

## LEAGUE TO CALL ARMS CONFERENCE

French Foreign Office Expects Invitation to Geneva Parley as Soon as Locarno Security Treaty Is Signed.

### U. S. PARTICIPATION IS TO BE REQUESTED

Chamberlain Says All Nations Will Be Asked to Attend—France Frowns on Washington Meeting to Be Suggested by Coolidge

PARIS, Oct. 20.—The League of Nations is expected to call a disarmament conference following the signing of the Locarno security pact, guaranteeing peace along the historic Rhine war zone, and pledging France, Germany and Belgium to arbitration of any differences which may arise.

It was announced at the French foreign office today that an invitation to such a conference is expected from the league rather than from Washington. The league is understood to have everything in readiness to distribute its invitations the minute Germany becomes a member.

Austin Chamberlain, British foreign secretary, passing through Paris on his way home from Locarno said a disarmament conference logically follows signing of the pact. He said he believed the league would not restrict its invitations to member nations only.

The French papers say France would prefer to accept a League invitation rather than one from President Coolidge, because the armed backing of the League is held more substantial than the moral support of the United States.

Le Peuple says editorially: "Those nations which sought to re-establish European peace at Locarno have no desire to take again the road to Washington. Disarmament of Europe is a European problem which should be settled at Geneva."

"If Geneva and Washington both issue invitations, we had better decline America's, for the League offers superior guarantees."

### DEEMED "VERY USEFUL"

Coolidge Hopes League Will Call Conference.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—President Coolidge thinks that a European conference for the limitation of European armament would be very useful and hopes that the nations concerned will call a conference for that purpose.

In explaining the Administration's attitude toward disarmament, the White House spokesman said today that while a reduction of armaments is particularly a European problem, it would be necessary to include the United States in any conference concerning limitation of armaments.

### GERMANS LAUD PACT

Extremists Alone Dissatisfied With Treaty of Locarno.

BERLIN, Oct. 20.—Publication of the pact of Locarno evoked most favorable comment in Germany, except from the extremists.

The Berliner Tageblatt declared the Rhine pact was "a magna charta of European relations."

### FLAPPER FANNY SAYS



A girl is out of luck when she wants a divorce, but isn't pretty enough to appear in court.

## Little Blue Book Spills Beans About 'Earl'

INDIANAPOLIS hasn't any Earl of Stafford in its city prison.

No sir. And there's a darn good reason, too. There isn't any Earl of Stafford.

With the death of Sir John Paul Stafford Howard in April, 1782, the Earl of Stafford became extinct," says the 1923 edition of Burke's Landed Gentry of England. And this book is an authority. It's final.

So Mr. Arthur Jackson Howard Palmer, held on a vagrancy charge, is a mere pretender. Unless, of course, the Earl had been recreated during the last two years.

Police don't believe so. They were awaiting replies to several inquiries sent out over the country in regard to the activities of "His Grace." Detectives were suspicious because his "ludship" had a large number of telegrams and checks, hinting big business deals.

And meanwhile Mrs. Bertha M. Sheesley, who was arrested with the "Earl" Saturday night in a rooming house 331 N. Illinois St., remains in jail too.

She's going to be mighty interested in Mr. Burke's blue book. For Mr. A. J. H. Palmer had willed her his "estates" in England and promised to make her a "countess" upon his death.

## COUNCILMEN SCORE PLAN COMMISSION

Charges of Irregularities Hurlled About at Stormy Session—Filing Station Procedure Attacked.

Enraged members of city council hurled charges of irregularities in the Shank administration at a stormy session Monday night.

The councilmen were angered by adjustment to a new lineup, produced by the alliance Councilman John E. King has formed with the minority faction to espouse the regular Republican list of election inspectors.

Irregularities on the part of the board of works in connection with acquisition of land for the south approach to the Delaware St. bridge were charged by Councilman Otto Ray.

Then Councilman Walter W. Wise jumped into the fray.

Wise scored the plan commission for deciding to hold an additional hearing on a permit for a filling station at the southeast corner of Dela-

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## HUNTER SHOTS HIS COMPANION

Man Discharges Gun While Trying to Cock It.

