

COOLIDGE WARNS AGAINST MILITARISM

WINTER STRIKES MIDWEST; SNOW IN SEVERAL STATES

Cold North Winds Blowing
Across Entire Chicago
Forecast Area

TEMPERATURES
TAKE BIG DROP

(UNITED PRESS SERVICE)
Chicago, Oct. 6.—Winter
came to the midwest today.

Snow and sleet fell on por-
tions of Nebraska, Iowa, Ohio
and Minnesota.
Stockmen heeded the warn-
ing of the weather man and be-
gan moving their cattle off the
open range.

Cold north winds were blow-
ing down across the entire Chi-
cago forecast area. Two inches
of snow fell at Ainsworth, Ne-
braska. The temperature
dropped to 27 degrees.

Snow and sleet began falling
at dawn in Sioux City, Ia., melting as it
struck the earth. Snow flurries were
reported from Crookstown, Minne-
sota, and Ohio. St. Paul and Minne-
apolis shivered in temperatures of
21 degrees.

Alleged Murderers Break Jail In Winnipeg, Canada

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 6.—(United
Press)—Five prisoners, two of whom
were awaiting trial on murder charges,
escaped from the provincial jail early
this morning. They sawed the bars,
slugged a guard and made a clean
getaway.

One of the prisoners, John Stanton,
awaiting trial for the murder of John
Penny of Winnipeg, had been brought
to this city from Greencastle prison
farm, Indiana, where he was identi-
fied while serving a vagrancy term
under the name of John Baker.
Members of Stanton's underworld
gang here are blamed for engineering
the jail break.

D. H. S. ALUMNI TO MEET DEC. 28

Home-coming And Banquet To Be Held During Christmas Vacation

The Alumni of the Decatur high
school will meet in a general home-
coming here on December 28, accord-
ing to plans now being worked out by
Superintendent M. P. Worthman, Prin-
cipal Walter Krick and Ralph Tyn-
dal. Invitations will be sent to every
graduate of the school now living and
it is expected and hoped that the
event will be a most delightful one
as well as an inspiration for good for
the school, manifesting an outside in-
terest which has been somewhat lack-
ing during recent years.

Banquet To Be Given.

A committee from the Alumni mem-
bership will be named to assist in
working out the program and carry-
ing on the big event. The day will
close with a banquet in the school
gym, given by the domestic science
class, according to tentative arrange-
ments. It is probable that one mem-
ber from each class will be named to
take the responsibility of notifying
personally or by letter the mem-
berships of that class, and it is hoped
the affair will arouse sufficient inter-
est that similar events can be held
from year to year.

First Class Graduated in 1881.

The first class of the high school
was graduated June 16, 1881, and the
story of the intervening forty-four
years, with the progress in the school,
will be of much interest. Since that
date more than five hundred have re-
ceived diplomas and have taken their
place in the world. The Decatur High
School Home-Coming and Banquet
should prove a popular success. If
you are an Alumnus of the school, you
are asked to assist in making this the
biggest occasion in the history of the
local house of learning. Further de-
tails will be published from time to
time as progress is made in the
plans.

Appeals To Legion To Aid Colonel Mitchell

Washington, Oct. 6.—(United Press)
—An appeal to the American Legion
convention to aid in defending Colonel
William Mitchell in court martial pro-
ceedings brought against him for in-
subordination was made today by Rep-
resentative Frank Reed, republican,
of Illinois, head of Mitchell's civilian
counsel.

In a telegram to the legion conven-
tion in Omaha, which is held today to
President Coolidge, Reed urged the
American Legion to appoint a commit-
tee of lawyers to assist Mitchell in the
military trial.

Reed also asked the legion to supply
witnesses and certain evidence which
he said it now possessed.

TRAINING SCHOOL INTEREST GROWS

New Students Enroll For Work Of First Semester; Meets Each Monday

Increasing interest was manifested
in the Community Standard Training
school, which held its weekly meet-
ing at the Central school building
last night. New students are enroll-
ing each week and at present the
school membership has exceeded ex-
pectations.

