

## Some Useful Presents

SILVER PLATED KNIVES AND FORKS  
SILVER PLATED TEA AND TABLE SPOONS  
CARVING SETS  
RAZORS  
POCKET KNIVES  
SCISSORS AND SHEARS  
TIMBALE IRONS  
WASHING MACHINES  
WRINGERS

And last, but not least, a

## Banner Steel Range

## Buck's Cash Hardware

### LOCAL NEWS

H. A. Camp and wife spent Monday at South Bend.

Mrs. Nila Wolf of Bourbon, spent Monday in Plymouth.

Mrs. Henry Green of Tyner, was a caller in this city Monday.

Earl VanCuren spent Monday at South Bend on business.

Miss Lottie Fuller spent Tuesday afternoon at South Bend.

Miss Nada Livinghouse of Elkhart, was a Plymouth caller Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Reeve and son Charles, spent Monday at Chicago.

Mrs. George Keifer is spending a few days the guest of friends at Culver.

Miss Marie Morsch of Chicago, is visiting with her parents in this city.

Mead Logan is spending a few days with his son, Ward, and family at Niles, Mich.

Peter Bergman has returned to Culver after a short visit with his parents here.

Miss Della Berkpyle of Bourbon, called on friends here Monday, enroute to South Bend.

Miss Loretta Hershberger has gone to Bourbon to spend a few days with relatives.

Howard Brooke of Casey, Ill., spent Christmas with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Brooke.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. VanCuren of Warsaw guests of E. C. VanCuren

The oil of Warsaw, has a nice fixing peddler's license a day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Clizbe were called to Woodward, Mich., by the death of a relative Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sines and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harner of Flora, were Plymouth visitors Monday.

Mrs. Albert Crane went to Bourbon to spend the week with his sister, Mrs. Oliver Armantrout.

Mrs. J. W. Coleman of Logansport, was the guest of friends in this city Monday enroute to Warsaw.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Chenoweth have returned from spending a few days with relatives here at Monterey.

C. W. Beatty returned to his home in South Bend Monday, after visiting with relatives here for a few days.

Mrs. Catherine Shunk returned to her home in Valparaiso Monday after a short visit with friends in this city.

Mrs. Anna Cochran of Argos, was a Plymouth caller Monday enroute to Mishawaka, where she will visit for a few days.

The 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln will be celebrated by the Indiana Lincoln league February 12.

Mrs. Joseph Hess returned to her home in Bremen Monday, after a few days' visit with her mother, Mrs. S. Hodges in this city.

J. H. Keim and family of Millersburg, returned to their home Monday, after spending a few days with the family of Daniel Foulk.

John Nagle of Rensselaer, who has been spending a few days with his parents in this city, went to South Bend for a short visit at Tyner.

North Manchester has been a dry town for a year and the Journal says the absence of saloons has helped the general business there.

E. W. Price and family returned home Saturday to Plymouth after a visit with Chester Love and family at Akron—Rochester Sentinel.

Arthur Dickenson who teaches school at Owatonna, Minn., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Dickenson.

Miss Nettie Henns who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lawrence Mann for several days, returned to her home in Nappanee Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ladd returned to their home in Bourbon Monday, after visiting with the family of Herman Croup for a few days.

Mrs. A. W. Boggs of Mishawaka, who has been the guest of her brother, James M. Gibson in this city, for a few days, returned to her home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. French of Buchanan, Mich., who have been spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. F. W. Bosworth returned to their home Monday.

William O. Pyles, 40 years of age, died Saturday and a post mortem examination disclosed an ordinary needle in the man's heart. It is supposed that he swallowed it at some time.

Mrs. W. M. Eagan and two daughters, Leona and Gertrude, of Newark, Ohio, and her mother, Mrs. Isaac Weirman of Hibbard, are visiting her brother, Monroe Steiner and family in this city.

Mrs. C. A. Meredith of Monterey, was the guest of friends here Tuesday enroute to South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Pray left for Kalamazoo, Mich., Tuesday where they will remain for about a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Emeneker returned to South Bend Tuesday after a short visit with his relatives.

Mrs. G. W. McBride of Lakeview, was in this city Tuesday, enroute to her home from a visit in Chicago.

Miss Minnie Swindell has gone to Kalamazoo, Mich., to visit with her uncle Harry Swindell, for a few days.

Circus Man Sued by His Wife.

Alleging cruelty and habitual drunkenness, Mrs. Bernard L. Wallace, of Logansport, daughter-in-law of Col. Ben Wallace, millionaire circus man, has brought suit against her husband for divorce and alimony. The Wallaces were married less than a year ago. The woman is young. Wallace's second wife. He has been associated with his father in the management of the Wallace-Hagenbeck circus.

Pie-Plant for Rust Stains.

"You can remove rust stains from a white dress completely, by soaking the dress in pie plant juice, secured by boiling the pie plant in a quantity of water," says Woman's Home Companion for January. "It makes the dress pink at first, but this comes out at the first washing and the stains will be effectively removed."

