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## CITIZENS ROUSED OVER NASTY TRUCK DEAL

### MEXICAN CHURCH DOORS CLOSED: BOYCOTT IS ON

Order Blocks End of Strife; Situation Remains Unchanged.

City of Mexico, Aug. 24.—Hopes for a speedy settlement of the religious controversy were crushed yesterday, when the Roman Catholic episcopate unanimously decided not to resume church services for the present.

The situation as regards the church and the government remains the same as before the conference held Saturday night between President Calles and the representatives of the episcopate.

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### Good Oil Well Is Shot Near Decatur

Decatur, Aug. 23—Oil well No. 1 on the Ed Luginbill farm, Blue Creek township, drilled by Paul Schulte, of Chicago, and Douglas Haney, of Decatur, was brought in Thursday and it made a fine showing. Indications are that this will be the best producer of the eight wells drilled this year by Schulte and Haney in that vicinity.

The Luginbill well was drilled twelve feet deeper than the seven wells on the Schulte farm formerly the Eugene Runyon farm, about a mile away. A heavier charge was used in shooting the well, also. Following the shot the oil filled up to a depth of 400 feet in the well. The best well in the Schulte farm is producing about 30 barrels per day and it is thought the new well will exceed that production.

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### Less Majestic

For several years The Nation has been calling the attention of its readers to the increasing use by the courts of punishment for contempt and the danger involved. We are glad, therefore, that the persecution of George R. Dale, editor of the Muncie (Indiana) Post-Democrat, seems to be rousing a considerable number of newspapers to concern themselves with a tyranny which every year is growing more audacious.

Mr. Dale, whose story we touched on briefly in our issue of July 28, (page 68), had been fighting political corruption and the Ku Klux Klan in his weekly and was finally arrested and indicted on some probably trumped-up charges. He declared in his newspaper that the prosecution was a frame-up, and was thereupon sentenced to three months in jail and a fine of \$500, on the ground that he was guilty of contempt of court. When he submitted an answer to the court, in which he offered to prove the truth of his charges, he was fined another \$500 and given three months more in jail. The Supreme Court of Indiana reversed the second sentence, but let the first one stand, making this astounding reply to Mr. Dale's plea of truth in justification for what he had written:

Appellant says in his answer that the statements made in the alleged contemptuous article are true. . . . It is not a justification for contempt . . . even though it be shown that the article published were true, if it in any way hindered the orderly process of the court and brought it into contempt before the people.

It is no excuse for one charged with criminal contempt to predicate upon an article published in a newspaper that the article in all respects was true. . . . The truth of an article is not a matter of defense, neither is it a defense to show that there was no intent to commit contempt.

This may or may not be law, but we make no qualification in calling it outrageous nonsense, and a contemplation of its possibilities has jarred some of our most complacent newspapers. Mr. Dale has obtained an appeal to the United States Supreme Court on constitutional grounds, and the New York World is trying to raise by subscription the \$5,000 which it is estimated will be necessary to present the case. The Editor and Publisher is also asking for contributions and gives first place in its issue of July 31, to a discussion of the evil of contempt-of-court procedure and suggestions of remedies from various quarters. The article in the Editor and Publisher recalls that the abuse of punishment for contempt has been on the increase since an unfortunate decision rendered by the United States Supreme Court in 1918, in respect to N. D. Cochran of the Toledo (Ohio) News-Bee. Up to then it had been the rule in the federal courts, accepted also in the tribunals of most of the States, that the power to punish for contempt was limited to "misbehavior of any person in their (the judges') presence, or so near thereto as to obstruct the ends of justice." In the arbitrary war atmosphere of 1918, the Supreme Court stretched the meaning of the phrase "so near thereto as to obstruct" to apply to any utterance anywhere having a "tendency" to obstruct. This opened wide the road to what has come to be known as "constructive contempt," under which tyrannical judges are more and more denying the constitutional right of free criticism to the press whenever it affects judicial decisions or procedure. The Editor and Publisher goes on to say:

That this usurpation of power in journalistic contempt cases has become unbearable and that means must be found for relief from its increasing menace is everywhere evident today in newspaper circles. . . .

Courts do no wrong?

Newspapermen know that they can do wrong and that their wrongs may be gross and strike at the heart of sacred institutions.

Direct contempt, meaning contempt in the presence of the court, was followed by the dictum "indirect contempt," meaning an act just outside the presence of the court, and finally "constructive contempt," which may mean anything that an offended judge deems it to mean. And now behold! the proposition that even in "constructive contempt" cases truth is no defense.

Thus has a limitation of freedom of speech come to be asserted by the courts without warrant from the people. The Editor and Publisher proposed a campaign for Federal and State laws to enable a person accused of contempt of court to obtain a hearing before a judge of the same rank as the accusing magistrate but in another jurisdiction. This would be an improvement, but to our mind does not go nearly far enough. We believe that the entire contempt-of-court procedure is needless, probably unconstitutional, and chiefly usurped by the courts themselves without legitimate legislative warrant. It is a survival of less majesty, which has no place in a democratic system of government. "Constructive contempt" is an inexcusable invasion of the right of free speech and should be legislated out of existence. Libel and slander laws afford judges all the protection from criticism that they need or deserve. Direct contempt should be legislated against as a criminal offense, with the right of trial by jury if demanded. There is no "majesty of the law" except in so far as any common sense and justice appeal to an effective majority of any community (as witness the much-abused Volstead act) while pomp and verbiage and claptrap of our courts lead to nothing but ridicule and distrust in the minds of most people.

But nobody should delude himself with the idea that mere laws will be sufficient to end this medieval tyranny of the courts. The history of such legislation in this country shows that it has time and again been perverted or overthrown by petty judges jealous of their absolutism. The only sure method of overthrowing the abuse, so far as the State courts go, at least, is through constitutional amendments.

Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, and Oklahoma have all incorporated provisions in their constitutions looking to that end, but except in the case of the latter State the wording is so vague and indeterminate that it has either not been effectively taken advantage of by the legislatures or has been twisted into inconsequence by the courts. In Georgia, for instance, the constitution says: "The power of the courts to punish for contempt shall be limited by legislative acts." But when the legislature passed a law limiting contempt to misconduct committed in court the worthy judges of the State ruled that the constitution gave authority merely to fix the punishment for contempt, not to define or classify it!

### GREEK DICTATOR DEPOSED: SENT OUT OF COUNTRY

Nation Is Pleased At Turn; New Government of Liberty Promised.

Athens, Greece, Aug. 23.—The dictatorship of Gen. Theodoros Pangalos has been overthrown in a quick and bloodless revolution headed by Gen. Condylis, former minister of war. President Pangalos was taking a holiday at the time on the island of Spetses.

The "Greek Mussolini" himself was arrested yesterday morning and placed aboard the destroyer, Pergamos, for conveyance to Athens, but up to this evening nothing further had been heard of the Pergamos. The suspicion developed that she might have sailed for some foreign port.

Search For Pergamos.

