

UNITED STATES HAS MORE CRIME THAN OTHER COUNTRIES

BICYCLIST, STRUCK BY CAR, RECEIVES SLIGHT INJURIES

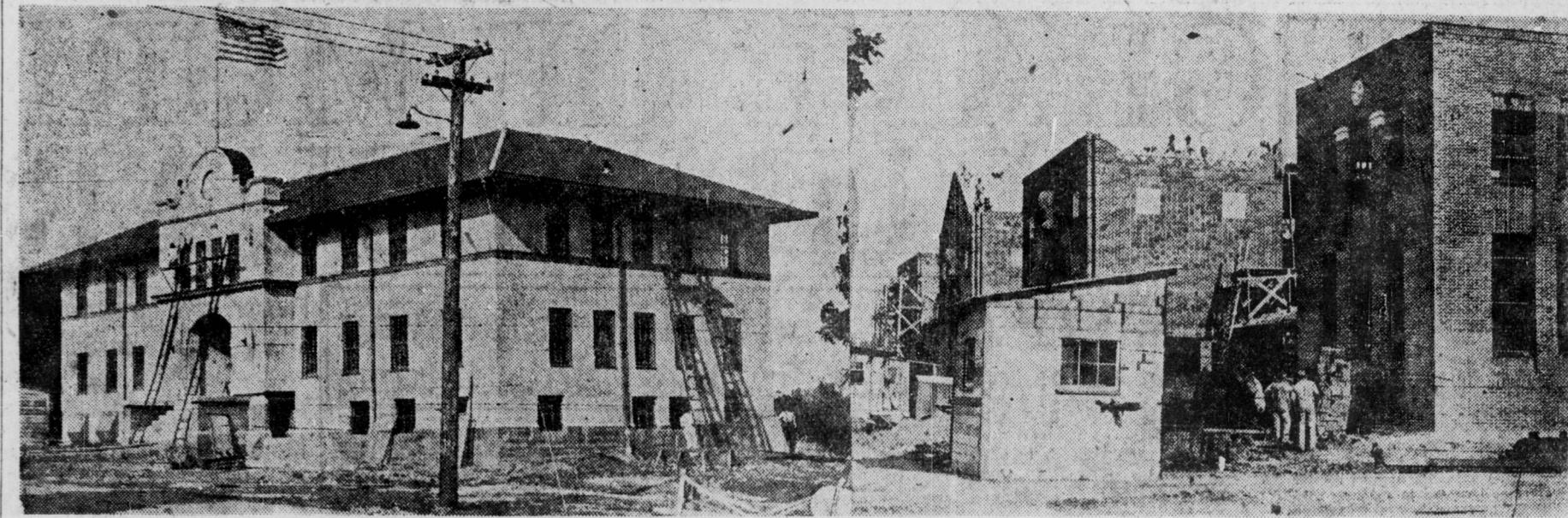
Aged Lady in Auto Mishap Refuses to Divulge Identity.

George Anderson, 311 W. Seventeenth St., was slightly injured when a bicycle on which he was riding west on Twenty-First St. was struck by an automobile driven north on Meridian St. by A. J. Drapalik, 2246 Kenwood Ave. Anderson was taken home.

20 Persons
killed in automobile accidents in Marion County this year.

1167 have been injured in traffic accidents. It is your duty to make the streets safe.

Work Rushed to Complete New Fairground Buildings by Monday



STATE FAIR INN HOTEL AND NEW SWINE BUILDING.

DIRECT TAXATION TO PAY FOR SOME SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Board of Education Asks Increased Levy—Shortridge on Program.

An aggressive building program which will transfer more than 5,000 Indianapolis school children from portables and temporary shacks into modern, fireproof, sanitary buildings, is provided in the tentative budget of the school board for the coming year.

The budget, which was discussed at a school board meeting Tuesday night, will come up for final consideration next month.

For the first time in many years direct taxation instead of bond issues will be resorted to in an effort to relieve overcrowded high schools of the city, if the present budget is adopted.

Provision is made for \$350,000 for a new Shortridge building at Thirty-Fourth and Pennsylvania Sts.; \$200,000 to complete plans made several years ago for Emmerich Manual Training High School, and \$4,000 each for preliminary work on a new high school and a new colored high school.

\$1,650,000 for Buildings

The budget, which amounts to \$323,747.99, includes a bond issue of \$1,650,000 for the erection of additions and new buildings at eight public schools.

Of the total budget, \$6,682,747.99 must be raised by direct taxation, compared with the \$17,139,154.40 this year. This would give a tax rate of \$1.077, figured on the basis of \$62,000 for each 1 cent of levy. The present tax levy is \$8.3 cents.

Excluding the high school construction items, the budget provides for decreases in practically every department except the instruction department. Sharp cuts will be made in the operation and maintenance of buildings, coordinate activities, library maintenance and operation, debt service and administration.

