

BOARD BALKS AT NEW POLICE JOB

Armitage Denies He Is Behind
Ordinance to Create
Assistant Chief.

A move said to have been sponsored by William H. Armitage, political colonel of the Shank administration, for creation of the position of assistant police chief and promotion thereto of Capt. Roy Pope, now special investigator for Mayor Shank, was understood to have been dropped today because the board of public safety objected.

It was said at the city hall that preparation of an ordinance had been started, and it was planned to introduce it and rush it through tonight, but because of the reported objection by the board it was decided to let the board pass upon it first.

Rikhooff Surprised
Police Chief Herman F. Rikhooff said the report was a surprise to him, particularly as he was censured by other department heads and city councilmen a month ago on the ground that the police department is too heavy.

Councilman Otto R. King and Theodore E. Bernd were at police headquarters today. Bernd had a conference with the chief.

Bernd said he told the chief he would oppose any such move.

Armitage admitted that he had heard the ordinance had been considered but:

"I'm not connected with it. It doesn't make any difference to me who gets the job."

Mayor's Opinion Wanted
It is understood one member of the board of safety told the chief he would not approve the new office unless Mayor Shank told him to. The mayor is out of the city.

Inspector Walter White is second in command in the police department. Creation of the new position would make him third, it is understood.

U. S. AGENTS ACT ON STOKES CASE

Notice of Hearing Ready for
Local Druggist.

Notice of a hearing to show cause why his permit to handle alcohol should not be revoked was to be served today on Joseph T. Stokes, proprietor of the Stokes' pharmacies at 226 N. Meridian St. and 607 Humana building, Bert C. Morgan, Federal prohibition director for Indiana, said.

According to alleged information in the hands of the prohibition department, synthetic gin was supplied prominent club, business, professional and literary men. Stokes denied the charges when his stocks were seized by Federal men. Federal law requires that Stokes be given fifteen days' notice before a hearing can be held.

RA. BIRDS GIVEN STATE Museum Gets Mounted Sage Grouse From Local Man.

Three mounted sage grouse, a practically extinct variety of western game fowl, became the property of a State museum today. They were given by Dr. R. I. Blakeman, 3448 Pennsylvania St.

The three fowls, were killed in Montana in 1918. William H. Hershman, curator of the State museum, said this variety of bird has been nearly exterminated within the last few years.

OLD AND YOUNG IN LINE Fireworks Permit Rush Is on at City Hall—500 Issued.

Fireworks permits were in great demand at the city hall today. All day long lines of youngsters with a substantial sprinkling of their elders filed past the "fireworks" desk set in the rotunda asking for permits.

A noon 500 had been issued, Oscar C. Wise, executive secretary of the board of public safety, said. Last year 1,700 were issued.

LOUDEN CASH NOW \$1,000 City Eager to Help Family of Mur- dered Policeman.

The fund for the family of Motor Policeman Jesse Louden, who was shot and killed by a burglar recently, amounted to \$1,000.25 in cash today, Joseph L. Hogue, city controller, said. Of this, \$115 was received Saturday and today. More has been subscribed.

Money Disappears From Bed Treba Bacon, 16, colored, 2440 Cor- nell Ave., was charged with vag- rancy and petty larceny after Ruth Lippens, colored, 2434 Cornell Ave., complained to police that \$11 was taken from under her pillow.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE

62 10 a. m.	77
64 11 a. m.	77
66 12 noon	77
68 1 p. m.	78

\$50 Prize
Offer By Times for Best
Solution of
Traffic Problem
Brings Many Answers
Get Busy

Times readers are entering into the contest for the best traffic suggestion with a vengeance.

The Times will pay \$50 for the best suggestion on the traffic problem.

Read these, then try your luck.

If all automobiles were kept off the main corners two hours, from 12 m. to 1 p. m. and 5 p. m. to 6 p. m., it would allow pedestrians to cross and board their cars in safety. The auto can go some other way. The pedestrian must go certain places to catch his car. Don't give the fellow that walks all the knocks.

