

CLUB OPPOSES PROPOSED NEW TRAFFIC RULES

Hoosier Motor Organization
Declares Problem Needs
Careful Study.

MAKES SUGGESTIONS

Declaring the proposal to eliminate parking of automobiles on Washington street should not be considered, and that the proposal to make Meridian street a one-way thoroughfare at certain times of the day will only add to the traffic confusion, officials of the Hoosier Motor Club today issued a statement going on

record as opposed to both these suggested traffic changes.

"The Hoosier Motor Club represents the organized motorists of Indianapolis," the statement says, "and regardless of the fact that many car owners are not members, we have always conceived it as our duty to work for the best interests of the entire body of motorists.

"The proposal that has been made concerning the elimination of parking on Washington street is not for the best interests of the motoring public or of business. With the magnificent width of Washington street barren of automobiles, that thoroughfare would resemble Main street of Gopher Prairie at 2 a. m.

**MOST MOTORISTS
DO OWN CHAUFFEURS.**

"The suggestion which accompanies the no parking proposal to the effect that cars whose drivers remain in them will be allowed to stop at the curb for a certain length of time would work very well for a limited few who have liveried chauffeurs. But the average automobile owner 'rolls his own.' The woman driver who wishes to do some shopping cannot be expected to have an assistant driver to

remain in the car; neither can the male driver employ some one to 'sub' for him while he goes in to buy a necktie.

"The proposal to make Meridian street a one-way thoroughfare south-bound during two or three early morning hours, one one-way north-bound during the later afternoon hours, would, in our opinion, serve only to confuse the traffic situation.

"Consider what might happen if the zero hour for south-bound one-way traffic were 9 a. m. A force of traffic men would be necessary to see that traffic proceeds in the proper direction. Cross traffic might turn in either direction, depending on the ideas of time held by the individual driver.

Then, think of the confusion of strangers in the city. Our traffic rules never have been clear to visitors and a one-way part-of-the-time rule for our main north and south thoroughfare, added to our present 'no left turn,' would result in a hopeless tangle.

RIGHT-OF-WAY.

"What Meridian street needs is a positive right-of-way as a through traffic

lane, with each cross intersection marked 'stop' in large letters on the pavement. All cross traffic should come to a stop before attempting to enter or cross Meridian street. Chicago has this system for some of its boulevards and even Gary has the same system for its chief streets—and they both work. Then it would be a simple matter for a few motorcycle cops to keep it moving briskly at rush hours. This would eliminate the jay driver who wishes to camp out in the middle of the street and the 'stop orders' at all cross streets would eliminate many accidents.

"The suggestion that traffic towers be erected downtown to regulate the movement of traffic for several blocks at a time might work—does work, of course, in some cities, but we believe the proponents of this plan have not considered the fact that street cars, making right or left turns, now hamper the straight, forward movement of automobiles.

"In the case of Ohio and Pennsylvania streets, with interurban cars 'ganging up,' it is conceivable that automobile traffic could not move with a go signal given from a tower two or three blocks

away. With all the street car traffic in and out of Washington street, the situation would be different from Fifth avenue in New York City where there are no street cars.

"The suggestion that assessments be made by a police official at headquarters when traffic violators are sent in does not strike us as an improvement over the present plan. It certainly does not take care of speeders and the more vicious violators, but every violator of parking or other regulations would be 'stuck' with at least a \$1 assessment, instead of getting off with an educational lecture.

"We would advocate heavier penalties for driving while under the influence of liquor or for passing street cars which have stopped to load or unload. The driver who commits either of these offenses is a potential murderer and should be dealt with accordingly.

"The entire traffic situation needs the most complete study before changes are made, and then any changes decided upon should be made gradually, instead of arbitrarily adopting a lot of radical changes.

TRIALS BEFORE JURY TO COME EARLY IN YEAR

Cases of 1921 Kept Prosecutor and Assistants Busy.

The new year begins in the office of Prosecutor William P. Evans with several important trials scheduled to be held early in the year.

A summary of the jury trials for 1921 shows Prosecutor Evans has had thirty-one jury cases, twenty-six of which were tried in Marion County, three in Shelby County, one in Johnson County and one in Morgan County.

Of that number there were seventeen convictions, seven acquittals and six disagreed juries. Two of the latter were

tried later and convictions were obtained.

The summary of Mr. Evans shows one case was withdrawn from the jury and submitted to the court. Twenty-five American-born were tried by juries, twenty-two of whom were whites and three negroes. Four were foreign born.

Out of eight jury trials of blind tiger cases there were four convictions, two acquittals and two disagreed juries.

