

INDIANA'S DEBT PER CAPITA IS LOW FOR 1923

Bureau of Census Gives Figures for All States.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—With a net per capita debt of only 51 cents, Indiana at the end of 1923 had by far the lowest State debt of the forty-eight states according to reports made public today by the bureau of the census. The average per capita debt for all the states was \$3.72, an increase of 60 cents over 1922 and nearly double the pre-war total. Indiana total debt is given as \$1,545,615. New York's States debt at the same time was \$181,790,000 or \$16.87 per person. During 1923 Indiana spent \$28,621,168 for all governmental costs, a per capita average of \$9.85. For the nation as a whole the cost of State Governments was \$11.95 per capita. Since 1915 costs of State Government in Indiana as well as elsewhere have shown a steady increase. In 1915 the average for the whole country was about \$5 per person compared with the 1923 figure of nearly \$12.

Indiana for 1923 collected more revenue than was spent, the collections from taxes and other revenues being \$20,943,299 or \$1,900,000 in excess of costs.

GENERAL DEBT MOUNTS But State May Be Able to Retire Part of Loan.

Indiana's general fund indebtedness since the year 1923 has mounted to \$2,500,000, represented in a bank loan which falls due June 30. L. C. Johnson, deputy State auditor, today said it might be possible for the State to retire a small part of the loan, due to the heavy receipts of current tax installments. The State's balance, as of today, was \$8,602,065.57, which Johnson said would be more than necessary to meet current expenses.

WANT COAL RATES UP

Operators' Representative Before Commerce Commission.

Jonas R. Waffie, representing the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators Association, testified in the Interstate Commerce Commission examiner's hearing in the Federal Bldg. today. Waffie told examiner Burton Fuller that if coal rates from West Virginia and eastern Kentucky coal fields to Indiana were further reduced they would cause "irreparable injury" to the coal mining industry of Indiana. The Indiana State Chamber of Commerce is asking the rates be reduced.

Statement of Condition of the Inter State Fire Insurance Co.

Detroit, Mich.
408 W. Fort St.
On the 31st day of December, 1924
C. A. PALMER, President.
W. A. ELDRIDGE, Secretary.

NET ASSETS OF COMPANY

Cash in banks (on interest and not on deposit).....	\$ 70,543.20
Bonds and stocks owned (market value).....	16,710.00
Mortgage loans on real estate (free from any prior incumbrance).....	\$346,066.11
Accrued securities (interest and rents, etc.).....	8,502.00
Other securities.....	3,865.63
Premiums and accounts due and in process of collection.....	2,023.75
Total net assets.....	\$443,763.54

LIABILITIES

Reserve or amount necessary to reimburse outstanding risks.....	\$ 52,908.75
Losses unadjusted and in suspense.....	12,359.94
Bills and accounts unpaid.....	300.00
Other liabilities of the company.....	4,700.00
Total liabilities.....	\$ 70,268.69
Capital.....	260,000.00
Surplus.....	114,404.85
Total.....	\$443,763.54

Statement of Condition of the Merchants Fire Insurance Corporation of New York

New York City.
45 John St.
On the 31st day of December, 1924.
A. C. NOBLE, President.
G. A. ZIEMEN, Secretary.

NET ASSETS OF COMPANY

Cash in banks (on interest and not on deposit).....	\$ 373,920.52
Bonds and stocks owned (market value).....	5,925,447.00
Mortgage loans on real estate (free from any prior incumbrance).....	\$31,500.00
Accrued securities (interest and rents, etc.).....	29,002.36
Premiums and accounts due and in process of collection.....	592,025.69
Reinsurance due on paid losses.....	2,508.98
Total net assets.....	\$7,394,102.53

LIABILITIES

Reserve or amount necessary to reimburse outstanding risks.....	\$3,055,011.93
Losses, adjusted and not due.....	860,998.98
Other liabilities of the company.....	800,193.20
Total liabilities.....	\$4,055,172.06
Capital.....	1,000,000.00
Surplus.....	2,245,280.44
Total.....	\$7,394,102.53

Statement of Condition of the State of Indiana, Office of Commissioner of Insurance.

I, the undersigned, Commissioner of Insurance of Indiana, hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of the statement of the condition of the above mentioned company on the 31st day of December, 1924, as shown by the original statement, and that the said original statement is now on file in this office.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my official seal (SEAL) this 31st day of April, 1925.
T. S. McMURRAY JR., Commissioner.

Night Fire Does Damage in State Tax Board Office



ANTI-EVOLUTION FORCES ROUSED FOR BIG FIGHT

Wave of Fundamentalism Is Sweeping Country, Survey Shows.