F. BRASHER,
422 Ewing Pl.

Applicants for automobile license should be given a thorough mental and physical test before being permitted to drive an automobile.

There should be schoolroom lectures to children on how and where to cross streets in the congested district. The people should cooperate and move by the traffic policeman's orders.

FRED STONE,
659 E. Twenty-Fifth St.

Pass a city ordinance prohibiting touring or pleasure cars during business hours in the congested districts, allowing only cars doing business, such as trucks and cars with the firm name thereon.

Laying out a zone keeping out these sight-seeing cars. This would be a life-saving law.

B. P. BROWN,
39 Virginia Ave., Room 6.

I suggest that street cars and automobiles move at the same time by traffic signal, making right or left turns, if necessary, moving for so many seconds, then allow pedestrians to cross for so many seconds, crossing either way by traffic signal.

I think it would be a good idea to have a traffic drill in a certain part of the city for a length of time and every one would learn these rules and advantages.

RALPH W. CRANSHAW,
1867 Draper St.

FIFTY BROKERS FACING PRISON

State's Attorney Crowe Says
Swindlers Get \$50,000,000.

By United Press
CHICAGO, July 2.—State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe today began an attempt to send officials of fifty Chicago "bucket shop" brokerage houses to the penitentiary.

Crowe announced his assistant, George Gorman, will lay evidence before the July grand jury to show the brokers are swindling customers out of more than \$50,000,000 annually.

State's attorneys will seek indictments charging conspiracy and carrying prison penalties upon conviction.

JURYMEN HARD TO GET Five Excused From Serving in Coun- ty Investigation.

Of six men drawn for a new county grand jury only one, Frank M. McNeely, 191 W. Thirty-First St., an undertaker, will serve.

Two of the six drawn were deaf. The others were business men, who said they were too busy to spend six months on the body.

Judge James A. Collins of Criminal Court ordered fifteen more names drawn next Thursday.

FARM LABOR FURNISHED County Agent Supplies Seven Men and Has Others Ready.

County Agent Royal McClain reported today that he has furnished seven laborers for Marion County farmers in need of help since the appeal for citizens to save the crops was made last week. Seventeen other applicants are ready to go to the country, he said.

Farmers of Rush County have asked for six men and they will be sent immediately, McClain said.

**HUNT ATTORNEYS
ANSWER CHARGES
MADE BY STATE**

Defense Opens Arguments—
Evans Alleges Illegal
Transactions.

Arguments in defense of Edwin A. Hunt, 3939 Washington Blvd., on trial in Criminal Court for conspiracy to embezzle \$10,000 of trust funds in the county clerk's office in 1921, began this afternoon.

Hunt was indicted with Richard V. Sipe, ex-county clerk, and Will H. Latta, attorney. Sipe pleaded guilty to a shortage of \$143,000, an dis serving a term of two years in prison. Latta's trial is set later.

Prosecutor William P. Evans for the State, argued that:

Hunt and Latta, while in control of the Aetna Trust and Savings Company in gift edge securities, replacing them with "stu fino bank would accept."

State bank examiners gave them until Sept. 17, 1921, to replace insecure assets, on threats of receivership.

Hunt knew "Dick Sipe was a sucker," and had him "loan \$10,000 from a trust fund at 10 per cent interest."

The jury is expected to get the case about 6 p. m. today.

**AIR PILOTS BUSY
PUTTING BALLOONS
IN FINAL SHAPE**
Weather Bureau Promises
Steady Wind for Big
Race.

All pilots and their aides scheduled to participate in the balloon race at the Speedway, July 4, were in the city today, preparing for the race.

Arrivals this morning were H. E. Honeywell and his aide, J. P. McCullough, St. Louis, who will pilot a balloon of 75,000 cubic feet capacity.

