

## APPRAISAL EXPERT SETS WATER VALUE AT \$24,360,358

Injunction Case Hearing Gets  
Under Way in Federal  
Court.

William J. Hazenah, Chicago, expert appraisal engineer, today declared the present valuation of the Indianapolis Water Company is \$24,360,358.

Hazenah is an expert witness in the company's injunction suit in Federal Court to restrain the public service commission from interfering with higher rates than those established by the commission last November on a valuation of \$15,260,400.

Hazenah said he based his figures on the reproduction costs of the company's physical assets at the average price level of labor and material for the past three years.

Taylor E. Groninger, city corporation counsel, representing the city as co-defendant with the public service commission, seeks to have the valuation set at \$12,000,000.

Hazenah was the first witness for the plaintiffs, after Groninger and Albert Baker, attorney for the water company, had presented opening statements.

He also gave figures based on reproduction costs less depreciation for five and ten-year periods preceding Dec. 31, 1923.

The figure based on the five-year average was \$25,357,799 and on the ten-year period it was \$22,359,354.

He also testified the total actual cost of the company's physical assets, plus 15 per cent overhead, plus a \$2,196,548 appreciation in land values, plus a \$235,000 working capital, plus \$4,222,328 deficit suffered between 1870 and 1923, was \$17,194,166.

DEMOCRATS DEFER  
WEEKLY MEETINGS

No Decision Reached on Con-  
vention Sergeant-at-Arms.

Subcommittee of the Democratic State committee arranging for the State convention will not meet this week, Walter Chambers, Democratic State chairman, announced today.

The committee reached no agreement on a sergeant-at-arms after an all-day session last week. It is said whoever is named sergeant-at-arms will not name his own assistants. The State committee will each name two. The subcommittee will name assistants to the ushers, doorkeepers and secretary.

Fred Van Nuys has been named temporary chairman of the convention and John S. McFadden, Rockville, permanent chairman.

Tom Taggart, State Democratic boss, was to be in Indianapolis today for conferences with State committee members and gubernatorial candidates.

MORE 'SMOKERS' WARNED

Three New First and Thirteen Second  
Notices Sent Out.

Three additional first notices of smoke violation, and thirteen new second notices have been sent out by H. F. Templeton, assistant chief smoke inspector. Total first notices to date is 153; second, 118.

Firms receiving first notices:  
Indianapolis Brewing Co., Pennsylvania railroad shops, Kingan Cooperage plant.

Second notices:  
Union Stockyards, E. Raugh & Sons Fertilizer, city hospital, Holt Ice and Cold Storage Company, Riverview Packing Company, United Ice and Coal Company, Robbins Body Corporation, Maritta Mfg. Co., Crown Laundry, Consee & Caylor Ice Company, Premier Motors Corporation, Indianapolis Stove Company, East End Milk Company.

SEVENTY IN GROTTO CLASS

Initiation Will Be Held at Athenaeum  
May 2, Followed by Dinner.

Over seventy candidates will be initiated into Sahara Grotto May 2 at the Athenaeum. A short business session will be held at 5 p. m., followed by a dinner. Uniformed bodies, candidates and prophets will parade at 7 p. m. The "past monarchs" ceremonial will start at 8 p. m.

F. M. Kirkpatrick, master of revels, will conduct stunts at 9:30. Just what will happen at 11 p. m. remains a secret.

Until the Supreme Council session in June, Sahara Grotto will have two regular business meetings a month on the second and fourth Mondays at the Denison.

M. E. CONFERENCES START

First Group Meeting to Be Held To-  
night at Garfield Ave. Church.

