

# Illinois Legislature

## SENATE ACTS ON DIVORCE.

The senate amended the house anti-divorce bill by the insertion of a clause permitting the innocent person to remarry as soon as the decree is entered, instead of being compelled to wait a year. The amendment had been inserted by the judiciary committee, to which the house bill had been referred. The vote on the adoption of the committee amendment was a tie, and Lieut. Gov. Sherman cast the deciding vote in favor of it. The debate on the bill resulted in some amusing repartee.

Senator Chaffee called up the bill, and moved to table the amendment adopted by the committee on judiciary. Senator Humphrey defended the amendment, which provided that the restrictions against remarriage in the bill should not apply to the innocent party to a divorce proceeding. Senator Juul took the same position, and waxed eloquent in defense of the amendment.

"Suppose your spouse were to run away, do you believe, after waiting for two years to secure a divorce, that you should then wait another year before being permitted to marry again?" he asked.

"I do not believe there is any prospect of the condition of affairs suggested by the senator from Cook," replied Senator Chaffee, "but if any gentleman here is sensitive on the subject, I am willing to have the amendment adopted."

"I do not think we should take up this bill in the absence of Senator McKenzie," said Senator Clark. "He is deeply interested in this subject and he confided to me that he wanted to be heard on it. I suggest that we postpone action on it until he can be present."

"And I object," said Senator Humphrey. "Senator McKenzie ought to be present when a matter of this importance is pending before the senate."

A division was called for on the question of adopting the amendment, and the vote was a tie.

"The senate," drawled Lieut. Gov. Sherman, "votes fifteen for the amendment and fifteen against it. The chair votes in favor of the amendment, and it is adopted. (Laughter.)"

Bishop Seymour at the Good Friday services at Christ Episcopal church made an attack on the senate in an address vigorously denouncing the divorce evil, by stating that if people seeking divorces did not know that they could be remarried to some one else as soon as they had secured a divorce there would be less divorce proceedings instituted.

## FIXES SCHOOL PAY.

The senate passed a bill fixing the salaries of county superintendents of schools at \$1,250 a year in counties of the first class, \$1,650 in counties of the second class, and \$7,500 in Cook county. At present county superintendents are paid \$4 per day, with \$1 a day additional when visiting schools and a fee of 2 per cent on all state moneys distributed by them to the districts. This was hard on the superintendent in the smaller counties. The superintendent in Cook county had a good thing because he received 2 per cent on \$350,000 or more of state school funds sent to him for the Cook county schools each year. His per diem gave him only \$1,125, but the distribution percentage swelled his income by \$7,000 or more. In one year Superintendent Nightingale drew \$9,440 as compensation. The present bill gives him \$7,500 a year flat salary.

## AGREE ON PRIMARY BILL.

In making nominations, but in all-ting on primary elections, after a number of conferences with Governor Deenen, Lieut. Gov. Sherman, and various of the house leaders on the republican side, have agreed upon a bill, which will be passed next Tuesday.

The bill provides for direct nominations by plurality vote in cities and villages. In counties the central committees are to decide whether plurality or majority votes shall control in making nominations, but in all instances delegate conventions will be held. These county conventions will select delegates to all other conventions.

In the primaries the names of all candidates are to be placed upon the tickets, and the popular vote is to act as an instruction to the delegates, binding them for the first ballot.

## Comerford Assumes Duties.

Frank D. Comerford was sworn in and took his seat Friday. He was in the house during most of the forenoon, but did not go in to the space supposed to be reserved for members. Representative Oglesby of the special credentials committee appointed in the Comerford case, presented the report of the committee that Comerford was entitled to a seat.

The report was signed by Oglesby, Beebe, Church and Grein. B. M.

## Game Commissioner's Salary.

The senate passed the bill providing that the salary of the state game commissioner shall be certified to by the commissioner and approved by the governor, and shall be paid out of receipts of the office.

## To Repair Grant Home.

The house passed the bill appropriating \$5,000 for the Illinois Grant Home association to repair and maintain the former home of Gen. Grant, at Galena as a memorial building.

## Great Uncle Joe.

Uncle Joe Cannon, speaker of the national house of representatives, attended the house session Wednesday night and was cordially cheered as he addressed the members in representatives' hall.

## Primary Elections.

The senate subcommittee on primary elections conferred with Gov. Deenen and practically decided to include in the re-draft of the primary election bill all county, city and state officers.

