

PROGRAM FOR RAINBOW VETS' CONVENTION IS ANNOUNCED

CORONER PROBES FATAL WRECK AT GRADE CROSSING

Man Killed When Interurban Hits Automobile—Other Accidents Reported.

An investigation was being made today by Dr. Paul F. Robinson, coroner, into the accident which caused the death of William Henry Weaver, 48, of 5412 E. Washington St. The accident occurred at 3:10 p. m., Tuesday. Weaver was driving south on Emerson Ave. when his automobile was struck by Union Traction car No. 261, west bound en route from Newcastles.

The automobile was demolished. The interurban stopped 800 feet west of the crossing, and a part of the automobile were strewn for that distance along the tracks.

George McHaffey, 442 N. Davidson St., motor man, suffered cuts on the face from broken glass.

McHaffey said he sounded the whistle 1,000 feet from the crossing. When within 200 feet he saw the automobile approaching at about eighteen miles an hour and saw it was not going to stop, he said. He gave three blasts on the whistle and put on the brakes, he told police.

The motor man's statement was verified by a number of passengers. Funeral will be held Thursday at 2 p. m., at Plummer and Buchanan chapel, 320 N. Illinois St. Burial in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Auto Collides With Car.

William Leibold, 1401 W. Thirty-Fourth St., superintendent of the city bathing beach, at Twenty-Sixth St. and White River, was in the city hospital suffering from a broken arm, cuts and bruises.

Leibold was driving his automobile east on Eighteenth St. and attempted to pass an automobile going in the same direction near the E. and Buchanan chaps. Leibold's automobile met head-on with street car No. 937.

John Galbreath, 1131 E. Fifteenth St., was driving a truck south on Ashland Ave. when rubbish on the truck struck the top of an automobile owned by Dr. H. S. Thurston, 2238 Ashland Ave., parked in front of his house. The top was almost torn off of the automobile.

Driver Is Arrested

Following an accident at Maryland and Missouri Sts., Joseph Leach, 30, of 3330 N. Meridian St., was arrested on charges of drunkenness, operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor, assault and battery, and failing to stop after an accident.

George Brentlinger, 1136 S. Keating Ave., a truck driver for Kingan & Co., told the police Leach backed his automobile into the company's truck.

George Beltz, 2137 N. Capitol Ave., who was driving south on Capitol Ave., turned east on St. Clair St. and drove his automobile on to the sidewalk Tuesday night in an effort to escape hitting Bertrand Smith, colored, 536 Torbett St. Smith was riding a bicycle.

Boy Hurt

Thomas Schnitz, Jeffersonville, was under arrest today charged with improper driving as a result of an accident at Sixty-Second St. and Keystone Ave. Tuesday afternoon.

According to police, Schnitz's car struck an automobile in which W. G. Gullis, Mrs. Ada Hill and Harry Hill, 5, all of 1308 Bellefontaine St., were riding. The boy was slightly hurt.

Alvin Hess, 12, of 1516 N. Alabama St., was slightly cut about the head today when he was knocked down by an automobile driven by Marion Cooper, 22, colored, 2030 Alford St., at N. Alabama and Sixteenth Sts.

Policemen Powers and Pettit arrested Cooper on the charge of carrying concealed weapons. Cooper had in his pocket a revolver and cartridges which he said he was taking downtown to be repaired. Policemen found the gun to be in good working order, they said.

Twenty-Two Members

Leviathan Crew Held

British Charge Men Deserted From Cunard Liners.

SOUTHAMPTON, England, July 11.—Twenty-two members of the crew of the Leviathan which docked yesterday were served with summons on which they were charged with having deserted from British ships, principally Cunard liners. The summons must be returned tomorrow.

PINS TO BE AWARDED

Swimmers Will Receive Prizes From Red Cross.

Miss Helen Cross, director of the Indianapolis Red Cross life saving corps, will award pins to swimmers at the Ringgold swimming pool, 3 p. m. Thursday.

Miss Cross awarded thirty-seven pins to swimmers at the Willard pool, Tuesday. Classes in swimming will close at all pools tomorrow.

Damage Suit Filed

Charles B. Perkins, doing business as W. S. Perkins and Sons in Terre Haute, Ind., has filed a suit today in federal court for \$300 damages for

Committee of Judges in Baby Peggy Motion Picture Contest Is Announced



MURIEL MICHAEL (LEFT) AND PEGGY WILLIS.

