

## ANTIS DISCARD BOND PLAN FOR MARKET HOUSE

Block Passage of Ordinance for Repairing City Building  
—Planning Bill Passes.

## HIT SLAUGHTER HOUSES

Passage of an ordinance authorizing the board of public safety to issue \$125,000 worth of bonds to pay for the repair of the city market house was blocked by the four anti-administration members of the city council at the regular meeting last night.

The ordinance was an administration measure and was designed to "enable Mayor Charles W. Jewett to carry out in the last year of his term a pledge to do something for conditions at the market. The board of safety planned to put in new doors, uniform stand supports, rest rooms, and a new display counter instead of making a change in the methods of management, which many persons who have studied the market problem have recommended.

Councilman Sumner A. Furniss, Jess E. Miller, Jacob P. Brown and President Russell Wilson, administration members, voted to pass. The negative votes of Councilmen Gustav G. Schmidt, Louis W. Carnetix, Lee J. Kirsch and William B. Peake prevented passage, but did not permanently kill the measure, merely reverting it to the status it held before the vote. It is the status it is thought likely, however, that the administration would attempt to call it out again for some time because the anti-administration forces can block it so long as they maintain their present attitude.

### VOTED AS RELIEF

The administration explained after the meeting that they were influenced to vote the way they did by the tremendous demand from the public that taxes be lowered. The ordinance authorizing the board of public health to issue \$500,000 worth of bonds for the construction of a nurses home was not even reported out of committee, although by the majority of the members of the council, and the council ordinance operates it automatically because it had laid in committee through two regular meetings. It was understood that some of the administration as well as anti-administration members are opposed to this expenditure.

Ordinances creating a city planning commission and regulating the hours of a day, hours of labor, chandleries and other plants giving off an offensive odor were unanimously passed. The second measure went through despite legal objections raised by Woodburn Masson, attorney for John F. Concannon, who proposed to establish a slaughter house at 101 South Harding street. The ordinance was sponsored by citizens of West Indianapolis who opposed Concannon's plan.

### PUBLIC HEARING ON SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

The city planning commission will be established in accordance with the State law. It will be composed of five citizens to be appointed by the mayor, the president of the board of public works, the city civil engineer and one member each of the board of park commissioners and the council to be chosen by the body.

A public hearing was held on the "slaughter house" ordinance before the regular meeting. Approximately 250 residents of West Indianapolis, members of the newly organized Enterprise Civic League, were present. Father Joseph F. Weber, rector of the Church of the Assumption, 1125 Blaine avenue; Attorney Harry Seyfried, Heyden, Buchanan, president of the Indianapolis Bar Association, and F. C. Fifer, chairman of the committee appointed to sponsor the measure spoke in favor of it. They declared that it was designed to protect homes from further encroachment of industries tending to make the district uninhabitable.

The ordinance provides that it shall be unlawful to establish, attempt or be about to establish, a day, hours of labor, chandleries, soap factory, starch factory, glue factory, tannery, brewery, distillery, bone factory or fertilizer factory in the corporate limits of the city within 1,000 feet of any established public building, park, playground, boulevard, church, school, library, hospital or any established residence neighborhood comprising 100 dwelling houses. It also terms such industries as will be established in the future, gives the board of public health and charities power to abate them and fixes penalty of not more than \$500 fine nor more than six months imprisonment, or both.

### QUESTION: IS SLAUGHTER HOUSE A NUISANCE?

Attorney Masson contended for Mr. Concannon that the ordinance would prevent the establishment of the Concannon slaughter house elsewhere than in the Harding street neighborhood if he so desires; that the council could not attempt to abate a nuisance when it was not a nuisance, and that the Supreme Court has held a slaughter house to be in this class. He said that the ordinance is a violation of section 23 of the bill of rights of the State constitution, and that it cannot stand in the courts because it attempts to declare businesses to be established in the future nuisances and at the same time exempt the same industries already established.

It was announced by Councilman Carnetix, serving as chairman, that the city legal department had asked that the ordinance be postponed until the next meeting because Corporation Councilman Sam A. Aspinwall, to join the legality, but the protests of the delegation were so strong that it was reported favorably out of committee and passed by a vote of 7 to 1, Councilman Brown voting no.

