

## CYCLONE DESTROYS PUTNAM COUNTY HOMES; LEAVES RUIN IN WAKE

in Which Visited Putnam County That Morning Accompanied by Funnel Shaped Cloud Which Came from the Southwest and Traveled in a Northeasterly Direction—Struck Just West of Fillmore

## HOUSE TORN FROM ITS FOUNDATION

idence of John Sinclair, West of Fillmore, is Lifted from its Support—Two Barns on the Farm of Mrs. William Dimler Destroyed and Her Home Badly Damaged—Wind Mill, too, is Wrecked

## ACTION CREW WATCHED THE CLOUD

Saw Poles Twisted Off, Hay and Straw Stacks Lifted into the Air, Trees Uprooted, and Plainly Heard Roar of the Storm as it Passed Behind Them—They Narrowly Escaped by Running from the Cloud as They Saw it Approach

A cyclone which came with the Tuesday morning struck west of Fillmore causing much damage. The cyclone, which was traveling in a northeasterly direction, struck just west of Fillmore. It was near 8:45 o'clock. The cyclone in the form of a funnel shaped cloud struck the earth it would not trees, lift hay and straw into the air, tear down rail fences and demolish any large building in its path. It would strike the earth with a roar and seemingly go into the air, only to light a few hundred feet ahead. The cyclone made as it struck the earth a noise heard for quite a distance.

House Torn From Foundation. The home of John Sinclair, between Buteen and the interurban, and Fillmore was in the line of the cyclone. The house was lifted from its foundation and set to one side. The damage will amount to several hundred dollars. Hay stacks, fences and trees which happened to be in the road of the cyclone were demolished.

The storm left a track of ruin in its wake. Soon after striking the Sinclair home it struck on the farm of William Dimler near Fillmore. Two barns on the farm was demolished, the roof was torn off of another, and the wind mill was wrecked and the house badly damaged. The storm struck just west of Fillmore and did not strike the town.

Telephone and telegraph wires were torn down as the storm swept through them and details of the affair were extremely hard to secure. Men Saw Storm Approach. John Volderauer, motorman from John Cox and Bert Walden, conductors of interurban freight car, No. 7, comes a good description of the cyclone. The car had just left Fillmore and was about a half mile west of that town when the motorist saw the funnel shaped cloud approaching from the southwest. His car at that time was directly in the line of the cyclone. Realizing his danger he turned on full speed and managed to get ahead of the storm.

He and the other members of the car, after they had escaped, had a good opportunity to view the cyclone. They saw it approach in a funnel shape from the southwest and with great speed. The tail of the cloud would strike the earth with a tearing up anything it happened

ed to hit and then bounce into the air again. It went across the country as if by great leaps. The car crew saw great trees uprooted, hay and straw stacks whirled into the air, fences torn down and as the cloud crossed the interurban tracks only a short distance behind them, saw a large high tension wire pole twisted in two.

Interurban Traffic Tied Up. The breaking of this pole caused traffic on the interurban to be tied up for more than an hour. The men say that as the tail of the cloud would strike the ground there would be a great roar which would diminish as the cyclone then arose into the air again.

After passing Fillmore the cyclone continued in a northeasterly direction. All telephone wires were torn down, however, and no word of what damage was done north was not known up to noon.

The Wind Strikes Buggy. Three men were driving along the road near the Dimler home just as the cyclone reached that place. The cyclone struck the buggy and rolled it into a field but luckily none of the men were badly injured. The names of the men are not known here at this time.

Cyclone or Tornado. The storm at Fillmore this morning was distinctly cyclonic in its character. The cyclone is a wind storm with a circular motion, the greatest intensity at the center, and a decided lifting motion. The cloud is always funnel shaped. A tornado is usually formed by the meeting of two storms at less than a right angle. The two then unite and move forward in a line that is the resultant of the force of the two storm clouds. There is no rotary motion in the tornado, and its force is crushing rather than lifting.

NOTES OF THE STORM. Jacob Fogle, was driving a single horse near the farm of Walter Cooper, southeast of town, when the wind struck him. Horse, vehicle and man were swept from the road and overturned. Fogle was carried to the home of Walter Cooper, but proved to be uninjured.

