

NEED CONFORMITY IS VERY APPARENT

Auditor Coe Thinks That Central Body to Oversee Is Required.

NO SYSTEMATIC METHOD

WAYNE COUNTY ONLY ONE IN STATE TO SHOW REFORM IN THE METHOD OF HANDLING THE SCHOOL FUNDS.

"The meeting of the county auditors of Indiana with the state board of examiners at Indianapolis this week was productive of much good," said Demas S. Coe, auditor of Wayne county, who returned last night from the two days' session with the auditors. "It was illustrated in a striking manner," said Mr. Coe, "that there is a real need for some central body to oversee the manner in which the affairs of counties, townships and cities are cared for. While it was apparent that so far as county business was concerned all officers or at least most of them are achieving the results which the statutes set down, it was manifest that the methods employed in reaching the desired end differ radically."

"For instance some of the work in the office of the auditor of Randolph county, or in Henry county or in any other county one might designate, does not conform in every detail with that in Wayne county. It is natural that officers follow to some degree at least the methods of their predecessors and right or wrong, they likely will keep on in such ruts until corrected. That is why the board of examiners will prove of much benefit to Wayne county and all others."

Wayne Stands Alone.

Auditor Coe said that in the discussion of the subject of handling school funds it was brought out that no borrower of such funds could extend his loan more than five years, and that at the end of such period it would be necessary to have a new loan made. This is just what has been done in Wayne county since last March, and as a result Wayne county was the only one in the state to report to the state board of examiners that the work of bringing about renewals of old loans was well under way. Out of a total of \$1 loans that had run for a period of five years or more, all but three have been renewed in Wayne county, and these will have to be within the next few weeks or foreclosure proceedings will have to be brought by the auditor.

The accounting board announced to the auditor yesterday that the new books for all county, township and city officers, would not be ready before January 1, 1911. The work of preparing new forms cannot be completed in time for their installation on January 1 next as had been hoped and another full year will elapse. The examiners, however, will begin their duties on January 1 and Auditor Coe said today that he expected them to begin on the work in Wayne county not later than January 2. "They will take up the accounts in every township, city and town in Wayne county," said Auditor Coe today, "and in addition will take up the work of every county officer. For a period of six years back the records will be gone over and checked up. Months will be required and the expert accountants sent to Wayne county will each receive \$10 a day for their services. The State law requiring that such fees be paid."

TAFT HAS A RIVAL

President Taft has been outdone in respect to avoidopolis as he did not receive a start in the world such as the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Plummer, residing on North Twenty-first street. The baby was born the early part of the week and weighed twelve pounds and was twenty-two inches in height. The attending physician stated that this was one of the largest babies ever coming to his notice. According to records President Taft weighed less than ten pounds when born. However he has made great strides since then and if the Plummer child does as well, he will be able some day to tip the scales at 300 pounds or more. Both mother and child are doing well.

SEVERAL DOGS CASES

There still remain a few dog cases on the dockets of the justices of the peace of the different townships of the county, which will come to trial in the next month or so. The defendants in these cases refused to pay their tax and so became delinquent, and legal steps were taken to force them to pay the fee demanded by the state laws. Prosecuting attorney Charles Ladd, who has charge of the prosecution, stated this morning that the number of dog cases this year was comparatively small.

A Coffee Barometer.

A cup of hot coffee is an unfailing barometer if you allow a lump of sugar to drop to the bottom of the cup and watch the air bubbles arise without disturbing the coffee. If the bubbles collect in the middle the weather will be fine; if they adhere to the cup, forming a ring, it will either rain or snow, and if the bubbles separate without assuming any fixed position changeable weather is ahead.

Marshmallow Sundaes, Peach Cobblers and Biscuit Walnut Sundaes— you get them at Price's.

ROW OVER PROPERTY

Present and Former Owners Of Cambridge Land in Dispute.

