

## Indiana Daily Times

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"THIS IS THE YEAR"—

M'CRAY and Goodrich agree on the tax law—as they have heretofore agreed in business ventures.

DOC WILEY'S DENUNCIATION of bootlegging physicians is right, even if it was long delayed.

EIGHT NEW FACES on the democratic state committee ought to be sufficient to make some radical changes.

WATSON may relinquish control once too often. The rank and file follow a leader without courage only a limited time.

## A Demand for Law Violation

The question of whether the Indiana delegation to the republican convention at Chicago shall be instructed or not instructed seems to resolve itself into a question of whether or not Gen. Wood's supporters in this state have sufficient influence to induce the republican state convention to violate the primary law of the state. Among other things the primary law says:

"In case of a preferential vote for candidates for any of such offices and no candidate for such office receives such majority, such preferential vote shall be disregarded."

There was a preferential vote for president in Indiana. With the support of the Indianapolis News, the Indianapolis Star and a number of "me too" newspapers in Indiana, together with the most lavish use of money that ever marked a primary in Indiana, Gen. Wood failed utterly to obtain a majority of the votes cast at the primary. Not even the crooking of the election returns of Marion county sufficed to give him more than a crooked plurality.

Today, his hired henchmen, and his discredited newspaper supporters are yelping that "justice to Wood" requires that because he got a crooked plurality in the primary the delegates should be instructed to vote for him in the Chicago convention.

There is no justice in this propaganda because it is propaganda intended to promote an absolute violation of the law of the state.

The republican state convention can not instruct the delegates to vote for Wood without openly violating the law.

The law reads, "such preferential vote shall be disregarded."

There ought to be some limit beyond which the proponents of Gen. Wood will not go.

It was not sufficient that they should pay \$2.50 for testimonials for the general.

It was not sufficient that they should claim Marion county on the face of returns that show the Wood vote was padded by at least 4,000 phantom votes.

These selfish promoters of the Gen. Wood boom for president are now openly importuning and even demanding that the whole republican state convention, collectively, violate the law of the state and instruct Indiana's delegates to vote for Wood.

An instruction given in violation of the laws of the state is binding on no one.

The delegates to the Chicago convention will be free, legally and morally, to vote for whom they please for president, for they can not legally be instructed to vote for any one.

The insistence of Wood's Indiana managers that the law be violated in order to help nominate a man who is ranting about the enforcement of law in nearly every campaign speech shows that the Wood campaign is not nearly as pure as the soap manufactured by its heaviest backer.

## False Economy in the Judiciary

Whatever may be said of the expenses of the criminal court of Marion county, which for 1919 were three times the cost of the circuit, it can hardly be disputed that the sum paid the judge of such an important court is wholly inadequate.

Employers generally have awakened to the fact that in the purchase of brains and ability they get about as much of each as they are willing to pay for. It is a well-known fact that men of the type that should occupy criminal benches are capable of earning much more than the meager \$5,000 a year or less that the county pays a criminal court judge.

In fact, it is universally recognized that no lawyer of ability can afford to occupy a bench that pays no more than \$5,000, in view of the fact that the duties of the bench are presumed to preclude any other remunerative services.

In this position, as in a great many others in civil government, the community gets the kind of service for which it pays and no more.

Twelve thousand dollars a year would not be an exorbitant salary for a judge of the criminal court. Were that sum offered it is likely that the community could obtain the services of a judge who would not only reflect credit on the court by his occupancy of the bench, but would be above the petty influences that so often are seen or imagined by the public that watches the court.

Filling the judiciary tickets with men of real ability and good character is at present a difficult task. Too often the places are sought and filled by lawyers of the type known as "jacklegs," who, through political pull, have become more familiar with court practices than with law. Occasionally a bench falls under the control of a man who has made a failure of undertakings in other communities and has moved to a more remote neighborhood, where by diligent fawning on the powers that be he succeeds in deceiving the voters into believing him a man of both ability and honor. In such cases the scene of his elevation to the bench is usually so remote from the scene of his earlier misadventures that even absconders have been known to rise to important judicial positions where they are not infrequently called to pass judgment on men whose character is far less blemished than their own.

In the case of the Marion criminal court we have the peculiarity of a judge whose sole recompense for his services is less than \$5,000 a year, directly controlling a court whose direct expenditures for the year are nearly six times his own salary. This sum, of course, is only a trifle of the indirect cost to the taxpayers of the institution. For the court requires besides its bailiffs, and a page, a prosecutor and a sheriff, a place in which to sit and a number of janitors.

The point we wish to emphasize is that the judiciary should be better paid.

High pay would attract high grade jurists and the higher the grade of judges the less the expenses of maintaining the court, the more satisfactory the administration of justice and the less possibility of mistakes in filling the positions on the bench.

## Lodge on a Separate Peace

Senator Knox of Pennsylvania, the man who declared the treaty of Versailles was too hard on Germany, is a candidate for the republican nomination for the presidency. He is also the author of the "peace resolution," by which the republican senate hopes to sidestep the league of nations covenant.

It is perhaps silly to waste time in denunciation of this "separate peace" resolution. Senator Lodge has said nearly if not quite all that is necessary in reference to it and since Senator Lodge is the leader of the republican senate his words may be taken as authority.

Writing in the Forum magazine in December, 1918, Senator Lodge said:

"The president who delivered the war message and the congress who voted for war would be guilty of the blackest crime if they were willing to make a peace on the status quo ante bellum, and recreate the situation which existed before the war."

