

WORK ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS TO BE STARTED BY WINTER

CITY COUNCILMEN DECLINE BID TO BUDGET MEETING

Controller Says Administration Cannot Operate Efficiently With Levy Cuts.

If city councilmen continue to refuse to meet with department heads on a 4 1/2-cent cut on the 1924 city tax levy, Joseph L. Hogue, city controller, today said he would cancel the meeting to consider the schedule to-night in his office, and await the arrival of Mayor Shank from Detroit for the next move.

The council Wednesday night made the cut, and notified department heads to come under the \$9,975 levy made within one week or councilmen would slash it themselves.

"We can't cut the budget and maintain public service," said Hogue. "The council will have to cut it and be responsible to the people."

General Levy Cut to 57 Cents

Included in the slicing program was a three-cent cut in the general fund levy, reducing it from 60 to 57 cents; a one-cent cut in the park general fund, making it seven cents, and a half-cent cut in the recreation fund, reducing it to one cent. The total reduction is \$273,000, \$186,000 being from the general fund.

The \$9,975 levy does not include 2 1/2 cents for the park sinking fund, which is handled separately through the county auditor.

Councilmen Claycombe and Ray defended administration requests. They were voted down 5-2 on each request as Councilmen Wise, Thompson, King, Bernd and Bramblett favored reduction. Councilmen Clauer and Buchanan were not present.

Strike General Average.

In determining the general fund, an average was struck. Ray and Claycombe held to the 60-cent levy. Bernd wanted it cut to 53 cents, Bramblett and Wise favored 58 cents, King asked 55 cents, and Thompson 54 cents.

The levy as it stands represents a reduction compared to last year's levy when new funds provided in the 1923 Legislature are eliminated. The new levies, including those from war memorial bond funds and widening and resurfacing of streets, total five cents. This year's levy is \$9,947.23 cents below the figure favored by councilmen for 1924.

John White, representing the Chamber of Commerce, urged that the council "respect the integrity of the budget."

"This budget is adopted, let it stand and don't increase salaries or vote money not provided in the budget," urged White. He referred to appropriations amounting to nearly \$200,000 voted by council this year which were not provided for in the 1923 budget.

HUBBY WANTS DIVORCE

Samuel Robbins, Contractor, Files Charges Against Wife.

Samuel Robbins, a contractor, today filed suit for divorce in Superior Court, alleging that Mrs. Elizabeth Robbins, 821 N. Temple Ave., to whom he married Jan. 30, 1922:

"Cursed and swore at him.

"Said she wished she never had seen him.

"Said she only married him to better herself and had made a bad bargain.

"On the Saturday before the separation, grabbed said plaintiff, shook him, and pushed him into a chair, saying, 'Now I'll give you a talking to,' thereby making life with her unbearable and impossible."

LABOR MEN WILL MEET

By United Press

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Aug. 23.—Alexander Howat, former president of the United Mine Workers of Kansas and W. Z. Foster, radical leader, will visit Eugene V. Debs, Socialist leader, here next week, Debs announced today.

"Just a friendly visit," Debs said.

KILLED BY STREET CAR

By Times Special

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 23.—Harold Winter, 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Winter, was killed by a street car when, in an attempt to save his son from being hit by an automobile, the father pushed the boy on the car tracks.

Missionary to Return

The Rev. Preston S. Hyde and family, who have been visiting in Indianapolis, will return to India Aug. 28, as missionaries of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The Rev. Hyde has been appointed to the faculty of the theological seminary at Bareilly. They will sail for Bombay from Liverpool, England.

Rev. Riser Elected

The Rev. J. S. Riser of Brookfield and Fairland, Ind., was elected moderator of the Indianapolis Baptist Association at its ninety-seventh annual meeting at Brookfield, Ind. The association is composed of Baptist churches outside of Indianapolis in Marion County.

