

SENIORITY AND MERIT TO RULE AT POSTOFFICE

Bryson, on Assuming Charge, Lays Out Policy for Promotions.

Promises that promotions in the Indianapolis postoffice are to be made upon merit and seniority are made in a bulletin issued to all postoffice employees by Mr. H. R. Bryson, on assuming the official title of postmaster today. When Mr. Bryson was put in charge last month in place of Robert E. Springsteen he was made acting postmaster, but Saturday an order from Washington was received stating that beginning today he would be postmaster. The bulletin issued by Postmaster Bryson says:

"To the employees of the Indianapolis postoffice:

"Upon assuming my duties as postmaster I desire to thank each and every employee for the wonderful spirit of loyalty and cooperation shown me during my term as acting postmaster.

"I fully realize the responsibility of my position and appreciate the fact that the success of my administration depends upon the loyalty of the employees of this office, and for that reason, desire to ask you to assist me in carrying out the following general policies of this office:

"1. Efficient service and courteous treatment to the patrons of this office at all times, realizing that we are the service people.

"2. Promotions shall be made upon merit and seniority, provided the ability to lead men, the disposition to be courteous at all times, the desire to accept their full share of responsibility and their desire to cooperate with their superior officers have been shown by them.

"3. To secure from the employees suggestions and criticisms which will improve the service, crediting the employee on his efficiency rating for any suggestions that prove valuable to the office.

"4. To encourage team work among the employees and allow no factional spirit to develop.

"5. To do everything in my power for the comfort and welfare of every employee.

"6. Every employee to have the right to appeal from decisions of supervisory employees to the postmaster and the door of my office will be always open to them.

"7. To keep open in mind the thought that every employee with which the spirit of the Postmaster-General, sign up with the team and play ball in such a manner as to make the Indianapolis postoffice second to none in the United States.

"Robert H. Bryson, Postmaster."

Has \$8,200 Position



Mrs. Grace Strachan Forsythe

Mrs. Grace Strachan Forsythe is the first woman to be elected Associate Superintendent of the Schools of New Work. Her pay will be \$8,200 a year.

GIRL'S ROMANCE ENDS IN CELL WHEN DESERTED

Pretty Bride Reveals Story of Hasty Courtship and Wedding.

Faith in a "fairy healing" husband is hard to keep when he fails to meet you in a few minutes and doesn't come at all, even though you wait for a week with only a few cents in your pocketbook.

Mrs. Marie Frances Coly, who says she is 21, but looks 15, liminated along this line while the police held her on a charge of vagrancy. The girl, who is described as beautiful by those who saw her at police headquarters, told the police and reporters a story which is being investigated.

About two weeks ago she came to Indianapolis from Terre Haute, Indiana, to visit her 18-year-old sister, stopping at the Superior Hotel. They had been visiting another sister, Mrs. William M. Riley, 1440 Liberty street, Terre Haute, she said. Their home, Mrs. Coly said, is in West York, Ill., where their mother lives.

Mrs. Coly formerly was Frances Schenck.

On Sunday, Jan. 22, she tried to cash a check at the hotel desk, but the clerk refused to accommodate her, she said. Buton Albert Coly, the "fairy healer," was at the hotel, staying with his mother and longer than \$2. That evening he took her and her sister to dinner and the movies. Two days later he pleaded his love for her and they went to Richmond and were married by a Methodist minister. They stayed in Richmond until Friday, when she returned to Indianapolis, registering this time at the Hotel Seville.

Sunday afternoon the management of the Hotel Seville called the police and said the girl had been deserted by her husband. She said her husband came to the hotel and met her in a short time. That was the last she heard from him. She was without funds. The police took her to the Y. W. C. A. but a short time later found her on a telephone call from some one who said he was a hotel detective and wished to see her to investigate her case. She then was slated for vagrancy.

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Gets \$10 and Cost on Short Weight Charge

John Sullivan, owner and weight-master of the Cash Coal Company, Sixteenth and Airport streets, was fined \$10 and costs for short weight charge. Deputies officers of the weights and measures department testified Sullivan sold a load of coal supposed to weigh a ton. When officers stopped the wagon and weighed the load it was found to be much under weight, they was then slated for vagrancy.

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Take Steps to Pay McBroom Shortage

The first steps in making up the alleged shortage in the supplies of Robert McBroom, former chief jailer at the Marion County jail, were taken today when a bonding company which was surety on McBroom's bond tendered a check to the city clerk for \$1,000.

The total of \$1,177 represents money due the city clerk in fines and costs which were turfed over to McBroom while jailer, the sheriff stated today.

The sheriff said that McBroom has not paid any of the shortage but that the bonding company and the sheriff take the responsibility of making the shortage.

McBroom is awaiting trial in Marion Criminal Court on a charge of embezzlement.

Firemen to Elect Trustees of Fund

Six candidates for firemen's pension fund were chosen from which two will be chosen in a election next Monday morning. Were nominated at a convention of firemen's representatives at fire headquarters today. The nominees are Captain Jessie Huttell, Operator Walter Private John Mahoney, Captain Ernest Hinckman, Private Philip Moss and Captain Arthur Rosemeyer.

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Police are interrogating a man connected with the film industry who told them he was a former employee of Taylor, who was killed in a shooting at his home.

The man, identified as Mabel Norman, was questioned by Mabel Norman, who surrounded him with a circle of accusatory eyes.

"No sir, not at all," replied Milo firmly.

"I worked with her in 'The Sun Princess' on the Gothic lot. Aside from the fact that I was a bit afraid of her," he said.

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DECLARES CHARGE IS "GOOD JOKE."

The actor's face showed instant relief. He broke into a smile. Then he reached forward and shook hands with his questioner.

"That's a good joke," he said. "You really had me frightened for a while. I didn't know what you wanted me for. But if that's it, why it is too ridiculous."

The two actors made no protest as they were taken to the office.

Here they were separate and both subjected to a severe grilling, as to the circumstances Wednesday night.

Milo at first seemed worried by the questions.

"You were friendly with Mabel Norman, weren't you?" demanded one of five or six deputies who surrounded him with a circle of accusatory eyes.

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DECLARES SANDS IS "IN CITY."

Officers say they are confident Sands was in this city last week. Because the fact he was known to be without funds, unless they have been supplied by some person of means, they say the man is still in this vicinity. His arrest is looked for at any time, according to Detective Capt. David L. Adams, who is in charge of the case.

The police are anxious to take Sands into custody, not only to question him in regard to possible knowledge of the crime, but because of what he is believed to know about Taylor, his life and his associates.

Search continues for a number of letters written to Taylor by Mabel Norman, that have been missing since the crime was committed. A number of articles was found to have disappeared from the slain director's home shortly after the body was found, despite the fact that a guard was placed in it a few hours after.

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