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## FRANCHISE IS NULL AND VOID

### Niles & Buchanan Railway Co. Fails

## TO BUILD LINE IN TIME

Southern Michigan Railway Company Completes Building Line to Kalamazoo

The Niles & Buchanan Railway company, a corporation organized by the Southern Michigan Railway company, which was granted a franchise by the common council of Niles city a couple of years ago to build, maintain and operate a line in West Niles, has forfeited this franchise by failing to build the proposed lines between here and Buchanan by December 31, 1907, says the Niles Star.

The man who was to have financed the deal, died shortly after the franchise was granted, and since then such vast improvements have been making through the country that the East has been flooded with bonds, hence the bonds of the Niles & Buchanan Railway company could not be sold. However, the promoters of the enterprise, in question, mean business, as is evidenced by the fact that they purchased the abandoned road-bed of the Michigan Central between here and Buchanan, and have laid some trackage on West Main street. It is altogether likely that they will apply for a new franchise as soon as normal conditions in the money market are restored.

It is said that Southern Michigan Railway company intends to build an interurban line from Niles to Kalamazoo, which would thus form another link in the line that is sure to connect Chicago and Detroit ere long. There is a railroad line from Detroit to Kalamazoo, and for the Southern Michigan Railway company, which is allied with the Northern Indiana Railway company, to connect with the Kalamazoo, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Detroit line, would be a great business stroke.

### A Rare Opportunity

To receive expert instruction on the Violin, Clarinet and Cornet. Mr. Z. Herb, late Basso Solist with Fredrick Phinney's United States Band at the Jamestown Exposition, has come to Buchanan to spend the winter and spring. (Or until the concert season opens up next summer) with his parents who recently purchased the Hathaway farm at Bakertown. As he is a finished musician and an expert on both the double bass cornet clarinet and violin it will be to the advantage of any one contemplating the study of the above named instruments to see Mr. Herb as he will give expert instruction on any of the above.

### A CURE FOR MISERY

"I have found a cure for the misery malaria poison produces," says R. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. "It's called Electric Bitters, and comes in 50 cent bottles. It breaks up a case of chills or a bilious attack in almost no time; and it puts yellow jaundice clean out of commission." This great tonic medicine and blood purifier gives quick relief in all stomach, liver and kidney complaints and the misery of lame back. Sold under guarantee at W. N. Brodrick's drug store.

FOR SALE—Two-seat cutter cheap. Inquire at Klondike Livery.

MOOST BUCHANAN

You're in luck if you get a Clubbing Offer—a \$5 Saver—Get wise

### Got Nothing Out of Life

He Simply Raked and Scraped—Then Died

"A man," says a newspaper story, "made millions in his 90 years of life by never doing the usual thing."

These are some of the things he never did:

He never traveled.

He never joined anything.

He never paid for a ticket of admission.

He never ate in a hotel or restaurant.

His total expenditure for car fare was less than one dollar.

For 40 years he had not voted.

He wouldn't smoke, not because it was harmful, but because it cost him 12 cents a week.

And when he died he had amassed \$1,500,000.

Poor, lonesome old man!

The world was no better off for this man. He took all it would give, but he gave nothing in return, either of money, or sympathy, or life.

So, when he died, they told about him in the newspapers, and now others will spend the money that he gave up everything to gather. There can't be many who care whether he is gone or not. Probably he had a few who loved, because the most unlovable of us are nearly always loved by somebody. But there isn't any street full of friends who feel that something has gone out of their lives. He hasn't left an empty place, for he never cared about other people or other things, or to see and know and understand and feel, and to put out his hand and get hold of the hand of the throbbing, living world around him.

People say, "That's a queer story!"

It's more than a queer story. It is a real tragedy, because it is the story of a man who died before he had ever begun to live.

### RANK FOOLISHNESS

"When attacked by a cough or a cold, or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery," says C. O. Eldridge, of Empire, Ga. "I have used New Discovery seven years and I know it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack." Known the world over as the king of throat and lung remedies. Sold under guarantee at W. N. Brodrick's drug store.

### HORSES WELL CARED FOR

Humane Society Much Pleased With Protection Given Dumb Brutes

T. G. Barnes, president of the South Bend Humane society, has called attention to the fact when this is the time of year when horses and other beasts of burden should have the best of care and protection from the cold winter blasts. He announces that the society has paid particular attention to the blanketing of horses and has noticed that those driven in from the rural districts have been generally well cared for. The society hopes that there will be no occasion for the humane officer to take horses up and place them in a barn because of the fact that they have not been properly cared for. The society has further suggested that the practice of clipping the hair from horses during the winter months should be abolished as that is the only natural protection from the cold.

### Articles of Association

The Berrien Centre Elgin Creamery has filed articles of association with County Clerk Miners, being capitalized for \$5,000 of which \$4,500 has been subscribed and \$1,000 paid in. The incorporators are A. S. Ricketts, W. H. Bremer, D. E. Sharpe, E. H. Willett and J. M. Nelson, all of Berrien Centre.

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## NILES BANK AMONG VICTIMS

### Many Banks and Citizens are Possessors of Bad Small Checks.

An ungrateful son, through the circulation of spurious notes, bearing his father's forged signature, secured several small amounts from the various banks throughout the south end of the county during the past week.