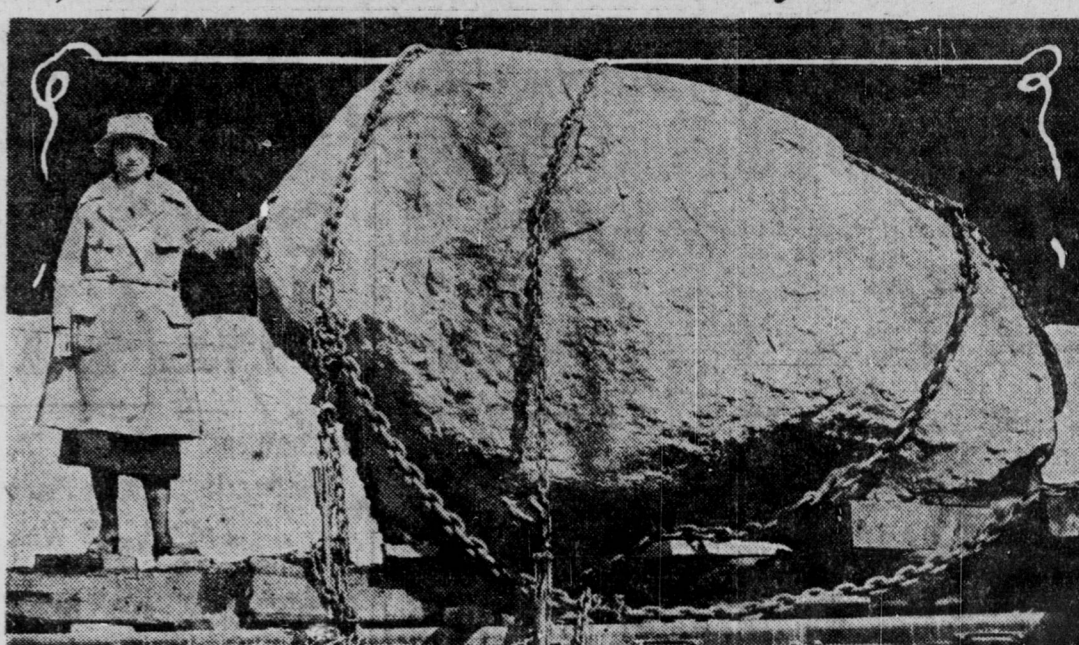
Chef Arrested for Theft

William Robinson, 35, colored, of 825 Muskingum St., a chef at the Claude Smith restaurant, 802 N. Illinois St., was today arrested on charges of petty larceny and vagrancy after Smith told police he saw Robinson take \$10.40 from the restaurant cash register.

Theft of Battery Is Charge

Warren De Pugh, 33, giving his address as "city," was charged by Detective O'Donnell and Radmacher with stealing a \$20 battery from E. J. Watson, 1603 Hoyt Ave.

74,000 Pound Rock Moved Six Miles by Motor Truck



MISS WINIFRED MURPHY AND THE ROCK.

NAZARENES HONOR INDIANAPOLIS MAN

Rev. Short Re-elected Indiana Superintendent.

The Rev. J. W. Short, 5759 Lowell Ave., today was re-elected superintendent of the Indiana district of Nazarene churches, at the annual session of the First Nazarene Church, State and E. Washington Sts. Members of the official board were to be elected late today. Delegates to the general assembly, Sept. 20, in Kansas City, Mo., will be selected Friday.

Evangelist W. E. Shepherd of California delivered a message on Divine healing this morning.

Two hundred seventy-nine delegates are registered. An evangelistic service will be conducted by the Rev. I. G. Martin of Pasadena, Cal., to-night.

TWO KILLED IN FAMILY BATTLE

Fatal Fight Occurs on Michigan-Farm.

By United Press

SODUS, Mich., Aug. 23.—Two persons are dead and a third seriously wounded as the result of a desperate battle staged on a lonely farm near here yesterday.

A shotgun, a rifle and a pitchfork were the weapons used in the fatal fray, in which John Garrett, 74, shot and killed his daughter, Mrs. Ada Rechter, 44; wounded his son-in-law, Henry Rechter, 48, and was himself slain by Rechter.

