



## NEW \$1,500,000 CITY PLANTS TO WAR ON H. C. L.

Farmers and Truck Growers Plan Storage for Perishable Foodstuffs.

A project to lower the cost of perishable foodstuffs in Indianapolis was started today when articles of incorporation of the Farmers and Truck Growers' Terminal Market Company, with a capitalization of \$1,500,000 common stock at \$25 per share, were filed with the secretary of state.

The corporation is organized, according to members, for the purpose of establishing a large dry storage plant in Indianapolis, with the possible addition of a dehydrating plant, on a purely commission basis.

Among the incorporators listed are John L. Duvall, president of the Marion County State bank; F. W. Zimmerman, farmer and bank director of Noblesville, Ind., and J. F. Haines, farmer and vice president of the First National bank of Noblesville; C. R. Richardson, and Thomas H. Bence.

The installation and operation of the proposed plant will not only reduce prices of perishable foodstuffs, but also encourage the cultivation of such food in the state, it is claimed by those interested in the company.

### PLANS TO OPERATE LIKE PUBLIC MARKET.

Under the present plan the new concern will operate on lines similar to a public market, charging 10 per cent on each turnover, basing the profit on the volume of business expected.

Experts of the markets division of the United States department of agriculture are also on the marketing plan to be introduced here.

Indianapolis is an ideal center for the location of a storage terminus, because of the city's excellent railroad and transportation facilities.

The proposed cold storage plant will either be established in a converted brewery or in a newly constructed building.

It is claimed that the new concern will decrease the cost of foodstuffs to consumers by eliminating excessive middle profits and by increasing production in the state.

A close scrutiny of grocers will be maintained to see that produce handled by the new concern is sold at exhibition prices, it is said.

Decision to organize the company was reached at a meeting held at 721-726 People's Bank building a few weeks ago, which was attended by representatives of farm labor and women's organizations, traction interests and the Chamber of Commerce.

CHARLES F. COFFIN, president of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, will speak on "Valley Team Work" at the second annual convention of the Mississippi Valley association to be held at St. Louis, April 20 and 21. More than 500 cities will be represented at this conference.

Miss Laura Donnan of the Shortridge faculty will discuss "Training for Citizenship," at the April meeting of the Parent-Teacher club of the Franklin school No. 36, Wednesday afternoon. She will discuss the duties of women voters.

One of Indianapolis' early characters has gone the way of the grim reaper. He was Charles A. Price, for many years a cab driver in the old "levee" district. Price was buried Saturday. He was 65 years old.

S. T. Mathews, Indianapolis, delivered an address on "The Successful Life" before a meeting of more than fifty members of the boy's department of the Y. M. C. A. on their weekly hike yesterday. Phillips Hodges, rice grower of Arkansas, Ark., described the method of rice growing to the boys.

A dinner will be given tonight at the Lincoln hotel under auspices of the Indianapolis Typophiles. The master printers and proprietors of the allied industries in Indianapolis will attend.

Religious services will start at the Garden Baptist church this evening, Rev. J. A. Nipper of the City Rescue Mission presiding.

The Mercedes Club of St. John's Catholic church will give a dance and card party at St. Joseph's hall, 615 East North street, Tuesday evening.

The Two-in-One Sunday school class of the Seventh Presbyterian church will give a concert at the church Friday evening.

William Jones has taken the place of William Parsons, who resigned as tenor in the Seventh Presbyterian choir.

Mrs. Stewart Craig of Blue Bluff is visiting Mrs. Adolph Matzke, 1006 Fletcher avenue.

**CITY NEWS IN BRIEF**

**CITY WARNED TO CUT USE OF GAS**

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when he gave out the news of the passing of the Denison.

He slumped back in a chair and told of incidents in the history of the hotel.

**WILSON AND GOMPERS**

Have Signed Register.

President Wilson stopped there in 1911, Mr. Fairbanks said proudly.

Sam Gompers generally made the Denison his headquarters when he came to town.

Then, too, for many years the Denison was the stopping place for baseball players.

No change in present rates charged by trucks was effected.

Shippers were advised that the present truck capacity of the service could be used in the emergency, but plans for increased facilities were deferred until a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce next Thursday afternoon.

At the Big Four office it was said that considerable freight was being moved by switching crews made up of drivers and a few men who did not walk out.

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