

BOOK BRANCH CAN'T SUPPLY EVERY WORK

Haughville Library, However, Sees Relief as Result of Donations.

PATRONIZED BY MANY

"Have you a book about the stars?"
"Could I get a book about forest fires?"

"I want a book giving the history of some author and a quotation from some of his writings. Can I get it here?"

"Are there any books here that tell about trees?"

"Did you get that book about the Indianapolis buildings that I wanted?"

"Have you a book about Spain?"

Thus the questions came thick and fast and the librarians of the Haughville Branch, Miss Catherine Bailey, and her assistant, Miss Helen Rankin, are kept busy trying to fill the demands. Many makeshifts had to be made and many requests could not be granted at all.

For instance, there was no book on the shelves about the constellations; only one small book dealing with the stars.

REFUSALS

The patient librarian did find a book of quotations from the writings of various authors. As the request for quotations had come from several children over four little hands were bending over the voluminous volume, while other claimants awaited their turn.

The book situation will be greatly changed by the liberal donations made in the recent campaign which the Indianapolis public library carried out so successfully. However, it is the hope of the management that the good work will continue.

An hour's visit at the Haughville branch library was a revelation, disclosing as it did the relationship between the public schools and the library and the dependence of the former upon the latter. Naturally, the majority of the requests listed above came in connection with the school work of the children.

SEVENTEEN REFUSALS

IN ONE HOUR.

Of the one hundred-five calls made for books within the hour of the visit seventeen had to be refused because the desired volumes were not available. Mind you, the seventy-five calls were not for story books; they were for strictly educational works. The popular juvenile story books are in use all the time and are seldom put upon the shelves at all. They are literally swapped among the eager readers.

The Haughville branch, which is located in one room of the K. of P. Building on Belle View place, just off West Washington street, is one of the busiest libraries in the city. On rainy days the line of applicants often extends from the desk in the back part of the room to the door and out onto the sidewalk.

LIBRARIAN IS AID TO FOREIGNERS.

The residents of the district, many of them foreigners, thoroughly appreciate the library. To many of them it is the only means of securing good literature in the English language. The adults usually do not call for the classics. Two-thirds of the children who patronize the library are of foreign birth.

"Many librarians must work to keep up their circulation; we must work to keep up our circulation," is the way Miss Bailey sums up the situation. It is a labor of love, however, for the librarian and her assistant feel that the Haughville branch is appreciated and that it fills a real need in the community.

3,500 WALK OUT; CITY BUILDING TIE-UP LOOMS

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this organization. The vote last night was brought about following receipt of a letter from the building contractors, the letter stating that the contract of wages would go into effect Monday, and asking for an extension of time for further negotiations, but under the new pay schedule.

UNIONS REPLY WITH ULTIMATUM.

The unions replied to this letter, stating that the old schedule must stand, and that the contractors must sign the contract until 6 o'clock Friday evening to this letter with a statement that their letter of the morning would stand.

Negotiations have been under way between the contractors for a period of forty-five days, beginning March 1, when the agreement between the carpenters and contractors expired. At this time the contractors asked for and were granted thirty days in which to formulate and present a new scale of wages. This scale was carried a reduction of 15 to 20 per cent pay cut in the various building crafts.

The cut in wages forms the chief contention over which the contractors and workmen have conducted negotiations. Other building crafts, individual crafts, have entered into the dispute, chief of which is the overtime provision. The latter matter, however, did not enter into the action taken last night.

HUGE BUILDING PROGRAM CUT.

T. B. Hatfield of the Hatfield Electric Company and president of the Building Contractors Association, stated that the building contractors had contracted a \$5,000,000 building program for the summer, but that in view of the present trouble this program will be cut to \$1,000,000. The new wage scale was framed in accordance with the larger program, it is understood.

Mr. Meadows, however, was inclined to treat the statement of Mr. Hatfield regarding the building program with skepticism.

