

# GRONINGER SAYS FIRE UNDERWRITERS SHOW INEFFICIENCY

## PROGRAM FOR WEST BADEN GOVERNORS' MEET ANNOUNCED

Executives to Go to Washington to Attend Coolidge's Conference.

Tentative program for the fifteenth annual Governors' conference at West Baden, Oct. 17 to 19, was announced today by Governor McCray. Immediately following the meeting a special train will take the executives to President Coolidge's conference at Washington, Oct. 20.

The program: Wednesday, Oct. 17—Assembly at Statehouse. Motor trip to West Baden over Indiana highways. Luncheon at West Baden Hotel. Address of welcome by Governor McCray. Response by Gov. Cameron W. Morrison, North Carolina. "Taxation," Gov. Ephraim F. Morgan of West Virginia.

Thursday—"Wheat in the Nation's Business," Governor R. A. Nestos, North Dakota. Address by Governor John M. Parker, Louisiana. "Executive Clemency and the Parole System," Governor William E. Sweet, Colorado. "Uniformity of Legislation," Nathan M. McChesney, president of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

Friday—Water Power Development and Interstate Exchange of Hydro-Electric Power," Governor Gifford Pinchot, Pennsylvania. "Railroad Valuation and the State's Obligation," Governor John J. Blaine, Wisconsin.

## SEX OF 'FREDDIE' IS ISSUE IN TRIAL

X-Ray and Medical Experts Used to Establish Fact.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 3.—X-ray photographs and medical experts will be produced in court today to prove "Freddie" Thompson "man-woman," accused of killing Richard T. Tesmer in a hold-up, is a woman.

Frank Carrick, "husband" of the accused, was excused when he testified he had been married to "Freddie" for thirteen years.

Mrs. Tesmer, widow of the victim, identified "Freddie" as the person who fired the fatal shots.

"Freddie" now is wearing "half-and-half" attire, consisting of roomy ponce trousers, sheer silk shirt open at the throat, gray silk stockings and dainty shoes.

## AUTO CRASH KILLS MUNCIE WOMAN

Football Player Injured When Machine Hits Tree.

MUNCIE, Ind., Oct. 3.—Matilda Thompson, 24, was killed instantly and Jess Lawson, 28, widely known in Indiana as an independent football player, suffered a broken leg and internal injuries at 4 a. m. when their automobile failed to make a turn near the business district and struck a tree.

Miss Thompson was caught in the wreckage, her head being crushed. Lawson was thrown into an adjoining yard. Miss Thompson is the eleventh person killed in automobile accidents in Delaware County this year.

## BOARD TO REVIEW BIDS

Special Meeting Thursday to Consider School Buildings.

Bids on new buildings at public schools No. 75, 62 and 70, received last week, will be taken at a special school board meeting Thursday. It is believed all bids but the two lowest for all classes of work will be rejected.

## FIREMEN HOLD MEET

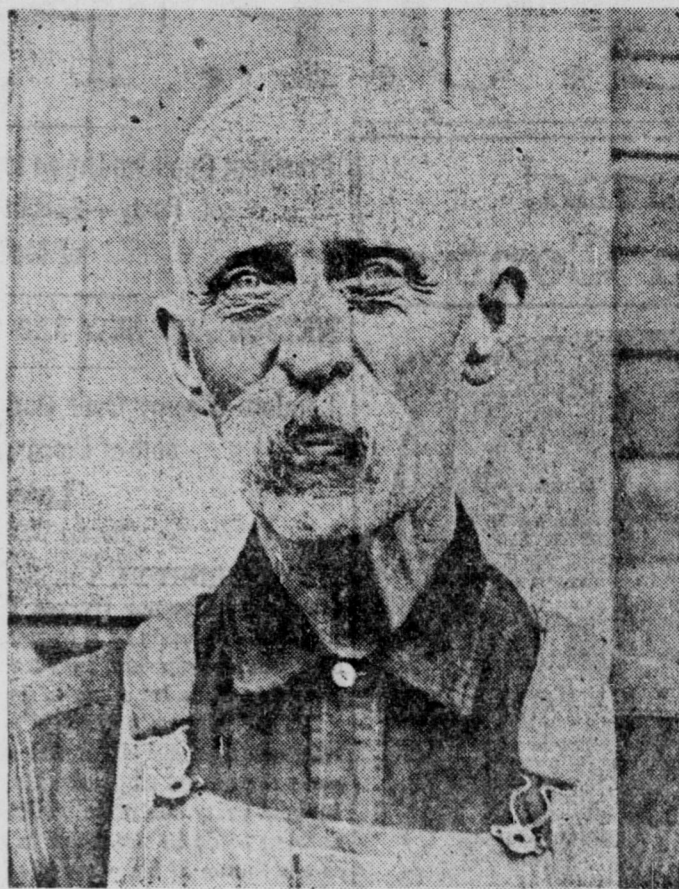
Show Progress of Fire Fighting at Times Bend Centennial.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Oct. 3.—Firemen from all over the State, attending their annual convention here, took a prominent part in South Bend's centennial parade today in a historical pageant depicting the progress in fire fighting in the last hundred years.

