

BODIES ARE HUNTED IN STORM AREA

Additional Victims of Tornado in Alabama Sought by Rescue Parties—District Is Scene of Wreckage and Desolation.

TOTAL OF TWENTY-TWO PERSONS ARE KILLED

Property Loss Runs Into Millions as Gales Rage Along East Coast and in South—Liner With 500 Aboard Is Caught at Sea.

Twenty-one lives were lost in storms and gales which roared along the Atlantic seaboard and through the South Sunday, while property loss ran into millions of dollars.

Nine whites and seven negroes are known to have died in a tornado which raged in Pike County, Alabama, while four persons were killed in the vicinity of Greater New York and one at Woburn, Mass.

A big passenger liner, plying between Boston and New York, was caught in the full fury of the gale sweeping up Long Island Sound, and the lives of its 500 passengers were for a time endangered. "SO S" calls brought help and the steamship, with its engines disabled and side wheels smashed, was towed into Newport, R. I.

Seventeen seaplanes, pick of the flying strength of the Navy, were wrecked in a storm on the Patuxent River, below Baltimore.

RELIEF WORK STARTED

Money Raised to Care for Homeless in Storm Area.

TROY, Ala., Oct. 26.—Relief work was under way today among tornado victims of Pike and Barbour Counties, struck Sunday by a storm that killed sixteen persons, injured a score and did thousands of dollars damage. Five thousand dollars was raised to care for the homeless.

Rescue parties were organized to

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JUDGE GIVES YOUTH TERM

Murder Charge Nollod by Attorney for State.

Pleading guilty to robbery, Charles Scott of Eagleville, Ind., was sentenced ten to twenty-one years at the Indiana Reformatory and fined \$1,000 and costs today by Criminal Judge James A. Collins. A charge of murder was dropped by the State through Deputy Prosecutor Judson L. Starts. Evidence was thought insufficient.

On Feb. 18, 1925, Scott came to Indianapolis to join the Army, and failing to pass the examination went to the home of his grandfather, Howard Scott, 2829 Barton Ave. While his grandfather was in the back yard, Scott is alleged to have struck him in the head with a piece of iron and fled after taking \$5.10 from his pockets. The grandfather died several days later, but evidence showed the blow was not entirely responsible.

COURT ADJOURNS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—The United States Supreme Court adjourned after today's session for a three weeks' recess. It will convene Nov. 16.

FLAPPER FANNY says



He's a diplomat who remembers his girl's birthday, but forgets her age.

TWO PUT TO DEATH

Murderers of Man at Filling Stations Are Executed.

By United Press
BELLINGHAM, Pa., Oct. 26.—Michael Weiss and John Girsch, both 22, Mercer County youths, were electrocuted today for the murder of William Z. Turner at a West Middlesex filling station on March 1, 1924.

FORTRESS IS SEIZED

Details of Reported Action at Managua Are Lacking.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—The State Department was informed today by Charles Eberhart, minister to Nicaragua that General Emiliano Chamorro had seized the fortress La Loma at Managua early yesterday morning. No details were received.

FIRE DAMAGES HOME

Fire Officials Probe Origin of \$2,000 Blaze.

Fire officials today were investigating origin of a fire which Sunday night caused \$2,000 damage to a two-story frame dwelling at 1449 N. New Jersey St. House is occupied by Frank Ketcham.

WALTER MYERS ASSAILS CITY'S SPENDING WAYS

Democratic Nominee Asserts Practice Is 'Immoral.'

Government by political organizations rather than for the interests of citizens as a whole has resulted in expenditures "so unwise in nature as to be immoral if not illegal," Walter Myers, Democratic nominee for mayor, told American Can Company employees at noon today.

"The examples are too numerous to mention in detail," he said. The park board spends hundreds of thousands of dollars for boulevards and bridge paths outside the city limits. No assessments are made against the abutting property owners and the costs are paid by the property owners in the city.

Pay Rolls Padded

Myers said just before elections, inspectors and employees are put up on the pay roll by the hundreds and later the same departments try to operate with as low as one-fourth the election time force.

Myers speaks tonight at 828 E. Sixty-Third St. and 2906 Central Ave. "Too often the best bidder on municipal contracts has been chosen to be the person who pays tribute to the political assassin," Myers declared in a statement issued today.

"There is no political way of performing a public contract any more than there is a political way of performing a private contract," the statement reads. "The honest, business-like way is the only way."

