

SHANK IS FLAYED BY COUNCILMEN AS 'INCOMPETENT'

Buchanan Scores Mayor for 'Unfulfilled Promises' to South Side.

New investigations of the park board by the special city council investigation committee are under way today following a bitter attack on Mayor Shank and city administration by Councilmen Otto Ray and Heydon W. Buchanan Monday night.

Nearly 100 residents of the South side, who were present to demand Pleasant Run Blvd. be started, applauded as the two councilmen alternated on the floor in denouncing "unfulfilled promises" of the Shank administration to the south side.

Immediately after the meeting, the investigation committee went into secret session, members keeping the exact nature of the conference secret. President Walter W. Wise of the council, directed the park committee appear before the park board Thursday and get at the root of the delay in constructing Pleasant Run Blvd.

'Incompetency' Demonstrated

"Mayor Shank has demonstrated his incompetency in office during the last three days by his cuts on the city budget," said Councilman Ray. "He announces it will be an economical year, but the citizens of Indianapolis will have to pay the bills in the next administration."

Ray then launched his attack on the delay in constructing Pleasant Run Blvd., promising the council investigation committee would take up the probe.

"I have been approached by one hundred people within the last few weeks on this Pleasant Run Blvd. proposition," said Ray. "Many of these citizens here tonight have paid their assessments ranging from \$15 to \$200. The city is holding that money. The park board has purchased considerable property from individuals and is now renting it, guaranteeing a year's rental to tenants. Thus the citizens lose use of their money while the park board delays."

Thirty Paid Assessments

Nearly thirty citizens present indicated they had paid their assessments when Wise asked for a vote.

Several spoke on south side conditions, saying they had given up hope of ever getting relief from poor sewer, rough streets and construction of one-mile-wide boulevard.

"And we're going to get rid of some of these things if we have to get rid of that man who calls himself mayor of Indianapolis," said Councilman Buchanan.

When questioned on the boulevard status, Frank C. Lingenfelter, city engineer, said he believed the board was progressing as rapidly as possible. He said they had ordered all abstracts of property in.

"Yes, and the people of the south side want track elevation," continued Ray. "And our good mayor has seen fit to cut out that tax levy entirely after all his promises before election." A plauso greeted Ray's statement.

Forgets His Promises

"The mayor forgot the south side where he got all his votes as soon as he took office," said Buchanan. "We have four councilmen from the south side, but the mayor has played so much politics we are bound up by vetoes in legislation of benefit."

Joseph L. Hogue, city controller, explained some of the cuts made by the mayor in his budget, after Buchanan said he believed "the council had plenty of evidence to get rid of the mayor."

Serenade Snakes

LONDON—Snakes were unresponsive to the music of a jazz band that was imported into the London Zoological Gardens recently in the interests of science. Among the reptiles only a few of the lizards and the Chinese alligator so much as moved a tail when the band began to play.

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Complaints Are Read

Letters from citizens complaining of the service given by various city departments were read and referred to the committees.

"Another evidence of what citizens are getting from the city officers," commented President Walter W. Wise.

The Civic Association of One Hundred Citizens at Michigan and Dexter Sts. complained that surface water after rains did not drain off.

Residents of Harding St. said they had petitioned the works board for permanent improvement of their



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Champ Strawberry Raiser



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STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT FAILS TO PASS COUNCIL

Motion to Reconsider Keeps Ordinance Alive—Traffic Code Enlarged.

Whisker Bob
By Times Special
KEMPTON, Ind., July 22.—Mothers and grandmothers who bob their hair have nothing on John R. Harlow. For forty years Harlow has worn a long beard and mustache. Spirit of the bobbed hair age caught him and he had it cut off. Reports are his wife didn't even know him when he returned home.

street from Sixteenth to Twenty-Ninth Sts., but the board had not acted. Records show the street railway company has held up the improvement, it is said.

The Indianapolis Union railroad informed the council it was ready to comply with the provisions for crossing watchmen, but pointed out the code was obsolete and impractical. The council safety committee was instructed to investigate.

Other ordinances introduced:

Annealing strip of territory between Arlington Ave. and Tenth and St. Clairs.

Making territory at southwest and southeast corners of Thirtieth St. and Martindale Ave.; business.

Making territory in vicinity of Sixteenth St. and Livingston Ave., first industrial.

Permitting Jess C. Moore to lay switch across Seventeenth St., east of Mifflin St.

Providing for a \$500,000 temporary loan to tide the city over until fall taxes are payable.

Authorizing a \$900,000 flood prevention bond issue for construction of flood walls; and Kentucky and Oliver Ave. bridges.

Annealing territory north of Thirtieth St., between Lancaster and Emerson Aves., to city.

BROTHER IS AWAITED

Funeral Arrangements of Mrs. Henry K. English Are Held Up.

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Henry K. English, 69, of 2035 Broadway, who died late Monday at her home after a short illness, are pending arrival of her brother Walter D. Sharts, from Dallas, Tex. He had lived here, nearly all her life.

Surviving, besides the husband: a daughter, Mrs. Warren S. Gibson, Indianapolis; two brothers, Walter D. Sharts, Dallas, Tex., and Charles Sharts, Vincennes, Ind.; and two sisters, Mrs. Grace Ott, Vincennes, and Mrs. Ida Sharts, Washington, Ind.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported stolen belong to:

John W. Schneider, 19, Karcher St., Oakland, from in front of residence.

Donald L. Ward, 1028 E. Morris St., Liberty, from rear of 1117 Shelby St.

David Strodt, 611 W. Thirtieth St., Cheviot, from Twenty-Sixth St., bathing beach.

Amor R. Duncan, 1260 N. Warman Ave., Ford, from Pennsylvania and New York Sts.

Miracle Doctor

VIENNA—From all parts of Europe invalids are flocking to the remarkable little cottage of Johann Reinbacher, the "miracle doctor," in the tiny village of Stainz. His only prescriptions are various kinds of herbs, and reports of his cures have spread throughout the continent.

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