

HOOSIER TRADE BODY CHAIRMAN CHANGES FRONT

Van Fleet Switches Sympathies in Commission Decision on Big Business.

Times Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Norton Van Fleet of Bristol, Ind., chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, has raised the question here whether he is going to inject a spark of life into that somewhat moribund body.

Six weeks ago he led the chorus to Commissioner Humphrey's hymn of praise of all American big business, good, bad and indifferent. At that time he joined Commissioners Humphrey and Hunt in a revision of the rules of procedure, over the violent protest of Commissioners Thompson and Nugent.

Changes Front

But now comes Chairman Van Fleet hand in hand with Nugent and Thompson and orders dissolution of a consolidation of two large shoe manufacturing companies over the almost tearful protest of Humphrey and Hunt.

The decision of the commission, just announced, orders the International Shoe Company, St. Louis, to divest itself of all stock ownership of the W. H. McElwain Company, Boston. The joining of the stock of the two companies, doing an extensive business in several States, is held by the majority of the commission to "substantially lessen competition," and in violation of the Clayton act. The dissenters view the consolidation as not only legal but beneficial to all parties concerned, including the consumers.

Position Important

Asked if his joining Thompson and Nugent in this case indicated a change of heart, or head, in regard to the proper work of the commission, Van Fleet said that it did not.

Van Fleet simply averred that in order to be right all the time he might have to join either one of the two conflicting minorities now and then. On which minority he joins most regularly will depend, observers believe, whether the commission will become essentially a rubber stamp of big business, or a definite force in molding the business practice and policy of the country.

LOCK-UPS LACK PATRONAGE IN BRITISH ISLES

Crime Has Not Decreased—Prisoners Are Treated Differently.

Times Washington Bureau.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—While in the United States prisons are overflowing with criminals held for crimes ranging from speeding to first degree murder, more than twenty prisons in England and Wales have been closed since 1914, says the American consulate through the Department of Home Affairs.

This reflects a reduction of practically a third of the total number, although the forty prisons remaining are by no means fully occupied. It also indicates a decrease of about 66 per cent in the number of persons sentenced to imprisonment since 1913. The total prison population for the year 1923-24 was 58,216. Ten years ago it was 137,000.

The reduction in the number of prisons and their conversion into dwelling places and barracks, does not, however, mean that crime has decreased in proportion. It is all in the way the offenders are treated by authorities.

In the United States the procedure is usually that of applying punishment after the crime has been committed. In England they seek to prevent a crime if possible, or when it is not possible, greater use of the probationary methods for adults and Borstal institutions for young people is thought best. The psychology of English justice is to reform a man or woman if possible and to resort to prison only when necessary. Often unjust imprisonment will forever prevent the victim from "coming back."

During the first few years of this century, about 600 in every 100,000 of Great Britain's population were sent to prison a year. Today the number is 100 to every 100,000. The leading crimes in England which have all shown marked decreases are drunkenness, begging, breach of police regulations, prostitution, assaults, larceny, burglary, murder and manslaughter.

7-CENT TAX CUT
By Times Special
LONDON, Ind., Aug. 10.—A reduction of the city tax levy from \$1.12 to \$1.05 was announced here today in a tentative budget for 1925. Decrease was made possible by a \$2,000,000 increase in valuation, figures showing a \$30,000,000 valuation this year.

SAVED THREE LIVES
By Times Special
EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 10.—Wirt Joseph, a carpenter of Newburgh, Ind., has rescued three persons from drowning this season. Friday, Joseph made his third rescue when he pulled Joseph Jefferies of Chandler from the Ohio river.

LEA & PERRINS' SAUCE
Makes
Beef Loaf taste better

DANCING

Every Night at Fall Creek Barbecue and Dance Pavilion

The very best of music furnished by the Original Royal Terrace Orchestra. Operated under supervision of Sheriff and deputies.

Woman, 84, Wins Prize as Oldest Person at Reunion



Above, Left to Right—L. W. Ellis, Michael Buckley, Ferdinand Davis, Dr. George W. Willford and George G. Abraham. Below—Mrs. Mary E. Coleman, Mrs. F. E. Davis, Mrs. Catherine Zinkan, Emma McClain.

Mrs. Mary E. Coleman, 84, of 1122 N. Keystone Ave., won a \$5 prize for being the oldest person at the reunion of former Daviess County residents Sunday at Brookside Park.

The age of the nine persons who competed for the prize totaled 706 years. Others competing were:

Mrs. F. E. Davis, 78, of 40 S. Warman Ave.
Mrs. Catherine Zinkan, 74, of 317 Fulton St.
Emma McClain, 74, of 702 S. West St.
L. W. Ellis, 73, of 1143 S. State St.
Michael Buckley, 82, of 1120 N. New Jersey St.
Ferdinand Davis, 82, of 40 S. Warman Ave.
Dr. George W. Willford, 78, of 1404 N. Pennsylvania St.
George D. Abraham, 81, of 121 N. Bradley, sheriff of the Supreme Court.
J. S. Hubbard was elected president of the organization; and Emma McCord secretary and treasurer. About 500 attended.