By Henry Minott
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK, June 2.—Aroused by what they consider "monkey business," anti-evolutionists in fourteen States have risen to the cry of "down with Darwinism" and threaten to declare war in some form on scientists who claim the Biblical story of Adam and Eve is a fairy tale.

With Dayton, Tenn., where a new State evolution law is being tested, as the storm center, a tremendous wave of fundamentalism is sweeping the country, a nationwide survey by the United Press shows. Legislatures, school boards, college faculties, prominent attorneys, free-thought leagues—all these have been drawn into the controversy with the anti-evolutionists crying "God or gorilla," and the opposition flinging back "God is an evolutionist," and "there's no monkey in the evolutionist's family tree."

Fires Fanned
Smoldering fires of indignation among the fundamentalists needed only the impetus of the J. T. Scopes case to cause them to flare up in full blast.

The present anti-evolution movement is centered largely in the South and Southwest, the survey shows. States in which controversies have occurred or are now in progress, include, besides Tennessee, North Carolina, Florida, Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona, Kentucky, Illinois, Minnesota, Arkansas, Iowa, West Virginia and North Dakota.

Teaching of evolution has been prohibited for two years in Oklahoma. In Texas the board of regents has ruled that "no infidel, atheist, or agnostic" shall be employed in any capacity in the University of Texas. In that State and in Kentucky, the lower houses of the Legislature passed anti-evolution bills, but the upper houses in each case failed to approve the measures.

Recently the Baptists of Kentucky voted to contribute to no school where evolution was taught.

In Florida
The Florida Legislature has passed a resolution requesting school boards not to employ instructors who taught Darwinism.

Not so long ago the Georgia Legislature deferred action on an appropriation for a State library on the ground that books on evolution might be found there.

And last year, at Mercer University, Macon, Ga., Dr. Henry Fox, biology professor, resigned as result of a controversy based on evolution.

At present, the survey shows, bills on evolution are pending or about to be presented in Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, West Virginia, Iowa, North Dakota, Illinois, Arizona, Oregon and Minnesota.

With William Jennings Bryan scheduled to handle the State's case and employment of Clarence Darlow, noted criminal lawyer and Dudley Field Malone aiding the defense, the approaching trial of the biologist, Scopes, already has attracted nationwide interest.

LEE MAY NOT BE RETURNED

Tennessee Loath to Give Up Suspect.

Ralph Lee, charged with the murder last July of Abner Peck, grocer living near the Speedway, will not be returned to Indiana for trial, it was indicated today in a letter received by Prosecutor William H. Remy from R. A. Mynatt, attorney general of Knox County, Knoxville, Tenn. Lee is held there on charge of highway robbery. He escaped from jail at Franklin, Ind., on eve of his trial. Mynatt wrote he was sorry he could not cooperate in returning Lee.

Mynatt informed Remy, however, that if Lee is not convicted he will be turned over to Indiana authorities. Least penalty Lee can receive in Tennessee is fifteen years, Mynatt said.

Claude M. Worley, county investigator, wrote Knoxville officials two weeks ago asking that Lee be returned and may appeal to Governor Jackson for requisition papers.

PAYS MARSHALL TRIBUTE

"He Found Bible Only Book to Live By," Says Evangelist.

MODERN GIRLS ARE DEFENDED

Editor Says They Will Make Better Mothers.

Times Staff Correspondent
WEST BADEN, Ind., June 1.—Modern girls will make better mothers than the older generation of women; marriage for minors and unfit persons should be made harder; the movies give a false impression about society; intermarriage of races should be forbidden; sterilization law in cases of confirmed criminals would be a good thing.

These are a few opinions expressed by Mrs. Genevieve Parkhurst of New York, associate editor of the Pictorial Review, who is attending the biennial council meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs here. "Modern girls are more gifted with understanding and clear-headedness. I don't think marriage is going to become a business deal," she said.

GOVERNOR AND DRAIN TO SPEAK

Legion Announces Dedication Program June 17.

James A. Drain, national commander American Legion, and Governor Jackson will be principal speakers at dedication of the first unit of the Indiana War Memorial, June 17, according to the program announced today by Legion officials. A short parade from the Indianapolis Athletic Club to the new headquarters building at Meridian and St. Clair Sts., at 1:30 p. m. will precede the ceremony.

Other speakers will be Mrs. O. D. Oliphant of New Jersey, president of the American Legion Auxiliary, and George Dobson of New Jersey, chef de chemin de fer, Forty and Eight. Prayer will be offered by the Rev. Joseph Loneragan, national Legion chaplain.