Test of Employees

Myers' statement declares the first test in hiring city employees should be ability and willingness to do the job.

Standholders on the city market should be treated as business people, who are doing a fine public service and paying for their privilege in payments that are really rent, according to the statement.

JUDGE EMPHASIZES BOOZE WRIT RULING

Collins Asserts Policeman Can Not Place Liquor Owner Under Arrest at Once on Search Warrant.

A local police officer while serving a search warrant in quest of liquor has no power to immediately place fifth owner of the liquor under arrest, and a search warrant issued by a justice of peace is only valid within the township issued. This ruling was again emphasized today by Judge James A. Collins following hours of arguments on the questions by John Ruckelshaus Jr.

SEWER APPEAL HEARING OPENS

Beech Grove Property Owners Ask Injunction.

While the first of a series of hearings on appeals from assessments made by the board of works against property owners for Pleasant Run and Beech Creek intercepter sewer was today in the Circuit Court, petition for an injunction was filed in Court One by property owners of Beech Grove to restrain the city from collecting similar assessments. Change of venue from the county also was asked.

Every day this week has been set aside for the hearings in Circuit Court which includes appeals of more than 200 property owners. More than 14,000 persons living in Irvington, north and southeastern Indianapolis and Beech Grove are affected, although only a few have appealed. James M. Berryhill is special judge. Albert W. Moore, city engineer, was the first witness.

In the injunction suit, it was alleged that residents of Beech Grove live outside the city limits and are being illegally assessed. Those who appealed in Circuit court charge they are being assessed in excess of the benefits they will derive.

TIRED JUDGE ASKS TRIAL BE SPEEDED

Weary of Working Cross-Word Puzzles, Sparks Tells Attorneys in D. C. Stephenson Case to Hurry Jury Selection.

STATE USES TWO MORE PEREMPTORY EXCUSES

Ground Lost in Picking of Jury to Try Trio Charged With Murder When Two Veteran Talesmen Are Dismissed From Box.

By John L. Niblack and William L. Toms

Times Staff Correspondents
CIRCUIT COURTROOM,
NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Oct. 26.

—Weary of working crossword puzzles, during interminable questioning by attorneys, attempting to get a jury for the trial of D. C. Stephenson, Earl Klinek and Earl Gentry, on charges of murder, Judge Will M. Sparks, shortly before noon today, announced that proceedings would have to speed up.

"We are spending too much time here, gentlemen," he said. "After this there'll be no more gun-fire, cross-questioning after the court rules on a challenge."

The statement was occasioned by insistence of defense attorneys on re-examining Edward S. Hopkins after Judge Sparks had overruled their challenge on the ground he had an opinion.

Imman Explains

"I just wanted to save time, Your Honor," said Eph Imman, defense attorney.

"I'm just notifying you so you will not be picked up hereafter," said Judge Sparks.

In reply to Imman's questions Hopkins said he had an opinion, as have said most of the few hundred talesmen who have preceded him. Imman then challenged, asking the Judge to excuse Hopkins. Hopkins told Judge Sparks he would not let his opinion effect his verdict, and the Judge said the talesman would not be excused.

Involved Questions

A few moments later Sparks overruled another challenge on the same talesman by the defense. Hopkins, becoming confused by long involved

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HIGHER RATE PLEA MADE

Better Rather Than More Roads Needed, Baldwin Says.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Better and stronger railroads rather than more roads is the country's need, L. W. Baldwin, president of the Missouri Pacific, declared today at the special interstate commerce commission hearings here on the application of western railroads for a 5 per cent increase in freight rates.

Present revenues are not sufficient to permit the railroads to strengthen their position, Baldwin said. More money is needed for new equipment and other betterments he testified.

SMOKE CASES TUESDAY

Charges Against Kingan Officials Before Court.

Cases of John R. Kingan, president and R. S. Sinclair, treasurer of Kingan & Co., charged with violation of the smoke ordinance, will be heard by City Judge Dan V. White Tuesday.

Smoke Inspector H. F. Templeton said the Kingan Company failed to comply with requirements of the law.

INDUSTRIES BIG NEED OF CITY, SAYS DUVALL

G. O. P. Candidate Promises to Organize Campaign to Boost City.

The great need of Indianapolis now is to obtain new factories and retain the industrial establishments in the city at present, John L. Duvall, Republican candidate for mayor, told employees of Nordyke & Macdonald factory at noon today.