The winner of The Indianapolis Times Baby Peggy contest will be determined by three judges. They will be Mrs. Judith Lowry, a member of the Stuart Walker Company, who will represent The Times; Edward W. Hunter, secretary-manager of the Advertising Club of Indianapolis, and Jean Marks, treasurer of the Central Amusement Company, representing Charles W. Olson of the Lyric theater.

All photographs of entrants will be turned over to this committee at the

close of the contest at midnight Friday. Because of the large number of pictures submitted, the committee probably will not be able to announce the winner until the first of next week.

The Times will give \$50 to the winner of the Baby Peggy contest. In addition, there will be second and third awards. The Universal Film Exchange, which distributes the Baby Peggy movies, today received word from Louis Amberg & Son, manufacturers of the Baby Peggy doll, that two of these wonderful dolls will

be given to the second and third winners of the contest. The dolls are life size and say "Ma Ma."

Among the several hundred entrants in the Baby Peggy contest, are: Peggy Willis, 7, 2819 Central Ave., daughter of Dr. E. A. Willis and Muriel Michael, 3, 222 E. Walnut St., daughter of Mrs. Mabel E. Michael. The picture of Miss Willis is by the Drexheimer studio.

Mall or bring to the Baby Peggy Contest Editor of The Times pictures of your entrant. She must not be over 7 years of age.

SPARKS CAUSE OF MOST FIRES, CITY REPORT REVEALS

Loss in Mile Square Is Held Down by Inspection, Riedel Asserts.

Sparks falling on wooden shingle roofs caused the fire department to answer 541 out of the 2,564 alarms in the first six months of 1923, according to report by Jacob E. Riedel, chief of the city bureau of fire prevention to Fire Chief John J. O'Brien today.

The most alarms answered in one twenty-four-hour period was on Feb. 23, when sixty-eight were answered and fifty-seven caused by sparks on shingle roofs.

The estimated fire loss for the six months amounts to \$759,000 on buildings and contents. Riedel reports that within the mile square there were only ninety-eight fires in that period.

Causes of fires within downtown districts were found to be carelessness with matches, three fires, loss \$335; carelessness with cigarettes, fifteen fires, loss \$6,232; defective flues, five fires, loss \$68,976; gasoline explosions, three fires, loss \$85; spontaneous combustion, four fires, loss \$5,938; sparks falling on wooden shingle roofs, 376; cause unknown, eighteen fires, loss \$131,432. The total loss within the mile square was estimated at \$214,131. Riedel said the small number was due to the rigid inspection of the department makes within the area.

The recent fire resistant roof campaign resulted in the elimination of 3,574 wooden shingle roofs, and the bureau asks for the elimination of 10,000 wooden shingle roofs this year.

Building permit reports show that 2,139 re-roof permits were issued in the first six months of 1923.

MOVES IN WATER FIGHT ARE THICK

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said. "When I asked Fred C. Jordan, secretary of the Water Company, for the information he told me he would have to refer it to the people in charge." He did not say whom he meant by the people in charge.

Mayor Shank will speak again at the municipal theater at Brookside Park tonight.

"I am going to tell them something I forgot Tuesday night," he said. "I am going to point out that the public service commission has the right to designate where the books of the company shall be kept. I am going to ask the people if they know any good reason why the books should be kept in Philadelphia, by order of the commission, instead of here. It certainly is a big handicap to the city to have to go to Philadelphia for information."

Ward committeemen and committeewomen will meet at the mayor's office at 7:30 tonight to formulate plans for a city-wide campaign against increased rates. Thursday night they will call their precinct committeemen together in every ward.

John F. Walker, superintendent of street cleaning, was named by Shank to organize the political workers.

So great was the demand for a partisan nature in the campaign, Shank said.

After a conference with the mayor, Walker said the Democratic city organization would be asked to take part in the fight.

"We want the whole city in on this, it is too big and too important for politics," Shank said.

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Husband Asks Help in Search for Wife

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MRS. ANNA M. COOK

George E. Cook, druggist, 3017 Hoyt Ave., has asked police to join his search for his wife, Mrs. Anna M. Cook, 45, who disappeared five days ago.

2,000 more was sent to the printer. Howls of applause and much signing of petitions to lower the present water rate instead of increase it greeted May Shank's five-minute plea to citizens gathered in the municipal theater in Brookside Park yesterday.

Mother laid babies on benches while they signed the petitions circulated by Traffic Man W. E. Paul. The mayor's speech was totally unexpected, but every one of the 2,000 present who had not previously signed affixed signatures to the petitions.

Shank explained what he was about in no uncertain terms. "It's the damndest robbery any one ever tried to pull off in Indianapolis, and there have been several pretty rotten deals handed the public," he said.

