

FRANK BALL IS MENTIONED IN SENATOR RACE

Muncie Millionaire Manufacturer Holds Conference With Governor

JACKSON ILL WITH COLD AT HIS HOME

Indianapolis, Oct. 20.—The name of Frank Ball, millionaire manufacturer and philanthropist of Muncie was brought to the forefront today in the political free-for-all over naming a successor to the late Senator Ralston.

Great significance was attached by politicians to Ball's visit to Gov. Jackson at the governor's home here during the day.

Ball was called to Indianapolis for the conference by the governor, it was learned. At Jackson's home, it was said Ball was the only person admitted to see him.

The cold from which the governor has been suffering is more severe than was at first thought by physicians and several scheduled political conferences were called off.

After conferring with the governor, Ball said Jackson had not yet decided on the senatorial appointment.

He refused to disclose the subject of the conference, or to reveal whether Jackson had made overtures toward offering him the appointment.

Ball has the support of the strong republican organizations in Delaware county and the tenth congressional district.

Seeks To Have 30 New York Night Clubs Closed

New York, Oct. 20.—Padlock proceedings were started today by United States Attorney Emory Buckner against 30 of the leading night clubs of New York City in which evidences of violation of the Volstead act have been discovered.

Buckner appeared in equity court and filed suit against the various clubs, cafes and restaurants, asking that they be declared common nuisances, and demanding "abatement by padlock."

Wild Ducks Arrive At Reservoir At Celina

Celina, Ohio, Oct. 20.—Wild ducks began arriving at the reservoir here in large numbers during last week-end. The early arrivals are the wedge-tails and the teal. The mallards have not put in an appearance so far.

ROBBERS VISIT PLEASANT MILLS

Mann Garage Looted Monday Night; Safe, Tires, Guns Hauled Away

Thieves broke into the Mann garage at Pleasant Mills Monday night and hauled away the safe and several other articles. The safe contained no money. The loot included three double-barrel shot guns, six automobile tires and three tubes. Three of the tires were Auburns and one was a Goodrich.

The thieves had evidently broken a window in the rear of the garage and, after entering through the opening, pried open the large doors in the front of the garage. An automobile or truck had been backed into the garage thru the front doors and the loot was then loaded into the car.

A cash register, on top of the safe, was set aside and not taken by the thieves. The register had been left open and contained no money. One of the shot guns belonged to Mr. Mann while the other two had been left at the garage for repairs. The safe contained a book account and several papers, but nothing of much value.

The robbery was not discovered until this morning when the garage was opened for business. Sheriff John Baker was notified and he made an investigation but obtained no clues.

The garage is located near houses, but no one reported that they had heard the thieves at work.

Youth Wants Marriage To Aged Wife Annulled

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 20.—Carmen Powell, youthful husband of Mrs. Agnes Smith Powell, 50-year-old grandmother, came into court again today, seeking to annul his marriage.

The 19-year-old husband, on the first anniversary of his marriage yesterday, claimed he was intoxicated at the time of the wedding, and was threatened by two sons and a son-in-law of his wife.

This was denied by the grandmother-wife who declared young Powell was a "willing party to the ceremony." A decision was expected from the court today.

W. L. HOFSTETTER GETS FREE LOT

Sale Of Lots In Hanna Addition Ends With Award Last Night

William Lester Hofstetter, 623 North Second street, was the lucky man who received the free lot in the Hanna addition from the Home Builders through the C. S. Kitch company, at the Old Adams County bank building last night. He held registration ticket No. 75 and received a deed for the lot, together with an abstract, a dollar for recording and ten cents for the transfer.

A large crowd gathered for the occasion and Mr. Austin Stults conducted the closing program of the very successful sale of lots. The crowd selected Dr. H. F. Costello, Mrs. Henry Adler and Isadore Bernstein as the judges and little Miss Hoagland to draw the ticket from the glass jar. It was decided that the third number drawn should be the one to secure the lot and it was all over in a few moments.

The sale of lots in the Hanna addition, as conducted by the Kitch company, was a very successful one, all of the thirty lots being disposed of between Saturday morning and Monday evening and during the same time the Home Builders disposed of three of their houses, through the assistance of Mr. Stults and his force. The company which handled the sale is qualified and believes in keeping its word to the letter. It is the belief here that the lots will grow in value and that a number of the purchasers will erect houses on them during the next year.