"If elected mayor, I propose to organize a campaign to this end, so that there will be jobs for the people of Indianapolis," Duvall promised.

Duvall said the rights of the women must be recognized in conducting the municipality, and promised he would see they were well represented in city appointments.

Reduce Taxes

Continuing his appeal for economical government, Duvall said taxes may be reduced only by applying the principles of business to the city government. He reiterated his plea for law enforcement.

Duvall and other candidates face a heavy week in which noon and night meetings will be held regularly.

Duvall, Representative Ralph E. Updike, Mrs. Martha J. Stubbs and all Republican candidates will address East Side Boosters' Club at Denny and E. New York Sts. tonight. Then Duvall, Senator Arthur R. Robinson, Claris Adams, Alvah J. Rucker, Sumner A. Clancy and all the candidates will speak at Tenth Ward meeting at Harlan and Prospects Sts.

Republicans of the Second Ward will rally Tuesday night at 2911 Central Ave., while an Eighth Ward mass meeting will be held Wednesday night at 939 Ft. Wayne Ave.

Crime Wave

The crime wave presents a condition that can be cured only by strict enforcement of all laws "upon all alike," Duvall told the Sunday school of the Barth Ave. M. E. Church Sunday.

"A man might be honored by the highest office in the gift of the people, but it will avail him or the people nothing at all if the office has been obtained through irreverence of the law, or through his lack of duty as a citizen or through hypocrisy," he declared.

FORD'S ATTACK ON TAX CITED

Reduction of Automobile Excise Levy Asked.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—Henry Ford recently declared he could sell a million more cars if the price could be reduced \$25, C. E. Gambrell, president of the National Automobile Dealers' Association, told the House Ways and Means Committee today in pleading for reduction of the present automobile excise tax.

The average motorist is paying \$30 tax at present on each car he buys and dealers would pass on the reduction to the consumer if congress will repeal the tax in the new \$300,000,000 tax reduction bill which is now being framed.

Since the tax was first enacted during the war, the public has paid \$900,000,000 through it into the Government coffers and it has cost retail dealers \$40,000,000 to make the collection, Gambrell said.

'ALICE' WAS ALL WRONG

Charge That Blind Tigers Were Operating Proved Untrue.

"Alice," who in an anonymous letter to Police Chief Herman F. Rikhoft, charged two blind tigers operated within two squares on N. Mile Ave., has the wrong end according to Sgt. Bever, who investigated.

Bever, who found no law violations, reported the residents are reliable citizens, one being a bailiff in a Marion county court.

One woman and two men who said they purchased liquor from Porter Hubbard, 21 W. Tenth St., are held on vagrancy charges. Hubbard was charged with operating a blind tiger.

FIGHT RAGES AS POWERS MEET TO ACT

Greeks Defy League of Nations Edict Against Hostilities by Intensifying Attack—Fierce Battle Is Reported.

EPIDEMIC FEARED AMONG REFUGEES

Bulgarian Government Unable to Even Shelter Families Driven From Homes by Advance of Troops—Casualties High.

By United Press
SOFIA, Oct. 26.—Greece's offensive against Bulgaria went on unabated today.

In fact, while diplomats of the League of Nations council were gathering at Paris to decide the border conflict, Greeks widened their offensive to the west of the river Struma.

Following a two-hour preparatory blasting with artillery, the Greeks advanced at 3 a. m. and occupied frontier post No. 8, having already occupied Posts 9, 10 and 11.

Entrenched Firmly

This action followed a busy Sunday in which the Greeks not only drove against towns hitherto untouched but entrenched themselves firmly in new and old positions. At a couple of points they made slight retirements, but apparently only because their offensive had exceeded the mark set by the general staff.

Five persons were killed and ten wounded—principally noncombatants—as the Greek artillery fire continued.

Without heeding the exhortations of President Briand of the League of Nations council, the Greeks Sunday, kept up their artillery fire and intensified it as night came on.

Epidemic Feared

Cold, and the fear of an epidemic added terror to the plight of refugees fleeing out of the occupied area.

Authorities sent medical aid and blankets in the hope of forestalling the epidemic, but there was misery here and in the refugees ranks because of the government's inability to provide even scanty shelter for the peasant folk driven out of their simple homes nestled near the Macedonian border.

FIRE IS REPORTED

London Hears Frontier Villages Have Been Burned.

