

BUSINESS HEADS IN CHICAGO SAY 1925 PROMISING

Leaders Believe Coming
Year Will Be Era of
Prosperity.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—Business leaders of Chicago believe 1925 will show marked progress over 1924. They forecast a year of unusual prosperity, many of them declaring, however, that new energy and sound business principles must be applied to bring the prospects to fruition.

W. R. Daves, president of the Chicago Association of Commerce:

"After a year of excellent progress the new year promises to be much brighter."

James Simpson, president of Marshall Field & Company:

"The United States is entering upon a new era of industrial expansion that promises prosperity for many years to come. We may expect this expansion to be healthy and stable and to be comparable in its results to the period of prosperity which followed the election of President McKinley in 1896."

O. E. Bradfute, president American Farm Bureau Federation:

"Farmers feel that things are getting better. They are improving the quality of their products and sending them to the markets in a more saleable condition. There is real improvement in the economic condition of agriculture, which promises great things for the future."

Leeds Mitchell, president of the Chicago Stock Exchange:

"I see nothing to stop the new year from being one of excellent prosperity."

Samuel M. Hastings, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' Mutual Casualty Association:

"Nineteen twenty-five will be a year of recovery and prosperity."

UNION TRACTION IN RECEIVERSHIP

Anderson Court Appoints
Company President.

By Times Special
ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 1.—The Union Traction Company today was operating under the direction of the circuit court here, as the result of being declared in receivership late Wednesday by Judge W. A. Kittinger on the petition of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

Judge Kittinger named Arthur W. Brady, president of the company, as receiver.

The Westinghouse company in their complaint alleged that the traction company owed them \$74,192 and was otherwise heavily indebted and in imminent danger of insolvency.

The traction company filed a general denial.

BALTZELL DECIDED ON?

Dispatch Says He is Picked for Indiana Federal Bench.

Judge Robert C. Baltzell, Princeton, will be nominated Federal judge for Indiana by President Coolidge as soon as A. B. Anderson, present judge, is advanced to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Chicago, according to Washington dispatches. Coolidge let it be known he had decided to appoint Baltzell after receiving a report from Attorney General Stone, it is reported.

Baltzell's appointment will follow immediately after the Senate confirmation of Anderson's nomination by Coolidge. It is expected the changes will take place Friday.

SHANK DEFENDS PLAN

Mayor Says Pay Boost Would Not Affect Taxes Until 1926.

Increasing pay of police and firemen \$15 a month will not mean any boost in the city tax rate before 1926, Mayor Shank pointed out today in answering some criticism of the proposed increase.

At the same time, Shank showed city taxes for 1925 had dropped from \$1,087.50 to \$1,055 on each \$100 of taxable property. A surplus of \$33,000 in the general fund this year is due to rigid economy in which the city government operated below estimates. Joseph L. Hogue, city controller said.

Board of safety members have the pay increase under consideration. General approval has been voiced by leading business men.

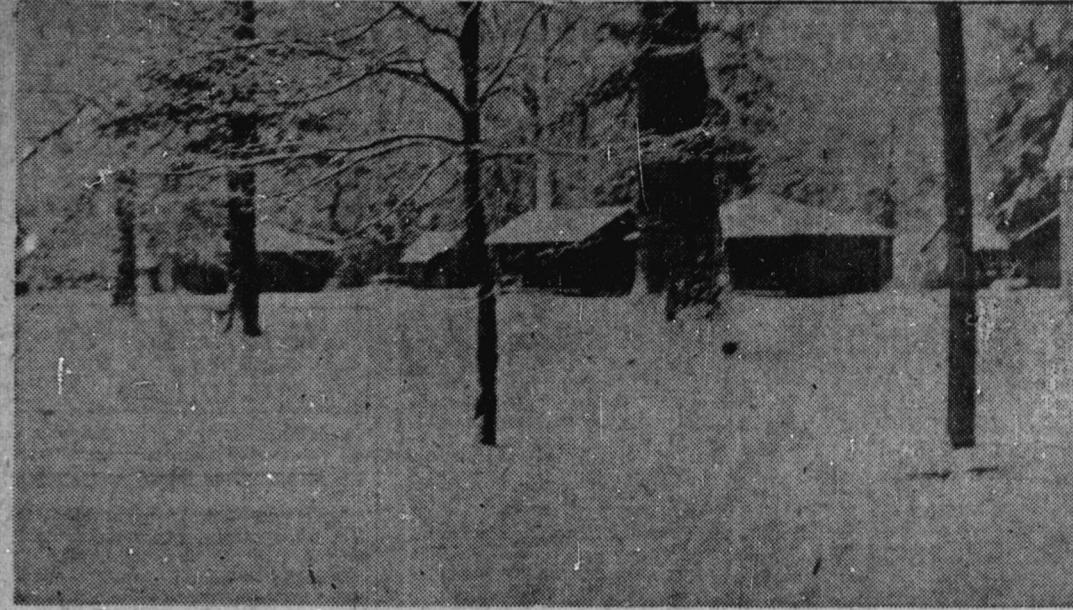
GAS STATION HELD UP

Bandits Escape With \$70 in Robbery at Noblesville.