Municipal Life Guards Find Job Is No Bed of Roses



Bus Watson, Earl Montgomery, Wayne Geisel and Howdy Taylor.

The life of a life guard at the municipal bathing beaches includes anything from holding baby while mama takes a dip to being insulted by someone after saving his life.

If any one thinks it's a life of roses, let him talk with the four guards at the W. Twenty-Sixth St. bathing beach on White river. Bus Watson, 732 Fletcher Ave., Earl Montgomery, 525 Patterson St., Wayne Geisel, 3734 Ruckle St., and Howdy Taylor, 835 W. Twenty-Ninth St.

"It was so cold out here one night we had a fire, and stood shivering around it while people splashed around in the river," they said.

Prevent Drownings
Their main duty, of course, is to see that nobody gets drowned.

CHURCH MAY BE SOLD

Chapel Where President's Worshiped Cannot Pay Debts.

By United Press
ASHBURY PARK, N. J., Aug. 10.—Saint James Chapel here, may be sold on the auction block because its sixty communicants are unable to raise \$600 to pay for street paving.

Woodrow Wilson, William McKimley, James Garfield and U. S. Grant worshipped there, when visiting or living in this vicinity. It had only \$150 in the treasury and was unable to pay when the city presented the bill.

BAR MISS SOUTH BEND

Charge Violation of Rules in Selecting Beauty.

By United Press
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Aug. 10.—Miss Florence King, selected as Miss South Bend to represent the city in the National Beauty Pageant in Atlantic City has been declared ineligible by Armand J. Nicholas, contest director.

Nicholas said, Miss South Bend was chosen because of her ability to gain votes instead of being selected on a basis of pulchritude.

YOUNG BANDIT KILLED
By United Press
SALEM, Ohio, Aug. 10.—One youthful bandit was killed, another was wounded and a third captured in an unsuccessful attempt to hold up a filling station near Lisbon today.

James Crawford, owner of the station, shot the two youths and captured the third when they advanced on his station with drawn revolvers. Crawford had noticed the boys near the station and, becoming suspicious, armed himself with a shotgun and waited. As they advanced he opened fire.

TWO BANDITS SOUGHT
Police are searching today for the colored bandit and his accomplice who held up Mrs. A. Bundy, 643 S. Delaware St., who was sitting in her husband's auto at Michigan St. and White River while her husband was digging bait along the river bank. Mrs. Bundy told police the bandit took their lunch and \$2.

'WILD RIDE' PUTS WOMEN IN JAIL

Two Arrested After Auto Strikes Men.

Mrs. Cressie Jones, 25, of 128 N. Milroy Ave., and Miss Emma Finer, 87, of 902 E. Morris St., were lodged in jail today after police alleged they had "one wild ride." Witnesses said Mrs. Jones was driving her automobile thirty-five miles an hour west on W. Tenth St.

Mrs. Jones was charged with driving while intoxicated, drunkenness, speeding and assault and battery. Miss Finer was slated for drunkenness.

According to witnesses the women broke down a barricade at Belmont Ave., drove through 100 feet of freshly laid cement and struck two colored men, Cassius Lucas, 975 W. Pearl St., and Cecil Stewart, 2143 Highland Pl. Both were taken to city hospital.

FIND HUGE MUSHROOM

Enormous Plant Discovered Near Atlanta, Ind.

"How many mushrooms for a steak?" has been an old controversy among cooks, but S. Mahlon Unger, local attorney, 523 State Life Bldg., and Arthur Woodward, 431 Harvard Pl., have reversed the question.

Unger and Woodward, returning from a reunion, found a mammoth mushroom growing near Atlanta, Ind.

The growth measured 48 inches in circumference and weighed 11 pounds. Now Unger and Woodward are wondering how many steaks can be well seasoned with their find.

O'BRIEN ESCAPES SHOT

Police today were investigating the firing of a bullet into the home of Fire Chief John J. O'Brien Sunday night. O'Brien was sitting in a room at his home, 19 E. Orange St., when he heard the bullet strike an adjoining room. He dug the lead out of the wall and took it to his office today.

Neighbors said a small car followed by a larger one passed the house and occupants of both were shooting. It was thought the exchange of shots might have been between rum-runners and hijackers.

GALLONS OF LIQUOR SEIZED
Mattie Malfreda, 734 Holmes Ave., was slated today on blind tiger charge following a police raid on her home Sunday. Officers seized two ten-gallon kegs of wine, large quantities of wine in other containers, home brew and beer, they said.

who always let me tend her baby—"

Clothes Stolen

One of the chief sources of trouble the guards have is people having their clothes stolen from the woods around the beach.

"They're too cheap to spend a dime to check their clothes, and would rather hide them in the woods. Then when some one steals the clothes they jump on us."

People go in swimming with their valuables or key ring in their hand, and then want the guards to dive for them when they are lost.

Another source of trouble is people who can't swim, yet dive in twenty feet of water. They have to be pulled out every time.

The guards get \$75 a month for their varied activities.

