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HIS MAJESTY, THE POLE ORDINANCE, IS UNEARTHED

City Council Members Have Another Wrestling Match Monday Night in Which Aged Question Is Revived.

DEUKER HAS AMENDMENT HE WISHES ADOPTED.

Claims That Old Ordinance Is Impracticable as Wires Cannot Be Put in Alleys or Iron Poles Erected.

FIGHT AGAINST BELL CO.

COUNCILMAN VON PEIN THINKS THAT IT IS THE DUTY OF THE CITY TO PREVENT PLACING THE WIRES UNDERGROUND.

FEARS HIGHER RATES.

Thinks That There Is Possibility of The Bell Buying Home Telephone Company and Boosting the Rates Higher.

For the 'teenth time the city council had a wrestling match with the Main street pole question Monday night and it can be said in all truthfulness that it came near getting this tough old customer flat on his back on the mat. It would not have taken many more snarling punches to have had him hanging over the ropes until time was called, without a response. In fact, some real progress was made toward disposing of a question that so long as the present generation can remember, at least, has been a hoodoo, a bugbear, a thorn in the flesh, and about any other old thing one might care to call it. Whenever the councilmen have had nothing else to occupy their time, and often when they did have, the pole question has bobbed up like a jack-in-the-box, as much as to say, "Here am I, and what are you going to do with me?" If the indications are not misleading, there will be a definite settlement that will mark distinct progress on the part of the city, for it will mean the freeing of Main street from all poles except those used by the street car company and the light companies and these will have to be either steel or iron so that the unsightliness will be reduced to a minimum.

Deuker Leads Him Out.

Monday night his majesty of the flowing beard was brought before the city fathers by Mr. Deuker—who else would be expected to lead forth this municipal hobby horse? Mr. Deuker believes his fellow-councilmen did what they honestly thought was right when they passed the previous pole ordinance, but he is as fully convinced that it was a mistake; that it is impracticable at least for two reasons. One that the wires to be removed from Main street cannot now be satisfactorily laid in the alleys north and south of Main street, and second, because the iron poles that are made possible would not be satisfactory owing to the danger that would be involved; a danger so great that firemen and linemen probably would refuse to work about them. Mr. Deuker thinks the ordinance should be more sweeping; that all companies should be treated alike, and for this reason he presented an amendment to the ordinance, practically amounting to a new ordinance.

In his amendment Mr. Deuker provides that all wires, except those of the street car and light companies, be on Main and Twenty-first streets. On Main, small be removed and laid in conduits by the first of June, 1908. All wooden poles must be removed, but the street car company and the light companies are to be permitted to use iron or steel poles for support of their wires. The conduits are to be of standard vitrified tile and one duct in each is to be reserved for the use of the city fire alarm and police telephone wires, without cost to the city. Each telephone company is also to furnish the city twelve free telephones. All surface wires attached to buildings must be thirty feet high. Work is to begin within sixty days from the passage of the ordinance.

Statement in Defense.

Mr. Deuker made an extended statement in defense of the proposed amendment, saying that he had made a full investigation of the subject, having gone to many of the Main street business men, to the members of the fire department and to the linemen in an effort to get their views of the matter. It was pointed out to Mr. Deuker that when the Home telephone company accepted the city's terms for removal of its wires from Main street, the Bell telephone company had the same right but that it had refused to take advantage of it because it was not willing to agree to a maximum rate for its service. It is the matter

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BENEFIT FUND FOR HERO IS OPPOSED

Councilmen Think It Would Establish Precedent.

By action of the city council Monday evening, Philip Riley, a member of the fire department, will receive \$150 out of the city's general fund to assist him in meeting the expenses of his recent sickness, due to injuries received in an endeavor to stop a runaway team. There was some discussion in reference to the appropriation of this money, Mr. Von Pein and others opposing it on the ground that it was setting a bad precedent that might lead the city into embarrassing complications in the future. However, the case of Riley is looked upon as one out of the ordinary and in view of the fact that the fire department has no pension or relief fund, the members of council were inclined to lend assistance.

CANDIDATES A FINE LOT SAYS ASPIRANT

Thos. Davidson Thinks There Will Be a Chance of a Good Selection.

NOW MAKING CANVASS.