TO HOLD "COON" HUNT SATURDAY

Prizes To Be Awarded In Contest To Be Held At Pleasant Mills

An old-fashioned "coon hunt" will be held at Pleasant Mills on Saturday afternoon, October 24, and the sportsmen of Adams county are invited to join in the chase. The hunt will be a real one, except that Mr. Raccoon will not be killed and roasted at the end of the chase.

A pet coon will be taken over three or four miles of territory and then the hounds will be turned loose and the dog or dogs picking up the trail first and the ones treeing the coon first will receive prizes.

First and second prizes will be awarded on the line hunt and first and second money will be awarded on treeing the coon.

Last week's coon hunt was held at Van Wert, Ohio, and those in charge of the hunt next Saturday expect dogs and hunters from that city and Lima, Ohio. An invitation is also extended to farmers and hunters in this county to join in the hunt and enjoy the sport. Other coon hunts are being planned for Lima and other nearby places, and local sportsmen expect to attend.

The hunt at Pleasant Mills will start at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Roy Juday Dies At Albion, Michigan

Mrs. Roy Juday, a former resident of Geneva, died in a hospital at Albion, Michigan, at 9 o'clock Saturday night, following childbirth. The baby lived and is strong and healthy. Mrs. Juday's body was brought to her father's home in Geneva Monday. Funeral services were held in Geneva this afternoon.

"Dead" Man Back From Europe



WILLIAM TURNER, WIFE & SON.

William H. Turner was supposedly killed in a Kentucky mine blast. His "widow," shown here with her son, received \$25,000 insurance. Then a letter was received from Turner, postmarked Hamburg, asking about his wife's health. He returned and his arrest followed. He claims he was forced to leave the country at the point of a gun and blames his father-in-law.

BEETS ARRIVING AT SUGAR PLANT

Opening of Plant Scheduled For Last Of This Week Or First Of Next

F. O. Martin, of Washington township, living south of Decatur, brought in the first truck load of sugar beets to the Holland-St. Louis sugar factory yesterday. The load weighed 9,620 pounds.

Three carloads of beets were received yesterday from the Ohio territory, and the beets continued to arrive today and were being piled up on the yards.

All weigh stations throughout the territory of the local sugar company opened yesterday and the annual campaign was well under way today. The mill will not open until the last of the week or the first of next week, it was stated today.

The cool weather has aided in maturing the beets and putting the sugar content in them and prospects point to a good crop this year. The beet growers are paid a guaranteed price for their beets, based on the price of sugar. The sugar market at present is lower than it has been for several months.

ENTERS AIR SERVICE

John Corbett, Former Decatur Boy, Signs To Become Government Air Mail Pilot.

John Corbett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Corbett, of Fort Wayne, former residents of this city, has been signed as a government air mail pilot. He is a brother of Mrs. Fred Fulenkamp, of this city, and a brother of Francis Corbett, a senior in Central Catholic high school of Fort Wayne, who won the state high school oratorical contest last year.

Mr. Corbett spent three years in France with the United States army during the world war. He had some experience in flying at that time and recently has been taking lessons from Otto Smith, the well-known instructor in aviation from Monroe. Mr. Corbett gave a demonstration of various kinds of fancy flying at the Sand Point Gardens aviation field near Fort Wayne Sunday.

ENTERS I. O. O. F. HOME

Miss Gusta Cramer, Former Chief Operator Of Local Telephone Exchange Leaves City Today

Miss Gusta Cramer, one of the best known ladies of this city and who served in various capacities at the central telephone office for many years and for a number of years was chief operator, will leave this evening for Greensburg, Indiana, where she will reside at the I. O. O. F. state home. Application was made through the lodge here, Miss Gusta having been a member of the Daughters of Rebekah for years.

She asks the Daily Democrat to bid good-bye to her many good friends here and to thank all of them for the favors which have been extended her during the years she has been ill. The best wishes of hundreds of citizens here will follow her to her new home.

CITY SCHOOLS TO CLOSE WEDNESDAY

Teachers to Attend Convention At Indianapolis During Rest Of Week

Forty-one Decatur teachers, including M. F. Worthman, superintendent of city schools, W. J. Krick, principal of Decatur high school, and W. Guy Brown, principal of the Central building, will attend the Indiana State Teachers' Association to be held in Indianapolis, October 22, 23 and 24.

Several of the teachers will leave here on the Pennsylvania train at (CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

Case Of Alleged Bank Bandit Ready For Jury

Greencastle, Ind., Oct. 20.—(United Press.)—The case of William Evans, of Terre Haute, alleged member of the bandit gang which looted the Spencer, Ind., banks in November, 1923, will go to the jury tomorrow. It was announced today.

