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WEALTHY LAKE COUNTY.

Four years ago, just after the announcement by the United States Steel company that it would locate one of the largest steel plants in the world at a new town in Lake county to be known as Gary, Fred Mott of Hammond went over to Tollestons and purchased twenty acres of land for \$32 an acre. Mott took a flier on Gary to the extent of \$640.

Yesterday a deal was closed in the Citizens' German National bank in Hammond by which Mott sold this same land for \$40,000, or at the rate of \$2,000 an acre. The purchasers expect to make 50 per cent profit on their deal.

This is one of the romances of real estate in the Calumet region. This is one of a hundred cases in which a small investment has netted an enormous return. It illustrates the marvelous growth of the manufacturing district of northern Lake county.

Outside of the personal interest in this most wonderful deal, the greatest significance lies in the fact that the deal illustrates the wonderful increase in wealth in Lake county. Land which four years ago was not thought to be worth more than \$50 an acre is now selling for \$2,000 and, in the heart of the city of Gary, land which was purchased by the Gary Land company for a trifling sum is now worth a fortune.

In view of the fact that the territory which is influenced by the location of Gary is so expansive, it is safe to say that acreage in nearly 100 square miles of territory has increased in value from 25 to 10,000 per cent as a result of the location of Gary.

If a proper valuation is put on this property by the assessors there is no reason why Lake should not be one of the wealthiest counties in the state. With such an enormous valuation there ought to be money enough to build all of the bridges and country roads that the county needs and then have a low rate of taxation.

SHEFFIELD AVENUE IN SHOCKING SHAPE.

Sheffield avenue, practically the only outlet from Lake county into Chicago, is a crying disgrace to the city of Hammond and Lake county. In spite of all the stone that has been dumped on it lately it has never been in worse shape. The roadway is in indescribably bad condition. Traffic has torn it into strips. Gullies have been worn into it. Holes have been pounded out by horses' feet and ruts ripped out by automobiles. There are some spots where the holes are twelve inches deep and if a gang of men had gone over the thoroughfare with picks and dug out a hole here and there it could not have been more completely wrecked. Chicago automobilists have shunned it almost entirely. Once a driver has to go over it, he will never repeat the trip again unless the most urgent exigency requires him to do so. It would be infinitely better were it a plain dirt road. The county commissioners should employ their wits to see if means cannot be devised to make this important road passable. It is without question the worst bit of roadway in Lake county today.

THE ONE THING NEEDED.

This paper has previously published an editorial calling upon the citizens of East Chicago to provide their homes with mail boxes, but many have not yet done so, and probably will not do so, until free delivery is actually in operation. It appears that what the citizens have waited in vain for, for so long, is regarded by many as inaccessible, and although Postmaster Mose Specter announced some time ago that the era of free delivery for East Chicago was at hand, the populace to a large extent has regarded the announcement in the light of a little fairy tale, arranged by some one to keep up their hope. The presence in East Chicago of a bonafide free delivery inspector, who has promised to turn in a favorable report of the situation in East Chicago to the authorities, may have the effect of reassuring the doubting Thomases, that Mr. Specter was not talking to hear himself talk. Get busy. Get in your mail boxes and have your houses numbered. Remember that in order to benefit by the new service you must be provided with these little incidents, as well as with a sidewalk in front of your dwelling, to participate in the conveniences afforded by free delivery. The government regulations are not to be ignored, so climb aboard the band wagon soon in order that the first letter or postcard sent you after free delivery is in operation be dropped in a box at your door instead of having to go to the postoffice to get it.

A CASE OF DEGENERACY.

A fifteen-year-old girl—a child—was a witness in a case in Hammond yesterday in which seven men are accused of mistreating her.

The story the girl has told the police is a vile one. Hardened as they are to tales of this nature, they had to confess that they had heard nothing like it.

When the girl faced the accused men in court yesterday she was confronted with a mob of gloating and ribald men and boys, whose ears cracked that they might not lose a single word of the shamefully salacious testimony.

These men laughed and giggled at the shocking details. The unfortunate girl, weeping with shame, was compelled to face the leering eyes and rebash her story for their benefit. The personnel of the audience in the courtroom was the personnel of the street corner and the loading place. It was the same class of fellows who make derogatory remarks of ladies who pass them on the street and who, in many cases, have insulted them, and when the fellow on trial who, according to her testimony had wronged her, went scotfree, these barflies and loafers exulted.

Why would it not have been best to hold trials of this nature in chambers?

WE ARE GLAD to note that "Hek" of the Chicago Tribune, seconds our suggestion that Uncle Joe Cannon should be considered as a candidate for the world's championship and that he is "the white man's hope." Hek suggests that the word be scattered broadcast that Jack Johnson is an insurgent. If this impression could be created Uncle Joe surely would have "the willingness to go in and crush," the want of which cost Jeffries the battle—Marion Chronicle.

RANDOM THINGS & FLINGS

NOW watch old Doc Crippen slip 'em.