### LABOR BEING INVESTIGATED

#### COMMITTEE OF STATE FEDERATION VISITS THE STATE PRISON.

#### Propose Purchase of Large Tract of Land by State Suitable for Manufacture of Vitrified Brick

The state prison at Michigan City was visited Saturday night, Monday and Tuesday by the prison labor committee of the Indiana State Federation of Labor. The committee came upon invitation of Warden James D. Reid to look over the labor situation for the purpose of drafting a bill to be presented at the next session of the legislature. The bill will be in relation to the employment of prisoners and will have in view the reduction of any conviction of convict labor with free labor. The following gentlemen were in the party: John Hughes, chairman, Edgar A. Perkins, Clarence Gaumer and J. W. Peters.

In a general way the committee looks with favor on a plan that would provide for the purchase by the state of a large tract of land on which is clay suitable for the manufacture of vitrified brick, and other essentials of the manufacture of such brick. The plan further provides for the erection of an institution on this land. This institution would be used for confirmed criminals, for those defective mentally and for those who otherwise would be sent to some jail on long sentences.

#### Could Make Brick.

These prisoners, according to the work-making vitrified brick for the paving of roads and also some of them would be engaged in farming. It is pointed out that such a plan would relieve the prison and the reformatory of a number of men, and would give the prison officials a better chance to accomplish reformation and the best work among those that are left. It is said that W. S. Blatchley, state geologist, would, when the proper time comes, be able to furnish information as to where the proper land could be purchased. After the prison labor committee has compiled its information and a bill has been drafted it will be presented to the legislature through the legislative committee of the state federation of labor.

#### Petition Filed by Creditors.

Petitions asking that Robert A. Leavitt of Winamac, Ind., merchant be declared insolvent and that a receiver be appointed to take charge of his affairs was filed in the United States District Court. Petitioning creditors are Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., Chicago, and the C. W. Leifer Hardware and Hibben, Hollweg & Co. of Indianapolis. The aggregate claim is \$791,27. The petitions allege that the defendant has not been at his home for thirty days and is now in New Mexico. They further allege that four months ago he conveyed portions of his property to satisfy claims against him, making some preference creditors.

#### Postage Stamp Slot Machines.

If one can drop a coin in a vending machine and obtain a piece of chewing gum or a handful of peanuts, why not a postage stamp? That is just what the postoffice department wants to make a popular feature of its service, and in an order issued announcement is made that the department is prepared to issue limited quantities of postage stamps in rolls of five hundred or one thousand for use in stamp vending and stamp affixing machines. Postmasters desiring to try the new proposition are requested to make requisition to the department.

#### Tells of Downfall.

To fast women and slow horses, and the consequent craving for strong drink and life on a couch of roses, Edward Burkhardt, alias Chas. Schubert and known to the Chicago police as "Chinatown Charlie," and to Laporteans as the robber of the Teegarden and Croup Bros. Hotels, attributes his downfall and present confinement in the Jeffersonville penitentiary.

### ANNUAL SESSION OF INSTITUTE

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FARMERS OF THE COUNTY CONVENES.

Court Room Was Crowded During Opening Session—Interesting Program Last Night.

The Marshall County Farmers' Institute convened Wednesday morning. The court room was crowded at the opening session, and a much larger crowd is expected Thursday. The program was carried out as previously announced, Wednesday both morning and afternoon. Owing to the death of a friend, J. B. Burris, who was to have lectured Wednesday afternoon and evening, was unable to be present, and his place on the program was ably filled by J. W. Mills of Lagrange, Ind., who spoke on "The oil—how improved and impoverished." Wednesday afternoon.

The program as carried out yesterday was as follows:

Wednesday Forenoon, December 30. HORTICULTURE.

The Bush Fruits, Prof. James Troop Horticultural Dept. Purdue Univ. Discussion E. E. Jones, Donaldson.

The Fruit Garden

How to Start and Care for an Orchard ..... Prof. Troop General Discussions

Wednesday Afternoon, December 30. SOIL

The Soil—how improved, how impoverished ..... J. W. Mills Discussion ..... B. W. Ross Soil Impoverishment and Soil Improvement

Wednesday Evening, December 30th. MUSIC

Seybold Orchestra Reading ..... Erma Humrichouser Lecture ..... J. W. Mills "Some Glimpses at the World's Agriculture" Music ..... Orchestra

RAILROAD ASKS INJUNCTION.

Big Four Railroad Company Files Suit Against Railroad Commission—to Block Recent Order.

Counsel for the Big Four railroad company have begun injunction prior to court against the Indiana railroad proceedings in Marion county supervisor to enjoin the commission from enforcing its recent order compelling an interchange of carload freight shipments between the Big Four and Winona Interurban railway company at Warsaw. The suit is directed against the three members of the railroad commission, Henry M. Dowling, J. F. McClure and V. J. Wood and asks the court for an order setting aside the ruling of the commission and an injunction to prevent the members from enforcing the provisions of the order recently made by the commission.

On November 28, Union B. Hunt, then chairman of the railroad commission, rendered a decision to the effect that the laws governing the commission are such that the members can order the interchange of carload traffic between the steam roads and interurbans under certain conditions. Shipments of this kind received over the Big Four were switched to the Pennsylvania tracks at Warsaw and were run to Winona Lake where the cars were switched to the tracks of the interurban company.

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