

PARTY SERVANT LOSES IN RACE FOR INSPECTOR

Rejection of Henry Farwig
For William Hatfield
Arouses Disapproval of Local
Party Leaders.

PUZZLED BY CHOICE

William Hangley's Selection
For Post at Cambridge City
Comes as Reward for
Faithful Service.

Appointment of William A. Hatfield as state oil inspector for the Richmond district, announced formally today, threatens to seriously disturb the close harmony of the local Democratic organization, which has been marred by no discordant note since the various party clans buried the hatchet three years ago, making the Democratic party a real factor in city and county politics.

That no consideration was given to long and faithful party service in making the local oil inspectorship appointment is the charge frankly made by many supporters of disappointed candidates.

Friends Disappointed.

"If the appointment was intended to be in the nature of a reward for services to the Democratic party in Richmond and Wayne county, Henry Farwig would have been reappointed to the position, or Harry Sherman or Ben Driscoll, active candidates, would have been named to succeed him," declared one Democratic leader who worked hard to have Farwig retained. This man, like many other party leaders, asserted that the governor appointed Mr. Hatfield as a favor to his private secretary, B. B. Johnson of this city, who is a close personal friend of Mr. Hatfield and was his most active supporter for the appointment.

No one denies the fact that Mr. Hatfield is well fitted to hold the position, but politicians regard the oil inspectorships as their own and when such an appointment goes to one who has not been actively identified with the political organization in power their anguish and indignation are mighty.

Appointment Satisfies.

William Hangley's appointment as inspector of the Cambridge City district is popular with party leaders as Mr. Hangley has for years been a faithful party worker and is now Democratic chairman of Jackson township.

John O. Behrmer, state supervisor of oil, announced the appointment of twenty-seven new deputy oil inspectors and the reappointment of thirty-one members of the present force of deputies. The forces, as reorganized, will consist of fifty-eight instead of forty-six deputies.

The fact that only fifteen deputies of the present force are to be supplanted was the cause of surprise in political circles, and this fact also is expected to prove disappointing to the 950 applicants for the jobs who failed to get near the pie counter. Because the present force had been appointed under the Marshall administration, there was not a little sentiment in favor of appointing new men in the places of all those who had served four years. Members of the present force, however, were able to bring such political pressure to bear that most of them hold on to their jobs.

ASKS CAR LINES TO PAY DAMAGES

Mrs. Mary Parrish Sues For
Injuries Received in October
1913.

Mary Parrish, 221 North Twentieth street, entered suit in circuit court today against the T. H. and E. Traction company for \$5,000 damages. The suit is the result of a belt car accident October 6, 1913.

Mrs. Parrish was running after her grandchild at Twentieth and North C streets, where the Foster Construction company had a cement mixing machine in operation. She failed to hear the car, she says, and was hit. She declared the car was running at a speed of thirty-five miles an hour.

Her mouth is permanently injured and her hearing is affected in both ears as a result of the accident, Mrs. Parrish swears.

Weather Forecast

FOR INDIANA—Fair tonight and Thursday.

Temperature.	38
Noon	38
Yesterday	38
Minimum	16

FOR RICHMOND—Fair and continued cold tonight. The fair conditions are expected to continue. Rocky mountain storm has changed its course and moved southeast and is now central over the southern states. It is causing heavy rains over the Gulf states and snow over Kentucky and Tennessee. Several inches have fallen at Nashville. Another storm is central over the far west with rain on the Pacific coast. High barometric pressure with fair weather continues over the north and central states. Temperature near zero in North Dakota.

W. E. Moore, Weather Forecaster.

THE greatest success of our armies since the battle of Ypres," is the comment in England on the battle of Neuve Chapelle. As shown in map, which indicates the old Allied line and the new one, topping through Neuve Chapelle the utmost advance amounts to about three-quarters of a mile. The gain was over a total front of 4,000 yards, less than two and one-quarter miles. In the small area the Germans lost 18,000 men and the British 13,000, more than the battle of Waterloo cost them. England is now figuring what it will cost in lives and blood to drive the Germans back to the Rhine.



PASTORS DEPICT SAVIOR'S FINAL DAYS ON EARTH

Large Congregations Continue to Attend Passion Week Services in All the Churches of City.

Excellent attendance was again reported at all of the churches which held special Passion Week services last night. All of the pastors have been choosing themes for their sermons, from the events which immediately preceded the crucifixion of the Savior.

Rev. E. E. Davis of the Second Presbyterian church delivered the third of a series of sermons on "Christ's sayings on the Cross." Last night he preached on "Christ's Expression of 'Hail Devotion,'" describing the devotion and faith showed by Christ in his words to the Father, after he had been nailed to the cross.