CHESTERTON let out another tuck in her frock yesterday and blossomed out with a new bank.

SEEMS also to have been the passing of one James R. Garfield, another famous Rooseveltian.

WON'T be long till you will be taking sleighrides, so don't get impatient at the weather man.

GREAT. They're off. Col. Roosevelt's position is defined. He is to be a "harmonizer." Imagine!

THERE are a number of other Hammond girls who will bear watching very closely by their parents.

HEADLINES tell of an actor who was hurt by a wagon. Thought actors rode the bumpers and were used to it.

SENATOR Clark says he wants but one more term of office in the senate. Oh, dear. Man wants but little here below.

A LOT of people don't care about the country's finances just now as long as they can finance a two weeks' vacation.

THE labor unions do not seem to be able to concentrate for their Labor day celebration. Old fuss is starting up again.

WE quite understand why the democrats do not want a state organ. Why should they when the Indianapolis Sun is with them?

POISON fly paper is declared by statute to be a nuisance in New York City. That won't stop it from stinging the picnickers, however.

AS far as we can find out, Jim Guffey of Pennsylvania has not shed any tears over Mr. Bryan's "painful" experience the other day.

IN the list of Washington's twenty-five most exclusives we find the names of seven Wetmores. This does not include the baby Wetmores.

THE Hong Kong pirates are stirring up a lot of trouble, but the Pittsburgh Pirates don't seem to have a good fight in them any more.

SOUTH Bend surely can recall when she used to roast Hammond for a strike. South Bend is evidently stepping on her own corns.

COLORADO women will try to elect a woman to congress. Success to them. Perhaps a woman could make Uncle Joe Cannon be good.

IN the meantime prize fighting goes merrily on all over Indiana, except in Lake county, where Governor Marshall declines to permit it.

GARY man came home pined the other day and gave as an excuse to his wife that he thought so much of her that he wanted to see her double.

PITTSBURG millionaire has his cows given a bath and tooth brushing every morning. Must be a dearth of chorus girls in Pittsburgh.

THOSE who seemed to think the progressive movement on the blink have evidently merely expressed their wish rather than their honest opinion.

HEAD of Scotland Yard police is Sir Melville MacNaughtin. Think of Sir Peter Austgen, Sir Joseph Martin, Sir Albert Lewis or Sir Eugene Stech. Suffering come-a-longs!

VERY well, we can get along without the light pictures. Those who gave up thirty beans for a seat at the ringside assure us we wouldn't miss much anyway.

THE person who thought the local option question was dead will wake up one of these mornings to find that it is the liveliest thing they ever saw in all their lives.

THE bridal dance is the latest. What the dancers wear won't keep them from catching cold, but if they become popular at weddings we shall never miss one.

STRICT enforcement of the automobile speed law in South Bend and Mishawaka is now said to be causing tourists to detour, to avoid passing through those towns. We trust that Marshal Stech of Dyer will not go too far.

"THIS DATE IN HISTORY"

July 29.

1573—Dr. John Caius, founder of Caius College, at Cambridge, England, died in London. Born Oct. 8, 1510.

1740—Capt. Louis Celestun took possession for France of the territory at Venango, Pa.

1769—William Bull became governor of South Carolina.

1775—George Clymer and Michael Hillegas appointed treasurers of the United States.

1794—Three men were publicly hanged for murder on Boston Common.

112—British were repulsed by the Americans at Sackett's Harbor.

1856—Robert Schumann, the great composer, died near Bonn. Born at Zwickau, June 8, 1810.

1858—United States signed a treaty with Japan.

1859—Convention at Wyandotte, Mas., adopted a State constitution.

1865—Gen. Grant and family paid a visit to Boston.

1875—Emperor Ferdinand I. of Austria died. Born April 19, 1793.

1900—King Humbert of Italy assassinated by an anarchist.

1909—Desperate fighting between soldiers and rioters in Catalonia, Spain.

"THIS IS MY 50TH BIRTHDAY"

Charles D. Watson.

Charles Douglas Watson, who has been nominated by the Democratic party for governor of Vermont, was born in St. Albans, Vt., July 29, 1860. He is a lawyer and one of the leading members of the Vermont bar association. He studied for three years at the University of Vermont and graduated from the law school of Boston University in 1886. He has been auditor of his home county since 1896 and has also been prominent in the affairs of the Vermont National Guard. In 1908 he was elected to the legislature from St. Albans and served on the judiciary committee of that year. He was candidate for judge of the State supreme court and was defeated only by a few votes. Early in the present month he was nominated to head the Democratic ticket which will be voted for in the State election in Vermont, which will be held early in September.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

PROTECT YOUR GIRL.

Girls must not run in races exceeding fifty yards in length. They must not compete in violent exercises, such as high jumping, putting the shot, hurdle racing, and so on.

Those are rules made by the directors of the Brooklyn Manual Training school.

