

BECKETT FOUND GUILTY BY JURY

Manslaughter Is Degree of Killing Set in Stabbing Case.

In the George Beckett case, a negro charged with the murder of Le Roy Baker, negro, the jury found Beckett guilty of manslaughter and Judge James Collins of Criminal Court sentenced him to two from twenty-one years at the Indiana State Reformatory. The court stated that he had been found Beckett as of Feb. 29 and that a request would be made to transfer the prisoner to the Indiana State Prison.

Beckett's verdict was read in court this morning after the jury had returned a sealed verdict following forty minutes' deliberation. The speed with which Beckett was tried set a new record in the local courts. The trial was opened and an evidence heard yesterday morning. Final arguments began at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and at 5:30 o'clock the jury returned a sealed verdict.

Beckett was indicted on the charge of the murder of Baker, following a fight in which Baker was fatally stabbed, the fight by Beckett, it was claimed.

The fight happened during a crap game, which was staged in the rear of 870 Massachusetts avenue Oct. 16, 1920.

Bickett took the stand in his own behalf and pleaded self defense. The fatal fight was started over an argument over a half dollar, the evidence showed.

Prosecutor William E. Evans, of Indianapolis, for the State and former Prosecutor Alvin J. Rucker represented Beckett. The State did not ask for capital punishment.

Most of Missing From Boston Found

BOSTON, Feb. 2.—Boston is the port of "missing" people, who nearly all come back. A report on missing persons by Captain Patrick F. King, of police headquarters, has just been tendered to Commissioner Nichols. The report shows that cold figures for the police statistical year, Dec. 31, 1919, to Nov. 30, 1920, that, while Boston residents may run away, at times, they generally come back home again.

The total number of missing persons for the year named was 692. Of these 611 were found.

NEW CARDINAL RAPS 'SHIMMEY'

'Immoral Sins' Decreed by Paris Archbishop.

PARIS, Feb. 1.—The shimmy, the tango, the fox trot are finding even less favor with Cardinal Dubois, the new Archbishop of Paris, than they did with the late Cardinal Amette.

Within the latter severely admonished his flock as regards dress in dance halls, Cardinal Dubois goes further in condemning both dress and dances. He has issued a decree that "since

Addressing a huge congregation from the pulpit of Notre Dame Cathedral, Cardinal Dubois told his listeners that he

had that day sent out a letter to all his

clergy in which he said in part:

"We entreat our dioceses to react against fashions which are opposed to Christian decency. We entreat our confraternities, Christian women and girls

cannot, under any pretext, take part in the unseemly dances, most of which have

an exotic origin and name. We remind

the confessors that, on these points as

on all others they ought to apply the

rules of moral theology."

But the church's severe words

cannot keep Parisiennes out of dancing

halls which today are as ever crowded.

Advertising Club to Hear Wholesaler

Brent Sando, advertising manager of Hibben-Hollweg and Company, will speak on "How to Advertise the Wholesale" at the weekly luncheon of the Advertising Club of Indianapolis at the Chamber of Commerce building tomorrow, and a ten-minutes talk on "As Others See Us" will be given by Frank Chance.

Tries to Kill Prisoner

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 2.—A near-riposte was caused in the Circuit Court room here Tuesday when an unidentified woman attempted to shoot W. V. Spencer, on trial for the killing of Elmer Perlett. The woman leveled a revolver at Spencer, but the gun jammed and court attaches immediately overpowered and disarmed her.

Protect the Children
Healthy Blood and a Healthy System is a Child's best protection against Colds, Grip and Influenza. Give them GROVES IRON TONIC SYRUP, 75c.—Advertisement.

M. E. LEADERS OPEN SESSIONS

Bishop Leete Among Figures at National Meetings in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Eminence ministers and laymen of the Methodist Episcopal Church in all sections of the country are in attendance at two meetings that opened today.

The annual meeting of the board of Sunday schools convened in the morning. Three sessions will be held daily until Friday.

Bishop Thomas Nicholson, Chicago; Bishop Homer C. Stuntz, Omaha, and Bishop Frederick D. Leete, Indianapolis, are attending. Annual reports of officials of the board will be submitted.

A conference of deans, managers and life work secretaries of the Epworth League also is being held here.

Bedford Man Settles Embezzlement Case

Special to The Times.
BEDFORD, Ind., Feb. 2.—Charges of embezzlement against John H. Underwood in the Lawrence Circuit Court have been dismissed on the motion of the prosecutor, the defendant having made provision to reimburse the injured parties.