WANT TO SELL TO RAILROAD

Land adjacent to the Pennsylvania railroad in Cambridge City was formerly so worthless that some of the owners refused to pay the tax on it and accordingly it changed hands many times, but now that the Pennsylvania railroad company has made it valuable by the fact that it wants the land in order to carry out its double tracking policy, there is a squabble among the owners as to who is to share in the benefits of the sale of the land to the railroad company.

The differences between the present and former land owners will probably have to be straightened out in court in some instances, so entangled have they become.

A large amount of the land was owned by the county. George Doney has been buying up this land for several years as the taxes would become delinquent and the land sold by the sheriff for the purpose of reimbursing the county for back tax. However he has not owned all of the land required two years which is necessary to give him a tax title, so it is understood. Some of the former owners contend that they can reclaim the land at any time by paying the holders of the tax liens, the amount paid by them at the sheriff's sale.

In making out abstracts of title for these pieces of property a local abstracting company has found the entire matter a very difficult one.

STRIKE BREAKERS QUIT JOBS TODAY

Two Hundred and Fifty Go Out, All Making Severe Complaints.

WANTED FOR WITNESSES

THEY CHARGE PEONAGE, THAT THEY WERE POORLY FED AND THAT THEY WERE DECEIVED—AN INVESTIGATION.

(American News Service)

Pittsburg, Aug. 27.—Two hundred and fifty strike breakers, who have been imprisoned in the Press Steel Car company works, quit work in a body today, announcing that three hundred were still at work there but will quit tonight or tomorrow. The strike breakers grievances are, "rotten food," "failure of company to keep promises in regard to wages," "peonage" and "threats of violence from bosses."

James Given of Philadelphia was one of the worst sufferers from eating mouldy food, which made many sick. Given lost thirty pounds and was weak and faint. Among those who quit today are men who were hired in Chicago and New York and claim they did not know they were being taken to McKees Rocks or Schoenerville.

Most of these men never worked in a car plant before, their occupations including bricklayers, butchers, etc. Efforts will be made to get the testimony of these men before the government commission, now investigating the peonage charges.

HERE OF OPERATION

Rumored in New York This Afternoon That Harriman Had Yielded.

OXYGEN TANKS RECEIVED

(American News Service)

New York, Aug. 27.—Two tanks of oxygen, plainly marked, were received at Turner, New York, this morning and taken to the Harriman country home. Telephone communication with Tower Hill has been cut off with the exception of one private phone to Harriman's New York office. A private report says Harriman has not been out of doors since Tuesday. It has been practically admitted that the great railroader will have to undergo an operation soon. It was also rumored this afternoon that he had submitted to an operation.

ONLY WHIPPED WIFE

Morris Moss, colored, was arrested last night for beating his wife at his home on Eleventh and North H streets. According to the evidence in the city court this afternoon Moss came home last evening slightly under the influence of liquor and started a quarrel with his wife Pearl Moss. He struck her several times and followed up this action by kicking and choking her, causing several bad bruises on her neck which was used as evidence and had great weight with the court in pronouncing sentence. A fine of \$25 and costs was imposed by Judge Converse.

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THINK GREAT GAS FIELD IS FOUND

Big Gusher Well Opened by Local Company in the Vicinity of Dublin.

LAND HAS BEEN LEASED

AND COMPANY IS LOSING NO TIME IN DEVELOPING NEW PROPERTY—MORE WELLS ARE BEING DRILLED.

Officials of the Richmond Natural Gas Company announced this morning that through the discovery of a fairly good gas well, two and a half miles west of Dublin, in Henry county, they believed that a new gas field had been opened. The land in the immediate vicinity has been leased and the company is busily engaged in drilling for gas.

The well discovered the early part of this week is the first real good well that the company has found in its operations this summer. It has a good pressure and larger than any well which has been opened in the last two years. Its capacity has not as yet been tested.

Go Thousand Feet.