The girls of the school planned an elaborate program of outdoor sports and were very indignant when these rules were posted.

They were obliged to content themselves with fifty yard races, baseball and basketball.

The girls do not understand. They do not realize how easily a girl might permanently injure herself and unfit herself for the duties of wifehood and motherhood by violent exercise.

The physician understands. The plain fact is that girls were not built by nature to withstand violent physical strain.

Man was built for such endurance, and the young man needs severe physical activity for purposes of physical development.

Even with young men, however, overstrain in athletic contests often has produced permanent injury. Many a star athlete has died young.

If young men are physically hurt by this exertion, much more may young women be injured thereby.

Womanhood spells motherhood. Woman is made capable by nature for the duties of motherhood, and that is sufficient strain for her sex. To require more is cruel and dangerous.

The state understands. Nowadays in almost every commonwealth young girls are protected by the laws from the stress of physical toil.

But many parents are slow to learn the dangers that attend their girls on account of overstrain.

For instance—Many a young girl has been made a nervous wreck for life by "skipping the rope" to the point of physical exhaustion.

And there is the "Marathon dance," where prizes are given to the girl who dances the longest—a barbarism that should be punished by severe penalty.

See that your daughter is not injured by physical excesses, whether for labor or recreation, else you may commit by your neglect a crime against the girl and her future.

UP AND DOWN IN I-N-D-I-A-N-A

HEALTH RUINED BY SHOCK.

Mrs. Albert Sprague, whose husband was murdered at his home near Burney, while sleeping by her side, has returned to the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Pouts, near here, after a brief stay in the neighborhood of her home. Her physical condition is unimproved above a whisper.

COMING INDUSTRY WAXES.

Two causes are operating to give a setback to the canning industry in Indiana and its allied occupations, the growing of tomatoes, peas, sweet corn and other farm products for the canning factories. Two years ago it looked as if the time would soon arrive when Indiana would take foremost rank among the states in the production of canned goods, and those who had their eyes on the industry were anticipating a rapidly expanding acreage of crops devoted to this use.

C. E. HOLDS CONVENTION.

The annual convention of the Indi-

ana Christian Endeavor Society will be held at Bethany Park today in Indianapolis and early indications point to the largest attendance in years. The vanguard of the delegates arrived at the park yesterday and representatives from all parts of the state are expected to arrive on the early morning trains today.

MONON IS SUE.

Fifty suits charging the Monon Railroad with having violated the transportation rate schedule as fixed by the Railroad Commission of Indiana for hauling coal from New Albany to other Indiana towns, were filed yesterday in the Montgomery Circuit Court at the direction of the commission.

TO TALK GOOD ROADS.

The Northern Indiana Good Roads Association, comprising in its membership the county commissioners and influential citizens of sixteen counties, will meet in Elkhart Friday afternoon, the opening date of the St. Joseph Valley Chautauqua Assembly. It is now proposed to make the good roads movement state wide. P. O. Eldridge of the United States Department of Agriculture will address the meeting.

RAILROADS SUSPEND RATE.

All the railroads operating in Indiana that raised the rates on coal during the month of June have notified the Railroad Commission of Indiana that these rates are suspended until Nov. 1. Nine roads have reported the suspension. They are C. & E. I.; E. & T. H.; Southern Indiana, Big Four, Central and Indianapolis Southern.

BOY ROBBER CONFESSES.

Fearing apprehension, Harry Allison, 1 years old, 85 Maple street, and Henry Zinn, 17 years old, 419 Kentucky avenue, left Indianapolis some time Sunday after a startling criminal career. They were heard from last night by message from Springfield, Ill., which stated the boys were arrested and that they had confessed to the robbery of the Stubbinsfield (Ill.) postoffice Monday night.

TO RENAMER FAULKNER.

The Democratic county convention, which will be held in Laporte tomorrow, will unanimously renominate John B. Faulkner for representative, and his nomination will be followed by the formal announcement that he will be a candidate for speaker of the House in the event of a Democratic majority. There is no opposition to the nomination of James F. Gallagher for Circuit Court judge.

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jars, Saturday only,
at. **10c**

Maple and Cane Syrup less than cost.
Large size bottle
at. **24c**

A good Sardine in Mustard
Sauce, key opener, each. **3½c**

Snow Flake Codfish, one pound
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Cheese, per lb. **18c**

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Co. Pure Pork Sausage in one
pound tins, per tin. **15c**

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Pure Fruit Flavoring Soft Gum
Drops, regular 25c value, per lb. **10c**

Mint and Wintergreen Wafers,
regular 20c value, per lb. **12c**

Sour Kraut, a delicious summer
candy; try it; ½ lb. **10c**

Fresh Fudge, assorted flavoring regular
20c value, special
per lb. **10c**

All our regular 5c per package
Chewing Gum, special. **3c**

Jelly Beans, the pure gum kind,
per lb. **8c**

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Geo. W. Childs, Cabinet, Owl
and Cremo, 7 for. **25c**