The aged man, said to have been crazed by the thought of leaving the "old homestead," attacked his daughter with a shotgun. She fled to the barn, seeking the protection of her husband. Rechter seized a pitchfork and attempted to ward off the deranged father. In the melee Mrs. Rechter was fatally shot. Rechter wounded and Garrett gained possession of the pitchfork. With it, he chased Rechter to the house, where he obtained a rifle and killed his father-in-law.

P. O. CAFETERIA TO OPEN

Indianapolis Will Have First Eating Place Owned by U. S. Employees

The first cafeteria in the United States owned and operated by Federal employees will be opened formally Aug. 27, in the basement of the post office.

Invitations have been extended to United States Senators James E. Watson and Samuel M. Ralston and Congressman Merrill Moores, and to families of all Federal employees.

The cafeteria idea originated with the postoffice service relations council. Practically every local employee subscribed to stock in the operating company. The cafeteria will be for the exclusive use of Federal employees.

Heavy Load Cuts Pavement

W. S. Frye, transfer man, and John Van Cleave, 810 E. Harmon St., one of his drivers, today were ordered into city court to explain alleged cutting of asphalt pavement at South and New Jersey Sts. by a 16,000-pound load on a Frye vehicle.

FROM FAR AND NEAR

The Cuban government has paid the final installment of its war debt to the United States, \$6,988,000. Cuba is the first country to pay in full.

The Department of Justice has launched a drive against fake stock salesmen.

Another eight-seating bus plunged over a precipice in the Alps. One man was killed.

It has been reported the Prince of Wales will marry Lady Mary Beatrice Thyne.

Former Chancellor Cuno of Germany is planning to visit the United States next month. He will study shipping.

Crossed wires caused a \$50,000 fire in the store of the Child's Fur Company in the Chicago loop district.

Secretary of the Interior Work has written letters supporting President

Coolidge as the Republican nominee in 1924.

President Obregon declared Mexico will be dry within ten years.

Gen. Henri Gouraud, who visited Indianapolis recently, has sailed for France.

Former Congressman Volstead precipitated a lively scene in a prohibition conference at Copenhagen when he declared the dry law had decreased crime 20 per cent in the United States.

The Japanese government has announced it will begin at once the scrapping of warships under the disarmament pact.

The estate of Alonzo Barton Hepburn, New York banker, who died recently, is estimated at \$7,000,000.

Lassen peak, California volcano, reported active for a short time, again is quiet.

WATER FAMINE LOSS IS HEAVY

Omaha Industries Close—Epidemic Is Feared.

By United Press

OMAHA, Aug. 23.—With 15,000 men out of employment because of a shutdown of industries, the economic loss in Omaha's "water famine" was today declared to have amounted to more than \$8,000,000.

Dr. A. M. Pinto, city health commissioner, also warned that danger of a typhoid epidemic is increasing hourly. The famine was caused by a Missouri River cave-in which filled city mains with mud Tuesday.

Citizens today continued to obtain their principal water supply from a fire-hose stretched from Council Bluffs. Although a slight improvement was noticeable in the city mains, the supply is still 40 per cent mud. Relief is not expected for several days.

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RIKHOFF SCORES 'INDEPENDENCE' OF WARRANT SERVER

Boy Must Appear in Court Before Charge Can Be Dismissed.

With investigation, being conducted by Police Chief Herman F. Rikhoft under way and with Lieut. Arthur McGee and Patrolman Harvey Bedford under orders to appear in his office today to explain details surrounding the mysterious filing of "murder" warrant registered at police headquarters early Tuesday the end of the police inquiry is near at hand.

The warrant, charging a youth now in Colfax, Ind., with the stabbing of Robert Watson, 19, of 215 Richland St., while Watson and his assailant were holding a conversation in the rear of 221 N. Richland St., one week ago today, was found groundless when Lieutenant McGee, who journeyed to Colfax, Tuesday, came back to Indianapolis satisfied with the alibi presented by the youth.

Left Without Telling.

After preliminary investigation, Rikhoft said he discovered McGee filed the warrant and left without telling superior officers where or why he was going.

"This," said Rikhoft, "was a violation of the order issued some time ago to the department after it was discovered that men were leaving the city and taking part in celebrations and meetings, which kept them unavailable for emergency needs of the local department."