Walter Cooper lost more than two hundred shocks of corn fodder. It had just been shucked, and the wind cleaned the field.

The general course of the storm was from southwest to northeast. It began not far from the Deer Creek crossing of the Cloverdale road and extended beyond Delmar.

## LOSERS MONEY OF CLAY CO.

Editor Sends Bill of Costs in Cases Settled Here From Our Neighbor County on the West, Amounting to a Goodly Sum.

## 106 FOR THE CASES TRIED

Editor Moffett last Monday filed a bill of costs against Clay County for the costs of the cases tried in

## BACHELDER CASE AGAIN

Suit Against the Trustee of Warren Township Which Was Supposed to Have Been Settled Comes to the Fore Again.

## AMENDED COMPLAINT IS FILED

The case of the State of Indiana, Ex Rel Charles W. Bachelder against Luther T. Evans, trustee of Warren Township, came to the fore again Friday, after it was supposedly off the docket. Last term of court the case was argued before Judge Rawley, who took it under advisement. Before he rendered his decision in the case a compromise was effected between the parties. According to the council for the plaintiff, the defendant trustee agreed to transport the children of the plaintiff. Now it appears that the defendant refuses to have the wagon used for the transportation of the children driven to the house of the plaintiff, but continues to allow it to stop some distance, about a hundred yards, from the residence. This, it is alleged, is a hardship for the children and that they must go to this point and wait for the coming of the wagon, even though the weather be very bad.

In view of this fact the attorneys of the plaintiff, Messrs. Lyon and Peck, Friday filed an amended complaint, and the case will be taken up again. Speaking of the law upon the matter, Judge Rawley stated that the statute was very badly drawn. No one could tell just what was meant. He declared the statute should be re-enacted and made plain.

## NEAR DEATH FROM BURNS

James Humphries, of Cloverdale, Falls into a Kettle of Boiling Water While Butchering Hogs on Friday.

## CONDITION VERY SERIOUS STILL

James Humphries, of Cloverdale, met with a serious and painful accident on Friday afternoon. Mr. Humphries was engaged, with several others, in butchering hogs. A large kettle of water had been heated for the purpose, and Humphries, in some manner stumbled and fell into the kettle. It overturned upon the unfortunate man, making the burns even worse. As it is his leg and side are terribly injured, and his condition is considered very serious. At ten o'clock Saturday he had improved but little, and was suffering intensely.

## THE REWARD IS NOW \$300

The city council at its meeting Tuesday voted to add \$100 to the \$100 offered by the interurban company and the \$100 offered by the County Commissioners for the apprehension of the murderer of night interurban agent Hendren, who was shot to death while on duty at the station one night several weeks ago. This makes the total reward \$300.

## STORM WAS VERY GENERAL

Tuesday's rain and wind was quite general over the state. From one to two inches of water fell in the various counties. High winds were felt in many places and storms of cyclonic intensity were experienced in Putnam County and Grant County. Damage was done in other sections of the state.

The rain has benefitted wheat, though it is still a question whether, coming thus late the rain will enable Indiana farmers to make a wheat crop. The streams have not, as yet, been affected greatly. The ground was so dry that most of the rainfall was absorbed at once.

## SPEAK OF KNOCK-OUT DROPS

Prisoners Before Mayor Hays Declare They Were Victims of Foul Play Saturday Night in This City—Special Sunday Session of Court.

## ONE LOST HIS NEW OVERCOAT

Several men appeared before the Mayor last Monday and on Sunday for intoxication. In several cases they claimed that they had been the victims of foul play. Buford Wilson was before the mayor in a special session held for his benefit Sunday. He declared that he had entered a saloon Saturday night and had taken but two light drinks and then knew no more. He declared that knock-out drops had been used on him.

George Arbor was before the mayor last Monday. He hails from Morgan County and declared that he, too, was suffering from some drug that had been put in his booze. He stated that he came here from Morgan County on Saturday and purchased an overcoat and other articles. That he took a drink or two and knew no more till he waked up in jail, minus the overcoat and other recently purchased things. Leonard Miller was also up. All three received the usual \$1 and costs.