The convention will adjourn tonight with the selection of the new convention city and the election of officers.

This Bill Will Be Paid  
County commissioners today were ordered to honor claims of \$2,030.59 whenever presented by the Aetna Cabinet Company. The order was given by Superior Judge James M. Leathers, who told the company to remodel and decorate his courtroom when the commissioners refused to spend \$2,000 appropriated by the county council for that purpose. Architects Rubush and Hunter will be paid \$21.82 under the mandate on the commissioners, auditor and treasurer.

## Here's a Man You Just Can't Keep Out of Work



LOUIS M. RUMMELLS

PENSION from the Big Four railroad for thirty-one years of service as stationary engineer didn't fool Louis M. Rummells, 70, of 404 E. Louisiana St., into thinking he should retire. He quit work Sunday, at 3 a. m. Tuesday he was furiously scrubbing steps, as janitor, at the Van Buren Apartments, 310 N. Delaware St.

"Work is what keeps me in good health," he said.

A committee Monday evening presented him with a meerschaum pipe, ash tray and holder and \$50 in cash, gifts of 210 of his friends in the shop.

"Boys, I gladly accept the pipe and tray but give the money to someone who needs it."

When he was prevailed upon to accept, he said, "But remember, boys, it's the friendship I appreciate the most."

## ALLEGED FORGER DRAWS SENTENCE

'Smoothest Criminal in a Long Time,' Says Prosecutor.

H. C. Lane, 59, was sentenced to two to fourteen years at the State Prison and fined \$1,000 by Judge James A. Collins today on charges of cashing a fraudulent check for \$2,000 at the Commercial National Bank in 1921.

F. E. Miller, superintendent of the local Pinkerton detective office, introduced evidence that Lane, whose real name is J. Milligan, has "served time" for forgery in the Louisiana, Texas, and Iowa State prisons.

"Lane is the smoothest criminal we have had in criminal court for a long time," said William Henry, deputy prosecutor. "He is a real catch."

## California Is Boastful of Pacific Ave.

CALIFORNIA have another achievement to boast about. Not only they, but all who live along the West Coast.

It is Pacific avenue, running the whole length of the Pacific coast and beyond, from Canada to Mexico. It is the longest paved street in the world, says the proud inhabitants along it. It is 1,476 miles long, and 6,622,921 persons—yes, they've been counted—live along its meandering way.

The traveler, may, if he wish, gamble at one end—The Juana—and drink without restraint at the other—Vancouver. The road, mostly of concrete, leads him from the Golden City of Oil and Movies to San Francisco and on to thousands of acres of California plains, up into the Siskiyou mountains, past beautiful Mt. Shasta, close to Crater Lake, the Oregon annuals, Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and Vancouver.

On the trip he can see everything and get thrills galore. Glaring cable cars, oil wells, the ocean, movie stars, mountains, a volcano, a marvelously blue lake on top of mountain, wild animals, Mt. Hood, the Oregon beaches, salmon, the rose festival, Seattle polich, big trees, hills, waterfalls, rivers—and all from a room as smooth as mother's knee.

## William E. Henkle New Rotary Leader



WILLIAM E. HENKLE  
The Rotary Club will be directed for a year by William E. Henkle. He was elected president Tuesday evening.

## MRS. PORTEUS FURNISHES BAIL

Woman Questioned in Bank Robbery Probe at Liberty.

Mrs. Luella Porteus, 440 N. Pennsylvania St., held on a vagrancy charge in the investigation of the \$41,000 securities robbery of the Indiana State Bank, has been released under \$1,000 bond signed by Mrs. Elta Brown, 15 S. Belmont Ave., detectives announced today.

Miss Goldie Derrickson, Muncie, Ind., arrested the same day as Mrs. Porteus, after Detectives Roach, Posatti and McMurtry said they had found that the women had written letters to Milton Joyner, alias Rex Forsythe, suspect in the robbery, held at Wilmington, Ohio, still is in jail.

According to detectives, Miss Derrickson said Joyner had left \$37,000 worth of securities in her possession for several hours a day or two following the robbery here.