Another fast destroyer and seaplane searched for the Pergamos throughout the day while the battleship Kilkis guarded the Corinth canal. One report had it that Pangalos tried to escape in an airplane, but was stopped by another plane, Mme. Pangalos, who was with her husband, disappeared, although the revolutionists have not indicated that they are interested in her whereabouts. The coup was engineered without disturbances early yesterday, both army and navy rallying to the Condylis standard. Gen. Condylis, yesterday, was master of the situation, and complete calm was reported in all sections of the country. The general public in Athens is exhibiting satisfaction at the turn of events.

Messages from Spetses stated that President Pangalos had been arrested on telegraphic orders from Gen. Condylis and was being taken on the Pergamos to the capital over which he had ruled with an iron hand since he forcibly seized power a year ago. If he has not escaped, he, together with the members of the Entaxis government, all of whom have been arrested, will have to answer for alleged tyrannical misrule.

### NEW PARACHUTE LANDS AIRPLANE

Pilot Risks Life to Make Test at Altitude of 2,500 Feet.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 25.—A parachute large enough to bring a stricken airplane safely to the ground was demonstrated here yesterday by R. Carl Oelge, formerly a naval air pilot who staked his life on the success of the invention.

At an altitude of 2,500 feet Oelge killed his engine, cut the great parachute folded on top of his plane and let the machine drop.

Makes Safe Landing.

The plane came down steadily, drifting from Inglewood field, where it took the air, towards El Segundo, and as it neared the ground about three miles from the starting point, began to oscillate. The plane and parachute finally came to rest on a hillside and Oelge hopped out none the worse for his experience. Only a propeller blade and the running gear of the plane were damaged, due, observers said, to the fact that the descent was made on sloping ground.

The parachute, which measures fifty feet in diameter, is the invention of Harry A. Doucett, chief machinist's mate, United States Navy, stationed at the naval air base at North Island, San Diego, Cal. A number of navy and army air service officers witnessed the test.

### T. Pegg Freed of Liquor Charge

Bluffton, Aug. 24.—An affidavit against Theodore Pegg, 1605 Wells street, Ft. Wayne, charging him with transportation of intoxicating liquor, was dismissed on motion of Prosecuting Attorney Elmore Sturgis, when the case was called in the court of Squire M. W. Walbert a 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The prosecutor stated that there was insufficient evidence.

The affidavit was filed following an accident last Wednesday in which an automobile driven by Pegg struck Thomas Kiser, a Nottingham township farmer.

Pegg and a companion, Mrs. H. J. Miller, 1605 Wells street, Fort Wayne, said they saw Kiser walking along the road ahead of them, but he started across the road when they were too close to stop.

Kiser is recovering from a broken leg and other injuries at the hospital here.

### Unpleasant Truth

The revelations made by the Post-Democrat last week in regard to the purchase of a junk truck by the board of works at a price ten times its actual value, and under circumstances which gives the whole affair a most sinister aspect, has at last aroused the citizenship of Muncie to action, and the long delayed show-down is near at hand.

Naturally the gangsters have shown their teeth. The usual threats of physical assault and possible murder have been made. Strangely I have not been arrested as yet for exposing the graft. Ordinarily when the Post-Democrat takes up the cudgel in behalf of its readers the gangsters frame up some silly prosecution.

In the spring of 1922 when I charged that the gangsters were guilty of a federal conspiracy a gang of Ku Klux thugs who were in the conspiracy waylaid me at night and attempted to murder me.

The following spring when my newspaper became active in assisting federal officials who were investigating the gangsters I was arrested on a fake liquor charge which was followed up by an almost unbelievable program of arrests and prosecutions.

A few weeks ago when I charged that Prosecutor Ogle and Deputy Prosecutor Ryman were protecting Alpha Holaday, the arch swindler, and that the grand jury investigation of the conspiracy was being muffled, I was arrested for "libeling" a cheap kluxer who has been used at numerous arrests as a tool for the gangsters.

Don Mellett, the fighting editor of Canton, was assassinated because of his exposures of a crooked city administration. Curiously I remained alive during a four-year campaign waged against a coterie of crooks who would ordinarily make the Canton gangsters look like a bunch of pikers.

Numerous plots against my life have been made, and time and again plans have been laid to hire imported murderers to "knock me off," as one man expressed it who proposed one of the plots.

When the Post-Democrat appeared on the street Saturday morning and the people read about the truck deal, which had been brought up in a council meeting the preceding Monday night, the question was asked, "Where were our daily newspapers during all that time?"

The daily newspapers of Muncie are conveniently blind and deaf and I am not altogether certain but that they exhibit rare judgment and sound common sense in refraining from exposing the grafters who control city and county affairs.

About the only public recognition taken of the efforts of the Post-Democrat to purify Muncie, comes from the camp of the gangsters, in the way of personal assault and criminal prosecutions instituted by public officials who belong to the gang. The other newspapers here have seen what happens to a newspaper man who takes his job seriously and have been sensible enough to keep out of the cockpit.

I really don't know what makes me do it myself. In justice to my wife and children I ought to let everybody else go to hell and tread the path of peace and safety. I have made many futile resolves during a thirty-five year period of embattled newspaper editing.

I was not much more than a boy when I started in the newspaper business. Before I had been at it a week I had three stitches taken in my head, and will carry the scar to the grave.

It has been just one battle after another. I have never been able to regard a newspaper as a purely commercial institution. But I have fought gloriously, been licked by the gangsters time without number, and am generally the saddest when I win.

What in the name of heaven is it that impels a normal man to risk his life and jeopardize the fortunes of his loved ones fighting the battles of people who wouldn't fight, themselves, on a bet, and who think the one who fights for them is some sort of a nut for doing it?

So, I go on making enemies, by exposing wrongs which can only be corrected by fearless exposure. They should really not be my enemies, for they know they are in the wrong and ought to thank me for flagging them, but human nature always wants to bounce a brick off the head of the fellow who speaks plainly. Telling the truth is much more dangerous than telling a lie. The truth hurts right now in Muncie.

Telling the truth is a crime. The courts have so decreed. It pays, therefore, to lie, since one of the ten commandments has been declared unconstitutional in Indiana.

If one of the ten commandments is so lightly set aside, how about the other nine? Over at Canton the gangsters decided that murder would pay, so Mellett was murdered. In Muncie a newspaper man told the truth. A cold-blooded alliance between crime and its official protectors decided the truth did not pay, so truth was slain.

My youngest child is a boy not yet three years of age. He is absolutely truthful. He has not learned to lie. He does not dissemble his likes and dislikes. Instead of saying "thank you" when you give him something he does not want he will throw it at you. He fears nothing in the world. The weather has been hot so he persists in removing all his clothing. He has no false modesty. Later he will be taught that it pays to lie and steal and graft and wear balloon pants. At present he is a greater man than President Coolidge for he obeys only his natural impulses and is totally free from hypocrisy. If he has anything on his mind he says it. Education will not change his impulses. It will merely change his habits. And still people insist that wisdom comes with age. If the grown-ups of Muncie had half the wisdom of that child or any other child of his age crookedness would be unknown.