Mitchell, the other member of the committee, attended none of its meetings and did not sign the report. As soon as the report had been made Speaker Shurtleff said that as soon as the services of a judge could be secured Comerford would be sworn in. Comerford started out and soon returned with Judge Creighton, who walked with Comerford to the speaker's dais and administered the oath of office to the expelled-re-elected member.

Judge Creighton added to the statutory form of oath the words, "So help me the ever living God." There is no adjuration by the Deity in the oath prescribed by the state constitution.

While the oath was being administered the members remained seated, although it has been a custom hitherto for the members to rise on such an occasion. At the conclusion of the swearing in and as Comerford walked down the aisle there was some applause by the few persons in the gallery, and Representative Crangle also clapped his hands in approval, while from a corner of the house came the words "Rats."

Comerford took the seat which had been reserved for, but never occupied by, the late Representative Parks of Duquoin.

At the conclusion of the oath the speaker said: "The clerk will restore to the roll of the house the name of Frank D. Comerford, formerly a member of this house during the present session. Let the order be entered in that way."

## New Plans for Good Roads.

A new good roads bill is about ready to be reported to the House by the good roads committee. It differs materially from the original bill. It omits the proposition to give state aid in money to counties and townships in the construction of highways. Instead of money-aid, the towns and counties are to be supplied on their application to the state highway commission, created by the bill, with tile or crushed stone free of charge. The time is to be made and the crushed stone prepared by the convicts in the state prisons. The bill carries an appropriation of \$25,000 to pay the expenses of the highway commission and for experimental work in road building. A companion bill will appropriate \$25,000 for the construction of a tile making plant and \$20,000 for a stone crusher in the state prison at Chester.

## Convict Labor.

The Dudgeon bill, which aims to amend the convict labor law by striking out the provisions of that act which require all political subdivisions to purchase their supplies of the state, was reported out of the committee on penal reformatory institutions. The measure provides that convicts may manufacture rope, binding twine and jute bags and practically empowers wardens of the penitentiaries to make contracts of sale. The measure was attacked by representatives of union labor on the ground that it emasculated the convict labor act.

## Chicago Courts Bill Passes.

The first piece of Chicago charter legislation to reach the governor for his signature is the municipal courts bill. Both houses and senate concurred in the amendments reported by the joint conference committee and the bill became law so far as the legislature could make it so. It will be signed by the governor as soon as it reaches him.

## Policy Bill is Passed.

The house by a vote of nearly 50-40 in making nominations, but in all-ting on primary elections, after a number of conferences with Governor Deenen, Lieut. Gov. Sherman, and various of the house leaders on the republican side, have agreed upon a bill, which will be passed next Tuesday.

## Naval Militia Armory.

The senate passed the bill authorizing the erection of a boathouse and armory for the naval militia on the lake front in Chicago, with the appropriation stricken out, it being understood that the money for the erection of the structure will be raised by popular subscription.

## Killa Township Elections Bill.

The house elections committee killed Judge Lindy's bill providing for the holding of township elections at the same time as the state elections. The bill would have put the township elections in November instead of April.

## Crimes Against Children.

The senate passed the bill making a violation of the "crimes against children act" a felony. Yeas, 33; nays, 0.

## Money for Adjutant General.

The house passed the bill appropriating \$1,000 for repairs and improvements in the adjutant general's office.

## Local Option.

The house committee on judiciary reported out two local option bills after a stormy session, which threatened to end in a fist fight between J. F. Burke, attorney for the Illinois Anti-saloon league, and Representative Gray of Decatur. Burke claimed that Gray had misquoted him.

## Valued Policy Measure.

The house committee on insurance reported favorably Pogue's valued policy bill.

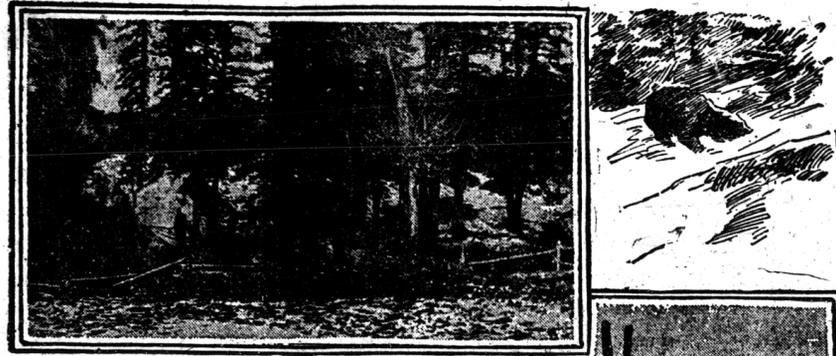
## Text-Book Commission.