By United Press
LONDON, Oct. 26.—A Sveti Vrach dispatch to the Evening News declared the Greeks, continuing Sunday their hostilities against Bulgaria in the face of League of Nations request to halt, had killed a total of 21 persons and wounded nine others. Of this number some were women and children.

The paper related that fire added to the destruction. The Sunday action was directed against Petrich (Petritsi), Petrovo, Lehevo and Maricostinovo. Fire caught in the frontier village of Lehevo while some houses burned at Maricostinovo.

Daily Mail dispatch from Geneva, said the Bulgarian legation had received a dispatch from Sofia stating the Greeks had resumed their advance into Bulgaria Sunday and heavily shelled the villages of Piperritsa and Patrov, killing many citizens and wounding others.

The Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph reported that at the instigation of Roumania, the Greeks and Bulgarians "will agree" to withdraw their forces behind their respective frontiers.

WINE TOWN IS CENTER

Severe Fighting Reported With Fortunes of Battle Alternating.

By United Press
VIENNA, Oct. 26.—Belgrade reports today claimed severe fighting was occurring at Melnik, a wine center of Bulgaria and at Petrich, with the fortunes of the battle alternating between the two sides.

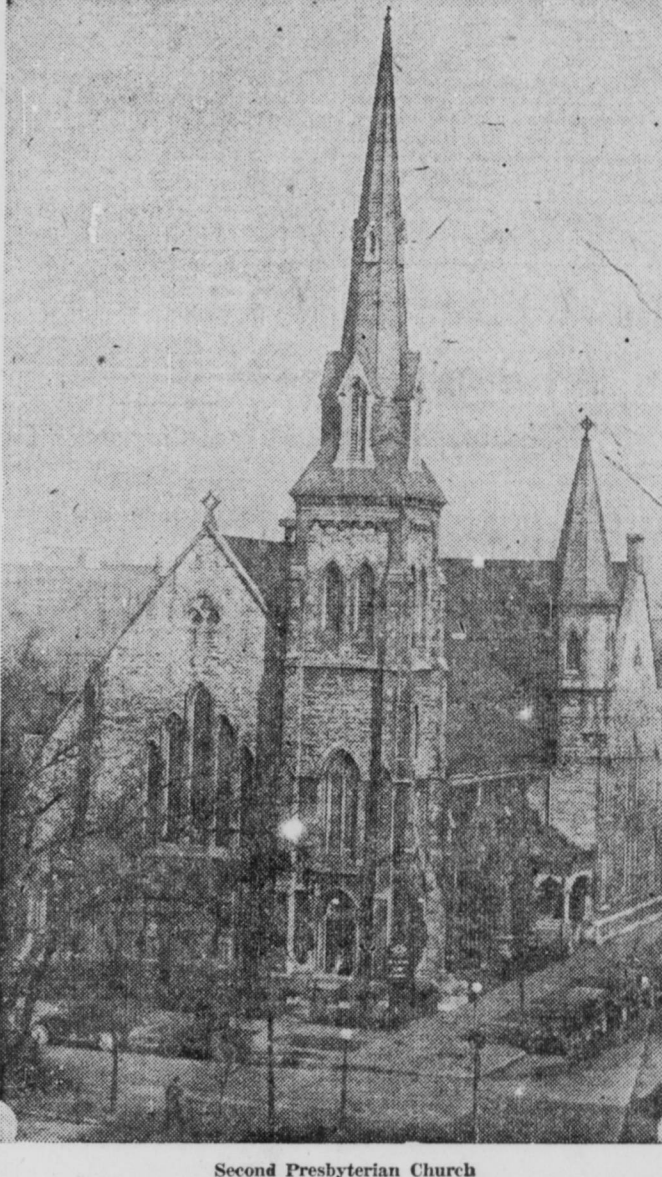
MERCURY TO GO DOWN

Bureau Says Colder Weather Is On Tap for Tonight.

Thermometers in Indianapolis are due to take a drop tonight, according to the United States weather bureau forecast. Low temperature should be freezing or slightly below, J. H. Arrington, meteorologist, said.

Tuesday should be fair and colder. Snow is predicted for the north portion of Indiana. Low temperature this morning was 39 at 6.

Move to Buy Churches in Plaza at Standstill



Second Presbyterian Church



First Baptist Church

Commissioners Say County Council Must Appropriate Funds.