### Ft. Wayne Suspect Not McDermott

West Poland, Me., Aug. 24.—United States Senator Bert M. Fernald died late yesterday at his home here after an illness of ten days. He was in his sixtieth year. The end had been expected for several days and all the members of his immediate family were at his bedside. After the adjournment of Congress he returned home greatly weakened. Recent intestinal indispositions developed, which later affected his heart. ff

### Maine Senator Dies Following 10-Day Illness

Danville, Ill., Aug. 25.—Although his personal physician insists that Uncle Joe Cannon has only a slight cold, close friends and neighbors realize that he is failing rapidly. The retired patriarch of the United States house of representatives, who recently celebrated his ninetieth birthday anniversary, has abandoned his daily automobile ride and his frequent walks down to the corner drug store for cigars. He is able to get up and dress himself every morning, but each day the time which he spends dozing in his big arm chair is becoming longer.

### Uncle Joe Cannon Is Failing Rapidly

City Council Will Be Asked To Impeach City Officials Involved In Transaction—Suit Will Be Bought and People Will Demand Investigation by the Grand Jury—Easy Money Boys Still Rely on Pull to Save Them.

A demand is being made on the city council to bring impeachment proceedings against the three members of the board of works and against any other city officials who were either directly or indirectly involved in the purchase of a worn out truck for \$2,600.

The citizenship of Muncie, banded together for mutual protection will employ attorneys, demand that a suit be started to recover the money stolen from the people and request a grand jury investigation.

Councilman Barclay, who started the ball rolling by bringing the matter officially before the city council, is the recipient of numerous bouquets and brickbats. The brickbats are being hurled from the city hall. The bouquets are tossed by appreciative taxpayers, whose money was used to buy the junk.

Fortunately it is as easy to trace the title of an automobile as it is to follow the ownership of real estate. The records in the office of the secretary of state show the following:

The worn out truck, which now one of the proud possessions of the city of Muncie, was sold to the Cranor Coal company, April 24, 1922, by C. J. Garland of the sales department of the Service Truck company, Wabash, Ind.

The title assigned to Mr. Cranor, now a member of the board of works that bought the truck, was \$44.160.

On March 18, 1926, the title was assigned to Oliver J. Williams, said to be an employee of Cranor. On March 17, 1926, Williams made application for title of Charles A. Bowden. Williams cannot write his own name, apparently, since he was compelled to make his "mark" in applying for the title. The title assigned to Williams was \$444.160.

On July 19, 1926, City Clerk Danley applied to the secretary of state for a free license tag for the \$2,600 wreck purchased of Williams by the board of works nearly four months

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### A Citizen Writes

Muncie Post-Democrat,  
George R. Dale:

Dear Sir:

Your issue of the 19th inst. contains the "truck expose," which was the most outrageous transaction I have ever heard of. If what you say is true, and it looks very much like it was, those three men ought to be prosecuted to the limit.

For boldness of purpose and wanton law violation this thing stands without parallel in the history of our city.

In the first place, what in the world did the city of Muncie want with a second hand or used truck; when did our big city, of which we boast so loudly, go in the junk business; are they trying to compete with Max Zeigler? Cities never buy old or used equipment. They always buy new and good property and buy new and always buy the best because of the repair and upkeep of worn out property.

However, according to your paper, the Board of Public Works bought a second hand truck for \$2,600; so let us analyze the situation a little. Mr. Oliver, so you state, was under the impression when you talked with him that the city paid \$1,250 for the truck, and he based his calculations on that figure when he said "the city got stung," and he fixed the value from \$300 to \$500, but the sale price was \$2,600, and it is fair to assume that Mr. Oliver got his information from some one, and perhaps that was the figure that Mr. Cranor really got for the worn out truck.

If he did, what became of the \$1,350? And if Cranor got the full value of the truck as fixed by Mr. Oliver, then the city paid \$2,100 too much.

Again we understand that the voucher did call for \$2,600 and recited that it was in payment of a three ton truck, when in fact, as we understand, the truck bought was and is a 2 1/2 ton truck.

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### Hampton's Business Administration

There are still a few people left in Muncie who impudently refuse to accept the evidence of their own senses in matters concerning the doings of the Hampton city administration.

Without exception these people are either directly or indirectly interested, either in a financial or factional way in the crowd that is making Muncie a byword all over the country.

It takes lots of nerve to stand up for a gang that put over the truck deal, but nerve is the middle name of the gang of Hessians in control.

The people of Muncie are indignant, as they have a right to be. It becomes a serious matter for the citizens when the various departments of the municipal government are packed with stool pigeons who pluck the people they are supposed to represent.

The people are naturally turning to the city manager idea, not that they think that form of government is any great improvement over the federal form, but for the simple reason that if the movement succeed the Hessians will be kicked out of office the first of January, 1928.

Every department in the city is mismanaged. The parks have been placed in control of a man who was fired once for incompetency.

The library board is being packed with henchmen of the Billy Williams machine.

The street department has been made a retreat for loafers and an asylum for the Sample family.

The board of safety has added fifty thousand dollars a year to the cost of operating the police and fire departments and the quality of service has been distinctly lowered.

The board of works is merely an agency which has set itself up to saddle countless public improvements upon the people in order that a favored clique of contractors and a supply company closely connected with the administration may get a whack at the people's money.

City Clerk Dalby is an abject tool of the machine who employs his own wife as deputy clerk. The mayor has added to the burdens of the people by the employment of a private secretary who has nothing to do but count the telephone calls at the mayor's office and report the number to the daily newspapers at the end of each month, the mayor's sister is on the payroll as deputy controller and the wife of the president of the board of safety was given a job on the police force when the firm that employed her husband fired him because he neglected his business after he became a statesman.

Last year the Post-Democrat issued a solemn warning to the people of Muncie, which was not heeded. We prophesied that if Hampton won Harry Hoffman would be made president of the board of works and that the same system that has bankrupted the county would be put in operation for the first time in the city of Muncie.

Candidate Hampton made the solemn pledge that he would not appoint Hoffman to any sort of a job, whatsoever and enough suckers believed him to insure his election. Hampton violated his promise and appointed Hoffman on the board of works.

The same board that bought a worn out truck from one of its own members at a price higher than a new one, is in charge of all public improvements in the city of Muncie.

What are you, Mr. Good Citizen, going to do about it?

### Get Rid of the Junk

In these days of motorized vehicles every city the size of Muncie is constantly wearing out machines and purchasing new ones to take their place. Muncie is the only city in the world that has the distinction of adding to its junk by buying a worn out machine.

When the board of works bought a worthless second hand truck for \$2,600 that had been used 4 years hauling coal and under circumstances which indicates the necessity of a searching investigation, it did only what might have been expected of the appointees of a tool of the Billy Williams machine.

The voters of Muncie sowed the wind. Now they are reaping the whirlwind. Another election is coming along. In November the citizens of the county will go to the polls and will take warning from the past, or will they tie the rope more firmly around their throats?

