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## BRINGS SUIT AGAINST CITY

Fair Oaks Parties Make Street Contractors Parties To Suit For Alleged Damages.

Mrs. Sarah E. Burns and Miss Elizabeth J. Thompson, both of Fair Oaks, by their Attorneys Foltz & Spitzer have filed a claim for \$1,200 damages for injuries alleged to have been received Sept. 17, 1907.

Contractors, Thompson & Smith, and sub-contractor, Conrad Kellner are made defendant parties to the suit. The plaintiff alleges that on Sept. 17, 1907, they were going from the Monon depot to town, and that the contractors were working on the cement curb near the old Foster House and had a chalk line stretched across the walk, which the plaintiff did not see, and the contractors failed to warn them. They tripped and fell and Mrs. Burns dislocated both of her wrists, she alleges that since that time she has been unable to do enough labor time to support herself as she is compelled to do. She asks for damages to the amount of \$1,000. Miss Thompson received minor injuries for which she asks damages to the amount of \$200. It is not improbable that a compromise will be effected.

## Widow's Pensions to Be Increased.

So many bills have been introduced at this session to increase the pensions of all widows of soldiers that the house committee on invalid pensions has decided to frame a bill of its own and push it thru congress during the session. Messrs. Chaney, Holliday and Dixon, of Indiana, who are members of this committee, will endeavor to frame a bill embracing the good points of all bills thus far introduced.

As matters now stand the widows of soldiers are drawing pensions varying in amounts and the idea is to equalize all of them and make the amount \$12 a month. Most of them have been getting \$8 and some only \$6 while others have been getting \$10 and \$12 a month. The committee has been busy gathering data on the subject and finds that by the latest statistics there are 180,589 widows on the pension rolls. Figuring an average increase from \$8 to \$12 a month would mean \$48 increase to each one a year and it figures up that to make this change would require an increase of \$8,665,872. A majority of the members of the committee feel that the government can well afford to do this and will so report in the committee bill.

## William Rhinehart in charge of Farm Crops.

The Sheriff's sale of the Rhinehart McCosburg farm crops which was to have taken place at the farm today, did not take place, Sheriff O'Connor having received advice from Boyd & Julian, the Delphi attorneys for Abner T. Bowen & Co., that they had decided to allow Mr. Rhinehart to dispose of the crops at private sale. According to the advice Mr. Rhinehart was to turn over to the Bowen attorneys the proceeds of the sale.

Mr. Rhinehart was here from Queen City, Mo., today, and visited the farm, but has not yet arranged the sale of the crop.

## Have Sale Bills Printed Here.

If you will give us your sale bills to print you can help your favorite candidate in the popularity contest to the extent of 400 votes. Look over the list and see who you want to help.

Candidates can do well to see persons having sale dates and pledge them to get their bills printed here.

## Drunken Tramp Routs "Hello" Girls

A drunken tramp entered the telephone central office this morning and asked to talk to a party in Chicago. The distance operator informed him the line was busy and he would have to wait until they could call them. He sat down in the booth and waited patiently, for a couple of minutes, and then started a rough house. The girls called Mr. Thompson and he endeavored to explain the situation and to pacify the fellow. No use, he would either talk to Chicago right then or he'd carve up the bunch. Mr. Thompson telephoned for Marshal Parks and he arrested the fellow. A search of his clothes revealed a huge butcher knife.

He was taken to the jail and his trial held before Squire Irwin this afternoon. He refused to give his name or address and was fined \$5 and cost on a drunk and disorderly charge.

## Jasper County Delinquent Tax List.

The delinquent tax list for Jasper county is being set up in type by the Republican and will be posted by the sheriff in each township and then appear for three consecutive weeks in the Republican. In order not to lessen the amount of reading matter in the news columns an effort was made to have the list set up in linotype offices in both Lafayette and Indianapolis, but all these were so busily engaged with other work that the matter could not be handled. We are, therefore, setting it up here and to some extent at the expense of the news features of the paper. Several more of the township annual reports are being printed this week, and others will be next week.

## Seventy-Five Burned In Theatre Fire.

An opera house at Bowerton, Pa., crowded with members of the St. John's Lutheran Sunday school, gathered to witness an entertainment, was destroyed by fire Monday night and seventy-five of the children and their parents were burned to death. The explosion of a tank created a stampede for the exits and the performers, in an effort to calm the audience, upset the oil lamp, that served as foot lights and in a short time the entire theatre interior was in a blaze. Scores of men and children were trampled on and in several cases entire families are said to have been obliterated and most of the dead bodies were consumed by the blaze.

## Perfect Attendance For 10 Years.

Only one gold medal was awarded at the trustees' meeting this month for ten years' perfect school attendance. Trustee R. A. Mann, of Wheatfield township, used the \$5 gold piece that is the usual award for this accomplishment, to purchase a very nicely designed gold badge for Miss Edith Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Miller, living 2½ miles southwest of Wheatfield, who has not failed in attendance nor been tardy during ten continuous years of school life.