The young man is Frank Ingleswright, and is the son of F. P. Ingleswright, Sr., residing near the village of Buchanan, and the alleged forgery was uncovered when suit was started in Justice W. I. Babcock's court to enforce the collection on notes which were supposed to have been issued by J. P. Ingleswright to Robert Atkins, but which proved to be forgeries of Frank P. Ingleswright, Jr., son of the defendant. The alleged forger, who left for parts unknown, did a wholesale forgery business and forged many notes which are held by various banks and other parties. Snell & Co.'s bank of Niles, holds one of the notes, Liveryman Sweigel is burdened with another, and a Mr. Smith, of Baroda, was victimized to a small extent and holds a worthless piece of paper, and the Berrien Exchange bank has a bad note. Mr. Ingleswright lives between Buchanan and Berrien Springs on a farm and was not aware of the mischief his son was creating till the banks refused to cash some of the notes.

## IT WILL MEAN A BITTER FIGHT

### To Carry Berrien County Prohibitionists Would Have Labor Hard

The announcement of Richard G. Crawford, of St. Joseph, that city's richest grocer, recently in which he stated in an open letter to the public that he intends to start a local option battle in Berrien county has created widespread interest among those who are for and those who are against the saloon.

A local option fight in Berrien county will mean a bitter struggle. It has not been many years since Berrien county went through the throes of one of these red hot struggles; and it will be remembered that the wets were the winners when the votes were counted. Berrien county bears the reputation of being pretty thoroughly wet, and opponents of local option declare that it would be impossible to swing the county into the ranks of the dries. On the other hand, however, a mighty prohibition wave is sweeping the country. It started in the extreme southern states and by leaps and bounds has been passing through Dixie and advancing towards the north. Tuesday at 12 o'clock Georgia went dry. Other states have gone before, others are rapidly falling into line. The wets and the dries have crossed swords and so far the dries have been victorious. Will Berrien county go dry? Yes? No?

OYSTERS—Received in sealed carriers—are separated from ice and water—are solid meats and retain their natural flavor. Try them. Sold by Buchanan Cash Grocery.

See the new pictures at Richards and Emerson's.

### City Life a Delusion

Old Inhabitant Thinks Country Towns Offer More Happiness

"Up at the depot just now," said one of the old inhabitants, "I saw several of the boys get off the train to spend the holidays at home. They've come back to the old town from the city, and I'll bet my bull pup against their turkey dinner with the home folks that most of 'em would remain right here in town if they were not ashamed to say that city life is not up to their expectations. And between you and me and the barn door I am strongly inclined to think that nine out of ten of the boys who go from any country town to a big city would make a better winning in the race of life if they would stay at home and grow up with their own community."

"I went to the city when I was a cub and stayed several years. But was homesick all the time. The young fellow in a great city holding a job and working so many hours a day for somebody else is not by any means in such an enviable position as some of the people still in the country towns are inclined to think."

"I recall that when I was living in the city many years ago, working on a salary for a famous establishment, the local paper here once printed a notice about me that made me laugh out of one side of my mouth while I cried out of the other. According to the home paper, I was 'on the high road to fortune in the city.' I was holding a highly responsible post with a great concern and making good, and all that sort of thing. The facts as to my responsible position were all right, but it cost me two or three times as much to live there as it did back home, and at the end of year I usually found my bank account no bigger than it would have been had I remained at home and kept on working in Brown's general store."

"Finally I resolved to face the music and come back home. The word home means something in a small town too. As you know, I have a pretty good home, and I own it, no mortgages, and when the flowers bloom in the front yard every spring I compare my house and lot with the rented cell I used to occupy in the city greatly to the advantage of the house and lot. I'm not rich, but I'm comfortable. If I had stayed in the city, perhaps by now I might have had a large bank account—and perhaps not. But one thing is sure as shooting—I would not have had so many good friends nor half so high a standing in the city as I have here at home."

"My advice to the boys is," concluded the old inhabitant, "is to think two or three times before they leap into a great city. In most cases they become mere cogs in a huge commercial wheel, the motive power being operated by somebody else. I may be old fashioned, boys, but I am firm in the conviction that it is better to be an entire minnow in a small pond than to be the tail of a large fish in a stormy ocean. One way to build yourself up is to help build up your own town by believing it is the best town on earth for yourself and staying in it."

### IT DOES THE BUSINESS

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c at W. N. Brodrick's drug store.

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## TO RESURRECT POWER FRANCHISE

### Electric Current May Yet Be Transmitted to Niles from Buchanan Power Plant

The outlook is that at the next meeting of the Niles common council, which will be held on the 13th instant, unless a special meeting is called in the meantime, the matter of granting a franchise to the Chapin people to transmit power to that city from the Buchanan company's water power electric plant at Buchanan, will be again brought up, says the Niles Star.

A franchise was applied for a couple of years ago, but, despite the fact that 95 per cent of the local manufacturers petitioned the council to grant it, two or three of the aldermen held out against it and it was defeated.

The dam at Buchanan furnishes from 2,500 to 3,000 horse power of river-generated electricity, and South Bend is getting the first advantage of this transmitted electric force, generated in a Berrien county village.

The entire pole line from Buchanan to the city limits of South Bend is constructed on a private right of way.

The entire cost of the development of the Buchanan water power and transmission of the electric current to South Bend has been up to date something over \$750,000.

The Star outlined ten advantages of electric power in preference to old methods:

Thirty-five per cent usually lost in shafting can be saved by proper arrangements of motors.

All labor incidental to a steam plant can be dispensed with.

No labor required for operating an electric motor.

Absolutely no waste of power—you pay for exactly what you use.

Maintenance and repairs reduced to a minimum.

Absolutely reliable; as is attested by all users.

Always available in or out of working hours.

No dirt.

A clean and attractive shop.

No coal famine to worry over.

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FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON, NOTARY PUBLIC.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO, Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### Conductors Decorous

The Big Four railroad company caused to be posted in the trainmen's department in all union depots a copy of the rules governing the actions of their conductors in charge of passenger trains, which demand the most courteous treatment. The conductors must use the greatest respect in the presence of ladies. No conductor must change his uniform till the train has reached its destination, he must remove his cap when addressing ladies, and must not pass through the dining car with his head covered. As a rule the Big Four employes are courteous, but the exception must take heed.