By Times Special
NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Jan. 1.—Two unmasked bandits late Wednesday night held up the filling station of the Standard Oil Company here and escaped with \$70. Glenn Beaver, sixteen, was forced to open the gas station and safe. Among the bandits were two men who were carrying pennies. Their car carried license number.

Full gun strikes workman
David, age 55, colored, 647 N. Douglas St., a laborer working on the new Bazaar Furniture Company building, was injured early today when a piece of angle iron carried by another workman fell several feet and struck him on the head. He was sent to the city hospital.

State Parks Become More Popular in 1924



TURKEY RUN SCENE DURING SNOW STORM.

DEPUTY SHERIFFS LEAD IN SEIZING NEW YEAR BOOZE

Total Liquor Confiscations
in City Less Than Three
Quarts.

Deputy sheriffs led all other raiding officers in Indianapolis New Year's Eve in the amount of liquor seized. At that, they obtained only two and a half quarts, according to Sheriff Omer Hawkins. Police and Federal officers seized less than a half pint.

A man who gave his name as Harry Watson, 35, of 1921 N. Delaware St., but who the sheriff said was Vern Hutto, 30, of 2154 N. Pennsylvania St., was arrested at Liberty Beach and charged with operating a blind tiger. The sheriff said he had two quarts of Canadian Club and a half pint of white mule.

Franklin C. Burton, 23, of 802 N. Sherman Dr., also was charged with operating a blind tiger, at the same place. Deputy Sheriffs Clausen and Petty said he had a half pint or white mule.

At the Sevin, Federal Officers Holman and J. C. Thompson and Policemen Kegris and Fleming arrested Guy Courier, 24, of 2924 Kenwood Ave. They said he had a very small amount of liquor. "Ducky" Holmes, 40, of 30 E. Vermont St. was charged with having a third of a pint of liquor at the Jack-O-Lantern Cafe, 416 N. Illinois St., by Harry Fischer, special officer.

Police charged Fred Rouse, 27, of 27 N. Meridian St., with vagrancy, intoxication and disorderly conduct. Miss Billie Blackstone, 27, colored, was charged with assault and battery, resisting an officer and intoxication.

FIGHTS IN RESTAURANTS

Five Men Attack Two Who Refused to Give One a Dime.

Clair Weaver, 14½ E. Eleventh St., manager of the lunch room at Highland Ave. and Tenth St., and Ernest Brown, 1520 E. Tenth St., a customer, were attacked in the lunchroom by five men early today. One asked for a dime. When both Weaver and Brown refused the men struck them and ran.

Brown, 54½ Kentucky Ave., was charged with assault and battery by police who investigated a fight in the restaurant at 9 Kentucky Ave. The officers say Alfred Woodward, 54½ Holly Ave., and a party told them they were eating and Brown ordered them out stating they were making too much noise. He struck Woodward, police were told.

AUTO THEFTS WITNESSED

Driver Gives Police Number of Car Used by Suspects.

Ralph Noble, 3314 N. Capitol Ave., told police while he was driving on Meridian St. he saw three men stealing from parked cars. He obtained the license number of their auto. Police are investigating.

A brick was tossed through the front window of the Pete Nomas restaurant, 148 N. Delaware St. Pork chops and seaks valued at \$5 were taken. Mrs. Carrie M. Yates, 720 E. Fifty-Second St., told police china, tools, phonograph records, valued at \$22 were taken from her home. Gus Banister, 328 W. South St., reports a rifle valued at \$60 taken.

RAILROAD TO PAY CITY

Brownstown Wins Judgment When Trains Fall to Stop.

By Times Special
SEYMOUR, Ind., Jan. 1.—Brownstown, county seat of Jackson County, has been awarded judgment for \$300 against the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company for failure to stop certain passenger trains there. The suit was filed last summer after a new schedule had been put in effect by the railroad company.

MARITAL SPREE AIRED

Woman Can't Remember All of Her Husbands.

By United Press
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 1.—The matrimonial road has been full of chuck holes for Sarah Brown here. Her first adventure was with Ora Drake, eleven, children were born. Since her death Sarah, now 54, has been forced to open seven times with her domestic troubls, and each time the Judge has freed her from them.

Judge is now considering her plea for divorce from James Brown, 66. So numerous has been her husbands that she could not remember all the names while on the witness stand.

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J. C. MCCLOSKEY ELECTED HEAD OF COUNTY FATHERS

Commissioners Follow Usual
Custom—New Officials
on Job.

The apples were on incoming county officials at courthouse today.

A barrel of apples was "on tap" in the county commissioner's office. They were sent by C. O. Sutton of Perry Township, Republican, commissioner, who succeeded Albert Hoffman of Bridgeport.

"Why, I remember the time when we not only passed out apples, but cider, too," said John Kitley, retiring president of the commissioners. "But we had to cut the cider out," he sighed.

Following a reception to friends, a short business session was held.

John C. McCloskey, 73, E. McCarty St., was elected president, following the commissioners' custom of giving the office to members on the board longest. Appointments were then read.