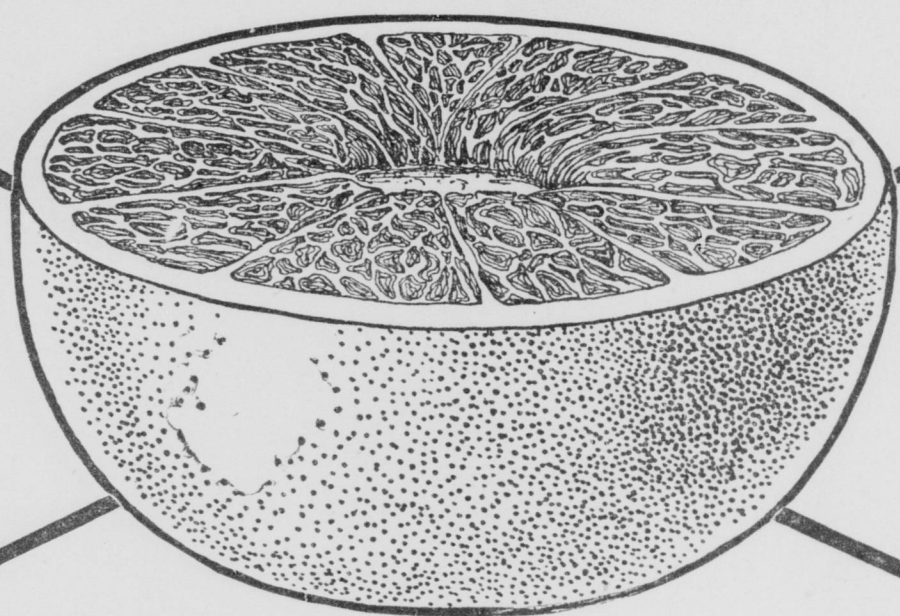
Three arson cases were tried, one conviction was obtained and two juries disagreed. One abortion case was tried and one conviction obtained. Two manslaughter cases were tried, resulting in one conviction and one acquittal. Seven murder cases were tried, and out of two trials held in Marion County, two convictions for manslaughter were obtained. Three trials on manslaughter charges were held in Shelby County and one conviction on a second degree murder charge was obtained and one conviction of manslaughter and one jury disagreed in the same county.

One manslaughter case was tried in Johnson County, resulting in a conviction. One manslaughter case was tried in Morgan County, resulting in a conviction.

One burglary case was tried by a jury resulting in an acquittal. Three robbery cases were tried before a jury in this county, resulting in two convictions and one acquittal. Two rape cases were tried here, resulting in one conviction for assault and battery with intent to rape and one conviction for assault and battery.

One embezzlement case was started before a jury but was withdrawn and submitted to the court. One case charging conspiracy to commit a felony, was tried twice before a jury, resulting first in a disagreed jury and then an acquittal. A jury tried one case charging operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, resulting in an acquittal. The jury in one case alleging operation of a house of ill fame returned a verdict of not guilty.

This summary of Prosecutor Evans does not include the majority of the work done in his office because it does not contain the hundreds of cases investigated by the grand jury and many cases tried before the court without a jury.



Sealdsweet Grapefruit

Tune the meal and tone the system.
Nature's own aid to the digestion of other foods.
Appetizing, delicious, refreshing and strengthening.

The ideal fruit with which to begin breakfast and end dinner.
True food-fruits, delightful and beneficial at every meal, they may be served in a wide variety of ways.

Demonstration-Display

The merits of Sealdsweet grapefruit will be demonstrated to the people of this city during the next few days.

Skilled demonstrators will serve Sealdsweet grapefruit in various appetizing ways and explain some of the many methods by which they may be prepared to give greatest benefit from the health and food values of these wonderful fruits.

You are cordially invited to attend. To every person who comes there will be made a gift of the book, "Florida's Food-Fruits." In natural colors; tells how easily and quickly to make many delightful cakes, pastries, salads, sauces; invaluable in preparing for parties and special occasions; helpful for everyday use. All recipes thoroughly tested.

Sealdsweet Grapefruit Demonstration-Display
Grocery Dept. WM. H. BLOCK CO. All This Week

Sealdsweet Oranges— Better Because Juicier

All ripe oranges are good, but Sealdsweet oranges are better than most.
They are better because heavier with juice, the food and health element of oranges.

Buy Sealdsweet oranges for health's sake; enjoy them for their rare deliciousness.
Try Sealdsweet oranges and see for yourself how much more juice they give you.



FLORIDA CITRUS EXCHANGE



Plentiful supplies of SEALDSWEET Grapefruit and Oranges
Demonstration and Display All This Week at
The Wm. H. BLOCK CO.

WHEN STORE

Annual Sale Men's Gloves 600 Pairs

Slightly soiled and mended gloves, including Mochas, Suedes, Buckskins and Capes. Gloves that were made to sell up to \$5, now priced in this special sale at

\$1.39 Pair
3 Pairs for \$3.90

Christmas Coke Sale

In view of the slow movement of all kinds of fuel and in the hope of extending the use of coke in Indianapolis, we have made

The Most Drastic Cut Ever Made in Fuel Prices

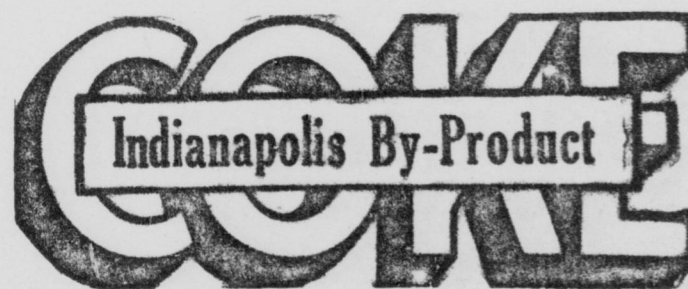
This puts the price of our By-Product Coke very much below the cost of the coal which we put into it. We do not know how long we can continue this special price, but while it lasts it gives the people of Indianapolis

The Greatest Fuel Value Ever Offered Anywhere

By-Product Coke is now offered by all leading dealers at less than two-thirds the price of Anthracite Coal, and it is fully equal to the best grades of Anthracite Coal in fuel efficiency and is superior to most of them.

By-Product Coke is now offered by all leading dealers at a lower price than Pocahontas Coal and it has fully one-third higher fuel efficiency than the best Pocahontas Coal.

DEMAND



which is exceptionally low in ash and impurities and high in fixed carbon which is the real fuel in any coal or coke.

CITIZENS GAS CO.