

## SMITH VICTORY IN WISCONSIN BLACK EYE FOR M'ADOO

Loss of Western State Will Stir Up Old Enemy Cry.

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WASHINGTON, April 2.—Governor Al Smith's strong race in Wisconsin against William G. McAdoo is valuable publicity for Smith, but it is more significant in its effect on McAdoo's fortunes than as a gauge of Smith's strength.

Any time McAdoo is beaten in a contest, the reiterated "McAdoo can't win" of his many foes will swell to a louder chorus. If his enemies can get enough people to believe that McAdoo will not win and if McAdoo loses Wisconsin, an intensely progressive Mid-Western State, which would seem to belong to McAdoo, as between him and Smith, it is more of a black eye for McAdoo than a victory for Smith.

Naturally, to win a mid-western State will hearten the Smith forces tremendously, for they have been told with much emphasis that Smith cannot win in the West and Mid-West. Nobody would claim that Smith could carry Wisconsin in an election, of course, so long as the La Follette control holds.

One reason for Smith's strength there undoubtedly lies in his position on prohibition. Wisconsin has strong sympathy for Smith's wet views, particularly in its cities.

To continue a factor in the presidential race every candidate must show some strength outside his home State. There will be a number of Democratic aspirants this year who will capture a State or two here and there and go into the convention with that claim to consideration. Smith will be one of these. It will be interesting to see how his Wisconsin victory—if the promise of the early returns is borne out—will be followed up in other Mid-Western States and what the responses will be.

## RIKHOF STARTS FIGHT ON SHOWS

Policewoman Orders Change in Burlesque Program.

Language and conduct in a burlesque show, "too repulsive to explain," were reported to Police Chief Herman F. Rikhoff today by Policewoman A. M. Buck. She said the manager of the show agreed to cut out parts of the acting following her protest that the show was "indecisive and vulgar."

"We are doing all we can to make Indianapolis a better place to get good entertainment," Rikhoff said. "Vulgar language and conduct in entertainments must stop. It's up to this department to stop it and that's what's going to do."

"I am satisfied with the results of the dance hall clean-up. They're going to stay cleaned up. Now we're watching the risqué shows and they're going to get the same renovation."

## TRACTION COMPANY RECORDS PROFITS

T. H. I. & E. Increases Its Surplus.

The Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Co., which holds 10,000 shares of common stock of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company, added to its surplus from 1923 profits, according to its annual report, with the public service commission.

Total operating revenue was \$1,312,576, with operating expenses at \$838,248. The surplus Dec. 31, 1923, was \$1,301,652, of which \$208,092 was added from the revenue of 1923. No dividends were declared in 1923, however, on common or preferred stock.

Randall Morgan, Philadelphia financier, also holder of Indianapolis Street Railway Company stock is a director of the traction company, of which Robert I. Todd is president.

## JUDGE COMMENDS POLICE

Wilmeth Gives Talk at Luncheon of Real Estate Board.

The Indianapolis police force was highly commended, especially for apprehending rum-runners, by City Judge Delbert O. Wilmeth at luncheon of the Real Estate Board today at the Chamber of Commerce.

"A high percentage of the force is made up of men that are able to handle their work," Wilmeth said. "Liquor transporters are gunmen, who shoot at the least provocation. I never sent a young offender to jail, except as a last resort."

New Klan Meets Tonight

Purposes and aims of the Independent Klan of America will be relayed tonight at Machinists' Hall, 37½ S. Delaware St. The Klan, composed of persons who have withdrawn their membership from the Ku-Klux Klan, Samuel Bemenderfer of Muncie, national president of the new order, will preside. Billy Parker, said to be from Missouri, will speak.

Boy Caught in Machine

George Swift, 17, of Morgantown, Ind., was seriously injured today when an ice cream freezing machine at the Woodstock Country Club, Thirty-Eighth St. and Northwestern Ave., crushed his right leg, after his clothing had been caught. He was taken to the Methodist Hospital.

## Sculptor Molds Tribute in Wet Sands to Wife and Baby Who Perished in Pueblo Flood of 1922



THE MOTHER AND HER BABY IN THE SANDS

By NEA Service  
ODGE CITY, Kas., April 2.—A lonely, nameless sculptor wanders up and down the banks of mid-western rivers carving in wet sand figures of a mother and her babe.