Big lot of new couches at Richards and Emerson's.

### MARKET REPORTS

Week ending Jan. 7 Subject to change:  
Butter.....24c  
Lard.....11c  
Eggs.....24c  
Honey.....14c

Beef, dressed.....6c  
Veal, dressed.....7c  
Pork, dressed.....6c  
Mutton dressed.....9c  
Chickensive.....9c

Above quotations are on live weight only.

The Pears-East Grain Co., report the following prices on grain to-day:

No. 2 Red Wheat.....96c  
No. 1 White Wheat.....96c  
Rye.....78c  
Oats, 3 white.....48c  
Yellow Corn.....

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Of the Winter Banquet of the Chicago-Buchanan Society

During the first week in February next there will be held the first annual banquet of the Chicago-Buchanan society, (composed of the former residents of Buchanan and vicinity.)

It has been thought that quite likely a number of present Buchanan people or those who once were and are now living in some other "neck of the woods" besides Buchanan and Chicago might wish to attend the reunion. We wish to say they will be most heartily welcomed among the old girls and boys.

All persons desiring to attend communicate at once with the secretary of the society.

J. M. PLATTS, Downers Grove, Ill.

## OUTLAWS SAUSAGE AS IT'S NOW SOLD

Must be Labeled When Composed of Water and Cereals, Says Court

Judge Wiest, at Lansing, in an opinion handed down this noon, holds against the use of cereals and water in the manufacture of sausage. The decision was rendered in the proceedings brought by Armour & Co., of Chicago, to secure an injunction restraining the state dairy and food department from interfering with the sale of its sausage, by a threat of arrest, on the ground that the sausage was adulterated. The judge said in part:

"With the general public of this generation, largely reared on farms and in small villages and remembering home-made sausage, there is no occasion to look at a dictionary in order to define sausage. The common understanding is that sausage is composed of chopped meat seasoned, and the definition must control as against a manufacturer's process of adding cereals and water."

The court says further that cereal is cheaper than meat and water cheaper than the cereal which brings the manufactured product within the scope of the law prohibiting adulterations. It is further said that while the sausage may be sold it must be labeled to show that it contains water and cereals.

The decision is an important one in view of the large interests affected, and the fact that it is a second attempt of the meat company to prevent the dairy and food department prohibiting the sale of the sausage in the state.

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**EDITORIAL**  
BOOST BUCHANAN

**IRENUS SPARKS**

Buchanan's Candidate for County Treasurer.

Buchanan will have a candidate for County Treasurer in the person of Irenus Sparks, the present treasurer of this township. Mr. Sparks is a Buchanan product, having lived in or near Buchanan all his life, with the exception of a very few years, during which



he was successfully engaged in the mercantile business in Missoula, Montana. It was while living in Missoula that he became wholly incapacitated from performing any manual labor whatever. He has held the office of township treasurer for two years and during that time he has proven himself to be an efficient, painstaking and thorough official. While Mr. Sparks has been an active republican all his life he has never held any office excepting the office of township treasurer. If you will study the map of the County of Berrien you will see that Buchanan is entitled to at least one office; that office is County Treasurer, and Mr. Sparks is the one of all others to fill the place. Get acquainted with him, learn all about him and then remember him.

I want an Onest Teh.

**PORTZ' POTATO YEAST BREAD**  
The Bread That's All Bread

The bread that is above the ordinary kind—made from absolutely pure ingredients—your money back if a bit dissatisfied.

You are not paying for cheap stale bread with "pretty" wrappers.

You are not asked to pay for bread that is made in some "out-of-town" bakery—bread that is touched by many hands, dumped on cars, and passed through a varied temperature in transit before reaching your table.

**5c a loaf**

That's all you are asked to pay for PORTZ' Bread. And you GET wholesome quality and quantity—made in a clean, sanitary bakery.

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**FOR DELEGATE AT LARGE**

Through the Grand Rapids Herald the information that John W. Blodgett, of Grand Rapids, has expressed a wish to represent the republicans of Michigan as one of the state's four delegates at large in the coming republican national convention. It is stated by the Herald that Mr. Blodgett has declared his favor for Mr. Taft as the party's next nominee, and that unless instructed otherwise by the state convention he would expect to support Taft if chosen as a Michigan delegate. Few men in Michigan have given more of their time and means in behalf of the republican party and its better purposes than has John W. Blodgett, and no one has ever sought or received less in the way of recognition from his party friends. Mr. Blodgett has not asked for office and will not, he says, but he would esteem as a high honor the privilege of representing the republicans of Michigan as one of their delegates at large at Chicago in June. As a member of the republican national committee Mr. Blodgett has not only rendered service of state and national importance, but he has secured an acquaintance and standing in a national way which makes his selection as delegate at large from Michigan fitting and desirable in every respect. John W. Blodgett is such a man as the republicans of this state would make no mistake in selecting for the honor named. His relation to his party has never been disturbed by factional schemes or hidden methods. Fair dealing, truthful representations and honorable disposition of all matters with which he has had to do, have characterized Mr. Blodgett's public and business life. Such is the opinion held of John W. Blodgett by those who know him best in this section of the state, and such is the true estimate of him they would be pleased to have accepted by all the republicans of Michigan.

