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W. PRESIDENT GUESTS OF STATE G. O. P.

SKIP SYSTEM SCHEDULE TO BEGIN SUNDAY

Signs in Street Cars Announce Time of Change.

CITY TAKES HAND

Erect Loading Platforms in Middle of Blocks.

Signs announcing the skip-stop system will go into effect Sunday morning were carried in all cars of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company today. President Robert I. Todd said middle-of-the-block loading in the congested district will be started simultaneously. The changes were ordered by the board of public works Wednesday.

James P. Tretton, superintendent of the street railway company, was called before the board of public works today and told the board does not intend that it shall be an ironed rule car stop every other block in the residential district. The board prefers, on the inbound track, stops be arranged so as to fall on corners where there are drug stores or other convenient points for passengers to wait for cars. Mr. Tretton said he was concurred with the board in this, but it will be necessary to establish the stops generally at the points where they were in the past period in order to get the skip-stop plan into immediate operation. Beginning next week, he said, many changes in stops will have to be made and the wishes of the board will be followed therein. The board arranged to go over all routes with Mr. Tretton Monday afternoon and pick changes they believe necessary.

Car crews will be instructed not to pass anybody on Sunday and Monday, even though they are waiting at a non-stop corner. On Tuesday they will adhere rigidly to the skip-stop rule, Mr. Tretton said. The board approved this.

The street railway company has seven crews of sign painters marking poles at the streets where cars will stop. In general, these are at the same places as during the war period, when the skip-stop system was used, Mr. Todd said. Because of the faster running time possible under the changes it will be necessary to change the schedule of every line. Mr. Todd said this is being worked out as rapidly as possible, but it is likely some can not be completed until after the change is made. Lines will be speeded up thereafter as fast as the new running cards are finished.

INDIANA BILL FOR 2 FEDERAL COURTS IS O. K. D.

House Judiciary Committee Reports Favorably on Hickey Measure.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The House Judiciary Committee today reported favorably a bill by Representative Hickey of Indiana, establishing two Federal judicial districts in Indiana.

Movements to establish another Federal judicial district in Indiana have arisen from time to time for a number of years past, but always have been killed in committee. Agitation for a separate court is particularly strong in northern Indiana, around Gary, East Chicago and South Bend. This anxiety for a separate judicial district is attributable, many persons believe, not so much to any feeling that there is a real need for a new court, but from a strong desire on the part of powerful political elements in northern Indiana to get out from under the strong hand of Judge Albert B. Anderson, and from a desire on the part of politicians to create a new district with all the jobs and patronage that would go with it.

As a matter of fact Judge Anderson could easily handle far more business than he does, according to Frederick Van Nys, former United States district attorney, who said recently twice as much business could be handled. Despite the fact that the prohibition law and national motor vehicle act have turned Federal Court into a police court and that hundreds of cases of this character are handled annually, the Federal Court calendar never is crowded and there are days at a time when practically no business is transacted by the court.

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Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending at 7 p. m., Jan. 28, 1922:

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HOURLY TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m.	16
7 a. m.	16
8 a. m.	16
9 a. m.	16
10 a. m.	16
11 a. m.	16
12 (noon)	16
1 p. m.	16
2 p. m.	16
3 p. m.	16
4 p. m.	16
5 p. m.	16
6 p. m.	16
7 p. m.	16

Third Degree Fills N. Y. Underworld With Dread Alarm

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The dread third degree, whispers of which strike terror in the underworld, is being used today all over New York City. Magistrate Joseph Corrigan of Essex Market Court, charges.

Brutality in the police department, denied specifically by commissioners and inspectors, exists and "police department officials know it, and decent citizens know it," Corrigan declared.

SEEKS MEANS OF BLOCKING BIG MERGER

Present and Former Corporation Counsel in Conference.

CONSIDER ACTION

Means of further opposition to the Indiana Electric Corporation merger were discussed today at a conference of Taylor E. Groninger, corporation counsel; Samuel Ashby, former corporation counsel, and Fred Bates Johnson, who represented a number of northern Indiana cities in opposition to the corporation's petition before the public service commission. The commission granted the corporation's petition to issue \$17,496,000 in securities for the purchase of seven Indiana electric power plants late yesterday.

As corporation counsel in the Jewett administration, Mr. Ashby fought the merger position with great vigor, contending with other counsel arrayed against the utility interests that the capitalization sought is far in excess of the actual value of the plants to be bought.

Corporation Counsel Groninger said that no decision was reached at the conference as to what action will be taken, but that "there will most probably be steps taken." He said that William L. Taylor, attorney for large users of the power of the companies involved in the merger, would join Mr. Ashby, Mr. Johnson and himself in another meeting this afternoon.

The city has sixty days in which to file a petition for rehearing of the merger petition before the public service commission and thirty days after a ruling is made on the petition for rehearing to appeal to the courts, Mr. Groninger said. It is understood that the attorneys are seeking some more direct way of striking at the commission's order approving the merger.

The plants to be purchased by the corporation are the Merchants Heat and Light Company of Indianapolis, the Elkhart Gas and Fuel Company, the Valparaiso Lighting Company, the Indiana (Continued on Page Sixteen.)

SHANK TO ASK PARK BOARD FOR LAND PURCHASE

Would Add 'Golden Hill' to Recent Investment Adjoining.

NEAR RIVERSIDE PARK

Mayor Samuel Lewis Shank today announced that he would request the park board to take up with the D. M. Parry heirs the purchase of the property known as the Golden Hill estate adjoining the land recently purchased by the city and now used by the Woodstock club.

The mayor has been investigating the desirability of adding this land to the holdings of the park board for some time and in negotiations with representatives of the estate has been assured that it can be obtained at a price much lower than it has heretofore been offered to private buyers.

There are approximately forty-four acres of land in the tract which lies along the canal and will eventually prove a necessary link between Crown Hill cemetery and Riverside Park. It is the hope of the Parry family and is noted for its beauty and adaptability to park purposes. Parts of the tract have been open to the public for a long time and the fact that a large number of children have been using it recently as a skating grounds and have frequented it in the summer is one of the reasons that it interested the mayor.

LOUIS CHEVROLET REPORTED HURT

Suffers Painful Injuries in Auto Collision.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Louis Chevrolet, veteran automobile "speed demon," who escaped survivor of hundreds of death attended motor races, received his first serious injury today in a taxicab collision. Chevrolet was riding in a cab in Michigan boulevard when it was struck squarely by another cab. Chevrolet's right leg was painfully bruised and twisted. He was taken to his hotel. He had arrived from Indianapolis this morning to attend the Chicago Automobile Show.

"This is irony," was his only comment. His wife and son in Indianapolis were notified.

MEXICO PROFITS BY OIL TAX. MEXICO CITY, Jan. 27.—In the past forty-eight hours twenty-six oil companies doing business in the Mexican fields have paid into the government treasury \$4,229,668 pesos for production taxes. The taxes fell due in December.

SANCTION FOR NEW MINING CODE SOUGHT

Tri-partite Plan Is Sponsored by Senator Kenyon.

INCLUDES PUBLIC

Twelve Principles Set Forth for Industrial Relations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Sanction by Congress of an industrial code applicable to coal mining and the creation of a tripartite Federal board to adjust differences between coal operators and miners "in that there may be peace in the coal industry," were recommended to the Senate today by Senator Kenyon, Republican, Iowa.

Kenyon's recommendations were a result of a study of the mining industry, in connection with an investigation by the Senate Committee on Education and Labor, of trouble between operators and union miners in West Virginia.

The tripartite board proposed by Kenyon would be composed of three representatives of the employees, three of the employers and three of the public, all to be appointed by the President. The new agency, according to Kenyon's plan would be operated much in the same manner of the United States Railway Labor Board, no penalties being provided for violation of the board's orders.

Among the basic principles which should be established as an industrial code for the guidance of such an arbitration board, Kenyon suggested the following:

1. Coal is a public utility and in its production and distribution, the public interest is predominant.
2. Human standards should be the controlling influence in fixing the wages and working conditions of mine workers.
3. Capital prudence and honesty invested in the coal industry should have an adequate return sufficient to stimulate and regulate the production of this essential commodity.
4. The right of operators and miners to organize is recognized and affirmed.
5. The right of operators and miners to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing is recognized and affirmed.
6. The miners who are not members of a union have the right to work without interference by fellow workers who may belong to the union. The men who belong to a union have the right to work without being harassed by operators who do not believe in unionism.
7. The right of all skilled or common laborers to earn an adequate living wage sufficient to maintain the worker and his family in health and reasonable comfort, and to afford an (Continued on Page Eight.)

FARM PARLEY DEFEATS WAGE CUT PROPOSAL

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DISTINGUISHED GUESTS REACH CITY



Above—Vice President Calvin Coolidge and Mrs. Coolidge.

Below, Left to Right—Governor Warren T. McCray, Senator Harry S. New, Vice President Coolidge, Mrs. Coolidge and Mrs. New.

Calvin Coolidge, Vice President of the United States, was warmly greeted today on his first visit to Indiana since he became Vice President. He smiled broadly as he and Mrs. Coolidge with Governor McCray and Senator New lined up at the Union Station to oblige the camera men. Governor McCray accompanied them from Washington. After the pictures were taken the party was taken in automobiles to the home of Senator New. That Mrs. Coolidge was delighted at the reception is evidenced by her smile.

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CHILD, FATALLY BURNED, DIES IN HOSPITAL

Burial of Wilbur Nichols to Be Held Saturday at Crown Hill.

Wilbur Nichols, 2, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde S. Nichols, 6334 Massachusetts avenue, died at St. Vincent's Hospital today of burns. Dr. Paul F. Robinson, coroner, investigated. The boy was watching his mother make toast in a gas oven yesterday, and while his mother was not looking the child walked to the oven and reached in and attempted to reach a piece of toast. His clothing caught fire from the burning gas.

Hearing the boy scream, Mrs. Nichols ran to him and wrapped him in a rug putting out the flames, but not before the child had suffered fatal burns. The body was taken to the funeral parlors of William O. Beck, 125 South Capitol avenue, and the funeral will be held at that place tomorrow afternoon. Burial will be at Crown Hill cemetery.

There's a Limit

DES MOINES, Iowa, Jan. 27.—The first twenty-one times his store was robbed, F. J. Dunkle, merchant of Berwick, a suburb, stood for it. When a hand entered the store early today and attempted the twenty-second robbery, Dunkle rebelled, however, and shot and killed the intruder. The slain man has not been identified.

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Market Men Give Relief to Needy of City Under Direction of Mrs. Shank

Owners of stalls in the city market have come voluntarily to the aid of the city's poor and needy during the depression that is now being experienced and will help feed the needy for the next ten weeks at least.

Every stall in the market house has joined in the movement and each morning will donate to aid the cause and the food will be distributed free of charge to the poor under the direction of Mrs. Samuel Lewis Shank, wife of Indianapolis mayor.

The plan originated several days ago in the mind of Will T. Cook, who first discussed the matter with his brother Joe Cook, the two operating a stall in the meat section of the market. They took the matter up with other stall owners in the meat market and each one offered to donate from their counters each day that the market is open.

S. M. Johnson, another of the meat men, offered to supervise the collection of the donations, and Smith & Smith donated a room at 242 Wabash street, directly in the rear of the market, in which the donations may be stored and from which deliveries will be made under the supervision of Mrs. Shank and Mr. Johnson.

The news of the movement soon spread to all sections of the market house and each section asked to be allowed to join in the movement. The vegetable men, the grocers, the market men, the florists, and, in fact, every branch of the market, joined in the work. Soon a big committee was formed, with Will T. Cook as the general chairman, and the committee is now composed of Mr. Cook and William T. Cook, representing the meat men; Al Beard, Charles Tacoma and Jacob Elzer, as the representatives of the vegetable men; J. M. Williams, Frank Billinger and C. Mahoney, representing the midway section, and J. W. Gibson and others the marketmen.

In order to reach only the really needy with this free food, the policemen of the city will be asked to report on the needy families in their districts. Only those who are in actual need and who are not habitually on other charity lists will be cared for in this manner, according to Mrs. Shank.

"The market men came to me themselves and made the proposition," said Mrs. Shank. "Mr. Cook explained they had more meat each day than they could use and they were only too glad to give it to the poor during these hard times. They asked me to head the movement and I consented to do so. The police department joined in and will aid us and we hope to relieve much of the suffering in this manner. I think the market men

COOLIDGE ATTENDS MIDWINTER SESSION OF G. O. P. EDITORS

Wife of Nation's Second Executive Accompanies Husband to Meeting and Is Entertained by Mrs. McCray.

SENATOR WATSON FAILS TO APPEAR

Vice President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge were the guests of the Republicans of Indiana today. They arrived in Indianapolis from Washington shortly after 11 o'clock. With them came Governor Warren T. McCray, who has been in Washington attending the agricultural conference.

The Vice President came to Indianapolis for the purpose of addressing the Republican State Editorial Association at its annual banquet tonight. Senator James E. Watson, who had been invited to address the banquet, did not come, an important Senate hearing having detained him in Washington.

At the Union Station the Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge and Governor McCray were met by Senator Harry S. New, Mrs. New, Edmund M. Wasmuth, Republican state chairman; Joseph B. Keating, national committeeman from Indiana; Frederick E. Schortemeier, secretary of the Republican State committee; E. J. Hancock, president of the Republican State Editorial Association, and other members of the association.

Taken to HOME OF SENATOR NEW. The Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge immediately on their arrival were taken to the home of Senator New, 1142 North Pennsylvania street, where they remained for a short time. The Vice President then went to the Marion Club where he was given a reception and from there to the Columbia Club where another reception was held. Following the two receptions he went to the University Club where he was a guest at luncheon of William G. Irwin of Columbus, Ind.

The hobbits of both the Columbia Club and the Marion Club crowded for the reception for the Vice President. Included in the reception line were Senator New, Governor McCray and James P. Goodrich.

At the Marion Club the Vice President made a brief talk expressing his appreciation of the reception and defending party organization.

He declared that party organizations should not be condemned, as they are necessary to progress. He said he is an organization man and that he believes in organization. He said he had been everything from prelate committeeman to Governor in his State.

The Vice President mentioned no names in connection with his defense of strong organizations.

MRS. COOLIDGE HOSTESS GUEST

Mrs. Coolidge was the luncheon guest of Mrs. Harvey Bates, Jr., 1221 North Pennsylvania street. This afternoon she was the honor guest at a reception given by Mrs. Warren T. McCray at the Governor's mansion, Pennsylvania and Twenty-Seventh streets.

Besides the Vice President, the speakers at the banquet will be Senator Harry S. New, Governor Warren T. McCray and Mrs. Daisy Douglas, wife of Indiana's Senator.

James E. Watson had been invited to attend the banquet, but he will not be present.

The sessions of the editorial association continued at the Hotel Severin with the discussion of technical questions of interest to newspaper men. The program for today included talks by "Developing Local Advertising," by George James of the Brazil Times; "Advertising Agencies and Foreign Representatives," by Charles N. Neff of the Anderson Herald; "Job Printing in Connection With a Newspaper," by A. A. Biber of the Crown Point Register; "The Woman's Page," by Florence Webster Long of the Indianapolis News; "Government Affidavit of Sworn Circulation Statements," by John Edward, solicitor-general of the Postoffice Department; and "The Editor's Page," by Thomas H. Adams of the Vincennes Commercial.

PIERCE LIKELY TO BE ELECTED.

The business meetings were to close with the election of officers this afternoon. J. W. Pierce of the Clinton Clintonian was expected to be elected president to succeed E. J. Hancock of the Greensburg Daily News. Will O. Fendner of the Rushville Republican was expected to be elected secretary. There was nothing definite on the offices of treasurer and vice president.

The question of the relationship of women voters to the party organization was discussed at length by the Republican State committee, which was in session until 4 o'clock, as an inset who had become thoroughly familiar with this new war disease and suggested the committee call it.

"We have now yet decided who we will call, but we will almost certainly seek expert testimony along this line from several competent alienists," said Senator Brandegee.

'War Neurosis' Figures in Watson Charges, Belief Advanced in A. E. F. Probe

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—"War neurosis" probably will figure in the testimony being taken by the special Senate committee on charges of Senator Watson, Democrat of Georgia, that soldiers were executed illegally in France, according to announcement made today.

Senator Brandegee, Republican, Committee on Military Affairs, said today he was considering calling several psychiatrists to pass on the validity of the statements of a number of witnesses who gave startling and much disputed testimony.

Among those would probably be some of the witnesses who declared that Maj. H. L. Ople of Staunton, Va., shot his own men in battle and others who swore they saw from three to twelve hangings at Is-Sur-Tille, while the preponderance of evidence seems to indicate there were only two executions there.

The committee has received a letter from E. J. Swift, professor of psychology and education at Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., who said that after reading the testimony of some of the witnesses he was certain a number of them were suffering from "war neurosis."

Extreme shock to the nervous system, in some cases due to gassing, or shell shock, or in others to the strain, tension and excitement due to the participation in battle, is described as "bringing on a condition of mind by which the sufferer is subject to hallucinations and highly

"SAY IT WITH A TIMES WANT AD"

MEN GASPED. WOMEN FAINTED. DECK HANDS SEIZED THE MAN AND DRAGGED HIM BACK.

"Let me go—turn me loose!" he struggled frantically to leap ashore. "They've got to stop feeding you meat!" growled one of the sailors, taking a former hold-up man by the collar. "I simply forgot to put an Ad in the Times Classified Columns!"

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