at the church Christmas morning at 8:30 a. m., and in the evening the children of the Sunday school will entertain their parents and friends at their Christmas program.

Mrs. Samuelson of Chicago, the sister of Mrs. Herman, died at the Augustana hospital Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Ode's parents from Rockford, Ill., are here to spend the holidays with Dr. Ode and family.

The children of the Burnham school will hold their entertainment at the school house tonight.

ONE CERTAINTY

Some Hammond People Fully Realize it Now.

When the back aches from kidney

When urinary troubles annoy you, There's a certain way to find relief: A sure way to be cured.

Doan's Kidney Pills will do it. Hammond people endorse this claim.

Mrs. Maggie Heckelman, 414 Truman avenue, Hammond, Ind., says:

"For years I suffered from kidney disease. The pains in my back were almost unendurable, and there was a feeling that I could hardly describe, a sort of dull dragging, bearing down pain that at times was terrible. I had no strength, and in the morning when I first got up would be so tired, weak and languid that I could hardly do my housework. Whenever I caught a cold it would settle in my kidneys thus aggravating the trouble. A friend advised me to try Doan's Kidney Pills and I bought a box at Bicknell & Co. drug store. Before I had taken half of the contents, I noticed a great improvement in my condition and I steadily grew better until at last I was cured entirely. I have not had any return of the trouble since, although the cure was performed several months ago."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-McIlburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's and take no other.

WHITING NEWS

Miss Elizabeth Putnam, who is teaching art in the Kansas State Agricultural college, is at home to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. William E. Putnam.

Mrs. Welsby and children of John street are expected home from Franklin, Pa., in a few days after an extended visit with relatives.

Miss Mary Johnson of John street is on the sick list.

Mrs. Charles Pickering of Ohio avenue was a South Chicago visitor Monday evening.

Ort McHenry and children will move to Chesterton, Ind., where they will reside with M. McHenry's father and sister.

Miss Pauline Dodgshun of Chicago was the guest of Miss Helen V. Calhoun on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Alice J. Burroughs of Joliet, Ill., is here to remain over the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Pfiffel.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Emmel have moved to Cheltenham, Ill., where Mr. Emmel is employed.

The Misses Anna M. Dineen and Lillian Callahan and Messrs. Tim Ryan and Alvin Eaton will see "The Fair Coed" at the Studebaker theater in Chicago on Christmas day.

Miss Bessie M. Tanner is still confined to her home in John street by illness.

The following people who were called here by the death of William S. Hall and who have now returned to their respective homes are the following: Messrs. Call and Ben. Hall of Lima, O.; Messrs. Stevenson, mother of Mrs. Hall of Descher, O.; Messrs. James Stevenson of Descher, O., and wife, and Mr. Homer Stevenson of Toledo, brothers of Mrs. Hall, and Mrs. Rowell of Descher, O.

There will be a cantata entitled, "What Happened to Santa" Wednesday evening at the Congregational church this evening at 7:30 o'clock. There are over 100 in the play, the characters consisting of Santa Claus, Jack Frost, sexton, rag doll, fairies, Gypsies, soldiers and little tots.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Drew, nee Florence Hall, returned to their home in Englewood last evening after spending several days here, owing to the death of the latter's father.

The exercises at the Methodist church this evening, instead of Thursday night, as was first planned.

Joe Bishop, who was held at the local police station on a charge of intoxication, owing to his wife not appearing against him when the case came up in Judge Jones' court.

Miss Helen V. Calhoun of the public library will leave Chicago for her home in Champaign, Ill., to remain until after New Year's, as the guest of her mother.

The Sheridan Park Athletic club, who held the distinction of being the champion basketball players of northern Indiana during the years of 1905 and 1906, will this evening hold their annual game, which is held every year, when the members return from college for their Christmas vacation. The opponents for tonight will be the Gary high school. The game will be played at Gary, the 8 P. and C. team going down on the 7 o'clock Lake Shore, and are confident of coming home the victors. The local line-up will be: Right Guard; right guard, Herman Trowe; forward, L. F. Junior Swartz; enter, Ed. left guard, John Schaub.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our many kind friends and neighbors, especially the Macabees, for their many acts of sympathy rendered us during the sickness and death of our beloved husband and father, William S. Hall.

MRS. W. S. HALL AND DAUGHTERS.

ROBERTSDALE.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fritz and children of Roberts avenue visited the latter's sister in Chicago Sunday.

Mrs. Jackson and daughter, Miss Grace, of Wheaton, Ill., were the guests of the former's sister, Mrs. E. Rathburn, of Roberts avenue Monday.

The Misses Ethel Jewett and Emma Smith were visiting East Chicago friends Sunday.

William Bahn of Indiana boulevard attended the Joint Council Teamsters' union meeting in Hammond Monday evening.

Mrs. G. N. Rogers of Harrison avenue spent Monday shopping in Chicago.

The Franklin school closed today for the winter holidays. A short program was given, after which each child was presented with a box of candy, the gift of Dr. Kohr of Indiana boulevard.

Elliot Aman of Indiana boulevard was South Chicago business visitor Monday evening.

Miss Opal Henderson returned to her home in Lafayette, Ind., after spending a month here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jewett and Hammond relatives.

