

## CITIES BILL IS NOW A STATUTE; GOVERNOR SIGNS

New Law Places Two of the Larger Cities, Fort Wayne And South Bend, in the Second Class.

## RICHMOND REMAINS AS A FOURTH CLASS CITY

By a Clever Trick, Friends of The Sunday Baseball Measure Rushed It to Engrossment Monday.

Palladium Bureau, Indianapolis, Feb. 16. When no one was looking Senator Durre pushed the Sunday baseball bill to engrossment in the senate yesterday afternoon. The opposition was asleep at the switch and the bill went by. Durre is the chairman of the committee that had the bill in charge and signed the majority report in favor of passage. During the afternoon when none of the opponents of the bill were around he had the bill read by title and the bill went to engrossment without argument and without any one paying any attention to what it was. The bill is now ready for passage within the next few days.

### Provisions of Law.

The governor signed the bill yesterday afternoon that places Fort Wayne and South Bend in the second class of cities. The bill is now a law. Under this law these two cities are elevated to the second class and Elwood and Jeffersonville are lowered to the fifth class. It provides also that in cities of the third class the city shall not have a city judge, city controller or board of public works unless by special ordinance of council. Where no controller is appointed the clerk shall perform the duties of that office. The mayor does the work of the city judge, and the mayor, city engineer and one commissioner shall constitute the board of works where the council so decides.

### Cities Classified.

The bill classifies the cities of the state as follows: Second class, those having a population of 35,000 to 100,000; third class, 20,000 to 35,000; fourth class, 10,000 to 20,000; while the city has an assessed valuation of more than \$5,000,000; fifth class, all other cities below the fourth class. Indianapolis constitutes the first class.

The Stotsenburg bill was intended to take care of the cities of the third class and relieve them of the burdens of which they have been complaining in the way of unnecessary offices. The Thornton bill in the house is to take care of the fourth class cities and the bill introduced by Representative Elliott of South Bend, is to take care of the cities of the fifth class. These bills all make changes in the cities and towns law, not only regarding the offices, but in relation to street and sewer assessments and other matters connected with the city government. It is the understanding that all these bills are to pass.

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### HUNDREDS KILLED IN MEXICAN FIRE

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roasted alive, as the fire burned with little smoke and few were suffocated.

The efforts of the fire department were confined to attempting to save adjoining buildings, and they succeeded so that the property loss was small. The telegraph office, postoffice and custom house were damaged, but all of the government records and registered mail was saved.

Pitiful scenes are being enacted on the streets of the little West Coast port today. Men, women and children are wandering from place to place hunting for relatives or friends.

Many of the dead are from the first families of the state, the affair at the theater being a social event of considerable importance and calling out the wealthiest and oldest families for miles around.

### Entire Families Wiped Out.

In some instances entire families were wiped out of existence. The municipal authorities caused large trenches to be dug, and into these the wealthiest and oldest families for miles around.

According to the telegrams received from there recognition of any of the

## Famous Peacock Throne of the Ruler of Persia



dead has been an impossibility, owing to the fact that the bodies were burned in most cases to a crisp.

Telegrams sent to the American consul at Acapulco asking for the names of the American dead have as yet not been replied to.

Acapulco, on the west coast of the state of Guerrero, is one of the three important ports of the Pacific coast of Mexico. Nearly all of the steamers make it a port of call, and the harbor is accounted the best in Mexico.

## MANY NEW BILLS IN HOUSE TODAY

Firemen's Pension Bill Was One of the Measures Which Was Entered.

### POLICE BILL WAS PASSED

ONE MEASURE INTRODUCED PROVIDING AGAINST TAXATION OF ROAD BONDS FAILED IN ITS PASSAGE.

Indianapolis, Feb. 16.—Many new bills were introduced in the senate and house today. In the senate a measure to create a firemen's pension fund in cities of the second and third class and to give the state superintendent charge of the school enumeration; to try all labor injunction cases by jury and to require all trust companies to maintain a surplus of fifteen per cent; to prohibit the bribing of members of finance boards and to give them grain for threshing.