**Wooing the Fickle Gods**

"I have been troubled with insomnia all my life," remarked the nervous man, "and, like most people similarly afflicted, I have tried all the familiar dodges to induce sleep. The results were never particularly satisfactory in the way of producing the desired effect until one night I thought I had actually found a sleep inducer when I chanced to grasp one of the rods at the head of my bed with both hands and practically hung the weight of my body on it. That sent me to sleep, and it did the same thing for a few times, when, to my extreme disappointment, I found it had ceased to work. I was as badly off as ever recently until one night, when I had a bad cough, as well as an attack of sleeplessness. I tried the well known remedy of trying to send myself off into the land of Nod by taking long, deep breaths. What it did to me and has done several times since was not to only send me to sleep, but to stop my cough completely before I lost consciousness. Just why it did so is not of much consequence. That it did so is the thing that concerns me most."—New York Press.

**A Bald Venus.**

The ancient Romans at one time knew a Venus the Bald. The goddess was worshiped by that name in a particular temple after the invasion of the Gauls, the reason assigned for this strange fact in antiquity having been that the brave women of Rome cut off their hair to make bowstrings for the city's defense.—London Chronicle.

**Auto Suggestion.**

First Nephew—This waiting for dead men's shoes is pretty slow work.  
Second Nephew—That's just what I think, so I offered to lend uncle my automobile.—Harper's Weekly.

**A CURE FOR MISERY**

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**Correspondence**

**BOOST BUCHANAN**  
**GRANGE HALL**  
The Record's Regular Correspondent

Mr. Tabor Grange will meet at their hall Friday evening, Jan. 10. We hope to have the attendance the best of the year at this meeting.

Mr. Geo. Armstrong, of Berrien Centre Grange, will be there to install the officers elected for the coming year, after which we will have an oyster supper.

Pomona Grange meets at Berrien Centre, Tuesday, January 14.

Program Friday, January 10:  
Music by Grange  
Roll Call—A Sign or Salutation in Grange Work  
Paper—The Grange of the Past  
Biography of a Member  
Music  
Essay—The Grange of the Future  
Recitation  
Closing Song

**BRIDGEMAN**  
The Record's Regular Correspondent.

School began here Monday with full attendance. Nearly all are glad to be in their places.

Miss Winnie Whitten returned Monday to Ypsilanti where she is attending Normal.

Rosco Brightup has returned to his work at the Agricultural College.

The Congregational church is having a week of prayer.

Next Saturday the Royal Neighbors will have installation of officers; also a supper.

Mrs. W. S. Best is spending the week with her parents at the J. J. Miller home near Buchanan.

C. E. Whitten is on the sick list.

Miss Clara Troutfetter is away visiting for a week.

Mr. Wheelock is very low.

**OYSTERS**—Received in sealed carriers—are separated from ice and water—are solid meats and retain their natural flavor. Try them. Sold by Buchanan Cash Grocery.

**FOR SALE**—Two-seat cutter cheap, inquire at Klondike livery. ✓

Since the Pere Marquette moved its freight division and repair shops to Benton Harbor, New Buffalo has been the loser, a number of families moving there. The exodus was a distinct loss to the village and the merchants who have been allowing things to stagnate have concluded to hustle. They believe that their only salvation lies in securing more factories for village—hence the recent \$15,000 bond issue. The prosperity or adversity of a town depends a great deal upon the merchants. United they stand, divided they fall.

**Etiquette of the Flag.**

The army regulations of the United States provide that the flag at every post shall be raised at reveille each morning and lowered each evening at sunset, while the soldiers stand at salute and the band plays "The Star Spangled Banner."

The flag is never left out overnight for any reason, except perhaps one. When a fort or military post is actually under fire from the enemy the flag may wave defiantly until hostilities are over. This was poetically exemplified in Key's immortal song, wherein one line has it, "Through the night our flag was still there!"

At all army posts, moreover, there is a special storm flag, half as large as the regular post flag, which is flown in stormy and windy weather.

Another regulation is that on all occasions when the flag is displayed at half mast it shall be lowered to that position from the top of the staff. It is hoisted to the top of the staff before it is finally lowered.—Harper's Weekly.

**Smoking in Clubs.**

The question of smoking was a burning one in the nineteenth century, and it was not until 1845 that White's gave up a room to the users of tobacco, and in all clubs the smokers were relegated to the most dismal apartments. It was King Edward when Prince of Wales who broke through the tradition, and when White's refused to extend the accommodation for smokers started the Marlborough, wherein smoking was permitted in every part of the house but the dining room.—London Chronicle.

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**Estate of George E. Weaver**  
First publication Dec. 24, 1967.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN, the Probate Court for the County of Berrien.**

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1967.

Present: Hon. Frank H. Ellsworth, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of George E. Weaver, deceased.

Orph Weaver having filed in said court a petition praying that a certain instrument of writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, now on file in said court be admitted to probate, and that the administration of said estate be granted to Jacob Weaver or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the 30th day of January A. D. 1968, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Buchanan Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county (A true copy) FRANK H. ELLSWORTH, Judge of Probate.

Last Publication, Jan. 10, 1968.

**Real Estate Transfers**

Wm. B. Haslett to Belle Haslett, nw 1/4 sec 11 Bertrand, \$2,000.

Belle Haslett to Wm. B. Haslett, nw 1/4 nw 1/4 sec 11 and another piece in same section Bertrand \$2,000.

James A. Garland to Elmer E Remington, in w 1/4 sec 1 sw 1/4 sec, 14, Buchanan, \$350.

James C. Rogers to Levi R. Kenny, lots 6-7-8, block 1, A. B. Clark add. Buchanan, \$1,500.

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The bitter-tasting cellulose tissue containing about 9 per cent tannic acid, which is the part of the coffee that does the harm, has been removed, the healthfully stimulating, digestion-promoting properties remain intact, and all the time you are drinking real coffee prepared in the usual way.

