

ELECTION BOARDS RUN DOWN 'BEAR STORIES' GALORE

Leo K. Fesler Says Reports of
Irregularities Show Need
for Smaller Precincts.

"They're holding out the returns in the Ninth Ward, where there's a big Klan vote, although the ballots have all been counted," or "none of the big precincts from the black belt are in—the Shank boards are holding back to see how many votes are needed."

All day the county election board received these complaints or others of similar tenor from nervous candidates as the vote awayed this way and that. Out goes the panting lizzie and a dash is made into the mooted Ninth. Some men are smoking leisurely on the front porch.

"Yeah, we had \$11 votes cast here," said one. "Got 200 counted. The two women clerks gave out about \$ a. m. and went home to bed. Nope, no arguing with them."

One Hint Enough

Another trip up Yandes St. into the territory of Windy Johnson and Bell Howard, colored bosses, to see about a complaint from a candidate that "the returns in one precinct didn't suit Bev Howard and he's making them count over."

Voting place dark. Dogs barked. No one knew anything, being suspicious of a liquor raid. Repetitive knocks on a door resulted in a terrified voice from a second-story window: "If you all don't go on away right now, I'm goin' to start shootin'!" Election commissioners didn't have to be knocked down with a hint, and departed, to find the missing ballots safely at the courthouse.

Another trip out toward Riverside in the Fourth resulted in some startling information from a group of unofficial watchers looking through the open door at the election board.

Another "Bear Story"

"There's ten people in there counting the votes. Three extras, and one is the Shank candidate for precinct committeeman, who is voting all the incomplete ballots for himself. And the inspector can't read or write. Look at him unfold them ballots and hold them upside down like he's reading. But he's not."

The three "extras" turned out to be official watchers, and the inspector was left to the tender care of the rest of the board. And so on and so on, until the last precinct was in.

"These rumors and complaints are the result of too big precincts," said Leo K. Fesler, county election commissioner, who personally investigated many "bear stories" of graft, crooked work and rascality.

"When a group of average citizens are put to work to receive 500 votes and then count them without stopping, it is too much of a strain. Exhaustion, delay and breakdowns occur. Then people get suspicious and nervous because the counting is done in twelve hours."

"There certainly will have to be a reduction in size of the precincts."

SECOND LODGE TO ELECT

Louis G. Buddenbaum Named Adoniram Head.

Annual election of Sarallah Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, will be held next Wednesday night in the Scottish Rite Temple.

Adoniram Grand Lodge of Perfection, governing Scottish Rite body in the Valley of Indianapolis, elected these officers Wednesday night: Louis G. Buddenbaum, charter potent master; Walter J. Le Saulnier, deputy master; Arthur R. Robinson, senior warden; Fred I. Willis, junior warden; Edward D. Moore, treasurer; Robert G. McClure, secretary; William W. Thornton, orator; Martin T. H. hospitalier; Vincent V. Smith, master of ceremonies; Frank E. Floyd, captain of guard; Frank Burns, tyler, and John T. Sautler, trustee for three years.

Man Falls Under Train

By Times Special
SHELBYVILLE, Ind., May 8.—The body of Donald Lonon of Pitts, N. C., is being held here until arrival of relatives. Lonon was killed Wednesday when, attempting to board a freight train near the Big Four passenger station, he slipped and fell under the wheels.

Bicyclist Dies

By Times Special
FT. WAYNE, Ind., May 8.—Injuries received when he was struck by a street car were fatal to H. P. Converse, 50. He was riding a bicycle and is believed to have become confused when he met the car at the approach to a bridge.

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Feeling Good!



Senator James E. Watson of Indiana certainly looks affable as he steps out of the White House. Looks like he got to see the President without much trouble. And maybe he heard something just to his liking.

EIGHTEENTH AUTO ACCIDENT VICTIM DIES OF INJURIES

Driver of Machine in Collision
With Street Car Succumbs.

Harry Collins, 30, of 2363 N. Pennsylvania St., died at city hospital early today from a fractured skull received when the automobile he was driving was struck by an Illinois street car at Thirty-Fourth St. and Kenwood Ave., May 6.

