

GERMANY WILL MAKE NEW REPARATION OFFER TO FRANCE

LOWLANDS UNDER WATER AS RAINS SWELL STREAMS

Washout North of Broad Ripple Delays Traction Line Traffic.

Swollen streams threatened lowlands in and about Indianapolis today.

Immediate danger in many points passed when the rain stopped.

The only serious damage reported was a washout on the Union Traction line north of Broad Ripple. Passengers were being transferred from car to car at that place.

Cars on the Anderson and Muncie division of the Union Traction lines were running late.

Lowlands about the city usually flooded during heavy rains were under water, but no serious damage was reported.

Reports from over the State indicated streams were swelling.

During the twenty-four hours ending this morning 1.9 inches of rain had fallen.

The forecast is for showers and cooler weather tonight and clearing and cooler Wednesday.

White River probably will reach flood stage or above at Ellettsville, Anderson and Noblesville, the weather bureau reported. There is no danger in Indianapolis, it was said. Smaller streams along the west fork were reported out of their banks. Over the east fork of White River the rainfall was not quite so heavy.

Heavy rainfall, the weather bureau reported, was general over Oklahoma, southern Illinois, Indiana and Ohio.

PHYSICIAN IS DROWNED

Flood and Wind Damage at Terre Haute Reported Heavy.

By United Press
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., May 15.—Dr. Thomas A. Drake, prairie town physician, is dead and property damage is heavy as a result of heavy rain and wind which swept the Wabash valley near here last night.

The physician was drowned when a bridge collapsed with his automobile near Hutton, fifteen miles from here.

The local weather bureau reported rainfall of 2.85 inches this morning. The Wabash was expected to reach the fifteen-foot stage or higher.

A huge tent in which revival services were being held by E. J. Bulgis, evangelist, was blown down.

Many bridges were washed out in the county.

HEAVY RAINS REPORTED

Fear of Flood Expressed in South-Western Indiana

By United Press
VINCENNES, Ind., May 15.—Heavy rains during last night's storm were reported from all points in southwestern Indiana today. The rainfall here was more than two and three-fourths inches, and the Wabash River rose three feet during the night.

Fear is held that the river will reach a flood stage if there is additional rain within the next forty-eight hours.

At Princeton two inches of rain fell within a few hours.

Little damage was reported in this section of the State.

BUTLER STUDENTS WILL OPEN DRIVE

College to Observe Loyalty Day Wednesday.

Butler University will observe Loyalty day on Wednesday when a student endowment campaign will be opened. Although no definite goal has been set, an effort will be made to secure a pledge of \$100 to be paid within five years, from each of the 908 students, campaign leaders said today.

A meeting for all students will be held at 10 a. m. in the gymnasium. Dr. Jabez Hall will offer a prayer. Dr. Robert J. Aley, president of the university, will speak, followed by Prof. Howard E. Jensen, representing the faculty; Russell Richardson and Henry Goett, representing the students; and Elroy Johnson, representing the alumni.

Following a dinner for the 125 campaign workers at noon at the Downey Avenue Christian Church active canvassing among the students will begin. The workers met today when Frank Brown, graduate of 1897, talked.

LIBERTY BONDS ARE BAIL

Anton Costa Appeals to Supreme Court After Being Sentenced to Farm.

Liberty bonds amounting to \$2,500 today were accepted as appeal bond when Anton Costa of Staunton, Ill., appealed a sentence of ninety days on the penal farm and two fines of \$300 and \$100 from Criminal Court to Supreme Court.

He was sentenced in Criminal Court by Special Judge Frank A. Symmes last Monday on charges of operating a blind tiger and operating a still illegally. He was fined \$300 and costs on the first count, and \$100 and costs on the second.

Costa was arrested December 13, 1922, on a south of Indianapolis with his brother and sister-in-law, Dominie and Antonia Costa, who were found net guilty.

Gasoline Up 2 Cents

KANSAS CITY, May 15.—Gasoline was advanced 2 cents to 17 1/2 cents a gallon by several leading oil companies here today following conference held at the city.