The defense rested its case yesterday and the state began calling witnesses in rebuttal today.

Weather

Fair tonight and Wednesday; but with some cloudiness. Not much change in temperature.

OPPOSITION TO MELLON'S TAX PLAN IS SEEN

Most Republicans Disapprove Of Scheme; Democrats Openly Against It

DEFEAT OF PLAN IN CONGRESS PREDICTED

By Paul R. Mallon (U. P. Staff Correspondent) Washington, Oct. 20.—(United Press)—The new Mellon tax plan is in for a fight.

Suggestions made by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon were received with reserved approval by most republican members of the ways and means committee which is framing the new tax bill, and democrats openly turned their thumbs down. Promises of non-partisan co-operation were nowhere in evidence.

Disapproval is manifested Even some of the leading republicans on both sides of the capital manifest their disapproval of the scheme suggested by Mellon. They desire a straight out exemption from incomes under \$5,000. And about this project the entire settlement revolves.

Committee members contend they have not had enough time to consider the new Mellon plan in its entirety and determine its merits and demerits. But Representative Garner, Texas, ranking minority member of the committee, speaking for the democrats, was stern in his condemnation. The plan would never go through congress, he predicted.

The stir is raised over Mellon's suggestion that the present brackets of 2, 4 and 6 per cent, on normal incomes be reduced to 1, 3 and 5 per cent, with a stipulation that the present 25 per cent allowance for earned incomes be eliminated. According to the ex-

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PLANS ARE MADE FOR HALLOWE'EN

Calithumpian Parade Assured; Event Advertised In Neighboring Towns

The Calithumpian parade in this city on Halloween is assured, and it will be a happy, delightful occasion for both young and old. The funds have been secured and the cash is now in the hands of the committee. Reports coming in from over the surrounding territory indicate that a number of delegations will take part in the event. The parade has been advertised in all surrounding towns with cards and it is known that a number are planning to take a prize.

The General Electric company will cooperate in the parade, and will use their band and will follow with a calithumpian dance. Everybody is invited to take part. "Get your funny face and your funny clothes ready and help make it a merry night," is the intention of all. The event is given for the purpose of entertaining every one and largely to get away from the old practice of destruction of property on the occasion. Everybody's asked to cooperate with the plan and to refrain from the old custom of seeing how much property can be carried away or destroyed. Details of the line of march, where to meet, those in charge of the parade, etc., will be announced within a few days.

Harry Sheridan, Referee In Bankruptcy, Is Dead

Frankfort, Ind., Oct. 20.—(United Press.)—Harry C. Sheridan, 68, for 27 years a referee in bankruptcy for the Indiana federal court, died at his home here today.

Death followed an operation for appendicitis yesterday. Sheridan was first made referee in bankruptcy in 1898 and had been re-appointed every two years since then. He had planned to retire at the expiration of his present term next September.

Sheridan was in charge of the hearings at which Warren T. McCray, tenth governor of Indiana, was found bankrupt shortly before he was sent to the federal prison at Atlanta for fraudulent use of the mails.

Implement Manufacturer Gives \$1,000,000 To Charity

Miami, Fla., Oct. 20.—(United Press)—Requests totaling more than \$1,000,000 are made to charitable institutions in Chicago, under the terms of the will of the late James Deering, prominent farm implement manufacturer of Chicago and Miami, filed today in the Dade county courthouse.

A trust fund of \$500,000 is set aside to establish a charity ward in the Miami city hospital. Four pictures in the Deering home in Chicago are given to the Chicago Art Institute.

Deering died on Sept. 21, while en route home from a trip to Paris.

TEMPERATURE IS ABNORMALLY LOW

Middlewest Reports Cold Wave; Eight Inches Of Snow In Ohio

Chicago, Oct. 20.—(United Press.)—Abnormally low temperatures over the middlewest were reported by the weather bureau today.

The low temperature belt extends from the Rocky Mountains east and the thermometer reading are 20 degrees below normal in some areas. The Pas. Man., reported the lowest temperature during the night—ten degrees above.

Continued low temperatures for this time of the year and snow flurries in the lake region with a reaction to warmer in the northwest are forecast.

Snow In Ohio.

Cortland, O., Oct. 20.—(United Press.)—Telephone and telegraph lines were down and traffic was hampered today by an eight-inch snowfall which covered a wide area in Trumbull county.