"Here's this water company, with headquarters at Philadelphia, asking for an increase of \$600,000 a year. Why, say, 90 per cent of the water they sell us comes down White River and Fall Creek, a gift from God. And they run it down the old canal, which never cost them a cent, but which they put in at a valuation of \$1,500,000, and want us to pay 8 per cent interest on."

"I tell you, Jesse James in his palmy days never touched these birds," shouted the mayor. "I have more respect for Jesse than this gangster, and they don't take any getting at all."

Cheering interrupted the speech at this point. Then Shank repeated the story about one of the public service commission members visiting C. H. Geist, owner of the water company, for two weeks.

"Say, the war's over. Things have got to come down instead of going up," yelled the mayor.

"We'll say they have," answered several voices in the crowd.

DETAILS NOT NECESSARY

Lawyer 'Kids' Public Service Commission Investigation.

Rich sarcasm is contained in a document on file today with the public service commission by an attorney for the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad, defendant in a complaint brought by the Wabash Valley Electric Company. The controversy, is centered in the question of how coal should be shipped to some of the Wabash Valley company's power production plants. The attorney's reply runs thus:

"The defendant does not believe that the kind of locomotive which moves the cars, nor the color of the conductor's cap, nor the kind of badge he wears are at all determinative of

PRINCESS MARIE'S FRIENDS ASK HER RELEASE ON BAIL

Beautiful French Woman, Charged With Husband's Murder, Held in Jail.

By United Press LONDON, July 11.—Friends of beautiful Princess Marie, held in jail charged with the murder of her husband, Prince Ali Fahmy of Egypt, will attempt to obtain her release on bail, it was learned today.

Their efforts probably will be fruitless, as persons held on a charge of murder usually are not permitted to be freed on bond.

The princess was reported about to undergo an operation and if one is necessary, she will be compelled to content herself with a room in the prison hospital.

Authorities do not seem willing to accede to requests of the princess for special privileges. They have granted her only one concession. Yesterday, when she was leaving the hotel for jail, she asked she be permitted to ride in a taxicab instead of the black maria and the police consented.

It was learned today the princess embraced Mohammedism to overcome objections of the prince's family.

The prince was found mortally wounded in his suite at the Savoy hotel yesterday morning.

FREIGHT CARS DERAILED

Passenger train service between Indianapolis and Richmond, Ind., was regular today after being interrupted Tuesday night when three cars of a Pennsylvania freight train were derailed at Dublin Junction, near Richmond.

The derailment caused the rerouting of one passenger train by way of Muncie, Ind. The train arrived at Indianapolis several hours late. Local officials said little damage resulted.

FROM FAR AND NEAR

First State Bank of Shelby, Mont., closed its doors Tuesday morning. It is the second banking institution to close since the Dempsey-Gibbons fight.

Servant hunters were disappointed Tuesday when several hundred Scandinavian immigrant girls in New York declared they were headed for beauty parlor jobs.

Cuba has a population of 3,123,040 as of Dec. 31, 1922, as compared to 2,889,004 Sept. 15, 1919.

German charge d'affaires in Brussels was assaulted in a street Tuesday night by a crowd of citizens.

Herbert Pell, New York State Democratic chairman, declared in a statement in New York Tuesday booze would not be the issue in 1924.

Professor Bazin of the French Academy of Science in Paris, declares common fleas cause spread of cancer.

An earthquake of some severity was felt Tuesday at Biarritz, France.

Giuseppe Borgatti, regarded as one of the best Italian tenors, has become totally blind at his home in Milan.

FATHER REACHES END OF CLEWS IN SEARCH FOR GIRL

Frances Vinnie Webb Now Missing From Home 34 Days.

Len S. Webb, 420 N. Emerson Ave., today once more without a clue in his search for his daughter, Frances Vinnie Webb, 16, missing thirty-four days.

For a time Tuesday information furnished by Mrs. Augusta A. Webb, 1314 Burdall Parkway, who is not related to the missing Miss Webb, seemed to be a clue that would lead to the finding of the missing girl.

In company with a detective Webb investigated the clue. They were told Mrs. Raymond C. Webb, at a picnic dinner in Salem Park, July 4, was introduced to a girl whose name was Webb, and who resembled a picture of Frances which was published in The Indianapolis Times.

Mrs. Webb said that when she attempted to question Miss Webb she walked away.

The searchers were sent to a rooming house at 509 E. Ohio St., where they learned the girl who was at Salem Park was Lomy Elsie Webb, 18, who somewhat resembled the picture of the missing girl.

