

"Carry On" Is Spirit of State G. A. R. Meeting as Veterans Recall Stirring Days of '61



LEFT—MATTHEW GEISER, BOONVILLE, THE ONLY VETERAN IN THE INDIANA G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT AT MUNCIE WHO WEARS AN "HONEST-TO-GOODNESS" CIVIL WAR CAP. CENTER—THE DRUM CORPS, EVERY MEMBER OF WHICH IS FROM A DIFFERENT TOWN. LEFT TO RIGHT, W. P. VAN PELT, MONTICELLO; BERT PAGE, VAUGHNSVILLE, OHIO; R. G. PING, BLUEFTON; J. J. CRISWELL, PRINCETON; EPH ROWE, RICHMOND; F. A. UDEGRAF, LOGANSPOET; D. E. LONG, ELKHART, AND W. S. SMITH, LARWILL. RIGHT—JOHN OWENS OF RICHMOND, WHOSE PICTURESQUE HAIR AND BEARD AND CHEERFUL COMMENT ATTRACT ATTENTION.

BRYAN MUM ON RACE Unitarians Indorse League Vote

Proposes Extensive Program to Double Presbyterian Membership.

Silent on the question of whether he is a candidate for moderator of the 135th general assembly of the Presbyterian Church, but announcing a definite program for increasing church membership and for spiritual life, William Jennings Bryan arrived here today as commissioner to the assembly.

"Are you a candidate for moderator?" he was asked.
"I don't know," he answered.
Bryan appears to recognize the fact that he will have no part in any factional fight in the ranks of the commissioners. Those near to him feel that he considers the office of moderator a great honor and not a church political plum.

Here for Conference

Bryan stated that the reason for his early appearance, before the opening of the convention and before the election of the moderator Thursday afternoon, was due to the fact that he desired to attend the evangelical conference in session today at the Second Presbyterian Church.

Although Bryan adhered to silence regarding his candidacy, his presence here increased his standing as a candidate. Many prominent Presbyterians here for the general assembly, agreed that if Bryan should consent to be a candidate for the nomination he would be elected.

"Best Interests" Sought

Bryan said that the only question to be decided regarding the moderator was "what would be to the best interests of the church" and that that question is squarely up to the commissioners.

"What do you regard as the biggest question before the church today?" he was asked.
"Increasing the spiritual influence of the members and extending church membership to the so-called unchurched," Bryan said. "Something like one-half of the adult population of the United States belong to no church."

"I am sure that it will not be long before there is a definite effort among

HARDING WANTS DRY PLATFORM

Expects G. O. P. to Take Firm Stand for Prohibition.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 16.—President Harding expects the Republican party to take an uncompromising 100 per cent dry position in 1924.

He will do everything in his power during the remainder of his present term to put over the major items in the program of his second term.

Mr. Harding believes in prohibition—not only as a constitutional and legal fact but as a great economic and moral influence. He believes the bulk of the American people, for all the contemptuous disregard of the Volstead law which many of them display, agree with him that prohibition is a blessing.

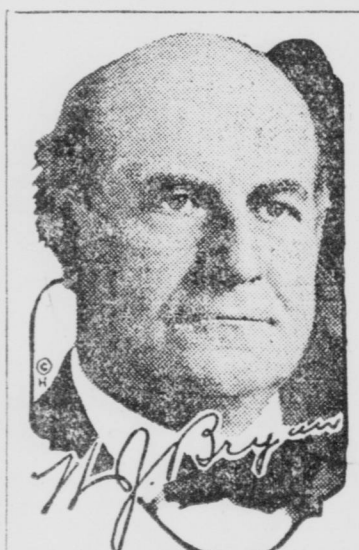
JUNIOR C. OF C. ELECTS FRED KILLEN PRESIDENT

New Officers Named for 1923 After All Day Vote Tuesday.

Fred E. Killen is the new president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, it was announced today. Balloting took place all day Tuesday.
Grier M. Shotwell was elected first vice president; Edward Dorsey, second vice president; Ferd Barnicle Jr., third vice president; and William Florence, Allan S. Heaton and Ralph Klare, directors.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE

5 a. m. 47 10 a. m. 45
8 a. m. 47 11 a. m. 49
1 p. m. 49 12 (noon) 47
4 p. m. 45 1 p. m. 48



M'CRAY MAKES EXPLANATION OF RACE BILL VETO

Governor Tells Veterans Why He Killed Memorial Day Measure.