Women Prominent in Unitarian Conference



LEADERS ATTENDING THE SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL WESTERN UNITARIAN CONFERENCE HERE ARE (LEFT TO RIGHT), L. LESTER TEEGARDEN, EDITOR OF THE ALL SOULS BULLETIN; MRS. CORA BROCKWAY, IN CHARGE OF CONVENTION MUSIC; THE REV. CLARA COOK HELVIE, PASTOR OF THE MOLINE, ILL., UNITARIAN CHURCH; THE REV. MINNA BUDLONG, PASTOR OF THE UNITARIAN CHURCH AT KALAMAZOO, MICH.; AND DR. FRANK S. C. WICKS, PASTOR OF ALL SOULS CHURCH OF INDIANAPOLIS HOST OF THE CONVENTION.

DISCIPLES REVIEW YEAR'S PROGRESS AT ANNUAL MEET

C. W. Cauble Outlines Success of County Conferences in Indiana.

By United Press
FRANKFORT, Ind., May 15.—Importance of county conventions in furthering work of the church was emphasized today by C. W. Cauble, Indianapolis, who for ten years has been general secretary of the Disciples of Christ, at the annual State convention of the church.

He pointed out that conferences had been attended during the past year by from 15 to 20 per cent more workers than in past years. The county, he said, is the natural and logical division for Christian work.

Reports showed that \$18,038.51 had been collected through various mediums. Disbursements for the year totaled \$17,830.83.

C. E. Tomes, Gary, president, made the annual address. "There are 717 churches of the Disciples of Christ in Indiana," he said. "The membership is 140,000. The convention represents those churches. The spirit of the convention may be taken as the spirit of the churches in general."

The report of the Christian Endeavor Society showed that the number of societies is greater than ever before.

ASKS REVISION OF FREIGHT SCHEDULE

Chamber of Commerce Appears Against Railroads.

Appreciable saving in freight rates on coal shipped in Indiana could be made through revision of schedules on basis of actual distance between distributing points and destinations, declared H. A. Holopeter, assistant traffic manager of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce, in the chamber's case against the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and twenty-eight other railroads before the public service commission today.

H. R. Comstock, traffic manager for the chamber, charged rates on coal shipments of more than thirty miles were relatively higher than intra-State rates in Illinois and Ohio, and likewise higher than interstate rates between the same States and Indiana. Holopeter presented charts compiled for the chamber and R. E. Tovey, engineer, showed specifically where rerouting could be made.

POLICE INVESTIGATE WAVE OF PETTY CRIME IN CITY

When employees of the Adam Roger Company, Ray and Dover Sts., reported for work this morning they found the company's driver resting on the front springs. The front wheels and tires, valued at \$200, had been removed.

A \$50 fur was stolen from the apartment occupied by Lucille McCollough, 1509 E. Washington St.

A purse containing \$26 was stolen from the home of Mrs. William H. Runderknecht, 2009 Ringgold Ave.

THREE CARLOADS OF I. W. W. UNDER ARREST

By United Press
LOS ANGELES, May 15.—A determined drive to rid Los Angeles and the San Pedro harbor district of their I. W. W. element, began Monday when asserted radicals whom they arrested police loaded four trolley cars with on streets of San Pedro.

One hundred and forty cops, under the supervision of Captain Clyde L. Plummer of San Pedro and Chief of Police Louis D. Oaks, began the task of "restoring peace and order" in the harbor district.

Action on Road Bonds

The State tax board today approved a \$30,000 bond issue for the Albert H. Johnson road in Pike County and a \$39,000 issue for the William Pyle road. It refused a \$63,000 issue for the H. G. Draper road in Gibson County.

Capital Is \$150,000

The Bedford Quarry and Mill Company today filed articles of incorporation. Capital stock, \$150,000, is subscribed by Ralph Reed, A. H. Dunham and Robert N. Paul.

STATE EMPLOYEES GO UP

LeRoy F. Wertz Becomes Assistant Maintenance Engineer.

LeRoy F. Wertz, for the last year chief clerk of the State highway commission and for two years connected with that body, today became assistant maintenance engineer of the commission.

His promotion gave room for the appointment of L. C. Johnson, clerk in the office of the State auditor, as his successor.

LEAGUE QUESTION IS DISCUSSED AT UNITARIAN MEET

Education Topic for Addresses at Session This Evening.