A melancholy task is his. But it brings him the only comfort his great grief will permit him to enjoy.

The figure of the woman represents his wife; the babe, his child. They died in the Pueblo floods two years ago.

Recently the stranger appeared here. Few paid heed to him until they saw him molding his figures in the sand.

Gradually crowds gathered and watched. But hour after hour went by without the stranger apparently

noticing them, so absorbed was he in his work.

Slowly the sand assumed the shape of a young mother, washed upon the shore, with her child clasped to her breast.

Onlookers pressed the stranger for an explanation. And here is the tale he told:

"I went to Pueblo, Colo., with my wife and baby, for my health, just a few months before the floods of 1922. We were hardly there, it seemed, when the flood came.

"My wife and baby were swept away by the rushing waters. I was, too, but the rescuers succeeded in dragging me out. But they missed my wife and baby.

"Knowing they had been carried away, I began my search. I

scoured river banks and islands day and night.

"I found them on a sandbar in just the position I have carved them here.

"I often go to the little country churchyard, where they're buried now. But my grief does not find the comfort there that it does when I am molding these figures in the sand."

The stranger, though, refuses to reveal his name or tell from whence he came.

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## INDICTMENT OF SECRETARY WEEKS URGED BY AGENT

Former U. S. Official Charges Conspiracy in Letting Aircraft Contracts.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, April 2.—Declaring Secretary of War Weeks, Former Attorney General Daugherty, Guy D. Goff, one of Daugherty's assistants, and Charles Hayden, president of the Wright-Martin Airplane Corporation ought to be indicted for conspiracy, Capt. H. L. Scaife, former United States agent, today told the Senate Daugherty investigating committee that Weeks "called off" a suit against the company for recovery of an overpayment of \$5,000,000. Scaife also charged Daugherty, though he had all the facts in the case, failed to bring suit.

No suit has ever been filed, Scaife said.

He also assailed Col. William Hayard, United States district attorney in New York, but admitted the case was withdrawn from Hayard's control.

Scaife's charge was made during his testimony alleging the Government has overpaid Mitsui & Co. and the Standard Aircraft Company more than \$6,500,000 for airplane construction and that Daugherty had failed to recover the money.

Scaife said Daugherty was given a personal report of the alleged fraudulent transactions of the Standard Aircraft Company.

"Who was present?" asked Wheeler. "Jess Smith."

"The same Jess Smith who got the \$60,000."

Paul Howland, counsel for Daugherty, objected to the remark and Wheeler withdrew his statement.

**Field for Investigation**

Taking up the Roma disaster at Norfolk, Va., Scaife said he considered this accident a good field for investigation by the Department of Justice.

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**ESTIMATE ON NEW CARS INCREASES**

Citizens' Committee Talks Over Improvements.

Additional suggestions on improving street car service by rerouting cars downtown were discussed by the citizens' street car service committee at city hall today. John N. Feasey, chairman, presided.

At a meeting a week ago, the committee began its work and considered a number of written suggestions from citizens.

Robert I. Todd, president of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company, has informed Taylor E. Groninger, corporation counsel, that new cars will cost approximately \$13,000 each, instead of \$10,000, an estimated originally. This added expense has caused investigation of advisability of buying trailer cars instead. The proposed new cars are of latest design, with entrances on the side. Groninger has proposed twenty-five new cars.

**Misrepresentation Alleged**

Frank Field Jr., St. Louis, today was bound over to the grand jury on \$1,000 bond on charges of obtaining money under false pretenses and grand larceny. George Robnett, 2818 N. New Jersey St., alleged Field sold him for \$500 what he believed exclusive sales rights in Indiana for electrical lighting plant. Robnett said Field's company was not exclusive distributor.

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## CROOKS SHOULD TREMBLE WHEN THIS SEXTET GETS BUSY



LEFT TO RIGHT: FRANK, SAMUEL, ISAAC, WALTER, JAMES AND CHARLES BERRY.

When these six husky farmers living in the east part of the county and all brothers, heard that their uncle George Berry, had been robbed of \$600 last Thursday night in his lonely farm home near New

Bethel, ten miles southeast of Indianapolis, they started out to catch the thieves. They are all members of the New Bethel Horse Thief Detective Association, and have constable powers granted by the

county commissioners.

