

# 'VIRGINS' AT SHILOH TELL JUDGE 'HOUSE OF DAVID' SECRETS

USE OF SCHOOLS IN  
GOOD WILL RACE IS  
UNDER BOARD'S EYE

Officials Investigate Rumors  
Children Were 'Exploited'  
in Activity of Contest.

Investigation of the manner in which the recent Good Will contest to raise funds for devastated France and select representatives from Indianapolis to visit France was conducted in the public schools of the city will be made by E. U. Graff, superintendent.

The investigation was ordered by the school board Tuesday night after a heated debate. Adolph Embhardt, Dr. Marie Hasley and Bert S. Gadd voted in favor of the investigation, while Charles L. Barry and W. D. Allison opposed.

Complaints have been received, Embhardt said, that school children were solicited to purchase tickets for various entertainments for the fund in violation of rules of the board.

Reflection on Teachers

Barry insisted the investigation would be an unjustified reflection upon teachers.

"They went into this contest from patriotic motives," he said. "Rumors that rules were broken arose in quarters opposed to the drive. There was no evidence to show rules were violated, my investigation showed."

"I think one-half of the teachers of the city were opposed to the method of conducting the campaign," Embhardt answered. "If the rules of the board were violated the board ought to know."

Poppy Sales Refused

Permission to have high school pupils sell poppies for benefit of the disabled service men May 24-26 was denied by the board on the ground it would be a violation of the same rule.

Permission was asked by Frank E. Livengood, state commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The vote on this was also three to two, Barry and Allison voting aye.

"This puts the board members in an embarrassing position," Gadd said. "But to grant the request would be opening the way to a flood of similar requests."

"The action is a disgrace to the board," Allison declared after the vote was announced.

School Plans Ordered

Further steps toward inaugurating a school building program for new school buildings and additions and improvements at nine buildings were taken. Estimated cost of the work will be \$1,493,265.88. Preliminary plans and estimates were approved and the architects were instructed to prepare complete specifications and working plans.

That the State tax board will withdraw its opposition which resulted in bringing the last building program to a standstill two years ago was indicated by Jacob H. Hilkene, inspector of construction.

Pay Discontinued

Miss Alice Cullen, school teacher, one of the successful candidates in the Good Will contest will not receive her salary as teacher while in France. The board unanimously voted to discontinue her salary during her absence after an opinion had been received from Frank B. Ross, attorney for the board, that the salary could not legally be paid.

DAVIS TO ASSUME  
DUTIES ON JUNE 1

New Head of Water Company  
Has Engineering Record.

Carleton E. Davis of Philadelphia, new general manager of the Indianapolis Water Company, will arrive in Philadelphia about June 1 to take up his work, it was announced today.

Davis will succeed Clarence L. Kirk, who recently resigned as general manager of the water company to become head of the Citizens Gas Company.

For the last eleven years he has been general manager of the water company at Philadelphia.

Davis is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, receiving his degree in 1893.

He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Engineers Club of New York and Philadelphia, and of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce.

MARC PLAYED HOOKEY SO  
ABE BROKE PARTNERSHIP

Inside of Klaw & Erlanger Split Is Told in Court Action for  
\$270,000 Accounting.

By United News  
NEW YORK, April 25.—The main reason why Marc Klaw and Abe Erlanger broke up their big theatrical booking and backing partnership was, according to the unhappy Abe himself, that Marc used to play hookey from the office and leave him to do the work.

Broadway had waited a long time to hear the "inside" of the bust-up which parted the two famous managers of the American theatrical box-office. They seemed to be an institution like ham and eggs, chills and fever or frank and earnest. Then suddenly, a few seasons back, they split.

Erlanger took the stand in the Supreme Court here Tuesday to

## Jewish Colony Completes English Study



## IMPROVEMENTS ON OHIO RIVER TO BE RUSHED BY ARMY

Allotment of \$5,375,000  
Made for Work by War  
Department.

By Times Special

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Improvements on the Ohio River will be rushed by Army engineers, President Harding and Secretary Weeks decided today.

Brigadier General Taylor, assistant chief of Army engineers announced a minimum of \$5,375,000 had been allotted for the Ohio River. Five million is to be used for the lock and dam work and \$375,000 for open channel improvement.

In addition an allotment of \$350,000 has been made out of a balance from last year's appropriations.

If weather conditions permit, a sum greatly exceeding the \$5,375,000 will be spent on the Ohio this year, General Taylor said.

"This work is to be pushed with all possible speed and we are hopeful weather will be favorable in order that at least seven million dollars can be used on the river from Pittsburgh to Cairo."

Army engineers have allotted, and Secretary Weeks has approved, \$40,000,000 of the \$66,000,000 authorized by Congress for river and harbor improvement.

The War Department is determined to make the Ohio River a real artery of transportation.

Allotment of \$217,000 was made for Indiana Harbor, \$23,800 for Michigan City harbor and \$160,000 for Calumet harbor.

## BANDIT TELLS OF PLANNING HOLD-UP

By Times Special

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 25.—Stanley Rodebaugh, 45, a machinist of Jackson, Mich., lying on a cot in the Tippecanoe County jail, told police today how for three days he had been in and out of the city, planning the daring hold-up of the National Fowle Bank, which he attempted Tuesday afternoon.

Rodebaugh walked into the bank, located on one of the busiest corners, within half a block of the police station, and at the point of a revolver herded the employees into the vault. He picked up \$8,420 in bills of large denominations from the cashier's cage and fled.

Rodebaugh was chased for a mile by a squad of police answering a burglar alarm turned in from the vault. Several shots were fired at the fleeing bandit. One caused a severe flesh wound in his shoulder. The entire foot was recovered.

## FOSTER MOTHER'S LOVE WINS GIRL

By United Press

CHICAGO, April 25.—Loving care of a foster mother today proved a stronger tie than flesh and blood relationship when Beatrice Childs Nuttall, wife of a Waukegan postal clerk, who adopted her when she was a week old.

Mrs. James Nuttall, who twelve years ago became the mother of the illegitimate child in Sterling, Ill., had brought suit to recover custody of Beatrice. She said the baby was snatched from her side while she was being unconscious following its birth.

The pretty 12-year-old girl came into the courtroom of Judge Joseph B. David and said she desired to continue to live with Mrs. James Nuttall, wife of a Waukegan postal clerk, who adopted her when she was a week old.

Mrs. Morris was heart-broken when informed of the girl's decision.

"I have hunted for Beatrice for twelve years over eight States," she said.

"She was never adopted with my consent. When the baby was born, my family felt the disgrace keenly. I was banished from my home. I was delirious for three days after Beatrice's birth and during that time she was given to a childless home. Every one wanted me to die. I never consented to her adoption."

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