

PUBLIC WARNED OF PERIL IN GAS JETS LEFT OPEN

Deaths of Three Women From Asphyxiation Being Probed by Coroner.

TWO MAY BE SUICIDES

Warning to keep gas burners turned out during the hours of low pressure was issued today by J. D. Forrest, general manager of the Citizens Gas Company, and Coroner Paul F. Robinson.

The warning was issued as a result of the death of Mrs. Minnie Mounts, 22, who was found dead Sunday afternoon in a rooming house run by Mrs. Christian Gerhart, 70½, Indiana avenue.

Coroner Robinson said that death was caused by asphyxiation and that it might have been brought about by a gas burner going out during a period of low pressure.

The coroner is investigating two other deaths from gas which he says were suicides.

COMPANY CONSTANTLY CAUTIONS CONSUMERS.

"We have been constantly advising people not to leave their gas burning during the periods of low pressure," Mr. Forrest said.

"If an attempt is made to use gas when the pressure is low it should be watched carefully."

Mr. Forrest said he had not investigated the case of Mrs. Mounts, but that pressure records show that the death was not of a coal gas man employed at the home of W. H. Howe, 1405 North Delaware street, could not have been caused by pressure changes.

Gas conditions show a marked improvement, according to Mr. Forrest.

He said that coal is starting to move from southeastern fields and that a considerable quantity should arrive in Indianapolis soon.

TRAIL OF COAL.

He said that this supply includes an entire train load from Roanoke, Va.

Mr. Forrest expressed the opinion that with the further movement of coal the present restrictions in the use of gas can be lifted in a few days.

He said that the yesterday's suspension of gas was unnecessarily heavy, totaling 8,500,000 cubic feet.

Careful preparations for suicide were made by Mrs. Laura Redd, 49, of 949 Locke street, whose body was found in her home early this morning.

She attached a rubber hose to the gas pipe and one end in her mouth. She had propped herself in a chair and inhaled gas.

DESPONDENCY OVER ILLNESS BLAMED.

Bicycle Officers Bastin and Wilson investigated.

Mrs. Alice Britton, daughter of Mrs. Redd, who discovered the body, told the coroner her mother had been ill health for more than a year and was despondent.

The body of Mrs. Ruth Smalley, 22, wife of Charles W. Smalley, 1107 North Alabama street, was discovered in the kitchen of her home at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

She had committed suicide, according to the coroner, who said the gas of a stove had been turned on and the woman had leaned over the stove, breathing the fumes until overcome.

Mr. Smalley, who is in the banking business in Indianapolis and Dunkirk, Ind., told the coroner that ill health had caused his wife to take her life.

Besides her husband Mrs. Smalley is survived by a daughter.

SCORES ENEMIES OF STREET WORK.

Lemaux Says They Are Bar to City's Progress.

Wealthy residents who oppose street improvements were scored today by George Lemaux, president of the board of public works, during a hearing on a protest against the resurfacing of Massachusetts avenue from Delaware to East streets.

Joseph Flack, said to be a wealthy property owner, spoke in protest against the improvement and met with the disapproval of Mr. Lemaux.

"It is just such citizens as you," said Mr. Lemaux, "who are keeping the city from advancing."

You and William English are in the same class, only English is running for state representative on the republican ticket and is supposed to have the public interest at heart."

Mr. English, owner of the English hotel, opposed the resurfacing of Market street, between Illinois and Monument place, and Meridian street between Ohio street and Monument place.

His protest, which he had submitted to the board of public works last Friday, and Lemaux said he made a verbal agreement to withdraw his opposition to the Meridian street pavement if the board agreed to withhold the pavement of Market street.

Resolutions were confirmed for the resurfacing of Massachusetts avenue from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street from a third due north of East street to Cornell avenue and from Delaware to East streets.

Plans for widening the avenue from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street were cancelled on protest of officers of the Knights of Pythias lodge, who said that if the street were widened it would cost \$50,000 to remove the excavations under the street near the K. of P. building.

New Ruling Affects Electric Extensions

Electric utility companies in Indiana will be required to furnish extension or lines to any consumer or group of consumers free of charge when the income for a three-year period of such a line shall equal the costs of installation, under new rules issued by the state public service commission today.

1,799 Irishmen Now in British Prison

LONDON, April 26.—An announcement was made in house of commons this afternoon that 1,799 Irishmen are interred in the government prison at Wormwood Scrubs.

Of this number 174 are now on a hunger strike.

"Special ameliorative" treatment is being given the strikers, in line with the policy of the prison.

Wormwood Scrubs was the scene yesterday of a remarkable demonstration by Irish sympathizers.

DUBLIN, April 26.—Two policemen were fatally shot when a patrol of three was fired on Saturday night near Innes-Shannon, south of Cork, according to dispatches here today.

Canada May Have U. S. Envoy

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Negotiations are under way for Canada to have diplomatic representation in Washington, it was learned this afternoon.

It is proposed that the British embassy shall have a special Canadian representative in order to cut down the amount of work involved in diplomatic negotiations with Canada, all of which is now handled through England.

Pershing to Attend Harvard Memorial

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 26.—Gen. John J. Pershing has accepted an invitation to attend the Memorial day exercises at Harvard university, May 30.

Dempsey's Wife May Appear Against Him

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—Mrs. Maxine Dempsey probably will testify against Jack Dempsey when the pugilist faces trial on charges of draft evasion.

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Allen Declines Debate With Clarence Darrow

NEW YORK, April 26.—Gov. Henry J. Allen of Kansas today said he had declined a challenge to meet Clarence Darrow in debate, but that he is willing to debate with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor.

U. S. MAY SPURN ARMENIA RULE

Proffer of Allied Council Expected to Be Declined.