The various classes are in the form
of discussions and lectures and are
of great educational value. The first
classes begin at 7:15 o'clock each
Monday night. This hour of study is
followed by a short chapel and de-
votional period and then the second
and final class hour begins.

All phases of the Bible and Chris-
tian religion are taken up in the
school and students, between the ages
of 16 and 65, are enjoying the work.
Business men from the different
phases of life and ministers are on
the faculty and each instructor has
made a special work and study of his
class.

Enrollment Still Open.

The students are made to think
more of the Bible and the Christian
religion, and are taught how to teach
others. Students may still enroll in
the school next Monday night. There
will be nine more meetings for the
first semester's work and then, after
a short vacation, the second semester
will begin.

Sunday school teachers, superin-
tendents and all others interested in
the courses are invited to attend the
meetings. Several young men of De-
catur and Adams county have enter-
ed the school and already have reg-
istered approval and appreciation of
the school. This year, it is estimated
that there are as many young people
in the school as there are older per-
sons.

PYTHIANS ELECT GRAND OFFICERS

Nathan J. Lane Succeeds Dore B. Erwin, Decatur, As Grand Chancellor

(United Press Service)

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 6.—The
election of Nathan J. Lane of De-
catur, as grand chancellor of the
grand lodge, Knights of Pythias of
Indiana, was scheduled for today at
the state convention of the grand
lodge.

Other officers to be elevated were
L. B. Elmore, Monticello, grand vice
chancellor; R. E. Parr, Edinburg,
grand prelate; Samuel L. Trabue, In-
dianapolis, grand master at arms;
and C. S. Loy, Swazey, grand inner
guard.

Candidates for the post of grand
outer guard, which will be filled to-
day are Othello Hiltch, Indianapolis;
Levi Hooker, Evansville; Ernest M.
Dunn, Union City; Thomas J. Sare,
Bloomington, and William U. Wohl-
bach, Port Wayne.

W. A. Morris, of Frankfort, and
Ralph W. Garlor, of Mishawaka, are
candidates for representatives to
attend the supreme grand lodge con-
vention.

COMMISSIONERS LET CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLIES

Also Contract For Improve- ment At County Farm; Several Bidders

BRIDGE MATTERS ARE CONSIDERED

The county commissioners award-
ed several contracts this morning for
the furnishing of supplies and mak-
ing improvements at the County In-
firmary.

C. F. Bucher received the contract
for erecting lightning rods on the
new barns on his bid of \$170.50 for
the general contract, and \$19.95 for
the extras. Other bids filed were, A.
R. Ashbaugh, \$175; Berne Har-
ware Co., \$218.

The contract for constructing a
new entrance to the boiler room at
the county farm was awarded to F.
L. Johnston, on his bid of \$338.00.
Mr. Johnston was the only person to
submit a bid for this work.

Bids were also received for the
furnishing of a little carrier in the
barns at the county farm. Two bids
were received as follows: F. L. John-
ston, \$190.00; H. Knapp & Son, \$155
on one style and \$168.00 on another
style device. The contract was
awarded to Knapp & Son.

Bridge Matters Up

The viewers' report in the matter
of the Wm. C. Gillespie ditch in Blue
Creek township was approved and
referred to Dick Boch, engineer, for
construction.

The viewers on the Edward J.
Schneider drain received an extension

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GIFT FROM REV. LUCKEY ARRIVES

Draft For \$250 For Beauti- fying Court House Lawn Received By Bank

The Old Adams County Bank this
morning received the gift of \$250 from
the Rev. L. W. A. Luckey, of New
York City, to cover the costs of beauti-
fying the court house yard. The funds
came in the form of a treasurer's
check from the Guarantee Trust Com-
pany of New York, and a letter accom-
panying it asked that the same be turned
over to the county officials or a com-
mittee after the work has been
properly done and the matter legally
recorded. Rev. Luckey was born and
reared in this county and his father,
George Luckey, a pioneer here, was a
member of the board of county com-
missioners when the court house was
erected. The offer was accepted by
the commissioners yesterday and the
work will be started this fall.

Alleged Drug Addict Held At Indianapolis

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 6.—(United
Press)—John Gray, of Sheridan, an
alleged drug addict, is held in the
Marion county jail today charged with
violation of the anti-narcotic act.