The drillers had to go nearly a thousand feet before gas was struck. So encouraged were the drillers that the officials of the company were called and they immediately set to work leasing the land in the immediate vicinity. The drillers were ordered to proceed and make several tests which they are now doing.

The new "gusher" will be used to furnish gas for this city this winter. Up to date the company has opened several wells which were very small in capacity.

WILL OPEN SEPT. 11

First Show of Season at the Gennett Theater Is "The Red Mill."

IMPROVEMENTS ARE MADE

Improvements on the Gennett theater will be entirely completed by Saturday, September 11, when the playhouse will be formally opened to the public with the presentation of "The Red Mill," which, while not new to this city, will be a good attraction. As yet no announcement has been made by Harry G. Sommers, lessee of the Gennett, as to who will act as local manager. It was expected that this question would be settled yesterday afternoon upon a visit of Samuel Pickering of Marion, who is one of Mr. Sommers' right hand men. However Mr. Pickering had no announcement to make.

He came to inspect the improvements being made in the opera house. He expressed himself as satisfied with the progress being made and believed that the management will as a result of the improvements, please the Richmond public better this winter than ever before. He says the new lighting system will make the stage and mechanical effects of the larger productions show off to much better advantage than ever before.

SUPPLIES AWARDED

Supplies for the Wayne township schools have been purchased by Trustee James Howarth. He closed the remaining two contracts one with Douglas Balser of New Castle, and the other with Stephen Drayer of Spiceland, following a visit to these two places yesterday. The most of the supplies will be furnished by local firms. About \$300 was expended this year for supplies. This is regarded as a careful practice of economy, as the accounts of former years will show that this figure was often exceeded.

FLED TO PETOSKEY

Charles Newlin one of the deputies in the county auditor's office is spending his vacation at Petoskey, Mich., trying to get relief from an attack of hay fever. Writing to local friends he says that the number of Richmond and Wayne county sufferers at Petoskey this year is far greater than usual. Some of the visitors are experiencing considerable difficulty to obtain relief from the disease, but the majority are enjoying a respite.

A TEACHER RESIGNS

Miss Curtis, who has been assistant instructor in the commercial department of the local high school for the past two years, has resigned her position. She has accepted a position as head of the commercial department of the Kendallville, Indiana high school. No successor to Miss Curtis has been selected by the school board but this will be one of the important questions coming before the board at its meeting next week.

Late Valencia Oranges, sweet, juicy and seedless, to be had at Price's.

HE FOUND BALLOON

Miami County Man Picks Up Little Fall Festival Gas Bag.

ONE GOES TO WINCHESTER

A second one of the several balloons sent up a few days ago by J. A. Spekenhier, chairman of the advertising committee of the Fall Festival has been heard from. Laban Wallace of Ludlow Falls, which is in Miami county, Ohio, in a letter to Mr. Spekenhier, stated that the balloon fell in a cemetery Wednesday morning. The first balloon to be heard from alighted in the yard of a Winchester citizen, earlier in the week.

The committee feels that the balloon advertisement has been so successful, that another bunch will be released in a few days. These will be ballasted with Fall Festival tags. All of the balloons sent up, so far have traveled toward the north or east. Farmers have been keeping watch for the balloons, which were sent up earlier in the week, and Mr. Spekenhier expects to hear soon the whereabouts of all of them.

TRAIL BY ZEPPELIN

Big German Balloon Makes a Long Flight With Nine Passengers.

FRENCH BIPLANE WRECKED

(American News Service) Berlin, Aug. 27.—Zeppelin's dirigible balloon No. 3, with count Zeppelin's son and eight other persons left Friedrichshafen for Berlin this morning. It passed over Nuremberg seven hours afterwards, having traveled a hundred and fifty miles.

Biplane Is Wrecked.

Rheims, Aug. 27.—M. Paulhan's biplane was wrecked and Paulhan himself had a close call from serious injury today when his machine crashed to the ground while he was attempting a flight on Bethany Plains. A treacherous wind is impeding the contests.