Underwood was charged with collecting insurance money in Michigan and failing to turn the funds over to the state agent. The amount involved is said to be \$1,000. Local authorities have given every effort to vindicate the accused if they desire.

Underwood was once a leading attorney in Bedford and served several years as prosecuting attorney.

PANAMA TRAFFIC RECORDS BROKEN

Ships Passing Through Canal Number 2,814.

Traffic through the Panama Canal during the calendar year 1920 broke all previous records, both as to tonnage and toll receipts, according to the Panama Canal Report, official publication of the Panama Canal.

The Record says:

"The commercial ships passing through the canal during the twelve months of 1920 aggregated 2,814, as compared with 2,478 during the year ending June 30, 1920, and 2,134 during the calendar year 1919.

The tonnage was 13.3 per cent. in ships of 100 gross tons or more, 31.8 per cent. over the calendar year 1919.

"In summary, the gain over the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, was:

Vessels, 31.9; net tonnage, 50; tolls, 47.2

and cargo, 50.5 per cent."

practically 30 per cent over the calendar year 1919.

"The tolls levied during the year aggregated \$10,295,392.96, as compared with \$8,513,933.15 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and \$6,962,218.39 in the calendar year 1919.

The tolls were \$1,761,450.51, or 20.9 per cent. over the calendar year 1919.

"The cargo carried through the canal by the commercial vessels aggregated 11,236,19 tons of 2,240 pounds.

The cargo in the fiscal year 1920 was 9,374,499 tons, and in the calendar year 1919, it was 7,468,167 tons.

The gain in ships of 100 gross tons or more, 19.88 per cent, over the fiscal year 1920, and 3,767,952 tons, or 50.47 per cent, over the calendar year 1919.

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Give Lively Program at Rotary Luncheon

Governor Warren T. McCrary, G. B. McClelland of Dayton, Ohio, welfare worker for the National Cash Register Company; George Beban, character actor and producer now appearing at the Circle Theater, and Walter Woolf of the Floradora Company were guests at the Indianapolis meeting of the Rotary Club at the Clarendon Hotel yesterday.

Governor McCrary spoke briefly of his "new job." He introduced Mr. Beban, who urged public cooperation in improving the film industry and gave an Italian impersonation.

Mr. Woolf sang several songs and Mr. McClelland, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. McClelland, led the Rotarians in singing a number of songs that were illustrated by stereopticon views.

income. He thereupon robbed a boot shop. Unluckily, he stole odd boots and those he grabbed happened to be boots for the right foot only.

Undismayed, Loxic opened a shop where he advertised the sale of boots for one-legged men. This brought about his downfall and now he mediates on the sort of shop he will open when he quits his narrow cell in the State prison.

Kill That Cold With HILL'S CASCARA BROMIDE QUININE FOR Colds, Coughs AND La Grippe

Neglected Colds are Dangerous. Take no chances. Keep this standard remedy handy for the first sneeze. Breaks up a cold in 24 hours—Relieves Grippe in 3 days—Excellent for Headache. Quinine in this form does not affect the head—Cascara is best Tonic Laxative—No Opiate in Hill's.

ALL DRUGGISTS SELL IT

Why Is The Business Of Coal Mining So Vastly Different?

If there is a single business where the phrase "vastly different" logically fits in, it is coal mining.

Take here in the city of Indianapolis for example. Most everyone knows someone who is employed in one of the various departments of almost every sizable manufacturing plant in the city. Personal contact through this acquaintanceship gives Mr. Average Citizen a fair idea of operating methods, wages paid, steadiness of running time, geography of markets, profits, etc.

Then, too, Mr. Average Citizen has an opportunity to peep into the plant itself as a passer-by, or what's better visit the plant at some time or another and see first-hand the various operations necessary to complete its product.

How many coal mines in operation have you walked by? How many mines have you ever entered?

Even In The Case Of Shutdowns There's a Vast Difference.

A factory manufacturing boots, machinery or automobiles can close down and cut off all maintenance expenses save that of watchmen. When a mine closes down, engineers, firemen, pumpmen, fire bosses and general maintenance help must be retained. They work both day and night. It costs thousands of dollars in monthly wages to maintain a large mine in idleness.

Everyone who reckons with costs can readily understand how mining costs will mount under this paramount mining condition when mines are forced to half-time operation.