THOSE WHO HAVE MET THE MAN WHO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE WATSON'S POSITION, ARE FAVORABLY IMPRESSED WITH HIM.

Thomas Davidson of Greensburg, who is a candidate for the republican nomination for congressman from the Sixth district, was in Richmond today for the purpose of looking the battle-field over—for Wayne county is recognized by all congressional candidates as being the field of action in the present hot fight.

Mr. Davidson visited the circuit court room and all the offices at the court house, after which he boldly sallied forth on to the streets and told the citizens he met, who he was and what he was out after. Mr. Davidson is a fine appearing man and is recognized as a factor in the congressional race.

"All the candidates in the field for Jim Watson's shoes even including myself—are a fine bunch of fellows, so the people of the Sixth district can rest assured that who ever secures the nomination will represent the district with credit," remarked the Greensburg aspirant.

He is a brother-in-law of James S. Zoller, formerly a well known business man of Richmond.

This evening Senator E. E. Moore of Connersville will arrive in the city and make a thorough canvass of Wayne county. Senator Moore is the latest candidate to take the field for congressional honors, but by his active canvass is making up for lost time.

MILLION IN THE INDIANA TREASURY

Treasurer Hadley Makes Report to Hanly.

Indianapolis, Ind., January 21.—The annual report of State Treasurer Hadley to Governor Hanly was made today. It shows that the balance on hand in the Treasury, September 30, 1907, was \$1,096,459.82. The net receipts for the year were \$4,574,325.29; disbursements for the same period, \$4,181,520.91.

MAN BROKE HIS VOW TO COURT

Hiatt Said He Would Let Wife Have His Money.

Ed Hiatt was convicted this morning in the city court of a charge of drunk and fined \$5 and costs. Yesterday he entered a plea of not guilty and the case was continued until today. Some time ago Hiatt appeared in the city court to answer a similar charge. Investigation showed that the man was a skillful workman and that he made good wages, but that he spent all his money for booze.

At that time Hiatt was released on good behavior after signing a pledge to let booze alone and allow his wife to receive all of his wages. Hiatt speedily broke this pledge and, it is understood, forced his wife to turn over to him nearly all of his wages that she collected. Saturday he became intoxicated and abused his wife. His conduct was reported to the police and Saturday night the man was arrested in a Main street saloon.

CHAMPION WOMAN VIOLATOR OF LAW BREAKS A RECORD

Within Short Space of Ten Hours, Josie Bond Was Arrested, Broke Jail, Gave Herself Up and Was Released.

ESCAPED FROM HOME OF FRIENDLESS LAST NIGHT.

Mrs. Bowdel, Another Inmate With Her, Refused to Leave The Home—Bond Woman Out on Suspended Sentence.

Josie Bond, champion woman law violator of Wayne county, has established a new record. Within ten hours she was arrested, escaped from prison, gave herself up to the police and was released on a promise of future good behavior.

Last evening about ten o'clock Josie was found on the streets in an intoxicated condition. She was taken to the Home for the Friendless, but was not confined in the women's jail there owing to the fact that that institution is filled to capacity. With Mrs. Mary Bowdel, recently sentenced for an escapade at the New Windsor hotel, the Bond woman was placed in a corridor of the old jail quarters. About midnight Josie secured a hatchet, pried loose the bars of a window and made good her escape. The Bowdel woman refused to go with her.

This morning about seven o'clock Josie entered police headquarters and informed Sergeant McManis that she was there to give herself up. "I escaped from the Home for the Friendless last night," stated the woman. At eight o'clock she was brought before Judge Converse. Josie was remorseful and she sobbed loudly.

"Josie Bond has informed me that if she is given another chance she will reform and try to keep out of trouble in the future," said Prosecutor Jessup. Josie then stated that she would to her best to avoid violating the law in the future. "However, I can't do any more than promise to try to keep out of trouble," she said. Judge Converse released the woman, but the charge against her will stand and if she is arrested again the woman will get the limit of the law. In the past three hundred days Josie has served two hundred days in the women's prison.

RESOLUTIONS DRAWN UP.

REPUBLICAN HEADQUARTERS TO BE OPENED IN THIS CITY AND WILL PROBABLY BE LOCATED IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE.

