

CROWD AT SHRINE CONVENTION BIG DISAPPOINTMENT

Only 20,000 of 300,000 Expected at Washington Have Arrived.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—With a disappointingly small number of visitors in town, Shrine week got under way today with a varied program of parades, pageants, band concerts and other events scheduled to keep the city in carnival mood until Friday.

Too enthusiastic advertising and boosting were held responsible for the failure of hundreds of Shriners and their families to arrive. They were frightened away by reports of tremendous crowds. This was evident when the St. Louis temple sent word its members would stay home and use the money the trip would cost to help build a hospital. They said they understood there was no room.

Hotel keepers and merchants were keenly disappointed. Of the 300,000 expected to attend only about 20,000 arrived yesterday.

Exhibition of the United States airplane carrier, Langley, air circus stunts by famous army fliers, including Kelly and MacReady, the transcontinental non-stop fliers, carnival events of various sorts were to fill the day. Tonight the potentate and Divan of Almas temple of this city will welcome the imperial potentate and his divan at a banquet.

TIME LIMIT NEARS FOR RACE ENTRIES

Pushmobile Kings Will Be Given Medals for Victory.

Pushmobile speed kinds who want a chance at the gold, silver and bronze medals to be given by The Indianapolis Times to the first three who flash under the wire June 16 in the annual pushmobile contest will have to hurry. Fourteen drivers from all parts of the city have entered. The Masked Marvel, with his black machine, takes a trial spin over the course on Lincoln Ave. almost every night, although no one has been able to get his picture or interview him.

The Times medals, soon to be on display, will be awarded winners of the race, run by winners of these preliminary heats of eight cars. The title of State champion goes with the gold medal.

The final qualification day is June 3. Entries must be in by June 10. Entries must range from 6 to 17.

Meetings Here Tuesday

National Metal Trades Association. Luncheon. Severin.
State Florists' Association. Dinner. Lincoln.
Indianapolis Motor Buss Club. Luncheon. Lincoln.
Health Officers of Indiana. Twenty-ninth annual conference. Claypool.
Purchasing Agents Association. Luncheon. Severin.
St. Michel Luer Post, American Legion. Luncheon. Seventh floor C. of C.
American Legion, Post 84. Luncheon. Board of Trade.
Rotary Club. Luncheon. Claypool.
I. A. A. U. Luncheon. Seventh floor C. of C.
Paint, Oil and Varnish Club. Luncheon. Seventh floor C. of C.
Grace Presbyterian Men. Luncheon. Seventh floor C. of C.
Gyro Club. Luncheon. Lincoln.
Mercator Club. Luncheon. Spink-Arms.
American Chemical Society. Luncheon. 12:15 p. m. Seventh floor C. of C.
B. P. O. E. No. 13. Lodge Meeting. Denison.
University of Michigan Alumni. Luncheon. Lincoln.
American Legion. Luncheon. Severin.

HOOSIER BRIEFS

Sportsmen and game lovers of Frankfort will cooperate in killing off game destroying animals. Crows will be special targets.

A plan for linking religious instruction with regular courses in primary grades of Richmond schools was presented to a mass-meeting of citizens by Dr. Edward Sargent of the Episcopal education board. It will be presented to school authorities.

A moment to M. V. Fox, first white man to build a cabin in Shelby County, was unveiled on a farm near Shelbyville. The Shelby County Historical Society was in charge.

Another of Indiana's famous little red schoolhouses went into the discard when D. A. Batterton, trustee, sold Robbins school, near Greensburg to Theophilus Miller for \$665.

Funeral services for Mrs. Minerva Thompson, 103, one of the oldest residents of the State who died at her home near Waldron, were held today.

Columbus has a new factory with opening of the C. H. Becker Paint Company. Becker formerly operated a plant at Louisville.

Flier Will Attempt Cross-Nation Record



New York to San Francisco between dawn and sunset! Lieut. Russell Maughan, Army ace, will attempt it some time between June 15 and June 25 in a Curtiss pursuit plane. He expects to leave Mitchell field, New York, at 4 a. m., and land at the Golden Gate at 2 p. m.

I. U. SENIORS HAVE FULL WEEK AHEAD

480 in Caps and Gowns Dot Campus at Bloomington.

BLOOMINGTON, June 4.—Commencement festivities were in full swing at Indiana University today with hundreds of old guards returning to the campus and 480 seniors appearing in cap and gown for the gala events of graduation time.

Senior women were up bright and early for their annual breakfast which started off a day crowded with activity.

At a business meeting of the alumni association tomorrow, a new member of the board of trustees will be selected for a three-year term. It is generally expected that James W. Fessler, president of the board, will be re-elected.

Bishop Francis J. McConnel, Pittsburgh, will deliver the commencement address Wednesday morning.

FISHERMEN WILL HEAR MOTOR TALK

Adaptability of Johnson Product to Be Explained.