Raymond Sheid, 26, of 1012 W. North St., was seriously wounded today while hunting rabbits in a field on W. Michigan St. just west of the Robert W. Long Hospital.

Sheid was walking ahead of Edward Williams, 28, of 1010 W. North St., according to reports to police, when he saw a rabbit ahead of him. He called Williams to shoot. Williams in attempting to cock his shotgun discharged it, and the shot struck Sheid in the back and lodged in his stomach.

Sheid was taken to city hospital, where his condition was reported serious. Williams was charged with vagrancy and shooting in the city limits.

## P-T OF STATE OPEN MEETING

Teachers' College Dean Talks on Pre-School Child.

"The pre-school child is dramatic, changeable, and has little self-control—his motives are largely those of the self-centered being," declared Miss Emma Colbert, dean of Teachers' College, Indianapolis, at the afternoon session today of the Indiana Parent-Teachers' Association in convention at the Severin. "Therefore let us not be hasty in this subtle something called childhood. Let us try to interpret and understand the child in his attempts to understand us."

Robert S. Binkerd of New York spoke on "The American Citizen and His Railroads." Dr. Maxwell Savage of Worcester, Mass., also spoke and Miss Mary L. Matthews, head of department of home economics, Buckner University, directed a "Clothing Play."

The morning session was given over to reports of committees.

## BLAMES MURDER ON LOVE

Grand Jury Given Case of Alleged Slayer of Sweetheart.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 20.—John Harrison, 25, was bound over to the grand jury today, charged with first degree murder in connection with the killing of his pretty sweetheart, Edna Klaus, only 15. Harrison confessed the murder, explaining he shot the girl because she did not return his love.

## START PADLOCK DRIVE

Buckner Files Nuisance Suits Against Thirty Places.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—Padlock proceedings were started today by United States Attorney Emory Buckner against thirty of the leading night clubs of New York City in which evidences of violation of the Volstead act have been discovered.

Buckner appeared in equity court and filed suit against the various clubs, cafes and restaurants, asking that they be declared common nuisances and demanding "abatement by padlock."

## MELLON TAX PLAN STARTS SPIRITED ROW

G. O. P. Reserves Approval of Secretary's Suggestions on New Revenue Law and Democrats Turn Thumbs Down.

### GARNER PREDICTS ITS DEFEAT IN CONGRESS

Nonpartisan Cooperation Promises Are Forgotten—Settlement Revolves Around Clashing Proposals on Income Levies.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—The new Mellon tax plan is in for a fight.

Suggestions made by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon were received with reserved approval by most Republican members of House Ways and Means Committee, which is framing the new tax bill. Democrats openly turned their thumbs down.

Promises of nonpartisan cooperation were nowhere in evidence.

Garnier Condemns It

Even some of the leading Republicans on both sides of the Capitol voiced their disapproval of the scheme suggested by Mellon. They desire a straight out tax exemption for incomes under \$5,000. And about this project the entire settlement revolves.

Committee members contend they have not had enough time to consider the new Mellon plan in its entirety and determine its merits and demerits. But Representative Garner, Texas, ranking minority member of the committee, speaking for the Democrats, was stern in his condemnation. The plan would never go through Congress, he predicted.

### Taxes Will Be Cut

Chairman Green announced he believed taxes would safely be lowered beyond the \$300,000,000 mark set by Mellon. Other Republican and Democratic members privately gave the same opinion.

Briefly, the Mellon plan for income taxes is as follows: The rate would be reduced from 2 per cent to 1 per cent on incomes of less than \$4,000; from 4 per cent to 3 per cent on the next \$4,000; and 6 to 5 per cent on the next \$4,000.

### \$2,000 BOND FORFEITED

County General School Fund Enriched by Court Action.

The county general school fund was \$2,000 richer today as result of the forfeiture Monday of an appeal bond provided by the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland for Lloyd Haverstick, convicted on charge of violating the liquor law, when he failed to appear in Criminal Court for commitment. Haverstick, appealed after he was found guilty by a jury on April 29, 1924, and sentenced one to two years at the Indiana State Reformatory. It was reported that he is being held by authorities in Illinois.