A NEW POLLING PLACE.

Inconvenience in Precinct 3, Wayne Township, Leads Executive Committee to Take Action and Another at Middleboro Is Established.

RUEF WILL BE GIVEN HEARING

The First of 117 Indictments To Be Opened.

San Francisco, January 21.—The prosecution today made its first move to place Abraham Ruef on trial on one of the 117 indictments returned against the former political boss in connection with bribery graft cases. The announcement was made that not only is Ruef to be placed on trial at once, but that the case against Patrick Callahan, President of the United Railway, against whom the former political boss and alleged go-between was to have been a star witness and who was to have been tried next, may be postponed in order that Ruef may be placed on trial first.

BILL BOARDS SHOULD BE REGULATED

Members of the South Side Association Think So.

Resolutions by the Richmond Commercial club and the South Side Improvement Association, approving the action of the city authorities in refusing to enter into negotiations for the sale of the municipal fleet plant, were read before the council Monday night. Resolutions from the South Side in reference to bill boards were also read. As previously stated in the Palladium, the South Side Association went on record against the bill boards and wants the council either to have them removed or else better regulated. This matter was referred to City Attorney Study for a legal opinion as the owners of such bill boards have rights that must be respected. The boards usually being located on private grounds. The South Side is very insistent that some action be taken.

THE WEATHER PROPHECY.

INDIANA—Fair Wednesday.

OHIO—Fair and warmer.

HICKS—From the 24th to 27th rain and snow and sleet, followed by colder, may be expected. The month ends in a regular storm period.

ALLEGED CAPITOL GRAFTERS TO APPEAR

Fourteen Defendants Will Be Given Hearing, Jan. 27.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 21.—The legal battle to determine whether the 14 defendants in the Capitol prosecutions shall be forced to go to trial on January 27 was fought out in the Dauphin county court before Judges Kunkel and McCurt today. The question at issue was whether the conspiracy cases against James M. Shumaker, of Johnstown, former superintendent of grounds and buildings, who is ill, shall be postponed on the ground that it will endanger his life to go to trial at the time fixed.

Court refused to continue the Shumaker case.

STORM OF PROTEST RAGED OVER HEADS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Republican County Executive Committee Has Withdrawn Order Concerning Hiring of Rigs.

PAID DRIVERS FOR VEHICLES ARE BARRED.

Resolution Will Clarify the Atmosphere and Meet the Approval of All Candidates Now Making Race for Office

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Candidates for various township and county offices have objected strenuously to the strict interpretation of the "primary election law rules" in regard to the use of livery rigs at the coming primary election that it has been decided by the executive committee of the republican county central committee to allow all candidates to hire rigs, but prohibiting them from employing men to drive them. The following resolution has been adopted by the executive committee:

"Resolved by the executive committee of the republican county central committee, that upon consideration of the rules of the committee, as to the manner of holding the nominating election, it is determined that such rules are not to be construed as prohibiting any one from hiring carriages or vehicles to carry voters to the polls, provided no driver or person shall receive pay for driving or accompanying any such vehicle."

The above resolution was adopted last evening. It is believed that the action of the executive committee will clarify the atmosphere, and meet with the approval of all candidates.

It is to be understood that candidates, therefore, are privileged to hire carriages or vehicles, and may permit their friends to take charge of them, without entailing the expenditure of any money other than to pay for the rigs.

The executive committee decided that candidates shall draw for their places on the county ballot on the afternoon of Saturday, February 1, at the court house, at 2 o'clock. Assessments which were fixed last evening must be paid at that time.

It has been arranged that Chairman Bowman shall open headquarters here, to continue until after the primary. His quarters will probably be in the Masonic temple, and he will be there in person every Saturday for the accommodation of all who have business with him.

On account of the inconvenience of the one polling place in precinct 3 of Wayne township, the executive committee last evening ordered the establishment of another polling place at Middleboro. The precinct is one of the largest in the county, and the Smyrna road will be the dividing line. This holds only for the primary election, action by the county commissioners being necessary for a change at the regular election.

Catalogued as the property of a lady of title, and dated from 1666 to 1670, a set of twelve James I. silver gilt spoons were sold for \$2,400 at Christie's auction rooms in London.