The Marion County organization of the Indiana Fish and Game Protective Association will meet Monday 8 p. m. at the Denison Hotel to hear D. W. King, district sales manager of the Johnson Motor Company, South Bend, Ind.

Mr. King will explain adaptability of the Johnson portable motor. His company has worked out a successful backboard motor that has been found to work particularly well in very shallow water.

J. J. Wood of the Gus Habich Company, using a Johnson backboard motor, made some interesting tests at Broad Ripple recently. Mr. Wood put the motor through a grind of three hours at very high speed, making an unusually shallow ripple near the Allentonville Road. Only five pints of fuel were consumed. Wood set the fastest time ever made by portable motor on White River.

VETERANS PLAN MEETING

Near-by Towns to Send Delegations to Plan National Convention.

Final plans for the Rainbow Division Veterans' Association national convention here June 14-16, will be discussed by the Marion County chapter Wednesday at 6 p. m. Superior Court room 3.

Delegations from Bloomington, Lebanon, Martinsville, Noblesville, and other adjacent towns are expected to attend the Wednesday meeting.

Thief Enters Hotel Room

Paul Detamore, 1610 N. Meridian St., reports his room entered and a \$25 watch taken.

With "A Cure for the Radical" as his oration, L. M. Ross won the annual Hays oratorical contest at Wabash College chapel, Crawfordsville.

Hamilton County is organized to push candidacy of H. H. Beale, Noblesville, for Republican nomination for Congress in the Ninth Indiana district.

Just after he had secured a job at Terre Haute and had sent to Marion for his wife to join him, Otto Cushman, 18, was killed when a machine in which he was riding with two other men was struck by a car driven by Rudolph N. Rottman, wholesale tobacco merchant.

Organization of girls' clubs began today in all townships of Bartholomew County. Miss Hazel Fitzpatrick, supervisor of girls' club work, is in charge.

Hobart Quinlan, Brookville, caught a catfish weighing thirty-four and one-fourth pounds in Whitewater River, according to town gossip. It is said to be the largest fish of this kind ever caught in the river.

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AMERICANS TURN TO OWN COUNTRY AS PICTURESQUE

Tourists Plan Travels in Pacific Northwest—Local Agents Busy.

Each year more and more people are availing themselves of the opportunity of visiting the great Pacific Northwest, the Canadian Rockies and Alaska, according to Richard A. Kurtz, manager of the foreign department of the Union Trust Company.

"The great Northwest has enough natural grandeur and spectacular beauty to challenge the scenery of Switzerland or other European countries. Mountain valleys, snow-capped peaks, rushing rivers, colorful gorges, crystal lakes all can be found in Alaska. The trip vies in beauty with any in the world," said Kurtz.

"We are planning tours to Alaska and tours through national parks to the western coast. Domestic tours have been particularly popular since the World War, although the foreign travel for this season far surpasses that of last year. Tours are planned to afford the greatest amount of enjoyment and pleasure and to include as much detail as possible," he said.

"The value of travel cannot be emphasized too much. It has been credited to be a broadening influence. The comfort of the traveler has never been forgotten for one moment in the planning of our trips. Our experience has enabled us to have an accurate knowledge of the things necessary to the pleasure and comfort of the people taking our trips, and they are planned with this end in view."

BRIGHT FUTURE IS SEEN FOR MEXICO

Union Organizer Pictures Political Improvement.

"Mexico is at peace with the world and is asking nothing more than a square deal from the other nations," said Jose W. Kelly, organizer of the International Association of Machinists in Mexico, here today.

"Mexico is now trying to pay all her debts," he said. "In addition to this, organized labor in Mexico has been bettering conditions at home. Prior to 1911, when the rebellion against Diaz broke out, 90 per cent of the people of Mexico were landless and 85 per cent were illiterate.

"Since the establishment of over twelve hundred schools by the party now in power, which is controlled by labor," Kelly said, "the problem of illiteracy is rapidly diminishing."

According to Kelly, a constitutional government is functioning in Mexico. The army has been reduced from 150,000 to 38,000. Courts are dealing with justice.

Recent Business Decline Believed Only Temporary

NEW YORK, June 4.—Evidence grows to indicate that current check to business expansion is merely a strategic withdrawal, and not a retreat. Figures for April and May show extent of the ground lost.

Shipments of lumber and square feet of building contracts awarded fell off.

Sales by department stores, chain stores and many wholesale houses, declined. General price level was lower.

"Forward buying" in iron and steel was checked in April and is still backward. Merchandise carloadings have declined for three weeks.

But prosperity has not become demoralized. The stock market tells the story. Industrial stocks fell from an average of 105.4 on March 20, to 82.8 on May 21. This was perilously near to the low level of 92 set last November, but a rally carried the average back to 97.6 Friday, a recovery of about 40 per cent of lost ground. Existing uncertainty has allowed some further decline since Friday.

A number of gains have been made in the past week. Among these is

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