

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.

By United Press 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 hold-up, is a woman.

Frank Carrick, "husband" of the accused, was examined 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" is now wearing "half-and-half" attire, consisting of roomy pongee 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.

By United Press 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 considered at a special school board meeting Thursday. It is believed all bids but the two lowest for all classes of work will be rejected.

The lowest bids will be held until after bids on five other buildings have been received and analyzed. If the bids satisfy the State tax board the school board will award contracts.

FIREMEN HOLD MEET

Show Progress of Fire Fighting at South Bend Centennial.

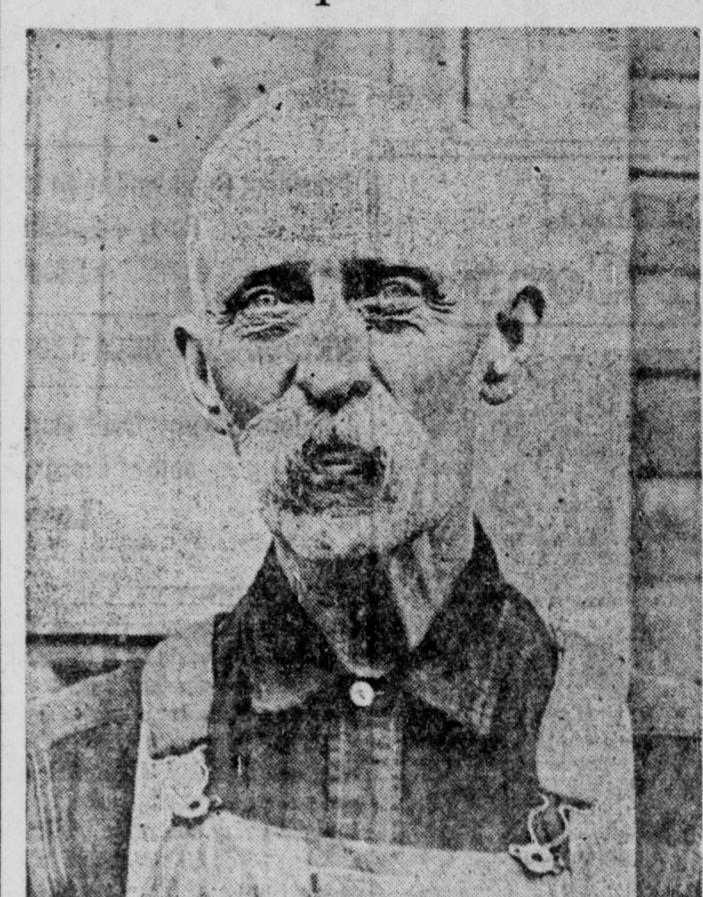
By Times Special SOUTH BEND, Ind., Oct. 3.—Firemen from all over the State, attending their annual convention here, took a prominent part in South Bend's centennial parade today in a historical pageant depicting the progress in fire fighting in the last hundred years.

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 \$2,030.50 whenever presented by the Aetna Cabinet Company. The order was given by Superior Judge James M. Lathers, 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 \$21.83 under the mandate on the commissioners, auditor and treasurer.

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



LOUIS M. RUNNELLS

A PENSION from the Big Four railroad for thirty-one years of service as station master didn't fool Louis M. Runnels, 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 Remy, deputy prosecutor. "He is a real catch."

California Is Boastful of Pacific Ave.

Californians 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, say the proud inhabitants along it. It is 1,476 miles long, and 6,522,921 persons—yes, they've been counted—live along its meandering way.

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

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