

VERDICT RETURNED AGAINST HOSPITAL

Jury Places Value of the Kempton Farm at \$180 Per Acre.

MAY GIVE UP PLAN

Dr. S. E. Smith Says Institution May Abandon the Colony Idea.

As a result of the verdict being returned in favor of the defendants in the condemnation proceedings of the state against the property of John and Clara Kempton, the colony plan as advocated for this locality may be given up, according to the authorities of the Eastern Indiana Hospital for Insane.

"No definite decision has been taken by the authorities, as yet. The case may be appealed and possibly market value of the farm as set by the jury may be paid. However, the entire plan may be given up," said Dr. S. E. Smith, superintendent of the institution.

The trial was opened Monday and the case went to the jury at 4:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and a verdict was not reached until 8:30 this morning. The property of the Kemptons was appraised by three men appointed by the court last year, the value of the property being set at \$170 per acre. The jury decided in favor of the Kemptons believing that the property was worth \$180 per acre, making the total value of the farm, with all improvements \$27,000.

As a result of the trial witnesses who testified in behalf of the defense will be compelled to pay a higher tax than they have done in former years, according to County Assessor Matthews. The testimony of some of the witnesses showed that their farms were valued at more than three times the assessed valuation.

It was proposed by Dr. S. E. Smith, superintendent of Easthaven, to use a portion of the \$100,000 appropriated for

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COMMISSIONERS TO BUILD NEW PLANT

Electric Lighting System Proposed For County Infirmary.

At a meeting of the Wayne county commissioners with several members of the county council the proposition of making an appropriation of \$1,800 for a new lighting system at the Wayne County Infirmary was discussed. It is proposed by the commissioners to install an electric lighting system at the institution to take the place of the system of kerosene lamp lighting now in vogue.

The committee from the county board of charities condemned the present system and recommended that a new one be installed. At the January session of the commissioners the proposition was favorably considered by the commissioners though the council refused to make the appropriation. The members of both bodies present today conferred with Supt. Neuton Brumfield and decided favorably toward the action. At the next regular session of the council it will probably be decided to appropriate the money for the improvement.

The Eastern Indiana Hospital for the purchase of land where the inmates of the hospital could be given employment on a farm. Their minds would be greatly improved, it is believed by Dr. Smith. The plan would not only be beneficial to the inmates but would help the institution financially.

Property has already been purchased though it was planned to use the Kempton property also. Dr. Smith believes the jury would have been justified in returning a verdict in favor of the state alleging that \$170 was a reasonable and fair price. Dr. Smith has not decided what action will be taken.

U. S. TO RECOGNIZE CHINESE REPUBLIC

(National News Association)

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The Chinese republic will be officially recognized by the United States within the next three months. This was made clear to George B. Rea, special minister from the Chinese premier by President Wilson today. Rea called at the white house to discuss the financing of the great projected 10,000 miles long. Rea promised that United States capital would be given preference and begged that the United States lead the world in recognizing the republic.

The president replied that the new republic likely would be recognized after Secretary Bryan returns from the west and that recognition certainly would take place within the next three months.

RETURNS MONEY AT POINT OF REVOLVER

Gypsy Maiden Robbed Chas. Berg of \$2.75 While Telling Fortune.

Enraged because their friend, Charles Berg, had been robbed of a pocketbook containing \$2.75, a large number of farmers living near Wilmot this afternoon surrounded the band of gypsies, which is believed to be responsible for the abduction of Catherine Winters, the New Castle girl, and at the point of revolvers, forced the nomads to return the purse and money.

Berg, it is said, was approached this morning by a beautiful young woman, a member of the gypsy band, and was asked if he wanted his fortune told. Berg consented to allow the gypsy maiden to tell his "fortune" and when he left he missed his pocketbook.

He informed his friends of the matter and immediately a crowd of angry farmers started towards the gypsy camp. Revolvers and clubs were waved by the farmers and the head of the band finally admitted that he had the money.

The city and county authorities were notified of the theft and Sheriff Bayer and Patrolman Vogelsong were detailed to the scene. When they arrived they found the gypsy chief in the act of returning the money to Berg.

The local authorities declare that if any more acts of this nature are reported that the entire band will be arrested and lodged in jail.