In the house, Wells came out for a new school enumeration when the old enumeration is incorrect; to appropriate \$14,000 to buy William Henry Harrison a home at Vincennes; to give an appeal from council assessments on street improvements; to prohibit contracts based on results of elections; to prohibit clairvoyant advertising for medical institutions; to authorize superior court clerks to issue marriage licenses.

### Colleges Favored.

The house committee is favorable to the report on the bill to give Indiana university, Purdue and State Normal increased tax levy; also the Raft bill to make the salary of the secretary of the county boards of health cents, and city secretary 3½ cents to each inhabitant, also for agricultural schools in counties. A divided report on the metropolitan police bill drew a majority for passage. The bill to exempt road bonds from taxation was killed in the house. The Wells bill to allow one telephone company to swallow another went to engrossment.

## WILLIAM REHLING DIES AT DAYTON

William Rehling of Dayton, formerly of this city, who was the first contractor to do large contracts for the city in cement work, and who also built many streets in West Richmond, died at his home in Dayton this morning. Mr. Rehling was apparently in the best of health as on a visit to relatives in this city a few days ago he did not complain. Several relatives reside in this city. Particulars regarding the cause of death and funeral arrangements are not known.

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## TARIFF LEAGUERS NOW IN SESSION

Delegates Addressed by Governor Marshall and by Mayor Bookwalter.

### INDIANAPOLIS THRONED

THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS DELIVERED BY VAN CLEAVE, WHO STRONGLY ADVISES CREATION OF TARIFF COMMISSION.

(Staff Correspondent.)

Indianapolis, Feb. 16.—The preliminaries of the tariff conference began this morning with speeches of welcome by Governor Marshall and Mayor Bookwalter. Representatives of forty-two states, numbering 1,500, are present straining the hotel accommodations. By a prearranged plan Van Cleave was made permanent chairman. He forcibly said that the association was for the entire purpose of pushing a permanent tariff commission, to be appointed for life. The present schedules, he said, are the product of log rolling. Under a commission, he thought, matters would be settled. He scored the objectors who insinuated that the association was promoting graft. The steel and oil trusts are represented by subsidiary companies. They are on record as endorsing the movement. A distrust of their real motives is heard.

Judge Barnard will speak this afternoon on "The Community and the Tariff." He will touch on Richmond.

The convention opened with a prayer which was immediately followed

## ROUTINE OF COUNCIL

Not Much Time Devoted to This Because of the Many Reports Entered.

### STREET CONDITIONS BAD

Routine matters did not occupy much of the attention of council last evening. Too many reports were in prospect and then there was promise that something besides show might be flying over a report of one of the committees and the prospect was far too interesting.

The bad condition of the cross walks of the city was the principal topic for comment. It seemed that at last the councilmen had been put without overcoats and forced to realize that in the past weeks the cross walks have been in the most deplorable condition they have experienced for years. Under the new way of making street improvements the crosswalks have been removed altogether in some places and in wet weather to cross a street means simply to go slopping through the mud.

Streets Are Bad.

Mr. Deuker started the ball rolling by calling attention to North D street at Fifth and D streets all last week, where the crossings were covered by mud three inches deep. Burdick said the cross walks the full length of Sheridan street had been in a deplorable condition. The matter was referred to the board of works.

Mr. McMahan wants conditions in front of Harry Highley's residence Lincoln and West Third streets remedied. The cross walk is higher than the gutter and water collects there and remains nearly all the time. He also wants a remedy provided for the water that flows across the sidewalk on the north side of Richmond avenue between First and Second street. He d

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Women are not what they used to be.

"Certainly not. They used to be girls."

PALLADIUM WANT ADS. PAY.

rected attention to the water on the sidewalk in front of 122 Main street.

Mr. Deuker called attention to the condition of the sidewalk in front of the new interurban freight depot.

Bob and Nob.

The phrase "Bob and nob" and the custom it indicates originated in Elizabeth, Penn., then, when great chinneys were in fashion there was at each corner of the chimney grate a small, elevated projection called the bob and behind it a nob. In winter time the hearth was placed up the bob to warm, and the cold beer was set on a small table said to have been called the nob, so that the question "Will you bob or nob?" seems only to have meant "Will you have warm or cold beer?"—Bob and nob—London scrapes.

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