

# COUNCILMEN JOIN IN FIGHT AGAINST WATER RATE INCREASE

## WIDOW IDENTIFIES 'GIRL' SLAYER WHO USES MALE ALIAS

'Flapper' Bandit Also Known to Police as Fred G. Thompson.

By United Press. CHICAGO, June 19.—Mrs. Francis Thompson, alias Fred G. Thompson, has been identified today as the "smiling, blue-eyed girl bandit," who killed Richard C. Tesmer at his "Gold Coast" home, Chief of Detectives Michael Hughes announced today.

Mrs. Tesmer, the widow, made the identification at the Tesmer home, Hughes said. The alleged "girl bandit" also known as Frances Carrick, police asserted.

Dressed as Girl

The "girl," dressed in feminine attire, was arrested in a raid on a north side apartment early today by a police squad led by Sgt. William Cusack. A man giving his name as John Doe and a woman who called herself Marie Clark, were also found in the apartment.

When arrested the "girl" wore a pretty black headed dress, satin pumps and black silk stockings. When the police squad arrived, she said, according to Cusack:

"Well, I suppose you want me for the Tesmer murder?"

"What do you know about the Tesmer murder?" countered Cusack.

"Well, you don't want me," she is quoted as replying. "The girl you want was a blonde."

Slayeress Was Blonde

The previous description given the police was that the slayeress of Tesmer was a blonde. On the strength of the conversation in the apartment, Hughes took her before the window.

Tesmer was shot to death during a robbery at the Tesmer home. He and Mrs. Tesmer had just driven their car into their garage when a girl with a male companion held them up. Mrs. Tesmer became a hysterical when the robbers demanded her wedding ring, and Tesmer moved as if to console her.

The girl who held the gun on the couple, giggled and shot Tesmer without warning.

The "woman" identified today has feminine features.

Woman Knows Smile

In naming the girl, Mrs. Tesmer, who has refused to identify a score of girls, glanced at the suspect. Her body became tense and her face pale. "Oh God! That's the girl. That's the girl that killed Richard. She has that smile that haunts me day and night and her eyes are those I saw when she wantonly shot my husband."

Mrs. Thompson's features appeared small and refined. At the police station, she was made to wash the paint from her face and a closely shaved, but thick beard was disclosed beneath.

## BOYS' COASTER WAGONS STOLEN

Thefts by 'Meanest Thieves' Reported by Parents.

Howard Kelley, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kelley, 1214 N. Mount St., reported today the loss of his coaster wagon today.

Howard's two little sisters, Virginia, 1, and Elma, 3, played with the wagon more than he did. Mrs. Kelley said, but they have been ill with the whooping cough for the last two weeks and the wagon might have been stolen more than a week ago. Howard, a very quiet chap, seldom goes out in the neighborhood to play "because he is afraid of the bigger boys," Mrs. Kelley said.

Police are searching for the missing wagon.

Another coaster wagon, valued at \$9, was missing today, according to Ralph McKinney, 1107 Wright St., who said that while his son was playing on Stevens St. it was stolen.

## HORSE DAMAGES AUTOS

Bakery Wagon Crashes Into Three Parked Cars.

A bakery wagon and three machines were in one accident today. Roy Easley, 45, 2119 Prospect St., said he left his wagon at Twenty-Sixth St. and Northwestern Ave. The horse became frightened and it ran to the 2100 block on Northwestern Ave. It hit machines belonging to Ross Hewes, 1009 W. Thirty-Fifth St., and William Kroll, 1218 W. Thirty-First St. Hewes' machine was pushed into a car belonging to Vallourus McLeay, 3025 N. New Jersey.

None of the machines was badly damaged. Easley was arrested for leaving a horse untied.

## Bank Asks Charter

Petition of the proposed Postal Station State Bank, which will be located in the new postal building at South and Illinois Sts., will come before a meeting of the State charter board Wednesday. The matter was postponed at the last meeting of the board. Capital stock will be \$25,000. Dick Miller and other officers of the City Trust Company are the incorporators.

