

STATE LEADERS IN Y. M. C. A. HAVE MEETING

Budget of \$12,000 Provided to Carry on Work of Association in Indiana for the Ensuing Year.

RICHMOND IN FIELD TO GET NEXT MEETING

Terre Haute and Crawfordsville Also Want to Capture This Session—Financial Report Was Pleasing.

The state executive committee of the Indiana Young Men's Christian Association, met this morning at the Westcott hotel with but a partial attendance of the members. Two sessions were held this morning, one of the finance committee and the other of the student committee. Action was taken to adopt a budget of \$12,000 to carry on the state work for the fiscal year, 1909. The student committee decided to hold the third annual conference of the college association presidents at Depauw University, Greencastle, Ind., late in March.

This afternoon immediately after the luncheon at the hotel, the state committee met and considered past, present and future business. One of the most important things up for consideration is the selection of the place of the next convention. Richmond is making a strong bid for this honor, while Terre Haute and Crawfordsville are also making an earnest endeavor to obtain the convention. Secretary Hansom said this afternoon that it was probable the committee would not decide this question this afternoon. Richmond is forecasted as the winner in this contest.

The members of the state committee present at the meetings today include John C. Haswell of Marion, John F. Wallack, of Indianapolis; C. S. Ihodes, Indianapolis; John F. Habbe, Indianapolis; J. W. Landrum, Terre Haute; W. C. Belman, Hammond; Dr. George W. Switzer, Lafayette; E. E. Stacy, A. W. Hansom, G. W. Wells, and E. G. Jaqua, state secretaries, all of Indianapolis; also Sharon E. Jones of this city. George L. Goodwin, the local secretary, was in attendance at the luncheon. The state executive committee is composed of twenty-four members. At the present time there are three vacancies. This afternoon all of these may be filled. Henry W. Dowling, a member of the state railroad commissions, was expected to be chosen to fill one of these vacancies.

The meeting of the finance committee this morning was probably the most important held today. It was found that the state association bills for the year 1908 had been met in every instance and despite the financial troubles of the early part of the year. This speaks well for the business management displayed by the committee. It had to be accomplished by much effort on its part. The budget of \$12,000 allowed for next year, will be sufficient if it is believed to promote the state work.

The members assembled today will be in attendance at the banquet given this evening at the new building which will be one of the biggest events of the dedicatory exercises. The members will be called upon to speak by Toastmaster Sharon E. Jones of this city and president of the association. Besides members of the state committee who will respond, there will be several from this city. It is probable the principal responses will be made by Frederick S. Fish of South Bend, a state executive member and the head of the large Studebaker Works at that city. Charles Brown, former Y. M. C. A. secretary and who was instrumental in securing the subscriptions aggregating \$100,000 for the erection of the building will be in attendance and respond to a toast. He is now at Michigan City and is making an effort to establish an association in that city.

The ladies' auxiliary will have charge of the banquet this evening. Its menu is a very elaborate one and includes for the first course noodle kumquat, oyster paddies, for the second course, turkey, turkey dressing, gravy, peas, sweet potatoes, cranberry jelly, fruit and salad and for the third course ice cream and cake and coffee. The banquet will be served in the gymnasium and the decorations will be simple but very appropriate.

FUNERAL OF MRS. DUNBAR.

Centerville, Ind., Dec. 30.—The funeral of Mrs. Mary Dunbar of this place, will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the residence of J. A. Dunbar. Burial will be at Crown Hill cemetery.

Lincoln's ancestry has been traced to Samuel Lincoln, who lived at Norwich, England. Emigrating to America, he settled at Hingham, Mass., in 1633. Some of his descendants, who were Quakers, settled in Rockingham county, Va. The President's grandfather removed to Kentucky. Thomas Lincoln, the President's father, was a carpenter.

Long before women's newspapers were started, and fashion plates in their modern form were thought of, women derived their knowledge of the fashions from dolls dressed in modern costumes, which were sent from one country to another, more especially from Paris, then, as now, the leading center of the mode.

Now the World's Champion



Jack Johnson, the new heavyweight champion. He beat Tommy Burns in hollow style.

NO FIGHT LEFT IN SULLIVAN

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EXCHANGED "LOVE TAPS"

SPORT LOVERS WHO ATTENDED AFFAIR FEEL THEY WERE HANDED "LEMON" — PRINDE THE WINNER.

Of all the "lemons" that were ever hung on the sporting public, the exhibition at the Phillips theater last evening, in which John L. Sullivan and Jack Kilrain, old time pugilistic stars, were the attraction, was the worst.