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1 Sack Best patent	70c	1 Sack Golden Wedden	66c
1 " Lucky Hit	63c	1 " Daisy	60c
1 " Graham flour	20c	1 lb fresh Corn Meal	15c

**BUCHANAN CASH GROCERY**

Your Railroad or Street Car Fare Paid on a Purchase of \$15.00 or Over.

The Colonial Department Stores Company  
**The Ellsworth Store**  
"The Brightest Spot in Town"  
13-115-117 N. Michigan St., South Bend, Ind. 320 Church St., New York

We Pay express or freight on merchandise amounting to \$5.00 or Over.

**RANSACK SALE**

Starts at The Ellsworth Store  
**Thursday Morning, Jan. 9th**  
at 8:30 A. M.

Our year ends January 31st and in order to have a clean stock, every shelf, box and drawer is being *Ransacked for Odd Lots and Surplus Stock.* These will be placed on the counters at **LOW PRICES.**

Your railroad or street car fare paid on a purchase of \$15.00 or over.  
We pay express or freight on merchandise amounting to \$5.00 or over.

# LOCAL NEWS

BOOST BUCHANAN

The Presbyterian Aid Society will serve dinner the first Saturday in February.

The little son, Chester, of Mr and Mrs. John Houswerth, is still confined at home with lung fever.

The city of LaPorte, Ind., is to have a new Masonic Temple, which will cost \$20,000.

Rev. J. H. Patton will preach in the larger Hope church next Sunday, Jan. 12th, at 10:30 and 7 o'clock, morning and evening as usual.

The rooms over G. W. Noble's store are being fitted up in fine style as a club room for the Elks. Geo. Slater and Harry Weaver are doing the work.

The mothers, wives, daughters and sisters of Odd Fellows, over 18 years of age, are requested to meet at the Odd Fellows Lodge room, Wednesday 7:30 p. m., January 8 to organize a lodge of the Daughters of Rebecca.

The John Ellsworth store at South Bend will soon make things hum by a great ransack sale which is explained in this issue.

The following letters remain unclaimed in the Buchanan postoffice for the week ending Jan. 7, 1908: Letter, Miss Della Johnson.

A. A. WORTHINGTON, P. M.

John Portz wants the Record readers to watch his advertisements wherein he is going to give some valuable inside facts concerning bread making.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sutphen, of Belding, are the proud parents of an 8-lb baby girl, born in this place yesterday. Mrs. Sutphen was formerly Miss Hattie Shook.

If you have not called at our office in regard to our clubbing offer, you are missing a precious opportunity—an exceptional chance to save money. Let's talk together.

Bainton Bros., proprietors of the Niagara Mills have a world of faith in their flour product that they have decided to impart valuable flour pointers to the public through their weekly change of advertisements.

The ladies of the 30 Club will meet with Mrs. Maude Peck Wednesday afternoon, Jan 8th. This afternoon will be a special one, it being "Mothers' Day," each member will take her own or some one else's. In entertaining these dear ladies an enjoyable time is expected.

One of the mills of the Colby Flour Milling company at Dowagiac was destroyed by fire early Saturday morning. The loss is placed at \$30,000 and the insurance \$15,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Miss Lucy Baker was taken suddenly ill at the Three "B" Duster factory yesterday and was taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Huff. Miss Baker is very much better at this writing.

The little village of Keeler which has been in the throes of a small pox scare is again enjoying the peace and quiet of the outside world. The quarantine has been lifted. There were 23 cases of the dread disease and the epidemic is now completely a thing of the past.

In a closely contested game from start to finish the South Bend Commercial-Athletic basket ball team defeated the Buchanan high school five by the score of 27 to 16 last Friday night. Our school's players lost a great many opportunities to score through inability to find the basket and at times were dazed by the fast work of the South Bend five.

The members of the ninth grade were guests at the home of Miss Lucy and Joseph Beach on Evergreen farm New Year's Eve, where they watched the old year out and the new year in. Various games calculated to prevent drowsiness were indulged in, followed by an elaborate luncheon to which all did full justice. They reported a genuine good time.

Mrs. Julia A. Pierce, better known to her numerous friends as Grandma Pierce, met with an unfortunate accident last Friday afternoon. She attended a meeting of the United Brethren Aid society at the residence of James Bradley on Portage street and was just about to start for her Detroit street home when she accidentally fell and broke her arm, above the elbow. Despite her extreme age—82 she is doing very nicely under the skillful care of Dr. Landis.

The senior class of the high school went to the home of one of its members, Howard Smith, who lives across the river, last Thursday evening. Old fashioned games, such as used to be played in years gone by, were enjoyed to the utmost by the guests. A fine two-course luncheon was served by Mrs. Smith. The out-of-town guests were Burton Daw, of Chicago, and Clyde Treas, of Jackson. They departed at a late hour, thanking the host for such an enjoyable evening.

Miss Vera Jennings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jennings of this place, and Charles Tuttle of Bangor, Mich., were married Sunday afternoon at the residence of Rev. C. E. Marvin, pastor of the Niles Presbyterian church, they having driven to Niles. The ceremony was performed at a quarter of four o'clock. Mr. Albert McIntosh of Cassopolis, and Miss Blanche Wells were the only witnesses present. The newly wedded pair departed immediately for South Bend, Detroit, Jackson and Battle Creek. Mr. Tuttle, being traveling

salesman for the Elliott Shirt Co., of Boston, Mass., will be accompanied by his bride in part of his travels for a brief time after which she will be home with her parents. The couple are both well known here, Mr. Tuttle having been a faithful and efficient salesman with Desenberg's some three years ago. The Record joins in wishing them a happy and prosperous matrimony.

The dedication of the new Lodge No. 68 was performed on Thursday, Jan 2.

