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Law Almost Stops Butler Exam

VISIONS of a classroom full of eager young minds waiting to divulge what they know about economics in a final examination at Butler University caused Prof. Irving Allen, 33, of 657 E. Thirteenth St., to show a little haste today.

As a result the eager young minds came near being relieved of the burden of unburdening.

Patrolman Neal and Leise lay in ambush at Emerson Ave. and Washington St., as the professor approached in his car. He was almost late for the quiz then. He "stepped on it" to beat the "Go" sign. Officers charged he drove thirty miles an hour.

The officers charged him with speeding.

His picture of the highly crammed young minds won a respite and the officers accompanied him to the campus, where he got the examination started, explained his predicament and left another instructor in charge. Then he went to police headquarters, and was released on his own recognizance by City Judge Delbert O. Wilmeth.

Lighting of Monument in War Period Recalled in Move to Restore Beauty



HOW THE MONUMENT LOOKED AT NIGHT WHEN FLOOD-LIGHTED DURING THE WORLD WAR PERIOD. AND WHAT YOU SEE WHEN YOU LOOK TOWARD THE MONUMENT FROM S. MERIDIAN ST. NOW.

CIVIC FEDERATION WILL STUDY CITY MANAGER PLAN

E. J. Sexton Heads Committee to Investigate Proposed Change.

Edward O. Snethen, president of Federation of Civic Clubs, today announced appointment of a committee headed by E. J. Sexton to investigate the city manager plan of government following discussion at a meeting Friday night at Chamber of Commerce.

Committee will attend Real Estate Board luncheon Wednesday, when the plan will be explained. Report will be made at the federation's next meeting, Feb. 27.

Other members of the committee are George O. Lehman, Robert Sloan, Gustav Jones and Mrs. J. B. Hoss. John F. White, secretary, suggested the committee be named.

Proposal of Richard L. Ewbank, attorney, that churches and civic organizations hold caucuses to choose candidates for mayor and other officials, rather than have them selected by a small group of politicians, was read. Ewbank's plan for "impartial selection of best men for office" was not acted upon, although discussion followed the reading.

Flood lighting of Soldiers and Sailors Monument, as proposed in a bill to be presented to the Legislature, was favored.

South Irvington Community Club was admitted to membership.

ANOTHER FRIGID WAVE EXPECTED

Drop in Temperature Predicted Sunday.

A cold wave for Sunday night, with temperatures of from 10 to 15 degrees, was forecast by J. H. Armstrong, Government meteorologist, today.

Armstrong said extreme cold in the Canadian northwest is moving slowly down on this section. He did not expect sub-zero temperatures here, however.

Weather will be warmer today and most of the night, he said, the drop being expected Sunday afternoon. Little prospect for snow was seen.

GAS JUMPS UP AGAIN

One Cent Rise Announced for Third Time in Eight Days.

For the third time in eight days gasoline prices jumped one cent a gallon today. The increase, announced by the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, was followed by independent concerns. Retail prices now are: Low test gasoline, 20.2 cents a gallon; high test gasoline, 3 to 4 cents higher, depending upon brand.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE

6 a. m.	28	10 a. m.	40
9 a. m.	28	1 p. m.	42
12 m.	32	3 p. m.	40
6 p. m.	35	9 p. m.	40

EXPLORES STATUE'S TIP

Steeplejack, Who Avoids 'Publicity,' Works at Dizzy Height.

MISS INDIANA has had a shocking time. Lightning and the elements damaged the statue on the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument and necessitated repairs.

Work is being done by the "unknown" steeplejack.

He refuses to reveal his name because—

Several years ago his mother asked him to quit steeplejacking. She was afraid he'd be killed. But he loves his work and he couldn't give it up. He doesn't want his mother to know, for "she'd worry herself to death."

Ropes were slung high over Miss Indiana's shoulders, by means of long poles and then in a just an ordinary board seat, the "unknown" went up, up, with just a half-inch rope holding him—to a hole in the statue just below the shoulders. Into this hole he climbed and with a bucket of red lead to paint the interior of the statue.

"It was a tough job," he said, "this man who has done perilous work all over the country. 'There was no place to stand on and I had to swing myself in that hole. The hole wasn't so big either.'"

Inside the statue there is no ladder—only the braces and structure.

The "Unknown" ventured to the head of the statue, repairing leaks and holes. Orders first called for him to "hold the hand of Miss Indiana," too. It was believed there was a break there. Investigation showed none.

New lightning rods were installed.