Shank Refused

Shank had refused to authorize any appropriation for the thoroughfare plan, despite the fact that the plan commission had requested a 3-cent levy.

Schmidt said the Illinois St. improvement is badly needed because of congested traffic conditions. It would cost from \$75,000 to \$100,000, he stated.

The plan commission also proposes to widen W. Sixteenth St. to sixty feet as far as Northwestern Ave., according to Schmidt.

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FORD'S ELECTRIC RAIL ENGINE IS READY FOR TEST

Possesses Enough Power to Pull Train Mile and One-Half Long.

By United Press
DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 10.—The locomotive that Henry Ford believes will be the next step in world railroad transportation is about ready to make its trial trip in the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton Railroad.

It is the longest locomotive ever built, is electrically driven and possesses enough power to pull a train of freight cars a mile and a half long. Some of the outstanding features of the giant engine follow:

Carries Own Generators

It weighs 372 tons, develops a maximum of 5,000 horse power; is 117 feet long and will go up to 35 miles an hour.

A single high tension alternating current of 22,000 volts will be taken directly from the line and "stepped down" to supply 600 volt direct current driving motors by means of transformers and motor generators on engine itself.

Engineer in Front

Wh divided into two main sections of two articulated parts, each of which is complete and may be operated separately, control is equalized at the front end where the engineer sits.

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\$1.08 TAX RATE IS RESULT OF HOGUE'S CUTS

Controller Suggests Business Men's Committee in Future.

City tax rate of \$1.0825 was the final result of whittling at the budget for 1926 by Joseph L. Hogue, city controller, today.

"Can't you soak the general fund a cent or two?" asked Mayor Shank. "Nothing doing, it's down to the bone," Hogue replied.

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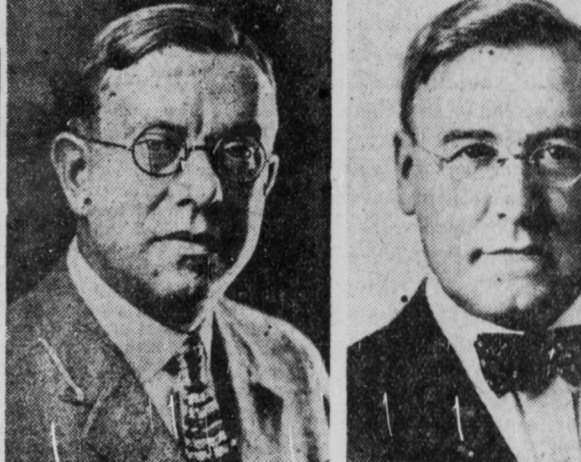
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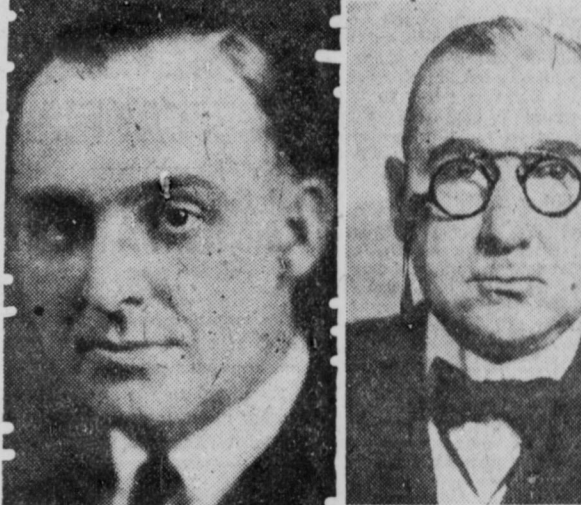
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NEW DEPUTY INSPECTOR

State Superintendent Names E. B. Butler.

Dr. Henry Noble Sherwood, State superintendent of public instruction, today announced the appointment of E. B. Butler, for the past four years principal of the Rushville schools, as assistant school inspector. Butler succeeds John Rittenger, who recently was made chief of the inspection department. Butler is an Earlham graduate and later attended the University of Chicago. He also is chairman of the Sixth district teachers' association.

NEW YORK ST. UP TO BOARD

Plan Commission Not to Handle Project.

City council members, who said they voted for the major thoroughfare plan ordinance because it would take the E. New York St. improvement out of the hands of the board of works, were surprised at an announcement of Gustave G. Smith, plan commission member, today that the board will retain jurisdiction.

The project would raise the average width to fifty-four feet. Property owners want an average width of forty feet.

William H. Freeman, board member, said today the board is determined to establish a speedy thoroughfare as decided by the plan commission.

FIRE LOSS IS \$1,000,000

Chicago Manufacturing District Peril by Lumber Blaze.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—The last members of a million dollar lumber yard fire were extinguished early today.

The greater part of the city's fire fighting apparatus worked furiously through the night checking the flames in the center of the manufacturing district.

The lumber yard that was razed was owned by the Harris Brothers Company. Explosion of a 1,600 gallon gasoline tank an hour after the fire started shot flames hundreds of feet in all directions.

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