Lindley's uniform school text-book bill was read a second time in the house and advanced, with an amendment appropriating \$1,000 for the expenses of the commission of five persons to be appointed by the governor.

## Miscellaneous Bills.

The house committee on miscellaneous subjects reported out bills prohibiting the marriage of diseased persons and the sale of "knockout drop" and Mitchell's bill prohibiting the scalping of theater tickets.

# THE HUNTING CABIN NEAR NEWCASTLE, COLO., OCCUPIED BY THE PRESIDENT AND PARTY



The hunting cabin occupied by President Roosevelt and party is about twenty-five miles from Newcastle, Garfield county, Colo. It stands on what is known as Huntsman Hills, which are the center of a region teeming with wild game, but more especially of the large kind. The cabin is a comfortable log "shack," substantially constructed, and amply provided with the necessaries for creature comforts. Temporary partitions have been put up, one of the rude apartments being assigned to the use of the President.

# THE WELSH REVIVAL.

Something About the Author and Its Characteristic Quality.

Six months ago the world had not heard of Evan Roberts. Now in all thinking circles he stands out as one of the most striking personalities of the time. Of the thousands of people of many nations who are flocking to Wales to see what this revival is like that every one is talking of, not one would feel that he had seen it unless he had seen Evan Roberts, the central figure on whom its white light is focused, and who seems to be at once its cause and its result.

We find ourselves in the presence of a tall, fair, gracefully built young man, who looks younger than his twenty-six years, and who fails to impress us as possessing any qualities, intellectual or otherwise, above the average. Except for a smile of some charm, and an air of purity about his person, he might easily pass without notice of any kind. Evan Roberts is the son of a sturdy and independent couple who may be taken as types of the Welsh mining class in Wales. His father is a collier of sterling character, not noted for any specially marked traits; and in this case, as in so many others, it is to the mother that may be traced some of the religious simplicity and zeal that are so marked in the son. Until the summer of 1904 no one would have dreamed that there was hidden in the tall, fair young collier, somewhat studious and also musical, the leader of a great religious movement, and, what is more, the initiator of a new form of revival, and one of rare spiritual beauty.

For a people who at their festivals will contentedly listen to eighteen sermons in two days—three at each of the three services in two days—prayer-meetings lasting for six and eight hours will be nothing very unusual. The wonder of these services does not lie in their length. Indeed, it is almost impossible to describe, and far more difficult to account for, the wonderful meetings. It is there one sees Evan Roberts, the revivalist. But perhaps even one might not see him even though he were there. A prominent lay preacher, one who had previously qualified both as a physician and as a lawyer, but had finally devoted himself to religious work, went to Wales to spy out the land. Two hours before the hour appointed for the service to begin he and another visitor who had cast in his lot with him made their way to the church and found it full and the service in full swing. Going round to the back entrance, they succeeded, with some difficulty, in finding standing room on the platform.

When next they thought of time, they found to their astonishment that they had been standing for three hours. But nothing had been seen of Evan Roberts, who was announced to be present. Afraid that he had stayed away, as he sometimes does when the Spirit bids him do so, one of them stooped down and said to a young man seated near them: "Evan Roberts was to be here; do you know if he has arrived?" "I am Evan Roberts," was the answer. And then, seeing the look of astonishment on the man's face, he added, half smilingly, "I am Evan Roberts."

Food Courses in Ireland. The etiquette of the fashionable hotels has not yet penetrated into the hinterland of Ireland. A correspondent who, with his wife, put up at an inn in the darkest interior, was served the first night with an elaborate dinner of five or six courses. Unwilling to give trouble, they begged the landlady not to cook so much, as a single dish would generally do. They were taken at their word; next evening the soup, fish, entrees, joint and sweets were served in a chaotic mass in the same dish.—London Globe.

## A Fallacy Nailed.

"Mrs. Brahma," called the brown leghorn, who is something of a socialist, "I should think you'd protest against the way these incubators are depriving you of your rights and driving you out of business." "Nonsense," chuckled the wise old hen. "They are depriving me of nothing, but on the contrary are relieving me of much unnecessary toll. You will observe, if you keep your eye peeled, that I still furnish the raw material."—Cleveland Leader.

"You see, they do not need me." Another instance tells more plainly still of his perfectly natural and sincere diffidence, how he deprecates any importance being attached to his presence at a meeting. In perfect sincerity he disclaims any share in the work that is going on. "It is the Spirit of God," he says. And when one looks at the young man, unlearned as far as books are concerned, with no striking intellectual gifts, and hears his simple, direct talk about God, and his sometimes naive but always strong pleadings with his hearers, one feels that it is even as he says. There is nothing in him to account for his influence. He is a champion for the spirit of God. At the beginning of one meeting at which he had promised to be present, he put the following questions to the people, being answered as if with one voice: "You all believe in God, do you not?" "Yes." "You believe in Christ's promises?" "Yes." Then he opened his Bible and read, "Lo, I am with you always," and asked, "Then you believe that he is here?" "Once more the answer came, 'Yes.' "Then," he said, quietly and naturally, as he closed the book, "I am not needed here," and left the hall. And he was quite right, he was not needed.

The same marvelous spirit was present which welds the people into one—so that it seems as if individuals had merged into that mysterious union which is foretold of the future—and the meeting proceeded as successfully as if he had been there. The Welsh, as a nation of singers, have found their best expression during this revival in the hymns. And these are sung by the whole people without books, sometimes a refrain repeated, if one of the singers is moved to begin it, and sometimes one-half singing in Welsh and the others in English.

The ordered disorder of the meetings is amazing. Just as the revival owes nothing to organization, advertisement, program-making, so the services are left to the guiding power that is so evidently present. The order of service has been ignored. Ministers and choirs, the preaching and the singing, formerly of so much importance, have been set aside. Everything is left to the guidance of—? Those who go to see come away, and in answer to the question, "What is it?" can only answer, "No one can tell." One only knows that the wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the voice thereof, but knowest not whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is every one that is born of the Spirit—"words that have been seen oftener of late in English journals than for many years past.—The Outlook.

Information Easily Obtained. A New York paper is discussing the question, "Do Boys Hate Bathing?" Light can be obtained on the subject by moving with the boys near a river and giving them strict injunctions not to go near it.

No Misrepresentation. "See here," exclaimed the irate purchaser to the typewriter agent, "didn't you tell me the machine you sold me was so strong you could drop it out of a window, go down and pick it up and go right to work on it?" "I did." "Well, it fell out of the window accidentally yesterday, and I had to send it to the repair shop."

Well, you could have gone right to work on it yourself if you'd known how to set about fixing it, couldn't you?" Pictures for the Schools. Don't wait for original paintings for the decoration of your school rooms. Originals are preferable, of course, and much to be desired, but few schools can afford many of them. If the school rooms are bare and unlovely, hang good photographs and engravings there—especially colored ones—while you are "saving up" for the originals. It is a pity to deprive the children of all beauty because the best is not available.—Mrs. Gertrude Thurston.

No Bulldogs Allowed. A gentleman bought, some days ago, for a very high price a bulldog in Hamburg, and brought him to his place in Mecklenburg. To his great astonishment he was informed by the police that the law in Mecklenburg-Schwerin and Strelitz forbids keeping bulldogs, on the grounds of their danger; so the gentleman in question has been obliged to return the dog to his former owner, of course with a large pecuniary loss.—Berlin Sportwelt.

## IN THE FAR NORTH.

Wondrous View to be Observed from the North Cape.

Hammerfest, the most northern town of Europe, is bleak and desolate, but, seen by the witch light of the midnight sun, it touches the imagination more than many of the world's more favored spots, writes Jean Murray in the Four-Track News. The traveler passing through Norway finds himself constantly seeking for words that will express his wonder and admiration, but when at last he stands on the North Cape, in the light of the midnight sun, and looks out over the awful solitude, he no longer longs for words to express what he feels, but stands and gazes into the glorious northern light that glimmers on the glittering waves of the Arctic sea, while thoughts too deep for words well up in his soul. He feels that after this hour he will have a greater reverence for this wonderful world wherein he is permitted to spend his little span of life, and that if in future years the touch of discouragement and discontent falls upon him he will remember this moment when he stood on the lonely heights of the North Cape, looking out over the blue Arctic into what seemed the shining dawn of eternity, and feel that it is well to have lived, if only for this.