STORY OF PLOT TO WRECK BIG FLEET CAUSES NO WORRY

Men of the Atlantic Squadron Have Heard That Plot Was Made to Blow the Big Vessels Into Eternity.

NO ONE SEEMS TO KNOW ORGANIZER OF SCHEME.

Great Deal of Curiosity Concerning His Probable Capture by Brazilian Police—Sailors Having Good Time.

Rio Janeiro, Jan. 21.—Officers of the American fleet are keeping straight faces over the announcement by the Brazilian police that only the latter's vigilance has prevented anarchistic violence against the fighting vessels, which are expected to resume their voyage tomorrow. It is the whole thing, of course, to express appreciation of the authority's care for their welfare. The officers are also accepting implicitly the chief's assurance that they can rest easy as all the conspirators have been driven from the interior. Nobody seems to know much concerning the identity of Jean Feher, of Petropolis, the man to whom the Brazilians refer as the organizer of the plot, and there is a good deal of curiosity concerning the chance of his capture at Sao Paulo, where he is believed to have taken refuge.

Of this information concerning the foreign anarchists who are supposed to have been working under Feher's orders, the police will give out no details whatever. All they admit is that they are searching Rio Janeiro, Petropolis, Sao Paulo and several other places for them.

Brazil is unquestionably seriously impressed with its responsibility in the matter and evidently has no doubt that a real and exceedingly dangerous conspiracy exists—or existed, until the police broke it up—and scared the plotters away.

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IMPORTANT IS THE WATERWAYS SESSIONS

Began in Indianapolis This Morning and Is Attracting Attention.

Men from all parts of Indiana are in Indianapolis as delegates to the waterways convention, which opened in the assembly room of the Board of Trade building in Indianapolis this morning. The meeting is that of the Indiana branch of the National Rivers and Harbors congress and is the first of a series of similar state meetings to be held all over the country.

The authorities at Washington are looking with much interest to the action of the Indianapolis meeting on account of its being the first of a series of conventions to be held and the result and deliberations of this meeting are expected to have considerable weight in the meetings that are to follow. The central idea of the convention is to bring out the interest Indiana has in the improvement of the waterways of the United States.

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EMIGRANT RUSH STILL CONTINUES

January Will Show an Enormous Increase.

New York, Jan. 21.—The rush of emigrants to return to Europe keeps up, and the figures for January will show an enormous increase over the same month last year. Already in 17 days 20,000 steerage passengers have left New York, as against 9,470 last year. During the same period this year only 1,118 steerage passengers have arrived at this port. The increase in steerage travel so far this month is 210 per cent, and the outward flow is greater by 320 per cent than the incoming.

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ROBERSON ON LECTURE TOUR

In Different Points in State—Earlham, Thursday.

The Roberson stereopticon lectures beginning at Earlham Thursday night are proving of wide interest at different points in Indiana and Illinois. Mr. Roberson appears at six different points this week. On Monday night at the university of Illinois, on Friday night at Purdue university, Lafayette on Wednesday night at Calhoun Mills had, Indianapolis, on Thursday night at Richmond, Earlham, Friday night at Marion, Ind., and Saturday night at Indiana university, Bloomington. This same order will be followed at the same places and nights for four weeks. A different lecture each week.

RUSSIANS SAY JAPAN IS PREPARING FOR WAR

Accumulating Vast Stores of Material for Conflict.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 21.—The newspapers here are giving increased attention to the voyage of the American battleship fleet to the Pacific. They declare that Japan is accumulating vast stores of materials and making all other preparations for war.

HUMAN NECK IN CROTCH OF TREE

Murderer Hoped to Throw Off The Scent.

Millersburg, Ohio, January 21.—The second trial of Ben Dickerson, alleged murderer of Kate Hughes, was begun here today. It is charged that Dickerson strangled the woman and then placed her in a tree, her neck in a crotch of limbs, to make it appear that death had been accidental when she was picking fruit.

ANIMAL UNDERTAKER WAS A BUSY MAN

362 Animals Cremated by Him Last Year.

Louis B. Feltman, the "animal undertaker," was a very busy man the past year as is fully shown by the report he has compiled as garbage superintendent. It shows that in the twelve months ending January 1, there were cremated 362 animals, and in addition 4,943 yards of wet garbage and 689 yards of dry garbage. The total cost of the department was \$5,282.17.