The walkout of the building trades probably will delay action by the board of sanitary commissioners toward the erection of the pump and screen houses and laboratory building units of the new city sewage disposal plant at Seller's farm.

The board, according to Frank C. Linnebinder, city civil engineer and sanitary commissioner ex-officio, was expecting to approve final plans and take steps to advertise for bids for the building at a meeting next week, but with the new turn in the construction situation this action is likely to be postponed.

Erection of a large barn and an equipment shed on the new municipal yard site at Kentucky avenue and Morris street by the sanitary board also may be delayed if the walkout is of long duration.

Collection of garbage and ashes will be taken over from the board of public works by the sanitary board on May 27 and the sanitary commissioners have hoped to have the barns and shed completed by that time. The horses, mules and equipment of the garbage and ash collection department might be moved from the present city barns at 1134 Shelby street.

Plans for both the sewage disposal and garbage collection buildings will be completed by the city engineering department early next week.

Meetings

The Social Club will give a card party tonight in Musicians Hall, 143 East Ohio street.

John W. Losh, Democratic candidate for mayor, who believes that the mayor of Indianapolis should make his social activities secondary to his official

City's 'Meanest Thief' Robs Blind Organist

Detectives are searching for Indianapolis' "meanest thief."

He is a young man who stole a raincoat, a gold watch and chain from the coatroom of the Second Presbyterian Church, the property of Charles Hansen, blind organist of the church.

The janitor of the church gave the police the description of the man believed to have taken the coats.

DECIDES CASE IN ARBITRATION

Jacoby Sustains Prevailing Scale of Indianapolis Typographical Union.

The eight-hour day and prevailing working conditions were sustained by Elias J. Jacoby, fifth member of the board of arbitration, which has been considering the contract between the Indianapolis Typographical Union and the newspapers of Indianapolis for the last two months.

The decision, given yesterday, denies the application of the union for a higher scale and the application of the newspapers for a reduction of 10 per cent in the scale. Under the award the prevailing scale and working conditions will continue for the year 1921, although either party to the arbitration may appeal to the board.

In arriving at the decision the cost of living as shown by United States Labor reports for a period ending Jan. 1 played an important part, the arbitration board refusing to consider changes in the cost of living after Jan. 1, 1921, the date when the present scale became effective.

The publishers have filed a dissent from that part of the award pertaining to the wage scale.

CITY PRIMARY CAMPAIGN IN MIXED STATE

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of his position as a member of the State board he is, locally speaking, a judicial officer and as such is not eligible to a nomination for an executive position. More is expected of this than the nomination.

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Chief Figures in Jersey 'Triangle'



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SAHARA GROTTO EVENT PLANNED

Former Governor Goodrich Among Candidates.

James P. Goodrich, former Governor of Indiana; Richard L. Schweitzer, grand master Indiana grand lodge F. & A. M. and William Syle, Milwaukee, Wis., will be among the candidates to be initiated into the mysteries of Sahara Grotto.

The ceremonial of observation of the first birthday of the organization to be held Monday. A pretentious program has been arranged to celebrate the anniversary.

However, there are many evidences that attempts will be made to crook the precinct election boards in favor of the candidacy of Mr. Howe.

Thomas Meeker, Democratic city chairman, stated that he will seek Democratic election officials from a list consisting of three men nominated for each place by each precinct committee man. This method, which is a departure from the usual practice of permitting precinct committee men to name two boards, is entirely satisfactory to the News-Jewett Democrats who are making themselves so agreeable to Mr. Meeker at the present time.

BIRDS-EYE EFFORTS SEEN.

This bunch of bi-partisan workers for minority spots, part of whom now hold office under Mayor Jewett, feel that out of three men their chances of getting one with whom they can corrupt the precincts is excellent.

Mr. Thomas C. Howe has neglected every opportunity afforded him by both Mr. Robison and Mr. Shank to enter into an arrangement for insuring a clean primary and Irving Lemaux, Republican city chairman, has not yet announced any intention of giving either Shank or Robison a hearing on the election boards.

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