Gray was arrested late yesterday
afternoon after his sister, Mrs. Mande
Osborne, had appealed to the police
to find the man who disappeared from
her home.

Sister M. Sophia Undergoes Operation

Sister M. Vera, principal of De-
catur Catholic high school, returned
last night from Fond du Lac, Wiscon-
sin, where she accompanied Sister
M. Sophia, teacher of the First grade
in the St. Joseph Catholic school.
Sister M. Sophia underwent a major
operation at Fond du Lac. No word
concerning her condition has been
received, but all are wishing her a
speedy recovery.

Weather

Mostly cloudy tonight and Wednes-
day; probably rain. Much colder.
Strong winds.

Highlights of President's Speech At American Legion Convention Today

"The country can rest assured that if security lies in military force,
it was never so secure before in all its history. In the past six years, we
have expended about \$4,000,000,000 for this purpose. That ought to show
results, and those who have correct information know that it does show
results."

"I can see no merit in any unnecessary expenditure of money to hire
men to build fleets and carry muskets when international relations and
agreements permit the turning of such resources into the making of good
roads, the building of better homes, the promotion of education and all
the other arts of peace which minister to the advancement of human
welfare."

"Whenever the military power starts dictating to the civil authority
by whatsoever means adopted, the liberties of the country are beginning
to end. National defense should at all times be supported, but any form
of militarism should be resisted."

"It will always be impossible to harmonize justice with war. If we
are looking for a more complete reign of justice, a more complete supre-
macy of law, a more complete social harmony, we must seek it in the paths
of peace. One of the great questions before the nations today is how to
promote tranquility."

"One of the most natural of reactions during the war was intolerance.
The necessity for a common purpose and a united intellectual front
(during war) becomes paramount to everything else. But when the need
for such solidarity is past, there should be an intellectual demobilization
as well as a military demobilization."

"Whether one traces his Americanism back three centuries to the
Mayflower, or three years to the steamer, is not half so important as
whether his Americanism of today is real and genuine. No matter by
what various crafts we came here, we are all now in the same boat."

AVIATORS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Three Flyers Unhurt When Plane Falls 4,000 Feet; Motor In Flames

Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 6.—(United
Press).—Hurling earthward from an
altitude of 4,000 feet, the motor of
their airplane afire and trailing long
tongues of flame and smoke until the
falling craft resembled some shooting
meteor, three army aviators miracu-
lously escaped death by retaining
their presence of mind.

The fliers brought their plane to
a safe landing in a cornfield near the
Des Moines army post after one of
the most thrilling peace-time experi-
ences in the history of aviation.
Those aboard when the motor burst
into flames were Lieut. A. E. Mont-
gomery, Chief Machinist Chamberlain
and Aviation Mate Kidder. In the
SBW-1 they were following the air
mail route across the continent from
San Diego to New York where they
were to compete in the Pulitzer
trophy races.

Although the accident occurred last
night army men did not reveal the
story of the fall until today.

Hundreds of residents of Des Moines
saw the plane burst into flames and
began sailing earthward at a rather
sharp incline.

Then today Lieut. Montgomery told
the story.

"It was a miracle," he said, "we
were hitting it up at a pretty good
clip, I should say 100 miles an hour.
That's not fast for the SBW-1, be-
cause she's a speed craft, but it is
pretty fast to have anything go
wrong."

"Suddenly the motor, which sets
behind the cockpit, gave a cough and
burst into flames. We were sure it
was all over. I believe the carburetor
caught fire first. The wind tearing
at the flames set up an awful roar.
It occurred to me that we had about
one chance in a thousand to get to
earth safely. If we could maintain
sufficient speed gliding down we could
keep the flames shooting straight out
behind and they might not have time
to damage the plane before we landed."

"So that's what we did and here
we are without a scratch."

Accompanying the SBW-1 was an
other plane of the same type, carry-
ing Lieut. W. Copehart and B.
Wyatt and Chief Machinist Bergsten.
The second plane landed when it saw
the SBW-1 was in trouble but con-
tinued its journey eastward today.

