

**Isaac Higgins Lost His Life at the Fair Grounds.**

A shudder of horror followed the announcement that Isaac Higgins, one of Petersburg's best known citizens, had met with a horrible death at the fair grounds. With thousands of other citizens he had gone to the fair grounds to attend the Labor Day celebration. Shortly after arriving there, accompanied by William Finney and Lawrence Hornbrook, local citizens, started across the track; the time being about half-past one o'clock.

Among the events of the day's celebration, and probably the one drawing more people to the grounds than any other, was the automobile race, which by the way, was given by the Petersburg Racing Association, on account of the race having been postponed on account of heavy rains at the races of August 1-4. Several of the cars were on the track getting ready for the race when the three gentlemen, named above, started across. Finney and Hornbrook safely doing so. When nearly across Mr. Higgins stopped, looked around, and seeing one of the cars coming towards him at a terrific speed, hesitated, seemingly being confused. Raymond Pikel, the driver of the car, a well known young man of Vincennes, did all he could to avoid hitting Mr. Higgins, and pulled his car to one side as much as possible, and it is thought that the car would have passed him had he not took a step or two that brought him in line with the car. He was knocked several feet as the body struck the ground. It was struck again by the racing machine, and one of his feet catching in a wheel of the car, was pulled and dragged along the track until the sole of his shoe was torn loose. Frank Parker was the first person to take hold of the mangled body and saw that he feebly gasped twice before expiring.

The neck and several ribs were broken, as were both legs below the knee chest cavity, broken in the head and both hips injured. The body in many other places. The body was immediately removed to his home on 11th street, where it was prepared for burial. Pikel, the driver of the car, was so overcome by the horrible accident that he refused to drive the car when the race was held an hour later. The tragedy was witnessed by many persons, all of whom, so far as we learned, regarded it as unavoidable upon the part of Mr. Pikel. It is said that the car was traveling at a forty mile gait when it struck its victim. Pending an investigation Pikel was arrested on a charge of man slaughter, and released on a bond of \$1,000.

The preliminary examinations by Squire George Tucker and the inquest by coroner Kinman, held jointly Tuesday and Wednesday, were continued until next Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock, when decisions will be rendered.

The members of the family state that they have no ill feelings against Mr. Pikel, as in no way was he to be blamed for the awful tragedy and that he should not be held responsible. This position of the family is unanimously endorsed by our people.

Mr. Higgins was born in Indiana, twenty seven years ago, and from where he collected a goodly sum of money.

Higgins had a wife and a young son, the latter the possessor of the finest disposition allotted to mankind—ever a smile and pleasant word for all, young or old, rich or poor. He attained a popularity seldom accorded a citizen.

His family consists of his wife, three sons, James, Isaac, Will, and two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Howell, all of this city, and Mrs. Margaret Smith of Manson, Colorado.

A wish, frequently expressed by the deceased, was granted—stating that when the time came to die he would go quickly and without the suffering of an illness.

The funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock this Friday afternoon, at the local Methodist church—the deceased being one of its oldest, most faithful and loyal members.

**Hugo and Carrol Blair.**

The two above named young men are the sons of Lela Smith, formerly of this place, daughter of Thomas and Nannie Smith—her father dying a number of years ago, and her mother a resident of Lexington, Ky. The following articles is taken from the Harrisburg, Ill., Register.

Before he is seventeen years old, Hugo Blair of this city, will begin the first year of a four-year course at Harvard college. He graduated last spring from Western Military Academy at Alton, and later passed the examination for entrance to Harvard.

The young man has had a brilliant career. He had graduated from the eighth grade here when he was only twelve years old and will finish his four year course at Harvard at the age that most men are entering upon their first year work there.

Hugo and his brother, Carrol, who has also made excellent progress in his school work, are nephews of Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Blair of north Jackson street, with whom they make their home. Their uncle and aunt are justly proud of their nephews who have taken advantage of every opportunity presented and are two of the most versatile youths in Harrisburg. Both are accomplished musicians.

Carrol graduated from the Western Military Academy a year ago and is to leave at the same time as Hugo for the east. He is to attend Boston High school at Harvard and Carrol will enter West in Michigan Technical school after a four year training course.

Hugo will be the only boy from Harrisburg to attend Harvard this year and so far as we know the only Harrisburg boy who has ever attended Harvard. He will specialize in medical research. Both the boys will leave Saturday.

**Henry Ford.**

LANSING, Mich., Sept. 1.—Total assets of the Ford Motor Co., at the close of business June 30, were \$243,368,199.78, according to a statement filed by the company today with the department of state here. The assets included \$51,844,538, in cash on hand and in the banks; plants, including lands, buildings and improvements valued at \$46,926,010; machinery and equipment valued at \$21,183,990 and good will valued at \$30,517,985.

Property in Michigan was listed at \$133,023,079. The capital and surplus was given as \$173,953,173.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 2.—Ed Ford, president of the Ford Motor Co., today announced another record by the Ford cars. In three months and three days the cars have become 4,000,000.

County Commission... Road No. 1.—Section 1, \$31,631.12; Section 2, \$19,823.40, Martin & Zint. Road No. 2.—Frank Elkins, \$43,870. Road No. 3.—Augusta branch, Frank Elkins, \$27,840; Stendal branch, Martin & Zint, \$30,717.92. Road No. 4.—Gos Ropp, \$43,370. Road No. 13.—Martin & Zint, \$26,797.62. Road No. 18.—Frank Elkins, \$23,050.