Musical programs will be given by the Police and Fireman's Band and the Newboys' Band.

Bids for excavation work for the main memorial building to be erected in this block bounded by Vermont, Meridian, Michigan and Pennsylvania Sts., have been advertised and will be received in about sixty days. Work will be begun as soon as possible, Legion officials said.

HAWKINS TO TRY AGAIN

Will Resume Efforts for Release on Bail Today.

Efforts to secure release of Morton S. Hawkins, former president of the defunct Hawkins Mortgage Company, from the Marion County jail were expected to be resumed in Federal Court this afternoon, according to Hawkins' attorney, J. J. M. La Follette.

Bond was fixed last week at \$30,000, but Judge Robert C. Baltzell refused to approve security offered by Hawkins' sisters.

Hawkins is awaiting trial on charges of conspiracy to use the mails to defraud.

COOLIDGE OPENS DOOR

Understands Location of Debt Parley Is Not Decided On.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, June 2.—President Coolidge today opened the door which Secretary Kellogg and Secretary Mellon slammed yesterday on George Harvey's editorial suggestion of a French-British-American debt conference in London.

GYPSIES DISCHARGED

Make Appeal From City Court On Petit Larceny Charge.

A touch of color was added today to the Criminal Court when Mrs. Rose Stephen, 22, and Mrs. Mary Marks, 20, both gypsies of Chicago, Ill., were discharged on charge of petit larceny. Both appealed from city court where they were each fined \$25 and costs and sentenced to thirty days at the Indiana Woman's Prison for alleged theft of \$3 from Edward Benson, 1704 W. Michigan St.

The women were attired in long flowing dresses, brilliant shawls and head scarfs. They told Judge James A. Collins they were leaving at once for Kansas City, Mo.

CLUBS TAKE UP DIVORCE LAWS

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she said. "The divorce court records give ample evidence of this."

At the press luncheon this noon Mrs. Anna Steese Richardson, associate editor of Woman's Home Companion, in an address on the purpose and value of press and magazine representatives, deplored the prevalent idea of commercialism and made a convincing plea for better understanding between club women and the press. Mrs. Harriette K. Sparks, press chairman for Indiana, presided.

Business Meeting

At the general business meeting reports were given by Mrs. John Ruhl, chairman of credentials; Mrs. W. J. Torrance, chairman of the rules committee; Mrs. Leslie S. Read, publicity, and Mrs. John D. Sherman, president. Mrs. Sherman stressed the importance of the importance of the American Government movement which the federation has put out in an attempt to combat hostile propaganda about the Government.

Breakfast Held

The junior membership committee at breakfast today discussed plans for bringing older leaders to organize young women. Among five emergency resolutions approved by the board Monday and submitted today was one recommending a definite study of danger of new international communist movement which "threatens home, school, church and State."

New Directors

Five new directors were appointed: Mrs. Oscar Lofgren of Kansas, Mrs. Guy A. Spear of New Hampshire, Mrs. Ben Bayless of Kentucky, Mrs. G. S. Gillettire, Murphysboro, Tenn., and Mrs. Charles Dickson of Birmingham, N. Y. The board appointed Mrs. Ross Maynard chairman of the national contest in music. Mrs. Walter McNabb Miller heads committee to conduct national contest to determine which State is best in which to rear children.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

John D. Bond, 26, of 323 E. Washington St., is held today on charge of embezzlement. Police say the warrant for his arrest was signed by C. G. Dahlen, 424 S. Meridian St.

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WABASH RIVER IS INSPIRATION FOR PRISONER

Going to Leavenworth, Man Calls on Muse of Poetry.

The Wabash River, recipient of numerous flowery tributes, was the inspiration of an attempt at poetry by James W. Longmire of Indianapolis, who wrote the following on his way to the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan.

Longmire, sentenced to a year and a day on a charge of illegal sale of narcotics, was among thirteen Federal prisoners who were taken to Leavenworth recently.

Good-by, good-by, dear old river, Hearts in a flutter and lips a quiver, Marry a day on your banks we spent, Sun all aglow like the Orient.

We've got to leave you for a while, All in vain we look just to see smile, You can speak of the Missouri with its But as for me I'll take the old Wabash.

On the banks of the Wabash, 'tis a familiar tune, We can sit and listen by the light of the moon, No more of its bank will we sit and ponder, Until we return from away down yonder.

A few have a year and some have more—Not a heart among us that doesn't feel So fade, dear old Wabash, Let the tears come thick and fast, All eyes yearn for another look, As the tears fall with a splash.