At the Second English Lutheran church, Rev. C. Raymond Isley preached on "His Judgment Pronounced." There will be no services at that church tonight. Worship will be continued as usual Thursday and Friday nights.

Rev. Conrad Huber spoke on the subject of "Christ The Great Teacher," at St. Paul's Lutheran. He told how Christ taught, not only by his sermons, but by his actions. His life was the exemplification of what a Christian life should be today, Rev. Mr. Huber said.

Rev. Harry C. Harman had as his subject at the First Methodist church, "The Day of Controversy." An unusually large crowd was present at this service. The sermon tonight will be by the Rev. W. B. Freeland, district superintendent.

Interesting services were also held at the First English Lutheran church, the First Presbyterian church, and at St. Paul's Episcopal church in the afternoon. Services will begin tonight at St. Andrew's Catholic church and will continue throughout the week, with sermons in the evening, and also morning sermons beginning tomorrow morning.

"DRYS" CLAIM 2 MORE CITIES

Rushville and Mitchell Return Verdict Against Licensed Liquor Traffic.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 31.—Saloon received death blows in two more Indiana towns yesterday. Rushville and Mitchell both voted to prohibit the liquor traffic, the "drys" winning in each town by large majorities. Rushville citizens returned a majority of 178 votes against the licensed sale of liquor, while residents of Mitchell returned a majority of 106 ballots.

Both victories were by larger margins than had been expected by even the most sanguine "dry" leaders. No trouble was experienced at the polls of either town, the voters expressing their convictions and then leaving the polls. Church people paraded the streets of Rushville to the joyous clanging of church bells, which rang for half an hour to apprise the citizens of the "dry" victory.

HOLD SPY FOR EXPLOSION ON LA TOURAINE

French Secret Service Men Arrest Raymond Swoboda of New York as Author of Fire.

SUSPECTED ON SHIP

German Embassy at Washington Disclaims Knowledge of Man Held in Jail at Havre.

BY C. F. BERTELLI,
Staff Correspondent of the International News Service.

PARIS, March 31.—Accused of attempting to blow up the French liner La Touraine, Raymond Swoboda, an alleged German spy, has been arrested in Paris and is now held in close confinement at Havre. Although the arrest was made on Sunday it was not until today that news of it became public.

French officials declare that Swoboda's arrest will clear up the mystery of the fire on La Touraine or her recent voyage from New York to Havre. According to officials the fire which broke out upon La Touraine while she was on her way to this country with a big consignment of war munitions on board originated from an explosion in the baggage of a first class passenger.

Suspected on Ship. Statements attributed to Swoboda on shipboard led to his being shadowed. The Touraine carried a number of airmen and doctors who were on their way to join the French Red Cross, and Swoboda is alleged to have said concerning them: "Germany will carry out her blockade plans even outside of the British war zone."

Swoboda registered as a financier from New York, and is known as such in Paris. French secret service agents say they seized his correspondence in Germany, and accused him of having a commission to destroy the liner. He was born in California. His wife is an opera singer.

Embassy Disclaims Him.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—It was stated today at the German embassy here that Swoboda is unknown there. New York dispatches say Swoboda engaged passage on La Touraine with a passport giving him the name of Ray Swoboda, a Frenchman. He obtained a concession to carry extra baggage.

CHARTER MEMBERS CONTINUE ACTIVITY IN KNIGHTS' LODGE

Captain Lewis Harris and Albert Simons Affiliated with Coeur de Lion Lodge in 1870.

Founded in 1870, Coeur de Lion lodge, Knights of Pythias, still has two living charter members, Captain Lewis K. Harris and Albert Simons, and every effort will be made to have the men at the roll call next Tuesday. The roll call is the forty-first annual gathering, the first one having taken place the year of the granting of the charter. Captain Harris is expected to revive some of these events.

The lodge membership in Richmond is 220 and the roll call will be attended by practically every member. Scattered in the various parts of the country are 100 members, many of whom will have written letters to be read at the affair.

Hill Joined Early. One of the oldest active members of the lodge is Ben C. Hill of Fairview. Although not a charter member, he was one of the leaders for years and was taken into the lodge shortly after Captain Harris and Mr. Simon. Mr. Hill will make a historical review of lodge events.

The meeting will open with first rank work by the regular degree team. Following the work, a few minutes will be devoted to important business and then will follow short historical reviews. The meeting will close with a smoker at which the letters of out of town members will be read. The roll call is in charge of Charles M. Lyons, Oris Maple and Albert J. Ford. The lodge has on state officer, Roy C. Fry, deputy grand chancellor, who will be present.