## Harry Cooper Missing

Mrs. Harry Cooper, 18 W. North St., today asked the police to search for her husband, 33, who she said, has been missing since Saturday. The couple came to Indianapolis from Chicago a week ago. Cooper is a barber. He was described as being 5 feet 2 inches in height and weighing 150 pounds. He has brown hair and a

## Men and Women Prominent in Work of Fifty-Ninth Annual Indiana Sunday School Convention Here



## ROTARIAN CHIEF AVERS NEW LAW RULES BUSINESS

By United Press. ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 19.—Four thousand delegates to the Rotary International were seated today when the second session of that body opened at the bang of President R. M. Havens' gavel.

"This is your convention," Havens said. "We're going to run things by the clock. Make everything short and snappy."

Havens then made an announcement that was received with applause.

"If you men are not afraid of talking, remove your coats," he said. Four thousand men had their coats off in four seconds. The thermometer hovered around 90.

Prayer for Deceased

A silent prayer was offered for the Rotarians who have died in the last year.

The convention program was adopted and the invocation given by the Rev. R. H. Schutte pastor of Grace M. E. Church of St. Louis.

President Havens then announced the appointment of the election committee, as follows: George O. Reif, Salt Lake City, chairman; Charles A. Smith, Birmingham, England; Joseph A. Caulder, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Lee Jordan, Atlanta, Ga., and Charles A. Simons, Boston.

Past international presidents were introduced in humorous fashion after which Havens, as president, delivered his annual message.

"The revolution in business has come," said Havens. "Formerly the law was 'let the buyer beware.' Now the seller must beware lest he misrepresents."

## Rotary for Individual

"Rotary is for the individual and the individual is for the betterment of men. His strength is in his individual responsibility for his business or profession, for his community, his country, his civilization."

"What can he do? He can make his principles known; he can let them felt by his unity with his fellows who practice business honor, sympathy and understanding. This present convention is a world convention of men who have discovered that friendly and honorable relations between man and man are capable of infinite extension. The limit is only the population of the earth."

## U. S. PURSE FATTENED

Tax on Narcotics Will Bring In \$25,000 From Indiana.

Uncle Sam's purse will be fattened by about \$25,000 paid by Indiana handlers of narcotics by June 30, according to estimates made by M. Bert Thurman, collector of internal revenue, today.

The narcotic tax ranges from \$1 a year for dealers in mild narcotics, to \$24 for manufacturers. Taxes are paid by 3,308 physicians, 1,010 dentists, 308 veterinarians, 102 hospitals, 105 wholesalers, 12 manufacturers and 1,485 retailers in this State, Thurman said.

The tax must be paid by June 30.

## Classes Begin at Normal

By United Press. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., June 19.—Summer term classes opened at the Indiana State Normal School today with an advance registration of 1,500. The final registration will be well above the 2,000 mark, the Normal School authorities declare.

## Problems of Modern Sunday Schools Occupy Center of Attention at Convention Sessions

Important addresses and sectional conferences are on the Wednesday program of the State Sunday School convention at Cadle Tabernacle and nearby churches.

The program at the tabernacle:—Wednesday Morning—7:30—Morning Watch. Leader, H. H. Halley. 8:30—Sectional Conferences (as listed above). 10:30—Mass Session. "Entering Into the Riches of the Holy Book," H. Augustine Smith. 10:45—Address. The Trained Leader in Religious Education. Luther A. Weigle. 11:15—"The Book and Its Message." William M. Bell. 11:35—"Discovering God." Margaret Slattery. 12:15—Adjournment. 12:30—Sunday School parade in business district. —Wednesday Afternoon—2:30—"The Indiana Family Tuning Up." H. Augustine Smith. A Genuine Community Sing. Prayer. "The Future." Marion Lawrence. 3:15—Report of Executive Committee. 4:30—Adjournment. 6:30—Vesper Services. —Wednesday Evening—7:45—Chorus Night. H. Augustine Smith. 8:45—"The Book and Its Message." H. Augustine Smith. 9:15—"What Shall We Do With the Reformer?" Margaret Slattery. 10:00—Presentation of Near East Pictures. 10:15—Adjournment.