The Lodge was opened at 8 p. m. by officers of Buchanan Lodge No. 68, after which the Grand Lodge was opened:

- Chas. E. Sweet, G. M.
- R. E. Barr, Dep. G. M.
- Arthur M. Hume, Sr. G. W.
- G. Roscoe Swift, Jr. G. W.
- Geo. A. Lindsley, Chap.
- Past G. M., L. E. Wood, Treas.
- F. N. Boning, Sec'y.
- J. A. Baker, from Three Oaks, Sr. D.
- E. S. Roß, Jr. D.
- J. E. McGregor, Marshal
- A. A. Worthington, Vessel
- W. J. Miller, S. Scott

The ceremony dedication proceeded at once, which was done in a very solemn and dignified manner, and the Grand Lodge closed at 5 p. m.

There were present on this occasion some thirty visiting brothers from Chicago, Niles, Three Oaks, Dowagiac, Benton Harbor, South Bend, Bangor, Owasco, Detroit, Adrian and Lawton. After the Grand Lodge was closed an hour was spent in social intercourse, following which the brothers were directed to the Presbyterian church where they partook of a very elegant banquet, provided and donated by the ladies of the Eastern Star.

The banquet room, which was in the basement of the church was gorgeously decorated in an appropriate manner. Red, green and white were the colors which added attractiveness and pleasing effects to the surroundings. Fancy red bells hung here and there, the tables were in white which altogether presented a striking appearance. The visitors paid the ladies the highest compliment by declaring the whole affair engineered by them as far ahead of any other place they have seen.

At eight o'clock the Lodge was again opened for work in the third degree, which was beautifully exemplified by a part of the Grand Lodge officers, consisting of Chas. E. Sweet, acting Worshipful Master, A. M. Hume, E. W. G. R. Swift, J. W. R. E. Barr, S. D., together with some officers of Buchanan Lodge No. 68.

After the work was done, the Grand Master, acting as toast master, made a pretty little speech, and showed that he was possessed of a great variety of bouquets, which he seemed perfectly willing to part with upon the slightest provocation. Responses were made by Brothers Barr, Hume, Swift, Wood, Baker, Desenberg and many others, which stretched the meeting to near midnight, after which the brothers were again treated to lunch, and awaited the arrival of the 12:43 train to carry them to their respective homes.

They all voted the affair an unqualified success and paid especial tribute to the ladies of the Eastern Star for their very elaborate spread.

# PERSONAL

BOOST BUCHANAN

Oscar Morris was a guest of Niles friends Sunday.

Franklin Sewell is attending the poultry show in Grand Rapids.

Zeph Herb has returned from a visit at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Mrs. Lucy Beardsley has returned from a visit with her sons in Kalamazoo.

Miss Lena Shaw, of Chicago, is visiting a week with Mrs. Noah Canfield.

Miss Blennie Waterman returned today from a visit with South Bend friends.

Glenn Holmes leaves this week for Kentucky where he enters Bethany college.

Mrs. George Mitchell returned from a visit with friends at Grand Rapids, last week.

Miss Louise Arney returned Sunday evening from a visit with friends in Chicago.

A. A. Winchell, of Lansing arrived Sunday to spend a few days with his friend Riley Zerbe.

Jones Munson, of Jones, Mich., was in Buchanan last week visiting his sister, Mrs. J. Burch.

Mrs. Minnie Peters goes tomorrow to St. Louis, Mo. where she will take a special course in skirt making.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Hathaway were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Helmick in South Bend over Sunday.

Mrs. James Ketcham left for Chicago Saturday after a pleasant visit with relatives in Buchanan and other points.

Misses Mary and Jennie Miller, Ruth East, Zella Alliger and Lulu Broceus returned to Kalamazoo yesterday morning.

Mrs. Ward Smith and son, of Mishawaka, are the guests of Buchanan relatives this week. Mr. Smith also spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Susie Beach and friend, Miss Margaret McWha, of Chicago, and Harold Beach, of Decatur, were the holiday guests of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Beach.

R. Beardsley returned to his duties at Englewood high school, Chicago, after a two weeks visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beardsley.

Mrs. Alice Alliger left for Kalamazoo yesterday where she will remain with her daughter, Miss Zella, who is attending school there, for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hallock and Mrs. Robt. Haslett have gone to Jacksonville, Fla., where they will spend the winter with the former's daughter, Mrs. J. M. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Noble, of Niles, Miss Mayme Dunbar, of Cassopolis, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Boyle, of Elkhart, Ind., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Kingery during the holidays.

Mrs. Zona Simons, of Rochester, Ind., who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Noah Canfield and other relatives, returned home Thursday. Mrs. Canfield accompanied her to Mishawaka and spent several days with Mesdames Joe Dempsey Barrett and Clint Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Beistle and two children, and Mrs. Beistle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shrop, of South Bend, Dr. Clayton Beistle, of Schoolcraft, Mrs. E. J. Redding, of Jacksonville, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beistle and family ate Xmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Beistle.

Word was just received from Fletcher Lewis, who is now visiting at Anderson Ind., that his sister, Mrs. B. H. Lemmon, of Mancos, Colo., had just died.

Wednesday afternoon at 6:30 the Royal Neighbors will have a Pot Luck dinner at the home of Mrs. Charles Babcock on Third street. It will be a farewell dinner for Mrs. Gertrude Koons, who leaves for her new home at Vicksburg soon. All Royal Neighbors are requested to be present.

Saturday some boys who were looking around the ruins of the Jacquay barn, which was burned some days ago, came upon what they supposed to be the charred remains of a person. Deputy Sheriff Stryker was notified and he and Dr. Curtis went down and investigated. On account of the condition of the object it is almost impossible to tell what it is, but it could not have been a horse or cow as they were in another part of the building. The officers are considering sending the remains to Ann Arbor for analysis.