AUSTRIA SNARLING AT ITS NEIGHBOR

(National News Association)

VIENNA, March 22.—The diplomatic breach between Austria and Montenegro widened today when the Austrian government sent a second and stronger note to the Montenegrin government demanding free passage of non-combatants from Scutari, an explanation of the killing of a Catholic priest by Montenegrin soldiers and satisfaction for the shelling of an Austrian ship by Montenegrin artillery.

135 FEDERALS ARE KILLED BY REBELS

(National News Association)

JAUREZ, Mexico, March 22.—One hundred and thirty-five federal soldiers are reported to have been executed by constitutionalists near Parral, Chihuahua. This information was received today by the Federal commander here. Among the victims were Guillermo Perras, secretary of state for Chihuahua under Porfirio Diaz. Two other victims were Rodolfo Reyes and Rodolfo Chav, two prominent residents of South Chihuahua.

SHURLEY BUYS BARN FROM J. STEVENSON

Pays \$11,000 For Stables Formerly Owned By Herbert Green.

The Glen Miller Transfer company and livery barn has been purchased by John Shurley from Joe Stevenson who bought the barn and stock from Herbert Green two weeks ago. Mr. Shurley did not buy the stock or vehicles but these will be sold at public sale in ten day or two weeks. The price paid by Mr. Shurley was \$11,000.

The new owner will equip the place for an up-to-date livery and transfer stable. Motor trucks will be installed for moving and transfer business. Two taxicabs will soon be placed in the new barn. The present livery stable owned by Shurley on North Eighth street will be maintained. The sale was made through the Porterfield Real Estate company.

Post C's membership takes pleasure in welcoming D. S. Coe as one of our members. Come up and see us often, Demas.

Harry Wooster, for years one of Post C's popular members has received a justly deserved promotion, whereby he is general Ohio manager of the business of the Albion Co. of Albion, Mich. This is a substantial promotion and Harry's many friends unite in extending him congratulations. His duties are such that he is compelled to move to Columbus, O. We certainly regret to lose a good citizen, but as it was necessary, our best wishes for success go with him and his family.

Some changes are going on in T. P. A. columns over the state. W. H. Wiley of Post N has laid his pencil down and A. W. S. now writes of Post N's doings. Mr. S. is following in the footsteps of a mighty good man. Post J's press man has been promoted to

condition exists. The friends of both are setting forth many good reasons why their candidates should be elected. This race will be a neck and neck affair to the finish. For vice president, not so much excitement exists, for on account of the most healthy and attentive presidents we have had, the vice president hardly ever knows he is the incumbent, until some one reminds him. For secretary-treasurer the only salaried job in the list, the race seems to be a friendly bout. Marcus says possession is nine points in his favor. Your press chairman from modesty can only say he hopes both will win. For directors, the men behind the guns, some mighty good timber is in evidence to select from. Voters will be very apt to choose as they are best acquainted and no mistake can be made. For national delegates—well this is where the candidates are burning baseline. They all want it and want it bad. Richmond, Va., is a most desirable place to go to, so each candidate thinks. Well boys, we will know tonight who of you goes and who stays at home. You are all good fellows, but we can't vote for but three of you.

President and we looked through that big bundle of paper from Evansville in vain this week for a column.

Uncle "Billy" Ryan and J. A. Krapt are still very much in evidence by their breezy articles. Posts take notice. Don't retire all of the press boys, for they are not a bad bunch and besides if you ask for their resignation it gives the other fellow a chance to get even.

James M. Lewis and wife, M. E. Shreve and family, W. H. Quigg and family, together with several others have their plans laid to leave for Crooked Lake, July 3d, for a two weeks fishing. Nothing like planning early.

For the information of post members the tickets tonight to be voted on are as follows: Blue Ticket—L. E. Browne for president, C. T. Caldwell, vice president; W. H. Quigg, secretary and treasurer; T. C. Harrington, Frank Highly and C. W. Morgan, directors.

White Ticket—Perry J. Freeman for president, A. Gordon, vice president; M. L. Hasty, secretary and treasurer; S. J. Beebe, H. C. Lawson and G. A. Mendenhall, directors. National convention delegates, T. C. Harrington, E. E. Lebo, John B. Heger, S. N. Jenkins, L. E. Turner, Wm. Kramer and Wm. Morris. Come up and vote your choice. It is your privilege and your duty to take advantage of your privilege.

We hear those old antiquated wagons, sometimes miscalled cabs, that have been hauling Richmond travelers for years are to get their just reward—play an important part in a bonfire. For the sake of Richmond's reputation. We hope the rumor is true.