WINS \$10,000 PRIZE.

Rheims, Aug. 27.—Henri Farman flew one hundred miles in two hours and thirty-three minutes today beating the distance record made by Hubert Latham and winning the grand prix de Lachampagne first prize of \$10,000.

SWARM INTO FRANCE

(American News Service)

Madrid, Aug. 27.—The French frontier towns are swarming with Spanish refugees, anarchists and socialists, and courts martial are in continuous session dealing heavy sentences of imprisonment, while scores of new arrests are being made daily in Barcelona. The feeling has reached such a high pitch in Catalonia that the civil guard is being increased.

It is reported that another death sentence has been imposed by court martial.

Rafael Guerra, the famous lawyer, was imprisoned today. Senator Sol Ortiz is said to have fled to France.

HARRY MADE MISTAKE.

Harry Boyd, who was arrested for intoxication Wednesday night would have done better to have pleaded guilty in the city court yesterday afternoon and taken his medicine. Instead he entered a plea of not guilty and the case was continued until this afternoon, during which time he languished in the city jail. He said he wanted to summon witnesses to prove that he wasn't guilty but in the city court today his star witness deserted him and said Boyd was drunk as a lord. Judge Converse thought that was sufficient and fined Boyd \$5 and costs.

JOSIE DREW LEMON.

Josie Bond drew a lemon in the city court this afternoon to the extent of \$25 and costs and 30 days in jail. She plead guilty to intoxication for the third time within three months. Only about ten days ago she was arrested on this charge but was dismissed.

No Pins in China.

When you talk of the awakening of China, its adoption of occidental ways and ideas, one class of business men will not agree with you—the manufacturers of pins. China frankly does not like the slender, sharp pointed instruments considered so necessary by the Caucasian woman, or hooks and eyes. It prefers loops, frogs or the simple string. Even the most persuasive of pin missionaries make very few converts. The great argument in favor of the pin—time saving—does not appeal to the Chinese. If they have anything, it is time. They were having it when our aboriginal ancestors were experimenting with common thorns, which were the pin's ancestors. They do not know what hurry means. They are not so strongly inclined toward applying its definition.—Van Norden's Magazine.

Teacher.—Now, children, I will ask you to name some animals which chew the cud, beginning with Susie Jones—Exchange.



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SAYS HIS HORSE AND RIG STOLEN

Board Today Acts on the Improvement of North Eighth Street.

Charles Ayres Alleges That They Were Taken by Irvin Bass.

ACTION BY CAR COMPANY

The board of works at its meeting today adopted the final resolution for the paving of North Eighth street.

The Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern Traction company also served notice on the board this morning to the effect that they would pave the space between the car tracks and eighteen inches on either side under a separate contract which would have nothing whatever to do with the improvement of the remainder of the street. This is what the company failed to do at first and for that reason, had the street been improved under the first resolution the company would have had to have its work done under the same contract as the city's and abide by what ever kind of pavement the city decided to use.

A day of hearing will now be set by the board, which will probably be next month some time, at which the property owners will be heard in regard to the kind of pavement to be used on the street. After this bids will be advertised for. It is very probable, it is said, that a brick pavement will be constructed.

The board awarded the contract for the construction of a cement sidewalk on the south side on North E street from Twentieth to Twenty-fourth streets to Schneider brothers at 60 cents per linear foot. The bid for the cross walks was 58 cents per linear foot.

DISCOVERED A FIRE

As a result of the gas coming up unexpectedly yesterday afternoon, the wood around the gas stove in the rear of Dernis and Thomas's tailoring establishment on North Tenth street caught fire and created considerable excitement for a few minutes. The proprietors of the concern were in the front of the store at the time and they rushed to the rear and discovered the blaze, which was burning at a lively rate. The fire was easily put out, however, without the aid of the fire department.