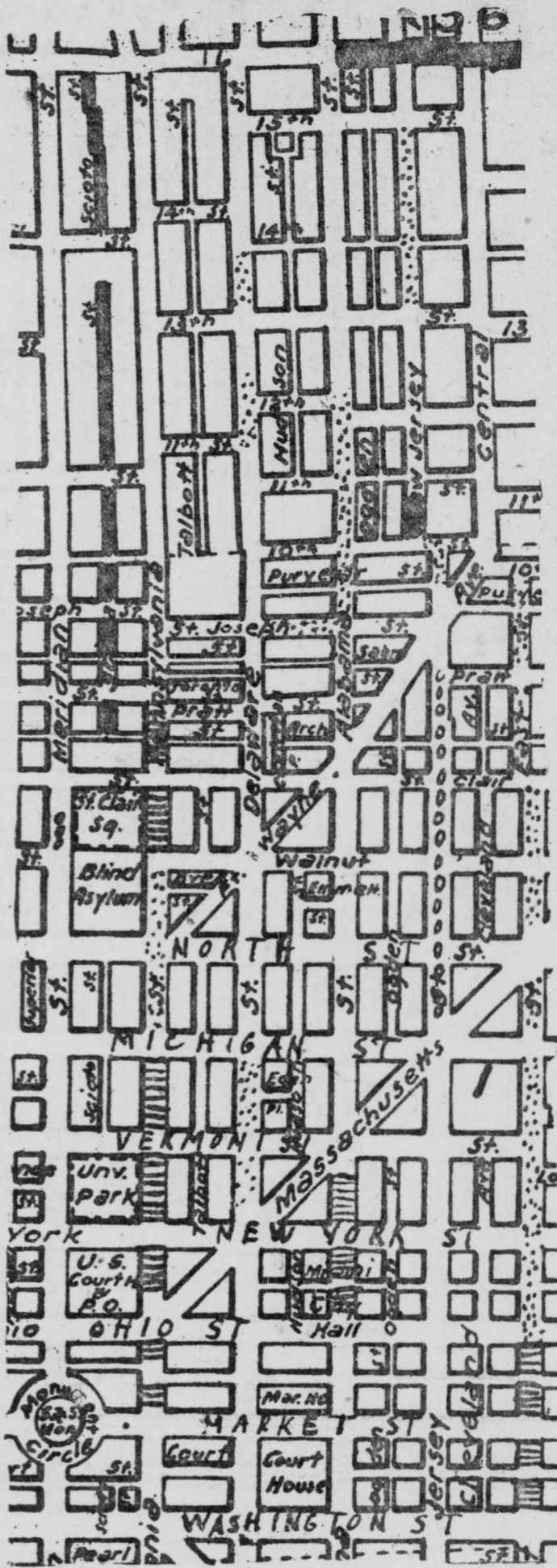
The first group quarterly conference of the Indianapolis district of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held tonight at Garfield Ave. Church. It will be for the east group, including the Garfield Ave., Acton, Henninger Memorial, Brightwood, East Park, East Tenth, Fountain St., Heath Memorial, Irvington and Old Bethel Churches.

Other group meetings will be held Thursday, at Greenwood; Friday, Broad Ripple; April 29, Trinity Church, and April 30, Barth Place Church.

Diamond Cutting Tools Described

How a diamond cutting tool solved a problem in manufacture of airplane motors at the Nordyke & Macdonald plant was described by Frank B. Wade, Shortridge High School teacher, at a luncheon of the Service Club at the Lincoln. He said the cost of manufacturing artificial diamonds makes them impracticable as points on cutting tools.

## How Are the Streets?—See Map



STREET MAP OF TERRITORY BETWEEN WASHINGTON, SIXTEENTH, MERIDIAN AND EAST STS. SPACES LEFT WHITE INDICATE GOOD STREETS, BLACK AREAS INDICATE BAD STREETS, PARALLEL LINES SHOW WHERE CAR TRACK PAVING IS BEING MADE, AND SMALL CIRCLES SHOW WHERE STREET REPAIRS ARE BEING MADE.

How are streets in Indianapolis? A survey of street conditions shows many places where streets are bad or where they are only in fair shape because of waves in pavement. In other places, "pot" holes and breaks in the street make streets bad.

The Times is charting various city districts to show actual conditions. Some repairs are being made by the city, but repairs are

**FIRE ANSWERS PRAYERS**

City Hall, Built in 1885, Burns at  
Alton, Ill.

By United Press.  
ALTON, Ill., April 22.—Public-spirited citizens of Alton are pleased today. The old city hall, built in 1885, burned to the ground this morning.

A half dozen bond issues to erect a modern building have been rejected by the voters, so preparatory to remodeling, all records were removed. Police said they suspected incendiarism.

The city had \$15,000 insurance to start on a new building.

