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MOST OF VICTIMS ARE PEARL FISHERS

(U. P. Staff Correspondent)
Karachi, India, Oct. 24.—A terrific cyclone has swept the Persian gulf, bringing the worst disaster within living memory, in these parts.

Forty vessels are reported to have been sunk and more than 1,000 lives lost, according to early dispatches here.

The greatest chaos prevails in stricken ports along the Persian gulf, according to advices from Bahrain.

Because of the reported extent of the disaster, first details of death and destruction were conflicting.

Most of the men who perished were pearl fishers whose fleets put out some time ago from the Bahrain islands.

Rescue boats reported plowing their way through many floating corpses.

St. Johns, N. F., Oct. 24.—A terrific gale swept the northeast coast of Newfoundland during the night. Reports reaching here indicated that many fishing vessels were unable to weather the storm with resultant loss of life.

Dr. Rice In Charge Of Epidemic At Reformatory

Indianapolis, Oct. 24.—Dr. Thurman Rice, of the state board of health, has been placed in charge of the situation growing out of an epidemic of typhoid fever at the state reformatory at Pendleton, it was learned today.

Superintendent Miles said the situation is no longer alarming and that only three inmates now have the disease.

Terrible overcrowding results from the fact that the prison has only 648 cells to house 1,579 prisoners, making the threat of an epidemic always possible, persons familiar with the situation said.

The disease was brought to the institution by a new inmate who was a typhoid "carrier."

Hospital facilities at the reformatory are limited and Miles said strictest economy was necessary before limited appropriations made by the last legislature for the reformatory could be put to use.

CHILD HAS TACK IN HIS WINDPIPE

Two-year-old Son Of Mr. And Mrs. Otto Holle Taken To Toledo Today

Paul Holle, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Holle, of Root township, was taken to Toledo, Ohio, today, in hopes that specialists in that city may be able to remove a carpet tack from his windpipe. The tack was located in the child's windpipe, beneath the fourth rib, by means of an X-ray examination yesterday.

The tack has been in the child's windpipe since last spring, his parents believe. He fell from a chair last spring and after he was picked up he complained of his throat hurting. Since that day, he has breathed with difficulty and continually complained of his throat hurting. He has been treated by a physician, but he seemed to receive no relief. It is thought that the child had a tack in his mouth when he fell from the chair, and that he swallowed the tack, due to the excitement and jar of the fall. The child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Schamerloh, of this city.

Candidate For Mayor In Warsaw Declared Ineligible

Warsaw, Ind., Oct. 24.—(United Press)—Dr. Angus C. McDonald, democratic candidate for mayor here, was declared ineligible and his name was stricken from the list by Judge L. W. Royce in the Kosciusko circuit court.

Royce ruled the certificate of candidacy was not legally filed. This leaves but one candidate in the field, John Hansman, republican, to be voted on Nov. 3.

THREE PRECINCT MEETINGS HELD

Enthusiastic Meetings Held In Different Parts Of City By Democrats

Three democratic precinct meetings were held last night, at which time the various candidates for city offices presented their platform and urged the cooperation of all voters. The meetings were all enthusiastic gatherings and will be continued in the various precincts until after the city election, November 3.

A second ward meeting was held at the Phil Macklin home on First street last night, and it was well attended by the ladies of the A precinct of the Second ward. Several of the democratic candidates were present at the meeting and gave short talks.

Two democratic meetings were held in the west part of the city last night. Mrs. George Wemhoff entertained the voters of B precinct of the Third ward. The largest gathering of voters assembled this year was entertained at the Wemhoff home. Several democratic candidates and others interested in the coming election gave interesting talks.

A meeting of Second ward democrats was held at the Lew's Gehrig home on Seventh street. A good crowd also attended this meeting and short talks were made. Several meetings are scheduled for next week.

Two Planes Collide 1,000 Feet In The Air

San Diego, Cal., Oct. 24.—(United Press)—Colliding while flying at an altitude of 1,000 feet, two planes dropped into the sea at Ocean Side today.