Leroy T. Samuels, meteorologist expert of the United States weather bureau, cooperating with John H. Armington, meteorologist of the local bureau, announced today that steady winds will prevail on the day of the race. The weather will be fair, with possible thunder showers.

The Citizens Gas Company has promised to supply the balloons with good coke oven gas. The gas will have a lifting power of twenty-eight to forty pounds per thousand cubic feet.

All Navy pilots and aides are at the Speedway putting their balloons in shape.

For service of balloonists, special tests were to be made today and Tuesday to determine atmospheric conditions. A final test will be made at 11 a. m. Wednesday.

ALLEGED AUTO THIEVES HELD AT FT. WAYNE

Paint Shop Operators Said to Be
Leaders.

By United Press
FT. WAYNE, Ind., July 2.—Continuing the investigation started Saturday when George Purcell and James Logan, operators of a local paint shop, were arrested as alleged leaders of an automobile theft ring, officers again visited the shop Sunday and arrested Ray Dodson, shop foreman.

The car was stolen in Toledo, Ohio from O. G. King. It had been through the paint shop, and, according to police, "camouflaged" so as to make it appear old.

URGES ACTION ON WARD

City Judge Says Place for Insane
Should Be Provided at Once.

Authorities should not wait until 1924, as contemplated, to install a psychopathic ward at the city hospital to house insane persons now held in the county jail, City Judge Delbert C. Wilmoth said in a letter to Mayor Shank today.

Conditions are such that the city council should be asked for an appropriation immediately, said Wilmoth.

Souvenir STANDISH, Ind., July 2.

—Fred Server was recovering today from an operation in which a piece of shell imbedded in his back during the Civil War, was removed. The wound was received fifty-eight years ago. Server was a major.

Figures in Action for \$100,000 'Heart Balm'



MRS. HOWARD M. GORDON.
Allegations of her husband, Howard M. Gordon, newspaper circulation contest promoter, that Newell W. Ward, local attorney, alienated

her affections, have been denied by Mrs. Gordon. Gordon has filed suit for \$100,000 damages against Ward in Superior Court.

Week-End Auto Toll Is 44 Dead

Forty-four persons were killed in automobile accidents over the week-end in thirty-six cities throughout the country.

Six were killed in Los Angeles, three in Lincoln, Neb.; two in Glasboro, N. J.; Reading, Pa.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Escanaba, Mich.; Hammond, Ind.; Breckenridge, Minn.; Rutland, Vt., and Syracuse, Kas., and one in Hornell, N. Y.; Pittsburgh, Worcester, Mass.; Watertown, Mass.; Lansing, Mich.; Milwaukee, Chicago, Anderson, Ind.; Cumberland, Ind.; Cincinnati, Circleville, Ohio; Cleveland, Portland, Ore.; Toledo, Kansas City, New York, Nashville, San Francisco and Springfield, Ill.

Eighty-five were injured.

WHY IS WATER CO. PRIVATELY OWNED?

All Cities Larger Than Indianapolis Have Municipally
Operated Systems—What Is Reason?

By JOHN CARSON,
Times Staff Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Why is it that Indianapolis does not own her water system? Or, of more interest, why is it that so few other cities depend upon a privately owned and operated water company?

With Indianapolis having a battle over future water rates, the questions are of interest. Investigation shows the situation in Indianapolis is singular, so singular there must be some reason for it. But Government authorities cannot supply the reason.

According to the detailed census figures for 1919, Indianapolis was the twenty-first city in population rank.

Cupid Fails!

"I DON'T know whether it's cold weather or hard times," but we only had 610 marriage licenses in June," said Miss Margaret Mahoney, deputy county clerk, today.

Last year in June there were 636.

In 1921, the "hard times year," only 574 couples were made happy, but in 1920, "when all the boys had a job," Miss Mahoney issued 736 licenses. That's the record.

"June is the marriage month," said Miss Mahoney, and statistics bear her out.