## USE OF LARGE FORTUNES.

Immense Wealth in Combinations a Direct Menace. When, however, we dismiss controversy over the rightfulness or wrongfulness of the mere existence of these great fortunes, and deal with the question whether they are properly and rightly used by their possessors, some different considerations arise, and they are considerations with which the recent markets have been repeatedly confronted, says the Forum. The most notable financial phenomenon of the day has been not the mere increase of the wealth of great capitalists, but the persistent effort of such capitalists to combine for a common purpose. Domination of given manufacturing interests and railway interests by an identical group of capitalists opens the possibility of discriminating transportation rates on the products of the industries in question. This, if accomplished, is not only a wrong to the shipper of merchandise who pays full rates, but to the other shareholders in the railway which makes the secret concessions. If the combination of capital lays its hands with such purposes on banking institutions, the case may be much more serious.

## Rush for Government Jobs.

The civil service commission says that the rush for positions under the government is unprecedented. Last year 8,000 people filed applications for a chance to take the civil service examinations for positions in the lower grades. This year the number is 18,000. The government clerk must be content to fling away ambition and lead a treadmill existence through life, and few can hope to earn more than \$1,800 a year. On the other hand, his tenure is secure, his hours short and his work, as a rule, easier than in private employ. The prospect does not appeal to men of industry, capacity, self-confidence and ambition. There will never be a lack of applicants, but that these should have been more than doubled in one year is an interesting and somewhat mysterious phenomenon.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Shrinking.

An unfortunate Parisian has shrunk down two feet in stature and several eminent Parisian surgeons are greatly puzzled by his case. Of course, they are careful that he doesn't get wet and that nothing calculated to aggravate his shrinking nature is permitted to annoy him. Nevertheless, he shrinks, and if the tendency isn't checked the learned medical men may find it necessary to put strong mustard plasters on both his head and feet in the effort to draw him out.

Rob Department Store. Thieves gained entrance to the department store of Herndon & Co. at Springfield and carried off bolts of silk to the value of about \$1,000.

# ILLINOIS STATE NEWS

## MAY FISH ON SUBMERGED LAND. GAMBLERS FAIL TO WIN SUIT.

Holders of Deeds Do Not Own Hunting and Fishing Rights.

The appellate court for the 3d district handed down an important decision, and one which is of interest not only in this state, but also all over the country, and in England, is one in which the appellate court holds that owners of submerged lands along navigable streams are not the owners of the fishing and hunting rights along the stream in question, but that the right of hunting and fishing is vested in the public. The case was that of John A. Schulte against Meredith Warren and others, appealed from the circuit court of Mason county, in which Schulte sought to recover damages from Warren and others for hunting on his submerged lands. The decision of the lower court in favor of the defendants is affirmed.

## COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

Dr. Charles Henry Rammelkamp, the new president of Illinois college at Jacksonville, has been the head of the department of history and political



science in the institution since 1902. He succeeds Dr. Clifford W. Barnes, who resigned recently.

## BARS CONCERNS FROM MAILS

Quincy Companies Are Investigated by the Postal Inspectors. The Arcade Manufacturing company and the Arcade Novelty Manufacturing company, both of Quincy, are barred from the use of the United States mails by a fraud order issued by the direction of the postmaster general. According to the report of the inspector who investigated the concerns, which were under the same management, the offense seems to have consisted in advertising through the mails and selling a book entitled "Twenty-first Century Wrinkles." The price of the book was \$2. In the book the concern sets forth several plans by which, it is alleged, very large profits can be made if they are followed. In their advertisement they represent that \$100 a week on 25 cents capital can be made by anyone operating the "plan," which costs 50 cents.

## Telephone Franchise.

The Christian county telephone company, recently organized with a capital stock of \$50,000, has been granted a twenty-year franchise by the Taylorville city council.

## University Enrollment.

The total enrollment at the James Millikin university at Decatur is 758. The students represent seventeen states and three foreign countries.

## Electrical Storm.

During an electrical storm lightning struck the residence of Julia Bowman, near Kilbourn, and damaged every room. The family were uninjured.

## Re-elect School Chief.

The Mattoon school board have re-elected Prof. G. P. Randie to the superintendency of the city schools. This is his fourth term.

## Not Guilty of Murder.

Patrick Fogarty, tried in the circuit court at Springfield on the charge of attempting to kill Aaron Beard, was found not guilty.

## Renews Suit for \$10,000.

Isabella Funkhouser renewed her suit against the Springfield Street Railway company for \$10,000 for personal injuries.

## Cutting Affray at Pana.

At Pana Josh Bird was seriously cut with a knife in a fight with Charles Gould. Both are business men.