The snow began falling early last night and continued unabated until today. Trees were laden and branches broken. Telephone and telegraph wires sagged to the ground under the heavy burden.

The snow was the heaviest for this time of year since 1873.

BULLETIN

Washington, Oct. 20.—The date for the court martial of Col. William Mitchell has been set for October 28, it was announced here today.

ON PYTHIAN HOME SITE COMMITTEE

W. A. Lower Selected To Help Pick Location; D. B. Erwin On Committee

W. A. Lower will leave tomorrow for Indianapolis where he will attend a meeting of the committee of nine, appointed by the Knights of Pythias of Indiana, to select the site for the new state Pythian home. Mr. Lower was named a member of this committee by the grand lodge and Dore B. Erwin, who recently retired as Grand Chancellor, was named as a member of the building committee, both very important positions.

The site committee will meet tomorrow to organize and to fix the dates for visiting the proposed location cities, of which there are quite a number. They will spend a day or so at each place and go over each proposition carefully.

The proposed new home will cost several hundred thousand dollars and will prove a great asset to the city which secures it. Among those which offered the apparently best propositions were Lafayette, Muncie, Shelbyville, Logansport, Connorsville and Kokomo.

Two Cars Collide On State Road At Noblesville

Noblesville, Ind., Oct. 20.—(United Press.)—Three persons were injured in an auto collision on the state road west of here late yesterday.

The injured were John Watson and his wife, of Westfield, and Mrs. Charles McCormick, of Indianapolis.

The Watson car was struck by an auto driven by John Newby, and shoved cross-wise of the road. The machine in which Mrs. McCormick was riding was following close behind and crashed into the Watson auto.

JURY IS HALF COMPLETED IN MURDER TRIAL

Six Jurors Meet Approval Of Both Sides In Stephenson Case

PROCEDURE DRAGS MONOTONOUSLY ON

Noblesville, Ind., Oct. 20.—After six days of questioning scores of talesmen, a jury for the trial of D. C. Stephenson, former grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan, and Earl Klenck and Earl Gentry on charge of murdering Miss Madge Oberholzer, was apparently half completed at noon today.

Six of the men in the jury box seemed to meet the approval of both state and defense attorneys.

Efforts to find six other jurors dragged monotonously on before a small crowd.

There were only twenty-six spectators in court during the morning session and four of them were asleep. The six men who have been passed back and forth by both sides until they stand tentatively approved are all farmers.

The veterans of the jury box slouched wearily in their seats, occasionally refreshing their chew of tobacco and at other times taking little naps.

Noblesville, Oct. 20.—The last available members of the second special venire of 100 men were called today for examination in the search for a jury to try D. C. Stephenson, Earl Klenck and Earl Gentry on charges of murdering Miss Madge Oberholzer.

It was regarded as a certainty that Judge Sparks will have to order a new panel tomorrow.

Heavy inroads were made into the list of talesmen during the fire of questions as the men in the jury box were passed back and forth by the defense and state attorneys yesterday.

Several men were excused because of personal business or sickness in their families.

Once during the afternoon the (CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX)

Probe Report Of Drunken Party In Negro Lodge Hall

Indianapolis, Oct. 20.—Report of a drunken party attended by scores of persons in the hall of a negro lodge was investigated today by Police Chief Rikhoff.

Rikhoff sought a man who told a police matron he wasn't afraid of a raid because he "paid \$200 to the police."

BABY CREMATED IN SCHOOL HOUSE

Ashes Of Child Taken From Heater In Building Near Corning, Ohio

Bulletin Corning, O., Oct. 20.—(United Press)—Ashes taken from a heater in a school on the outskirts of Corning were sent to Columbus today for analysis, authorities believing a baby had been cremated there during the night.

A preliminary analysis made by Dr. R. B. Book, a Corning physician, revealed the ashes contained a part of a human skull, a tooth and a bottle that had contained carbolic acid. Dr. Book said.

Entrance to the school had been forced during the night.

Authorities were drawn to the furnace when Mrs. Mary Linscott, janitress, found the building reeking with a strange odor.

The ashes were sifted and taken to Dr. Book, who declared there was no doubt but that an infant about one year old had been cremated there.

The ashes were taken to Columbus by Coroner H. Q. Minshall and Sheriff Harley McNabb of New Lexington, both of whom declined to make a finding until the Columbus analysis is completed.

The teacher, Miss Beatrice Wright, locked the school building after regular classes late yesterday. The door was forced during the night, Sheriff McNabb declared.