Three men swam ashore, but a third could be seen clinging to the plane unable to swim. A boat immediately cut off from shore to rescue him.

TASK OF PICKING JURY UNFINISHED

Two Weeks Spent In Futile Effort To Name Jurors To Try Stephenson

Noblesville, Ind., Oct. 24.—(United Press)—With two weeks of unsuccessful efforts to secure a jury for the Oberholzer murder trial, the Hamilton county court stood adjourned until Monday.

The end of the long conflict between state and defense attorneys over selection of the men who will hear the evidence on which the state hopes to convict D. C. Stephenson, Earl Klenck and Earl Gentry of the murder of Miss Madge Oberholzer is not yet in sight.

Twenty-three men were examined during the Friday session and there was no definite progress toward completing the panel.

Once the opposing attorneys seemed on the verge of an agreement, but the state challenged one man and the questioning of talesmen was resumed.

The effort to pick a jury has already lasted longer than the famous struggle in the case of Governor McCray in the Marion county criminal court two years ago.

If a jury is not completed by the middle of next week, the record established in the trial of Don Roberts, Terre Haute politician, several years ago, will be broken.

SUGAR FACTORY STARTS GRIND

First Of 1925 Sugar Expected To Be Produced Sunday; 125 Men on Hand

At 6 o'clock this morning the whistle sounded and the annual campaign of the local factory of the Holland-St. Louis Beet Sugar company swung into full working force. About 125 men were on hand to begin the day shift, and 125 more will report at 6 o'clock tonight for the night shift.

The local factory will run twenty-four hours each day for the next 60 or 70 days, at which time it is expected that all beets on hand will have been converted into sugar. This year's run will be slightly shorter than last year, but a larger force is being used and it is predicted that more sugar will be turned out.

First Sugar Tomorrow

The beets are arriving in good shape and the work of unloading and weighing started several days ago. The first 1925 sugar will be produced some time tomorrow afternoon, John Carmody, factory manager, stated this morning. The laborers are placed as the beets progress and by tomorrow afternoon, every man will be in his proper place.

A large force of men started to work at the sugar factory several weeks ago, and the complete payroll for the Decatur factory includes more than 300 names. After the machinery was started this morning, it will not be stopped, except for unforeseen causes, until the entire campaign is completed some time during the latter part of December or the first of January.

Machinery In Good Condition

Beets will be hauled and shipped into the local yards for the next several weeks, and will be stored there until ready for the trip through the mill, during which time they are ground, cooked and converted into sugar. Local factory officials say that the machinery is all in first class condition. Plenty of workers have been obtained and only a few more will be hired during the entire run, it was stated this morning. Visitors will be admitted only with the consent of officials, it was said today.

RADIO LISTENERS ORGANIZE LEAGUE

Decatur And Adams County Asked To Join National Association

Decatur and Adams county radio fans have been invited to become affiliated with the National Broadcast Listeners League, an organization composed of listeners-in from all parts of the country, for the purpose of bettering the radio reception.

H. A. Luckey, of Indianapolis, who was instrumental in starting the Broadcast Listeners Association of Indianapolis, the parents organization of the National Broadcast Listeners League, was in Decatur today, conferring with various radio fans, including George Wemhoff, president of the Adams County Radio Club. It is likely that a meeting of the Adams County Radio Club will be called in the near future and the proposition of affiliation with the Broadcast Listeners League voted upon. There will be no charge for affiliation, as the League is not organized for profit.

Mr. Luckey has been called to Washington for a conference with Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, on November 9, at which time the secretary will confer with Mr. Luckey regarding the National Broadcast Listeners League.

The Broadcast Listeners' Association of Indianapolis staged a big radio show in Indianapolis last month, and it was declared to be one of the biggest shows of its kind ever staged, comparing favorably with the New York Radio show. Mr. Luckey was at the head of the movement which started the show. The event will be made an annual affair.