VENIRE OF JURORS FOR APRIL TERM

Only one Wayne township man is named in the list of eighteen petit and grand jurors on the venire for the April term of court which opens Monday. He is William B. Barton on the grand jury. Others on the grand jury are George R. Hart of Boston, Elmer Fagan of Harrison, Ernest Davenport of Webster, Albert Parks of Boston, and Charles L. Linderman of Clay. The members of the petit jury for the April term are Thomas A. Williams of Abington township, James Martin of Greene, A. A. Lindley of Harrison, B. F. Sourbeer of Jackson, Benjamin Thomas of Franklin, Clark Crowe of Boston, Edward Millard F. Brumfield of Center, Carl F. Bertsch of Center and Moses Myers of Jackson.

BRAND Whitehead, American Minister to Belgium, continues his successful efforts to ameliorate the conditions brought about by the war. His latest activity has been to induce the Germans to allow English women and children stranded in Belgium to leave for home. The first party consisted of 41 women and six children. They left Brussels for Eindhoven on a special train.



MATRON HALTS WOMAN'S TRIAL TO SNUFF LIFE

Mrs. Thomas Finds Emma Diehlman Choking Herself With Scarf at Home of Friendless.

HUSBAND VISITS HER

Refuses Forgiveness for Stain Against His Name Because of Theft of Coltrane's Money.

"I know I have put a stain on your name, Lawrence. But forgive me and take me back. I do not know why I took the money because I had money and you always gave me plenty. Please take me back and forgive me."

"I will have to study over it," was Lawrence Diehlman's reply to the plea of his wife, Emma, whom he visited at the woman's jail at 6 o'clock last night.

He left and after Mrs. Aurelia Thomas had seen him to the front door of the Home for Friendless Women and then returned to the jail in the rear of the building, she found Mrs. Diehlman hysterical and strangling herself to death with a scarf.

Scarf Twisted About Neck. The grief-stricken woman was black in the face. The scarf was twisted tightly around her neck and she was choking violently. Mrs. Thomas secured aid and took the scarf from her neck in time to save her.

Mrs. Diehlman told Mrs. Thomas that she had put a stain on the family name of her husband. She exonerated him from blame.

"Lawrence always gave me enough money," she said. "I guess I was foolish about clothes. I don't know why I took that money but it was so easy. It was on the chair and I took it and I have regretted it since. After that I just went ahead and bought the clothes and tried to cover the theft by deception."

Mrs. Diehlman's peace of mind was further disturbed over the fact that petitions have been sent in for the release of her brother, Gus Gunzalla, who was sent to the penitentiary three or four years ago for breaking into the Jones general store at Milton.

Wanted Brother's Pardon. Mrs. Diehlman has been working diligently to secure his release and she had been told between the time of the theft and her arrest, that if she would keep up her efforts, there was every probability that he would be pardoned in September by the state board of pardons and would be returned to Richmond.

Mr. Diehlman came to see his wife shortly before 6 o'clock and talked to her in plain terms of her theft of John Coltrane's money. He told her she had placed a stain against his name and that his fellow men were eying him with disapproval.

"It would appear that I had denied you everything you wanted," Mr. Diehlman told her. "Some of my friends think I am partially to blame for your act. I am not ready to forgive you and I don't know when I can do so. It will be hard for me to change my feelings so that I can feel justified in taking you back." After making her plex and hearing his verdict, she became hysterical and the jail door had hardly closed behind him when she twisted the scarf around her neck in a frenzy. The timely entrance of Mrs. Thomas to lock some doors, is all that saved her. She was hysterical most of last evening but after a little sleep during the night, she arose much more composed today. She is in a more peaceful state of mind now. "I believe the woman is now stricken with grief over her act," Mrs. Thomas said.

PLACES ORDERS; ASKS FOR LOAN; NEVER RETURNS

Jovial Countryman Borrows \$2 From Lumber Salesman Saying He Left Wallet on Mantle.

"MARY WILL SETTLE"

Leaves Note to Wife Explaining \$2 Additional on Bill—Wenger Arrests "Uncle" at Saloon.

Just a good old-fashioned countryman, the kind who is absolutely honest, who believes every one else is and whose worst dissipation is an occasional game of "seven up" at the cross roads grocery, was what William Hudson, alias "Uncle George" Williams, appeared to be yesterday.

"Uncle George" today is alleged to be, by the police, about the cleverest confidence man that has galloped a credulous public in several moons. He introduced himself as "Uncle George" Williams from "down Smithfield way."

