

'SILENT COPS,' BLINKS, SIGNS CONFUSE MANY

Mixture of Street Warnings Only Serves to Disrupt Traffic.

SAFETY DEVICES FAIL

Opinion that the board of public safety has gone astray again in its latest attempt to eliminate the danger of collisions at four important crossings on Meridian street is beginning to crystallize as a result of growing confusion due to the "safety" devices installed a few weeks ago.

It is coming to be the general view, investigation among motorists shows, that the use of "silent cops" and "mushroom lights" in conjunction with signs reading, "Slow; driver approaching from right has right of way," is more likely to disrupt traffic on other streets where this rule does not hold good than to help matters on Meridian street.

"Silent cops" and signs are located at Michigan and Meridian streets and Maple road and Meridian street and "mushroom lights" and signs at Meridian and Sixteenth and Meridian and Thirtieth streets. The "cops" and "lights" are located at the center of the street intersections while the signs are placed about thirty feet from the intersections on all four of the approaches at each junction.

SILENT 'COPS' OFTEN SMASHED

The "cops" were first installed at the Michigan and Sixteenth street crossing, but, due to the fact that they were on temporary wooden stands, they were smashed half a dozen times. The board of safety finally had the one at Sixteenth street moved to Maple road, and placed on permanent concrete bases, and the permanent "mushroom lights" placed at Sixteenth and Thirtieth streets.

When the first installation of the safety devices was made it was announced by the board that the signs warning motorists that the driver at the right has the right of way were put up in order to cooperate with the Hoosier Motor Club in an educational campaign preliminary to the taking effect of the law passed May 20, 1921, legislature, which establishes this rule of the road throughout the State with certain exceptions.

PROVISIONS OF NEW LAW

The new law, which is House Bill No. 12, introduced by Representative Benedict of Marion County, at the request of the Hoosier Motor Club, provides in Section 1:

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, that all vehicles traveling upon public highways shall give the right of way to other vehicles approaching along intersecting highways from the right, and shall have the right of way over those approaching from the left, and shall have the right of way over other vehicles: Provided, also, that the proper authorities of incorporated cities, having a population of more than ten thousand inhabitants, may designate certain streets."

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MRS. SOUTHARD ON WAY TO TRIAL

Fifth Husband of Reputed Feminine 'Bluebeard' Left in Honolulu.

HONOLULU, June 2—Paul Vincent Southard, husband of Mrs. Lydia Southard, alleged feminine "Bluebeard," remained in Honolulu today despite his desire to accompany his wife to the mainland.

Mrs. Southard is in charge of Deputy Sheriff V. H. Ormsby of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Mrs. Ormsby, left yesterday on the liner Matsonia for San Francisco en route to Twin Falls to face trial. She is charged with poisoning four husbands and her brother-in-law.

Southard left with his wife about the storm and bade her an unemotional farewell. After the vessel left Southard could not be found and a police search was started for him. Fearing he had stowed away, radio requests were sent that the Matsonia be searched. Late in the evening, however, Southard was found in Honolulu.

Mrs. Southard will reach San Francisco June 6.

HOLD CHICAGOAN IN \$16,000 THEFT

Two Others Under Arrest Are Indicted.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 2—J. W. Reisewitz, 311 Stanley Terrace, Chicago, was arrested in St. Paul this morning as one of the five bandits who held up and robbed two Minneapolis bank messengers of \$10,000 in front of the Millers & Traders' Bank yesterday morning. He was captured in his description and was given an alibi connection with the crime.

Fred McKay and Tom Powers, arrested at Forest Lake, Minn., yesterday afternoon as bandits, suspect in connection with the robbery have been indicted by the Hennepin grand jury on a charge of robbery in the first degree.

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PROVIDE MART FOR SOUTH SIDE

Women to Direct Venture at Arizona and Talbott Streets.

Under the direction of the Original South Side Woman's Club, a south side market is to be conducted at Arizona and Talbott streets, on Wednesdays and Saturdays during the summer when growers and commission men sell their products. The opening day of the market, Wednesday June 8, was announced at the meeting of the club held yesterday afternoon.

A committee to visit the park, health and sanitary boards of the city was also appointed to make the market safe to the public.

Ten men of the south side also were admitted to honorary membership. They presented a resolution asking that the Woman's Club be changed to the South Side Civic League so that the men may cooperate with the women. Action regarding the resolution will be taken at the meeting with Mrs. Theodore Bernd, 2217 Union street, June 13.

Light Sentence Given in Trial of Third Hun

LEIPZIG, June 2—Robert Neumann, formerly in the German army, today was sentenced to six months in the criminal court. He has been found guilty of maiming British war prisoners in a prison camp while he was on sentry duty. He was the third defendant to be arraigned in the supreme court which is trying former German soldiers for war crimes.

GOT A TRUCK? GET A MIRROR!

Police are issuing warnings to truck drivers and owners that their cars must be equipped with mirrors so that they view what is behind them at all times. The last Legislature passed a law to this effect with an emergency clause. It was one of the bills sponsored by the Hoosier Motor Club.

WEATHER

Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending 7 p.m., June 3: Probably thunder showers this afternoon or tonight; Friday mostly cloudy.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE

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