

BIDS RECEIVED BY STATE FOR CEMENT SUPPLY

200,000 Barrels to Be Used in Finishing 66 Miles of National Road.

7 COMPANIES RESPOND

Bids on sufficient cement to construct the sixty-six miles of the National road which remains unpaved were received by the State highway commission today. The specifications provide that the concrete shall be delivered at various points along the National road and call for a maximum of 200,000 barrels.

Seven bids were received on a basis of 200,000 barrels or less, but employees of the commission refused to take any of the prices quoted. It was explained they would be made public at a meeting of the commission Thursday when also will be opened for the National road projects. The National road bids will not include cement.

It was explained that while bids were received for sufficient cement to build the road of concrete this does not mean the commission necessarily expects to do this. Under the proposals the commission may purchase as little or as much cement as is needed.

The bids were submitted by the Atlas Portland Cement Company, the Universal Portland Cement Company, the Indiana Portland Cement Company, the Louisville Cement Company, the Cosmopolitan Cement Company, the Sandusky Cement Company and the Wabash Portland Cement Company.

It is understood the commission originally intended that the companies should submit prices for cement at the mills, but that the manufacturer refused to do this and that the commission finally consented to receive bids on a delivered basis. The cement companies are reported to have contracts with dealers throughout the country, and therefore could make an adjustment in their districts regardless of whether they handle it themselves. It is reported that this is the reason for the insistence of the cement companies that delivered prices only be quoted.

There is said to be some probability that the Indiana commission may follow the lead of commissioners from Illinois, Wisconsin, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota and South Dakota in refusing to accept any of the bids until prices are reduced. This may depend on the amounts set out in the bids submitted.

PREMIER USES OLD DIPLOMACY

French Premier Will Deal With Nations Through Ambassadors.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—The first effort of French Premier Poincaré to revert to old diplomacy—negotiating by ambassadors instead of through conferences—probably will be put under way here tomorrow. At that time conversations between French Ambassador St. Aulaire and Lord Curzon, British foreign minister, relative to framing of an Anglo-French alliance are likely to be put under way.

Details outlining Poincaré's views on the alliance is understood to be already in the hands of the French ambassador.

These views are said to be that France should guarantee to aid Great Britain against an aggressor in return for such a guarantee to France by Britain; that the alliance should run thirty years and that it should define in advance the extent of military assistance to be extended.

The first two points may be acceptable to Britain, but the third is believed not to be.

JACKSON TALKS TO GRAIN MEN

Secretary of State Discusses Securities Commission.

An address on the purposes and aims of the Securities Commission was given by Ed Jackson, secretary of the Indiana Grain Dealers' Association before the annual meeting of the Indiana Grain Dealers' Association in the library of the Indianapolis Board of Trade building this afternoon.

The control of exchanges by the government was discussed by a representative of the Chicago Board of Trade, W. E. Vanderveer, and Fred C. Treadwell, transportation commissioner of the Grain Dealers' National Association, talked on problems of the transportation situation.

Other talks were made on subjects of interest to the grain dealer by A. E. Reynolds of Crawfordsville; E. G. Oronick, chemist and seed commissioner of Indiana; J. J. Fitzgerald, attorney secretary; D. L. Dickey, Hormel Mutual Life Insurance Company, Indianapolis; L. E. Banta, traffic manager, Indianapolis Board of Trade; James R. Brooks, representative from the home office of the Actua Life Insurance Company; Charles E. Sullivan, vice president, Merchants' National Bank, Indianapolis; and C. S. Clark, Grain Dealers Journal, Chicago.

Following the addresses and discussion the election of officers for the ensuing year was to be held.

BREAKS HEARSE SPEED RECORD

Negro Fined \$100 for Acquiring Distinction.

"Bring on your rubber tired hearses" goes big as a sentiment in a popular song, but bringing one at a speed more suitable to the Memorial Day race than to the funeral of a Negro, said Ernest Scott, negro, 510 North California street, \$100 in costs, when his case was heard by John E. Robbins, sitting as special judge in city court today.

Scott, who was driver of a hearse for Mrs. James Shelton, undertaker, 431 Indiana avenue, apparently attempted to drive his hearse at a speed more suitable to the Champs Gas Company and driven by William Kendall, 3215 East Sixteenth street, got in the line of travel picked out by the speeding Scott at Senate avenue and Pratt street. Kendall, and William Wickliff, 521 East Ohio, who was riding with him, were severely bruised.

Workmen Get Own Slaughter House

LONDON, Jan. 24.—In order to help their workmen battle with the high cost of living the Stafford Coal and Iron Company has organized a slaughter house of its own. It has announced that it will supply joints at cost price to workmen employed at its colliery at Great Fenton.

The action of this colliery is indorsed by all the residents of the district, who have suffered from the extortion of the food profiteers. The construction of the colliery, it is hoped, will bring down the price of meat at the regular butcher shops.

QUEEN OF CHORUS ASKS DIVORCE



Jessie Reed Caswell, now appearing in the Follies in Chicago, is bringing an action for divorce from Daniel Caswell, a wealthy Chicago man. She is reputed to be receiving the largest salary of any chorus girl in America.

SEES UNITY OF IRELAND AS BIG ACHIEVEMENT

Asquith, Former Premier, Optimistic Over Final Outcome.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—H. H. Asquith, former Prime Minister and present leader of the opposition in the House of Commons, with an optimism equal to that of the premier himself, sees united Ireland as an assured thing of the future.

In recognition of the splendid spirit with which he ignored party questions and forgot a personal and political feud of five years' duration in promising Lloyd George the independent Liberal Party support for the Irish settlement, the prime minister's first act when Parliament met to ratify peace was to shake hands with Asquith, before the eyes of the assembled house.

SEE ALSO: IRISH FUTURE.

Government and opposition have been one on the question.

Asquith now sees virtually eye to eye with the premier regarding the future.

"No one knows better than the people of Ulster," he says, "that Ireland cannot in the long run afford to keep two governments."

"I do not mean merely from the point of view of pounds, shillings and pence, but from moral, social and economic considerations."

TO GIVE AND TAKE.

TO ULTIMATE UNITY.

"I am glad to see that the latest pronouncements of the Ulster leaders encourage the hope that, whatever may be the difficulties of the moment, when passions still run high and uncompromising phrases still echo in the air, they will in their way first to approximate and then, before very long, upon a broad basis of give and take to ultimate unity."

The treaty lays the broad basis upon which there may be built up and cemented a solid fabric of liberty for a self-governing Ireland."

P. S. C. DENIES BELL PETITION

Claypool Phone Dispute Comes Up Again.

The public service commission today denied the petition of the Indiana Bell Telephone Company, asking that the commission modify its order requiring them to furnish telephone service to the Claypool Hotel.

Attorneys for the hotel company at a recent hearing said that if the commission modified its order the way the company hoped to have it modified, they would be permitted to discontinue the telephone service they now have to the hotel.

When the hotel was first built the Central Union Telephone Company, which then bought the Indianapolis Telephone Company, refused to give the hotel company service. The Indianapolis company gave the hotel service until it sold its lines to the Central Union company which is now the Indiana Bell. At the time of the merger of the two companies the commission issued an order requiring the telephone company to give service to the hotel.

BALL FOR BENEFIT OF UNEMPLOYED PLANNED

Mayor Samuel Lewis Shanks had a good time at his birthday ball at Tomlinson Hall last evening that he decided he would like to entertain another one. Accordingly he called a meeting of the city hall today for a benefit ball for the unemployed to be held in Tomlinson Hall Monday evening, Feb. 13. William T. Bailey, assistant city attorney, suggested the plan to the mayor, who approved it at once.

The mayor is expected to appoint a committee to have charge of the affair in the near future.

PROHIBITION HEAD ADDS TO WORKING FORCE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24—Prohibition Commissioner Hayes today announced the appointment of five additional Federal prohibition agents. They include Oscar Graney of Anna, Ill., to operate in the State of Illinois.

TAKES CANDY CASE

A thief with a "sweet tooth" helped himself to a leather sample case containing \$25 worth of candy today, taking the case from an armchair of the Nichols Candy Company, which was parked in front of 5041 East Washington street. Frank H. Sooy, 4022 College avenue, salesman, notified the police.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.

Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, Blister, or Pruritic Piles. Instantly relieve Itching Piles. 9c.—Advertisement.

CHARGE 2 WITH ROBBERY IN OLD HOLD-UP CASE

Mystery of Wrist Watch Theft May Be Cleared After Long Wait.

An old hold-up mystery may be solved today by the placing of robbery charge against Henry Bennett, 335, 442 South East street, and John Huggs, 51, of the same address, both of whom are in jail.