SECTIONAL MEETINGS County Officers' Conference, at Cadle Tabernacle. —Wednesday Morning—8:30—Devotional. E. H. Baumeister, Presiding. 8:40—"How I Secured My Reports." Harry Elmer. 9:00—"Getting School Pledges." Harry Elmer. 9:15—"Informing Our Schools." J. C. Eckhart. 9:30—"What Shall We Do This Afternoon?" —Wednesday Morning—Administrative Conference, at First Evangelical Church, New York and East St. —Wednesday Morning—8:30—Devotional. Garry L. Cook, Presiding. 8:45—"Songs and Meditations." 8:45—"Educational Aims in Different Periods." 9:15—"Getting the Training Class to Work." Jesse Wichman. 9:40—Discussion. 10:15—Adjournment. Daily Vacation Church Work, New Jersey St. M. E. Church, New Jersey and New York Sts. —Wednesday Morning—8:30—Devotional. 8:45—"Educational Aims in Different Periods." (a) Bible Talks. (b) Bible Stories. (c) Music. (d) Craft Work. —F. A. Howard. 9:15—"Promoting Vacation Bible Schools." (a) Local School. Thomas S. Young. (b) Community. 10:15—Adjournment. Pastors' Conference, First Evangelical Church. —Wednesday Morning—8:30—Worship. 8:45—"How the Pastor May

## COMMITTEE AGAIN INSISTS ON NEW MARKET BUILDING

Letter Written to Safety Board Says Repairs Would Be Unwise.

In a letter to the board of public safety today, the city market commission appointed by Mayor Shank to investigate the advisability of either repairing or building a new city market house, reported it was unalterably opposed to any repairs on the present building and advised the building of a new market.

Original plans for a \$2,000,000 structure were submitted by the commission. These were opposed by the mayor. The plans were then modified, calling for a \$1,000,000 house. It became known Mayor Shank was opposed to any new building and Frank B. Hunter, architect, under the direction of the board of works, submitted plans for repairs amounting to \$237,000.

## Plans Submitted

These were submitted to the board of works, which neither rejected nor adopted them. They were turned over to the commission.

In its letter the commission says a repair program would not solve the market house problem, only adding an interest burden of \$10,000, without providing means for increased revenue.

It states that it is still in favor of a new building and has planned to meet with the council on June 21 to consider the proposition.

## Signs Asked

The board received a petition asking that stop signs be placed at all corners of the intersection of Emerson Ave. and Michigan St., from about sixty residents of the neighborhood. They said drivers are careless here, and, due to congested traffic conditions, many accidents had occurred. The board decided to place the signs at the intersection and paint stop signs on the streets.

The resignation of Trafficman Ray Harris was accepted. A bill for \$54.84 for the expenses of Police Chief Herman F. Rikhoff while attending the police officers' convention recently held at Buffalo was allowed.

## KLAN UPHELD IN MASK ORDINANCE

City Council Kills Measure Striking at Ku-Klux, 6 to 2.

Before more than 1,000 Marion County members of the American Union League, an anti-Ku Klux Klan organization, which packed the council chamber at the city hall in an effort to have Councilman Otto Ray's anti-mask ordinance adopted, the city council Monday night defeated the measure by a vote of six to two.

The ordinance, prohibited the wearing of masks in public except on Halloween. Two Democratic councilmen, Ray and William E. Clauer favored the measure while President John E. King and Councilmen Ben H. Thompson, Heywood W. Buchanan, Theodore F. Bernd, Ira L. Bramblett and Lloyd D. Claycomb opposed it. Councilman Walter W. Wise was absent.

Members of the Union League began to arrive at 7 o'clock and by the time of the meeting the council chamber and the outside halls were crowded. Over a convention of police, most of them in plain clothes were present.

## SUCCESSOR TO COUCH SUBJECT OF CONFERENCE

Governor and G. O. P. Leaders Consider Filling Job.

Discussion of the appointment of a successor to Roy Couch, Statehouse custodian, who has been asked to resign, is understood to have taken place informally at a conference attended today by Governor McCray, Clyde A. Wab, chairman of the Republican State committee; Frederick E. Schortemeier, secretary, and others.

Schortemeier is understood to have said the scramble of candidates for the \$2,500 job has made the problem a difficult one. Couch is out of the city and is said to be "hunting a new job." Examiners of the State board of accounts are said to be scrutinizing Couch's accounts. The committee which is to select his successor is composed of McCray, Ed Jackson, secretary of State, and Robert Bracken, State auditor.