With the exception of two ordinances providing for the re-annexation to the city of a strip of territory running approximately four blocks east of Emerson avenue from Tenth street to a line 500 feet north was brought up. Councilman Schmidt had been back to the special meeting of last Friday night in which the re-annexation forces, by heroic means, got Dr. O. B. Pettijohn, a Jewett member, who has been very seriously ill, to the meeting and forced through the ordinance redistricting the city precincts along lines considered favorable to Mr. James C. Howe, former president of Butler College, and Mr. Jewett, not present last night. In a jocular tone Mr. Schmidt inquired: "How many Jewett voters are there in that district?"

### CAREFUL AGAINST GERRymander.

President Wilson attempted to reassure him that there was no gerrymander in the ordinances.

"Well, for fear that there may be some I vote no," replied Mr. Schmidt. The other seven votes were "no."

The second ordinance came up and Mr. Schmidt announced that he was voting no, "just to be consistent."

The territory is being re-annexed to expedite the construction of the East Tenth street main sewer.

Ordinances approving contracts were passed as follows: Between the board of public works and the Citizens Motor Car Company for two new one-half-ton Packard trucks equipped with main street flushers; between the board of public works and the International Motor Company of New York City for one five-ton Mack truck; between the board of public works and the Citizens Motor Car Company for one five and one-half-ton Packard truck equipped with a motor distributor, and between the board of

## Beauvais Idol of Young Girls, Who Send Him Letters

MONTRÉAL, April 5.—Fred Beauvais, co-respondent in the divorce suit of Mrs. St. John, has now assumed, more or less, the rôle of a sort of matinee idol—movie hero, in the eyes of scores of young American girls, it was learned today.

The French-Canadian guide is a helpless target for a barrage of letters from these imaginative flappers, most of whom "sympathize with" or "pray for" him. He is not replying to any of them and says they annoy him.

A Philadelphia girl, who says she is 18, enclosed in her letter what she described as "my ending of this drama." She clipped pictures from a magazine, showing the principal scenes in a western movie thriller. Wherever the name of the hero appears, she substituted the name of "Fred Beauvais" and for the "simple country girl" she wrote in "Anne Stillman."

public safety and the Lathrop-McFarland Company for one Cole automobile to be used as a police emergency car.

### PRIVILEGES GRANTED

STANDARD OIL.

An ordinance granting the Standard Oil Company permission to erect and maintain for a period of fifty years "warehouses, tanks and other buildings necessary for the conduct of its business, and to store therein illuminating oils, naphtha, gasoline, or any other mineral oil or fluids, the products of petroleum, in quantities sufficient to meet the requirements of its business," especially the new Standard Oil plant at 12th and Schurman avenues, was introduced. Councilman Brown, who introduced it, said the law requires special permission by ordinance for the establishment of such plants within the city limits. Another ordinance granting the same company the right to lay a switch to the new plant, was introduced.

## HOOSIER DEATHS

COLUMBUS—Mrs. Eliza Nolana, 68, wife of Thomas Nolana, and widely known in the county, is dead at the County Hospital here following an operation.

Mrs. Nolana was born in this county and had lived here all of her life. Besides her husband, she is survived by three children—Mrs. Oscar McEvire of Marion, Mrs. Joseph Horn of Indianapolis, and one brother, William Sparks of Clark County. William Andrew Benson, 56, is dead following an illness from dropsy. He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Kate Davit Benson; two daughters, Mrs. Lynn Van Gordon and Miss Kathleen Benson; six sons, Robert, Harry, John, Herbert, Charles and Edgar Benson, all of this county.

NOBLESTVILLE—The Rev. Curtis H. Mallory, 51, is dead at his home east of the town. He was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church and was born in Hamilton County. He is survived by two children, Frank Mallory of this county and Arza Mallory of Los Angeles, Calif.

KOKOMO—Daniel G. Wilkins, 52, dry goods clerk, and son of D. G. Williams, for fifty years typographical foreman on the Kokomo Tribune, is dead, having succumbed to heart trouble.

### TAKES, "LAWYER'S TOPIC.

"Do We Want a Change in Our Tax Laws?" will be the subject of Alfred E. Potts in an address to be delivered before the Indianapolis Bar Association at 8 o'clock Wednesday night in the library of the United States District Court.