"Uncle" Flatters Salesman. "You know me, young fellow; everybody knows Uncle George. Why I know you; you used to court a gal down town way," said the jovial tiler of the soil. "How much do I owe ye?"

He was told the amount of his bill and then reached over his hip pocket for his wallet. Then a look of amazement and embarrassment swept over his honest countenance, to be promptly chased away by a winning smile. "Well, by gum," exclaimed Uncle George, "if I didn't go away and leave that ding-busted wallet of mine on the house furniture company with Mr. Miller, I would have paid you."

Without a moment's hesitation the "loan" was advanced to the jovial, honest countryman. He left a note for "Mary" instructing her what to do when she arrived.

Works Other Victims.

The police are informed that the Richmond Lumber company, the Hudson Furniture company and Dr. D. W. Stevenson and one or two lawyers were also easy victims of "Uncle George, down Smithfield way," getting from each of them the same amount as he obtained from the Miller, Kemper company.

Not much attention was paid to Aunt Mary's failure to put in an appearance yesterday, but when "Uncle George" forgot to show up this morning to make settlements for his "purchases" and his "loans" the victims became suspicious and the police were notified. One of the employees of the Miller, Kemper company with Patrolman Wenger went in search of the man, who was found in front of a North D street saloon.

"Hello, Uncle George, did you forget about the lumber you ordered from us?" said the lumber company man. Uncle George looked very uncomfortable but said nothing. He accepted the officer's invitation to accompany him to the city building without discussion.

The police say the alleged confidence man has admitted that his name is Hudson. They believe he is from Dennison, O. He worked a short time at the Starr Piano factory.

Attorney Ray K. Shiveley, it is said, was "worked" for \$2 or \$3 by Hudson. The old man told Mr. Shiveley that he represented a man who had had both hands cut off in a railroad accident and he wanted him to bring suit against the railroad company. He then secured a "loan" and departed. It is understood Hudson approached other attorneys with the same proposition.

This "letter to Mary" was left by Hudson with Dr. Stevenson: "Dear Mary—I was here and saw the Dr. and have come to the conclusion that we had better let him do our work for us. He says he can help little Mary's eyes."

"Everything was in such a rush when I left home this morning that I left my pocket book on the mantle and only had a little change in my pocket when I got here and had to borrow a dollar or two from the Dr. to pull me through till you come. I will be here about 5. Go ahead and let the Dr. examine little Mary's eyes and whatever you want will be all right. Push things so we can get an early start home in the morning. Tell Harry to feed the team good."

Arr. GEORGE.

CANADIAN OFFICIALS DETAIN LOCAL BOY

Alarm caused by the failure of 7-year-old Wilbur Shumate to reach his home at Calure, Saskatchewan, after a long time from Richmond alone, was allayed today when Secretary Mel-polder of the Central Charity Bureau, received a telegram stating that the boy had been held by the Canadian immigration officials. Why he was detained was not stated. Mr. Mel-polder expects a letter tomorrow explaining the cause for the action. The boy was on his way to make his home with his mother, Mrs. Loretta Burden, who was greatly alarmed when he failed to arrive according to schedule.

PASSION WEEK WORSHIP TONIGHT

First English Lutheran—Sermon, 7:30 p. m.
St. Paul's Lutheran—Sermon, by Dr. W. R. Freeland, at 7:30.
Second Presbyterian—Sermon, 7:30 p. m.
St. Paul's Episcopal—Evening Prayer, 4:30 p. m.
First Presbyterian—Sermon, 7:30 p. m.
St. Andrew's Catholic—Sermon, 7:30 p. m. Sermon 8:00 a. m. Thursday.

UNDERWATER EYE FOR SUBMARINES



Hudson Maxim has announced that he is perfecting an appliance to make it possible for submarines to attack an enemy without showing their periscope. Naval men say such an attachment would make a submarine one thousand per cent more dangerous. Submarines now are "blind" under water and when they rise they offer a target to gunfire.

MAY WITHDRAW FROM OLD LINE FIRE INSURANCE

Failure of State Bureau to Give Richmond Better Rating May Turn Away Business.

COMMITTEE STUDIES

Commercial Club Body Tires of Trying Meet Demands of State Bureau When Risk is Less.

Withdrawal from the old line insurance companies in favor of the mutual insurance companies, will likely result as a consequence of the failure of the state fire insurance bureau to grant Richmond a better rating.

The Commercial club committee on fire insurance went over a synopsis today of the accomplishments of the past ten years towards better fire construction.

"The amount of money spend for the prevention of fires is remarkable," Secretary Haas said today. "The report will make very interesting reading when it is given out."