## Meetings Here Wednesday

State Sunday School Convention. Cadle Tabernacle. Auxiliary Post No. 4. Meeting. C. of C. State High School Superintendents' Conference. State house. Real Estate Board. Luncheon. C. of C. Purdue Alumni Association. Luncheon. Severin. Kiwanis Club. Luncheon. Claypool. Indiana Dairy Products Association. Dinner. Lincoln. Lions' Club. Luncheon. Lincoln. Delta Upsilon. Luncheon. Lincoln. Officers of American Legion. Luncheon. Spink-Arms. Sigma Nu. Luncheon. Board of Trade.

## Ordinance Opposing Increase Read and Adopted Without Comment—Legal Department Ordered to Find Value of Company.

Members of the city council were on record today as being solidly behind the city in its fight against a twenty per cent increase in water rates recently asked of the public service commission by the Indianapolis Water Company.

The following resolution was introduced before the council by John E. King, president, and unanimously adopted without opposition or comment.

Whereas, the Indianapolis Water Company is now before the public service commission with a petition for a raise in rates—

Be it resolved by the common council of Indianapolis that the legal department be authorized to employ competent experts to determine the actual value of the property of the Indianapolis Water Company.

Be it further resolved that the legal department of the city of Indianapolis be asked to take all necessary steps before the public service commission to prevent any increase in the rates now in force.

## Board of Health Asks Loan

An ordinance asking a temporary loan of \$175,000 for the board of health was introduced. Others introduced: appropriating \$7,500 to a fund to pay interest on bonds issued by the park board ordering the board of works to pave the first alley south of Elm St. to a point 125 feet east over a majority remonstrance of property owners and requiring cowpaddlers to have the name of the firm painted on their wagons.

An ordinance transferring \$56,000 from World War Memorial fund to the sinking fund was passed under suspension of rules. This Controller Joseph L. Hogue, in order that the money be distributed with the sinking fund of July 1 to draw interest.

An ordinance appropriating \$2,755 for purchase of a squad wagon for the fire department was passed over the mayor's veto under suspension of rules. The mayor stated in a letter to the council that he did not believe that the kind of car to be purchased under the appropriation was heavy enough for the purpose and asked for a larger appropriation.

It was rumored that recommendation for the purchase of a certain kind of automobile was made by Jesse E. Miller, ex-city purchasing agent, against the mayor's wishes. It was said that it was probable that the matter had something to do with Miller's resignation Saturday.

## URGE LAWMAKERS TO STUDY BIBLE

The Sunday school teachers to be real shepherds and to know their "sheep." Must Know Scholars. "We must know our scholars if we want to lead them right," he said. "We must lead them in the right habits in study, in thinking, in living and in Bible reading."

Hugh S. Magill of Chicago made a plea for the placing of religious training and education on the same basis of efficiency as used in general education.

"The only hope of civilization is in the application of the principles of Christian education," he said. "We must make the ministry of Christian teaching effective."

Dr. Charles H. Winters, executive secretary of the Church Federation of Indianapolis, offered the opening prayer. Bishop William M. Bell also spoke.

## Meet in Sections

The afternoon was to be devoted to important sectional meetings as follows, beginning at 2 o'clock, at the following places:

Children's Division—Roberts Park M. E. Church, Delaware and Vermont Sts. (Auditorium.)

Young People's Division—First United Brethren Church, Massachusetts Ave. and Walnut St.

Adult Division—Roberts Park M. E. Church, Delaware and Vermont Sts. (Sunday School room.)

Administrative Division—First Evangelical Church, New York and East Sts. (Sunday School room.)

Daily Vacation Bible School—New Jersey Street M. E. Church, New Jersey and New York Sts. (Auditorium.)

Week Day Religious Education—Zion's Evangelical, New Jersey and North Sts.

Ministers—First Evangelical Church, New York and East Sts. (Auditorium.)

County Officers—Cadle Tabernacle, Ohio and New Jersey Sts.

At 5 o'clock the convention picture will be taken on Monument Circle.

## Speakers Arrive

Among the convention speakers who have arrived here are: Hugh S. Magill, Chicago, general secretary International Sunday School Council of Religious Education.

Marion Lawrence, Chicago, consulting general secretary of the International Sunday School Council of Religious Education.

Luther A. Weigle, New Haven, Conn., author and professor of Christian nurture, Yale University.

Margaret Slattery, Malden, Mass., woman lecturer and writer for young people.

H. Augustine Smith, Boston University, music and pageant director.

W. S. Boward, Chicago, corresponding secretary Methodist board of Sunday schools.

Edward H. Bonnell, Jr., Philadelphia, young people's superintendent Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association.