Mr. Luckey is anxious that the Broadcast Listeners' Association of Decatur be formed before he goes to Washington for the conference with Secretary Hoover on November 9. Already, similar organizations have been formed in various parts of Indiana, Ohio and other states. Portland and Fort Wayne are joining the national league, it is said.

Body Of S-51 Victim Is Identified Today

Newport, A. I., Oct. 24.—(United Press)—One of two bodies recovered yesterday from the sunken hull of the submarine S-51 today was identified as that of Lieutenant (junior grade) James Durley Haselden, Jr., of Dillon, S. C.

Two other bodies have not been identified.

TEACHERS CLOSE STATE MEETING

Three-day Convention Ends With New Record For Attendance

Indianapolis, Oct. 24.—(United Press)—The three-day convention of the Indiana Teachers' association came to a close here today after one of the largest meetings in the history of the organization.

It was estimated that at least 14,000 Hoosier educators attended the meetings which opened Thursday morning. William A. McAndrews, superintendent of the Chicago public schools, was to deliver the principal address at the closing meeting.

At last night's session, Benjamin Burris, of Muncie, and W. P. Dearing of Oakland City, retiring president, were named a committee to incorporate the organization under the laws of the state of Indiana.

Albert A. Wiggam, author and editor, in an address before the association, declared that there has been a decline in the American standard of intelligence during the last few years. Wiggam declared that America is "merely joy riding into the jungle of crime by allowing criminals a better chance to reproduce their breed than we do good citizens."

C. S. NIBLICK IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Members Of Local Banker's Family Called To His Bedside In Gary

J. G. Niblick received a telephone message this morning from Dr. J. S. Niblick, of Indiana Harbor, stating that his father, C. S. Niblick, president of the Old Adams County Bank of this city, who is a patient at the Mercy hospital at Gary, passed a very bad night and asked him to see that the other members of the family were notified to come at once. Mr. Niblick left here on the 10 o'clock interurban car, accompanied by the Misses Charlotte and Margaret Niblick, for Fort Wayne where they hoped to catch the Manhattan Flyer at 11:30 a. m. Mrs. Perry Gandy, another daughter, of West of Fort Wayne, was notified to meet them at Fort Wayne and accompany them also.

Mr. Niblick went to Indiana Harbor for treatment several weeks ago and was taken to the Gary hospital and an operation was performed. Mrs. Niblick hastened to Gary Tuesday night after being notified that an operation had been performed.

Schneider Cup Races Postponed Due To Rain

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 24.—(United Press)—The Schneider cup race, scheduled for this afternoon, was postponed this morning because of rain.

Officials decided it would be too great a risk for the flyers to participate in the competition in the rain.

Forty Hours Devotion To Open Friday, Oct. 30

Forty hours' devotion will open at the St. Mary's Catholic church Friday evening, October 30. The services will continue over to Sunday and on Sunday evening the solemn closing of the services will be held. Announcements pertaining to the services and the time for holding the services during the three days will be made at masses tomorrow.

Weather

Rain tonight. Colder in west and south portions; Sunday mostly fair. Washington, Oct. 24.—(United Press)—Weather outlook for period Oct. 26 to 31 inclusive: Region of Great Lakes: Rains or snow Monday or Tuesday and again the latter part of the week; frequent alternations in temperature.

LIBRARIANS END TRI-STATE MEET

Decatur Women Attend Sessions Held In Fort Wayne; Elect Officers

Mrs. John Niblick and Mrs. Mary Eley, trustees of the Decatur public library, and Miss Annette Moses, librarian, have returned from Fort Wayne, where they attended the tri-state meeting of librarians and trustees of Indiana, Ohio and Michigan, which opened Tuesday and closed yesterday.