City Receives Promises. The city has been held off by promises since 1907 when the state bureau gave a list of qualifications Richmond must fill before getting into a class better than class 3. Since then, the committee members declare, Richmond has had better fire records than any other city in the state and is still unable to get action from the insurance companies.

Many merchants have withdrawn from the old line insurance companies and have joined mutual companies in the past year and unless there is some action as a result of today's committee meeting within the next six months there will be an exodus from the old companies.

Members of the committee said Richmond is "cream" for the companies as the claims paid here including the biggest fires in the past ten years have been very low and the rates paid have been high.

The mutual companies consist of numbers of persons or firms who enter into an agreement to pay at the close of each year, a pro rata assessment against each share of insurance held. Members suffering a fire loss are paid in full when the final annual settlement is made. If there is no loss, there is no expense.

2 MORE SHIPS ARE DESTROYED BY SUBMARINES

British Liner Loaded With General Cargo for South Africa Torpedoed Off Scilly Islands.

THIRD IS DAMAGED

French Admiralty Report Kaiser's Submarine Struck by Warship off Dieppe and Sent to Bottom.

BY JOHN FOSTER
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LONDON, March 31.—Another British steamer, the Ellerman liner Flamplan, has been sunk off the Scilly Islands, by a German submarine. The Flamplan, a vessel of 3,500 tons bound from Glasgow to Cape Town, South Africa, went to the bottom on Monday, but the first news of her loss came to day when her crew of 39 men was landed at Holy Head. She carried a general cargo for South African ports.

The Glasgow steamer Crown of Castile, 4,500 tons, is reported to have been torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine off Scilly Islands.

Badly Damaged.

The British liner City of Cambridge arrived at Liverpool today from Glasgow badly damaged as the result of an attack made by a German submarine on Sunday evening. Her captain reported that the submarine tried to sink his ship for more than an hour, off the Pembroke coast. It was 35 minutes penetrating the hull, and wrecked three cabins.

FRENCH SINK SUBMARINE.

PARIS, March 31.—A German submarine was attacked by a French warship off Dieppe Tuesday afternoon and is believed to have been destroyed. The French vessel pursued the submarine, shelled its periscope when it submerged itself, and passed directly above the spot where the submarine had gone down. The belief that the submarine was destroyed is due to the fact that upon the surface of the water where it disappeared a large sheet of oil appeared.

BRITISH SHIP ZEEBRUGGE.

AMSTERDAM, March 31.—British warships were attacking the German naval base at Zeebrugge. The sound of the bombardment can be heard at Sluis, and the Germans are using armed trawlers and merchant ships in an attempt to drive off the warships.

PROMISE MORE STUDENTS FOR BIBLE COURSES

Pastors Advise Institute and Methods School Among Members of Their Church Congregations.

"We expect fully four hundred people to be enrolled when the second session of the Bible Institute opens tonight," said Principal F. G. Pickell, dean of the institute faculty.

Every effort has been made to increase the enrollment since the opening meeting last week, when 370 people were enrolled. A number of pastors and Sunday school superintendents have called at Mr. Pickell's office in the high school, and checked over the list of persons attending from their school. Many of them said they had lists of members who had promised to enter the institute work. One superintendent who had fifty members who had promised to enter the institute found that only twenty-one had enrolled on the first night.

President Robert L. Kelly of Earlham college, will speak during the opening period. His subject has not been announced. The session will be limited to forty-five minutes, while the time of the class room periods will be increased from thirty to fifty minutes. The following subjects will be taken up tonight: Elementary class, "The Child"; teachers of boys, "Aims"; teachers of girls, "Way We Teach"; adult class teachers, "Feud Between Israel and Amalek. Samuel's Order to Destroy Amalek. The Break Between Samuel and Saul." Organization and building up a Sunday school, "Associate and Department Superintendents."

GERMANS NEAR VERDUN FORTS

PARIS, March 31.—After seven months of continuous effort the Germans have finally got near enough to Verdun to bombard the forts defending the city. Fort Douaumont, five miles northeast of the city proper, has been violently shelled by heavy guns, a dozen projectiles striking the works. This was officially admitted today by the war office. Fort Douaumont is one of a group of six forts and redoubts, north of the Conflans road, defending Verdun on the northeast.

GLEE CLUB SETS DATE

The Earlham Glee club will give two concerts before beginning the annual spring trip on April 7. The first concert is to be given Friday, April 2, in Milton under the management of the Milton Boosters' club, the second at Cambridge City on Monday, April 5, in the Methodist church. The home concert will not be given until after returning from their spring tour. This recital will be given in the high school on Thursday, April 15.