A nurse girl who was employed by an Indianapolis merchant and who disappeared a week ago, after reading The Times story telling of Frances Webb's disappearance was located today and proved she was not the missing Miss Webb.

Family Seeks Girl Who Left Her Home



ANGELINE WALKER

With a traveling bag full of clothes and about \$30 in her pocket-book, Miss Angeline Walker, 134, daughter of Mrs. S. R. Walker, 534 N. Dearborn St., left home about 2 p. m. Tuesday and has not been heard from since.

NET CLOSES ON 'BOOTLEGGER KING'

By United Press CHICAGO, July 11.—Evidence which John Evans, assistant federal district attorney, declares will enable the Government to halt operations of Lawrence Crowley, alleged "bootlegger king" of Illinois, was seized during a raid on a brewery in Elgin today.

Federal agents, led by Bryce Armstrong, trailed two trucks of beer from the Elgin Ice Products Company to a rural road and seized them, Evans announced.

Evans declared bootlegging activities by Crowley, formerly a Joliet dog-catcher, has amassed a fortune of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Several large business buildings in northern Illinois and a palatial, richly furnished mansion in Joliet.

Wine is still being consumed in important quantities, for it is available on prescription from a physician and also for sacramental purposes. During the year ending Feb. 28, 1923, 7,465,000 gallons of wine were legally consumed in the United States. This amounted to over one-seventh the prohibition normal consumption. Most of this went to Jews, who are authorized to buy a maximum of two gallons a year for each member of their families.

Whisky may be lawfully obtained only on prescription. During 1922 the lawful consumption of whisky was slightly under 2,000,000 gallons, or one-seventy-fifth the normal consumption.

Whisky Drinking Effective

Illicit consumption of whisky, however, is very extensive. While beer and wine are relatively difficult to obtain illegally because of their bulk, whisky is everywhere to be had.

Bootlegging of beer or wine in sufficient quantities to be profitable is extremely difficult. Beer contains more than the legal quantity of alcohol is frequently to be had at near-by breweries, and is also sold at many bars, but the restrictions are sufficient to keep the total consumption down to a very small fraction of the prohibition figure.

The same general situation applies to wine. The high prices men are willing to pay for whisky, in contrast to the amount they will pay for beer and wine, has incited a tremendous trade in illegal whisky and gin.

Much of the illicit whisky and gin is made from grain alcohol now being lawfully manufactured in the United States and diverted from lawful to unlawful channels via flavoring extract, hair tonic, tooth paste and liniment factories. Druggists and chemists also are authorized to withdraw from industrial alcohol plants and bonded warehouses such quantities of grain alcohol as they require.

Alcohol Manufacture Heavy

The Berlin government Tuesday announced wage increases to officials averaging 80 per cent.

Gaston Glass, film star, Louis Gasnier, producer and two women are on trial in two courts.

Automobiles Wanted for Use of Delegates During Three-Day Meeting Beginning Friday—General Pershing Will Be Here Saturday.

Detailed program of the convention of the Rainbow Veterans' Association here Friday, through Sunday, was announced today. The schedule:

Friday, 9 A. M.—Gen. Henri Gouraud, famous French officer, will arrive and be met at Union Station by special committee.

Friday, 2 P. M.—First business session on roof garden of Severin. Governor McCray, Mayor Shank, General Gouraud, speakers.

Friday, 7:30 P. M.—Band concert and boxing show at Washington Park.

Saturday, 9 A. M.—Business session at Palace Theater. Addresses by Gen. John J. Pershing, who will arrive at 11:12 a. m.

Parade at 1:45 P. M.

Saturday, 1:45 P. M.—Parade will move through downtown district from St. Clair Park, headed by Generals Pershing and Gouraud. Gen. Harry B. Smith will be in command. Line of march: Meridian St. around Circle to Washington St., east to New Jersey St., countermarch to West St., where the men will board box cars, reminders of the war, for the Speedway.

Saturday, 4 P. M.—Special fifty-mile race at Speedway.

Saturday, 7 P. M.—Banquet in Manufacturers' building, State fairground.

Sunday, 8:30 A. M.—Automobile tour of city, leaving from Monument.

Sunday, 2:30 P. M.—Memorial services at Cadio Tabernacle.

Pershing to Speak

General Pershing will address a meeting of the National Council Reserve Officers' Association at the Claypool Saturday afternoon. Gen. Henry J. Kelly, who was chairman of the national committee for the Rainbow convention, is president of the association. Pershing will leave Indianapolis at 10:10 p. m. Saturday.