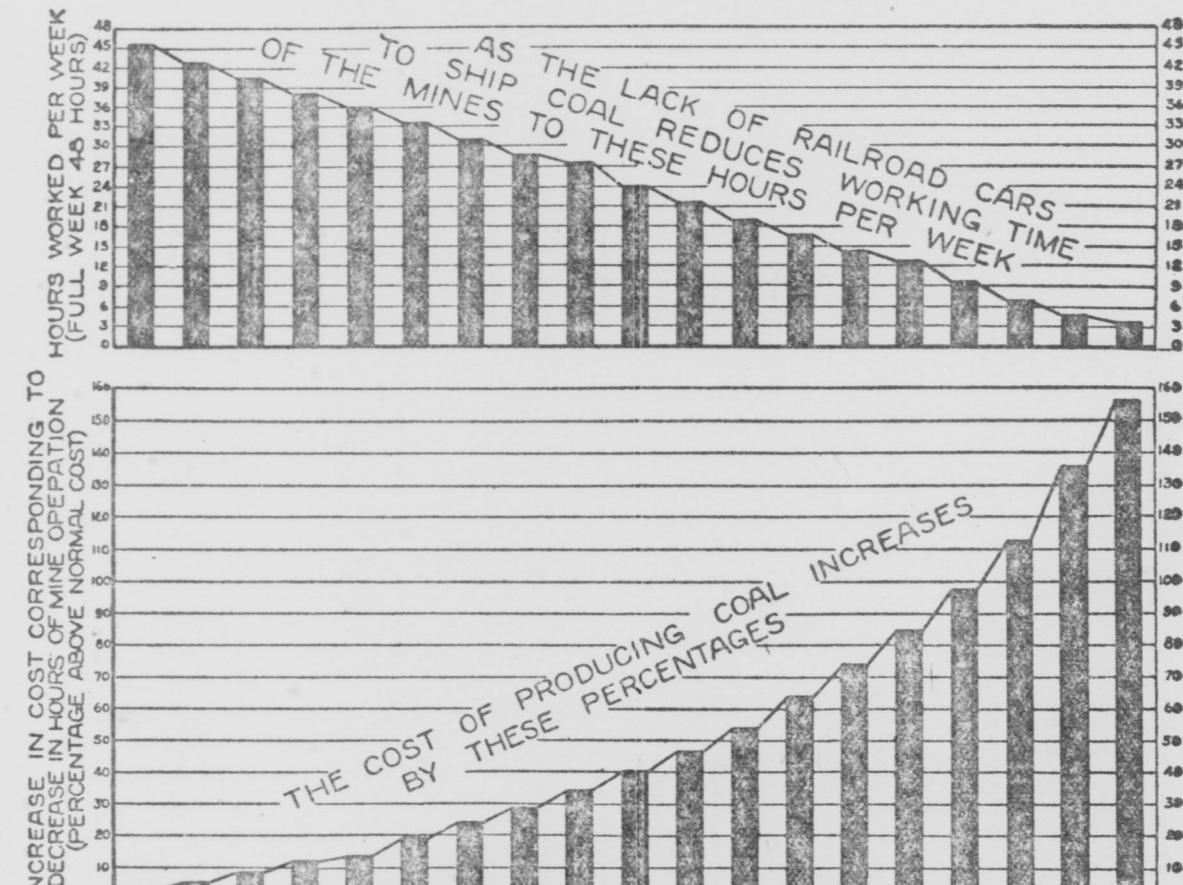
Knox county coal operators sell very little domestic coal. Railroad and steam contracts practically consume the entire output of the Knox county field.

Knox county operators in contracting their outputs figure on a basis of 200 days running time per year.

During 1920, although the demand was greatest in the history of the nation, Knox county mines, due to strikes and car shortages, worked only 156 days, an average of three days per week. Thus while the contract price for Knox county coal was made on the basis of 200 working days, Knox county mines operated but 78 per cent. of the unit time (200 days) upon which the sales price was predicated.

During the war engineers of the Fuel Administration made an exhaustive study of the increased cost of producing coal due to the lack of railroad cars and lack of markets.

Study The Chart And Get The Results.



The total loss in running time out of 307 possible working days by Knox county mines amounted to 49 per cent. The loss in running time on the basis of 200 working days, upon which Knox county sales were based, amounted to 22 per cent. According to the chart you have just read, prepared by engineers of the fuel administration, this loss of 22 per cent. of two-thirds potential running time in 1920 increased Knox county costs 20 per cent.

Influence of running time on costs is just one of the many various phases that makes the business of coal mining the most hazardous for capital in the category of business enterprise.

Do You Know Another Business Where Continuity Of Running Time Means As Much?

Knox County Coal Operators' Association

"Organized to Build Markets for Indiana Coal"