Stolen Receipt Received  
Jesse Lackey, 3144 Martindale Ave., reported his house was ransacked Tuesday. A receipt, stolen with \$28 from his home Sunday, was found on the buffet. Cora Page, 4333 McCarty St., reported her house was entered by thieves who obtained clothes valued at \$20.

12 Diphtheria Cases Reported  
Twelve diphtheria cases in the city have been reported in three days. Five or six cases have been reported daily for the past ten days. Health officials said the situation was much better than usual.

Merchant Confesses Murder  
By United Press  
EUREKA, Cal., Oct. 3.—Alex Kels, wealthy merchant of Lodi, today confessed he murdered an aged man and burned the body to appear as his own in a wrecked automobile in an effort to collect \$100,000 insurance.

## Fight for Lower Insurance Rates in Indianapolis Continues Before State Board—Kingston Denies Charges Against City Department.

Charges that the National Board of Fire Underwriters, in penalizing insurance rating of Indianapolis for inefficient electrical inspection, admit their own inefficiency, inasmuch as the electrical inspection is made by underwriter representatives, were made today by Taylor E. Groninger, city corporation counsel, in cross-questioning L. W. Evans, the underwriters' building inspector, at a hearing for lower fire insurance rates before the State insurance department.

Evans said he had docked the city ten points for faulty garage construction, but admitted that he had not obtained his information first-hand, but through the State fire marshal's office. The attitude of Thomas S. McMurray, State insurance commissioner, was toward acceptance of his department's survey, which would mean a substantial reduction in local fire insurance rates. Clarence Goldsmith, assistant chief engineer for the insurance companies, introduced evidence to show weather conditions greatly increase fire hazards.

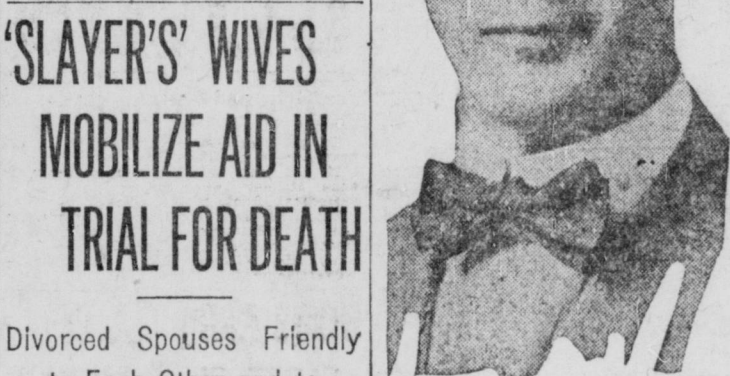
Denial of charges of "inefficiency," "outside influences" and "politics" in operation of the Indianapolis fire department was made by Ernest L. Kingston, president of the board of safety, today.

Charges were made by Charles A. Whitney, engineer for the underwriters.

"These charges are made by men to protect the company they represent by higher insurance rates. They pick flaws in every fire department for the same reason," Kingston said. "We can answer any charge."

Underwriters are resisting the commissioners' proposal to lower rates by advancing Indianapolis from Class 2 to Class 1 1/2.

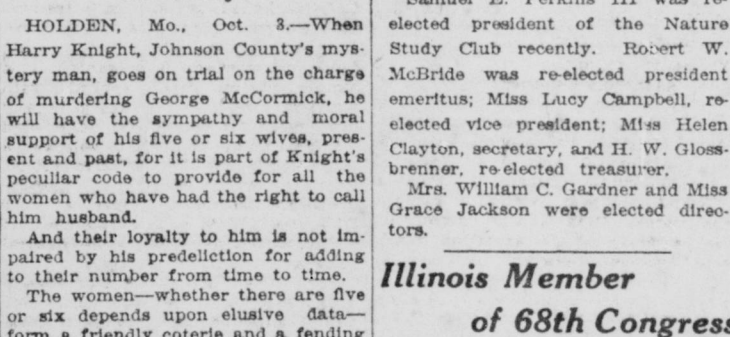
Samuel E. Perkins III  
Again Heads Club



SAMUEL E. PERKINS III  
Samuel E. Perkins III was re-elected president of the Nature Study Club recently. Robert W. McBride was re-elected president emeritus; Miss Lucy Campbell, re-elected vice president; Miss Helen Clayton, secretary, and H. W. Gloss-brunner, re-elected treasurer.

Mrs. William C. Gardner and Miss Grace Jackson were elected directors.

Illinois Member of 68th Congress



Here is Representative William E. Hull of Peoria, Ill., who succeeds Clifford Ireland in the next or Sixty-Eighth Congress.

