

BOARD ORDERS 30TH STREET RESURFACING

Thoroughfare Important Con-
necting Link for North
Side Traffic.

The board of public works today adopted a resolution for the resurfacing with asphalt of Thirtieth street, from State to Northwicks avenues. The street is one of the principal east and west highways, and is an important link in one of the routes to Riverside Park and the Speedway.

Resolutions also were adopted for grading of the street and lawns in and the construction of cement sidewalks in Winthrop avenue from Watson road to Edgewood place; permanent improvement of Thirtieth street, from Carrollton avenue to Fairfield avenue; permanent improvement of Puryear street, from Alabama to New Jersey streets; sidewalks and curbs on the east side of Pennsylvania street, from Georgia street to a point 318 feet south; sidewalks and graded lawns in Illinois street, from Forty-Sixth to Fifty-Second streets; sidewalks and curbs on the south side of Georgia street, from Pennsylvania to Delaware street; the permanent improvement of the first alley west of Tacoma avenue, from Sixteenth street to a point 139 feet south; the first alley south of Sixteenth street, from Tacoma avenue to a point 268 feet west, and the first alley east of College avenue, from Seventeenth to Nineteenth streets.

All action was rescinded upon the resolution for the permanent improvement of Fifty-third street from Park avenue to Delaware.

Resolutions were confirmed as follows:

- Curbings in Olney street, from Roosevelt avenue to Twenty-Fifth street; permanent improvement of Eastern avenue from New York to Michigan street over remonstrance; permanent improvement of Michigan street upon remonstrance to Emerson; and the grant of a resolution of property owners and permanent improvement of the first alley north of Tenth street, from Oriental street to Arsenal avenue.

Action was postponed until Wednesday upon resolutions for the permanent improvement of Twenty-eighth street from Lincoln to Franklin, and for Section I on the three resolutions for improvement of unpaved city streets connecting paved city and country highways, the latter in order to give time for making a slight change in specification.

The sections are Washington street from Hurst street to Franklin, the Blue Diamond, Madison avenue from Raymond street to Glendale avenue and Churchman avenue from a point five feet east of the Belt Railroad to Keystone avenue.

A contract for the permanent improvement of Franklin street, from Bowles Place to Summit avenue with bimimous concrete was awarded to the Mansfield Engineering Company on a bid of \$9.41 per linear foot, total, \$21,400.90.

WANT HARVEY TO BE MEDIATOR IN UPPER SILESIA

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The Rhineian penalties, the Turk-Grecian war in the Near East, the fighting between the Albanians and the Serbians and the Russian famine and plague scourge.

Ambassador Lloyd was concerned with the George drama during the meeting. Later the British press received communications about the Sina Falu request for the release of John Macrae, a member of Dail Eireann at Dublin, but had not replied to it at noon.

There are different views between Great Britain and France on practically all of the issues of the agenda. France wants no more reinforcements to Upper Silesia as once Great Britain, which had been requested by Great Britain, wants to remove the Rhineian penalties and to withdraw the allied troops from Dusseldorf and adjacent territory. France is opposed. France supports the Turkish Nationalists in the Near East; Great Britain supports the Greeks.

The meeting will last throughout the week, but Premier Lloyd George of England and Premier Brandt of the most important business and they had a second meeting in a few weeks to complete the details and take up secondary matters.

The first actual business on the order of the day was the presentation of the agenda agreed upon by Premier Lloyd George and Premier Brandt. The final details had been discussed between the two on Sunday night, and the question of sending allied reinforcements to Upper Silesia. This issue promises to bring about some stormy discussions with the Italians and the British standing together against the French. The French are certain that they will win and the prediction was made that the supreme command will have approved the sending of more troops within twenty-four hours and the allied soldiers will be crossing George towards Upper Silesia before midnight tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—No meeting of statesmen in Europe since the banding of the peace conference has been so fraught with momentous possibilities as to what would be the result of the allied powers in Paris today, according to high officials of the Administration.

The presence of Col. George Harvey, American ambassador to Great Britain, as the personal representative of President Harding, will insure this government of an insight into the real situation abroad—a situation which may easily result in the breaking off of the Anglo-French entente and a realignment of Europe politically and economically.

The expectation prevails in Washington that four, possibly five, major problems will occupy the attention of the Supreme Council. These are the Upper Silesia situation, the Turk-Grecian war, Russian relief and Austrian relief. The fourth possibility is the question of reparations, possibly the last. In all of these, but the first two, the United States is directly interested and Col. Harvey will speak the policy of the administration. Mandates are not on the agenda, but it would occasion no surprise in Washington if they are touched upon.

The real extent to which Col. Harvey will participate in the discussions remained undisclosed in Washington to-day.

Ostensibly Col. Harvey's instructions are to speak for the United States in only those questions directly affecting the United States, which do not include either Silesia or the Turk-Grecian war, but if things reach an impasse on these two matters it is easily conceivable that Col. Harvey may speak the mind of the entire United States.

In a family situation, Russia and Imperial Austria the United States has a real interest. The Russian situation affects the entire world and Col. Harvey is believed to be under instructions to proffer the cooperation of the United States with other countries for conditional aid to that stricken country.

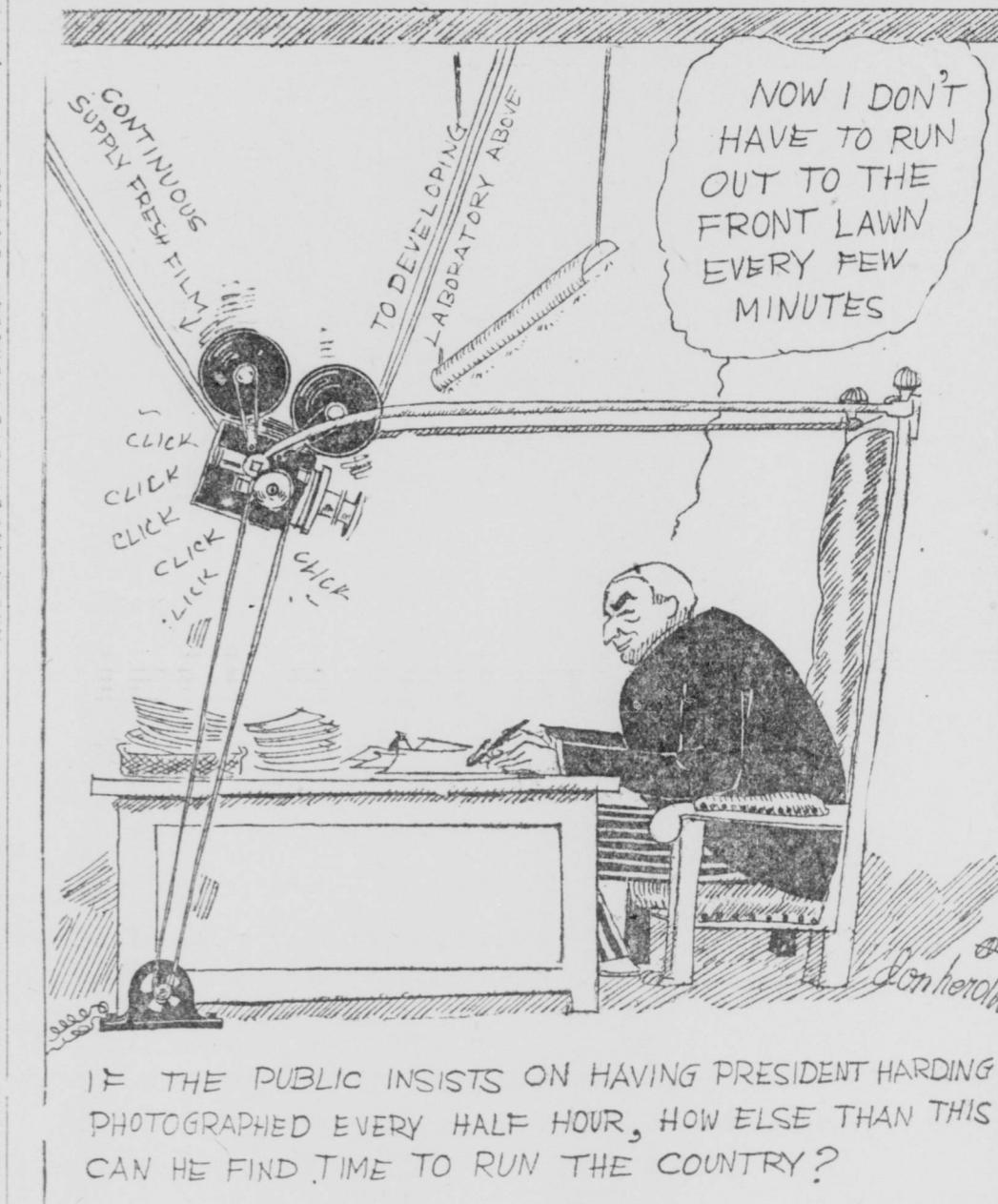
The Austrian question may see a sharp division between Russia and the rest of the powers. Austria is indebted to the United States to the extent of some \$22,000,000, for which the United States has what amounts to a "first mortgage" on Austria.

The allied powers have indicated that they are willing to undertake further Australian credits if this American loan is discontinued. The advanced movement into Australian obligations of first class.

It is not believed that the United States will accede to any such proposition and that Col. Harvey will so inform the powers when the matter is taken up.

It Might Even Be Advisable to Move the Executive Offices to Hollywood, Cal.

By DON HEROLD



GRILL PASTOR'S SON IN KENNEDY DEATH MYSTERY

Los Angeles Police Obtain Admissions Involving Mrs. Obenchain, Divorcee.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 8.—New and startling disclosures that add fresh elements of mystery to the slaying of J. Elton Kennedy, wealthy insurance man, were made today by Arthur Courtney Burch, son of the Rev. William A. Burch, a retired minister of Evanston, Ill., according to Dr. Charles J. Nolan, man questioned Burch upon his arrival here from Las Vegas, Nev., where he was taken from a Chicago-bound train.

Admitting that he was enmeshed in a net of circumstantial evidence, Burch said as he stepped from the train:

"On the face of it, things look bad for me."

"But I can adequately establish my innocence," he said.

Among the high lights of Burch's disclosures, according to Nolan, are:

He came to Los Angeles two weeks ago from his home in Evanston after receiving an urgent telegram from Mrs. Madeline Obenchain.

WOMAN VISITS ROOM.

He admitted that Mrs. Obenchain several times had visited his room in a downtown hotel directly across from the building in which Kennedy had his office.

He denied any improper relations ever had existed between himself and Mrs. Obenchain, but told Nolan he had taken several long rides with her in automobiles which he had hired under the name of M. C. Obenchain.

He said he knew nothing of Kennedy's death, other than accounts he had read in the newspapers.

He admitted mailing \$85 in currency to Mrs. Obenchain Saturday, sending the money by special delivery to the county jail.

JUST BUNDLE OF NEWSPAPERS.

He told Nolan the package he had been seen carrying from his hotel the night of the Kennedy murder was only a bundle of old newspapers which he had thrown in a vacant lot in the Whitehouse district.

Throughout the interview with Nolan, sheriff Sam Gay of Clay County, Nevada, and Chief of Police McCarter, Burch insistently denied that he knew anything of Kennedy's murder.

Burch had more than \$100 in cash and a large number of blank checks on a Chicago bank when arrested.

Burch was taken from a Chicago-bound train at Las Vegas. He took his arrest easily, but was under arrest.

"I had nothing to do with Kennedy's murder. It is all a mistake," Burch wired his father in Evanston, "not to worry" and that everything would be explained.

Meantime Mrs. Obenchain, the former Northwestern, was听说 to have been a graphic sketch of her love for Kennedy. She is the widow of a woman who said "I love a man," she said, "and I loved him to the last. He was the one and only love in my life. And, yes, for one moment of our lives I lost my faith in him."

LOVED DESPITE MANY COMPLAINTS.

"Bolton and I loved each other through so many trials and complaints by his family," she said. "But I thought we could fight it out. But my friends constantly advised me to leave him alone."

Sixty houses are known to have been destroyed. Some live stock was killed.

Many persons had narrow escapes from death.

Motor boats and automobiles are being used by timber campers to escape from the rapidly approaching fires.

People in summer resorts further down the river were making preparations for moving.

The loss in timberlands will be enormous, it was said.

REALTORS WILL MEET WEDNESDAY

Debate Changes in Tax Laws of State.

At a special meeting of the board of governors of the Indiana Real Estate Association, to be held Wednesday noon at the Columbia Club, speakers representing factions in favor of, and those opposed to, the adoption of the two proposed tax amendments to the Indiana constitution, will speak. Eben H. Wolcott, president of the State Savings and Trust Company, and a former member of the State tax board, will defend the amendments, and probably ex-Governor Winfield T. Durbin, Anderson, will speak against their adoption.

