

RAP CORONER'S
BLUNT REBUKE
TO PARENTSCalling Playing in Streets
'Criminal Neglect' Stirs
Friends of Slain Boy.

FORMAL PROTEST MADE

Coroner Paul R. Robinson was characterized as "heartless" by neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. August Stoefle, 3131 Indianapolis avenue, today.

His statement that the parent who allows a child to play in the streets is guilty of criminal negligence brought forth a formal protest from the neighbors.

The statement was made after the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Stoefle was killed by a motor truck on West Thirty-second street, while hanging to the truck and coasting on roller skates. Saturday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Stoefle have been so deeply affected by the protest that they demand an apology from him.

ANGERED BY THREAT
ON FUTURE POLICY.

They are particularly aroused by the statement of the coroner that "beneath, in accidents of this kind, where it is shown the driver of the motor vehicle is absolutely blameless, I am going to order the parents held by the police and will ask the grand jury to investigate."

The coroner added: "It is certainly nothing more nor less than the greatest criminal negligence for parents to allow their children to play in the streets."

The coroner's statement is inexcusable, declared Harry W. Wall, 1345 West Thirty-first street, and himself the father of six children.

The entire neighborhood has the deepest sympathy for Mr. and Mrs. Stoefle, he said, "and feel that the least Coroner Robinson can do is to send a letter of sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Stoefle."

THIS CHILD
DAYS FORGOTTEN."

"It seems that he has forgotten his childhood days," Wall added, stating that he voiced the sentiments of the neighborhood.

"Would any parents be guilty of sending their children to play in the streets to do that?" said Coroner Robinson, "I expect the parents to lay off from work, or mothers to leave their babies at home alone and take the older children back and forth to school, or what does he suggest to be done to better conditions?"

"In respect to Mr. and Mrs. Stoefle, I will say there are no parents in the city who have provided a better playground than they have. In fact, their yard is the playground of the neighborhood children. An inspection of this home will back up my statement."

Federal Grand Jury
Delays Coal Report

No report was made today of the results of investigations made by the federal grand jury which has been engaged for the past three months in conducting a probe of the coal industry in Indiana.

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When Traveling
Don't Do This!

Clarence Pollock, Sparks, Ind., placed his suitcase on the floor of the union station while he purchased his railroad ticket. It disappeared. The case and contents were valued at \$30.

Forty Hurt in Fog;
Chicago, Not London

CHICAGO, March 10.—A heavy fog in Chicago hampered traffic today. Forty persons were slightly injured when two street cars collided in the mist.

Socialists Form New
Cabinet in Sweden

LONDON, March 10.—Dr. Branting, socialist leader, has formed a new Swedish cabinet, said a dispatch from Stockholm today.

Seven Carried Out of
Burning Residence

BUFFALO, March 10.—Firemen saved seven persons from death early today when fire swept through the home of Edward Michael in the fashionable residential district of Delaware avenue, causing damage estimated at \$50,000.

French Coal Strike
to Cut Down Trains

PARIS, March 10.—The railway lines are considering a reduction of passenger service because of the coal strike in the coal fields in the department of the north. A mass meeting of the miners was called for today.

Illinois Steps Out
With Insanity Boom

CHICAGO, March 10.—Insanity in Illinois is on the increase, according to Dr. Edward F. Foy, of the Dunning state hospital for the insane. He reported the hospital has 3,340 patients, a record number, and believes other asylums in the state will show the same increase.

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Moores and Benham
Seek Renominations

Merrill Moores, 2020 North Pennsylvania street, filed a declaration of his candidacy for renomination on the republican ticket for congressman from this district in the office of the secretary of state today.

John S. Benham of Benham, Ind., filed notice of his candidacy for renomination on the republican ticket for congressman from the Fourth district.

Verdict Stands in
Child Neglect Case

The appellate court today affirmed the conviction of the Marion county juvenile court in the trial of Hummel, Indianapolis insurance man, who was fined \$200 and sentenced to serve 180 days in jail. Hummel recently was brought back from Florida to face an indictment charging bigamy. In the case which was filed today he was charged with neglecting his three children.

Dismisses Charge
of Stealing Auto

On a motion of the state, Judge James Collins of the criminal court today dismissed an indictment against William Elliott, charged with receiving a stolen automobile.

It was explained to the court that the state could not prove that the automobile alleged to have been stolen in the indictment was concealed by Elliott.

The indictment was filed because it had been involved in a similar transaction with a man from Montreal, where he was assistant manager of the Ritz-Carlton.

NO MORE LOANS,
HOUSTON SAYSSecretary to Stay Further
European Credits.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The United States will make no more loans to European nations.

This was announced this afternoon by Secretary of Treasury Houston. While the treasury still has authorization to make loans to the extent of half a billion dollars to the allied nations this will not be used, Secretary Houston said.

Secretary Houston also announced he would oppose any further efforts to secure participation of the United States in the proposed allied loan to Germany.

New Orleans Coffee
Plant Swept by Fire

NEW ORLEANS, March 10.—Fire which for some time threatened to destroy an entire square in the business district today, wrecked the plant of the American Coffee Company and an adjoining warehouse. Another large warehouse was damaged.

Bottomley Has New
Rap for Uncle Sam

LONDON, March 10.—Under the heading, "Another Talk to Uncle Sam," Horatio Bottomley's newspaper, John Bull, again attacked America today. The paper accuses the United States of holding out from her burden of reconstruction, arguing that it would be of great benefit to Germany unless America bears full share in rehabilitating Europe.