Miss Clara Kreeker is reported very sick at the home of her uncle, Theodore Holleck, in Laporte, Ind.

Miss Lena Simon and Mr. William Schmittle will be married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. E. Simon, in Pearl street tomorrow afternoon at 5:30 p. m.

Mr. M. Gerba and children of Harrison avenue visited relative in Indiana Harbor yesterday.

Don't fail to hear the cantata and see Santa Claus at the Evangelical church tomorrow evening. The program begins promptly at 7 o'clock sharp. All are welcome.

Mrs. Ed. Holmes, Mrs. William Eggers and Miss Etolnette Smith were South Chicago visitors Monday evening.

Mrs. Charles Stross and son of Har-

WHITING FORTNIGHTLY CLUB IN SESSION

Mrs. A. D. Davidson Gives Her Impressions of Europe.

VISITED ABROAD LONG TIME

Lecture Is Given in Congregational Church Parlor and More Than One Hundred Attend.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Whiting, Ind., Dec. 23.—The Fortnightly club met on Monday night, but instead of meeting as usual at the home of a member, the session took the form of an open meeting and was held in the parlors of the Congregational church. Each member was given the privilege of inviting friends, and as a result of this the attendance was swelled to one hundred, who gathered to hear Mrs. A. D. Davidson tell of her extensive travels abroad, using as the subject of her discourse, "Europe as Seen by an American."

The members of the Fortnightly club have looked forward to this meeting since the 1908-09 program was prepared, and no what this event is a thing of the past, the ladies and their guests feel greatly benefited by hearing this talented woman speak, as the anticipation was nothing compared to the realization. The itinerary was a most splendid one and took in almost every important European city.

The Itinerary.

Mrs. Davidson's account began with the sailing from New York and landing at Queenstown, Ireland. From there she went to Liverpool. From Liverpool the trip was taken to London, where the most interesting points to be spoken of were Shakespeare's home on the Avon and Warwick castle, which possesses a valuable collection of paintings, armor and other relics.

From London the next stop is in Scotland. Here, one of the most interesting things to be seen is Edinburgh castle. From Scotland the next country to be visited was France, and from Paris the trip down the Rhine through Germany is described as being most beautiful. Switzerland is the next European country, after which the beaunting things to be seen are the city of Rome, which was especially given a grand description, among the several interesting things described being St. Peter's cathedral. At Venice the most beautiful part, which is St. Mark's place, was also described, and at Florence, Italy, the Duomo Cathedral, which is almost equal in beauty and size to St. Peter's at Rome, was told about.

Was Abroad Ten Times.

The descriptions of these different cities could not have been made more interesting with the aid of illustrated views. Mrs. Davidson has been abroad ten times, so was fully capable of performing the task which she undertook. The lecture covered quiet a period of time, but at no stage was it one bit monotonous.

Following this light refreshments were served, and it was during this period that the history of the club was discussed. The Fortnightly club, which is purely a woman's organization, was first started in the year 1894, its aim being for educational advancement.

The organizer was Mrs. A. D. Davidson and the only charter members left in Whiting are Mesdames William Curtis, G. H. Fife, H. E. Beaubien, C. F. Davidson, U. G. Swartz and G. T. Gray. Other clubs have come and gone, but the Fortnightly continues growing stronger every year.

The membership cannot exceed twenty-five members, but the scope covered by the ladies is surprising.

riskon avenue are the guests of her mother, Mrs. Barbey, in Chicago.

Get all your tin pans ready to help charivari the happy young couple tomorrow evening.

One of the drivers of the Knickerbocker Ice company narrowly escaped being severely injured by the breaking of the shaft of the wagon while driving over the Roby bridge Monday. The driver was thrown to the street, but fortunately escaped with a few bruises.

Mr. O. Burns returned to his home in Harrison avenue after a pleasant visit with relatives in Muncie, Ind.

Messrs. Mike and Tony Novak received word Tuesday morning of the death of their father, who died very suddenly at his home six miles east of Michigan City. Mr. and Mrs. Novak and children and brother, Tony Novak, left Tuesday afternoon for Michigan.

WM. H. HOPPE Wholesale Cheese, Butter and Eggs, Our Specialty. MOSS ROSE CREAMERY BUTTER guaranteed the best in the market. Phone 954 21 Central Ave., Whiting, Ind.

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City, where they will remain until after the funeral.

Mrs. C. Benson of Roberts avenue was a Chicago shopper Monday.

LANSING.

LOST—Between the Grand Trunk depot in Oak Glen and VanSteenberg's house a Gregg shorthand text book, with Cecile VanSteenberg's name in it.

Generous Child.

Master Walter, aged five, had eaten the soft portions of his toast at breakfast and piled the crusts on his plate. "When I was a little boy," remarked his father, "I always ate the crusts on my toast."

"Did you like them?" asked the little fellow, cheerfully.

"Yes," replied the parent.

"You may have these," replied Master Walter, pushing the plate across the table.—The Delinquent.

Morning Headache

"I suffered with terrible headaches. I would get up every morning with such a severe attack, and until I began using Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills, never found anything that would give me the desired relief. I have used them now for several years, and would not be without them if they were a dollar a box."