FORBES TO FIGHT JURY'S VERDICT

Appeals for Rehearing of Fraud Charges.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Appeal for a new trial was prepared today for Col. Charles R. Forbes, former head of the Veterans Bureau, and John W. Thompson, St. Louis contractor, found guilty by a Federal jury Friday night of conspiracy to defraud the Government in bureau hospital contracts.

Hearings on the appeal will be held Wednesday and if the appeal is denied the case will be taken to the United States Supreme Court, it was announced.

Under the verdict Forbes and Thompson are liable to a maximum sentence of two years in the penitentiary and \$10,000 fine. They are at liberty on \$10,000 bond each.

GALE WRECKS TRAIN

English Express Blown From Tracks—Three Killed.

By United Press
LONDON, England, Jan. 31.—Crossing the Owenscarra viaduct in the desolate Donegal Mountains during a terrific storm, the Londonderry-Burton port express was blown from the rails and wrecked early today, three persons being killed and ten injured.

The train, toppled by the gale, fell over against a stone parapet which prevented it crashing 150 feet to the river bed.

FEDERAL INQUIRY MAY BE ASKED IN HIGHWAY MATTER

Representative Carlson Says He Considers Resolution Asking for Probe by United States.

JURY MEETS FEB. 10

Legislator Believes Affair Is of Great Importance to People.

Investigation by the Federal grand jury, which convenes Feb. 10, of charges of irregularities in the Indiana State highway commission's sale of war material looted today as the latest possibility in demands for airing the department.

Lawrence E. Carlson, State representative, Huntington, chairman of the House committee on Federal relations, announced he is considering introducing a resolution in the Assembly next week that it is the sense of the Assembly that the investigation should be made by Federal authorities "at once."

"This scandal involves Federal matters as much, if not more, than State," said Carlson. "The matter has been before the Marion County grand jury for months, and no action has been taken, principally because the jury has been so busy with local crime."

The Federal matters Carlson said were involved are charges that Army trucks and other war materials supplied the State highway commission are made the subject of illegal sale.

"I know that Prosecutor Remy, who has charge of the Marion County grand jury, did not receive the final report on the subject from the State board of accounts until some time in November, and that before his investigation could be completed the grand jury's term ended by law and a new one was convened," said Carlson.

"I also know that the new (Turn to Page 11)

POSTAL BILL HITS SNAG

House Committee Objects to Senate Originating Measure.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The House Ways and Means Committee today reported out a resolution recommending that the House return to the Senate the postal salaries bill passed by the Senate Friday.

The resolution declared the Senate in originating the postal bill had "infringed" on the constitutional right of the House to originate revenue bills.

New Home Occupied
Nineteen children and children were removed this morning from the old Colored Orphans' Home at Boulevard Pl. and Twenty-First St., to the new home at Keystone Ave. and Twenty-Fifth St.

IN LAST 24 HOURS

Three persons have been injured in traffic accidents in Indianapolis.

TOTAL INJURED THIS YEAR	TOTAL DEATHS THIS YEAR
124	7

Many a fat woman has a thin time.

EIGHT DIE IN CHICAGO AS FIRE SWEEPS APARTMENT; HEROIC ACTS SAVE MANY

Thirty Persons Injured and Five Are in Critical Condition—Telephone Girls, Students, Firemen and Police Aid in Rescues.

BLAZE IS BELIEVED DUE TO AN OVERHEATED FURNACE

Woman Leaps From Fourth Floor, Clothing Catches on Projecting Rod at Third—Is Taken Down Only Slightly Hurt.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Eight known dead was the latest count today by firemen in the blaze which swept a thirty-six apartment building on the south side here. Five bodies have been recovered, three are visible in the smoking ruins, and it is believed two or three more bodies are buried under the mass of debris.

Thirty persons were injured and five may die. But quick thinking of two telephone girls and the heroism of several college students and firemen and police kept the casualties from being much higher.

Rose Baker and Margaret Locke, telephone girls at the Del Prado Hotel, adjoining the apartment building, saved four persons from what seemed like sure death. The girls saw two men, a woman and a boy on the fourth floor of the structure, their escape cut off by the flames.

Running to the fourth floor of the hotel, the girls shouted for the four to be calm. The girls secured a long ironing board, ran it from their window across the eight-foot areaway and the four crawled to safety.

An unidentified woman, also trapped by the flames on the fourth and top floor, leaped from her window. But her clothing caught on a projecting rod from the third floor window. Shrieking with pain and fight, as long tongues of fire whirled around her, she dangled thirty feet above the pavement.

To the Rescue
Several University of Chicago students saw her plight. They secured ladders and two of them scrambled to the rescue through the flames and brought the woman to safety. She was not badly hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Olive Hardie and their 9-month-old daughter were trapped in their fourth floor apartment. Unable to penetrate the fire and smoke, and apparently crazed with fright, they leaped to the street and were killed. Their child, Doris, was found burned to death in the apartment.

