

SCHOOL BOARD CUTS BUILDING PROGRAM DOWN

Portable Structures Will Be Erected to Relieve Crowded Conditions.

COST ESTIMATED \$1,945,936

Schools that are now being forced to resort to half-day sessions owing to their crowded condition, will be relieved as soon as possible. More than 8,000 pupils now on half-day schedules will attend classes all day, following action by the board of school commissioners last night, when it was decided to cut down the 1921 building program submitted by the building committee to include only those buildings which need immediate attention. Motions affirming the recommendations of the committee so far as concerns schools 16, 33, 38, 62 and the Potter Fresh Air school, and to build portable buildings to relieve the present crowded conditions in all schools not included in the program, were passed by the board. The action means that the proposed north side high school will not be erected for several years.

Recommendations for improvements approved last night include eight-room additions for schools No. 16 and 38, a four-room addition at school No. 38, and an entire new eight-room structure at school No. 62.

PERMANENT ADDITIONS ARE RECOMMENDED.
A committee composed of B. S. Gadd, L. A. Snider and E. U. Grant recommended permanent additions for schools 16, 17, 27, 38, 58, 67, 70, 74, and Potter Fresh Air School. The total expense was estimated at \$1,945,936. The board has only \$2,000,000 for the work.

After the report was read arguments were heard. Alfred Potts of the Taxpayers League, protested against the expenditure of such a sum of money at present. He advocated the use of portable schools with no building of permanent structures until later, predicting a drop in prices.

An argument between board members followed Mr. Potts' remarks, as to the advisability of erecting portable schools. Mrs. Julia Tutwiler, a member of the board, said that portable buildings were insanitary and detrimental to the children's health. "I believe in saving money," she said. "But I believe first in saving our children's lives."

W. T. Allison said portables were all right, and Charles P. Barry, a board member, said while he believed that the children should not be placed in insanitary buildings, that he felt the portables would serve in the emergency to save the financial integrity of the board, which brought forth more remarks from Mrs. Tutwiler.

PLEADS FOR HEALTH OF CHILDREN.
John W. Esterline of school 36 at this juncture interposed with a plea that the health of his children had been seriously impaired by having to attend school in the portable houses.

A committee from school 36 presented a petition from parents of that school bearing eighty-six names asking that immediate attention be given to their plea for an addition to the building.

John M. Judah said he considered "\$2,000,000 a heap of money" to be spent by the school board for a mere high school building and that he thought the board should cut out the "frills" in the present financial crisis and attend to nothing but the necessities.

It was decided to prepare for the build-

Finds a Difference

The agitator had talked long and wildly. "I cannot be still," he suddenly belated. "The words that come into my mouth are as numberless as the leaves of the trees."



"Yes," agreed a weary listener, as he arose, "but they're different in one way. It doesn't take much of a breeze to start them flying."

ing program at once and the following architects were chosen: Elmer E. Dunlap and Co., for school No. 16; Rubush and Hunter, school No. 38; E. Dunlap & Co., No. 38; McGuire and Shook, No. 62; and Herbert Foltz, Potter Fresh Air School.

FACTS IN SCHOOL FINANCES GIVEN.
The facts that stood out most prominently in the survey of school finances, according to the report of the financial condition of the school city, were:

That the constitutional debt limit of 2 per cent on the taxable of the school city, as fixed for 1920, is \$12,150,500.

That the present indebtedness (including the \$1,000,000 of temporary loans, nearly all borrowed to pay teachers' salaries), is \$3,900,000.

That there remains available for building operations only the difference between these sums of \$2,731,250.

That in order to pay the teachers to the end of the school year in June, 1921, it will be necessary to borrow in the coming spring, either from the bond fund or in the open market, an additional sum of \$700,000.

That this loan will increase the indebtedness to approximately \$10,600,000.

That there will be available for future building operations approximately \$2,000,000.

Over and against the \$2,000,000 were estimated improvements which amounted to \$6,171,723.

Freedom of Press Held of Importance

Pointing out that the expulsion of the five Socialists from the New York Legislature recently was only a means of agitation, Dr. Raymond Robins, in an address last night at the First Baptist Church, under the auspices of the First Baptist Brotherhood, said that the success of the United States as a country in which every man is allowed to express his own opinion, lies in the individual upholding the freedom of the press, the freedom of speech and the belief that labor is superior to capital. He declared that no government can be conducted without a moral and economic support of a religious institution. Dr. Frederick E. Taylor, pastor of the church, introduced the speaker, and C. H. Breaker, president of the First Baptist Brotherhood, presided at the meeting.

DRAG LAKE FOR BODY OF FISH.
CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Alvin T. Fish, son of S. T. Fish, a wealthy South Water street commission merchant, is believed to have carried his repeated threats of suicide into execution. His coat and hat were found on the lake beach at Sixty-first street Tuesday. The lake is being drug.

