

## CLOTHIERS OF STATE CLOSE CONVENTION

Crawfordsville Man Elected President of Retailers' Association.

### FAVOR DISCOUNT RULE

Dumont Peck of Crawfordsville was unanimously elected, president of the Indiana Retail Clothiers' and Furnishers' Association at today's business session of the convention which opened at the Claypool Hotel, Monday.

Other officers chosen include Harry Schloss of Terre Haute, and Will Woodfill of Greensburg, vice presidents; A. W. Levi of Indianapolis, secretary treasurer. Directors named are A. L. Block, Indianapolis; Charles Williams, Greenfield; Joe Schwatzkopf, Columbus; Will Smith, Bluffton, and Art Simon, Peru. The new national director is Nate Lowe, La Porte.

### INDORSE SCALE OR DISCOUNT.

A resolution concerning the unifying of the amount of discount offered by manufacturers selling the various lines of commodities that are purchased by retail clothiers and furnishers was adopted by the body. At a recent national meeting of the association a committee was appointed to work out a scale for such unification of terms and the state body endorsed the scale as set by the national committee, placing its support in an effort to secure universal adoption of the terms.

Other resolutions adopted are as follows:

"That the Indiana Retail Clothiers' Association favors a revision of the tariff on wool and wool goods which will provide adequate protection to wool growing, wool manufacturing and garment making."

"That while providing adequate protection to these industries the new tariff law should not impose excessive duties that are burdensome or that act as an exchange of imports of wool materials necessary for the production of clothing of high quality and great durability at a reasonable cost to the consumer." Copies of these resolutions were sent to the President of the United States and to every member of the Senate and House of Representatives.

"That we favor the passage of an adequate Garnsler law for protection of credits extended by retailers."

### TALES MADE ON ADVERTISING.

Tales were made during his day by L. J. Robinson of the National Association on "Modern Advertising," of the Orpheum, and the H. H. McRae Advertising Company on "Putting Pepper Punch in Your Store Policy and Advertising." Tom L. Leslie of the National Association, on "Modern Show Window Advertising," and Andres Burkhardt, past president of the National Association of Retailers, on "The Modern Merchant," presented only a general discussion on "Me and My Store—How to do the Most Business in 1922," led by Bob Ireland of Madison, was held after the speeches and a session for new officers and directors and 4:30 o'clock closed the meeting. A new branch chapter of the Men's Apparel Club for the association in the Riley Room of the Claypool Hotel will be held tonight as the closing event of the convention.

The Men's Apparel Club, composed of traveling salesmen, holding its convention jointly with the association, elected officers yesterday afternoon. They include Tom L. Leslie, president; J. W. King, vice president; B. W. King, secretary-treasurer, and A. W. Levi, a member of the national board of directors representing Indiana.

### PLAN TO SAVE MONEY FOR TRIP

Ex-Service Men Form Club to Pay Convention Expenses.

Former service men desiring to make the trip to the national convention of the Modern Merchants, New Orleans, Oct. 16-20, will be given an opportunity to save money for the trip in a manner which will occasion no undue strain upon their financial resources, according to plans perfected today by the Marion County council of the Legion.

An "On to New Orleans" committee, composed of K. W. Hadley, chairman; Henry C. Ketcham and C. B. Feasey, members of the council, organized. This committee will work up enthusiasm for the trip and will make arrangements with various financial institutions whereby members of the Legion can save money for the trip along the same lines as followed by Christmas Savings Clubs, that is, by small deposits made weekly.

### TWO FINED ON 'TIGER' CHARGES

Dispensers of 'White Mule' Pay \$100 and Costs.

Martin Stianka, 2814 Meredith avenue, and John Reed, 531 East Miami street, were each fined \$100 and costs today in city court on charges of operating a blind tiger. Federal officer George Winkler saw Reed get out of a automobile last Saturday afternoon at Wabash and Lincoln and buy a quart of "mule" bag. The Federal officers found the blind tiger contained "white mule" whisky. He arrested Reed. Then he found a traveling bag in the big automobile and in it were two one-gallon jugs, each jug containing a small amount of "white mule."

Stianka was then arrested. The automobile in which the men were riding was owned by Stianka, who had taken the license off the name of Martin Haas, which, the officers say, was her maiden name. Federal officers say Stianka earns \$20 a week and owns two Nash automobiles. The court, after he had fined the two men, ordered the automobile returned to Mrs. Stianka, saying that he did not believe she knew her car was being used to haul whisky.

### Nine Held for Jury in Theater Collapse

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Charges of involuntary manslaughter were filed today against nine men held responsible by the coroner's jury for the loss of ninety-seven lives in the Knickerbocker Theater disaster, Jan. 28.

The men were held under \$5,000 bail pending the action of the grand jury, which meets on the case next week.

### County Council to Issue Bonds

Members of the Marion County Council will meet in special session tomorrow to pass a \$40,000 bond issue to build new bridges in Marion County this summer.

The councilmen in session today discussed the need of building at least four new bridges. The county engineer was ordered to make inspections at once and to present estimates tomorrow.

### 8,458 GIVEN WORK

Free Employment Bureau Reports Activities.

A total of 8,458 persons have been placed in employment at a cost of 75 cents a person by the free employment bureau since it was opened at 33-37 South Capitol Avenue Aug. 11, 1921. F. C. Jones is in charge of the bureau, reported to Thomas A. Riley, member of the industrial board, today.

The letter refers to the fact that the city of Indianapolis has not received its appropriation for the maintenance of the bureau.