Question of participation by the United States in the League of Nations would be submitted to a national referendum under an act of Congress if a resolution, which was introduced today at the seventy-first annual session of the Western Unitarian Conference at All Souls Church, was followed by Congress.

The resolution was presented by Dr. Augustus Record of Detroit, Mich., and will be acted upon late today or Wednesday.

Dr. Record declares that "war between nations should be abolished and peaceful methods of settling disputes substituted for war and this vital need cannot be brought about in any way except by cooperation of all principal nations of the world."

Dr. Record asks that the convention favor a complete divestment of the issue from politics and that a national referendum be held under an act of Congress to determine if the United States shall join the League of Nations.

Among important addresses were those by Rev. Robert S. Loring of Milwaukee, Sidney S. Robbins of Ann Arbor and Dr. George R. Dodson of St. Louis. Tonight a platform discussion of education will be held.

Principal addresses tonight will be by Prof. Arthur E. Morgan of Antioch College and United States Senator W. N. Ferris of Big Rapids, Mich. The convention closes Wednesday.

Woman's Rings Stolen

A thief carried away two rings, valued at \$75, from the apartment of Mrs. Edna Hall, 212 W. Twenty-First St., she told police today.

CLAYCOMBE GIVES STIFF SENTENCES IN LIQUOR CASES

Six Men and One Woman Convicted—Two Discharged in City Court.

Six men and one woman were convicted and two men were discharged on blind trial charges by Judge Pro Tem. Lloyd Claycombe in city court today.

Those discharged were Mike Descon, 201 Bertha St., and Earl Tinsler, 1558 1/2 N. Illinois St.

While his wife, with a three-month-old baby in her arms and a 3-year-old boy clinging to her skirts, watched proceedings, Kappa Witkovich, 4100 Speedway Ave., was fined \$200 and costs and sentenced to sixty days on the Indiana State Farm. An investigator testified he purchased white nile from Witkovich for \$125 a half pint.

Frank M. Trotter, Apartment J, 2360 N. Meridian St., was fined \$200 and costs and sentenced to sixty days on the farm.

Mrs. Arline Blizze, 504 N. Senate Ave., who admitted her husband is in the county jail, serving a sentence imposed in Federal Court for violation of liquor laws, was fined \$100 and costs and sentenced to thirty days in the woman's prison.

Charles Knox, 234 E. Pratt St., was fined \$50 and costs. Lee Shelton, 410 N. Minkner St., and Alex Veschusky, 1610 Wilcox St., were fined \$200 and costs each and sentenced to thirty days in jail. Charles Hill, city, received a sentence of sixty days on the farm and a fine of \$200 and costs.

WIDOW OF LATE SENATOR TOM WATSON IS DEAD

Death Comes Suddenly From Acute Attack of Diabetes.

By United Press
THOMSON, Ga., May 15.—Funeral services for Mrs. Watson, widow of the late Senator Tom Watson, who died at her home will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. at the First Baptist church.

Mrs. Watson, who had been ill for several days, became suddenly worse last night and died from an acute attack of diabetes.

Fight Promoter Ill

MUNCIE, Ind., May 15.—Fred Mann, fight promoter and manager of Mickey O'Dowd, Monday suffered an attack of brain congestion. The attack is the second in a week. Mann's condition is critical.

Father Is Way Behind in His Spring Reading



'BOYS IN BLUE' ARE UNDAUNTED BY BAD WEATHER

Evansville and Bluffton Vets Seek 1924 Encampment for Home Cities.

By United Press
MUNCIE, Ind., May 15.—"We're not afraid of a little rain," was the word on lips of veterans as they began pouring in this morning for the annual Grand Army State encampment.

As the sun peeped out shortly before noon, the guests, many wearing uniforms of blue, formed line and marched to the Union Station to greet State Commissioner William E. Kelsey and his staff.

At noon the Evansville delegation arrived on a special car and while they were staging a demonstration the Bluffton delegation, also seeking the 1924 gathering, arrived. The rivals paraded side-by-side.

Hotels are crowded and hundreds of homes are open to guests. Boy Scouts are acting as escorts.

James Burns, 71, of Terre Haute, is recognized as the youngest veteran present. He enlisted in service at the age of 13.