George G. Schmidt, who succeeded John J. Griffith as county surveyor, was the first to receive a gift. It was a box of flowers. His office was filled with friends.

James Wilson, Thomas Mathews,

C. W. Collins, 24, of 1341 N. Illinois St., had the distinction of being the first citizen to be arrested in 1925 on a charge of speeding. He was slated at 12:30 a. m. and was closely contested for the honor by Russell Meyers, 21, of 516 N. Garland Ave.

Motorcycle Officers Tremp and Bushong made a thrilling chase to capture Walter Ryeman, 17, of 1914 N. Talbot Ave., who is charged with speeding, vagrancy, resisting arrest and vehicle taking. Tremp said they followed him for a mile on W. Washington St. at forty miles an hour, and he finally swerved around a corner, down a terrace and struck a light pole, wrecking the car owned by Ernest Knefer, 1914 N. Talbot Ave. Ryeman ran and Tremp later found him crouched on a front porch and arrested him. Others held on speed charges.

Sam Workman, 46, of 2802 E. Twenty-First St., Sam Graves, 22, of 2853 Station St., Herbert Mayer, 22 of 248 W. Morris St., Mark Hadley, 18, of Hadley Ind., Byron Francis, 28, of 904 Union St., C. G. Gates, 22, of 437 Temple Ave.; Harry Patterson, 27, of 2109 Ringold St.; Alvin R. Williams, 21, of Browningsburg, Ind.

FISCAL YEAR PROPOSED

City Officials Discuss Law to Change Financial System.

A bill providing that the fiscal year of all city departments start July 1, instead of Jan. 1, is expected to be favored by city officials at the coming session of the Legislature.

By the change, Joseph L. Hogue, city controller, pointed out that the necessity for making temporary loans to tide the city over until the first installment of taxes would be eliminated. James M. Ogden, corporation counsel, is investigating legal steps.

Hogue figured the saving of interest alone would be \$20,000 a year, based on loans of the general city and the board of health.

ACTORS ATTEND FUNERAL

Services Held for Kate Ellinore, Vanuaville Star.

Representatives of the National Vaudeville Artists' Association came from Chicago today to attend the funeral of Mrs. Kate Ellinore Williams at noon at Flanner and Buchanan chapel, 320 N. Illinois St. Mrs. Williams, known professionally as Kate Ellinore, was a director of that association.

To curtail their circulation, by adding to their cost, would hamper education seriously, Lynch said. He added that the union favors higher pay for postal employees, and that postal service was not meant to be self-sustaining.

POULTRY EDICT ISSUED

Effort Made to Stop Shipment of Diseased Fowls.

The State Livestock sanitary board has issued an edict against sale of any poultry known to have been exposed to or having contracted any disease, and requiring shipment of healthy fowls in thoroughly disinfected cars.

Dr. R. C. Julian, State Veterinarian, left for Washington, D. C. today to confer with Federal officials on the poultry disease situation, which has resulted in a strict embargo against affected poultry on the Atlantic seaboard. Dr. Julian said the disease has not been reported in Indiana.

WILMETH BEGINS PLANS

Asks Friends Who Sponsor Candidacy to Call on Him.

A series of meetings with his supporters in his campaign for mayor.

Indians will be held by Judge Delbert O. Wilmett, he announced Wednesday in a letter sent to his workers.

"You are one of the first 7,000 voters who have endorsed in writing my candidacy for mayor of Indianapolis," the letter said. "I would be pleased to have your assistance as a volunteer worker in the campaign."

"I am arranging to be at my office, 35 S. Alabama St., on Saturdays during January from 2 to 8 p. m. If convenient for you to call during that time I shall be very glad to talk over future plans with you."

IDENTITY IS UNKNOWN

Woman Who Falls Unconscious Taken to City Hospital.

The identity of a woman who fell unconscious on the sidewalk near 114 N. Oriental St. Wednesday afternoon had not been learned today. She was reported in a serious condition with heart disease at city hospital.

The woman is about 50 years old, is 4 feet 8 inches tall, rather stout, with blue eyes and light bobbed hair.

She wore a blue dotted dress and a light cape. Mrs. Agnes Donahue, 1242 Deloss St., and Mrs. Joseph Powers, 144 N. Arsenal Ave., saw her fall.

And Dream—Injured Nose

A nightmare caused Raymond Wright, apartment 2, at 425 E. New York St., to nurse an injured nose today. Police said that he fell out of bed early today.

Even Robbers Celebrate

VINCENNES, Ind., Jan. 1.—Robbers joined in the celebration of the arrival of the New Year Wednesday by stocking themselves with \$300 in clothing from the Kroeger Specialty Company's store here, police reported today.

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GANT INDICTED

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 1.—Joseph Gant, former president of the defunct Centropolis State Bank, was under indictment here today on charges of forgery in connection with the disappearance of \$625,000 of the bank's funds.

Gant, who is ill in a sanatorium here, is under \$50,000 bond.

Dog!

By Times Special

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 1.—"Skinnay," pet dog, burned to death in the fire that destroyed the Young Car Company, rested in peace today.

He was given a public burial in a real casket Wednesday with ten children as pallbearers.

DANIELSON

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan.