

GROWINGER FILES MOTION FOR NEW WATER HEARING

Portions of Rate Order Are
Termed Unlawful In
Petition.

Alleging that the valuation of \$15,250,400 placed on the property of the Indianapolis Water Company is "at least \$4,000,000 in excess of fair value," and that the new rates and schedules are "unreasonable and unlawful," Taylor E. Groninger, corporation counsel, filed the city's motion for rehearing of the water rate case with the public service commission today.

Since Commissioner Oscar Ratts will be out of the city probably a week, it was expected some time would elapse before action is taken on the petition. It was predicted that Commissioners McCardie, Ratts and Douglas would vote to deny the petition and that Artman and Wampler would vote for a new hearing.

The petition is directed at the order of the commission, filed Nov. 23, and is signed by Groninger with Clarence E. Weir, Edward O. Sneathen, and Sumner Clancy as associate counsel. The petition alleges:

That arbitrarily changing the charge for fire protection service without notice to the city is unlawful.

Change Without Hearing

That the annual fire eastern charge of \$12 was fixed without public hearing and without notice to interested parties.

That the block rate for meter service as fixed in the order is at least 20 per cent excessive.

That the commission gave no consideration to the tax value of the petitioners' property as found by the State tax board.

That the commission failed to deduct the entire value of the water company's non-operative property.

"Error in Going Value"

That the commission erred in allowing the water company \$389,000 for going value, water rights and working capital.

That the commission's estimate of \$800,000 as gross income for 1924 was made with improper deductions.

That \$20,000 was deducted for increased taxes when that sum had already been included in the city's estimate.

That the commission gave no consideration to increased revenue of the company next year due to increase in the number of customers, but did consider increased operating expenses.

FACES PRISON TERM
FOR BURNING HOME

Bedford Couple Plead Guilty to Arson Charge.

By Times Special
BEDFORD, Ind., Dec. 7.—Charles Walter, living near here, today faced a two to twenty-one year sentence in the State prison, and his wife a two to fourteen year sentence, following the conviction of both on charge of arson. Judge James A. Cox fined each \$10. A confession that the two had fired their home was obtained by representatives from the State fire marshal's office. Both pleaded guilty. Mrs. Walter's sentence was suspended.

TIRE FIRM FIXTURES
TO BE SOLD FOR TAX

Several Thousand Dollars of Burdick Rubber Company Property Seized.

By Times Special
NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Dec. 7.—Several thousand dollars worth of personal property, office equipment of the Burdick Tire and Rubber Company of this place has been levied on for delinquent taxes. A. G. Finley, Hamilton County treasurer, had the property hauled away and will sell it after giving ten days' notice as required by law. The company owes delinquent taxes to the amount of \$10,641.47. The plant has not been in operation for some time.

MANY OFFICIALS PAY
HONOR TO DR. HODGIN

Funeral of Health Board Head Held at Residence.

Funeral services for Dr. E. E. Hodgkin, president of the board of health, who died Tuesday night, were held at the home, 2646 College Ave., at 1:30 p. m. Burial was at Westfield, Dr. Hodgkin's former home.

The city hall was crowded this afternoon in honor of Dr. Hodgkin's memory and many city officials attended the funeral.

Active pallbearers were Dr. R. R. Coble, Goethe Link, W. H. Foreman, Arthur Guedel, John Cunningham and T. Victor Keene.

Honorary pallbearers were Mayor Shank, Joseph L. Hogue, W. B. Harding, Fred Masters, Frank Soder, Newton McGuire and Cyrus Clark.

Delta Tau Delta's Robbed

Clothing, jewelry and cash valued at \$26.85 was stolen from members of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, 6342 E. Washington St., early today. Members sleeping in the dormitory did not hear the burglar. Nearly every member was a victim. Two other fraternities have been robbed at Butler in the last three days.

Worker Injured by Hoist

Caught between a hoist and the top of the door, Charles Royston, 44, colored, 2118 Alfre Ave., employee of the William P. Jungco Construction Company, received painful injuries at 11:45 a. m. about the head and shoulder and left side. He was working on a construction at Pennsylvania and Georgia Sts. He was taken home.

Sugar Cane Fiber Explained

Building use of a combined lumber and insulation made from sugar cane fiber was described by T. B. Munroe, vice president of the Celotex Company, before the Home Builders' Association, at the Athenaeum.

Cox New President of Bar Association



CHARLES E. COX

Charles E. Cox of the law firm of Cox, Welliver & Walsh, took up his duties as president of the Indianapolis Bar Association today. He was selected Wednesday night at a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce.

Judge Fred C. Gause of Newcastle, of the Indiana Supreme Court, was the principal speaker. Tendencies of attorneys to delay trials were criticized.

Taylor E. Groninger and Robert Hickam were named vice presidents; John Kern, secretary, and Donald Morris, treasurer.

Record Holiday
MAIL PREDICTED

Bryson Reports Big Increase
Over 1922.

Record breaking postoffice business for the holiday season was predicted by Robert H. Bryson, postmaster, today. The first five business days of December showed an increase of \$26,000 in receipts over a similar period of 1922.

Never before has the mailing of Christmas packages started so early, he said.

Indiana stood sixth in the cities of the United States in percentage of increased receipts over those of last year for the month of November, according to word received from the postoffice department at Washington by Bryson Friday. The increase was 14 per cent.

LARGE CHECKS GIVEN
TO ANTI-PLAGUE FUND

Many Companies and Individuals
Contribute to County Work

Large checks for anti-tuberculosis Christmas seals are being received at the headquarters of the Marion County Tuberculosis Association in the Pythian Bldg., Miss Mary A. Myers, executive secretary, said today.

Piel Brothers' Starch Company, \$100; E. Lilly & Co., \$100; American Gentry Life Insurance Company, \$100; Kinsman & Co., \$50; Moore-Mueller-Ward Company, \$50; Leader Specialty Company, \$50; P. W. H. & Co., \$50; J. C. Jones, \$50; Indiana National Bank, \$50; Mrs. Charles Mayer, \$50; Public Trust Company, \$50; United Mine Workers of America, \$50; Merchants Bank, \$50; Bishop Joseph Chartrand, \$50; L. S. Ayres & Co., \$50; Railroad, \$50; Building and Savings Association, \$50; Indianapolis Light and Heat Company, \$50; Indiana Gas Company, \$50; Fletcher American Company, \$50; Indianapolis Tool and Manufacturing Company, \$50; Bricklayers' Union, \$50; Kiefer-Stewart Company, \$50; Merchants Heat and Light Company, \$50; Indiana Gas Company, \$50; Mural Temple, A. E. O. N. M. S., \$50; John J. Madison Manufacturing Company, \$50; L. Strauss & Co., \$50; John Deere Plow Company, \$50; O. D. Hackett Lumber Company, \$50; Republic Crosscut Lumber Company, \$50; Baking Company, \$50; Stutz Motor Car Company, \$50; Stewart-Guy Glass Company, \$50; Central Lumber Company, \$50; Goldstein Brothers, \$50; Mrs. Samuel Reid, \$50; and the A. Wilkinson Lumber Company, \$50.

BRAKE DISCUSSION HELD

Cars Are Tested With Decelerometer From Bureau of Standards.

Four-wheel brakes were the principal subjects for discussion at a dinner of the Indiana Section of the Society of Automotive Engineers at the Severin Thursday night. More than 400 persons attended.

During the afternoon brakes were tested on fourteen cars, four with two-wheel brakes and ten with four-wheel brakes. A decelerometer brought here from the Federal Bureau of Standards at Washington by Dr. W. S. James was used.

Speakers at the dinner were Chester R. Ricker, John Catley, James and Howard Marmon, vice president of Nordyke and Marmon Company.

Coal Production Increases

More than 25,000,000 tons of coal were produced in Indiana coal mines in the fiscal year, ended Sept. 30. This is 10,000,000 tons more than the previous year, Caryl Littlejohn, State mine inspector, said today. The 31,189 miners received a total of \$45,920,877 in wages. The average wage was \$1,472 a year.

Two Held as Fugitives

Joe Nash, 23, 1915 N. Capitol Ave., was arrested today on charge of being fugitive from a charge of child neglect in Ft. Wayne, Ind. Cecil Carmichael, 20, Anderson, was arrested on a charge of being a fugitive from a statutory charge at Anderson.

Boy Held on Burglar Charge

William Jefferson, 15, colored, giving his address as city, was arrested today charged with the burglary of Dean's Bowling Alley, 17 W. Washington St., two weeks ago.

Tries for Altitude Record

By United Press
DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 7.—Lieut. John A. MacReady took off at 9:59 a. m. in an attempt to set a new altitude record by ascending 80,000 feet.

AMERICAN FARM IS GENERATIONS BEHIND—PETEET

Farm Bureau Director Says
Agriculture Is Un-
developed.

American agriculture is three generations behind other basic industries and the rural sections are a full generation behind cities and towns, in development, declared Walton Peteet, director of cooperative marketing of the American Farm Bureau Federation, in an appeal for cooperative marketing at the convention of the Indiana Farm Bureau Federation at the Claypool today.

"Other industries have advanced, both because of improved machinery and because of incorporation—the instrument by which they cooperate to maintain a profitable difference between the cost of production and the selling price of their commodities," the speaker said.

Peteet attributed the farmers' plight to their practice of dumping their products blindly on the market and taking whatever the buyer wished to give them.

W. H. Settle of Petroleum, Ind., was re-elected president of the Federation. Other new officers: Scott Melka of Shelbyville, first vice president; James G. Covert of Franklin, second vice president. National directors are: T. I. Ferris, Pleasant Lake; W. H. Settle, Petroleum; and John N. Dyer, Vincennes.

Delegates to the national convention named were: Oscar Lamm, Oxford; J. A. Warren, Kauts; H. K. Derick, Sullivan; W. R. Roop, Bluffton; William Boson, Indianapolis; and Everett McClure, Aurora.

THREE DROWN AS MINE IS FLOODED

Workers Puncture Wall With
Drill and Water Rushes In.

By United Press
BELLEVILLE, Ill., Dec. 7.—Workers in the Radium coal mine punctured the wall of their entry with pneumatic drills late Thursday, flooding the mine from the waters of an adjacent abandoned mine.

Three of the 250 miners were caught in the flood and drowned. Two bodies were located but could not be moved. The dead are: Louis Ambrose, 45; William Leecher, 40, and John Evans, 35.

The mine wall collapsed with a deafening roar, and waters and gas poured into the tunnel.

All of the men except the three seen, washed away, reached the main shaft, and were lifted the sixty feet to the surface.

Six men overcome by gas were carried to the elevator cage in the main shaft and brought out. Pulmonators resuscitated them. Their recovery was immediate.

Eight feet of water covered every entry except the main shaft, which is on a slightly higher level. Four mules also were drowned.

FIRES AT IMAGINARY Foe

Anderson Farmer Jailed Pending
Sanity Inquest.

By United Press
ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 7.—Apparently driven insane by domestic troubles, John Eppard, 40, is held in the Madison County jail pending a sanity inquest.

Eppard was found stationed at a window in his farm home north of here with a shotgun. At frequent intervals he fired through the window at some imaginary foe he thought was going to get him.

A short time ago his wife filed suit for divorce.

VETERANS' SHOW - DANCE

Generous Support of Public Is Fore-
cast for Benefit.

Generous public support of the benefit show and dance of the Indianapolis chapter No. 1, Disabled American Veterans of the World War, at Tomlinson Hall next Friday evening is forecast by George T. Beckner, commander, who reports many tickets purchased to date. The post spent \$3,500 in welfare work for disabled men last year. Proceeds from the benefit will go toward continuance of this work.

Prevent Influenza

The Tonic and Laxative Effect of Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets will keep the system in a healthy condition and thus ward off all attacks of Colds, Grip and Influenza. The box bears the signature of B. W. Grove. See advertisement.

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PROVERB PICTURE NO. 35—DEC. 7



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Third Prize\$250 Cash
Fourth Prize\$100 Cash
Fifth Prize\$75 Cash
4 Prizes\$50 Each
5 Prizes\$25 Each
6 Prizes\$15 Each
5 Prizes\$10 Each
20 Prizes\$5 Each

RULES GOVERNING CONTEST
Prizes will be awarded for the best and most appropriate answers from among those submitted by contestants. First prize will be awarded to the person submitting largest number of such answers; second prize to the one submitting the second largest number of such answers, etc.

In the event of a tie, care and neatness displayed in preparation of answers will be considered.

Contestants must submit complete set of 60 proverb pictures in order to qualify for any prize.

Answers are not to be sent in until the entire 60 proverb pictures have appeared in The Times.

Only one answer may be submitted for each proverb. Where more than one answer is submitted to any proverb all will be thrown out.

Only one set of answers may be submitted by any one person and only one member in any one family can win a prize.