By Times Special
MUNCIE, Ind., May 16.—"It was the same spirit of fidelity to the Constitution which you so gallantly and unyieldingly sustained during the early sixties that compelled me to veto the Memorial Day bill," Governor McCray this afternoon told members of the G. A. R. gathered in their State encampment here.

McCray, despite opposition by many members of the G. A. R. to his appearance at the encampment, accepted the invitation of a committee of Muncie citizens to speak. His speech was devoted almost entirely to a defense of his action in vetoing the bill which would have forbidden sporting events on Memorial Day.

"Bill Unconstitutional"

The Governor said he had submitted the bill to various authorities, all of whom said it was unconstitutional. "What would you have done under the circumstances?" he asked.

"Remember, I had taken an oath to uphold the Constitution, and I could not with full deliberation and good conscience place upon the books an act in direct violation of that oath. I therefore forsook my personal desires; overlooked by sentiments regarding the proprieties of the day; turned my back upon the hallowed traditions of the occasion, and did what I conceived to be my duty."

McCray pointed out his veto came in time for the Legislature to pass the bill again, but that the Senate defeated it.

Termed Class Legislation.

"Laws to be respected and observed must be reasonable and fair," he said. He characterized the Speedway bill as class legislation because it did not include forms of amusements other than sports.
Outside the Memorial Day controversy, interest centers on the contest for department commander. Three candidates are in the race—Albert J. Ball, T. C. Clapp and Charles W. Shaw, all of Indianapolis.

One of the features of the day was a parade participated in by the 1,000 veterans attending the encampment.

Other organizations holding conventions in connection with the encampment are the Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Veterans and Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary.

DETECTIVES DO THEIR 'BIT'

Give \$3,463 to Riley Memorial Hospital Fund.

Seventy-one members of the Indianapolis detective department contributed \$3,463 to the Riley Memorial Hospital fund, Inspector Mullin announced today.

Call for National Referendum After Detailed Discussion.

Referendum of the question of whether the United States shall enter the League of Nations to the people was indorsed today at the seventy-first annual meeting of the Western Unitarian Conference at All Souls Church.

Marked division of opinion upon the value of the league itself was evidenced.

The Rev. Frank S. C. Wicks, pastor of All Souls Church, declared he was for the league, for every comma, period, semi-colon, quotation mark, and article in the covenant. Some cheered. Others differed, one delegate opposing Article Ten vigorously.

A resolution presented by Arthur Weatherly, Iowa City, Iowa, indorsing President Harding's efforts to abolish war through disarmament was adopted.

Greetings were sent to the Presbyterian General Assembly.

Prof. Herbert F. Goodrich of Ann Arbor, Mich., was elected president of the Conference. Other officers elected are Charles W. Lamborn, Chicago, treasurer, and Augustus P. Record, Detroit, Mich.; George R. Dodson, St. Louis, Mo.; and Russell Whitman, Evanston, Ill., directors for four years.

DENTISTS SHOWN BALANCED RATION

Doctors Learn How to Avoid 'Lop-Sided' Meals.

Do you eat lop-sided meals? Is your luncheon calculated to produce more fat than brawn, more beef than brain?

Members of the Indiana State Dental Association found out what a "balanced ration" is at a convention luncheon. Here's what they ate:

Half grapefruit, lamb or beef, spinach, baked onion, cauliflower, large dinner plateful of salad, shredded cabbage, sliced apple, grated or minced onion to flavor, minced sweet peppers, ice cream or fruit dessert, coffee.

With this one form of starch, preferably whole-wheat biscuits, may be added. Sweet potatoes or white potatoes may be served in place of the biscuits.

AD CLUB NAMES TICKET

A. C. Waggoner Will Address Weekly Luncheon Thursday.

A. C. Waggoner of the One-Piece Bifocal Lens Company will be the principal speaker at the weekly luncheon of the Indianapolis Advertising Club Thursday.