Separate meetings were held by the librarians and the library trustees during the convention and the sessions were highly beneficial to those who attended. Joint sessions were held each evening. Mrs. Niblick, who is president of the board of trustees of the Decatur library, served as a delegate. Indiana had the largest attendance ever registered at one of the tri-state meetings. There were 303 present from Indiana, and more than half were trustees.

A dinner for the trustees was held at the Anthony hotel. Among the speakers was Mrs. Frank J. Sheehan, of Gary, newly elected president of the Indiana Federation of Clubs.

Officers were elected by the three state library associations at the closing session yesterday. The Indiana officers are:

President—O. C. Davis, of the Hammond public library.

Vice-president—Nellie M. Coats, Indianapolis public library.

Secretary—Ethel G. Baker, South Bend public library.

Treasurer—Katherine Frazee, Seymour public library.

Representative to the American Library Association council—Carrie E. Scott, Indianapolis public library.

No arrangements for another joint meeting of the three state organizations for 1926 were made at the sessions yesterday. The Indiana State Library association will hold its annual meeting in Indianapolis, the date for which has not been announced. The next meeting of the Michigan state librarians will probably be held at Manistee next June, it was announced. The Ohio librarians' meeting will be held at Columbus next year.

W. C. T. U. HOLDS STATE MEETING

Mrs. Stanley Re-elected State President; Body Opposes "Defense Day"

Opposition to a national Defense Day was expressed at the annual state convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union held at Connersville this week. It was urged that the Defense Day be turned into a "War Prevention Day."

A movement to "create a prohibition conscience" was launched by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, president of the state union. During her address she said in part:

"We must create a prohibition conscience in the hearts of our people that will stimulate national pride and demand enforcement of law, and drive the rum runners and their patrons to either get on the water wagon or get off this continent. Let the masses know that prohibition, in spite of poor enforcement, is the miracle of the age, and that it is becoming increasingly popular with each returning day. This must be done to save civilization, and what must be done can be done; by the grace of God the W. C. T. U. of Indiana will help do it."

Mrs. Stanley attacked the state board of pardons, which, she said, "undo the work of the courts and grant pardons to criminals who have scarcely become adjusted to prison regulations, and send them back on society to add to the burden of enforcement officials and danger to the community. Until this power is curtailed or removed absolutely from the board of pardons, and the criminal world is made to know that it must pay the penalty for violation of the law, we will have hold thieves and criminals."

Mrs. Stanley, who has served as state president of the W. C. T. U. for the last five years, was re-elected president. Other officers elected were: Mrs. Ida Mix of Kokomo, vice-president; Miss Mary Woodward, of Fountain City, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mary Donnell of Greensburg, recording secretary.

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GREEK FORCES DISREGARD ORDER TO STOP FIGHTING

Baby Found In Sack In Sewer At Evansville

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 24.—(United Press)—Securely tied up in a gunny sack, a baby girl three or four days old was found alive in a sewer here last night.

Physicians say it will live. The babe and sack were lying in about three inches of water and though the bag was saturated, the child was only slightly wet.

A passerby heard cries coming from the sewer.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS END CONVENTION

E. C. Bierie, of Berne, Elected President Of County Organization

The annual Adams County Sunday School convention closed at Berne last night after a successful series of meetings. The convention opened Thursday evening in the M. E. Church at Monroe. Sessions were held in the Evangelical church in Berne Friday morning and afternoon and the closing session was held in the First Methodist church of Berne.

E. C. Bierie, of Berne, was elected president of the county association. Henry B. Heller, of Decatur, and the Rev. Jesse Byerly were elected vice-presidents. Miss Ida Sprunger, of Berne, was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

About 90 persons attended the Fellowship banquet held in the Community Auditorium at 6 o'clock yesterday evening. Talks were given by C. L. Walters, of Decatur; Kenneth Shoemaker, of Geneva; H. G. Rowe, superintendent of the young peoples' division of the state Sunday school association; and Miss Nellie Young, superintendent of the children's division of the state association. The principal addresses at the closing session of the convention were given by Mr. Rowe and Miss Young.