John L. Sullivan announced before boxing a three round bout with Kilrain that it would be an exhibition of the many art of self defense. Whether the two fighters were afraid of the intervention of the police or it was their usual performance, is not known, but at any rate the two hit each other little "love taps" which would not have mashed an ant.

That there is one fight left in Sullivan, as he claimed, is doubted by the persons who were in attendance, for he reminded all of an old wash woman, both in figure and in form. The fight pictures were very uninteresting, in the first round of the Coney Island fight, in which Jeffries and Fitzsimmons participated, the two boxed the entire first round without even touching each other, if the pictures are criterions of the real article. The wrestling bout between Kid Stern and Frank Prindle was won by Prindle, taking the first and only fall in 18 minutes.

Works Both Ways.

"So you think it is an advantage to a man to go to congress for awhile?"

"Yes," answered Senator Borgham. "It gives the people in his own town a chance to think he is a great man in Washington and the people in Washington a chance to think he is a great man in his own town."—Washington Star.

Her Motto.

"First Tramp—You won't get nothing decent there; them people is vegetarians. Second Tramp—Is that right? First Tramp—Yes, and they've got a dog wot ain't."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

FARM IS SOLD.

Cambridge City, Dec. 30.—The John Thomas Farm of one hundred and fourteen acres, lying one and one-half miles northwest of Greenstock, has been sold to Mrs. Fannie Hamilton of Elwood. Consideration, \$5,500. The sale was made by Wm. Doney.

Hosco: Order Gold Medal Flour next time.

STINKING CASE

DREW BIG CROWD

Negro Rape Affair Attracted Men of Race, But no Hearing Given.

TWO MEN ARE INVOLVED

MRS. ETHEL FLOYD ALLEGES JOSEPH LAMB AND HARRY MILLER CRIMINALLY ASSAULTED HER AT HER HOME.

About fifty negroes gathered at the city building this afternoon at the hour for city court in anticipation of hearing a loud-smelling rape case. They were disappointed since the case will be tried directly in the circuit court, as it is beyond the jurisdiction of the city court.

The principals in the affair are Jos. Lamb, Harry Miller and Mrs. Ethel Floyd, all negroes. According to the allegations of Mrs. Floyd and the evidence secured by the police the case is about as repulsive as any ever given an airing in local courts.

Lamb and Miller are employed at the Panhandle round house. They are fast friends. According to Mrs. Floyd's story Lamb came to her home on Monday afternoon to see her sister-in-law. The latter was not at home. Mrs. Boyd, aged eighteen, says she went up stairs in answer to the cries of her baby. Lamb followed her, grabbed her, threw her on the bed and committed the crime. She says yesterday afternoon Miller came to her house and upon ascertaining there was no one at home, made improper advances toward her. She says he offered money and despite her protests pulled her on his lap, as he sat on a chair and criminally assaulted her.

Each man is charged with rape. The woman has not borne a bad reputation. She is frail in body and the police are inclined to believe her story in regard to Lamb but have misgivings about the Miller episode.

SHELTON PONIES.

Active as Terriers, Sure Footed as Mules, Patient as Donkeys.

Shetlands are "foaled in the fields, live in the fields and die in the fields." They have a rooted dislike for indoor life and thrive best when allowed to feed naturally on green grass, with perhaps hay in winter. Until two years old nature provides a soft, wool-like covering. Afterward the mature coat of hair appears, to be shed each spring, when the ponies appear sleek and handsome. Full grown, they are immensely strong, with wide quarters, powerful legs and a great width and depth over the heart and lungs. And, as Bengal wrote in 1870 in his "Tour in Shetland," "The Shetland pony is the most lovable of animals in the wide creation. They are sprightly and active as terriers, sure footed as mules and patient as donkeys. The horse is accredited as the noblest of the lower animals, and the Shetland pony stands at the head of this noble race as the most intelligent and faithful of them all."

The great value of the Shetland to the coal miners lies in its ability to work in the low galleries in thin-seamed pits, where other ponies could not travel. Their strength does not correspond with their diminutive proportions, and they will travel thirty miles a day in the seams, drawing from twelve to fourteen hundred weight. Underground their lot is hard, but use becomes second nature, and they are treated, if roughly, not unkindly.—*St. James' Gazette*.

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COACHES ARE BARRED

Indiana High School Athletic Association Rules.

KNOUFF ON THE BOARD

Indianapolis, Dec. 30.—Professional coaches were barred, the football schedules were limited to six games, the penalty of suspension was ordered for members playing against schools not in the organization and other important new rulings enacted at a meeting of the Indiana State School Athletic association at the Claypool hotel yesterday afternoon.

The representatives of the various high schools who are here to attend the State Teachers' association meeting were called together by President E. E. Ramsey of the Bloomington high school and the session proved to be prolific of new regulations.