MAN FOR ANTI-JEWETT

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Reports that the allied supreme council has decided to offer the Armenian mandate to the United States and ask President Wilson to fix the boundaries of that newly recognized nation were received with surprise in government circles here today.

Officials thought it had been made clear to the allies, by hints and otherwise, that there was no chance of this country taking the mandate over Armenia.

Congress is believed to be almost unanimously opposed to the project, especially since Maj. Gen. Harbord reported an army and large appropriations would be necessary to make good the mandate.

ALLIES IN ACCORD AS COUNCIL NEARS END

The conference, which started a week ago with threatened serious dissension over the question of a unified allied army to be sent to Germany, will end probably tonight, with apparently complete accord.

While not all the questions have been settled, the outstanding differences have been eradicated and the ground prepared for important work when the premiers resume their work in Paris next month.

The council decided to tender the mandate over Armenia to the United States.

In the event that nation refuses, the council will ask Wilson to determine the boundaries of the new nation by deciding whether the Eximia district shall go to Armenia or remain Turkish.

The mandate over Palestine went to Great Britain.

RAY MAY ASK CHANGE OF VENUE FOR RAY

Counsel for Confessed Slayer Also Hints Insanity Plea.

Henry C. Wright of New York, who was employed by the county commissioners as an expert in the management of county and state institutions, today made a striking survey of all county institutions.

Mr. Wright consulted various county officials today before beginning his work.

He planned to visit the county jail this afternoon and then make a survey of the abandoned Marlow county workhouse.

REVIVE QUESTION OF RUSSIAN TRADE

SAN REMO, April 26.—The council of premiers has decided to take up the matter of trading with Russia again, and learned semi-officially today, and will allow entrance of a Russian mission to allied countries to discuss the matter.

The council will believe the committee of the Ninth ward will stand for a sell-out of this kind.

"They are all 21 years old and men of good reputation and can not be delivered like cattle at the stock yards."

CITY CLERK HUTSELL REGARDED BY 'ANTI.'

George O. Hinsell, city clerk, who has a large personal following in republican politics, has generally been regarded as an "anti."

He had a particular candidate for chairman in mind and urged him on the "anti."

The "anti" did not agree to his candidate and there is now some question as to whether Hinsell will stand by Dr. McGlugh, strike leader, said today.

In a last effort to induce the railroad to take a hand in the strike delegation of five strikers has gone to Washington.

They will appeal to the board to provide for the restoration of their jobs without loss of seniority rights.

Pay \$5 Per Drop for Paris Perfume

PARIS, April 26.—Paris society is gossiping about a sensational discovery of perfume.

The princess of Bospiglios purchased 500 drops at \$2,500, or \$5 a drop.

The perfume is declared to be the finest and most exquisite in existence. One ton of seaweed yields only five drops of the substance.

State Advertising Men to Meet Here

Tentative plans for the organization of the Associated Advertising Clubs of Indiana will be made at a meeting of advertising men from all parts of Indiana to be held in Indianapolis, Wednesday, May 5.

Complete plans for the convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World in Indianapolis, June 6 to 10, also will be taken up at the meeting, and advertising men from all cities in the state are expected to attend the meeting.

SHOT 20 TIMES BEFORE CAPTURE

CHICAGO, April 26.—Harry J. James' \$100,000 bandit career was at an end to day.

James died early today after being shot twenty times by police.

He previously engaged six policemen in a revolver duel in a district police station.

Leaping from the station, he injured two officers in a running battle before his ammunition gave out and he was hit a shot.

Investigation by police disclosed more than \$100,000 worth of loot James had hidden.

A private warehouse with a secret basement chamber was filled with stolen goods, police say.

He is the only son of the ex-senator, is married and has two children.

He served in the war as captain in aviation.

Lowden, Harding, Wood Invade Indiana and Johnson's Coming

With the primary campaign entering the home stretch, candidates for the republican nomination for the presidency today began intensive activities in an effort to gather every possible vote.

Four of the candidates, Senator Harding, Gov. Lowden and Gen. Wood opened their campaigns today.

Gen. Wood arrived in Indianapolis at 8 o'clock this morning and left at 7 o'clock this evening for Danville, where he was scheduled to make his first speech at 8 o'clock.

Senator Johnson will open his campaign Wednesday with a speech at Richmond.

Both Senator Johnson and Senator Harding will speak in Indianapolis next Saturday night.

Gen. Wood will wind up his campaign with a speech in Indianapolis on Saturday, the day before the primary.

"We begin to apply some of the principles of modern business to the greatest business of all—the business of our government," he said.

"Banking and manufacturing have been revolutionized perhaps half a dozen times since our constitution was adopted."

"Agriculture has undergone a complete transformation since my own boyhood days on the farm."

"In government we have made no progress at all."

Gen. Wood declared that taxation is one of the direct causes of the high cost of living and advocated the reduction of taxes.

Besides the candidates themselves, various friends of the candidates will speak in their behalf in various parts of the state.

A Wood meeting will be held in Tom-

G. O. P. CONTROL IN COUNTY IN VOTERS' HANDS

Machine Opponents Back Dr. Hodgins in Precinct Chairmanship Fight.

SNIDER'S ACTION SCORED

Whether or not the Goodrich-Jewett organization retains control of the republican party in Marion county will be determined this week by the degree to which the voters of Indianapolis sift the candidates for the chairmanship.

The administration, which has been in control of the party for several years, is trying every means at its disposal to elect committee men who will vote either for Harry Hendrickson or some designated by Hendrickson for county chairman.

The opponents of the Goodrich-Jewett organization are working hard to rid the party of the Goodrich-Jewett influences.

Practical politicians say that the anti-Jewett forces have encountered two setbacks in the last week, neither of which is likely to prove fatal, but both of which will be a big influence in the coming campaign.

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