## Infant Cremated in School

Furnace Yields Ashes Believed to Be Those of Year-Old Baby.

COLUMBIA, Ohio, Oct. 20.—Ashes taken from a heater today in a school on the outskirts of Corning were sent to Columbus for analysis, authorities believing a baby had been cremated there during the night.

A preliminary analysis made by Dr. R. B. Book, a Corning physician, revealed the ashes contained part of a human skull, a tooth and a bottle that had contained carbolic acid, Dr. Book said.

Entrance to the school had been forced during the night.

Authorities were drawn to the furnace when Mrs. Mary Linscott, janitress found the building reeking with a strange odor.

The ashes were sifted and taken to Dr. Book, who declared there was no doubt but that an infant about 1-year-old had been cremated there.

### THREE CHILDREN PERISH

Charred Bodies Tell Story of Fire at Home.

ASHLAND, Ky., Oct. 20.—Charred bodies of three children were evidence today of a fire which swept a home at Cannonsburg, ten miles south of here, late yesterday. The children's mother was burned seriously in a valiant, but vain attempt to rescue them. The dead: Edith May Salyer, 3; James Levy Salyer, 18 months old, and Allen Jackson Salyer, 4 months old.

## Moses' Letter of Thanks Is Deciphered

Egyptologist Claims He Wrote to Pharaoh's Daughter.

BERLIN, Oct. 20.—Twenty years after the discovery of massive tablets on the Sinai Peninsula, comes now a German Egyptologist, Professor Grimme, with a claim that the stones contain a message of thanks from Moses to Pharaoh's daughter, who found him in the bulrushes.

German scientists declare Professor Grimme's achievement in deciphering what proved to be ancient Hebrew on the tablets, dispels doubt regarding the historic origin of the Ten Commandments, and is one of the most important developments in many thousands of years of Bible research.

The tablets in question were found on what is believed to be the original Mount Sinai by Flinders Petri, an English archaeologist, in 1905. They were too heavy to move, so he photographed them, took wax impressions of the inscriptions and then buried them.

Professor Grimme is the first to solve their mysteries.

## ARMITAGE SLAP STIRS COMMENT AT CITY HALL

Shank Calls 'Big Bill,' Snubbed by Duvall, Man Without Party.

Since John L. Duvall, Republican nominee for mayor, prodded by Walter Myers, his Democratic opponent, has denied connection with William H. Armitage, political general of the city administration, politicians wonder just what is the status of Armitage.

Said Mayor Shank as Armitage stuck his head into a board of safety meeting at City Hall this morning:

What party?

"What party are you with this morning? I haven't been able to figure you out. Myers doesn't want you and Duvall won't have you."

Armitage smiled and replied he was still strong for Duvall.

Then Myers, at a noon meeting, declared:

"Like the sinner who repented at the eleventh hour, Duvall comes now with a faint denial of Bill Armitage, and he says not a word to repudiate George V. Coffin, who caused himself to be elected city chairman and then got a writ of injunction so that he could send other Republicans to jail for contempt of court."

### Tax Reduction

Duvall talked about reducing taxes at his noon meeting at the Link Belt Company. He said he would establish and stick to a real budget system, and that law enforcement and observance are essential.

"Armitage never has had any connection with my campaign and he will have none, either directly or indirectly, with my administration," Duvall told four audiences Monday night.

### FOR HER OWN USE

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 20.—Although Mrs. Rose Shankman protested that she was making liquor only for her own use, police confiscated three large stills and sixty gallons of alleged "moonshine."

## GAINS MADE IN CONTEST FOR SENATE

Everett Sanders and Frank C. Ball Thought to Be Strong Candidates for Honor—Governor at Home With Cold.

### MUNCIE MANUFACTURER CONFERS WITH JACKSON

Visit of Wife of President's Secretary Held to Have Some Meaning—Robinson, Beveridge and Fairbanks Still Mentioned.

With Governor Jackson still at home suffering from a severe cold, Everett Sanders, secretary to President Coolidge, and Frank C. Ball, Muncie manufacturer, gained strength as possible successors of the late United States Senator Samuel M. Ralston.

Ball loomed as a possible appointee when it was learned that Jackson called him to the executive mansion this morning for a conference.