It is probable that these men are not used to the extra brand of red eye that is served here and mistake its effects for deadly dope. Evidently they are not properly insulated.

## CIRCUIT COURT NOTES

Andrew E. Durham, Administrator of Estate of Alice I. McLaughley, deceased vs. William Masterson, Bessie Palmer et al. land sale; sale reported and approved. Deed reported, sale confirmed and cause stricken from the docket.

R. Benton Johnson, Admr. with will annexed of Emily Johnson, deceased, petition to sell real estate; land ordered sold at public sale with four weeks' notice. E. B. Lynch appointed to sell. Bond in sum of \$6,000.

Lee Firestone, Admr. of estate of James Presslar vs. Richard Presslar, petition to sell real estate; Frank Presslar called and defaulted, answers of other heirs filed. Sale ordered at private sale without notice.

The State of Indiana, Ex Rel, Arthur L. Evans vs. The Warren Township Advisory Board, cause dismissed. State of Indiana, Ex Rel, Jefferson D. Rader Trustee and Jackson Huffman vs. Ed. L. Herbert, a member of the Advisory Board, cause dismissed.

Monday morning trial was begun in the case of Hannah Hadley against the C. C. & St. L. Railroad. The case is one in which the plaintiff asks damages for injury to property resulting from the cutting of the grade for the newly laid out line of the Big Four. A jury was secured this morning and the trial is going forward. It is likely to continue for several days.

Last Monday the case of the C. C. & St. L. Railroad against Hanna Hadley was redocketed after having been off the docket for a year or more. It was a condemnation suit in which the railroad secured certain land for its right of way. Later it was discovered that a portion of the land secured was not covered by the complaint, and for this reason the case is again placed on the docket. Motion was made to file an amended complaint and it was overruled.

## ANOTHER CASE FROM HENDRICKS

Final Settlement of the Estate of Charles A. Palmer Comes to Putnam County on a Change of Venue

A case involving the final settlement of the estate of Charles A. Palmer was today brought to Putnam County on change of venue from Hendricks. It appears that the estate brought suit to recover damages for the death of the deceased. That two law firms were attorneys for the estate, and that they were paid as follows: to John F. Neal \$250; to Doan and Orbison \$875. To

this amount paid out by the administrator of the estate the guardian of the minor children filed an objection, declaring that the fees were excessive. The guardian holds that 25 per cent of the amount received as damages would be a reasonable fee for the attorneys and asks that the Administrator return to the estate \$500 of the sum paid to the attorneys.

## ARGUMENT FOR A RECOUNT

Democrats And Republicans Present Plans for a Review of the Vote in Marion County.

## WILL BE DECIDED ON FRIDAY

Special Judge Frank T. Edenharter heard arguments yesterday as to the recount in this county, as proposed by defeated Democratic candidates for state offices and defeated Republican candidates for county offices, but will not make a ruling until Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Henry Seyfried, William W. Spencer and Willard New were among those who represented the Democratic candidates, and all of them spoke. Pleadings were also filed for the Democratic state candidates. The second paragraph of the plea in abatement filed by Attorney General Bingham was overruled on a motion filed by Mr. Seyfried on behalf of the Democratic state candidates. This paragraph took the ground that a local court had no jurisdiction in some of the cases because this was not their legal residence, and the judge concluded that this was, under the law, their residence as state officers. They had not had much hope for the plea, anyway, Mr. Bingham had explained.

The Democrats filed a demurrer also to the first paragraph of the plea, and it is on it that the case will be decided. The paragraph takes the position that the law as to the recounts, passed in 1881, had been repealed and did not refer to voting machines. Mr. Bingham, in arguing this, took the stand that the law providing for the Australian ballot, passed in 1889, and the voting machine law, passed twelve years later, both repealed the recount law by implication.

Against him in his position were both the Democratic candidates for state offices and the Republican candidates for county offices. John M. Weaver and Mr. Moores spoke for the local Republicans. Mr. Weaver argued that a law not pertaining to the precise purpose of another law did not repeal the older law and that therefore, the Australian ballot law and the voting machine law, not touching upon the subject of contests or recounts, did not affect the law of 1881.