Parks as Resting Places

Benches from the three city parks were along the streets as resting places for the veterans and thousands of automobiles bear on their windshields invitations to ride.

Old buddies met with warm handclaps; tales of bygone days and words of comrades who will not again take part in encampments, went round as the Boys in Blue assembled.

The encampment opened officially with the arrival of the headquarters train from Indianapolis. A tour of the city was made this afternoon. Following the tour, the veterans participated in unveiling a memorial tablet in honor of Delaware County soldiers of the Civil, Spanish-American and World Wars.

Everson Is Speaker

Brig. Gen. William G. Everson of this city will be speaker at a banquet this evening. At 8:30 State officers will be given a reception.

The Women's Relief Corps devoted the day here to a fund-raising party in the courthouse yard in honor of Clara Barton, Army nurse, and Mrs. John A. Logan. They also presented flags to Boy and Girl Scouts.

Strength of Manufacturer in South and West Is Considerable.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 15.—Henry Ford has more than even chance for capturing the Democratic nomination for President in 1924.

If Ford goes in it will be Ford against the field and Ford will have more popular backing than any one candidate could show today.

He will be bitterly fought by most of the Democratic professional politicians, who do not like him because he is not a professional politician. He is not a party man at all in the sense that to him the party is the thing and the politicians hate him for that.

But they are confronted with the fact that Ford not only could carry the Democratic South, but that he would pull a big popular vote in the Middle West and Far West. His strength in the industrial East among the workmen would be considerable, the politicians admit, though they say he could not carry any of the northern State east of the Alleghenies.

Senator Pat Harrison, one of the shrewdest political observers the Democrats have, has just come back to Washington from a tour that carried him South and West. He says Ford's strength isn't suspecter by most of the politicians.

"If Henry Ford goes into the primaries he will undoubtedly sweep the South and West," Harrison said today. "I am not inflating a boom for him, nor am I committed to him or to any other Democrat. But the fact is he is tremendously strong among the voters."

SEEKS LIBERTY ON LIQUOR DECISION

Woman in Prison Says Supreme Court Ruling Permits Release.

Whether the recent Indiana Supreme Court ruling that mere possession of liquor is not illegal will suffice to release prisoners now serving sentences for possession, was to be decided in a case this afternoon before Superior Judge Clinton A. Givan.

Frank J. Liston, attorney, representing Daisy Deane, colored, of Muncie, Ind., held she was committed illegally last December to the Indiana Woman's Prison by the Delaware Circuit Court. She sought release on habeas corpus.

"The indictment in the Delaware Circuit Court charges this plaintiff with possession of liquor, nothing more," said Liston's brief.

"I am making a collateral attack on a decision because the court had no jurisdiction. We will carry it to the United States Court if denied, because she is deprived of liberty without due process of law."

LOCAL CAPITAL IN PLANT PURCHASE

Alexandria Factory Transfer Involves \$250,000.

Acquisition of the Ziegler Manufacturing Company, Alexandria, Ind., by a group of Terre Haute and Indianapolis men was announced today by Ancil T. Brown and Fred Kleinsmith, president and secretary treasurer of the Brown Efficiency Bureau, who negotiated the deal. Capital of approximately \$250,000 is involved.

The plant makes automatic machine screw products and metal stampings. Expansion is planned.

Henry K. Dalzell, Terre Haute, is president; Andrew Nelson, Terre Haute, general manager and Fred Mills, Indianapolis, is secretary-treasurer of the new concern. Other directors are W. J. Freeman and A. W. Paul.

TAXI DRIVER IS FINED

Convicted of Failure to Stop After Accident.

George O. Bloom, 523 Patterson St., taxi driver, was fined \$25 and costs in Criminal Court today when found guilty of failure to stop after an accident. Walter Brooks, 17, of 1530 Le Grand Ave., testified that Bloom ran through a safety zone and struck him while he was riding a bicycle at Massachusetts Ave. and Walnut St. on Feb. 27. Other witnesses testified that Bloom was speeding. Bloom said he was going ten miles an hour and the boy rode in front of him.