Annual Fruit Drive To Be Held Next Saturday

The annual fruit drive for the Ad-
ams County Memorial Hospital will
be held Saturday. Fruits and vegeta-
bles may be taken to the Niblick
building, formerly occupied by the
Old Adams County Memorial Hos-
pital, any time Saturday.

Forrest Buffenbarger Undergoes An Operation

Word has been received by the
Daily Democrat that Forrest Buffen-
barger, of near Berne, who has been
confined to the Methodist hospital in
Fort Wayne for several weeks, is
improving. He underwent a major
operation last Friday and it is ex-
pected that he will improve more
rapidly.

Attending physicians told member
of the Buffenbarger family that the
young man would be able to be re-
moved to his home near Berne in
about five or six weeks.

SCHOOLS TO HONOR RILEY

Celebrations of Poet's Birth- day To Be Held Through- out State Wednesday

Schools all over the state, from first
grades to colleges, will pause in their
work to pay tribute Wednesday to the
memory of James Whitcomb Riley,
the great Hoosier poet, whose birth-
day anniversary will be celebrated
tomorrow. Local teachers have been
instructed to spend part of their regu-
lar class time in memory of the great
poet, either by giving a talk them-
selves or obtaining a speaker for the
occasion.

Some schools in the state have pre-
pared elaborate celebrations. All sorts
of tributes will be paid, from short
exercises to fine and fitting programs.
Every school child in the state will
learn of some of the excellent qual-
ities and works of the greatest of
Hoosier poets, who dedicated most of
his life to writing of Indiana people
and towns.

Dr. Sherwood Issues Statement

Dr. H. N. Sherwood, state superin-
tendent of public instruction, has is-
sued the following statement regard-
ing Riley day tomorrow:

"Indiana will pause on October 7 to
do honor to the memory of James
Whitcomb Riley. Men and women in
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KILLED IN CALIFORNIA

Charles Logan, Step-Son Of John Brake, Former Decatur Man, Meets Death In Auto Accident.

Charles Logan, age 17 years, a step-
son of John Brake, former Decatur
resident, was killed in an automobile
accident in Pasadena, California, two
weeks ago, according to word received
here today by Mrs. Catharine
Brake, of this city. Two other young
men were killed in the accident.
Their automobile was struck and
wrecked by a train. Charles was
killed instantly.

The youth and his step-father went
to California from Chicago about four
years ago. The boy's mother is dead.
He had no brothers or sisters. He
visited in this city several times and
was acquainted here.

Bluffton Continues War On Liquor Law Violators

Bluffton, Oct. 6.—Bluffton today
continued to make it hot for liquor
law violators. Harry Cobb, promi-
nent jeweler, of Indianapolis, and
Lloyd Lincoln were brought into
Mayor's court here this morning and
fined \$15 and costs each for public in-
toxication.

As Cobb left the police court he
was arrested on another charge and
appeared in the circuit court. The
second charge was for driving a car
while intoxicated. The Indianapolis
merchant drew a fine of \$100 and costs
for the second charge and was sen-
tenced to one to two years at the In-
diana state prison. The sentence
was suspended.

AMOS ISCH DIES OF INFLUENZA

Son Of Well-Known Farm- er Residing Southeast Of Decatur, Dies Today

Amos Isch, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs.
Fred Isch, well-known farmer residing
southwest of this city, died at his
parental home at 8 o'clock this morn-
ing, after suffering several weeks with
the influenza. The young man had
been critically ill for several days,
but had been reported considerably
better during the last few hours be-
fore his death. Little hope, however,
had been extended for his recovery.

Besides the father and mother, Amos
Isch is survived by the following
brothers and sisters: Ralph, Edward,
Mary, Esther, and Alice, all at home.
The young man, prior to his illness,
had assisted his father in farm work.
Funeral services will be held from
the home Thursday afternoon at 12:30
o'clock and from the Christian Apos-
tolic church near Vera Cruz at 2:00
o'clock. Burial will take place at the
Vera Cruz cemetery.

Forty Nations Pledge To Work For Disarmament

Washington, Oct. 6.—Two resolu-
tions, pledging the parliamentary rep-
resentatives of 40 nations to work
for international disarmament, were
adopted by the inter-parliamentary
congress here today.