Only once in the history of Marion county has another month had more licenses issued than June. That was April, 1917.

"War was declared on April 6, that year," said Miss Mahoney. "Any girl that couldn't get married that month never will."

Records show that 540 licenses were issued in April then, and 520 in June. Only 343 were issued in April this year.

Aged Woman Dies

By Times Special
HARTFORD CITY, Ind., July 2.—Mrs. Mahala Malissa Richard, 79, pioneer resident of Wells and Blackford Counties, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ezra Murphy, 204 daughters and one sister survive. Funeral services will be held Wednesday.

FRENCH GRIP ON RUHR TIGHTENS

**RECLAMATION OF
WESTERN LANDS,
HARDING POLICY**

Speech at Spokane Tonight
Will Also Deal With
Irrigation.

By LAWRENCE MARTIN
United News Staff Correspondent
ABOARD PRESIDENT HARD-
ING'S SPECIAL TRAIN EN ROUTE
TO SPOKANE, Wash., July 2.—Problems of developing western irrigation and reclamation and highways transportation will engage President Harding's attention in an address to be delivered in Spokane tonight.

Mr. Harding has strongly defined conviction concerning western development as a national problem which he intends to express. He has in mind three cardinal points around which his entire western policy will revolve:

1. The West must be given the fullest opportunity for development, but it should be self-development as largely as possible and not development through paternalism.

2. Development must never be at the expense of the great natural wonders of the country, such as Yellowstone National Park.

3. Irrigation and reclamation projects must be "followed through" by the Government so that the individuals involved will have a 100 per cent chance to make good on the reclaimed land.

**Veterans' Friend
Goes to Last Rest**



MRS. RUTH CHARLOTTE BUSH WEBER

WAR GOD CLAIMS VICTIM IN DEATH OF LOCAL SINGER

Illness Contracted Overseas
Fatal to Mrs. Ruth Bush
Weber.

Mrs. Ruth Charlotte Bush Weber, 26, 647 Highland Dr., who died late Sunday at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Theodore M. Bush, as a result of pulmonary trouble contracted overseas during the war, will be buried at her birthplace, Kentland, following services at the Bush home Tuesday at 10 a. m. Mrs. Weber became the bride of Andrew Weber, a war veteran, early this year in Pasadena, Cal. Their romance began at Purdue University in 1914, when Weber was a freshman.

Sister of Governor's Secretary
Besides the husband, three sisters, Miss Adah Bush, secretary to Governor McCray; Miss Alice Bush and Mrs. D. E. Griffey, all of Indianapolis, and the mother, survive.

Mrs. Weber sang to eighteen divisions of America's fighting men, sometimes within close range of the enemy's guns. Her illness is traced to exposure to the German gas attacks. On her return to Indianapolis she was instrumental in founding the Indiana unit of the American Women's Overseas League. Hundreds of disabled veterans remember her ministrations in local hospitals.

Mrs. Weber achieved considerable distinction as a coloratura soprano before the war, having studied under several eminent instructors. She was a graduate of Shortridge High School.

Mrs. Weber received an urgent invitation from the Rainbow division a day before her death to attend its reunion here July 13-15. The letter said the convention would not be complete without the presence of the girl who ministered as a "breath from heaven."

An incident which happened in France is one of the many which illustrates why she was so loved by the soldier boys. Hearing that one of her acquaintances from Indianapolis was dangerously wounded, Mrs. Weber, unable to find a conveyance, rode three miles to the hospital on the handlebars of a bicycle to see him.

BISHOP RYAN SUCCEUMBS

Rites for Aged Prelate of Catholic
Church Will Be Held Friday.

By United Press
ALTON, Ill., July 2.—Bishop James Ryan, 75, Roman Catholic bishop of Alton since 1888, died here today after a lingering illness.

He was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1848, and was ordained a priest in 1871.