He was the only person to be admitted to see the Governor today, it was said at the executive mansion.

Following the conference, which lasted an hour, Ball said the Governor had not yet decided on the senatorial appointment, but did not disclose the subject of the conference.

The Sanders boom gained strength when it was learned that Mrs. Sanders was a house guest of Governor and Mrs. Jackson Sunday.

Sanders, who probably would be the choice of President Coolidge, has incurred the enmity of Senator James E. Watson. The State organization knifed the chances of Sanders to be nominated for Vice President at the Cleveland convention.

### Follower of New

Sanders has been known as an adherent of the Republican faction led by Postmaster General Harry S. New, Watson's political enemy.

However, the politicians believe there would be little opposition arising from the personality of Sanders himself. His appointment, they contend, would insure another vote for the conservative policies of Coolidge and would strengthen Indiana's standing with the national organization.

Despite assault by newspapers and political partisans, the rumor that Jackson may resign and allow Lieutenant Governor F. Harold Van Orman to appoint him to the Senate persists.

A petition said to have been put forth by the Klan asking that Jackson become Senator is being circulated.

While the chiefs talk much of Sanders, there are many quiet speculations on the possibilities of Arthur R. Robinson, former Marion County Superior Court judge.

Robinson is a close personal friend of Jackson and is supported by George V. Coffin, Republican city chairman.

### Two Lose Ground

Former United States Senator Albert J. Beveridge and Warren Fairbanks, an owner of the Indianapolis News, were deemed to have lost ground. They are believed to have blocked each other. It is said that Beveridge probably would not content himself with the unexpired term of the late Senator Ralston. This also is deemed detrimental to his prospects.

Beveridge's opposition to the Coolidge World Court proposal and to the fight of Vice President Charles G. Dawes for revision of Senate rules are said to have aroused the antagonism of the national organization.

With the arrival here today of Clyde A. Walb, state chairman, at the suggestion of Governor Jackson, the race will reach its peak, it is believed. What Walb says and does may do much to decide the issue. Other congressional district committeemen are expected to "just drop in" and seek to advise Jackson.

Walb was also mentioned as a possible appointee who would appeal to all elements of the party.

### COUNCILMEN ARE FICKLE

Thunder for Removal of Barnes, Kill Sale Ordinance.

Councilmen, who several months ago thundered for removal of the city barns from Shelby St. and Fountain Square, Monday night killed an ordinance authorizing sale of the barns.

"If the city doesn't make money on the sale they should not be sold," Theodore J. Bernd asserted.

### HOURLY TEMPERATURE

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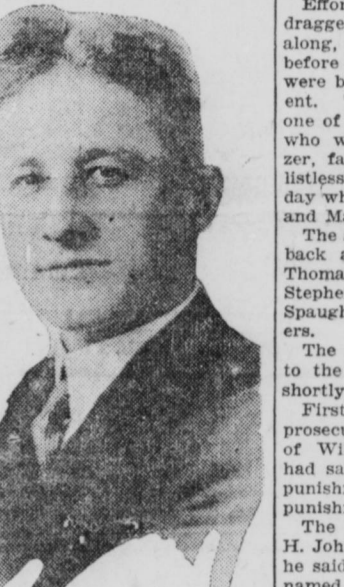
## One of These May Be Senator



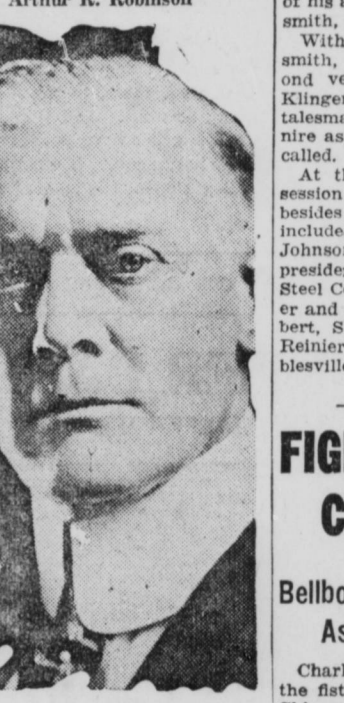
Governor Jackson



Everett Sanders



Arthur R. Robinson



Albert J. Beveridge

## SCHOOL SLATES TO BE MERGED

Club Federation Will Back Citizens' Committee.