## Anti-Liquor Law Valid.

The supreme court of the United States Monday upheld the anti-liquor law of Kansas by affirming the decisions of the supreme court of that state in a number of cases, including that of Fritz Durien, of Shawnee county, convicted of violating the law. Durien appealed to the federal supreme court on a writ of error on the ground that the state statute contravenes the constitution because it gives discretion to probate judges in granting permits. The decision was announced by the justice. There was no written opinion.

Good horses and young mules will be offered at J. V. Leah's sale on Jan. 28th.

## Delegates To National Convention.

While it has been announced from various quarters that George Ade had withdrawn from the race to be a delegate to the republican national convention, it has not been confirmed from Mr. Ade's own headquarters at Brook, and is quite probable not the case. Congressman Crumpacker would like to be a delegate and some of his friends from the north end were quite busy feeling for him at the district meeting at Lafayette, but they received some quite hard jolts from some of the south end politicians, who incline to the belief that Judge Crumpacker should defer to the other candidates.

Will R. Wood will without question have the entire support of the south end, and George Ade has many warm friends among his old Lafayette acquaintances, and apparently Tippecanoe would be solid for him. A. K. Sills always bobs up serenely with much unexpected strength and he is apt to make the contest interesting if he stays in the race. It is certainly hoped that there will be more than two candidates, as the convention would be a very tame affair with only two sure winners in the field.

Chairman Marshall was very kind to Rensselaer in giving it the convention. There will be a large crowd here, and Rensselaer republicans should put themselves out to take care of the delegates. Both Mr. Marshall and Judge Vinton, of Lafayette, the latter a college classmate of Ade, have engaged quarters in advance at the Maekewer House.

If the race seems to be getting down to only two candidates, then Rensselaer should supply another one. It has been a great many years since Jasper county furnished a delegate to a republican national convention.

Both A. K. Sills and Cloyd Loughry, of Monticello, have been national delegates in years past, the former to the first Harrison convention, and the latter to the first convention that nominated William McKinley. It is said that it costs a delegate from \$250 to \$500 to keep up proper appearances at a convention.

## No Jamestown Show in 1908.

That there will be no official reopening of the Jamestown exposition for the season of 1908 was determined Monday by the reply of Chairman George H. Adams, of the exposition reopening committee, to a communication from Alvah H. Martin, chairman of the receivers for the exposition company. The only chance left for reopening would be the purchase of the property for this purpose by private interests. The exposition receivers will today file with the court their report.

## Many Hours Unconscious.

After lying for 110 hours in an unconscious condition, Mrs. Isabelle D. Bowen, a wealthy widow of Fort Wayne, opened her eyes at noon Monday. Absolute quiet surrounds her, and bulletins are being placed hourly on the door for the benefit of friends. Mrs. Bowen was partially suffocated Wednesday night of last week, by escaping gas and she remained unconscious till noon Thursday. Her recovery is still doubtful.

## Farm Bargain.

112 acres on gravel road, free mail, telephone, school and only four miles from court house. This farm is all in cultivation or meadow except eight acres of timber, has six room house fair barn and other out buildings, bearing orchard, small fruit and good well. Price only \$57.50 per acre. Terms \$500 down \$1500 Feb. 1st and four years on remainder at 5 per cent.

G. F. Meyers,  
Office in Lepold Bldg. opposite  
State Bank.

Subscribe for the Republican.

## STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

Contest will close March 14, 1908. No votes will be received after 8 o'clock p. m. of that day.

Prizes will be awarded in the order given in the advertisement.

In event of a tie vote for any of the prizes, the value of the prize will be divided equally among all who are tied.

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| Grace Peyton      | 81285 |
| Lelia Grant       | 37700 |
| Mrs. Joe Halligan | 34980 |
| Bessie Hardy      | 28030 |
| Grace Reed        | 12715 |
| Fannie Porter     | 9875  |
| Ferne Parker      | 7400  |
| Bernice Sayler    | 6125  |
| Lillian McLanahan | 3715  |
| Kate Maxwell      | 3380  |
| Ethel Clarke      | 3265  |
| Goldie Gunyon     | 3085  |
| Esther Padgett    | 3050  |
| Cecil Rutherford  | 2215  |
| Ethel McCarthy    | 2210  |
| Mary Adams        | 1745  |
| Bessie Moore      | 1530  |
| Day Jordan        | 1290  |
| Bertha Eldridge   | 1070  |
| Mae Pettit        | 735   |
| Mildred Watson    | 685   |
| Blanche Conaway   | 430   |
| Pauline Ames      | 280   |
| Carrie Pierce     | 245   |
| Edna Donnelly     | 210   |
| Amanda Lokotzki   | 100   |
| Dollie Schock     | 60    |
| Clara Brusnahan   | 40    |
| Fannie Roush      | 40    |
| Leah Knox         | 35    |
| Minnie Karch      | 30    |
| Callie Baker      | 30    |
| Edith Adams       | 10    |
| Pearl Price       | 10    |
| Grace Shepard     | 10    |
| Ruth Yeoman       | 10    |
| Mamie Cull        | 10    |
| Cenoth Jordan     | 10    |