So Ralph must take our message, Just try and be real righteous, Or many days and nights you'll spend, So Ralph is now returning to the scene where waters splash.

On the bright and sunny shore of the old Wabash.

TWO DRAW SENTENCES

Grand Larceny Charges Result in Conviction.

William H. Bunch, 34, of 759 1/2 W. New York St., was fined \$1 and costs and sentenced to one to four years on the Indiana State Farm on charge of grand larceny today by Criminal Judge James A. Collins. Officers testified Bunch entered a fire station and took accessories from apparatus.

Carl Bricker, 25, was given a similar fine and sentenced to a grand larceny charge. He is alleged to have taken an automobile belonging to William C. Miller, 50 Virginia Ave.

PRINT SCHOOL MEETING

C. of C. Body to Confer With National Official.

Possibilities of keeping the School of Printing of the United Typothetae in Indianapolis were to be discussed today at a meeting of A. M. Glossbrenner, national committee member of the printers' organization, with a committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

The organization is considering moving the school from Technical High School because of lack of facilities. Cincinnati and other cities have made offers, it was said.

Lamented Statesman Had His 'Small Boy' Moments



Thomas R. and Morrison Marshall

This is a picture of the late Thomas R. Marshall and his late foster son Morrison taken more than six years ago. The lad died several years ago and was buried at Marion, Ind.

Mr. Marshall and Morrison were great pals. The Times photographer snapped the pair one morning when the then Vice President had brought the boy downtown to see the sights of Indianapolis. The Marshalls were on a visit from Washington.

One Christmas when the Marshalls brought the child to Indianapolis Mr. Marshall decided Morrison should see Santa Claus. So the Vice President of the United States led a wide-eyed youngster to every one of the dozen downtown stores where Santa Claus was on the job.

C. OF C. OFFERS LETTER SLOGAN FOR EVERY DAY

Suggests Use in Order to Boost Indianapolis During June.

The following slogans have been suggested by the Chamber of Commerce as suitable for typing at the bottom of all letters during June, in order to boost Indianapolis:

1. INDIANAPOLIS—National Education Association Convention here June 28 to July 4, \$10,000,000 annually paid packing plant workers; 3, has unexcelled workhouse and railway terminal facilities; 4, a city of inspiration; 5, a city which develops fellowship; 6, possesses world's largest bus terminal.

To Open Club

8. INDIANAPOLIS—New Columbia Club building to be opened about July 1; 9, extensive track elevation program authorized; 10, has world's largest shock absorber factory; 11, a city of ideal labor conditions; 12, noted for its beautiful parks; 14, half million population by 1935; 15, a city of diversified industry.

Convention Coming

16. INDIANAPOLIS—B. Y. P. U. National Convention here July 8 to 12; 17, a panic proof city; 18, home of the John Herron Art Institute; 19, National home of The American Legion; 21, a most accessible city; 22, entertains twenty thousand business visitors daily; 23, National Dairy Show, October 10 to 17.

24. INDIANAPOLIS—One firm publishes million books annually; 25, home of the world's largest Motor Speedway; 26, Airplane Mail Service Station; 28, motor crossroads of the Nation; 29, a typically American city; 30, a city of minimum illiteracy.

SHANK IS GIVEN FOXES

Three baby foxes, frolicking in Mayor Shank's office halted city business today. They were presented to Shank by William E. Garbrant, a State game warden.

Shank said he would keep one of the animals for a household pet.

STOP ITCHING SKIN

Zemo, the Clean, Antiseptic Liquid, Gives Prompt Relief

There is one safe, dependable treatment that relieves itching torture and that cleanses and soothes the skin. Soon after the first application of Zemo you will find that irritations, Pimples, Blackheads, Eczema, Blisters, Ringworm and similar skin troubles will disappear. Zemo is all that is needed, for it banishes most skin eruptions, makes the skin soft, smooth and healthy. It is a non-greasy, disappearing liquid that may be applied during the day. Trial bottle 35c, large size \$1.00. Soap, antiseptic and healing. 25c a vermillion.

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Wednesday at Selig's Birthday Sale—Values That Will Astonish You! Dresses That Regularly Sell for a Great Deal More Than the Sale Price

Birthday Special

JUST 45 NEW TRIMMED HATS

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Smart Hats for every summer occasion—and real bargains for \$2.

Birthday Special

JUST 50 NEW SILK DRESSES

Exceptional \$6 Values for Latest colors and materials fashioned in many attractive styles.

400 New Dresses

Scores of Styles

Flat crepes, silk stripe broadcloths, prints, georgettes, Roshanaras and radium silks.