Bandits Get \$20,000 From Bank In Illinois

Elgin, Ill., Oct. 24.—(United Press)—Four bandits armed with shot guns today held up the West McHenry bank and secured \$20,000 in gold, silver and bills.

While two of the gang stood outside, the other two men entered the bank and at the point of guns forced the president and cashier to open the vault. The money was taken from the vault.

TAX-PAYING RUSH UNDER WAY HERE

About \$100,000 Of Fall Installment Paid So Far; Nov. 2 Last Day To Pay

The annual tax-paying rush was on at the county treasurer's office today. Although exact totals were not available today, it is thought that about \$100,000 of the fall installment has been paid so far. Monday, November 2 is the last day for the payment of the November taxes without the ten per cent. penalty being added and the next week will see a steady rush at the treasurer's office. County Treasurer Louis Kleine and his deputy, Miss Anna Smith, were taking care of the business today.

Kansas Author Lauds Rockefeller Foundation

Chicago, Oct. 24.—(United Press)—Establishment of the Rockefeller foundation has made John D. Rockefeller, the most useful citizen of all time, E. W. Howe, Kansas author, declared in an address here last night.

"The Rockefeller foundation," Howe said, "has released to the world vast quantities of information otherwise unobtainable and Mr. Rockefeller's beneficence in establishing it has put him at the head of the list of 'world's most useful men.'"

ARMIES REMAIN ON BULGAR SOIL DESPITE WARNING

Unconfirmed Reports Picture Greeks Advancing And Shelling Town

LEAGUE OF NATIONS MEETS MONDAY

(U. P. Staff Correspondent)
Greek forces today remained on Bulgar soil, despite League of Nations warning to withdraw behind their own frontiers.

London press reports thus far unconfirmed, pictured them even as advancing last night and again shelling the hard hit border town of Petrich, while Sofia advices told of an alleged movement of Greek troops from Saloniki to reinforce the border region.

One report was Athens had ordered its troops to stop advancing.

Greece will participate in the League of Nations council deliberations Monday when an effort is to be made to end the trouble and start fixing responsibility for the border hostilities. But Premier Pangalos asserts that his forces will hold the occupied Bulgar territory until Bulgaria yields to the Greek reparation demands.

Sofia advices pictured hundreds of peasants fleeing from their humble dwellings near the border, while the Bulgar government accuses the Greeks not only of having shelled open towns but also of having killed a handful of women children, other civilians and soldiers.

Crops and cattle were seized, Sofia charges. Meantime, irregulars—the commit-adj of the mountain districts, were reported taking advantage of the unrest and uncertainty to plunder and terrorize the border districts.

London, Oct. 24.—(United Press.)—Greece is not only holding fast to territory she occupied in Bulgaria but is determined to keep her grip on the region and not evacuate before the League of Nations council has handed down its decision on the Greco-Bulgar conflict, according to United Press advices from Athens late today.

A decision on the question of evacuation can be taken in the Monday council session at Paris, but it is also possible that this decision would have to await an investigation on the spot by a council committee.

Laurel Auto Races Are Postponed Today

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 24.—The \$25,000 automobile racing classic at the Laurel speedway was postponed because of rain, officials announced.

BENEFIT PICTURE SHOW TO BE GIVEN

"Havoc" To Be Shown Here By American Legion And Women's Relief Corps

Members of the American Legion and W. R. C. of this city have obtained the Cort Theater for next Tuesday and Wednesday, at which time they will present the famous William Fox motion picture production of "Havoc." Tickets are being sold at 20 and 25 cents each by members of the two organizations.

Proceeds from the show will go to the two organizations for their general fund. The motion picture is one of the big movie successes of the year. It is a story of the American people, especially the women, after the World War.

The public is cordially invited to patronize the show during the two nights in this city and everyone is guaranteed a good evening's entertainment. Tickets can be obtained from members or a tte door next Tuesday and Wednesday nights.