

VATICAN AROUSED OVER EXECUTION OF RUSSIAN PRELATE

COUNTY COUNCIL MAJORITY BALKS AT FESLER CALL

James E. Edwards Asserts
Five Members Will Re-
fuse to Attend.

The county council will not meet Thursday, James E. Brown, fourth district councilman, announced today. Edwards said five of the seven councilmen are pledged not to attend the meeting called by Leo K. Fesler, county auditor, because they are opposed to "railroading" huge appropriations through on twenty-four-hour notice.

"We just received notice Tuesday what we were expected to do," Edwards said. "We have heard appropriations totaling \$600,000 may be put to us to pass. We don't know. Cassius Hogle, president of the council, is out of town and won't be back until April 16."

Important Matters Up
Matters scheduled to come before the council are understood to be sale of the old workhouse grounds, appropriations for a colored orphans' home, a home for minor wards of juvenile court, and \$14,112.02 out of the general fund for additional county government expenses.

"We want to know what the auditor wants and then have some time to investigate," Edwards said. "This old idea of passing appropriations in big lump sums just seems it always was done that way won't go any more."

The members lined up with Edwards are Charles O. Dodson, John E. Shearer and Cassius L. Hogle, Republicans, and Daniel B. Dunham, Democrat. The remaining two, George N. Montgomery and Frank E. Brown, are in sympathy with the auditor's plans, Edwards said.

Edwards Denies "Politics"

Accused of playing politics, Edwards replied:

"No, I am not in politics. I never was. This is the first office I have ever held, and I am not out for any other. But I want to see taxes cut down, and we intend to hold them down. That is all there is to our money."

"We are not fighting Fesler or anybody else. But we'll tell the whole world we can't approve of these methods of keeping us in the dark about what money we are expected to spend for the people."

Fesler announced the meeting will be held as scheduled, provided a quorum is present.

BELL HEARING IS NEAR COMPLETION

Commission's Chief Accountant Cross-Examined.

Completion soon of hearings in the public service commission's investigation of the Indiana Bell Telephone Company was predicted at offices of the commission today. At a hearing this afternoon the Bell company, through W. H. Thompson, attorney, cross-examined Harry Boggs, chief accountant of the commission, on his survey of the Bell, offered as evidence Monday. Both the Bell company and the commission have a few more witnesses to present.

Oral argument has been set for April 15. Filing of briefs is expected during the following month and Commissioner Glenn Van Aken predicted the commission will have its order ready for issuance about the first week of July.

FIREMAN IS SUSPENDED AFTER HEAD-ON CRASH

Three Under Arrest Following Collision of Automobiles.

As a result of a head-on automobile collision at 500 N. Meridian St. at 5:30 p. m. Tuesday, two men and one woman were under arrest today. One was hurt. Both cars were damaged.

Grant Bales, 31, of 3504 E. Washington St., a city fireman, driving a rented car, was suspended by Battalion Fire Chief Hoyle after he was charged with drunkenness and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor. John Hilliard, 913 College Ave., charged with drunkenness, and Lucile Weller, 218 N. East St., with vagrancy, were in Bales' car.

In the other car were R. H. Sherwood and Myra Durham, both of 2347 N. Meridian St. and W. H. Skidmore, 2164 N. Meridian St., Sherwood's chauffeur.

PRESTO! AND \$46 GOES

Mary Boyd, colored, 425 W. Twelfth St., today told detectives she had been swindled by two men by means of a pocketbook game. It cost her \$46.

She met a man at Delaware and Market Sts. Tuesday. They walked to Washington St., where they met another stranger who found a pocketbook. In the purse was \$101. They agreed to split the money. She went to the Indiana Trust Company and drew out \$46 to make change. The men escaped from her near the city hall.

PROSPECTIVE JOBS LOOM

Inventive minds of the country have been unusually active during the past year. H. H. Trimpie, secretary of the civil service board, said today. So great has been the patent office rush that forty-three examiners will be added to the force. Examinations for these positions will be held in April and May. Salaries run from \$1,740 to \$3,900 a year. Full details may be obtained from the secretary's office, 421 Federal building.

Head of Standard's
Board City's Guest



ROBERT W. STEWART

The chairman of the board of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, Robert W. Stewart, visited local officials and employees of the company here today.

FARMING HINDERED BY COLD WEATHER

Clover Seed Killed by Late
Freezing of Spring.

Despite the fact that soil conditions are excellent, night freezing has hindered agricultural activities in Indiana for the past week. George C. Bryant, agricultural statistician for Indiana, announced today in the weekly bulletin.

Spring plowing and sowing have been retarded.

Considerable clover seed has been killed this spring and re-seeding will be found necessary in several sections.

No diseases are found among livestock, but the number of spring pigs has been materially reduced by severe March weather. Farm labor is scarce and wages high, Bryant announced.

ELECTION FRAUDS CHARGED

By United Press

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Minn., April 4.—Three men were arrested here today in connection with an investigation into alleged buying off votes at \$2 each in a municipal election.

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