SCHOOL POPULATION, FACTOR

An increase of more than \$300,000 has been provided for the instruction department. This is due, it was explained, to the increase of school population and the annexation of Broad Ripple.

The annual budgeted for the instruction department, including teachers' salaries, is \$3,876,251.67, by far the largest budget item.

All figures in the present budget are tentative, subject to final adoption.

BID ADVERTISEMENTS ORDERED

Advertisements were ordered for bids of eight new grade school buildings and additions. In accordance with the agreement made with the State tax board, R. O. Johnson, business manager, will advertise for bids in three groups, ten days apart.

In about three weeks bids for three buildings will be received. Ten days later bids for three more will be opened, and ten days after that bids for the remaining two buildings will be received shortly after those for the last buildings.

HAULERS INCORPORATE

Articles of incorporation have been filed by the P. & A. Dispatch, Inc., long-distance haulers. The principal office is at Clermont, Ind. Directors are J. Furnas, C. Earl Armstrong and E. McDermott, all of Indianapolis. A branch is at 1005 People's Bank building.

HOME IS RAIDED

About two gallons of whisky and a copper still were seized by Lieut. Hudson and squad in a raid at the home of Frank Phillips, 24 S. LaSalle St., Monday night. The still was concealed beneath the floor and was found with means of a trap door, police said.

SCOTCH?

By United Press LONDON, Aug. 29.—President Harding's death was accelerated by the fact that he thought it duty to "abstain from his accustomed occasional drink of Scotch," former Governor Sprout of Pennsylvania said in an interview published in the Evening Star.

"I think President Harding's death was accelerated by the fact that he thought it duty, because of prohibition to set a public example and abstain from his accustomed, occasional drink of Scotch," Sprout said.

"It was his personal friend and I know—and in that laborious last trip to Alaska I am sure he

Klan School Negotiations

Ku-Klux Klan officials are expected to go to Valparaiso, Ind., late this week to resume negotiations for taking over Valparaiso University. Negotiations were halted here Tuesday to

allow a study of certain legal phases, according to Milton Elford, editor of

the Indiana Daily Star.

Elford said the Klan's demands

Walkers Have Beastly Time, But They Stop for Tea

By United Press

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Two distinguished members of the British Parliament have nearly wrecked themselves in a twenty-three and one-half mile walking marathon, during which both collapsed.

Frank Gray, Liberal member of Commons, and 42 years old, had challenged Capt. Charles Ainsworth, Conservative, aged 49, for the endurance contest.

They picked a route from Banbury to Oxford and started out, each carrying a full infantryman's pack of 90 pounds and shouldering a rifle by way of additional handicap.

As they plodded out along the quiet

Oxfordshire roads they marched with gallant step. The wives of both men followed in automobiles, and for the first five miles kept up gay banter to cheer them on.

Then the going grew harder. The lanes seemed longer between the hedgerows, and a halt was made for tea. The little hills that had seemed so rolling in the dawn began to look like mountains by noon.

Conversation ceased, as both men became groggy from weariness. Beyond the eighteenth mile both men were exhausted, frequently stumbling.

Both Gray and Ainsworth collapsed entirely several times during these last miles, and were revived by tots

will be served there throughout the year.

Another new structure is the swine building. The building is spacious, of brick construction, with iron pens for the porkers. Contractors fear the building will not be entirely completed, but it will be used nevertheless, it was said.

ELKS ASSEMBLE FOR STATE MEET AT FT. WAYNE

Indiana 'Brother Bills' Are Welcomed With Open Arms.

By United Press

FT. WAYNE, Ind., Aug. 29.—Brother Bill's in town.

With open arms Ft. Wayne late yesterday afternoon and last night welcomed the first of the gathered brethren here to attend the annual State convention of the Elks of Indiana.

The local reception committee met the last of the national officers this noon and escorted them to the Anthony Hotel, where luncheon was served and short talks given by each of the national officers. This marked the beginning of the elaborate program which has been arranged for the two-day session.

James G. McFarland of Watertown, S. D., grand exalted ruler, arrived this morning from Erie, Pa., where he had been attending the Pennsylvania-Ohio Convention.

A last minute change in plans has been the postponement of the street parade, from noon today to 7 o'clock this evening when the various lodges will assemble their marching ranks at the temple and fall in line for a march through the principal streets.

A feature of today's program is the special arrangement for the entertainment of visiting Elk ladies. While the business session was being conducted at the temple, the ladies were entertained at the Country Club, following a sightseeing tour of the city.

From 9 to 12 o'clock this evening a dance for the Elks and their wives will be given at the country club. A public dance will be given on Wayne street, at 8 o'clock, free to everyone.

Report to American Bar Association Shows Startling Condition—Uniform Criminal Code Throughout Nation Is Sought by Organization.