His mother, Mrs. Guy Collins, is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Brown, 3315 Kenwood Ave., suffering from injuries received in the accident. Charles Poole, 213 Dickson St., motorman of the street car, was released today on an involuntary manslaughter charge, pending an investigation.

Eighteenth Victim

Collins was the eighteenth person to die in Indianapolis motor vehicle accidents this year.

The conditions of Mrs. Kate Meyer, 3360 N. Meridian St.; Mrs. E. J. Schoonover, 535 Highland Dr.; Mrs. Frank Randolph, 3744 N. Meridian St.; Joe Kinsley, Hillsboro, Ind.; and Timothy Lane, Jamestown, Ind., were reported as improved today. They were injured when the machines driven by Mrs. Meyer and Kinsley collided at Twenty-First St. and Emerson Ave., Wednesday.

Mrs. Schoonover and Mrs. Randolph were in the car driven south on Emerson Ave. by Mrs. Meyer and Lane, and two other men who escaped injury were in Kinsley's machine traveling east in Twenty-First St. Kinsley was arrested.

B. W. Huck, 25 E. Ohio St., was slightly injured when his auto collided with an auto driven by Hayes Albee, 213 W. Miami St., who, police say, failed to stop after the accident.

Girl, 4, Injured

Daisy Lee, 4 years old, of 1510 Howard St., was cut about the face when an auto in which she was riding, police say, was struck by a car driven by Walter Turner, 938 W. Twenty-Seventh St., at Howard St. and Belmont Ave. Turner was charged with assault and battery.

Michael Schmidt was charged with failure to stop after an accident when, police say, he struck a car driven by Ralph Bruce, 1918 Virginia Ave., forcing it into the auto of Mrs. G. H. Perry, 317 E. Maple Rd., at Thirtieth and Meridian Sts.

CARNATION DAY INDORSED

Postmaster General New Approves Drive by War Mothers.

This letter has been received by Mrs. E. May Hahn, president of the Marion County chapter of American War Mothers, from Postmaster General Harry S. New, in regard to the Carnation day drive here Saturday:

My dear Mrs. Hahn: I am glad of the opportunity of endorsing the American War Mothers day drive put on by the American War Mothers in behalf of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War.

Every one is interested in it; every one is glad to see the splendid movement and will be glad to donate their bit and I sincerely trust that the funds raised will enable you to carry out your relief work to the needy.

Very sincerely,
HARRY S. NEW.

Young women who will assist the War Mothers Saturday may call Mrs. Hahn, Randolph 0575, or Mrs. J. Harvey Reese, Webster 0362.

BELIEVE IN GOD? FANATIC ASKS; DIES IN BATTLE

Cowboy, Carrying Bible and
Gun, Creates Sensation at
Kansas City.

By United Press
KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 8.—Peter Gaston, believed to be from Pierpont, Mich., walked into the lobby of the Federal Hotel here today with a Bible in one hand and a revolver in the other and was shot and killed in a battle with police fifteen minutes later.

Dressed in high leather boots, corduroy trousers and wide brimmed cowboy hat, Gaston stalked in the hotel and registered, changing his revolver to his left hand as he penned his name. He placed his Bible on the cigar counter. Then he turned on the guests in the lobby and calmly asked: "All of you men believe in God?" "All of you put your right hand on the Bible and your right hand on your heart."

A clerk, seated at a switchboard, called George Fleischer, a Federal narcotic agent, who lives in the hotel. As the four men placed their hands on the Bible, Gaston turned to one and demanded:

"Where is the girl you stole from me a year ago at the North Hole?" "I'll go get her," the guest replied. At this point Fleischer appeared on the stairway. Simultaneously, a police car stopped in front of the hotel, and Gaston opened fire at the officers. Fleischer started shooting from the rear and killed the fanatic instantly.

She Didn't Wear Stockings!



Girls, you owe a summer-time derby to Judge Jim Reeves of Houston (in inset). He says you can promenade stockingless whenever you want to. This maiden, Mary De Mont, although full grown, was walking down Main St. in Houston,

sans hose of any description, when a patrolman happened along. He arrested her, but Judge Reeves could find nothing in the statutes that decreed young women had to wear stockings in public and released her.