On May 15 of last year Bryan Bailey, 751 East McCarty street, was held up and robbed at Noble street and Virginia avenue by two men. One of the things stolen at that time was Bailey's wrist watch. The watch was recovered by the detective department from a pawn office on West Washington street. Esther Scholl, 401, 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421, 423, 425, 427, 429, 431, 433, 435, 437, 439, 441, 443, 445, 447, 449, 451, 453, 455, 457, 459, 461, 463, 465, 467, 469, 471, 473, 475, 477, 479, 481, 483, 485, 487, 489, 491, 493, 495, 497, 499, 501, 503, 505, 507, 509, 511, 513, 515, 517, 519, 521, 523, 525, 527, 529, 531, 533, 535, 537, 539, 541, 543, 545, 547, 549, 551, 553, 555, 557, 559, 561, 563, 565, 567, 569, 571, 573, 575, 577, 579, 581, 583, 585, 587, 589, 591, 593, 595, 597, 599, 601, 603, 605, 607, 609, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, 621, 623, 625, 627, 629, 631, 633, 635, 637, 639, 641, 643, 645, 647, 649, 651, 653, 655, 657, 659, 661, 663, 665, 667, 669, 671, 673, 675, 677, 679, 681, 683, 685, 687, 689, 691, 693, 695, 697, 699, 701, 703, 705, 707, 709, 711, 713, 715, 717, 719, 721, 723, 725, 727, 729, 731, 733, 735, 737, 739, 741, 743, 745, 747, 749, 751, 753, 755, 757, 759, 761, 763, 765, 767, 769, 771, 773, 775, 777, 779, 781, 783, 785, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797, 799, 801, 803, 805, 807, 809, 811, 813, 815, 817, 819, 821, 823, 825, 827, 829, 831, 833, 835, 837, 839, 841, 843, 845, 847, 849, 851, 853, 855, 857, 859, 861, 863, 865, 867, 869, 871, 873, 875, 877, 879, 881, 883, 885, 887, 889, 891, 893, 895, 897, 899, 901, 903, 905, 907, 909, 911, 913, 915, 917, 919, 921, 923, 925, 927, 929, 931, 933, 935, 937, 939, 941, 943, 945, 947, 949, 951, 953, 955, 957, 959, 961, 963, 965, 967, 969, 971, 973, 975, 977, 979, 981, 983, 985, 987, 989, 991, 993, 995, 997, 999, 1001, 1003, 1005, 1007, 1009, 1011, 1013, 1015, 1017, 1019, 1021, 1023, 1025, 1027, 1029, 1031, 1033, 1035, 1037, 1039, 1041, 1043, 1045, 1047, 1049, 1051, 1053, 1055, 1057, 1059, 1061, 1063, 1065, 1067, 1069, 1071, 1073, 1075, 1077, 1079, 1081, 1083, 1085, 1087, 1089, 1091, 1093, 1095, 1097, 1099, 1101, 1103, 1105, 1107, 1109, 1111, 1113, 1115, 1117, 1119, 1121, 1123, 1125, 1127, 1129, 1131, 1133, 1135, 1137, 1139, 1141, 1143, 1145, 1147, 1149, 1151, 1153, 1155, 1157, 1159, 1161, 1163, 1165, 1167, 1169, 1171, 1173, 1175, 1177, 1179, 1181, 1183, 1185, 1187, 1189, 1191, 1193, 1195, 1197, 1199, 1201, 1203, 1205, 1207, 1209, 1211, 1213, 1215, 1217, 1219, 1221, 1223, 1225, 1227, 1229, 1231, 1233, 1235, 1237, 1239, 1241, 1243, 1245, 1247, 1249, 1251, 1253, 1255, 1257, 1259, 1261, 1263, 1265, 1267, 1269, 1271, 1273, 1275, 1277, 1279, 1281, 1283, 1285, 1287, 1289, 1291, 1293, 1295, 1297, 1299, 1301, 1303, 1305, 1307, 1309, 1311, 1313, 1315, 1317, 1319, 1321, 1323, 1325, 1327, 1329, 1331, 1333, 1335, 1337, 1339, 1341, 1343, 1345, 1347, 1349, 1351, 1353, 1355, 1357, 1359, 1361, 1363, 1365, 1367, 1369, 1371, 1373, 1375, 1377, 1379, 1381, 1383, 1385, 1387, 1389, 1391, 1393, 1395, 1397, 1399, 1401, 1403, 1405, 1407, 1409, 1411, 1413, 1415, 1417, 1419, 1421, 1423, 1425, 1427, 1429, 1431, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1439, 1441, 1443, 1445, 1447, 1449, 1451, 1453, 1455, 1457, 1459, 1461, 1463, 1465, 1467, 1469, 1471, 1473, 1475, 1477, 1479, 1481, 1483, 1485, 1487, 1489, 1491, 1493, 1495, 1497, 1499, 1501, 1503, 1505, 1507, 1509, 1511, 1513, 1515, 1517, 1519, 1521, 1523, 1525, 1527, 1529, 1531, 1533, 1535, 1537, 1539, 1541, 1543, 1545, 1547, 1549, 1551, 1553, 1555, 1557, 1559, 1561, 1563, 1565, 1567, 1569, 1571, 1573, 1575, 1577, 1579, 1581, 1583, 1585, 1587, 1589, 1591, 1593, 1595, 1597, 1599, 1601, 1603, 1605, 1607, 1609, 1611, 1613,