By NEA Service MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 29.—The criminal situation in the United States, so far as crimes of violence are concerned, is worse than in any other civilized country.

That cold statement comes flatly out of the meeting of the American Bar Association, now in three-day session here.

BISHOP ENTREATS THAT METHODISTS KEEP CENTENARY

State Letter Is Sent appealing for New Church Funds.

An appeal to continue support of church benevolences now that the five-year payments of Methodist centenary pledges are almost completed is made by Bishop F. D. Leete, diocesan bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in this statement to the Indianapolis area:

"All our lives, we Methodist people have been giving to the benevolent causes of our church, to missions, education and others. We pledged to do this when we joined the church and we have done it."

WORK SHOULD CONTINUE

Since the war, our people have given to the benevolent interests many times greater sums than before.

Pledges were made covering a five-year period, and they are now coming to the end of the time covered.

"The general population of the United States for the years 1910 until 1922 increased 14.9 per cent; the criminal population increased 16.6 per cent.

"Behind every defect in the enforcement of our laws, more dangerous than any other factor in accounting for the number of crimes committed in this country is the apathy and indifference of the American people.

"The largest proportion of the criminal increase is found in crimes accompanied with violence.

"There exists in nearly every State of the union a lack of vigorous enforcement of the criminal laws.

"The means provided in the United States for coping with crime and criminals are today neither adequate nor efficient.

WHAT IT LACKS

"The committee contents itself with reporting first, the situation of law enforcement in this country, second, the situation in two other countries for the purpose of measurement or comparison, third, the chief respects in which the machinery of law enforcement in England and France differs from our own, together with the immediate results of this difference.

"The system in the United States lacks in the three great essentials for law enforcement: clarity, certainty and finality."

Then the report launches into a comparative mood.

"There were seventeen murders in London last year and not one of these crimes was unsolved.

"It is estimated 7,850 murders were committed in the United States last year. During 1921 there were 260 murders in New York and 137 in Chicago. In the same year throughout all England and Wales there were sixty-three murders.

INSTALLMENT PLAN

"We learned that the prison population in England has been steadily decreasing since 1876, the later period marking a high point at the time when the simplification of the English criminal procedure laws began to be effective.

"One of the striking reasons for this is the fact that it has been made possible for anyone sentenced to a fine to obtain extension of time for its payment at the discretion of the magistrate and a defendant may even pay his fine in installments.

"Briefly the committee finds that the speedy trials given the criminals is largely responsible for the low crime rate in Great Britain.

"The continual appearance of cases and reversals by the upper courts are practically unknown to English justice."

The report shows that in France in 1919, last available figures, there were 588 murders and 121 robberies. This was from a population of 40,000,000.

EXILED FROM FRANCE

Contrasting this, figures show that in forty-eight cities of this country, comprising 21,000,000 population, there occurred 1,562 murders, while in New York alone robberies numbered 1,427, Chicago 1,882. Even in Louisville, Ky., with 241 robberies, there were more than in entire France.

"It is not without plain significance that the laws of France carefully plan and in extreme cases scientifically apply disgrace and exile as a penalty," the report reads. "This recognizes a dominant trait in the French character, his love for his native town and his love for France. Exile is one of the most drastic penalties imposed.

"In accounting for the smaller number of crimes in France, too, it must be remembered that 35,000,000 out of the 40,000,000 people live in small villages where their ancestors have lived for generations, and where every act is carefully scrutinized."

The chairman of the committee, Charles C. Whitman, former governor of New York, together with Judge Marcus Kavanaugh of Chicago and Wade H. Ellis of Washington, D. C., spent some time in England and France this past spring, studying the practical application of the criminal laws.

Other members of the committee are: Charles W. Farnham, St. Paul, and Mrs. Annette Abbott Adams of San Francisco.

DAY'S WORK DISCUSSED

H. F. Pavey of Hibben, Hollweg & Company, will lead a discussion on "How a Credit Man Plans His Day's Work" at the luncheon of the Indianapolis Association of Credit Men at the Claypool Thursday. Every member will be called upon to tell his story.

The association held a picnic at Broad Ripple park late today.

DEPUTY SHERIFF REPORTED SHOT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 29.—Reports were here today that a deputy sheriff of Porter County had been shot by a liquor runner. It is said his

body was found in a field near the Claypool Thursday. Every member will be called upon to tell his story.

Wednesday morning, Elder C. S. West, president of the Indiana Con-

FROM FAR AND NEAR

Col. W. N. Haskell in a report to the American Relief Committee declared communism is dead in Russia.

By leaping through a train window while handcuffed, two prisoners escaped at Salisbury, N. C.

An earthquake lasting an hour was recorded on a seismograph at Tucson, Ariz. The location was not determined.

Illinois has thus far been unable to sell bonds to raise money for the State soldier bonus.

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