Appeals for automobiles for the use of veterans have been issued by John W. Green, chairman of the automobile committee, and by M. E. Noblet, secretary of the Hoosier Club.

Boy Scouts willing to do special duty are urged to report to Scout headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce before noon Thursday.

Marion County Rainbow men will register at a meeting in Superior Court, room 3, from 6 to 10 p. m. this evening. Byron C. Young, county president, has urged every man to attend the meeting. Samuel D. Miller, general chairman of the citizens committee for the convention, will talk.

Meetings of committee chairmen will be held at the Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, when final details will be checked up.

The Indianapolis Street Railway Company has granted free service to Rainbow men wearing badges.

IS PROHIBITION PROVING SUCCESS?

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the living conditions of the families of men who formerly failed to provide for their wives and children before debauching.

In this series of articles an attempt will be made to record the present situation as regards the legal manufacture and distribution of alcohol and spirits in the United States, and to describe the illicit trade of smugglers and bootleggers. The effect of prohibition on crime, the problems which confront enforcement officers, and the present popular attitude of various important groups of the population will likewise be discussed.

Pro-Volstead Consumption

During the five years before national prohibition became effective, the annual consumption of alcoholic beverages amounted to approximately 2,000,000,000 gallons. Nearly 90 per cent of this was beer, which totaled 2,000,000,000 gallons. Distilled spirits totaled about 150,000,000 gallons and wines about 50,000,000 gallons.

The present consumption of beer is negligible. Beer worthy of the name may only legally be obtained on prescription by a physician.

Wine is still being consumed in important quantities, for it is available on prescription from a physician and also for sacramental purposes. During the year ending Feb. 28, 1923, 7,465,000 gallons of wine were legally consumed in the United States. This amounted to over one-seventh the prohibition normal consumption. Most of this went to Jews, who are authorized to buy a maximum of two gallons a year for each member of their families.

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SHOPPAW GIVES THEORY OF ROTH AND NULL DEATHS

Aide to Winning Pilot Says He Believes Latter Was Tied to Balloon.

Lieut. John W. Shoptaw, aide to Robert S. Olmstead, pilot of the United States Army balloon that won the national elimination balloon race which started at the Speedway July 4, stopped at the Chamber of Commerce this morning en route to Chautauque field, Rantoul, Ill.

"We were certainly sorry to hear about Lieutenant Roth's death," Lieutenant Shoptaw said. "I think they were forced down in the storm. I was talking with Ralph Upson (another pilot) in Detroit recently and we came to the conclusion that in all probability when they were coming down they decided to cut the basket from the bag. Roth stayed in the basket, and Lieutenant Null roped himself to the bag. Of course, when the basket was cut loose the balloon might have shot up about thirty thousand feet. If that was the case Null might have become unconscious from the lack of oxygen and dropped from the bag, falling either into the lake or in some woods."

Had Two Chances for Lives

Lieutenant Shoptaw asserted that if Lieutenant Roth and Lieutenant Null did undertake such a hazard they were taking two chances of being saved whereas if they remained in the basket they had only one chance.

"Under the circumstances I believe that is what I would have done," said Lieutenant Shoptaw.

Lieutenant Shoptaw said that he and Lieutenant Olmstead saw H. E. Honeywell and Roth behind and below them early Thursday morning.

Storm Causes Worry

"We saw the storm approaching," Shoptaw said. "It had us worried. It was a terrific thing. I know Lieutenant Roth got the worst of it. We were worried for ourselves at first but later we became alarmed about Honeywell and Lieutenant Roth."

Lieutenant Shoptaw said that his balloon flew over the entire length of Lake Erie.

Lieutenant Shoptaw asserted they could have flown over Lake Ontario but they were "fed up" on lakes.

"We arbitrated for a while what we should do," Shoptaw said. "Finally we decided to fly close to the ground and let the current take us southeast. We were in danger of being blown back over the lakes when we landed about two and a half miles south of Marilla, N. Y."

Lieutenant Shoptaw expects to sail for Belgium about Aug. 1, where he and Lieutenant Olmstead will represent the United States in the international balloon race at Brussels, Sept. 23. They will use the same balloon.

Olmstead and Shoptaw, had plenty of entertainment including radio returns of the Wenpessy-Gibbons fight, while on the trip.

EXPLOSION TOLL REACHES 12 DEAD

Mother of Ten Children Included in Fatality List.

By United Press EAST ALTON, Ill., July 11.—Twelve lives were lost and twenty-three injured when a ten-pound lump of powder accumulated in the chamber of a de-capping machine exploded at the Western Cartridge Company here Tuesday, sending parts of the machine in every direction,