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POISON PLOT IS CHARGED

Alleging that May 6 her husband, on a pretext, got her to leave an unfinished dinner a moment and then put poison in the food, Mrs. Roxanna J. Curry, 35 E. Thirty-Fifth St., today filed suit in Superior Court for divorce from Alonzo Curry.

Curry charges that her husband and his mother conspired to get possession of her property. Curry denies the charges.

Berlin Will Follow Advice of Britain, Following 'Rebuke.'

By United Press
BERLIN, May 15.—Germany will follow the advice of Great Britain and make a new reparations offer to France.

Chancellor Cuno and his cabinet ministers, who conferred on Britain's answer to the thirty billion gold marks reparations offer, are inclined to be displeased with the tone of the note, which is regarded in governmental circles as an "unwarranted rebuke" to Germany.

Despite this, the Berlin government apparently realizes the soundness of the advice of Britain and has ordered experts to start the draft of a new reparations offer. It is anticipated it will be some weeks before the new proposal is drafted as the government is placed in the embarrassing position of having to increase her offer despite the fact that it has gone on record as declaring that thirty billion marks is the limit of Germany's capacity to pay.

Cuno, it is understood, is keenly disappointed at the receipt of the suggestion that an international commission of experts be appointed to examine into Germany's ability to pay.

The government was confident that this idea, which was first suggested in the New Haven speech of Secretary of State Hughes, would be warmly received.

RUSSIA WANTS BRITISH PEACE

Note Expresses Desire to Continue Relations With England.

By United Press
MOSCOW, May 15.—Russia wants peace with Britain. The communist government, in a note addressed to Great Britain Monday, expressed its desire to continue relations and suggested the points in dispute between the two countries be thrashed out in a conference.

The Russian communication was the answer to Great Britain's ultimatum which stated the latter would break off trade and semi-diplomatic relations if Russia refused to discontinue anti-British propaganda in Egypt, India and other British Colonies and apologize for the dispatch of certain notes and the commission of acts which Britain considers unfriendly.

Russia admits she sent certain sums of money to her agents in the East, but denied that the money was used for anti-British propaganda.

RABBI'S TWO SONS UNDER INDICTMENT

Violation of Liquor Laws Is Charged.

An indictment charging Samuel and Isidore Hartman, sons of Rabbi Jacob Hartman, 53 E. McCarty St., with violating liquor laws was returned by the county grand jury today. The two were arrested April 28, when 700 gallons of "sacramental wine" and twelve cases of champagne were found at the rabbi's home in a raid made by county and Federal officers, who said they were led by Ku-Klux Klan investigators.

The indictment charges that liquor was sold to Max Klein. The raiding party said the wine was sold at \$2.75 a quart. The Hartmans said the wine was intended for use in the Hungarian Hebrew congregation, 433 E. Market St.

Others indicted for violating liquor laws were: William Ray, R. R. O. Harry Kelley, 1446 Roosevelt Ave., all charged with running a still, and Walter Faust, R. R. O. and Earl Bunch, 143 N. Senate Ave., selling.

Seven others were indicted on minor charges.

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VETERAN SLEEPS IN LAST REST AS COMRADES MEET

William H. Dicks, 83, Dies Here on Eighty-Third Birthday.

While his comrades gathered at Muncie for the State G. A. R. encampment William H. Dicks, 83, Civil War veteran, today slept his last sleep at the home of his son, Clifford Dicks, 2221 Cushing St. He died Monday on his eighty-third birthday.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday at the son's residence. The body will be taken to Lebanon, Ind., where services will be held in the afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal Church. Burial will be in Oak Hill cemetery.

Wounded at Chattanooga

Mr. Dicks was born in Greencastle, Ind., May 14, 1840. He enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil War. He was a member of Gen. Wilder's mounted infantry. During the battle of Chattanooga he was wounded.

After his discharge from the army, Mr. Dicks engaged in farming in Illinois and near Lebanon, Ind. Mr. Dicks lived for five years in Martinsville, Ind. He had lived with his son here since October.

Twelve Grandchildren

He was a member of the George H. Chapman post, G. A. R.

Surviving Mr. Dicks are three sons, Clifford and Lee O. Dicks, of Indianapolis, and Wilbur Dicks, of Lebanon; one daughter, Mrs. Mary W. Dicks, of Lebanon, twelve grandchildren and three great-grand