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**What's the Matter?**

Ain't felt right pert for a week or two; Been sorter cranky an' restless an' blue; No p'ticler reason, es I ken see; Can't find enythin' specially wrong wi' me.  
 Jes' don't feel frisky an' don't want to do  
 A goldarn thing thet I don't hev to; Food don't taste jes' 'xactly right, Sleep is kinder broken up at night, Don't want set still, an' don't want to walk;  
 Don't want to keep quiet, an' don't want to talk.  
 Nothin' t' hinder me from doin' jes' The very thang thet'll suit me bes'; Yet when I'm doin' jes' what I want to do,  
 I find it's jes' what I don't want to do, Now I wander 'what's th' matter wi' me, by thunder?

Tain't fever, sure—fer my heaf ain't riz;  
 'Tain't biliousness, ner rheumatiz; 'Tain't my head, fer I think right smart. 'Tain't my liver, ner yet my heart; 'Taint stomach, ner gout—then goldarn me  
 'Tain't nothin' at all as I can see; En yet it's somethin'—guess I'll go An' see th' doctor, he'll sure know.

Seems t' me I remember the very same thing  
 Come on about this time las' spring; An' the Dr. doped me with nasty stuff By th' gallon, an' I bought drugs enuff T' start a store, but lordy, they Couldn't drive the gnawin' inside away;  
 Somethin' jes' a gnawin' at my in-nards—th' same  
 Symptoms that I hed when th' las' spring came.  
 Gosh! what's the use o' seein' the doc?

He ain't got nothin' et all that'll knock This here trouble thet allus comes. When th' birds all sing an' th' honey bees hums,  
 When th' ice breaks up, an' th' streams all roar;  
 An' th' soft air blows th' open door; When th' v'lets come, an' th' grass blades sprout,  
 An' th' sun gits warm, an' th' buds break out!  
 Lemme tell you this—when th' world gits green  
 An' a feller gits orney, restless an' mean Thar ain't no doctor in eny place Es kin properly diagnose his case.

The on'y cure fer a man I know Is t' git right out o' th' town an' go Where th' wil' ducks swarm an' the geese go by,  
 An' th' trout an' bass are a jumpin' high;  
 Th' on'y thing thet'll cure him then Is t' git away from his feller men, An' loaf all day by some laffin' stream An' fish, an' whistle, an' sing, an' dream,  
 An' listen t' birds, an' bugs an' hear Th' voice o' th' wood in his eager ear, An' smell th' flowers, an' watch th' squirrels,  
 An' cast a fly where th' eddy whirle, An' fergit that there's cities an' houses an' men.  
 Fergit, that he' got ter go back agen, Fergit, when on moss-grown bank he's curled,  
 Thet thar's enythin' else in th' whole wide world  
 But jes' him, an' th' birds, an' th' bugs an' things  
 Thet live right thar where th' wild stream sings.

Taken from the Denver Republican, Craig, Colorado, July 15, 1907.  
 H. A. H.

Where Are the Old People?  
 It is proper to speak of a man under thirty as "old man" in a jocular way, but after that it becomes dangerous. As for old ladies, they have long ago disappeared. Thirty years ago it was common in society and in print to speak of an old man or an old lady without meaning any disrespect or giving the least offense. Now it is positively dangerous—in fact, isn't done.  
 Why this change?  
 Partly because the physical and mental condition of the average person is better than formerly, but principally because people have decided not to grow old. That settles it. We are largely taken at our own valuation and are not now disposed to make it a low one. In this city are to be found many men who retired from business a generation ago. It was once the custom in this country, as it is now in England, that when a man had secured a competence he retired from active work and lived serenely. Nowadays it is seldom done. A competence now means not an income of a few thousand dollars, but an unlimited amount. There are to be found multimillionaires above eighty who are just as anxious to make money as ever, and they seem to be quite as competent.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

**Publishers Pay Excessive Prices for Paper**  
 Today there is general complaint among publishers that printing paper is constantly growing dearer. In the Middle West hundreds of local papers are raising their subscription price 50 per cent in order to pay for the paper. From the time when Gutenberg first made movable type, made of wood, to the present day of metropolitan papers, some of which consume the product of acres of spruce in a single edition, printing has in a very large degree depended upon the forest.  
**BOOST BUCHANAN.**

**Financial Trouble Not Due to Lack of Money.**



By Senator PORTER J. M'CUMBER of North Dakota.

**I** THINK THAT THE PRESENT UNSETTLED FINANCIAL CONDITIONS ARE DUE TO MISTAKEN BUSINESS METHODS RATHER THAN TO ANY FAULT IN OUR PRESENT CURRENCY SYSTEM. MANY PEOPLE SEEM TO THINK THAT EVERY TIME WE GET INTO ONE OF THESE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES WE OUGHT TO ISSUE MORE CURRENCY TO COVER IT, BUT THEY'RE MISTAKEN. WE HAD JUST AS MUCH MONEY IN THE COUNTRY WHEN THIS RECENT FINANCIAL DISTURBANCE ATTACKED US AS WE DID SIX MONTHS BEFORE, WHEN ALL WAS RUNNING WELL.—THE REAL FAULT, THEREFORE, CAN'T BE A LACK OF MONEY.