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By United Press  
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Twenty Dollars for Speeding  
Charged with driving thirty miles an hour when caught by police Tuesday, Walter Apple, 1030 N. Meridian St., was fined \$20 and costs today in city court.

Her Dahlias Capture Sweepstake Award

The Bankers' Trust Company's Dahlias cup went to Mrs. Charles M. Cross.

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M. Cross, 322 Downey Ave. Her display of George Walter dahlias captured the first award in the annual sweepstakes conducted by the bank. She is shown with some of the gorgeous flowers.

## BOY, 6, REVEALS FATHER'S CRIME AS JURY ACQUITS

Child's Innocent Chatter Causes Arrest on Murder Charge.

CHICAGO, Oct. 3.—"Johnny" Penzanick, 6 years old, was led into the office of Assistant State's Attorney William J. Grace, next to the juvenile court, in the County building.

Slumped in a chair at the other side of the room, glowering at the boy, was his father, John Penzanick, former proprietor of a moonshine saloon.

"Tell us who killed your mother, Johnny," Mrs. Grace directed.

The boy looked at his father, hung his head, kicked a nervous foot against the other and turned as if to run out the door, which had been closed behind him.

"Don't be afraid," said Mr. Grace kindly. "No one can hurt you here. Tell us what happened."

The child turned, straightened, looked his father full in the eye, leveled a tiny finger at him and blurted: "He did."

This ordeal over, details came more easily:

"He hit mamma 'n knocked 'er down 'n he kicked 'er under 't 'till 'n kept kickin' 'er 'n kickin' 'er till she didn't holler no more. 'Nen he picked 'er up 'n put 'er in th' bed 'n took 'er clothes off 'n put 'er night gown on. Mamma was dead. He called a doctor 'n told 'im she fell down th' steps. He told me to say mamma fell down th' steps, too."

The scene described by the boy is alleged to have taken place on the night of March 13 last in Penzanick's home. When a doctor arrived on the scene the boy's mother, Mrs. Lillie Penzanick, was already dead and he refused to sign a death certificate.

Penzanick testified at the inquest that his wife had slipped and fallen down stairs and died before he could summon a doctor. The jury accepted his story and returned a verdict of accidental death.

Just Childish Chatter  
But the night his mother died, "Johnny" gave a neighbor a childish account of how his father had beaten her and kicked her under the table. He also described how his father had burned her clothes. The neighbor didn't tell the police, but passed the story on to another neighbor.

Finally it spread throughout the neighborhood, and at last, after six months, reached the State's attorney's office. James Wolf, an officer of the juvenile court, was assigned to investigate.

"Johnny" and his 3-year-old sister, Margie, had been deserted by their father and were living with their grandmother.

Penzanick was found living with another woman. Penzanick was locked up at the central station. The boy is being held at the juvenile home as a material witness.

SENTENCED 'THIEF' AVERS INNOCENCE

'Victim of Circumstances,' He Tells Court.

"I am innocent, but I haven't any money, so I guess I'll have to serve my sentence. I was a victim of circumstances and am helpless to fight my way out of them."

That was the comment of John Webber, 29, Atlanta, Ga., as a jury in Criminal Court today sentenced him to ninety days on the Indiana State Farm and assessed a fine of \$10 and costs on charges of petty larceny. He had been in jail four months following his grand jury indictment on grand larceny charges of picking the pocket of H. H. Woodsmall, 3311 N. Meridian St. of \$200.

Webber was tried twice before, but the juries disagreed. He was defended by James Melton, pauper attorney.

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## Three Are Honored by Chiropractors



MRS. MAUDE M. JONES  
C. J. VAN TILBURG  
C. W. SHARP

Three elective officers of the Indiana Chiropractors' Association are held by Indianapolis members, following election Tuesday at the annual convention in the Claypool.

Mrs. Maude M. Jones, 501 Lombard building, was re-elected secretary; C. J. Van Tilburg, 435 Occidental building, was re-elected treasurer.

C. W. Sharp, 322 E. Tenth St., was re-elected director.

Their 1934 convention will be in Terre Haute.

## FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR VET BURIED

Dr. Jacob Buehler Given Final Honors.

Rites for Dr. Jacob Buehler, 71, who died Tuesday, will be held 2 p. m. Thursday at his home, 1443 Prospect St. The Rev. Jacob Peters, former pastor of Zion's Evangelical Church, will officiate. Burial in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Dr. Buehler, resident here for forty-one years, had been confined to his bed since February.

At the age of eighteen he took part in the Franco-Prussian war as a surgeon in the hospital corps, receiving two medals. Dr. Buehler was a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Indianapolis Medical Association, the Maennerchor and the Athenaeum, and was physician for the German Protestant Orphans Home, twenty-eight years.