"McGee would never have left here with that kind of warrant," said the police chief. "If he had told me. That is a serious charge and I hate to feel that a member of this department would conduct such a case in such a manner that I have to get my information in second-hand manner and by rumor. Why, from what I hear, he seems to have acted as prosecutor, judge, policeman and every McGee may be permitted to withdraw the warrant instead of taking it into court to be dismissed, as is usual, the chief indicated."

Rikhoft Surprised

Sergeant Melvin Wilkerson of the police emergency squad, who investigated the stabbing immediately after it was reported to police and who filed all warrants, said today that he merely saw the warrant when it was brought to him and requested that he be placed on the case, as is customary.

When Patrolman Bedford was mentioned in the case, Chief Rikhoft said: "Why, that fellow has been off sick. If he is too sick to do police duty, it seems funny he should be able to go with McGee. Books at the captain's office show Bedford was excused the night of Aug. 5, and, after working two nights, reported off sick Aug. 8, and has not been on duty since."

In the last week 584 persons have been charged with failing to have city licenses.

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One of the most interesting stamps is the 24-cent inverted airplane stamp. Due to a mistake in printing, very few were circulated. Collectors value them at \$1,500 apiece.

RARE STAMP COLLECTION

Government to Make First Display in U. S. in This City.

A Government stamp collection will be on display in a downtown window next Thursday, according to a letter received by Robert H. Bryson, postmaster, from Harry S. New, Postmaster General, today.

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Board Hopes to Award Contracts About Oct. 1—Advertising on Bids, Which Must Run Three Weeks, Probably Will Be Ordered Next Tuesday.

Construction of additions and new buildings at eight public schools will be well under way by winter, if plans of school officials are carried out.

Following the sweeping victory of the school board in its fight for additional school facilities, at a hearing before the State tax board on a building bond issue of \$1,650,000 Wednesday, plans were under way today to award contracts about Oct. 1.

Bids for the buildings probably will be ordered advertised at the school board meeting Tuesday night, according to Richard O. Johnson, business director. Ten days later, the bond issue will be advertised. The law requires that the advertisements cover a

period of three weeks.

Buildings bids will be received about Sept. 20 and bond bids, about Oct. 1. In the interim, the bids will be submitted to the tax board for approval, under an agreement reached at the hearing Wednesday.

If the tax board approves the bids for the buildings, contracts will be awarded immediately after the bond bids are received.

In order to facilitate the construction of the new buildings, Johnson said he would submit plans and specifications to the State board of health, the State board of accounts and the city building inspector before Tuesday.

PRIVATE SHOW FOR TIMES' CARRIERS

Secretary of State and Herb Jennings Unite to Entertain Young Local Salesmen.

The doors of the Palace Theater will open wide at 10 a. m. Friday to receive 1,000 Indianapolis Times carriers and helpers for a big private show.

No one is too busy these days to give any industrious lad of Indianapolis an hour or two of solid enjoyment.

"Bring The Times boys over, every one of them," said Herb Jennings, manager of the Palace. "We will give them a show and a real one."

"We will call it 'Mystery Morning at the Palace,' and any Times boy who can predict what he is going to see will be given two tickets to this theater," Jennings said.

The boys are ready to "advance" on the Palace promptly at 10 o'clock Friday morning. One thousand strong, they will march to the theater.

The big "mystery show" at the Palace will be a fitting close to the summer activities of The Times carriers and helpers. There have been picnics, swims, baseball, circuses and all of that, but the boys wanted to wind up with a theater party. So Herb Jennings and the Palace came to the rescue.

Ed Jackson, secretary of State, who knows boy life and appreciates the training the lads are getting along the lines of salesmanship in selling papers, will talk to the boys for a few minutes from the stage of the Palace.

With the aid of the secretary of State and Manager Jennings, the boys are going to have both a profitable and enjoyable morning.

who appeared at the home of Prosecutor Henry early Tuesday morning and requested a warrant and who were refused it because they were not police officers. They returned later with Lie