MUNCIE EXTENDS WARM GREETING

Indianapolis C. of C. Men Partake of Hospitality.

The Indianapolis business men who participated in the courtesy trip yesterday, under the auspices of the wholesale trade division of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, were accorded a warm welcome last night at the dinner given by the Chamber of Commerce of Muncie, the farthest point north in the itinerary for the trip.

Karl Oesterle, president of the Muncie Chamber of Commerce, presided and welcomed the visitors, and, on his suggestion, there was a roll call so that the Muncie men might have a better opportunity to see and greet them.

In addition to the talk by Mr. Oesterle, there were short talks by Charles A. Bookwalter, Andrew Smith, vice president of the Indiana National Bank, and Don Prentiss, who represented the Indianapolis delegation.

EMPHASIZE VALUE OF RESERVE BANK.
The value of the Federal Reserve Bank in the period of depression, was emphasized both by Mr. Smith and Mr. Bookwalter. Mr. Smith expressing the belief that the Federal Reserve Bank act was one of the best pieces of legislation ever enacted.

Mr. Bookwalter outlined the purpose of the trip—to afford the jobbers and wholesalers of Indianapolis an opportunity to form new acquaintances and renew old acquaintances in their lines of trade.

In addition to the visit at Anderson, where at noon the visitors were the guests at luncheon of the Anderson Chamber of Commerce and the Anderson Rotary Club, and the one at Muncie, brief visits were made at Fortville, Pendleton, Daleville and Yorktown, where the "trippers" scattered over town, visiting the trade in a social way.

There were about sixty in the party, which made the trip in a special traction car.

WELCOMED AT ANDERSON.
Need McCullough, vice president of the Anderson Chamber of Commerce, presided at the Anderson meeting, where an address of welcome was made by E. E. Silson, president of the Chamber. The principal talk on behalf of the visitors was made by Don Prentiss, who was introduced by John B. Reynolds, general secretary of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Prentiss expressed the opinion that

the "pink" of the business depression has been passed. He suggested as business aid increased efficiency and better service; the training of clerks into salesmen and saleswomen; the cleaning out of stock and the proper keeping up of stocks of wares, and advertising.

ATTEND MEETING OF FORESTERS

Guthrie and Deam Represent State at Harrisburg.

William A. Guthrie, chairman of the State Conservation Commission, and Charles C. Deam, State Forester, are representing Indiana at the conference of State Foresters, being held at Harrisburg, Pa., today and tomorrow. The conference was called by Gifford Pinchot, State Forester of Pennsylvania, with a view of determining to what extent the Government should cooperate with the States in regard to reforestation and for fighting forest fires.

The nation seemingly has awakened to the fact that its once vast resources of timber are being rapidly depleted and that reforestation on a gigantic scale must be started immediately if the next generation is to have any appreciable amount of timber. Because it takes approximately 100 years to grow a mar-

Orphans Home May Be Accepted for County

Indications are that the county commissioners will accept an offer of the Friends church by which the colored orphan's home at Twenty-First and Senate avenue will be decided to the county on the condition that the county maintain the institution. The offer was made several weeks ago by the board of directors of the home, but the commissioners have not announced their decision. The county attorney has been requested to submit a legal opinion on the matter.

AMUSEMENTS.
ENGLISH'S Tonite bal. week. Mat. Sat.

ROCK'S of 1920
BILLY B. VAN, JAMES J. CORBETT, WILLIAM ROCK

and a Rolls-Royce Chorus of 50 Beauties. Nights, 50c to \$2.50. Sat. Mat., 50c to \$2.00.

ALL NEXT WEEK
Matinees Wed. and Sat.
A. L. Erlanger Presents

MONSIEUR BEAUCAIRE



Prices: Nights, 50c to \$2.50. Seats Thurs. Mats., 50c to \$1.50.

To the Public:
Never in twenty-two years as manager of English's Opera House have I given advance personal endorsement of an attraction, but the beautiful production of "Monsieur Beaucaire" is so exceptional with its famous story of our Booth Tarant, its music composed by the great Messager and its splendid cast of singers and actors, that I must feel that I would not do my duty were I not to urge every patron of the theater to witness it. I guarantee "Monsieur Beaucaire" as one of the finest attractions of this or any other season.
A. F. MILLER,
Manager English's Opera House.

MURAT TODAY

Not So Long Ago
A Play of Youth, Love and Laughter.
With EVA LEE GALLIENNE and WINNIE BLACKMER, and the Original N. Y. CAST. Prices—Tonight and Sat. Mat., 50c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2. Popular Matinee Today, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50.

Sunday, 3 P. M.—Seats Selling
MARY GARDEN
Seats at Edison Shop Only.
PRICES—\$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00.