## Good Roads Movement.

At a meeting of the Quincy chamber of commerce this week the good roads movement was discussed, and committees were appointed to meet the delegation which will arrive there with the "good roads" train on May 11.

## Barn Fire Costs \$2,000.

J. W. Eddington's large barn near Brighton was burned to the ground. The building was filled with hay, grain and implements, all of which were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$2,000.

## Christian County Doctors.

At a meeting of the Christian county medical society in Taylorville, the following officers were elected: President, C. L. Carroll of Taylorville; vice presidents, C. W. Coe of Stoughton and R. W. Reasoner of Morrisonville; secretary-treasurer, D. C. Morton of Taylorville.

## Rob Department Store.

Thieves gained entrance to the department store of Herndon & Co. at Springfield and carried off bolts of silk to the value of about \$1,000.

City Attorney of Springfield is Sustained by Appellate Court.

Judgments against Chester Lane and Edward Flynn, rendered in the Sangamon circuit court, were affirmed by the appellate court. Some time ago suits were brought by City Attorney Fitzgerald of Springfield against alleged "boss" gamblers for violation of the city's anti-gambling ordinances, and when the judgments were rendered it was thought they would not be sustained by the higher court. Not only has the higher court sustained the action of the city attorney in this anti-gambling fight, which resulted in the closing of the Springfield pool-rooms, but the court proceeds to define the dual capacity of the city attorney as follows: "He is the law officer of the city, but he is not the mere servant of the council. In suits that concern the city as an individual the city attorney is required to follow the direction of the city council, but in all matters that merely concern the people, which are for its preservation of morals, the maintenance of good order, the abatement of public nuisances, the destruction of dens of vice and infamy, he is wholly independent of the city council, and is the servant of the people, and as to such matters is vested with powers and burdened with duties over which the council has no jurisdiction."

## LAPSE OF INSURANCE POLICY.

Appellate Court Renders Decision of Importance to Premium Payers.

There was an interesting decision by the third district appellate court regarding the lapsing of life insurance policies through failure to pay the premiums. The case was that of Nellie D. Brooker, administrator of the estate of Albert S. Brooker, against the Northwestern life insurance company, in which the circuit court of Adams county decided in favor of the plaintiff. The evidence showed that the payment on the policy was due July 1, 1905, but that Brooker failed to send the money to the company until July 17, and the company then refused to accept the money. Brooker died before he had an opportunity to correspond further in the matter. The contention of his attorneys, on which the lower court found for the administrator, was that the company had heretofore allowed Brooker to pay after payments had become due, and that by doing so it had waived its rights to demand payment on the date the premium became due. The appellate court reverses and remands the case, holding that the policy lapsed as soon as Brooker failed to pay the premium on the date on which the payment, according to the terms of the policy, became due.

## YOUNG ORGANIST.

Robert Keiser, a lad of 16, has been appointed organist for the First Christian church, handling one of the largest pipe organs in Bloomington. He is said to be the youngest organist



in Illinois occupying a position of this kind. He possesses unusual talent as a musician, and is also skillful on the piano. He has been looked upon as a musical prodigy since his early youth.

## Bryan Library for Salem.

During his recent visit to Salem Hon. W. J. Bryan stated that work on the proposed Bennett-Bryan library, a bequest for which was made by the late Philo S. Bennett of New Haven, Conn., will begin within a short time. In addition to the cash to be given by Mr. Bryan, he will donate the site, a part of the lot on which stands the house in which he was born.

## To Bore for Oil.

A meeting of the Montgomery gas and oil company was held in Pana. The company is to bore for oil at Bingham.

## Runs Wire into Eye.

Tom Johnson, a farmer living north of Carmi, was taken to St. Louis to have an operation performed on his eye. About two weeks ago he stuck a wire in one eye, and his physician thinks the ball will have to be removed.

## Pastor Accepts Call.

Rev. Edward Montgomery of Rockford has accepted a call to the Presbyterian church of Maroa. He is a graduate of the McCormick seminary of Chicago.

## Factory Location Fund.

A definite plan has been made by the Springfield business men's association for the maintenance of a factory fund. About \$2,000 has been subscribed. It is proposed to pay bonuses to have factories located in that city.

## Jefferson County W. C. T. U.

The Jefferson county W. C. T. U. institute will be held at Bluford on April 27 and 28. Mrs. Mary T. Beedell and Miss Fernella Mahan will lead the meeting.