## NEW CAFE OPENED BY STEGEMEIER

Dining Room in Occidental Building Taken Over.

STEGEMEIER, April 5.—Fred Stegemeyer Brothers, who for years conducted the Stegemeyer Cafe in North Illinois street, have opened a new dining room in the basement of the Occidental Building. This place, which was formerly operated as the Occidental Cafeteria, has been refurbished, redecorated and otherwise improved. It was opened for service yesterday.

The Stegemeyer cafe in Illinois street, long known as one of the city's favorite eating places, will continue to operate definitely, according to starting of work on the Central Amusement Company's new theater which is to occupy the site. When completed the Stegemeyers will have a cafe in the basement of the theater.

## Hancher Murder Trial Opens at Columbus

COLUMBUS, Ind., April 5.—The trial of J. Webb Smith, charged with murder in the first degree, in connection with the shooting of Irma Hancher here last January, was begun yesterday in the Common Pleas Court. The entire first day was taken up in an effort to get a jury. A special venire of fifty men was drawn for the case and a second venire of fifty was drawn when the first was exhausted yesterday afternoon. Long before the hour for the opening of court the seating capacity of the courtroom was taken and people were standing in the rear of the room, indicating a deep interest in the trial. A number of relatives of the defendant were also present. Prosecutor A. T. Conner is assisted by Ryerson & Long and Kollmeyer & Sharpnack are the attorneys for the defense.

STEAMER, at Anchor, Destroyed by Fire

COLUMBUS—Special to The Times.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 5.—The steamer Kenneth W. was destroyed by fire while anchored at Spottsville, Ky., on Green River, a few miles from here. It is not known how the fire originated.

Cape Sowell Smith, one of the owners, was asleep on the boat and was almost suffocated by the flames. He saved his life by leaping overboard. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

SPEED LAWS CATCH THREE.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 5.—The Japanese exclusive League of California is preparing to make a fight at Washington for the absolute exclusion of Japanese from the United States. The representatives of the league today are en route to the national capital to lay its case before the Administration.

COAL OPERATORS CUT PRICE IN ILLINOIS

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 5.—Illinois coal operators explained today that a reduction of fifty cents a ton in coal is made at this time to allow plants and individual consumers to replace their stock and winter fuel to aid in the movement of cars now standing idle on the railroad tracks.

Best grades and mine run coal are quoted at \$4.25 and \$3.75 respectively, a flat cut of 50c on each. The reduction will be a temporary one, it was explained.

## Mayor Barnes in 2 Damage Suits

COLUMBSPORT, Ind., March 5.—Mayor James I. Barnes was made the defendant in two suits filed today in the Cass County Circuit Court by the Ruch-Drompp Company and Levy J. Johnson. The complaint filed by the Ruch-Drompp Company demands \$25,000, while damages in the sum of \$4,000 are asked in the second suit.

Both suits are the outcome of specimens in sugar which was made here last summer. The Ruch-Drompp Company alleges in its complaint that the officials acted for Barnes in dealing for sugar, in which connection they lost \$16,000, due to the radical drop of the market.

Johnson in his complaint alleges that he loaned the money to the Ruch-Drompp Company to make the sugar purchases for Barnes.

## Autoist Convicted on Two Charges

Thomas Egan, 715 North Pine street, was fined \$30 and costs on charges of driving while intoxicated and of driving with a suspended license.

He was arrested Saturday night by Sergeant White and the emergency squad who received information of an accident at North and New Jersey streets. Sergeant White stated that Egan struck the machine driven by Howard H. Stanley, 1228 North New Jersey streets. Only slight damage was done to either machine, it was said.

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CRAWFORDVILLE, Ind., April 5.—The committee on scholarships of the Gerard Memorial Educational Aid Foundation of the Supreme Tribe of Ben Hur met in this city today to select the winners of scholarships given by the foundation each year.

The scholarship fund was established in 1920, as a memorial tribute to David W. Gerard, founder of the Ben Hur organization. The scholarships have a value of \$500 yearly for four collegiate years. The recipients this year will be required to attend Wabash College.

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