Questionnaires sent out by the State organization indicate the opposition of most of the members against the amendments. Several Indiana tax lawyers, fifty-six members, voted against the amendment to adopt a system of taxation, while 131 voted for the amendment. The vote on the amendment providing for an income tax was \$33 and 63 for.

A meeting will be held tomorrow in Room 137 Hotel English, by the Indiana Educator's Association, to discuss plans for the forthcoming campaign to face the ninth amendment, which would provide that the State superintendent be appointed instead of elected. Miss Anna Wilson, superintendent of schools at Crawfordsville, has been appointed a member of the executive committee of the organization.

Four subdivisions have been formed by the executive committee to carry the campaign through the various classifications of the Indiana population. The Indiana Normal School, Vigo County, will direct the work among women; Edgar T. Williams, principal of the New Berlin High School, farmer's organizations; A. D. Johnson, principal of the township high school at Plainfield; teachers county institutes; Arthur H. Hines, Cambridge City, labor organizations.

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WELL-KNOWN MAN IS DEAD

W. J. D. Counts Succumbs Following Surgical Operation.



SHANK SPLITS FOURTH WARD INTO 4 PARTS

Several Chairmen Are Named to Handle Division in Mayoralty Campaign.

Division of the Fourth ward into four parts, each to be headed by one of the ward committee men, whose appointments were made two weeks ago, was announced at a meeting of the committee members today.

Section A, comprising precincts Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 will be in charge of Joseph M. Miller, with William T. Bailey as an assistant in charge of the Twenty-Fourth and Twenty-Fifth precincts which are to be considered part of this division.

O. J. Quesser is chairman of Section B, including Precincts Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 21, 22 and 23.

WISE TO MAN.

AN CHAMAN.

The Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth precincts are in Section C with O. Wise as chairman. Section D, in charge of Benjamin Branson, includes Precincts Nos. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.

Large size of the Fourth ward necessitated the division, it was stated.

Republican headquarters announced a gathering of men and women workers from the First, Third, Fifth and Sixth wards at the Shank, on the corner of State and Main streets, on their annual principal meeting this week while Democrats gave out plans for the weekly gathering of women at city headquarters on Wednesday afternoon.

Thomas S. Meeker, Democratic city chairman, has made public reports of polls of three south side precincts which he considers encouraging for Ralston.

BIG TIME AT LAWN PARTY.

W. J. D. Counts, 54, died at the Methodist Hospital at 12:45 o'clock this morning after having undergone an operation.

Mr. Counts had lived in Indianapolis for eleven years and was known throughout the city and state, being a representative in Indiana for the American Art Works of C. C. Connelly. During his residence here he was identified with traveling men's organizations and was formerly president of the Indiana Division of the Travelers Protective Association.

He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and of the Pentecostal Lodge No. 564 F. and A. M. A. It was also a member of the Knights Templar, the Scottish Rite and the Mystic Shrine, holding his membership in these three organizations at Wichita. In addition he was a member of the Travelers Protective Association and of the Indiana Travelers Association.

Surviving are the widow, one son, Abbott H. Counts, two daughters, Mrs. Otto J. Feucht and Mrs. Paul McLaughlin, and his mother, Mrs. E. A. Swain.

The funeral will be held at his late residence, 1808 College avenue, Wednesday morning, Aug. 12, at 10 a.m. Burial at Crown Hill cemetery will be private.

MISS FESTER.

Miss Hazel Fester, women's chairman of the Eighth ward will speak on "Ward Organization" at the weekly gathering of Democratic women and will preside in the absence of women's city organizer Mrs. Grace Jackson Bodenbiller, who is leaving the city for a few days this evening. Thomas Colbert, candidate for city council from the Fourth district will speak. Mr. Lester will speak on the program for his usual short talk. Mrs. H. Kenneth Cooper will be hostess.

The report of the poll taken in the Ninth precinct of the Fifteenth ward, Mr. Meeker announced, showed 301 Ralston voters, 234 for Shank, eleven Socorro and 434 doubtful. In the Third precinct, which was won by the Ralston, the chairman said there was recorded 351 for Shank, 479 for Socorro, 103 Socialists and 845 independent. This precinct, he said, normally is Republican and the declared Democratic vote is much higher than was cast before the primary