Eighteen hours later two men who have since confessed were arrested by the farmer detectives, and two more were caught later, and handed over to the sheriff.

The half naked body of Miss Wakefield lay partly submerged in a bath tub in which she had drowned a white sparrow. Near-by two parrots of the talking variety had been tied in a bath towel and suffocated.

Miss Wakefield had slashed her wrists with the old man's razor.

**ONTARIO ACQUIRES FLEET OF PLANES TO WATCH TIMBER**

Thirteen Ships to Patrol in Search of Forest Fires in Canada.

TORONTO, Ontario, April 2.—The Ontario government has purchased a fleet of thirteen airplanes to patrol timber areas in the provinces this year, watch for and prevent forest fires, according to an announcement by Hon. James Lyons, minister of lands and forests.

Regular air patrols will be maintained throughout the summer and fall, Mr. Lyons said, in districts where the most valuable stands of timber are located. Wireless telephone stations will be installed at strategic points in the provinces to keep in communication with the planes.

In addition to protecting the timber areas against fire, the planes, it is announced, will be used to make a survey of Ontario's forest wealth with a view toward conservations. Aerial photographs will be taken to determine for the government the amount of reforestation necessary to insure future supplies of timber and pulp. The planes will also check up on large timber concessions to see if the government is securing sufficient returns on them.

More than \$75,000,000, it is shown, is invested in the lumbering and pulp industry of Ontario. The province is the greatest source of pulpwood on the continent. The total area of forest land in Ontario is estimated at 20,000 square miles.

Considerable success, it is pointed out, has already been achieved utilizing airplanes for forest protection in British Columbia and Quebec. The efficiency of these air patrols in reporting outbreaks and rushing forest rangers to the scene of the conflagrations has saved timber stands valued at millions of dollars in the last few years.

**LEGION TO SURVEY PRISONS**

A state-wide survey of penal institutions will be made by a committee of the State department of the American Legion beginning April 21. The survey will be to determine if imprisonment of former service men was the result of World War service.

A report will be made to Governor McCay and the pardon board.

**Wife in Trouble, Too**

Mrs. Martha Rowe, 21, of 1439 Hoyt Ave., was arrested today on charges of disorderly conduct and resisting an officer following trial in city court of her husband, Marshall Rowe. He was charged with transporting grain alcohol. Rowe's trial was continued. Mrs. Rowe was alleged to have talked abusively to Officers Macey and Dunn.

**Fifty-Fifty Meeting Tonight**

The Fifty-Fifty Democratic Club of the Third Ward will meet tonight at the home of Charles Reed, 1726 N. Illinois St.

**Government Sues Railroad**

Homer Elliot, United States district attorney, today filed suit in Federal Court against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company asking judgment of \$500. According to the suit hogs were confined in cars of the railroad company while being shipped from Missouri to New Jersey for thirty-six hours without unloading, watering or feeding.

## NEW PENSION LAW IN ARGENTINA IS REGARDED AS JOKE

No Funds Available to Pay All Who Have Worked for 25 Years.

By United Press

BUENOS AIRES, April 2.—Nobody laid down his tools to take advantage of the new law abolishing work for every one who has toiled twenty-five years. The new pensions law became officially effective Tuesday, but all indications were that it didn't operate.

Every one in the Argentine who had worked a quarter century or more was entitled to quit and draw a pension from the government for the rest of his life.

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**SECRET OF LOST DUKE DIES WHEN WARD KILLS SELF**

Four Per Cent of Wages

Any one who had not worked twenty-five years is supposed to pay 5 per cent of his salary to the pensions fund. No greater rush to comply with this portion of the law was observed than was the case with those who might have dropped shovel or pick and started on a life of rest.

Opponents of the measure still hope to cause it to fail.

**Candidate**

Charles A. Reed, of Reed Brothers, undertakers, has announced that he

is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for coroner.

Reed is married and lives at 1726 N. Illinois St. This is the first time he has sought office.

The candidate has taken an active part in Democratic politics for several years, being particularly interested in Third Ward affairs.

He has promised to appoint competent deputies and devote his earnest attention to investigation of causes of death.

**CITIZEN DEMANDS STREET CAR FIGHT**

Girl Who Knew Missing Noble

man of Austria Slashes Wrists With Razor.

By United Press

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