Each answer must be plainly written upon coupon published with each proverb picture. Any illegible will be thrown out.

The last proverb picture will be published Jan. 5, 1924.

Answers must be submitted in one set to The Proverb Contest Editor on or before noon Jan. 19, 1924.

Employees of The Times and members of their families cannot participate in this contest.

The Indianapolis Times will deposit each drawing and correct answer with Mr. Ralph E. Smith, vice president and cashier of the Fletcher American Bank in advance of each publication.

The judges will be Edward J. Gause, president of E. J. Gause, and Co., Judge James A. Collins of the Marion County bench, and George Buck, principal of Shortridge High School.

The decision of the judges will be final in all matters related to the contest.

FESLER IS FREED
AFTER APOLOGY

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"Instead of obeying the order of the court the auditor at once issued a statement to the press criticising the action of the court and its order," Leathers said.

"This futile and unbecoming conduct on the part of the auditor will serve to illustrate in part his obstructive tactics and his attempt to prevent the improvement in question and to evade the order of the court."

When he appeared to apologize, Fowler was accompanied by Emsley W. Johnson, county attorney.

"I have always held the courts in respect and this one in the utmost respect," Fessler said. "I regret my conduct has not complied with the wishes of the court."

He admitted he had acted contrary to the desires of the county council.

Judge Leathers in releasing him told him he held no personal grudge.

Economy in State Printing

Several thousand dollars could be saved annually in State printing expenses, according to a plan proposed today by George H. Healey, clerk of the State printing board. Healey has suggested consolidating all the mimeographing and multiphotographing equipment owned by the State and doing a large part of the printing by mimeograph. He said the plan has been tried successfully in other States.

Questionnaires have been sent to State officials and institutional heads asking if the proposal would be satisfactory.

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PROPERTY TAX IS INSUFFICIENT FOR SCHOOLS—BURRIS

Increase Revenues From In-
comes to Support Edu-
cation Is Appeal.

By Times Special
PERKE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 7.—School costs in recent years have advanced to such a point that it is almost impossible to maintain a modern educational system on a property tax basis, declared Benjamin J. Burris, State superintendent of public instruction, in an address here today before the centennial celebration of teacher training.

"Under Indiana's taxation system a man may carry on a successful business on property of small value, accumulate a substantial income, invest it in tax-free securities, and thus escape a burden which only adds to increasing the rate of taxation of the property owner not so favorably situated," Burris said.

Burris indirectly made an appeal for increased income taxes to support the growing costs of public education.

"The State is confronted with a problem of vital significance," he said. "Erection of new buildings was cited as one of the important items responsible for the enormous increase in education costs. A secondary cause is the deflated purchasing power of the dollar. Burris pointed out.

"More and more the school is asked

to take over functions originally discharged by the home and the church. The school cannot escape, for society demands it," Burris said.

SALESMAN IS SENTENCED

Gets Seven Years for Selling Worth-
less Stock.

By United Press
SULIVAN, Ind., Dec. 7.—William D. Dooley was taken to the State reformatory at Pendleton today to begin serving a sentence of seven years for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Dooley was a salesman for the Magnetic Salvage Company of Texas. His golden promises led Nellie Shephard to buy \$1,000 worth of the stock.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported stolen belong to:
Bernard Dorfman, 207 W. Washington St.
C. D. Olin, 4715 E. New York St.
Lalabel Stafford, 328 Puryear St.

BACK HOME AGAIN

Automobiles reported found by police belong to:
Saunders Heater Company, 330 N. Delaware St., found in Kansas City, Mo.
E. S. Williams, 511 N. Dearborn St., found at State and Prospect Sts.

Two Farmers Allege Bankruptcy

Two Indiana farmers filed bankruptcy petitions in Federal Court today. Omer O. Mason of Kokomo listed liabilities of \$32,211.01 and assets of \$23,252. William E. Harms of Hope scheduled liabilities of \$7,020 and assets of \$781.

KINGSBURY MAN HONORED

Guy B. Holmes of Kingsbury, Ind., today was elected president of the Indiana Implement Dealers' Association at the seventh annual convention at the Claypool. Other officers: Harry Gaines, Greensburg, vice president; W. I. Scott, Milford, secretary. Three directors elected: K. L. Adams, Lewis; George F. Wagner, Jasper; and G. L. Maxwell, Valparaiso, Ind.

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