The bishop will be buried Friday. Bishop Mundelein of Chicago will officiate at the funeral service.

COUNTRY SPEEDERS HELD

Fourteen Arrested in New Crusade—
Squad Out Today.

Fourteen speeders were arrested on country roads around Indianapolis on Sunday night by Sheriff Snider and State police. Squads of police went out again this morning to watch for daylight speeders on country highways.

Fair Weather

By United Press
CHICAGO, July 2.—Fair weather is sure for Shelby, Mont., July 4, the day of the Dempsey-Gibbons fight, the weather bureau said today.

The thunder showers in northern Montana are expected to cease late today or tomorrow.

The main event is scheduled to start at 3 o'clock, mountain standard time, which is 4 o'clock, central standard time.

Advance of Troops in Rhine- land Taken as Sabotage Reprisal.

By United Press
BERLIN, July 2.—Advance of French troops in the Ruhr and Rhineland began at dawn. The move is believed here to be in reprisal for the bomb outrage at Hochfeld bridge Saturday, in which many Belgian soldiers lost their lives.

Westphalen was occupied by the French at 4 a. m. Reports from Schwerte were that a detachment of sixty French cyclists was on its way to that city, while cavalry and infantry advanced in the direction of Hagen.

It is reported the entire Krupp works in the Ruhr has been seized and all work stopped.

The occupied areas have been cut off from the rest of Germany as a result of sanctions following the Hochfeld outrage. No traffic save in foodstuffs, is allowed the Germans.

A typical example of the form reprisals are taking is to be found in the situation at Duisberg. Twenty citizens were arrested and held as hostages; coffee houses and theaters were closed; vehicular traffic is prohibited; pedestrians must keep off the streets from 10 p. m. until 5 a. m.

Every time a train passing through the occupied area comes to a bridge head the German passengers are forced to alight. Then, with their hands held over their heads, they are driven on foot over the bridge ahead of the train and taken aboard on the other side.

The border control has been tightened. Orders have gone out from the forces of occupation that pedestrians attempting to cross the borders of country roads will be shot unceremoniously.

DEFEAT FAILS TO DAUNT HOPES OF CITY AGATE KING

Ross Beaver Returns From
Contest Determined to
Try Again.

"I got skinned this time, but I've got four more years to make good," Ross Beaver, city marionette king, returned Sunday evening from Atlantic City with his mother, Mrs. W. H. Beaver, said today. "I'm only 30 now and I will be eligible until I'm 34."

Ross was eliminated in the national tourney by Sam Schneider, St. Louis who lost out in the final.

"Sam Schneider was a good shot, that's all," Ross continued. "He was better than me, but we played the first game of the match, and I was scared."

Ross was the youngest entrant.

"Words cannot express our appreciation to The Times and the other Scripps-Howard newspapers for the wonderful trip which they gave Ross and me," Mrs. Beaver said. "I want publicly to thank all who made this rare treat possible."

POLICE WARN CHILDREN

One Boy Ordered in Court for Riding
Bicycle on Sidewalk.

One boy was ordered to appear in juvenile court for riding his bicycle on the sidewalk, after striding a small girl, and two others found playing in the streets were given final warnings today by Trafficmen Paul and Owens and Miss Rachel Bray, secretary of the accident prevention bureau.

The three officers have been waging a campaign against accidents.

PENNSY TO GIVE MEDAL

Employees to Be Honored for
usual Acts of Bravery.

Acts of unusual bravery by employees will be publicly recognized by the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Indianapolis office announced today.

Medals will be awarded for attempting to save life, making life an effort to save company property and attempting to prevent accidents under unusual circumstances.

KNUE FUNERAL ARRANGE

Services Will Be Held Tuesday
Beech Grove.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Knue, who died Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. Kennedy, Beech Grove, will be held at the daughter's residence Tuesday, 8 a. m., with burial in St. Joseph cemetery.

Mrs. Knue is survived by six children.

Church Is Leased