COMMITTEE UP HOLDS BOARD'S DECISION

The educational committee of the Richmond Commercial club went on record yesterday afternoon as being decidedly opposed to the law in the manner it would apply to this city.

George Knollenberg is chairman of the committee and among the business men of the city who indorse the original bill. The committee upheld the board of education in its decision not to place the law in effect here.

HEADON COLLISION

(National News Association)

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., March 22.—In a head-on collision between two freight trains north of here this morning on the L. & N. railroad, fireman William Letmore was crushed to death. Cecil Webb, a brakeman, was probably fatally scalded and engineers Hampton and Hartington were seriously injured. A misunderstanding of orders was responsible for the wreck.

It is always easier to stand off and criticize than it is to rush in and help.—Sydney Smith.

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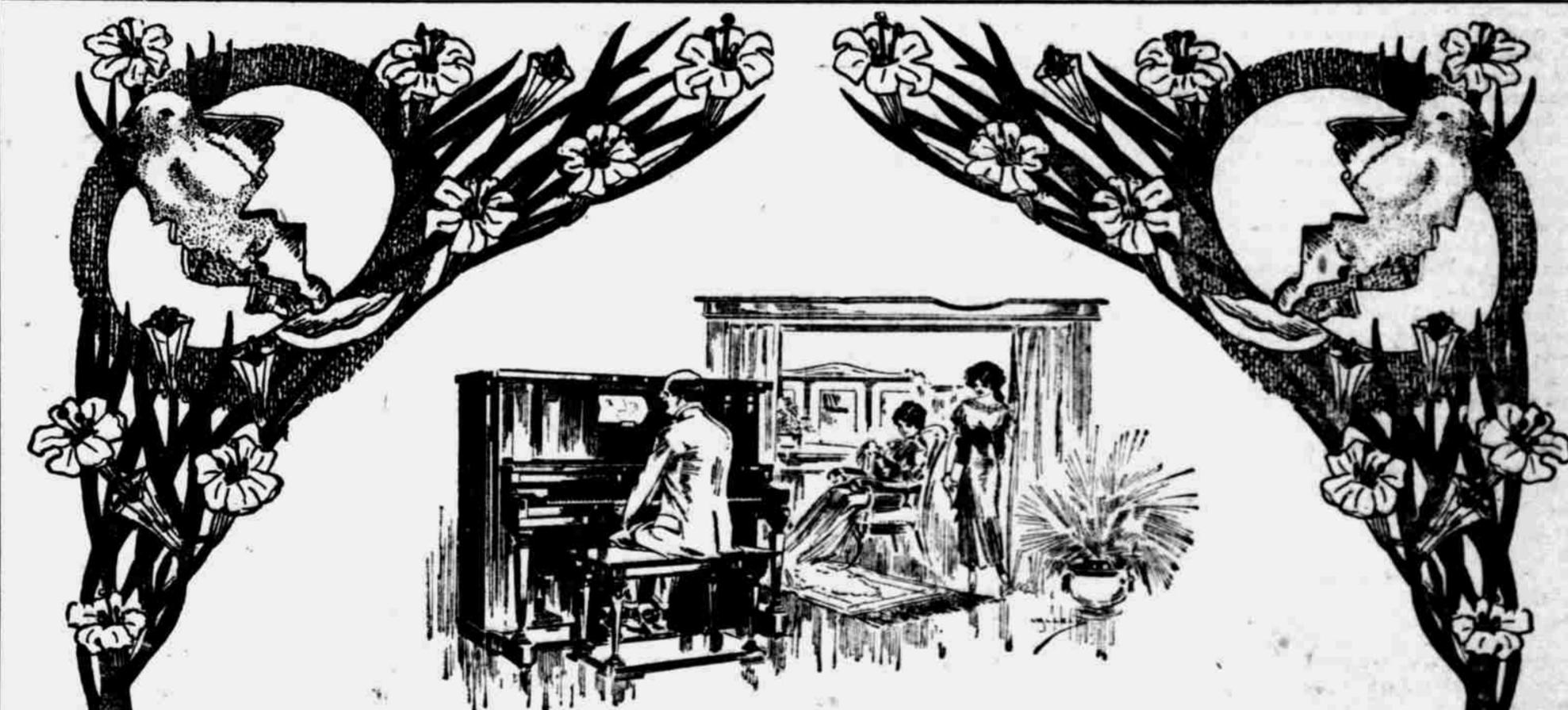
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