I. Kornblum, chairman of the nominating committee, reports the following candidates on regular ticket No. 1: For president, Frank S. Chance; for vice president, Don Bridge; for treasurer, O. T. Roberts; for directors, Bryant Sando and Jesse E. Hanft.

ODD 'TRIANGLE' LIVES IN HARMONY

By United Press
NSONIA, Conn., May 16.—A love nest built for two holds three in harmony in the oddest "triangle" of many a day, disclosed by the principals.

Roy Cummings, knock-about comedian, is living in a bungalow with both his divorced wife and the present Mrs. Cummings. The women get along perfectly, he says, wear each other's clothes, take turns getting meals, and everything is lovely.

The full story of the remarkable agreement, by which the three live in conformity with the "laws of God and man," as they say, is outlined by Cummings something like this:

The comedian of fame on Broadway, because of his eccentric dancing which has placed his name in light

Soldiers Say They Are Not 'Thin Blue Heroes'—Insist They Are Still 'Fit'

By FELIX F. BRUNER
Times Staff Correspondent

MUNCIE, Ind., May 16.—"We ain't no thin red heroes," protested Kipling's "Tommy" in answer to some well-meant praise.

There is a crowd of boys here who protest just as strongly that they are not "thin" blue heroes. These boys are strong and vigorous and well able to take care of themselves and they don't care who knows it.

If they could wade the swamps at Vicksburg and follow General Sherman through Georgia and even (which perils him a little at Bull Run, they don't see why it's necessary to have a lot of Girl Scouts running around after them and a lot of youths of forty or fifty hauling them around in automobiles.

Spirit Young

That is the spirit that prevails at the Indiana encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic here. Anyone coming prepared to shed a lot of tears over the thinning ranks of aged veterans will be disappointed. Not that the ranks aren't thinning and that the veterans aren't getting old—but just mention to a veteran that he is old and then be ready to dodge a cane, if the man whom you are addressing is subjected to a cane. He wouldn't admit such a thing is necessary.

For instance, there is James W. Willett of Tama, Iowa, commander-in-chief (the title is not National commander, his friend, Robert W. McBride, Indianapolis, judge advocate (Continued on Page 2)

Times' Readers Write Follies

Scores of readers of the Indianapolis Times have sent original contributions to "Frieda's Follies" in the contest in which The Times will award a \$5 prize for the week's best offering.

Frieda's daily contribution is on the last page. Read this subtle feature—then write one yourself and send it to "Frieda's Follies," care of The Times. Perhaps you will win the \$5.

Some of the contributions will be printed tomorrow.

LADY LUCK DESERTS HIM

Damaged Auto of Vernon McCarthy Struck Second Time.

For some people it doesn't merely rain—it pours.

Vernon McCarthy, 707 Union St., driving north on Meridian St., at Eleventh struck a machine driven by Herbert Kessel, 1226 W. Thirty-Sixth St. The police were called and had hardly reached their station after their investigation when another call was sent in.

McCarthy said he was waiting for an automobile derrick to take his machine to a garage when a taxicab, driven by Howard L. Wharton, 702 N. Skidmore St., turned a corner and missed his machine, damaging it much worse.

GOULD LOSES LIFE BATTLE

American Millionaire Succumbs to Lingering Illness at French Villa.

By United Press
MENTONE, France, May 16.—Geo. J. Gould died suddenly at his villa here at 3:20 a. m. today.

The American capitalist had been suffering from pneumonia.

With him at the end was his wife, formerly Alice St. Clair, whom he married secretly last July.

Although 59 years old, Gould had made a brave fight against his illness, passing the crisis six weeks ago, at which time it was hoped he might recover.

His death came with unexpected suddenness, just before dawn.

Estate at \$140,000,000

George J. Gould was one of the six heirs of Jay Gould, who left a \$140,000,000 estate at the beginning of the twentieth century, when such a fortune was unprecedented.

As eldest son, he had a principal part in settling the estate, from which arose constant wrangling among the children.

His brothers brought a constant succession of suits, dissatisfied with their incomes, which, between 1901 and 1907, averaged \$750,000 each annually.

In 1886 Gould married Edith M. Kingdon. He was a director in many railroads and a prominent yachtsman. She had appeared in New York in an English production of "The Girl on the Film" in 1914.