"In the face of the potential discontinuance of the service, because of the fact that the city has failed to appropriate the yearly sum necessary for the maintenance of the office, the organization has redoubled its effort among the manufacturers and industrial concerns of the city and has been successful in placing 2,720 unemployed persons since the first of the year, the report says. This fact alone is enough to convict the most pessimistic person on business conditions that business is again getting on its feet and the employment service is playing an important role."

### MORE ARRESTS TO BE MADE IN 'PONZI SCHEME'

Technical Charge Against Raymond Bischoff Not Yet Determined.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Authorities mobilized today to rid Chicago of "Ponzi finance."

Another point under investigation was the story of William G. Davis, chauffeur for Mabel Normand, screen star, who visited Taylor shortly before his murder. Davis will be questioned further, although officers declined to indicate along what lines.

Rewards for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the slayer now aggregate \$4,500. The latest addition to the fund was \$2,500 offered by the Famous Players-Lasky Corporation for whom Taylor was a leading director. A local paper previously had offered \$1,000 and the Screen Writers' Guild a similar sum.

The mounting reward was expected to bring forth a flood of information, possibly held up by persons desiring to participate in the largest possible reward.

The district attorney's office already has been flooded with suggestions and theories, but few facts. They hope if and when witnesses having real facts exist, they will be forthcoming.

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### ADMITS TAYLOR MURDER QUIZ AT STANDSTILL

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## Montreal Priest Held in Murder Conspiracy

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—Father Delarad Delorme, Catholic priest, who led in a five weeks' hunt for the slayer of Raoul Delorme, 22, his half brother, today stands charged with being criminally responsible for his brother's death, apparently untroubled by the charge and confident that his game will be cleared. He has his own theory, however, that the Province of Quebec, that the conspirator's probe was profit; that Father Delorme would profit; that Father Delorme told conflicting stories about his brother's will, which, when found, proved the priest would profit about \$10,000 a year through his brother's death.

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turn of events, revealed before the coroner's hearing, caused a jury composed almost entirely of Catholics, to bring an indictment by a vote of 7 to 1. It was shown that Father Delorme, a few days before the death, had had his brother's life insured for \$25,000 and that he influenced his brother to have the policy paid out on his "will," which, when Father Delorme would profit; that Father Delorme told conflicting stories about his brother's will, which, when found, proved the priest would profit about \$10,000 a year through his brother's death.

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PLEA FOR NAVY MADE IN HOUSE BY ROOSEVELT

Maximum Strength Necessary for Defense of Nation, He Says.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt today told the House Naval Affairs Committee "It was essential to the proper defense of the country" that the Navy be maintained in maximum strength, as required by the four-power Pacific treaty presented to or considered by the American, British, French and Japanese delegations to the armament conference.

In referring to those who demanded further cuts in the Navy, Roosevelt said that he put them in two classes—"soft-head pacifists and hard-head pacifists"—the former being those who would force arbitrary reductions and the latter those who would hold the Navy to "some degree of efficiency."

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### SAFETY BOARD KILLS ORDER ON CORRIGAN

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### AFFIDAVITS AND WARRANT LOST IN TIGER CASE

Disappear From City Clerk's Office and Katherine Ruelle Goes Free.

Affidavits and search warrants filed in the Katherine Ruelle blind tiger case have been lost, it is believed, when the police sought to bring the affidavits and search warrant into court in order that Judge Delbert O. Willmeth might see what address was written on them. Walter Fritchard, attorney for the Ruelle woman, had filed a motion to quash the affidavits alleging that the search warrant bore the address of Mrs. Ruelle's home while she was in the city.

Although the affidavits and the search warrant were not found the court upheld the motion and dismissed the blind tiger charges against Mrs. Ruelle. The police say they arrested Mrs. Ruelle Feb. 5, on the charge of operating a blind tiger when she had been in the house for a short time. She was in possession of "white mule" whisky, a quart of colored "mule" whisky, a half pint of bottled-in-bond whisky and a half pint of gin.

Deputy clerks admit that the search warrant and affidavits were filed in the city clerk's office, but were unable to account for the mysterious disappearance.

WASHINGON, Feb. 15.—A resolution requesting President Harding to furnish the Senate, if not incompatible with the public interest, all drafts or forms of the four-power Pacific treaty presented to or considered by the American, British, French and Japanese delegations to the armament conference.

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### Auto Driver Fined on Two Charges

J. J. McNamee, 328 East Henry Street, convicted in city court today of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor was fined \$50 and costs. He also was fined \$25 and costs on conviction of assault and battery. He was brought to the court room from the county jail where it is said he was serving a sentence on a contributing charge from juvenile court.

McNamee was driving an automobile which he said was owned by Haskell E. Woodward, Jan. 1, when he collided with an automobile owned by Bert Jaffe, and driven by Charles Arnold, a negro employee of the McLean Place garage.

Because doctors have declared his mother cannot live, James King, a railroad worker, who was sentenced to sixty days

on the Indiana State Farm on a charge of operating a blind tiger, today was granted a temporary parole by Judge James A. Collins in Criminal Court.

King was sentenced in the Criminal Court, but appealed his case to the Indiana State Supreme Court, which sustained the conviction. Judge Collins had ordered King released on bond of \$100. When T. McCray he was permitted to visit the home of his mother.

James Rhodes, charged with forgery, was fined \$100 and costs. He will serve the equivalent of days at the Indiana State Farm.

King's parole was withheld in the case of Ralph Eastridge, 18, charged with petit larceny.

The court also suspended a prison sentence of from one to eight years on Joe Price, charged with petit larceny.

### SENATE WANTS TREATY DRAFTS

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