Jefferson township—Frank Elkins, \$18,460. Stephen Roberson was appointed superintendent of construction of the Crow road in Washington township.

Charles Bee tendered, his resignation as trustee of Patoka township, which was accepted and Luther Hale appointed to fill the vacancy. William F. Eubanks, William Sorgius and Erasmus Gray were appointed viewers on the road petition of Josiah Colvin et al.

The drainage commissioner made a report on the William F. Fritz ditch in Lockhart township. Joe Carr was appointed to draw plans and specifications for a bridge over Flat creek.

There were a number of claims allowed and other business transacted.

**Pike County Athletic Association.**

At the meeting of the Pike County Athletic Association at the county teachers' institute, the following officers were elected and the following schedule of basket ball games was arranged.

Mr. C. S. Abbott, principal of the Otwell high school, was nominated and elected president. Arthur Lovelless and Dallas Gray were nominated for secretary. Gray was elected. A. L. Jester, principal of the Winslow high school, was nominated and elected vice president. Motion was made and seconded and carried that the secretary act as treasurer. The following is the basket ball schedule that was arranged.

September 26th—Velpen at Union, Otwell at Spurgeon, Stendal at Winslow. October 3rd—Spurgeon at Velpen, Winslow at Otwell, Union at Stendal. October 10th—Stendal at Spurgeon, Otwell at Union, Velpen at Winslow. October 17th—Otwell at Velpen, Spurgeon at Winslow, Stendal at Union. October 24th—Winslow at Union, Velpen at Stendal, Spurgeon at Otwell. October 31st—Otwell at Stendal, Winslow at Velpen, Union at Spurgeon. November 7th—Union at Velpen, Otwell at Winslow, Spurgeon at Stendal. November 14th—Winslow at Spurgeon, Stendal at Velpen, Union at Otwell. November 21st—Winslow at Stendal, Velpen at Otwell, Spurgeon at Union. November 28th—Union at Winslow, Stendal at Otwell, Velpen at Spurgeon.

Mr. J. J. Davis has written that he will be in Pike county on the 16th, to carry on a demonstration showing how to control the peach tree borer by the new remedy—Paradichlorozene Treatment. Mr. Davis is a specialist on all orchard and fruit insects and diseases and will be able to answer any questions. This borer treatment is very simple and much easier than the old remedy where you had to cut the borers out by hand—come out and learn how to apply it. The demonstration will be in the morning at 9:30 o'clock—the afternoon will be used in looking over orchards or other work.

At a meeting of the Pure Bred Livestock Association of Pike County—it was unanimously decided to put on another tour this year similar to the one given last year. The date for this tour will be Wednesday, September 14th. The plans for this tour are to make it larger and better than the previous year—all farmers as well as business men of Pike county are cordially invited to be present and enjoy the day in comradeship. Several business men were present last year and said they had the time of their lives.

The tour will be conducted as it was last year—four tours will radiate from four directions viz: Otwell, Union, Petersburg and Stendal. Those in charge are Everett Catt of the Union tour, R. C. Alexander of the Petersburg tour, John Chaille of the Otwell tour and Abner McAllister of the Stendal tour. All tours will end at the Eagle farm near Winslow at 1 o'clock, where lunch will be served and a talk on the points of a good animal by a man from the Animal Husbandry Department of Purdue.

The Union tour will visit the following farms: John McAttee, Chas. McAtee, Everett Catt, Clarence Waltz, Doug Barker and W. E. Lamb.

The Petersburg tour will visit the following farms: Higgins & Howell, O. P. Hartley, M. L. Heathman, Creel Fork and R. C. Alexander.

The Otwell tour will visit, Josse Chaille, John Chaille, Dr. O. U. Poth, June Harkless, Jim Harkless, Tom Meadors, Sherman Hendron and D. E. Hicks.

The Stendal tour will be mapped out by Mr. McAllister, who has charge. Those going will start from the various points at 8 o'clock. Any one desiring to enter another tour other than the one in your district is encouraged to do so.

W. C. SMITH, County Agent.

The Oakland City Journal of Tuesday, has the following concerning the death of a former lady resident of this city, and whose father, N. B. Wilson, built the first brick school building on the site of the present school building. Miss Belle Wilson, of this city, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jacob O. Wilson, in Evansville, Indiana, on August 24th, following a short illness of several years, in which she was afflicted with a form of cancer of the stomach.

At eleven o'clock this, Thursday morning, September 8, at the home of the bride, 2,623 east Washington street, Indianapolis, Ind., will occur the marriage of Henry M. of this city, and Miss Gladys W. of the state capital city. The bride is well and favorably known in Petersburg, having formerly lived here several years. She is the accomplished and charming daughter of C. M. Webb and wife, the father being the E. & I. railroad agent in the residence of the family at this place. The groom is the son of William Litts, and one of the prominent and best young business men in the city. He is a graduate of the Petersburg high school since his return from college assisted his father in the management of the business of the Bakery. After a brief wedding tour to French Lick and other points, they will return here to housekeeping in the family home of Dr. T. B. Rice—the family being in California for a few months. They will be home to their friends after September 21st.

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