The financier's later years were marked by stormy and incessant litigation. A furor of gossip was aroused in society circles to which he belonged when his wedding to Mrs. Sinclair was announced.

The former actress had for a long time been a neighbor of Gould's and friendly with him. She had a townhouse in New York where she lived quietly with her two children, and a country place at Rye, N. Y.

Couple Met in London

The couple were introduced by George Grossmith in London in 1914. When Mrs. Sinclair came here in "The Girl on the Film" Gould was a frequent attendant and later they were seen together in brisk 5 o'clock walks on the avenue.

Mrs. Gould at that time was in her thirties, slim, strikingly attractive, with reddish hair.

Shortly afterward she moved into a handsome townhouse on Riverside Dr. Here her two children were born. Besides his widow and her children, Gould leaves as all heir his son, Kingdon, by his first marriage.

The children are: Jay, George Jr., Marvin, Margery, Vivian (Lady Davick), Edith and Gloria.

Legion Committee Meeting.

The annual meeting of the national executive committee of the American Legion will be held here Saturday and Sunday. Matters connected with the legion national convention at San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 15-19 will be discussed.

Dead Financier and His Widow



GEORGE GOULD AND WIDOW

RUSSIAN PREDICTS WAR WITH BRITISH

Soviet Emissary Says Trade Rupture Would Bring Clash.

By United Press
LONDON, May 16.—Prediction that rupture of existing trade agreement between England and Russia would probably result in war within a year was made by Leonid Krassin, Bolshevik emissary in an interview here today.

The trade agreement is now threatened in the sharp exchange of notes between the British and Soviet governments.

"With cancellation of the agreements the entente would revert to its old tactics of stirring up border states, interfering in Russian affairs, and this would probably lead to a clash."

CAMPERS SAVED IN TORRENT

Ravenswood Residents Flee Rising River in Boats—Weather Bureau Predicts Clearing Skies and No Serious Flood Stage Here.

Campers were removed in boats at Ravenswood, north of the city, today, as White River continued to rise.

Lowlands surrounding the city were inundated and the rise was continuing rapidly. The water was said to be the highest reported in May in recent years.

The weather bureau gauge showed a stage of 12.9 feet, a rise of 2.6 in twenty-four hours. The gauge of the Indianapolis Water Company showed a stage of nine feet over low water mark, a rise of eighteen inches in twelve hours.

J. H. Arrington, Government weather forecaster, said there is no serious flood danger in Indianapolis, but that flood stage and above is being reached at other cities.

Flood Stage at Elliston

At Anderson and Noblesville, the weather bureau reported the river within a few inches of flood stage. At Elliston, below Indianapolis, where the Government has a gauge the river was reported to be one foot above flood stage and rapidly rising. The weather bureau expects a rise of at least another foot south of the city.

Relief was promised in weather forecast which was for clearing weather this afternoon and fair weather tonight with possibly a light frost. The bureau expects fair weather tomorrow.

Liberty Beach and Terrace Beach

camping places near Ravenswood, still were dry, but the river had spread from the opposite bank.

Fall Creek Forms Lake

Fall Creek also was rapidly rising. The water roared over the dam at Keystone Ave. and above the dam it had spread over a wide territory, forming a lake.

Persons familiar with the river say they do not remember such high water in May. The water company gauge, which was placed after the installation of the flood wall showed twelve feet in March, 1922. This was the highest ever recorded on that gauge. No serious damage was done at that time.

SUN STILL "ON STRIKE"

Cold General Rain With Northwest Winds Covers Northern States.

By United Press
CHICAGO, May 16.—The northern part of the United States continued to feel the effects of the "sun strike" today with a cold, general rain accompanied by northwest winds.

The cool, rainy weather extends throughout the Mississippi Valley and into Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, according to the weather bureau. Continued cool weather is predicted.

WABASH NEAR FLOOD STAGE

River Has Risen Twelve Feet at Terre Haute Since Monday.

By United Press
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., May 16.—With an additional rainfall of .84 of an inch last night in addition to a fall of 2.85 the previous twenty-four hours, the Wabash River was nearing flood stage today.

At 16 feet the river goes out over some of the lower farming lands in the bottoms. It stood at 14.8 feet this forenoon, still rising. The river has risen twelve feet since Monday morning.