ALL NEXT WEEK—Seats Tomorrow
Matinees Wednesday and Saturday.
The Selwyns Offer
CHAS. VIRGINIA LARRY KING
in the Merry Musical Play

BUDDIES

Selwyn's Sensible Popular Prices:
Eve. and Sat. Mat., 50c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2. Wednesday Matinee, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50.

BEKEITH'S

VALESKA SURATT
And Her Players, With JOHN McFARLANE and JACK HAYDEN in Jack Lait's Play,
"SCARLET"

HERSCHELL HENDLERE
Presents
"MADAM SKIDDIKADINKI"
RAYMOND WILBERT—CARNEY & ROSE—BARONESS DE HOLLER

The Rials
Swift and Kelly
Offer
"Gum Drops"
Special Bargain Matinees

Lyric

CONTINUOUS VAUDEVILLE
ALL THE TIME
AL GOLEM
TROUPE
Persian Marvels.
RAG-O-MARIMBA
BAND

6 Other Smart Divertissements 6
Dancing in the Lyric Ballroom
Afternoon and Evening.

MOTION PICTURES.

CANNIBALS HAVE EATEN 38 MISSIONARIES IN THE PAST 10 YEARS. MISSIONARIES MAKE CANNIBALS WILD IN SHIPWRECKED AMONG THE CANNIBALS ALL WEEK, ISIS.

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Name Westfield Man County Farm Agent

Announcement was made today by the Marion County board of education that H. E. Ackerson of Westfield has been appointed county agent to succeed Ralph M. Gilbert, who resigned a number of months ago. Mr. Ackerson, who was recommended by Purdue University and the Marion County Federation of Farmers, will assume charge of his office next Wednesday. The salary is \$2,500 a year.

"SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT"

This New Popular Dinner Hotel Severin
Every Evening Serves a Special Table D'Hotel Dinner, from 6:30 to 8:30. Price \$1.50 the Cover. Also a la Carte Service.

Orloff Trio Music
Splendid Parking Space
"Nick," the well-known head waiter, is an assurance of First-Class Service.

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Ceremony at 9 o'Clock

More than fifty attractive exhibits. Wednesday afternoon, bread baking contest. Wednesday evening, public wedding; Thursday afternoon, cooking lecture; Thursday evening, half of the receipts to the Community Chest; Friday evening, cake baking contest, News Glee Club; Saturday evening, awarding main prizes.

Free samples, pleasing music, instructive lectures, interesting demonstrations.
Afternoons, 1 to 5:30, admission 10c. Evenings, 7:30 to 11, admission 25c.

AMUSEMENTS.

PARK

This Week's Attraction
Puss—Puss
Superior Musical Extravaganza Productions

This coupon and 10 cents with 2 cents war tax, entitles lady to reserved seat in balcony or dress circle at any matinee Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. or Sat.

RIALTO

TOWN TALK
"Too Many Wives"
MUSICAL FARCE COMEDY
20-PEOPLE-20.
ADDED ATTRACTION
"THE DEVIL'S ANGEL"

BROADWAY

THEATER BEAUTIFUL
EVERY DAY
NOON TILL 11 P. M.
12—UNUSUAL FEATURES—12
ANY SEAT
MAT. NOON TILL 3 P. M. 20c
Except Sat., Sun. and Holidays.

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A Supreme Accomplishment
Pauline Frederick
—IN—
"MADAME X"

The elemental passions of life find full sway in "MADAME X."
Performances Start 11:30 a. m. 1:10, 2:50, 4:30, 6:10, 7:50, 9:30 p. m.

OHIO

CONSTANCE TALMADGE
IN
DANGEROUS BUSINESS
JOHNNY HINES IN "TORCH IN HIGH." BRUCE SCENIC, "THE CASTAWAY."

CIRCLE ORCHESTRA

CIRCLE OF NEWS.
Circle Theatre

INJURED WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO

Florist's Employ Knocked Down by Machine.

Otto J. Riemann, 53, 405 East Southern avenue, was seriously injured when he was struck by an automobile driven by Myrl Myers, 30, of Greenwood. The accident occurred on the Madison road about 100 feet south of Troy avenue at 7:30 o'clock this morning. Riemann is

employed by a florist near that part of the city. Myers was passing another automobile when Riemann walked in front of his car and was knocked down. Myers was arrested on the charge of assault and battery.

Dr. D. K. Hill, who dressed Riemann's injuries after he had been taken to the St. Vincent hospital, said that a number of ribs in the right side were broken and that a serious injury to his neck, in which a large vein was exposed, caused him to regard his condition as serious. Herbert G. Pool of Greenwood was in the automobile with Myers.

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Mason
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Motion picture operator
Musician
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Plumber
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