The Weather

Local Forecast—Unsettled with rain tonight and Thursday; temperature above freezing.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m. 43

7 a. m. 43

8 a. m. 43

9 a. m. 44

10 a. m. 45

11 a. m. 45

12 (noon) 45

1 p. m. 45

2 p. m. 45

Sun sets today, 5:46; rises tomorrow, 6:02; sets, 5:47.

One year ago today, highest temperature, 49; lowest, 29.

Additional weather reports on market page.

OIL INSPECTOR
FORCE STICKS
TO GOVERNORChief, and 13 Men Work on
After 'Graft' Is Knocked
Out by Law.

DESK IN STATEHOUSE

On Oct. 1, 1919, the old oil inspection department, as a result of an act of the legislature, went out of existence, after it had been denounced as a graft by republicans and democrats alike.

Today, Marion Caldwell, who was the head of that department, sits at the desk in the statehouse and thirteen of his inspectors are inspecting oil in the state.

Mr. Caldwell has not left the statehouse, although his "fee grabbing" department was supposed to have gone out of existence five months ago. He has a desk in room 33 in the basement. This room adjoins the state veterinary department. Employees of that department insist that he is not connected with that department, but that he only has a desk here."

Records in the office of the auditor of state do not show that Caldwell is on the state payroll in any capacity.

He is not employed at the statehouse, but the Goodrich administration has given him a desk room from which he is directing the inspection to have an old oil inspection department in which the employees were given the right to put into their own pockets every cent of the fees collected for the inspection of oil regardless of the amount, brought back into existence.

STATEHOUSE SPACE
ILLEGALLY OCCUPIED.

There is nothing in the office of auditor of state to show that Mr. Caldwell is renting desk room from the state and that he is using the statehouse to the state to authorize the use of space in the statehouse by persons not in the employ of the state. It is possible, however, that the "economy" program of the Goodrich administration contemplates the use of the statehouse as an office building. In this case it might be well for persons who are unable to be of service to the state to apply to the governor. The statehouse is crowded, but it might be possible to find room for others, especially if they desire to use the space in an effort to bring about a condition by which they may collect "fees" later on.

Mr. Caldwell has a nucleus around him which he could rebuild his old department, and account will be made to make a thorough investigation of expenditures made by the school board and make recommendations for rules and regulations under which business matters pertaining to the school city should be carried on in the future.

13 RECEIVE SALARIES,
REGARDLESS OF FEES.

These thirteen inspectors are very anxious that the old law be re-enacted, because under the present law they receive only \$250 a month, regardless of the amount of fees collected. But then they receive traveling expenses if they receive traveling expenses. If 7 cents a mile above their actual salaries. One of the inspectors who was formerly under the direction of Mr. Caldwell recently received \$1,64 a month, excepting for one month.

Records in the auditor's office show there are twenty-six oil inspectors on the payroll of the state. On Sept. 13 Harry E. Barnard, who was at that time (Continued on Page Two.)

SCHOOL BOARD
IRREGULARITIES
TO BE PROBEDDisregard of Rules Blamed
for Complications Before
Accounts Body.

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It is being urged to the attention of the fact that Mr. McAdoo has refused absolutely to allow himself to be entered into any fight to obtain pledged delegates for the San Francisco convention. Mr. McAdoo declared himself in favor of "untrammeled men and women" at that convention and has accepted the delegates, however reluctantly they might be, to respect his wishes and leave him a consistent opponent of the unseemly methods which have been adopted by the republican seekers of the presidency.

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CLUB MANAGER
DIES SUDDENLYJ. Ch. Schlee of Athenaeum
Victim of Heart Attack.

J. Ch. Schlee, 42, manager of the Athenaeum club, died suddenly at his home, 1224 North Tacoma avenue, early today. He suffered a heart attack shortly after rising and died a few hours later.

Mr. Schlee was married only three weeks ago. His wife, before marriage, was Mrs. Mary McAdoo, his first wife died more than two years ago.

Mr. Schlee had been manager of the Athenaeum since 1914, having come here from Montreal, where he was assistant manager of the Ritz-Carlton.

Action Result of 'Colored' Dis-
patches From Far East.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Radio stations are authorized to transmit press and commercial dispatches under a resolution adopted by the senate today.

The measure was designed particularly for news service to the far east, where it is alleged, our news reports are "colored."

An amendment offered by Representative Jones of Texas to reduce the size of the army to 175,000 was defeated by a vote of 50 to 22.

An amendment by Representative Herold of Oklahoma, fixing the combatant strength of the army at 150,000 was defeated without a record vote.

FOCH TO PRESS
GERMAN TERMSCalls War Council to Discuss
Military Steps.

PARIS, March 10.—A council of war has been summoned at Chocenois under the presidency of Marshal Foch to consider means of insuring the execution of all the treaty terms, the dismemberment of German fortresses and the surrender of German war materials, the Journal announced today.

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WEST VIRGINIA'S
SUFFS DELIGHTEDRatification Before Nightfall
Seen After Train's Race.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 10.—With the arrival here this morning of State Senator Jesse A. Bloch, after a record-breaking trip across the continent, the suffragettes of the state were in a festive mood.

The first theory of suicide has been displaced by a new hypothesis that three men arrested for another crime had entered the Rogers' room to rob him and in a fight had thrown him out of the window, his death.

Frank W. Hayes, George A. Brown and William Cardinal, who occupied a room near that occupied by Rogers, were arrested yesterday as suspects in the robbery of the Miles theater when the cashier, Mrs. T. J. Ryan was beaten and robbed of \$5,100. The police later took up the theory of their connection with Rogers' death.

The senator made the following statement: "I am glad that I will have the pleasure of casting my vote for the suffrage bill and also to praise the suffragettes together until my arrival. It is they that deserve the credit for any good that may come of my vote, because it was only the courageous stand taken by them that made it possible for my ballot to be counted."

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