Surviving: The widow, Mrs. Anna Buehler; a daughter, Mrs. L. A. Poundstone of Indianapolis; a brother, Sigmund Buehler, and a sister, Miss Mina Buehler, both of Germany.

IDENTITY IS SOUGHT

Man Found Dead in Texas May Have Been Soldier Here.

A man first thought to be Russell Abrierombe of Marion County, found dead in a bayou near Houston, Texas, several days ago, may be Sergt. Thomas Turner, member of the 23rd Infantry, formerly at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, police believed today.

A dispatch said the man had a letter on him bearing the name of Abrierombe. Abrierombe, however, was located on a farm six miles north of Irvington. He said he knew Turner and had written to him and this letter probably was the one found on the man. Description of the dead man tallied with that of Turner, Abrierombe believed.

Texas authorities believe the man was murdered.

## GOV. WALTON WILL CONTEST OKLAHOMA ELECTION IN COURT

Impeachment Clause Carries Overwhelmingly in Tuesday's Balloting.

By United Press  
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Oct. 3.—A long court fight was in prospect today testing legality of Tuesday's election in Oklahoma, at which, an amendment to the Constitution providing Legislature might convene without call from the Governor, was adopted.

On petition of the Governor, the district court granted a temporary injunction restraining the State election board from certifying the result of Tuesday's "pretended" election. A hearing will be held later on whether the writ will be made permanent and the district court's final decision will be carried to the Supreme Court.

As the legal battle got under way legislators who directed the agitation for impeachment of Walton met in secret session to outline plans of action.

Governor Walton, who opposed the election, consulted legal advisers concerning court procedure. The fight will be made by the Governor on grounds the measure was not advertised five days before the election, as required by Oklahoma statutes.

Three other proposed constitutional amendments were defeated. Soldier bonus, including death with injuries under workmen's compensation act, and making the State liable for losses by depositors in bankrupt State banks.

Returns from 1,577 precincts out of 2,837 showed the measure initiated by agitators for the impeachment of Walton was carrying, four to one. The vote was 148,722 for and 37,752 against.

Klan Is Blamed

The Governor claimed he gained great moral support for his campaign against the Ku-Klux Klan as a result of the balloting. He said the Klan would be blamed by veterans for defeat of soldier bonus; by workmen for failure of advanced compensation law to carry, and by depositors, who have suffered losses, for defeat of their measure.

"The Klan is to blame," Walton said.

The vote was extremely light—about half of the 450,000 cast at the last general election in Oklahoma. The Governor's supporters claimed many did not vote because of Walton's opposition. Scattering polls failed to open in obedience to the Governor's orders, while in Harper and Cimarron counties no votes were cast because polls were closed.

Result Tended Rebuttle

"The people of Oklahoma have delivered a thunderous rebuke to the Governor's high handed method of handling State affairs," said W. D. McEe, leader of the faction in the State Legislature demanding impeachment of the Governor.

McEe said the Legislature would attempt to assemble as soon as the election was declared legal and start impeachment proceedings.

Fifty thousand deputies who guarded the polls, remained on duty all night.

The 2,000 deputies in Oklahoma City were augmented during counting of the ballots by 500 additional guards. A cordon of 1,000 armed men was thrown around the courthouse when reports circulated Walton's police would attempt to steal the ballots.

Thousands of citizens gathered on the courthouse lawn and when the raid failed to materialize, proposed to celebrate by parading. Campbell Russell, chief foe of the Governor, started to lead the parade, but Sheriff Carnahan, fearing violence, forced the crowd to disperse.

Russell forecast the Governor's impeachment within three weeks.

The Daily Oklahoman, anti-Walton, organ, displayed a picture of M. E. Trapp, Lieutenant Governor with the heading "Next in Line" and below that appeared an editorial, headed "The People Shall Rule, the Days of Despotism in Oklahoma Are Nearly Over."

Bandits Rob Train Crew

By United Press  
CLINTON, Iowa, Oct. 3.—Bandits Tuesday night held up a Northwestern train crew at Nelson, Ill., securing two watches and \$40 and escaped.

## PINOLA Cures Colds and Coughs

Start using PINOLA at the first sign of a cold—that raw, dry throat and "stuffy" head. PINOLA reaches the infected parts directly and gives quick relief with soothing, healing after-effects.

Highly recommended for bronchial infections, epistaxis, croup, sore throat, soreness of the lungs, hoarseness, and influenza. For ALL the family from babe to grandfather. Gives quick, safe relief.

Get a bottle of PINOLA today and keep it handy—use it at the first sign of a cold.

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