William M. Bell, Puente, Cal., ex-president Indiana Sunday School Council of Religious Education.

Mrs. Lucy Stock Chapin, Hartford, Conn.; author, children's division superintendent of Connecticut Sunday School Association.

Thomas S. Young, Philadelphia, director vacation Bible school work of Northern Baptist Convention.

Mary E. Abernethy, Gary, Ind., director of week-day religious education of Gary.

N. F. Forsyth, Hammond, director religious education.

Frank M. McKibben, South Bend, Ind., director of religious education St. Joseph County Sunday School Association.

Program at Tabernacle

The program at the Cadle Tabernacle tonight is as follows:

7:45—"Christ for the World." H. Augustine Smith. Prayer.

8:15—Address, "The Book and Religious Education." William M. Bell.

8:40—Address, "The Trained Leader in Religious Education." Luther A. Weigle.

9:10—Address, "The Joy of Knowing Where We Are Going." Hugh S. Magill.

9:40—Adjournment.

Sunday school leaders expect the parade, in the business district at 12:30 p. m. Wednesday, to be the longest in the history of the association. It probably will be more than four miles in length.

## MONUMENT WILL BE HEADQUARTERS FOR RAINBOW MEN

Two Generals Will Participate in Activities of Convention Here.

The Soldier's and Sailor's Monument will be headquarters for the national convention of the National Rainbow Veterans' Association, July 13-15.

Gen. John J. Pershing and Gen. Henri Gouraud, French general who commanded the Rainbow Division when the last German advance was halted, will be among the distinguished guests of the Indianapolis Rainbow Division.

This will be Gen. Pershing's first visit to Indianapolis since the war. General Gouraud will remain in the city throughout the convention. General Pershing will be here only one day.

Among the features will be a military parade in which General Pershing and General Gouraud will participate. There will be a boxing match at Washington Park, an automobile race at the Speedway and a banquet.

In order to give the members a taste of France again they will be transported to and from the Speedway in box cars similar to the ones used in transporting troops in France.

Representatives of the Rainbow Division will come from twenty-seven States.

Sam D. Miller, chairman of the city's committee who are planning for the convention, will meet with his committee tonight to make further plans for the event.

## MINERS ATTACK POWER OF COURT

Petition Seeks to Set Aside Compensation Ruling.

Attack on powers of the Indiana Appellate Court to decide on questions of law in which is neither litigation nor controversy is contained in a petition filed today with the State Supreme Court by the Lynch Coal Operators' Association, a beneficiary organization of miners.

The case arises from a recent decision of the Appellate Court, declaring unconstitutional a 1923 amendment of the statutes which doubled compensation of miners illegally employed in industry and suffering disability. The Appellate Court held the amendatory clause of the industrial law was improperly drafted.

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## WOMAN CAUSES DIVORCE TROUBLE

Anxiety of Prospective Bride Brings New Testimony.

"How did my husband's divorce case come out?" asked a feminine voice over Superior Judge T. J. Moll's home telephone the other evening. "Not that I care, but I want to tell a lady who is going to marry him."

As a result of the conversation Mrs. Stella Phillips attended Superior Court Monday afternoon and presented her testimony in the divorce case of Jimmie C. Phillips, who runs a restaurant at 620 S. Illinois St.

Both were survivors of two previous divorces, she said, and Phillips intended marrying another woman just as soon as Judge Moll terminated the third matrimonial sentence.

"The other woman's sister has been hounding me to know," she said.

"Well, you go and get your husband, and the woman and the sister, and all come back together," said the judge.

Seven hundred dogs must have their taxes paid right away or their owners will be up before the square and get fined \$16.50, Prosecutor William P. Evans stated today.

Then they will have to pay the taxes anyway, added William H. Evans, trustee of Center Township, who delivered the list of delinquents to the prosecutor.

"If these people will report to my office, 215 E. New York St., before the justices of peace get hold of them it will be o. k.," said the trustee.

The time for paying the tax expired June 1.

## Burglar Is Frightened

A would-be burglar was frightened away early today when he heard George Kargbell, 2245 N. Delaware St., telephone to the police. Kargbell said he was awakened by the noise of some one attempting to enter a window of his home. The police failed to find any trace of the prowler.

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