"If we send our armies and our young men abroad to be killed and wounded in northern France and Flanders with no result but this, our entrance into war with such an intention was a crime which nothing can justify."

"The intent of congress and the intent of the president was that there could be no peace until we could create a situation where no such war as this could recur."

"We can not make peace except in company with our allies."

"It would brand us with everlasting dishonor and bring ruin to us all if we undertook to make a separate peace."

## MRS. DREW CHANGES HER MIND

Keith's Extends Season—Bill Russell Due

Mrs. Sidney Drew declared at the time of her husband's death that she would never again act in the movies.

Although she decided never to act again she consented to direct and produce pictures.

But movieland, composed of the girls who so enjoyed the Drews on the screen, would not let her go with requests to "please act some more."

Mrs. Drew has bowed to the great majority and will be seen soon in "The Emotional Miss Vaughn."

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BILL AGAIN.

Bill Russell comes Thursday to the Alhambra in "The Valley of Tomorrow."

Russell is seen as Dabney Morgan, a young mountaineer, who finds great truths in nature and the mountains.

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"BIG TIME" SEASON EXTENDED.

The "big time" season at B. F.

Keith's has been extended one week.

The present season will close May 22 with the summer season opening May 23.

Amelia Stone is appearing in "A Song Romance" this week.

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NOW WITH US.

CIRCLE—Constance Talmadge in "The Love Expert" and a snappy Mack Sennett comedy, "The Gingham Girl."

OHIO—William Farnum is doing some of the best movie work of his career in "Les Misérables."

COLONIAL—Nazimova in "The Heart of a Child" again has a chance to dominate everything with her striking personality.

ENGLISH—Mae Murray has a dancing as well as a tragic time of it in "On With the Dance."

LYRIC—"The Destruction of Rhelms" is the featured act. Others include Vernon Mersereau and company, The Puppets, Al Conrad and company, and others.

PARK—Frank "Rags" Murphy with "The Monte Carlo Girls," in which Rags attempts to sell some good and bad others.

RIALTO—George Walsh in a Kentucky fand movie, "The Dead Line," is the featured offering.

BROADWAY—"All Aboard for Cuba," a condensed musical comedy, is the chief offering in addition to other vaudeville and Jack Dempsey in pictures.

REGENT—Four movies make up the current bill.

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SEASON TO CLOSE.

The road show season at the Murat will close Saturday night.

The final attraction will be "The Smarter Set," a colored show with Salem Tutt and J. Homer Tutt.

The show is in two acts and is called "The Children of the Sun."

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MISTER SMITH'S.

While Constance Talmadge is hanging up a popularity record at the Circle,

Sister Norma is appearing in the movie, "The Woman Gives," at Mister Smith's. One of the main characters becomes a dope head and Norma saves him from himself.

## Wood Not Affected by Living Costs

Editor The Times—I have been won-

dering why Gen. Wood does not de-

vote more time in his addresses to the high

cost of living. I know now. Gen. Wood is concerned there "ain't no such animal as the high cost of living."

Others, we could go on, pay all their own expenses; but the govern-

ment permits them to buy their sup-

plies at the government stores. In my

work as a salesman I have been in the

homes of several army officers living in

Indianapolis. Today I was shown the

latest price list issued at Ft. Harrison, and here is what the government per-

sonal Coffee, 20 cents; sugar, 9 cents;

prunes, 12 cents; raisins, 9 cents; rice,

5 cents; Ivory soap, 5 cents per cake. No

wonder a major general receiving about

\$40 per day and furnished supplies by

the government at one-fourth what the

laboring man pays, thinks they ought

not to be any unrest. All other supplies

are in above the same proportion. It is

natural that there is no unrest among men

generals, when the wife of one of these officers is ministered sugar at 9 cents a pound, I asked her if she could get

sugar now, and she said she had fifteen

pounds. Gen. Wood's campaign manager

makes soap and sells it to the govern-

ment and the government sells it to

Gen. Wood for 5 cents per cake, but the

laboring man has to pay 25 cents for

the same soap. Gen. Wood's managers

may buy the nomination with the aid of a

corrupt press, like some in Indiana, but it's

a long time till election, and during

the four months that the spotlight of

publicity is turned on the republican

party may find it is carrying a dead

weight like the democrats had in 1904

if they nominate Wood. You should be

a man with a genuine sympathy for the

laboring man and the common people—

one who has lived among and been one

of those people, and not one belonging

to a privileged class. In dealing with

unrest an ounce of prevention is better

than many pounds of cure. I have voted

for every republican candidate for presi-

dence since Ben Harrison.

GRANT GOSSETT.

105 North New Jersey street, city.



MRS. SIDNEY DREW.

Here is Mrs. Sidney Drew, the movie actress.

Following her husband's death she said

"No" to movie directors who attempted

to induce her to return to the screen.

She now says "Yes."

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ISIS—Hondini in "Terror Island" is in

its final showings today to make way

Thursday for Endi Bennett in "The

False Road."

ALHAMBRA—Endi Bennett in "The

False Road" is featured. Endi is a

girl-crook in this movie.

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Wardrobe

Trunks, \$35 up

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Leather Traveling

Bags

For men or women, \$5.95.

\$7.48, \$9.95 and up to \$35.

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A few damaged trunks at one-

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