All small creeks in the valley have been swollen during the last two days and scattering reports tell of minor damage done to crops and property.

WHITE RIVER RISES

Swollen Streams Expected to Make Conditions More Serious.

By Times Special
SEYMOUR, Ind., May 16.—Swollen streams in central and eastern Indiana are expected to cause an additional rise in White River. At Rockford, near here, a rise of two and one-half feet was reported. No serious flood is expected.

Slight damage was done by a severe electrical and rain storm Tuesday. Rain was helpful in farming districts.

LOW LANDS FLOODED

Traction Company Repairs Washouts at Two Places.

By Times Special
ANDERSON, Ind., May 16.—As a result of recent heavy rains, streams in Madison County are spreading over low lands. Farmers believe water will be delayed a week. The Union Traction Company made repairs Tuesday on a washout near Fairmount, and one on the Kokomo division.

TWO TOWNS MAROONED

Eel River Rises Rapidly and Corn Land Is in Damage.

By Times Special
BEEZLE, Ind., May 16.—Eel River has overflowed its banks. Bowling Green and Poland have no mail service. The town practically are marooned. Thousands of acres of corn lands probably will be flooded.

WATER INJURIES SCORE

Many Made Homeless as Cyclone Hits Ohio Town.

By United Press
CINCINNATI, Ohio, May 16.—Twenty persons were injured seriously when a twister struck Byesville, near here, last night.

Scores were made homeless.

ASKS FOR MOTHER AFTER EFFORT TO COMMIT SUICIDE

Young Woman Found in Back Yard in Serious Condition—Poison Near By.

Breathing painfully after swallowing poison, a woman who said her name was Miss Agnes Floyd, and who appeared to about 25, was found today in the back yard of her home, 415 Kentucky Ave.

She was taken to the city hospital. Her condition is serious. The woman was found by Mrs. Della Smith, 417 Kentucky Ave., who notified police and then gave the woman milk in an attempt to counteract the poison. Near Miss Floyd was found a half-empty tube of the poison.

Police said the woman declared over and over that she had "good people" and was tired of living.

She said Charles Bettman, employed at Kington & Co., was her husband, according to police. Insurance papers and rent receipts found in the house carried this name, but no Charles Bettman was found at Kington & Co.

"Why did I take that stuff?" Miss Floyd cried one moment, and the next—

"I want to die and I am going to die, but first I want to see my mother."

A letter addressed to Mrs. Mary Floyd, St. James, Charlevoix County, Mich., and another from St. James addressed to "Miss Agnes Floyd" and signed "Mother and Sister" were found.

ZONING OUTSIDE OF CITY PLANNED

Commission May Make Survey of Territory.

Plans for a survey of territory in a five-mile belt outside the city limits with a view toward development in line with the present zone law, is under consideration of the city plan commission and may be made this summer, Lawrence V. Sheridan, secretary, announced today.

Sheridan said that Robert C. Whitten, consultant for the commission, may be asked to develop zoning regulations for the district.

"When plans are submitted and territory annexed, development there would conform with the city zoning regulations," Sheridan explained.

RILEY GIVES UP SEARCH

Brother-in-Law of Sadie McGroarty Returns from Buffalo.

Hubert S. Riley, 2355 N. Delaware St., brother-in-law of Sadie McGroarty, secretary of the park board, who disappeared in Buffalo, May 6, returned to Indianapolis today after a week of futile searching at Buffalo. No new to Miss McGroarty's whereabouts has been found.

OLD-TIME DANCE PLANNED

Holy Name Society to Entertain at St. Philip Neri Church Thursday.

An old-time frolic and dance will be given by the Holy Name Society of St. Philip Neri Church Thursday evening, in the school hall in Eastern Ave.

Special music will be furnished by novelty entertainers. The old-time quadrilles, Virginia reels, two-steps and prize waltzes will be features.

BUTLER OPENS CAMPAIGN

Students Will Celebrate Thursday at New University Site.

Butler University students met in the college gymnasium today in celebration of Loyalty day and for the purpose of starting the student endowment drive. A committee of 125 students this afternoon canvassed the school, seeking a \$100 pledge from each student.

Thursday the students will go to Fairview Park, the future site of the University, for a celebration.