Will the people of Centre township, for instance, re-elect George Pfeiffer township assessor, and keep his hordes of political henchmen on the payroll as deputies?

Will the voters of Delaware county be foolish enough to advance Merritt Heath from the office of township trustee to that of county recorder? The record against Heath is that he sold a small plot of his own land to the township for a price five times its actual value. He fits in with the Billy Williams picture but his record as a trustee is a black spot on the community landscape.

George Hawkins aspires to succeed Merritt Heath a township trustee. God help Centre township if Hawkins is elected. Hawkins is now figuring as one of the administration contractors favored by the board of works. He knows nothing about the contracting business, and the fact that he is getting special favors from the board of works that bought a junk pile for \$2,600 ought to be about enough for him.

Andy Jackson and John Truitt, the county commissioners who pulled off the Whitney gravel steal, raised Judge Dearth's salary and bought Harry Hoffman's gravel, have the effrontery to ask the voters to put them back in office for another three-year term.

The democrats have nominated clean, honest men for the several offices. The gang in control now has no politics. They are in office merely for what they and their bosses can get out of it. If a democrat plays with them he will be rewarded the same as a republican. The voters of Delaware county should go to the polls in November as citizens, not party men and women, and clean house by electing the democratic candidates.

Let's get rid of our second hand politicians. It takes too much fixing to keep 'em running.

### A Doleful View.

The Washington Post, an administration paper, is very for speeding.

pessimistic in its view of the present political situation of the republican party. It says:

"The disintegration of the Republican party is the outstanding feature of the situation as the first session of the sixty-ninth congress passes into history and the country prepares for the 1926 campaign. All signs point to a season of adversity for the Republican party."

"The lack of leadership in the majority party in the senate was manifest from the beginning. The management of the world court proposal, an administration measure, was in the hands of Democrats. The passage of the resolution had a most damaging effect upon the Republican party and to that extent was a Democratic victory."

"The Republicans in congress have not emerged with credit in the matter of farm relief legislation. Their course was vacillating and without evidences of leadership. Instead of standing firmly upon the established policy of their party in championing protective tariff \*\*\* many Republicans listened to the siren song of the opposition and supported measures which were well known to be unsafe, unsound, and inequitable. The outcome was a quarrel in which Republicans were ranged against Republicans and against the administration. Consequently there is no satisfaction anywhere."

"It is evident that there is wide spread dissatisfaction. The tendency to embroil the country in European politics has aroused deep resentment, and this has been intensified by the failure to relieve agriculture. Voters have little regard for party ties. They are striking at the heads of those who offend them, and they have no hesitation in crossing party lines in order to accomplish their ends. As matters stand it seems quite probable that a Republican president and a Democratic congress will pull and haul at each other, to the injury of the public welfare during the period from March 4, 1927, to March 4, 1929."

### The Deadly Parallel.

"It is, of course, apparent at once that the effect of the Haugen bill will be to increase the cost of living to every consumer of the five basic agricultural commodities in his country. The 'equalization fee,' while it purports to be paid by the farmer, will be included in the increased price of the commodity and will, in the end, be borne, not by the consumer. The net result will be that the American consumer will pay the increased domestic price which, of necessity, must include the tariff duty, or the loss incurred in selling the surplus abroad. We shall have the unusual spectacle of the American consuming public paying a bonus to the manufacturers of manufactured articles, with a resulting decrease in the purchasing power of wages, and at the same time contributing a subsidy to the foreign consumer, who, under the proposed plan, will secure American commodities at prices below the American level."—Senator William Borah.

Both the above articles are from men high in the councils of the republican party, one says the home consumer will pay the 'equalization fee' and the other in exactly the same language says the home consumer pays the tariff. Why has only been a few years since the republican party preached that the foreigner paid the tariff. What is this world coming to any way when two such high dignitaries of the republican party will come out in the open and tell the truth about the tariff? Are they willing to acknowledge, after all these years of preaching tariff for prosperity, that the whole thing was a swindle and that they only talked that way to get campaign funds for auction block politics? Read the above columns carefully, then file them away for future reading.

### What of The Future.

With such leading republican newspapers as the Indianapolis Star, the Muncie Star, the Fort Wayne News-Sentinel and others bitterly fighting the McNary-Haugen farm relief and Watson and Robinson, in their campaign or election, pleading their support to that form, what can the farmer expect? All those republican papers are supporting Watson and Robinson in the campaign, none of them opposed either Watson or Robinson before the primary when it would have been possible to nominate candidates not pledged to what these papers claim is political and financial heresy. Some one is going to get fooled after the votes are counted in November. Will it be these powerful and influential newspapers or the farmers who are deluded into voting for Watson and Robinson? Don't President Settle of the Federation and other leaders of that organization know that after the votes are counted that both Watson and Robinson will take the word of those newspapers as an expression of the sentiment of the voters and forget all about their pre-election promises? Can you depend upon eleventh hour converts to a leader? Think it over carefully before voting.

### It Is Teamwork.

Political contests are fights, not love feasts. The American people love a fight and a fighter. Now that we've managed to get ourselves into a scrap we are confronted with his truth: Few battles are won when every man in them has a different notion as to the time, place and method of attack. It's when all the men and women have the same idea and are all headed in the same general direction that a real dent is made and victory is achieved and that means corporation—everybody telling the same story at the same time to make a real impression on the public mind and conscience.

Somewhere in my reading, I think it was in one of Kipling's works, I recall seeing something like this:

"It is not the individual, or the army as a whole."

But the everlasting teamwork of every bloomin' soul."

### Some More Efficiency.

Under a New York date line of July 12th the Fort Wayne News-Sentinel has the following table of republican efficiency in the management of the navy department in the last three years of peace time operations. This is a list of the accidents which have occurred in the navy alone:

Surface Accidents	18	lives lost 92
Submarine Accidents	12	lives lost 39
Aircraft Accidents	463	lives lost 90
	488	221

That record of efficiency is certainly one over which the republican party should greatly brag, it is one of the facts to which that party should point with pride.

### MAN DRIVING HORSE FINED FOR SPEEDING

New York, Aug. 27.—When a magistrate fined Jacob Weinstein \$10 for speeding, he asserted, "the

streets of the city are not built for such exhibitions as you gave. We have race tracks for speeding."

Weinstein had been driving a

horse.

## The Wasteful Things

A lady visiting the court house Tuesday came away impressed with the idea that there is at least one county employee who believes in economy, and that is Mrs. Ford, the matron of the rest room.

It is well that at least one appointee of the county commissioners has gone in for economy. Mrs. Ford may be just a little bit strict in doing guard duty at the north entrance and preventing men from stepping foot inside the door, but if the county and city had a few more employees like her, who believes in saving the little things, the taxpayers would be much better off.

Take care of the pennies and the dollars will take care of themselves. Conserve the supply of toilet paper and forget all about Harry Hoffman's gravel piles. And just look what they are doing over at the city hall, where ten dollar bills are taking the place of the tissue rolls of commerce; and the desk sergeant in the police station is only allowed one piece of blotting paper a week.

Probably as much as seven dollars worth of toilet paper is wasted in the course of a year at the court house. The mere taxpayers who are responsible for this sinful waste ought to be ashamed of themselves.

### Mexican

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The boycott will continue, and in the meantime the Catholic church leaders will discuss plans for a congressional campaign with the object of amending the constitution.

No date has been fixed for further conferences with the President and there is some uncertainty as to whether there will be any more.

### Influenced By Cables.

Bishop Diaz, secretary of the episcopate, in announcing the decision, declared that it was considerably influenced by the statement attributed to President Calles by the newspaper El Universal this morning, in which the President was quoted as saying: "If the priests return to the temples they must do so subject to the laws."

In the view of the episcopate, this does not harmonize with the statement taken by the President, Saturday night and the episcopate at its meeting this morning decided that it leaves the situation precisely as it was before, and that the church's compact and unqualified position was that it can not accept these laws.

There are indications that the decision also was influenced by the strong belief in certain Catholic circles that the episcopate's statement regarding Saturday's conference was issued too hastily and that the church should not commit itself to the resumption of services without more definite promises from the government.

**A NEW "MESSIAH" TO ARRIVE SOON**

### High-Caste Hindoo Is Sponsored by Theosophist Head.

New York, Aug. 23.—A slender dreamy young man of dark skin and large, mystic-appearing eyes, clad in up-to-date tweeds and wearing a Bond street hat, will reach America soon from London, to great thousands of American theosophists who believe him to be a new Messiah.

This young man is Krishnamurti, high-caste Hindu from India, in whose rather frail body hundreds of thousands of people believe is incarnated the living spirit of Buddha, Mohammed and Jesus.

Krishnamurti is on his way to Chicago, where theosophists from all over the world will hold a congress. From there he will go to Los Angeles, to remain in ascetic seclusion until the time is ripe for him to preach the word to his followers.

And in his wake there is a gentle

proclamation follows:

"The General Assembly of the state of Indiana has in its wisdom provided and set apart one day in each calendar year in which to do public honor to the cause of labor. From the beginning it has been the policy of American institutions to guarantee to all who toil the full measure of reward for their efforts. Through education and wise leadership labor has been divested of the element of servitude and transformed to an integral factor in the world forces that are the foundation of happiness and prosperity. For generations the youth of the land have been taught the dignity of labor, and in recent years the conservative leaders of the toiling masses have done much to maintain this dignity and to strengthen the bonds of sympathy for those who live by their daily wage."

"By virtue of the statutes now in force, I, Ed Jackson, Governor of Indiana, hereby declare Monday, Sept. 6, 1926, as Labor Day in Indiana, and direct that all state, county, township and municipal offices be closed and that proper and appropriate services be held throughout the state, in so far as is practicable, in tribute to labor."

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## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF TAX LEVIES.

In the Matter of Determining the Tax Rates for Certain Purposes by Delaware County, Indiana. Before the County Council.

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Delaware County, Indiana, that the proper legal officers of said municipality at their regular meeting place, on 7th day of September, 1926, will consider the following budget:

Clerk of Circuit Court.

Services Personal \$ 8,478.00  
All other Operating Expenses 2,930.00  
Current Charges 3,000.00  
Properties 150.00

County Auditor.

Services Personal 6,850.00  
All other Operating Expense 3,093.00

County Treasurer.

Services Personal 12,000.00  
All other Operating Expense 1,583.00

County Recorder.

Services Personal 6,700.00  
All other Operating Expense 1,380.00

Properties 2,800.00  
County Sheriff.

Services Personal 11,430.00  
All other Operating Expense 1,905.00

County Surveyor.

Services Personal 7,400.00  
All other Operating Expense 2,840.00

County Superintendent.

Services Personal 3,800.00  
All other Operating Expense 905.00

County Coroner.

Services Personal 1,550.00  
All other Operating Expense 136.00

County Assessor.

Services Personal 1,920.00  
All other Operating Expense 120.00

Prosecuting Attorney.

Properties 175.00  
100.00

Circuit Court including Juvenile Court.

Services Personal 19,985.00  
All other Operating Expense 650.00

Superior Court.

Services Personal 8,150.00  
All other Operating Expense 800.00

Properties 5,272.00  
486.00

County Court House.

Services Personal 2,700.00  
All other Operating Expense 10,985.00

County Jail.

Services Personal 1,960.00  
All other Operating Expense 510.00

County Poor Farm.

Services Personal 5,732.00  
All other Operating Expense 27,788.00

County Orphan's Home.

Services Personal 2,900.00  
All other Operating Expense 550.00

County Commissioners.

Services Personal 29,371.00  
All other Operating Expense 20,250.00

Current Charges.

Properties 210.00  
500.00

Current Obligations.

Total 351,951.85  
General Fund 351,951.85

Estimate of County Fund To Be Raised.

Estimated expenditure as above  
Working balance at end of year to meet necessary expenditures until receipt of taxes.

Total 75,000.00

Less estimated revenue and balance—  
Revenue not derived from taxation 30,755.00

Balance at end of this year 24,000.00

(Appropriation not requiring Levy)  
Total Deductions 52,000.00

Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Bond Or Sinking Fund.

Estimated Of Bond Or Sinking Fund To Be Raised.  
Estimated expenditures as above  
Working balance at end of year to meet necessary expenditures until receipts of taxes.

Total 106,755.00

Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Total Deductions 320,196.85

Payment of Principal and Interest  
Estimate Of Bond Or Sinking Fund To Be Raised.

Estimated expenditures as above  
Working balance at end of year to meet necessary expenditures until receipts of taxes.

Total 13,595.25

Less estimated revenue and balance—  
Revenue not derived from taxation None

Balance at end of this year 8,385.72

Total Deductions 8,210.53

Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Proposed Levies.

Net Taxable Property 98,390,235.00  
Number Taxable Polls 8,518

Funds Levy on Levy on Amount to be Raised  
County Revenue .50 .52 \$320,708.71

Bond or Sinking Fund none .01 9,883.03

Comparative Statement of Taxes Collected And to Be Collected.

Collected Collected Collected  
Name of Fund 1923 Levy 1924 Levy 1925 Levy  
County Revenue \$ 226,989.21 \$ 216,872.23 \$ 220,860.22

Bond or Sinking Fund 10,708.65 31,729.43 10,634.38

Taxpayers appearing shall have a right to be heard thereon. After the tax levies have been determined, ten or more taxpayers feeling themselves aggrieved by such levies, may appeal to the State Board of Tax Commissioners for further and final action thereon, by filing a petition, therefor with the County Auditor not later than the fourth Monday of September, and the State Board will fix a date of hearing in this county.

Dated August 23rd, 1926.

CHAS. A. VAN MATRE,  
President Delaware County Council.

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF LEVIES FOR TOWNSHIP FREE GRAVEL ROAD BONDS.

In the Matter of Determining the Tax Rate for Certain Purposes by Delaware County, Indiana.

Before the Board of County Commissioners.

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of the several townships of Delaware County, Indiana, that the proper legal officers of said Municipality, at their regular meeting place, on the 7th day of September, 1926, will consider the following budget:

Salem Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund.

Payment of Principal \$ 1,227.80  
Payment of Interest 1,091.38

2,319.18

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Salem Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year

Total 2,319.18

Less balance at end of this year 128.24

Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Mt. Pleasant Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 8,360.00  
Payment of Interest 2,327.36

Total 10,687.36

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Mt. Pleasant Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year

Total 10,687.36

Less balance at end of this year 67.00

Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Harrison Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 11,578.00  
Payment of Interest 2,106.44

Total 13,684.44

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Harrison Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year

Total 13,684.44

Less balance at end of this year 130.74

Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Washington Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 6,018.00  
Payment of Interest 1,432.85

Total 7,451.85

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Washington Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year

Total 7,451.85

Less balance at end of this year 157.16

Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Overdraft in fund at end of this year

Total 7,609.01

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Monroe Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 4,698.00  
Payment of Interest 5,443.59

Total 10,100.59

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Monroe Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Centre Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 54,292.00  
Payment of Interest 11,913.74

Total 66,205.74

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Centre Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Hamilton Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 500.00  
Payment of Interest 393.24

Total 539.24

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Hamilton Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Union Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 7,800.00  
Payment of Interest 9,473.20

Total 16,273.20

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Union Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Perry Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 3,664.80  
Payment of Interest 4,092.68

Total 7,757.48

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Perry Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Liberty Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 4,811.20  
Payment of Interest 702.77

Total 5,513.97

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Liberty Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Delaware Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 5,455.00  
Payment of Interest 6,942.95

Total 12,226.26

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Delaware Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Niles Township Free Gravel Road Bond Fund

Payment of Principal 6,955.00  
Payment of Interest 8,879.32

Total 15,834.32

Estimate of Funds To Be Raised in Niles Township.  
Total principal and interest as above

Overdraft in fund at end of this year  
Total

Less balance at end of this year  
Amount necessary to be raised by taxation  
Proposed Levies

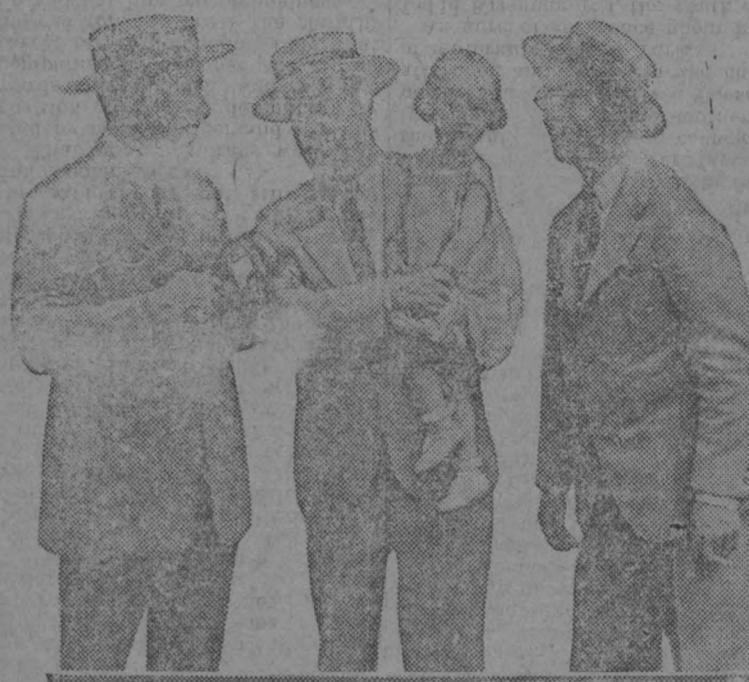
Township Assessed Valuation Levy Amt. to be raised  
Salem \$ 3,721,345.00 .06 \$ 210,940.94  
Mt. Pleasant 2,915,325.00 .26 10,010.36  
Harrison 3,505,530.00 .41 13,865.18  
Washington 3,434,590.00 .22 7,609.01  
Monroe 3,073,069.00 .22 6,444.78  
Centre 63,057,190.00 .10 59,839.98  
Hamilton 3,203,505.00 .02 387.68  
Union 3,047,455.00 .32 9,708.98  
Perry 2,474,110.00 .18 4,366.20  
Liberty 3,297,080.00 .16 5,908.77  
Delaware 3,685,675.00 .19 6,942.95  
Niles 1,834,370.00 .51 9,283.40

Total 98,390.80 233,697.72 223,140.10 141,659.70

Taxpayers appearing shall have a right to be heard thereon. After the tax levies have been determined, ten or more taxpayers feeling themselves aggrieved by such levies

London-Bound, But Hesitating In New York

For "Dick's" Serenade On His Famous Uke



When Director Robert McGowan and Jimmy Finlayson, Hal Roach comedians, arrived in New York on their way to London they were met at the Grand Central Station by the kiddies of Dick's (Richard Konter's) famous Ukelele Club and were serenaded by this group of ardent "Our Gang" fans. Konter was a member of the Byrd Polar Expedition and his "Uke" was carried over the Pole in the plane.

McGowan and Finlayson are primarily on a vacation trip abroad but they will also combine some

## \$20,000 DAMAGE SUIT BROUGHT AGAINST RANDOLPH CO. SHERIFF BY JAY SEMENS OF MILLS LAKE

CONSPIRACY IS CHARGED BETWEEN DALY AND THE "UN-AMERICAN KU KLUX KLAN." TO BREAK UP SEMENS AND PUT HIM OUT OF BUSINESS; IT IS ALSO CHARGED THAT DALY KEPT \$800 WORTH OF LIBERTY BONDS BELONGING TO MR. SEMENS.

As a climax to the Sunday dance fight in Randolph county in which Ulysses G. Daly, sheriff of that county, has time and again arrested Jay Semens, proprietor of Mills Lake, in what has been charged was Ku Klux Klan activity aimed at Mr. Semens, a suit has been filed in the Randolph circuit court by Mr. Semens, asking \$20,000 damages. The suit is brought against Ulysses G. Daly and others.

The complaint, which was prepared today by Atty. J. F. Denney and Tod Whipple of this city, reads as follows:

"State of Indiana, Randolph Co., ss, "In the Randolph Circuit Court, "September, 1926.

Jay Semens vs. Ulysses G. Daly, Lee Briner, Wesley Willis, — Puckett, whose true Christian name is unknown. Complaint for false imprisonment; demand \$20,000.

The plaintiff Jay Semens, complains of the defendants herein, Ulysses G. Daly, Lee Briner, Wesley Willis and — Puckett, whose true Christian name is unknown, and says:

"That on the 1st day of July, 1926, and for a long time prior thereto, the plaintiff was the owner and operator of an amusement park, in Randolph county, Indiana, known as Mills Lake, where the plaintiff had built up a business consisting of the sale of soft drinks, tobaccoes, other refreshments, boating, bathing, picnic park, dancing, baseball and other special classes of amusements, none of which were in violation of any law of the state of Indiana, or of the United States of America, and which earned the plaintiff an average income of approximately three hundred and fifty dollars per week."

"That thereafter the above named defendant, together with a number of other persons, the names and identity of which are to this plaintiff unknown, operating under the secret and cowardly nom-de-plume of the Ku Klux Klan, sometimes masquerading under the disguise of the Invisible Empire, always hypocritically hiding behind the folds of the flag, to conceal their real un-Americanism, entered into a criminal conspiracy to destroy the said business of the plaintiff herein."

"That in furtherance of said conspiracy the said defendants formed an unholy coalition with the sheriff's office of said Randolph county, Indiana, whereby the plaintiff and his employees were to be forcibly restrained of their liberty and forcibly carried away from where said business was being operated, thrown in jail, and the patrons of said business threatened and terrorized all without any warrant of law, or authorized by any writ issued by any court of competent jurisdiction, and with the object and purpose of usurping any authority given by law to the said sheriff, but still sailing under color of law."

"That said conspiracy was actually by malice, anger and evil disposition of the said defendants towards this plaintiff, and was accompanied by the open and brazen threat of the defendant, Daly, that he was going to break the plaintiff up and put him out of business."

"In furtherance of said unlawful conspiracy, the defendants on the 11th day of July, 1926, formed a mob together with other persons to this plaintiff unknown, and without any warrant of law or writ

## G. O. P. TO KEEP HOUSE WORKING MAJORITY--WOOD

Indiana Representative Reports to Coolidge on Fall Elections.

Paul Smiths, N. Y., Aug. 26.—The Republicans will elect in November a working majority of at least twenty-five in the national House of Representatives, President Coolidge was told yesterday by Representative Wood (Republican, Indiana), chairman of the Republican congressional campaign committee.

The present working majority is thirty-five, but Mr. Wood, who came to White Pine camp from Washington to report on political conditions, declared it only could be expected that some seats might be lost in an off year after the heavy sweep of the presidential election which carried many Republicans into office from normally Democratic or doubtful districts.

For the most part, however, he added, the Republicans will not lose many seats in either the West or the East. The report was said to have been along the lines of other information in the possession of Mr. Coolidge and he was said to be pleased at the prospects.

Prosperity is the issue, Mr. Wood said, asking "Why change to the Democrats who, in 1914, under the Underwood tariff, brought about soup kitchens in our cities?"

The Democrats have attempted to make the tariff the issue, he added, but the farmers are for protection, and to both the farmer and the laboring man a high tariff is vital. Ninety-six per cent. of all materials the farmers use, he continued, are on the free list, while the raw products of the farms are protected.

Inspector Underwood of the Jersey City police, in making this announcement, said the witnesses would not be called unless Supreme Court Justice Charles W. Parker considered the evidence to be presented before him Thursday insufficient for the holding without bail the pair.

Stevens and Carpenter, brother and cousin, respectively, of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, widow of the slain clergyman, who is free on \$15,000 bond on the same charge, failed yesterday in their move for temporary liberty when Chief Justice Gummere declined to act on a plea for admission of the two men to bail pending grand jury action.

Justice Parker, reached by telephone in Maine, informed Timothy N. Pfeiffer, associate defense counsel, that he will be here at 10 o'clock Thursday morning to hear the application.

Methods used to combat the fixing of bail, Inspector Underwood said would be determined by the procedure adopted by the defense.

## MOTHER SLAYS FOUR CHILDREN WITH AX

Berne, Aug. 26.—The twenty-fourth triennial session of the General Conference of Mennonites of America is in session at the First Mennonite church of Berne this week. The conference convened Monday morning and will close Sunday night. About 300 delegates representing approximately 125 churches and 22,000 members, are attending the conference.

A large number of important papers were read Monday. The report of the committee on admission of new churches showed that there are now 132 congregations, belonging to the general conference, with a total membership of 22,895 communicants. These congregations own 139 churches, but there are 21 congregations, without pastors and only 21 ministers devote their full time on their charges. Thirty-four churches employ the English language, 48 use the German language and 45 use both. The subject of union meetings and mixed marriages were discussed.

That by reason of the unlawful acts on the parts of the defendants as above alleged, the good will of the plaintiff's said business has been broken up and destroyed, and his patrons terrorized and intimidated from appearing at and patronizing plaintiff's said business; that the plaintiff suffered great humiliation and mental anguish, by reason of said unlawful acts upon the part of said defendants, and suffered damage thereby, and therefrom in the sum of \$20,000, for which he demands judgment, and for such other relief as is just and proper."

## MEXICAN ENVOY TO RETAIN POST

Ambassador Sheffield's Work Pleases Officials Much. Says Kellogg.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Mexican affairs were discussed yesterday by Secretary Kellogg and Ambassador Sheffield at a prolonged conference, but the only official statement resulting from it was an affirmation by the secretary that Mr. Sheffield will continue at his post. Contradicting published reports that Mr. Sheffield would resign, the secretary's statement said the ambassador would return to the City of Mexico on expiration of his leave of absence. It expressed "absolute confidence" in him and declared the department "does not desire him to resign."

Mr. Kellogg declined to discuss other phases of the conference yesterday, but there were indications that it was concerned mainly with the situation in the southern republic which prompted the secretary a year ago to issue a statement declaring Mexico was on trial before the world. That pronouncement set forth that Mexico would receive the support of the Washington government only so long as it protected American lives, American rights and complied with the international engagements and obligations.

New York, Aug. 26.—A tired, somewhat petulant youth in fashion-plate dress, a shy product of the orient, who is being consciously trained by his foster-mother to be the new Christ, arrived Tuesday afternoon amid the din and chaos of materialistic New York.

An aura of reverence about him, Judd Krishnamurti, the youth who his followers believe is the vehicle of the world teacher, twirled his cane as he stepped into one of the rooms of the 13-room suite at the Waldorf Astoria, reserved for his entourage.

## Elks Convention September 1-2

Elkhart, Ind., August 26.—With a score of bands from all over the state already entered in the big tournament which is to be a feature of the Elks' State Convention here August 31, and Sept. 1 and 2, and with innumerable drill teams and lodges giving notice of participation, preparations here are taking on a national calibre. Realizing that the number of visitors may reach the 10,000 mark, all hotel and rooming house reservations have been taken over by the Elkhart Lodge. This insures quarters for visitors at reasonable rates. The Chamber of Commerce, which is staging a big industrial exposition simultaneously with the convention, is co-operating in every way possible to make the event the greatest in the history of Indiana Elkhart.

All the prizes that will be awarded in the various contests will be in solid cash and what trophies will be presented will be in addition to the cash.

## NEW WITNESSES FOUND BY STATE IN HALL SLAYING

Twelve Ready to Block Efforts of Accused to Obtain Any Bail.

Somerville, N. J., Aug. 26.—The state yesterday had ready twelve new witnesses to add to the testimony adduced at the commitment hearing before Judge Cleary of Henry Carpenter and Willie Stevens, charged with the murder of the Rev. Edward W. Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills.

Inspector Underwood of the Jersey City police, in making this announcement, said the witnesses would not be called unless Supreme Court Justice Charles W. Parker considered the evidence to be presented before him Thursday insufficient for the holding without bail the pair.

Stevens and Carpenter, brother and cousin, respectively, of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, widow of the slain clergyman, who is free on \$15,000 bond on the same charge, failed yesterday in their move for temporary liberty when Chief Justice Gummere declined to act on a plea for admission of the two men to bail pending grand jury action.

The fifteen jurors began hearing witness while the bailiff of the court guarded their chamber door and barred possible intruders. It is expected the jury will deliberate more than a week.

John (Jiggs) Wise was promoted from sergeant to chief of police. His appointment is temporary, being designated for thirty days.

Methods used to combat the fixing of bail, Inspector Underwood said would be determined by the procedure adopted by the defense.

## MOTHER SLAYS FOUR CHILDREN WITH AX

Bay Springs, Miss., Aug. 26.—"The Holy Ghost commanded and I killed them." Mrs. Scott Allen, 35 years old, declared last night after killing four of her children, ranging in ages from 8 months to 7 years.

While her husband was away yesterday, Mrs. Allen said she heard the "voice of God," telling her to slay.

"I loved all my five children," she mumbled, "but the Holy Ghost told me to kill them."

## AVIATORS LOWER ST. PAUL RECORD

Chicago, Aug. 21.—Through a dark night made blacker by menacing storms and gales, two pilots of the United States air mail drove their planes westward and into day light for a new record of 5 hours and 27 minutes for transmission of mail from New York to Chicago.

A third pilot, taking off here in a murky sky, completed the triumph by landing in St. Paul, Minn., shortly after noon with a cargo started from New York a scant ten hours before.

If the coroner's report definitely finds that Miss Kirk died from the effects of drugs and medicines which her youthful suitor is alleged to have given her, manslaughter charges probably will be filed against Balanescu, Detective Chief Cornelius Cody said.

If, however, it is found that the girl died from other causes for which the youth was not to blame, Balanescu will have to answer to charges of administering drugs in violation to the state pharmacy law, Cody declared.

## LACOSTE, COCHET AND BRUGNON, FRENCH TENNIS STARS, AT FOREST HILLS PREPARING FOR U. S. CAMPAIGN



Left to right are Jean Lacoste, Pierre Gillon, manager; Henri Cochet and Jacques Brugnon, members of the French tennis team who are here to play American stars. This photograph was taken while they were practicing on the West Side Tennis Club's courts at Forest Hills.

## CAR DEMOLISHED NEAR MARION BY PASSENGER TRAIN

Auto Driven in Path Pennsy Locomotive East of National Sanitarium.

Marion, Ind., Aug. 26.—Mrs. Gaynet Rominger, 24 years old, and Mrs. Bertha Berry, 26 years old, are dead and Adeline Baxter, 26 years old, is injured seriously as the result of an automobile accident at the Macbeth Evans crossing when a Pennsylvania passenger train, west bound, crashed into their car a short distance to the east of the Marion National sanitarium yesterday.

Mrs. Rominger and Mrs. Berry received internal injuries and many body cuts and bruises. Both died soon after they were taken to a Marion hospital. Adeline Baxter was less seriously cut and bruised. All are residents of this city.

The car was driven in the path of the train, it is said, and in one more second would have been clear of the train had they noticed it in time to speed up. The locomotive pilot struck the automobile just back of the center, demolishing it. Parts of the car were carried down the track some distance and the train was stopped 300 feet beyond the crossing.

The locomotive was held up for some time in order that the pilot might be removed from under the locomotive where it had been forced by the impact of the accident.

## MELLETT PROBE JURY IS GUARDED

New Police Chief Is Appointed as Hearing of Witnesses Starts.

Canton, O., Aug. 26.—While Stark county's grand jury deliberated yesterday behind a curtain of unpredicted secrecy on the Mellett case, Canton's mayor appointed new police chief and thereby prepared the way for a contemplated clean-up of vice and bootlegging rings.

The fifteen jurors began hearing witness while the bailiff of the court guarded their chamber door and barred possible intruders. It is expected the jury will deliberate more than a week.

John (Jiggs) Wise was promoted from sergeant to chief of police. His appointment is temporary, being designated for thirty days.

Methods used to combat the fixing of bail, Inspector Underwood said would be determined by the procedure adopted by the defense.

## SHIEK'S EARNINGS BIG; SAVED LITTLE

New York Aug. 25.—Although Rudolf Valentino earned approximately \$2,000,000 during his screen career, he was usually without money, Joseph M. Schenck, executive director of the United Artists' Corporation for which Valentino made pictures, said yesterday.

The potential earning power of the man who thrilled the romantic imaginations of screen fans was easily \$1,000,000 a year, Mr. Schenck asserted, but his net estate, so far as is known does not reach \$75,000.

Valentino had taken out a personal insurance policy for \$50,000. Mr. Schenck said, with his brother and sister, Alberto and Mario Guglielmi, as beneficiaries. The United Artists had insured him for \$200,000. Valentino had made a will, which is now in Hollywood, Calif., according to S. George Ullman, the late actor's manager.

Referring to reports that reductions in the American tariff would be sought from abroad before settlement would be given the United States to become a member of the court on the terms it has set forth, officials pointed out that proposals of that charter would have to be taken up by Congress, a course deemed impractical here.

The President doubts, it was added, that any informed authorities of other countries would think of making any such suggestion.

As for reports that the West would seek a revision of tariff schedules, especially on agricultural products, in the Congress to be elected in November, it was said Mr. Coolidge had heard little if any comment on that question from visitors at White Pine Camp, many of whom recently have discussed the farm situation with him.

## COURT NOT TO BE DEMOCRAT ISSUE

Indiana Senate Candidates To Avoid League Talk In Fall Campaign.

Washington, Aug. 21.—Indiana Democrats in waging their campaign on behalf of their two nominees for United States senator will carefully avoid raising the world court issue. The candidates and other campaign orators have been coached to keep strictly silent on the world court and League of Nations.

This is the word received from Indiana at Democratic national headquarters here. The Democratic national committee may inject the world court question into some of the state campaigns, but the Indiana Democrats want no speaker sent into the state to discuss that subject.

Senators Watson and Robinson voted against the United States becoming a member of the world court, and have pledged themselves against any entangling alliances with the political affairs of Europe. Since the League of Nations was sponsored by the Democratic party and the world court, which has more or less relation to the league machinery, was strongly supported in the Senate by leading Democratic senators, the Democratic party in Indiana, if it chose, could make an issue against Watson and Robinson, who opposed the court. But apparently the Indiana Democratic leaders consider this would be a losing issue.

When the grand jury reconvenes today, after a few days recess, fifty witnesses will have been subpoenaed to appear before, but the star witness, "Pat" McDermott, will be missing. A national search extending over a period of four weeks has failed to uncover him. His concealment has held back the investigation at several points, for he is generally considered as "key man."

## CANTON JUDGE AND ALLEGED BOOTLEGGER, SUSPECT IN MURDER OF DON MELLETT, CRUSADING PUBLISHER

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