Mr. Moores among other things, touched on the fact that the law of 1881 was not inapplicable to voting machines, and that since it had not actually been repealed it was still to be adhered to. He called attention to the fact that a contest where voting machines are used is even more effective than a contest under the Australian ballot law, which provides that the uncontested ballots shall be burned, because after the vote is taken on the machine it stands there. He suggested, too, that the Legislature must have had something in mind when the provision was made in the voting machine law that the machines should be left for thirty days without change.

Some of the candidates suggested when Mr. Bingham asked for a postponement until Friday because he said he felt it his duty to go to Andersonville, Ga., for the unveiling of the monument there tomorrow, that he might pay the expense of watchers at the storage place where the machines are kept. The local Republican and Democratic candidates are spending \$16 a day for watchers. Mr. Bingham said, however, that the law did not provide for such watchers and that the candidates could do as they pleased about hiring them.—Indianapolis Star.

The Program Committee of the Putnam County Farmers Institute will meet Saturday, November 28, at 1:30 o'clock in the assembly room of the court house.

## INCORPORATE FOR \$50,000

INDIANA & OHIO STONE CO., WHICH WAS ORGANIZED AFTER THE PURCHASE OF THE GLIDEWELL LAND JUST WEST OF TOWN, IS PLANNING EXTENSIVE BUSINESS FOR THE STONE INDUSTRY IN PUTNAM COUNTY.

## ARE READY TO WORK ON PROJECT

C. D. Mitchell and J. A. Yauger, Two Of the Largest Stockholders, Were At the Site Monday—Are Now Boring to Find Stone Deposits—Other Land Purchased From David Houck.

Plans for extensive improvement of the stone quarries on the Glidewell farm, just west of town, which was purchased from the Glidewell estate a few weeks ago by C. D. Mitchell, J. A. Yauger and several others are being made. Last week the company was incorporated in Indianapolis under the name of the Indiana & Ohio Stone Company. The company is incorporated for \$50,000. No officers were named in the incorporation papers.

Since buying the Glidewell farm, the company has purchased 25 acres which adjoins the Glidewell farm on the north, from David Houck.

The company now has men at work drilling and testing the stone. The location of the crushers will be determined from the results of these tests. It is said that when completed the new company will have one of the largest and most up-to-date stone crushing plants in the state.

## PLEADS GUILTY TO ASSAULT

Homer Blake Appears Before the Mayor, Is Found Guilty and is Fined \$25 And Costs Amounting to \$35.

## END OF A SATURDAY NIGHT ROW

At 2 o'clock Friday afternoon Homer Blake, charged with assault and battery upon Edward Siddons, was before Mayor Hays. Edward Siddons appeared as the prosecuting witness, together with members of his family. After hearing the testimony of the witnesses the Mayor found the defendant guilty and assessed a fine of \$25 and costs amounting to \$35. The fine was stayed.

The trouble occurred last Saturday night. Henry Blake gave Siddons a dozen bottles of beer to take to Blake's home. Siddons started but failed to find the right house and went home and to bed, leaving the beer in the yard. About 12 o'clock Homer Blake appeared on the scene and demanded to see Siddons. He was called by his sister and at length appeared on the porch. After some words Blake struck him and Siddons was rendered unconscious. He still bears the marks of the severe treatment he received.

## RUSH AT CLERK'S OFFICE

Six Marriage Licenses Are Issued And One Wedding Ceremony is Performed There During the Day.

It was a rushing day at the office of the Circuit Clerk. Seemingly a large number of Putnam County young people arrived at the decision to marry at the same time and yesterday afternoon and today eight licenses were granted to would-be wedded ones. When the clerk was not issuing marriage licenses he was writing out papers for those who desire to spend Thanksgiving in pursuit of the festive rabbit and coy quail. So between the hunters of game and the hunters of folicity the office was crowded most of the time.

In addition to the issuing of the licenses one wedding was performed in the office. Harry L. Fall and Eva R. Anderson were united in marriage the Rev. Smith of Rochdale officiating.