

PHONE RULING MEANS EARLY MERGER STEPS

State Supreme Court Upholds Mandatory Injunction of County Court.

Steps toward consummation of the merger of the Indianapolis Telephone company's properties with the Central Union company will be taken promptly as a result of the state supreme court's injunction of a Marion county court order for the merger. William Fortune, president of the Indianapolis Telephone company, said today.

The supreme court upheld a mandatory injunction of the lower court to compel the Central Union company to accept the contract for the merger of the Indianapolis company's property. The court held that the city is no longer a party to the transaction as its contractual powers in dealing with public utilities has been vested in the Indiana public service commission.

The public service commission has approved the contract between the two companies.

The city council had refused to approve the contract under which the Central Union company assumed the burden of paying the city \$8,000 annually for unbroken years in compliance with a franchise agreement between the city and the Indianapolis company. The court finding raises some question as to whether the company will have to make the payments even though it had agreed to do so.

Frank Wampler, vice president of the Central Union company, said today that attorneys for the company were examining the court's ruling and that no statement could be made for a few days.

It has been asserted by Marion county officials that the appeal was appealed to the supreme court only for the purpose of making sure the title to the property named in the contract would be good. The only point in question concerned the right to merge the two companies.

The price to be paid for the Indianapolis company's property according to the contract is \$50,000. That includes payment for all property held by the company and its business "good will."

NEW'S APPEAL TO BE HALTED?

Statement That Girl Killed Self Changes Situation.

LOS ANGELES, March 12.—That the appeal of Harry S. New, Jr., alleged son of United States Senator New of Indiana, will not be pressed because of the sweethearts' desire that his sweethearts, Freda Lesser, committed suicide and was not murdered by him, appeared certain here today.

New is serving a life sentence in San Quentin prison upon conviction of second degree murder. His amazing statement, made to his half sister when he was in the hospital, he was soon to die, is viewed by the prosecution attorneys as a new phase of action to gain New's freedom by parole or pardon.

One thing is sure, however. Attorneys LeCompte Davis and John L. Richardson, well known criminal lawyers, who defended New, will continue in his defense even if the appeal should be pressed and the lower courts reversed, resulting in a new trial. Both attorneys insist the insanity defense was the sole defense for New and are nonplussed by his sudden statement of alleged suicide.

BONUS IN CASH WINNING FAVOR

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he writes, "will impose a heavy financial burden upon an already tax-ridden people."

World War Veteran" of Rutherford, N. J., declares: "The government should keep faith with those ex-service men who can prove they need the bonus, and give only to such kind of service men."

Brattleboro, Vt., and Greenville, S. C., posts have opposed the national executive committee's plan for \$50 Liberty bonds for each month's service of ex-service men.

Lucien S. Breckenridge, secretary, and George B. Compton, chairman, of the Indianapolis chapter of the New York American Legion, have both declared the government should not be asked to give cash bonus awards to the ex-service men.

Mr. Breckenridge insisted that such a plan was "unworthy of the high purposes of the American Legion" and should not be endorsed.

Mr. Compton argued that ex-service men "should not barter their heritage of patriotic self-sacrifice by asking for money awards from the government."



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Police Add \$700 to Little Mary Fund

Seven hundred dollars was added to the Mary Murphy fund today by members of the police department, comrades of her slain father, Police Sergeant Maurice Murphy. The total amount of the fund reached \$3,253.04 today.

What does daylight saving mean?

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