WAS BURNED TO DEATH YESTERDAY

Chief Clerk to G. R. & I. Supt. Met Horrible Fate.

Kendallville, Ind., January 21.—James Merriweather, chief clerk in the Superintendent's office of the G. R. & I. Railroad at Ft. Wayne, was burned to death by the explosion of a gas-line stove in his summer cottage at Rome City yesterday afternoon. He had gone to the cottage to make repairs and when he was preparing a pot of coffee the stove exploded.

COAL DUST TORMENT TO NEIGHBORHOOD

Objectionable Switch From Which Coal Is Unloaded.

The condition of a railroad switch at South Fourth and E streets, now being used by a coal dealer to the annoyance of residents of the immediate section who suffer from the coal dust and other objectionable features of the business, was before the city council last night. It was stated by Councilman Williams that it was necessary to have the switch moved for such purpose and the board of works was asked to make an investigation.

INVESTIGATION OF THE TERRIBLE AFFAIR

Now That All Victims Are Buried, Probe Begins.

WHITE WAS KIND AND THOUGHTFUL MAN, SAID EVELYN

Resumed Her Story of Pitiful Circumstances Surrounding Her Life of Dissipation, Prodded on by Jerome.

HISS OF THE VERBAL LASH STARTLES COURT.

With All the Fire Commonly Characterizing the Vituperative Attorney, Jerome Lays Bare Hideous Life.

THAW IS ALWAYS SMILING.

AS HIS PRETTY LITTLE WIFE CONTINUES HER STORY THE DEFENDANT CARES NOT, REALIZING HIS OWN IMPORTANCE.

SEEMS TO CARE NOTHING.

Any Man With Red Blood in His Veins Would Rise Up and Cry to Heaven to Spare the Woman He Loves.

New York, Jan. 21.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw resumed her pitiful story in the hearing of the case against her husband, Harry Kendall Thaw, on the witness chair this morning. Prosecutor Jerome continued his vicious cross examination which he began yesterday. Jerome asked the fair witness many questions regarding her stay in Europe, but this developed little of interest in the light of other interesting circumstances which were brought to light yesterday. The witness said that when she returned from Europe she saw White a number of times and visited the famous tower with other people. She denied, however, that she told Hummel, Thaw had stripped and beaten her while the couple was in Paris. After telling of her marriage to Harry Thaw in Pittsburgh, and their honeymoon in the West and at the Thaw summer home, the witness admitted that White was a very thoughtful man. She told Harry Thaw every one knew White was kind and thoughtful, and that he had a mania for young girls.

When Prosecutor Jerome began his cross examination yesterday, Thaw sat bolt upright, complacent, and smiling. There was Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, the woman he loved, about to be crucified. No matter what she was, no matter what she had done, no matter the sins she had committed or the silly errors she had fallen into, Thaw had given her his name and his love.

He saw Jerome wheel upon her. He heard the hiss of the verbal lash and the hiss of the iron in her breast as she was upping to her cross.

And Thaw sat there and smiled. But why shouldn't he? Every unpleasant thing in life has stepped aside for him, and for his \$100,000 a year. He is used to the infliction of terrors and sacrifices. He accepts them as Nero accepted the lives of the Christians, as a part of his legitimate inheritance.

His Character Made Plain. But when Jerome began his frankly brutal questions, when the woman supposedly loved by Thaw, past all the wrecking of her good name, began to parry the District Attorney's questions as best she could, and then Thaw still looked on and smiled complacently, the character of the prisoner was made plain.

Any man with red blood in his veins were in Harry Thaw's place, would have sprung up in his seat crying aloud to heaven to save the woman he loved. He would have offered himself to the electric chair, the rope, the rifle, the garrote, any death known to man, to get away from the shame of it and to save the woman who bore his name.

Mr. Jerome then began hopping

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Now That All Victims Are Buried, Probe Begins.

Boyetown, Penn., January 21.—With all the victims who lost their lives in the theater fire here last Monday night buried, the authorities of the borough and the Coroner of Berks County will now begin an investigation of the terrible affair.

Two investigations will be held, one by the borough authorities and the other by Coroner Strasser.