## Mrs. Jacob Myers.

Mrs. Jacob Myers, whose death occurred at her home in Union tp., on Monday, Jan. 6th, was born in Ross county, Ohio, Jan. 10th, 1833 and therefore lacked only four days of being 75 years of age. To herself and husband were born six children, five of whom survive, viz. James and Jacob Myers, of Hebron, Ind., William and Abraham, of Parr, and Mrs. Nancy Hurley, of Logansport. Deceased was a member of the M. E. church for many years. The funeral was held at the U. B. church at Aix by Rev. B. F. Ferguson, and interment was made in the Prater cemetery.

## Carrie Nation Disgusted.

Carrie Nation's friends have received word that the "crusader" will abandon her war on saloons. She considers it a thankless fight and is angry because the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has refused to recognize her except as a notoriety seeker. Mrs. Nation has decided to pass the rest of her life in seclusion, according to her friends. She is broken in health and has spent all her money in her fight.

## Friction Gear Invention.

Dr. Wallace Parkinson has gone to Delphi to get his patented friction gear for use in automobiles. He will take it to Purdue University where it will receive a thorough mechanical test and the result of this test will determine largely whether or not the gear will be manufactured.

Wildberg now has the nicest line of boys suits in the city, price within reach of everybody.

B. S. Fendig is now in the market for all kinds of poultry at the highest market price. You had best sell your young roosters now, as they will soon become staggy and sell for less money. Clean up all your surplus old hens before the laying season begins. Call and see me for prices.

B. S. Fendig.

15 cent zephyr gingham, 10½ cents per yard, 2 days only, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24th and 25th.

Chicago Bargain Store.

Take the advantage of this sale as you can save a month's wages on a bill of clothing.

## Harmony At Convention.

The republican district organizing convention at Lafayette exhibited no strife in any quarter, the north, south and center sections of the district all getting together in the finest harmony feast imaginable.

A. J. Hickey, the young Laporte lawyer, who was elected chairman, made a very favorable impression, and the north end delegates were very enthusiastic for him. He made a neat speech of acceptance, praised the organization work of Henry W. Marshall, and pledged that he would visit every county of the district during the coming campaign.

## A Colorado Renewal.

W. H. Coover, for many years a resident of Jasper county, and for two terms county auditor and later engaged in the grocery business in Rensselaer, writes us from Boulder, Colo., in renewing his subscription that he thinks the first of the year is a good time to pay one's subscriptions irrespective of the provisions of the new law interpretation by the post-office department. He then says, "The Republican is always welcome, not only because it keeps us posted on local matters, but also because of its being the exponent of good old republican party principles, the best and safest for the government of the country."

## Hope He Takes it 25 More.

In writing from Red Bluff, Calif., to renew his subscription to the Republican, C. P. Mayhew says, "For twenty five years I have been sending similar orders each year. I can hardly hope to send such orders to you for so many years, as I am now past sixty years old. However, if you continue with the Republican I hope to be a subscriber for many years." Mr. Mayhew will be remembered by many old residents of Rensselaer. He is now engaged in the tea and coffee store business at Red Bluff.

## Republicans Reorganize in White County.

In the White county republican reorganization Monday of this week, Ben F. Carr, law partner of Judge T. F. Palmer, was elected chairman to succeed A. K. Sills. It is said to have been quite a thorough organization, and altho Sills was at first considered a candidate to succeed himself, and later had Representative Curtis D. Meeker up as a candidate, he early read the hand writing on the wall and withdrew, and the Carr election was made unanimous.

## Editors Meet This Week.

The Republican Editorial association of Indiana, will meet in Indianapolis Thursday and Friday at the Claypool Hotel. The Thursday evening "session" will consist of the annual banquet at which Will K. Penrod will act as toastmaster.

The guests of honor will be Vice-president Fairbanks, Senators Beveridge and Hemenway, Harry S. New and James P. Goodrich. The editor of the Republican and wife are in attendance.

If you want to get a good horse or a good mule don't fail to attend J. V. Leah's sale on Jan. 28th.

Zephyr gingham sale, 10½ cents a yard, worth 15 cents a yard. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24 and 25.

Chicago Bargain Store.

The price on several lots of overcoats cut just half into. Hurry and get one before they are all gone.

Duvall & Lundy.

Wildberg now has the nicest line of boys suits in the city, price within reach of everybody.

J. V. Leah's sale will take place on Jan. 28th, and he has a fine list of stock, including several brood mares. He has one driving mare, lady broke, and automobile broke. Several good cows, and a lot of good Duroc sows that will farrow in April.

Big reduction on duck and denim workcoats. A full line of sizes from 34 to 50.

Duvall & Lundy.

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