As a result of the several important acts of legislation yesterday the State High School Athletic association promises to become stronger and more efficient in every way. Everything done tends to build for good, clean, amateur contests and to increase the power of the organization which has done so much for interscholastic athletics in this state.

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SIDEWALK CASE UP

Famous Cambridge City Litigation is Filed in Circuit Court.

HAS LONG BEEN CONTESTED

Suit has been entered in the Wayne circuit court by Alonzo Hooton vs. George T. Kepler, Mary Kepler and Helen Outland to foreclose an assessment lien. Hooton's attorneys are Felt & Binford of Greenfield and A. Feemster, of Cambridge City. The suit is another echo of the famous sidewalk improvement case at Cambridge City. Hooton was the contractor that put down a cement sidewalk in front of the residences of the defendants. They refused to pay their assessments claiming the assessment was too high. They instituted suit against the town board of Cambridge and tried for an injunction. No costs bond was filed, however, and a dismissal of the suit secured. Hooton now is seeking to collect his money.

Gin is still used as a medium of exchange in some parts of the Niger country in Africa, but the government discourages it. Owing to the extreme conservatism in these districts the task is difficult.

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SAYS UNITED STATES IS NOT DOMINANT POWER

A MINE DISASTER

Officials of Kentucky Company Refuse to Talk.

LARGE COFFIN ORDER GIVEN

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 30.—A Cincinnati order for forty coffins was received here today from Maybury, Kentucky, where a mine disaster is reported to have occurred yesterday afternoon, imprisoning a hundred miners in the Lick Branch Colier Company's mine. Officials of the company refuse information.



LOUIS LOMBARD.

Lombard is the son-in-law of Congressman "Tom" Allen, of St. Louis, once head of the Union Pacific railroad, who has just returned to this country, after an absence of nine years, in which he has become a prominent figure in European musical circles. Mr. Lombard says it will not be many years until China, Germany and United States will be the dominant powers of the world.

COMMITMENT ISSUED.

The commitment papers of John Miller to the boys' reform school at Plainfield, have been prepared by the county clerk. Miller is the colored lad, who will be sent to the reform school upon complaint of his older brothers. He is accused of petit larceny.

Skating.

Skating is believed to have been invented in northern Europe in prehistoric times. William Fitz-Stephen speaks of it in London toward the end of the twelfth century, but it did not really catch hold until the cavaliers who had been in exile with Charles II, brought it with them from Holland. On Dec. 1, 1662, Mr. Pepys, having occasion to cross the park "first in my life, it being a great frost," did see people skating with their skates, which is a very pretty art." On the 8th he went purposely to see the sight and again found it "very pretty."—*London Chronicle*.

MRS. BROWN RECOVERS.

Mrs. Mary Brown, East Main street, who suffered a sprain a few weeks ago while putting bread in the oven, is recovering, and is now able to be up.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Appropriation for New Sewer
Is Needed.

A special meeting of the city council has been called for tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting is called to vote an appropriation of \$6,235.65 to the payment of the city's share of the southwest sewer system.

THE MISSING MISSIVE.

One Romance of Uncle Sam's Dead Letter Office.

Something like 2,000,000 letters annually fail of delivery in the United States owing to insufficient postage or incorrect addresses. The dead letter office at Washington employs a large force of clerks to handle these. The packages that have been received at the dead letter office have contained false teeth, glass eyes, brass keys and thousands of other things that one would never expect to find in the mails.

It would be interesting to know how many engagements have been broken, how many friends have been estranged, how many fond hearts have not been reunited, how many deals have fallen through, how much money has been lost and how many quarrels have been prevented by letters that never came.

A pretty romance was revealed at the dead letter office the other day when a young woman called there to see if a wrongfully addressed letter had been received. It had, and she was greatly relieved. "I heard that Jack was untrue," she said, "and wrote him breaking our engagement. The day after I wrote I found out that I was wrong. My heart was almost broken, but Jack kept right on coming to see me and never mentioned the letter. I began to think I must have misdirected it and found that I did. It must have been fate. Now he will never know."—*St. Paul Pioneer Press*.

Clerk—But you just bought this novel and paid for it.

Customer—Yes.

Clerk—Then why do you want to return it?

Customer—I read it all through while waiting for my change.—*Cleveland Leader*.

The government of Austria makes special inducements to farmers who will reclaim waste lands and make use of them.

POLO COLISEUM

CITY LEAGUE

Monday, Jan. 4, Game Called 8 o'clock.

Skating—Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Morning, Afternoon and Evening.

Wednesday and Thursday

Mohammedans at Home
Quarrymen

Song: Kiss Me Once More, and Then Good-Bye

Five Cents