**SHANK SHOWS CAUTION**

Police Appointments Delayed Until  
After Primary.

Two policemen were dismissed by the safety board today.

The board filed no vacancies on the police force, reports being circulated that there would be "nothing doing" until after the primary. So many men are seeking jobs as policemen or firemen that the mayor—candidate for Governor—is taking no chances of incurring enmity by turning down a friend, it is said.

Patrolman Jack Jolliffe, charged with unbecoming conduct and violating prohibition laws, was discharged. Patrolman Patrick Shea, charged with conduct unbecoming to an officer and insubordination, met with the same fate.

**TWO BROTHERS ARE HELD**

Albert Pratt, 321 N. Liberty St., is held under \$5,000 bond following his arrest by Patrolman Caldwell in an alley near Delaware and New York Sts. early today with a truck load of clothing, tobacco, cartridges and other merchandise. His brother, Oscar Pratt, also is held.

Police are investigating robbery of a store on the Shelbyville Rd.

**Richmond Pioneer Dead.**

By Times Special.  
RICHMOND, Ind., April 22.—Marion Lindley, 79, father of Prof. Harold Lindley, director of the Indiana historical commission, died Monday night. A life-long Quaker, he requested friends omit flowers and spend the money in missionary work.

## FT. WAYNE'S PLEA FOR POSTOFFICE FRETS FAIRFIELD

Only One Way to Write Bill  
Giving 144 Other Cities  
New Buildings Also.

By C. A. RANDAU  
Times Staff Correspondent.  
WASHINGTON, April 22.—Usually obtaining a million dollar postoffice appropriation from Congress suffices to insure a Congressman of re-election. Congressman Louis W. Fairfield, of the Twelfth Indiana District has a more difficult problem. Unless he can get Congress to appropriate money for 144 new Federal buildings and post-offices he can't get it to spend a million for a new Federal building at Ft. Wayne.

He has introduced a measure that appropriates from \$50,000 for post-offices at Camden, Ark., and Ottawa, Ill., to \$2,000,000 for massive structures at Albany, N. Y., and Hartford, Conn., every State in the Union would get something out of Fairfield's bill.

Two years ago treasury and post-office officials agreed that 144 cities needed better Federal office facilities. Included in the list was a million dollar building for Ft. Wayne.

Congress turned a deaf ear to the pleas for more buildings, and the representative from the Twelfth Indiana District, who is said to fear the anger of the voters if he doesn't get the million dollar building, sat upon the idea of getting the support of the Congressmen from the 144 cities all united in support of one bill.

Chairman Langley, Republican, Kentucky, chairman of the buildings committee to which the bill has been referred, however, says there is no chance to get favorable committee action on it.

Planning to get 160 Congressmen to sign a petition discharging the committee from further consideration. He is none too optimistic over the proposition.

Indiana cities other than Ft. Wayne affected by the measure are Terre Haute, \$485,000; Hammond, \$200,000; Kokomo, \$95,000; Logansport, \$125,000; Muncie, \$130,000; Vincennes, \$150,000, and South Bend, \$675,000.

**BAN OF BONDSMEN  
UPHELD BY COURT**

Superior Judge Refuses to Re-  
instate Ousted Men.

Action of City Judge Delbert O. Wilmett in barring twenty-two alleged professional bondsmen from signing bonds in city court was upheld today by Superior Judge T. J. Moll.

Judge Moll dissolved a temporary injunction granted E. L. Orell, one of the twenty-two, and refused a permanent injunction to prevent Judge Wilmett from carrying out his order.

Judge Moll ruled that a bond is a contract and that there is no statute compelling entrance into a contract which would require Judge Wilmett to recognize bonds of the plaintiffs.

**INSPECT INDIANA R. O. T. C.**

Army Officers Review Student Corps  
at Bloomington.

By United Press.  
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., April 22.—Officers and men of the Indiana University R. O. T. C. today went through reviews and inspections before regular Army officers in an effort to win the distinguished college gold star honors for the fifth consecutive time.

Lieut. Col. Paul Hays and Alfred A. Maybach watched Maj. N. B. Cree, regular Army officer in charge, and Cadet Colonel Nelson Poynter of Sullivan, Ind., "put the men through their paces."

All members of the unit participated in a sham battle on Jordan Field.

**\$5,000 FOR GOOD LOOKS**

Muncie Man Asks Damages for  
"Splendid Personal Appearance."

By Times Special.  
ANDERSON, Ind., April 22.—Robert Bonshire of Muncie, Ind., admits he formerly was the possessor of a "splendid personal appearance" worth at least \$5,000 to him.

He has asked damages in that amount in a suit venued from Delaware County courts to the Madison Circuit Court, alleging his face was permanently injured in an automobile accident. The New York Poultry Company of Muncie is the defendant.

**AGED RESIDENT SUCCUMBS**

Funeral of Mrs. Olive K. Jeffries, 82,  
Will Be Held Thursday.

Funeral services of Mrs. Olive K. Jeffries, 82, who lived in Indianapolis for forty-nine years, will be held Thursday at 10 a. m. at the residence of her son, Dr. K. I. Jeffries, 3027 N. Talbott Ave.

Mrs. Jeffries died Sunday. She was a life member of Fletcher Place M. E. Church and of the Rebekah and Eastern Star lodges. She is survived by three sons, Dr. Jeffries, Guy K., and Bruce H. Jeffries, all of Indianapolis.

**Fall Fatal to Farmer**

By Times Special.  
ANDERSON, Ind., April 22.—Frank W. Smith, retired farmer of Pendleton, died today of injuries received when he fell fifteen feet from a load of hay, striking his head on a concrete floor. He never regained consciousness.

**Thirty-six Eggs Is Starter**

By Times Special.  
ALBANY, Ind., April 22.—Altho a day late with the feast as Easter observance, Frank Bunde, 40, Monday began the day by eating three dozen standard size eggs. Still hungry, he topped off by eating his usual meal of pancakes, meat and cereal.

## Youngsters Plant Tulip Tree



MISS CONSTANCE LEAH DRYSDALE AND TAYLOR DRYSDALE

These two youngsters, children of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Drysdale, 2230 Central Ave., planted a tulip tree in the yard of the William Watson School No. 45 Monday.

When the school observed the opening of Tree Planting week, Miss Constance Leah made a speech and

her young brother recited a poem written by their uncle, Thomas Moore Taylor.

Mrs. Fannie K. Baker, who was active in having the bloom of the tulip tree made the official flower of Indiana, also spoke. The school recited Joyce Kilmer's poem, "A Tree."

## Think You're Law Abiding? Have Another Think

You probably think you are a law-abiding citizen.

Then, next time you take your new speedster over a bridge, drive it not "faster than a walk."

If you don't, you will be a law-breaker. A State statute, still on the books, reads: "The board of commissioners of a county shall cause the township superintendent to keep in a conspicuous place on each end of a bridge, this notice: '11 fine for riding or driving on this bridge faster than a walk.'"

The fines, the law adds, shall be applied to repairs to the bridge. If this law were enforced now, a new police force would have to be established to make the arrests!

**Money on Books**

That law is just one of many

which stand on the statute books just because they never have been repealed or no new ones have been passed to supersede them.

For instance, Charles Kettleborough, director of the legislative reference bureau at the State house, found that it is unlawful to pick cranberries between May 1 and Sept. 15 on public lands.

Another law harking back to days when the State was new gives warning that whoever "maliciously alters or defaces the mark or brand" on any domestic animal shall be subject to fine of \$10 to \$500 and six months' imprisonment.

**We Obey This One**

Oh, yes, then there's one prohibiting use of natural gas in flambeau lights (lights without

## Victory

Another victory for bobbed hair!

Dr. J. G. Royse, assistant secretary of the State board of health, today declared the shorn locks to be "more sanitary and healthful."

"There are a lot of reports going around about the danger of bobbed hair," he added. "As far as keeping the scalp in healthy condition, they're all wrong."

## GERMANY ASKS RUHR IN NOTES

Careful Program of Conduct  
Is Drawn Up.

By United Press.  
BERLIN, April 22.—Germany has prepared a careful program for her conduct during the coming negotiations in Paris to effect a settlement of the reparations question on the basis of the Dawes report, it was learned today, and already has sent notes to the principal allied countries outlining her position.

Following the inquiry addressed to England, in which it was made plain that Germany believes that her sovereignty over the occupied regions should be returned to her and German prisoners restored, similar notes have been sent to the allied powers.

The foreign office intends these notes to serve as clarifying the German position in accepting the Dawes report and should serve as an additional basis for negotiations.

It is no secret that the foreign office, in view of Premier Poincaré's recent attitude, feels that there still is a considerable divergence in the Franco-German viewpoint.

"(tips). That is a most wasteful practice, according to the lawmakers of 1891, the time of the gas boom.

Since Indiana has little natural gas, officials are not much worried about enforcement of this law.

There are numerous others—one providing for payment of county bridges by tolls; another, relating to obstruction of navigation on canals by driving an animal along the towpath or berme.

They are not enforced. Some of them mean nothing in this modern age.

But, if you disobey any of them, you are not a law-abiding citizen.

Think it over—but don't lose sleep over the possibility of arrest.

## Moderator



REV. J. AMBROSE DUNKEL

The Rev. J. Ambrose Dunkel, pastor of the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, has been elected moderator of the Indianapolis Presbytery.

The Rev. George W. Allison, pastor of the Irvington Presbyterian Church, retiring moderator, preached the sermon at the Presbyterian meeting at Bloomington, Ind., Monday.

**From Far and Near**

Evansport's main street was filled with flying fish. Perch, trout, bass and pickering whizzed about as John Rubin and Ruben Suppe, fish peddlers, battled over their territorial prerogatives. Both were arrested.

Maurice Small of Roby, Ind., visiting New York for the first time in four years, was presented with a court summons charging speeding, issued four years ago.

W. A. Morrow, Holcomb (Mo.) merchant, thought he was going to have to pay \$2,500 for a shave. Federal Judge Paris ordered his bond of that amount forfeited when Morrow was absent from the courtroom when his case was called, but later released.

Fire destroyed two dormitories and damaged the power plant and dining room of Asbury College at Wilmer, Ky.

**Taxpayers Slow**

By Times Special.  
GREENCASTLE, Ind., April 22.—Wheat growers in this county are paying taxes slower this year than last according to Wilber Clodfelter, county treasurer. Only \$9,000 was paid at his office Monday. As the last day for paying is only two weeks away, Clodfelter expects an eleventh hour rush.

**Poison Drought Not Fatal**

By Times Special.  
BYRON LARHAM, 16, of 322 Minerva St., is improved today at the city hospital from effects of poison taken at the Statehouse Monday. The boy said he was dozing over inability to gain employment.

## SUICIDE NOTE IS BELIEVED HOAX

Father of Five Indicates He  
Has Taken Own Life.

Police today declared they believed a note to his wife and children, living at 941 S. Harding St., written by Ernest Seigman, 37, indicating he had committed suicide, was a hoax.

Officers received a telephone call that a man had jumped from a freight train on the Kingan & Co. bridge into White River. They found a coat on the west bank to which this note was pinned:

"I am going to hell, so good-by, dear wife and kids. Ernest Seigman. Give this pin to Bud."

When Sergeant Allison read the note to the wife and five children there was no evidence of grief.

Mrs. Seigman said her husband had been ordered in juvenile court to pay \$12 a week to support the family and to stay away from the house. Monday night, she said, Seigman battered down the back door and beat her. She and the children fled to a neighbor's home, she said.

Police dragged the river, despite belief Seigman is alive.

**NO FIRE; JUST STEAM**

When an alarm of fire was turned in from the Capitol Theater this morning all downtown apparatus was called out.

No fire. Clouds of steam were escaping from a rusted pipe on the roof.

**SUES TO RECOVER TAX**

Bartholomew Woman Seeks Refund  
of \$4,000 Excess.

By Times Special.  
COLUMBUS, Ind., April 22.—A suit, said to be without precedent in the State of Indiana and which probably contained a special statute of limitations makes it impossible to refund. Attorneys for the plaintiff contend that the general statute of limitations, allowing six years, applies. The tax was paid four years ago.

William A. Hough, member of the tax board, represented that body. He contended a special statute of limitations makes it impossible to refund. Attorneys for the plaintiff contend that the general statute of limitations, allowing six years, applies. The tax was paid four years ago.

**Guests "Drop in" for Lunch**

Mrs. C. H. Carter, Mooresville, who operates a chicken dinner resort, had guests to literally "drop in on her" the other day, when Lieut. J. Z. Moore and Robert H. Bigins of the Ft. Harrison flying squadron went to Mooresville in their planes. She was taken up for a birds-eye view of the surrounding country.

**Foster-Father Is Shot**

By Times Special.  
AMMOND, Ind., April 22.—William Crear is charged with murder of his foster-father, Edward Simmons. Crear fired six shots when Simmons objected to him announcing his engagement to an East Chicago girl, police charge.

## In Farce



HAMER WAYMAN

Miss Marianne Hamer and Virgil Wayman will play leading roles in the one-act farce, "Jayville Junction," staged by the Roberts Park Epworth League this evening. Proceeds are to be given to the Centenary fund.

Cast includes Misses Mildred Turpin, Myrtle Clegg, Vena Wilson, Thelma Schmid, Jessie Webster, Louise Blume, Mabel Stowe, Hazel Young, Elizabeth Arthur, Mabel Essman, Marianne Hamer, Ardus Hornaday, June Van Vlack, Oleta Bundy, Bertha Nelson, and Messrs. Robert Preston, Virgil Wayman, James Rohrer, Oliver Miller, Orville Warrenfelt, Verle W. Bennett, Howard Miles, George Guse, John Watkins, E. W. Brown, Charles Erbaugh, Bryce Ham, George Spilver, and Arthur McFarland.

**MATHEWS RITES SET**

Insurance Man Dies at Home Monday;  
Resident for 28 Years.

Funeral services of Albert C. Mathews, 63, a resident of Indianapolis for twenty-eight years, who died Monday at his home, 27 W. St. Joseph St., will be held Wednesday at Shirley Egan chapel, 946 N. Illinois St., at 10 a. m. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Mathews graduated from Annapolis Naval Academy in 1884 and retired as an ensign in 1886. He was an insurance man and organizer of the Lumberman's Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Blanche G. Mathews, and a brother, George F. Mathews, of Norwalk, Conn.

**FARM DIRECTORS MEET**

Discuss Legislative Problems and Reports on District Work.

Twenty directors of the Indiana Federation of Farm Bureaus met today at the Severin to submit district reports and discuss legislative problems. William H. Settle, president, presided and told of his trip to Washington in interest of the McNary-Haugen agricultural relief bill.

Directors predicted that the 11,000,000 bushel quota in the State wheat pool would be contracted for by May 21. Reports showed 5,000,000 bushels signed for.

**Church Meeting Here April 26**

Delegates from all over the State will attend the Indiana Young People's Christian Union to be held April 26 and 27 at the Central Universalists Church. Officers are Miss Olive Eaks, Oakland, Ind., president; Oscar Vogt, Indianapolis, vice president; Miss Fern Mosley, Peru, Ind., secretary; and Oscar L. Croe, Walton, Ind., treasurer.

## RUM INSANITY ALARMING, HOUSE TOLD BY DOCTOR

Meanwhile Wets Lay Plans to  
Force Congress to Vote  
on Beer.

By United Press.  
WASHINGTON, April 22.—Alcoholic insanity has increased more than 1,000 per cent under prohibition, Dr. James Whitney Hall, chairman of the Chicago lunacy commission, today declared before the House Judiciary Committee, holding hearings on bills proposing modification of the Volstead act.

Dr. Hall presented figures to show the alarming increase in alcoholism during the past three years, laid the responsibility at the door of the enforcement act and urged modification.

**Wets to Force Vote**

While the hearings are being held wet leaders were planning ways and means whereby Congress will be forced to vote on the light wines and beer issue this session, irrespective of the action taken by the House Judiciary Committee.

If the modification measures are not favorably reported out, the wets are expected to bring them upon the floor by petition. This procedure is permissible under the revision of rules accomplished this session.

**Have Enough Signers**

Signatures of 150 members are necessary to force the committee to discharge the bills under the new rule. Representative John A. Whelan, Maryland wet, who is directing the fight for 275 beer, says that he can muster that many signers—and more.

Wets frankly admit that they have little hope of a favorable report upon their measures. A poll of the committee shows drys