Members of the executive committee of Indianapolis Federation of Community Civic Clubs today approved plans to merge the slate of the Federation with that of the citizens' school committee, looking toward the election of five persons to the Indianapolis school board in November.

This action was taken after a special committee of the federation submitted a report in which recommending that the Federation approve substitution of the Rev. C. G. Baker, pastor of the Hawthorne Community House, on the citizen's ticket, in place of Carl Wagner, who has announced that he will withdraw.

Support of the citizens' committee slate was urged in the report.

## STEPHENSON JURY CHOICE HALF OVER

Believe Six of Twelve Men Now in Box Will Be Accepted for Final Service—Passed Several Times by Both Sides.

### HUMOROUS REPLIES OF TALES MEN BRING GRINS

State Excuses One Who Said He Was Opposed to Any Kind of Punishment—Father and Brother of Oberholtzer Girl in Court.

By John L. Niblack and William L. Toms.

Times Staff Correspondents

### CIRCUIT COURTROOM, NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Oct. 20.

—With six days of questioning behind them, attorneys attempting to get a jury here for the trial of D. C. Stephenson, Earl Klink and Earl Gentry, on charges of murdering Miss Madge Oberholtzer, Indianapolis, believed today they had obtained six of the necessary twelve men.

Efforts to find six other jurors, dragged wearily and monotonously along, before a small crowd. Just before court recessed for noon, there were but twenty-six spectators present. These included five women, one of whom was asleep; three men, who were asleep; George Oberholtzer, father of the victim, who sits listlessly in a corner, waiting the day when the actual trial shall start, and Marshall Oberholtzer, his son.

The six men who have been passed back and forth by both sides are Thomas Millikan, Jacob Dawson, Stephen Males, Grant Carey, Lotus Spangh and W. O. Inman, all farmers.

The defense turned the jury over to the State for more examination shortly after 11.

First move of Ralph Kane, special prosecutor, was to ask the excusal of William Richwine, who earlier had said he was opposed to capital punishment or most any kind of punishment.

The State also challenged Clifton H. Johnson, farmer, for cause, when he said he had an opinion. Johnson named George V. Coffin, Republican city chairman of Indianapolis, as one of his acquaintances. Frank Klingensmith, a farmer, replaced Johnson.

With the calling of Klingensmith, only thirty-nine of the second venire remained unexamined. Klingensmith also was the 129th talsman to be quizzed. A third venire as a result is almost sure to be called.

At the opening of the afternoon session the personnel of the jury, besides the six regarded as qualified, included John Hall, a farmer; C. H. Johnson, farmer; Frank K. Reimer, president of New Process Iron and Steel Company; Frank Wyant, painter and decorator; and Merle B. Lambert, Sheridan, an insurance agent. Reimer and Wyant are from Noblesville. Richwine was replaced by

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## FIGHTER IS IN CITY HOSPITAL

Bellboy Is Charged With Assault and Battery.

Charles McAuliffe, 21, known to the State world as Herbie Schaefer, Chicago, is in city hospital today suffering from three stab wounds in the back. He is held in the detention ward charged with assault and battery and intoxication. Lieutenant Claffey and emergency squad, who found him cut in his room at the Sprink Hotel, charged Ollie Watkins, 25, colored, 2715 Highland Pl., a bellboy, with assault and battery with intent to kill.

Claffey said he learned the clerk sent Watkins to the Schaefer room to put the telephone receiver on the hook. Watkins said Schaefer wanted him to wake some one in another room, and when he refused, Schaefer attacked him. In the course of the fight Watkins is alleged to have stabbed Schaefer. Schaefer fought Jackie Dugan at Tomlinson Hall Monday night.

## WILL ADDRESS CLUB

Ad Club Head to Speak Before Butler Press Body.

Blaine McGrath, president of the Indianapolis Advertising Club, will address the members of the Butler University Press Club Monday night, according to announcement by the Fourth Estate, men's literary society. The meeting will be for the entire journalism department.