The first resolution was introduced
by Brig. General E. L. Spears, of
Great Britain, provided that the League
of Nations should take the initiative
in demilitarizing frontier zones of bor-
dering nations and that the union itself
work for such a reciprocal end.

Judge Raulston To Run For Governor

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 6.—Judge J.
T. Raulston, Winchester, Tenn., will
enter the Tennessee race for govern-
or in next year's election on the re-
publican ticket, he intimated here
Monday night.

The announcement preceded an
address on "The Scopes Trial and its
Incidents."

MEXICAN BEET WORKER BURNED

Likely To Die Of Burns Suffered When Flames Destroy His Home

Portland, Oct. 6.—Ramon Depena,
25, a Mexican laborer in the sugar
beet fields near Powers Station,
southwest of here, was seriously
burned when an oil stove exploded
and burned his wagon home Sunday.
Little hope is held for his recovery.
He was burned about his arms, back
and limbs.

Th injured man was brought to the
Jay county hospital. Although re-
maining conscious, the physicians
have abandoned hope of saving his
life. He has been kept under the
influence of opiates to relieve the
suffering from the burns.

Depena was attempting to light the
oil stove Sunday morning when the
explosion occurred. He has a wife
and one child in Mexico. All of his
savings and clothing were consumed
in the fire.

WAR VETERANS ADDRESSED BY THE PRESIDENT

Legionnaires Hear Execu- tive's Plea For Tolerance At Home And Abroad

OPPOSES INCREASE IN PREPAREDNESS

By William J. Losh,
(U. P. Staff Correspondent)

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 6.—Presi-
dent Coolidge today declared
against increased military ex-
penditures by the United States
and called on the country to
practice tolerance at home and
abroad as a guarantee of peace.

Speaking before thousands of
World War veterans at the
American Legion convention
here, the President said:

"Our people have had all the war,
all the taxation, and all the military
service that they want."

Solemnly, he warned the nation
against militarism, suppression of
civil liberties, and religious and racial
bigotry.

"The results of the war will be lost
and we shall only be entering a pe-
riod of preparation for another con-
flict," the President said, "unless we
can demobilize the racial antagon-
isms, fears, hatreds, and suspicions,
and create an attitude of toleration in
the public mind of the peoples of the
earth."

"If our country is to have any po-
sition of leadership, I trust it may
be in that direction, and I believe that
the place where it should begin is at
home."

Praises Patriotic Valor.

After praising the patriotic valor
of the veterans and the military pro-
fession, Mr. Coolidge expressed strong
opposition to increased military ex-
penditures:

"In spite of all the arguments in
favor of great military forces," he
said, "no nation ever had an army
large enough to guarantee it against
attack in time of peace or to insure
its victory in time of war. No nation
ever will. Peace and security are
more likely to result from fair and
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SERVES ANOTHER MAN'S SENTENCE

Prisoner On State Penal Farm Is Substitute For Run Runner Friend

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 6.—(United
Press)—Federal and county authori-
ties joined today in a thorough search
for Tony Costa, Clinton run runner,
who hired a friend to serve a sen-
tence for him at the Indiana state penal
farm.

Louis Garino, the friend, had almost
completed serving Costa's sentence
of 90 days and laying out his fine of
\$341 when the substitution was dis-
covered.

Reports starting in Clinton that
Costa was still at large although a
man bearing his name was serving
his sentence at the state farm led to
an investigation by Superintendent
Howard.

Admits Real Identity

Garino at first maintained that he
was Costa, but when confronted by
a federal prohibition agent who had
known both men at Clinton, Garino
admitted his real identity.

Costa was sentenced to the penal
farm from the Marion county criminal
court for liquor law violations. Costa
will have to serve his entire sentence
if he is captured.

He is also wanted by federal authori-
ties in their probe of liquor traffic
between Clinton and Indianapolis.

Prosecutor Remy of Marion county
announced he would make a thorough
probe of the substitution and deter-
mine whether any of the other pris-
oners at the penal farm are serving sen-
tences for other men.

Garino may face charges of con-
spiracy to commit a felony as a re-
sult of the substitution, Remy indicat-
ed.