For the past eight years we have had such unprecedented prosperity that people HAVE GONE WILD COMMERCIALY. Our banks have been overflowing with money as a result of immense trade balances in our favor. All our industries were being developed on an enormous scale. WE HAD NO RIGHT TO EXPECT THAT SUCH CONDITIONS WOULD BE WITHOUT END. Nevertheless properties were bonded far in excess of INHERENT value; stocks were issued far beyond the inherent worth of the assets of the corporations issuing them. They were put on the market, sold and resold for many times their values in some instances, and generally for prices in excess of their true value. Banks gave credit on these stocks at their SELLING PRICES rather than their REAL VALUES considered from the standpoint of the reasonable earning capacity of the institutions issuing them.

The banks have set up a cry that they must have MORE MONEY—in other words, they must cheapen the value of the money of the country by an extensive expansion for the purpose of continuing to float the ABNORMAL volume of the stocks and bonds involved. This, however, is impossible of accomplishment. SOME ONE MUST LOSE ON ACCOUNT OF THESE EXCESSIVE VALUES. And I think that perhaps the sooner we get down to bedrock values of all industrials the better it will be for the country. THE BANKS THEMSELVES ARE MORE TO BLAME for the present stringency and type of business than the people themselves.

**Federal Tax on Inheritances Not Needed.**

By CHARLES J. BULLOCK, Professor of Economics, Harvard University.

**T**O Americans of the last generation the inheritance tax was A FISCAL CURIOSITY, but today it is found in no fewer than thirty-four states and must be accepted as an accomplished fact of American finance.

The present inheritance taxes employed by the several states are levied clearly to raise revenue.

But it is now proposed that we should introduce a federal inheritance tax TO REDUCE SWOLLEN FORTUNES. The proposal assumes that there is in the United States an UNDUE concentration of wealth and power in a few hands, and it cannot be denied that many thoughtful men have come to such a conclusion. But, if the existence of such a tendency be admitted, THE INHERITANCE TAX IS NO REMEDY therefor.

IF EXCESSIVE FORTUNES HAVE BEEN MADE BY RECKLESS OR DISHONEST MANIPULATION OF CORPORATIONS THE OBVIOUS REMEDY IS TO REFORM CORPORATION LAWS AND TO ELEVATE THE STANDARDS OF BUSINESS MORALS.

New legislation may be needed at some points, but RELENTLESS ENFORCEMENT OF EXISTING LAWS against conspiracy and theft would probably go far to accomplish the desired result. Such remedies are simple and old fashioned, but they have a potency far exceeding all schemes for social regeneration through act of congress.

If our federal government needs additional revenue, it can at any moment raise AN ADDITIONAL HUNDRED MILLIONS by restoring the tax on beer and tobacco to the figures enforced during the Spanish war. Our state and local governments have no such convenient resources.

FOR FINANCIAL REASONS, THEREFORE, AN INHERITANCE TAX SHOULD BE RESERVED TO THE SEVERAL STATES. FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL REASONS ITS FUNCTION SHOULD BE TO RAISE REVENUE AND NOT TO REFORM THE DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH.

**America's Gravest Problem.**

By Secretary of War WILLIAM H. TAFT.

**T**HE problem that I would designate as the GREATEST before the American nation is one which the federal government cannot deal with at all as such and which must be dealt with and solved by the NATIONAL SPIRIT.

I AM A LAWYER AND HAVE BEEN A JUDGE AND AS SUCH HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDYING THE PROBLEM, AND I SAY UNHESITATINGLY THAT THE GREATEST QUESTION BEFORE THE AMERICAN REPUBLIC IS THE PERMANENCY AND EFFICIENCY OF THE COURTS IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF LAW, AND ESPECIALLY OF THE CRIMINAL LAW.

This is a GREAT AND IMPORTANT NEED and must be brought about by public opinion and education in the states and cannot be reached by national legislation.

Bring about a condition where the law will be vindicated EVERY TIME and the accused punished or acquitted after a fair trial, and many of the offenses that we now deplore will CEASE and many others that we seek to prevent by other means will become much more rare.

The great number of homicides in this country and the few convictions for murder and manslaughter present A TERRIBLE INDICTMENT AGAINST PUBLIC OPINION. It is an awful tale of the INEFFICIENCY of the administration of the law. I believe the American people can remedy it, for they will in time see the necessity of strengthening the courts and furnishing ample machinery to achieve the general punishment of crime.

**KEEP THE STREETS CLEAN**

Don't Throw Refuse or Ashes in the Public Streets, in the Winter or the Summer—Good, Clean Streets are the Pride of any City

Help to make our village clean and beautiful. You can do this and it won't take much of an effort on your part, either. Don't throw refuse of any kind in the thoroughfares of the city, ashes have no place in the streets, winter or summer, and a little caution along this line will help to keep the city clean.

You have as much right to throw junk and other refuse in the streets as you have to sprinkle your ashes over the roadway, and the practice of emptying your ashpan in the roadway, may lead to the following of such a procedure. There is no excuse for having dirty streets. It is an easy matter to put your ashes and other refuse in the rear of your premises, and have it carried away to the dump in the springtime, when a general cleaning up is inaugurated by the city officials.

There is an ordinance relative to the matter and the authorities will not be found wanting when called upon to enforce the city law. Activity along these lines of cleanliness on the part of the citizens is a subject of comment from strangers who visit our city. Do your part and help to keep the city clean.

**Village Improvement**

The state grange of Massachusetts, comprising over 200 individual granges with a total membership of about 3,000, has decided to make village improvement a regular part of its work in the future, says Maxwell's Talisman. The grange thus admits value of improvement work and gives to it a broad interpretation, including among the proper fields for development the general environment, the home, the individual, the farm, the neighborhood and the town. The desire to co-operate with other forces for the improvement of civic conditions is also expressed. The end in view, "an increase in the beauty and attractiveness" of the towns of the state, is commendable. By this alone may the town compete with the city and cease to be decadent. The grange has already done good work in this field in individual cases, and this broader movement promises much.

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