Miss Loretta Brayer, 16, was burned to death while fighting her way along the blazing hallway of the third floor.

The body of an unidentified woman was taken from the top floor.

Steven Cotton and his wife and child were trapped in their fourth floor apartment. Unable to make their escape down the hallway, they opened a window and stood poised on the sill.

Lieut. Horace McLean, chief of the Sixteenth Battalion, yelled for them to wait. Ladders were run up and firemen fought their way through fire and smoke and carried the three to safety.

Mrs. Isabelle Cunningham saved her mother-in-law and 9-year-old daughter. The mother-in-law, a paralytic, was helpless. Mrs. Cunningham placed the aged woman in her wheel chair, took the terrified child under one arm and made her way through the dense smoke of their second floor apartment to the stairway. She wheeled the chair down the stairway to the front door where firemen yanked all three to safety.

Others Rescued
A dozen others were carried to safety by firemen and police.

The fire started in the basement from an overheated furnace, firemen believe. While the building was of brick, the flames spread rapidly and cut off the escape of many of the tenants before the alarms could be given. Scores made their way to the street.

"How much bond do I have to get?"

"One hundred dollars."

"Well, I'll have to draw on my savings account. You couldn't drive me down to the bank first?"

"Heck, we aren't running a taxi service."

The victim sighed. "I was returning from a funeral," he said.

"That's a damned good reason," Halstead said, as I wiped my eyes—it had been a long day.

"Wait 'til we arrest that man with another man."

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS



Many a fat woman has a thin time.

By ROSS H. GARRIGUS

ALL I needed the other day to be the well-known Mr. Mercury—not the thermometer. You understand, but that mythical god of speed—was a pair of wings on my ankles.

For I was recruited in the police war on fast driving—yes me 'n' Lieut. Earl Halstead.

Rode for three hours in a motor-cycle side car with him, and boy, she was cold, no matter if J. H. Armstrong, did say the back of the near zero wave was broken.

But I wouldn't make a speed

cop. To be a good one, you have to be a cross between a Hard Hearted Hanna and an aviator. As an aviator I'm a fair newspaperman, and as an H. H. I'm a Soft-Soled Sammie.

"Cause we pinched one guy who was returning from a funeral my conscience is creating more turmoil than Coffin and Lemcke in the Republican party.

Being a speed cop has its advantages. You can sail down the street at a forty-five-mile clip, go on left side of street cars, motor-

ists don't curse you if you get stalled in the road, and you can almost run down traffic cops at the corner and get away with it. To wit: We chased a fire truck into the country.

"Heck," said Halstead to me, "Durn, I'm going all the way to Terre Haute," and he turned his trusty steed around. Motor died right in the middle of the road. And the other motorists: Slowed up as nice as you please, almost begged our pardon. I sighed to think if it had been me in my own driver.

We thought we were going to have luck right off the bat. A Ford coupe was rambling down W. Washington St. at a merry gallop; twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, read Halstead's speedometer. But car track repairs saved him. He had to slow up, too, because of a street car. So he escaped. He'd shiver if he knew how close he came to saying, "Good morning, Judge."

Further on, we eased up on a Ford sedan. A woman was driving. We ordered her over to the side of the curb.

"Going pretty fast, weren't you?" Halstead asked.

"Oh, I didn't think so, officer; we were doing Family Welfare Society work."

"Um," said Halstead, and, giving me the wink, he says: "Captain, what do you say?"

"I don't know," I replied brightly. "They weren't going so fast. Family Welfare work, too."

Halstead took an agonizing time to think the matter over.

"Shall we let her off if she promises to slow down?" I nodded.

"Thank you, officer." Score one for an original excuse.

A rickety Ford roadster—Halstead has a complex for picking on fluffers—was next. The driver slowed down after what appeared to be a thirty-mile clip. We were unable to time him, but we ordered him over to the curb. He was a youngster, freckled-faced, garage mechanic—and scared.

Halstead said a good scare did lots of drivers good as he let the youth go.

An Overland rolled along at a merry speed. We eased it over to the curb.

"Drive on down to the engine house," said Halstead. "We'll call the wagon."

The victim was very pleasant. "First time for me," he said. "Never been arrested for parking overtime, for no lights or anything. But that's what we taxpayers pay you fellows for. I'm not kidding. Didn't think I was traveling so fast."

"I'm stalling you for twenty-eight."

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Chasing Speeder As Cop's 'Aide' Teaches Reporter New Alibi and One Not So Good