GUIDE AT STATE PARK

Nature Study Instruction to Be at McCormick's Creek Canyon.

The State conservation department has sent Miss Luci Pitzschler, Indianapolis, to McCormick's Creek Canyon State Park near Spencer to act as a guide and nature study instructor for two weeks. Miss Pitzschler is official representative of the Indiana Nature Study Club.

According to Richard Lieber, conservation director, this is an opportunity for those interested in wild flowers and birds and trees to inspect the park.

LAMBERT ON WAY TO PRISON AGAIN

U. S. Deputy Returns Captured Man.

Harry Wertz, deputy U. S. marshal, was to leave Louisville today on a second trip to Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., with Robert Lambert, New Albany, Ind.

Lambert, who escaped on his first trip to the prison with former Governor Warren T. McCray by eluding Wertz and leaping handcuffed from the window of the moving train near Chattanooga, Tenn., was captured yesterday by Louisville police.

Lure of a former sweetheart brought Lambert to New Albany, Ind. His first thought when seized by Louisville police in the kitchen of a soft drink stand, where he had secured hiding by telling the proprietor he was an army "buddie" of his son, was of the girl.

Lambert, was sentenced to two years in the Atlanta prison by Judge A. B. Anderson for conspiracy to violate the national vehicle stealing law.

CHURCH REMOVAL URGED

Architects Say Buildings Would Distract From Memorial.

The Indianapolis Architectural Club has adopted resolutions recommending that the World War Memorial Commission be authorized to proceed with destruction of properties now standing on the proposed plaza site.

The First Baptist Church and Second Presbyterian Church, are protesting their removal from the site. The resolution says the presence of the churches "will detract from and make incomplete the proper execution of the whole memorial."

FOREST MAKES MONEY

Reserve in Clark County Brings Profit to State.

The State forest reserve in Clark County is making money, according to figures of the State department of conservation. Eight carloads of railroad ties and several thousand feet of lumber were marketed.

Scarlet and black oak on 2,900 acres of State forest near Henryville in Clark County is being cut to make way for white and chestnut oak.

Evangelistic Career Opened

Henry W. Lewis of the Henry W. Lewis Realty Company, 46 N. Pennsylvania St., who plans to enter evangelistic work, preached his first sermon in Union Tabernacle Baptist Church, Senate Ave. and St. Clair St., Wednesday night. His text was: "I know that My Redeemer Liveth."

Dies at Work

By Times Special
CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., May 8.—Frederick Maxwell, 65, former school teacher, was buried from his home at Byron, Ind., Wednesday. He dropped dead while working in the fields.

Fiery Cross Burned

Police were called to the corner of Eleventh and Olive Sts. late Wednesday on report that a "fiery cross" was burning. When they arrived the cross had been extinguished and they were unable to learn anything of the circumstances.

ADDICTS BLAMED FOR DRUG STORE NARCOTICS THEFT

Thirty Dollars Worth of 'Dope'
Taken From Place at
450 N. Riley Ave.

Narcotic addicts are blamed by police for a burglary at the B. D. Brown drug store, 450 N. Riley Ave., early today. Thirty dollars worth of narcotics, of various kinds, was taken. Police said the front door glass was broken.

Mrs. H. B. Smith, 849 N. New Jersey St., told police her daughter screamed when she saw a man in her room. He jumped through a window. Miss Marie Hartman, a roomer, said her purse, with \$25.75 in cash, was missing.

Mrs. Harry Condit, Washington Hotel, reported \$45, two checks, one for \$150 and another for \$50, both signed by her husband, and a strand of pearl beads taken from her room. Miss Laura Cain, 137 E. Palmer St., said a pay check for \$18, \$8 in cash and a wrist watch were taken from the office of the Progress Laundry, where she is employed.

Rudolph Hayne, 1125 Broadway, reported furnishings valued at \$70 taken from a vacant house at 1504 College Ave.

Miss Goldie Van Horn, visiting at 715 S. Meridian St., reported clothing valued at \$30 taken from her room.

From Far and Near

A graduated tax on undivided profits of corporations has been adopted by the Senate.

To prove his theory that any bright criminal can prove himself insane and thus escape punishment, John Duncan, a Des Moines newspaper reporter, feigned insanity and was adjudged as a dangerous lunatic by a sanity commission and remanded to the State asylum.

Germany has radio "bootleggers." They're the folks who try to evade the government tax on radio sets.

Sophie Lyons Burke, former internationally known pickpocket and one of the most picturesque figures the country has ever known is dead at Detroit.

Doug Fairbanks and Mary Pickford received the shock of their lives in Denmark. They requested an interview with the King. "Who Are They?" asked the King.

Victor Berger, Wisconsin Congressman, has asked the House to repeal the provisions of the espionage act under which he was sentenced during the war.

ROOM FOR ALL IN AUTOS

Commissioner Says Machines Could Empty State in One Trip

Indiana's 600,000 registered motor vehicles could haul every person and all their wealth in \$10 bills, out of the State in one trip, declared Earl Crawford, member of the State highway commission, today. "That is something the State highways could do that all the passenger equipment of railroads and traction lines combined could not do," he said.

The 4,128 miles of road in the State system touch every county seat and every city of 2,500 population or over excepting four, he said.

CATHOLICS TO GIVE FETE

Charities and Notre Dame Will Receive Proceeds.

Catholic charities in Indianapolis and the Notre Dame University endowment fund will receive proceeds of the Catholic Welfare May Festival, to be held in the Knights of Columbus auditorium, May 14-17.

Cards and lotto will be played the afternoons of May 15 and 16. There will be a musical entertainment nightly. A children's party will be given the afternoon of May 17.

George Rice, general chairman, as assistants W. P. Holmes, W. P. Flannery, Daniel T. Doyle, James E. Gavin, T. A. Flaherty, John J. McShane, John J. Clancy and James B. Mahan.

How Unusual!



Olga Sears, 16, is a poet. Her verse is so good publishers in her home city, Boston, want to print it in a book. But Olga has rejected all offers. She says she doesn't want her verse "commercialized."

In the Isle of Man and in Ireland herrings are sold by the maze, which contains 630 fish.

G. O. P. TURNS TO FIGHT FOR PARTY CONTROL IN STATE

Klan Leader Mentioned as
Contender for Place of
Clyde Walb.

With the Ku-Klux Klan successful in putting across nomination of Ed Jackson, secretary of State, as the Republican nominee for Governor, factional fights for party control in the State loomed today.

According to reports, Walter Bossert, imperial representative of the Klan in Indiana and ex-Sixth district Republican chairman, seeks to oust Clyde A. Walb as Republican State chairman and set up an organization controlled by the Klan. It is rumored Bossert has the backing of James P. Goodrich, ex-Governor.

Although the nominee for Governor generally has his own way about naming a party chairman, it is understood Jackson will not interfere in the factional fight and will accept party machinery as it is chosen.

D. C. Stephenson, known as the "old man" in Indiana Klandom, also is a power to be reckoned with in the fight for party control.

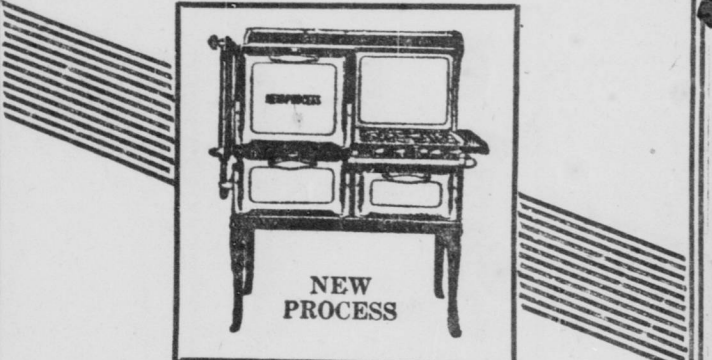
Regulars in the party will put up a strong fight to retain Walb in control, at the reorganization meeting here May 14.

There appears to be little contest on the Democratic ranks for State chairman. It is freely predicted that Walter S. Chambers, Newcastle, will be re-elected.



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