Whether or not the two churches on the site of the Indiana War Memorial Plaza are removed to make way for the memorial, or remain in their present location for twenty-five years, must be determined by the Marion county council, county commissioners said today.

The council must appropriate the money for the sites before they can take any action, commissioners said. The block in which the two churches are located is the one which the county is to obtain for the Plaza project. There is no council meeting scheduled until January.

The two churches, the Second Presbyterian and the First Baptist, are awaiting action of the county, and the plaza board of trustees, which meets Tuesday. If their price is paid, they will move, though officials of both churches indicated they would rather remain. If the sites are not purchased by Jan. 1, 1926, the churches can remain in the present locations for twenty-five years, according to a law passed by the last Legislature.

The sites can be purchased after Jan. 1, but the churches will not have to move for twenty-five years. They can rent the buildings from the county. And the county must pay for any improvements which the churches make.

Both congregations are planning additions to their churches after the first of the year, if the sites are not purchased by then.

The Presbyterian Church, Vermont and Pennsylvania Sts., is planning for improvements to cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000. The First Baptist Church, Vermont and Meridian Sts., also will make improvements and additions to cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000, according to Woods Caperton, board of trustees chairman.

County Commissioner John Kitley today expressed the opinion the price for the church sites would be too high.

"It would cost the county more than \$1,000,000 to buy those two locations," he said.

Plaza trustees would not say whether the church question would be discussed Tuesday. It is understood they will talk over the course to be followed as a result of the recent revocation of the engineer's license of Harry E. Weeks of the firm of Walker & Weeks, Cleveland architects who designed the Plaza buildings.

CITY HALL EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTE

Board of Works Secretary Agent to Collect 10 Per Cent of Month's Pay From Workers to Enrich Duvall Fund.

BUT SOME DON'T SEEM SO EAGER TO DONATE

Fear They Will Not Keep Their Jobs Even if Republican Candidate for Mayor Is Elected—Bill Is Optimistic.

City employees, in addition to working among the voters in the interests of John L. Duvall, Republican candidate for mayor, are financing a portion of his campaign expenses.

Elmer Williams, board of works secretary, admitted he is receiving campaign contributions and said he was regularly appointed by Harry Dunn, county auditor, high in the councils of the Coffin element of the G. O. P. organization.

Williams said today the suggested contribution is 10 per cent of the person's monthly salary. Should a complete assessment be effected, this would mean the addition to the Duvall coffers of more than \$25,000, since the monthly pay roll totals approximately \$250,000.

But Dubious

However, it was pointed out that the city hall workers have not been forced to contribute. The suggestion is that the contribution is optional.

Many employees have refrained from shelling out the cold cash because they are uncertain whether the contribution would avail them anything when Duvall passes out the jobs, if he is elected, according to Williams.

"I am a sub-treasurer; Harry Dunn is treasurer," Williams explained.

The campaign for contributions has been in progress for about six weeks, it was said.

Same Pay Direct

Police and firemen pay their "assessments" direct to campaign headquarters in the Knights of Pythias Bldg., according to the politicians. There's a steady stream of officers from the city controller's office to the building on pay days, they say. Sergeants and patrolmen pay 5 per cent and the higher officers 10 per cent of their monthly pay checks, according to custom.

There was much ado politically at the city hall today. Joseph L. Hogue and William H. Armitage, political director of the Shank administration, conferred behind locked doors in Hogue's office.

Big Bill emerged with a broad smile.

"Duvall will win by 20,000," he exclaimed. "Why, he'll carry thirteen of fifteen wards. Myers has a chance only in the Twelfth and Thirteenth wards."

BULLET FIRED INTO HOME

Missile Came Through Upstairs Window, Says Man.

J. W. Darnell, 2219 Kenwood Ave., told police today that while he was sitting in an upstairs room, Sunday evening a bullet came through the window. Police were unable to find the bullet or find cause for the alleged attack.

'TAKE GUNMEN OR KILL 'EM'

Gangsters in Morgue Never Paroled, Stege Says.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Chicago's gunmen and gangsters fled to cover today as a piked squad of the city's "toughest" policemen went into the had lands with orders to bring in every known gangster or "send them to the morgue."

"You must send all these gangsters to the penitentiary; you must drive them from Chicago or you must kill them," Captain John Stege of the detective bureau told the squad of sharpshooters after it had been selected.

"And, remember," he added, "gunmen sent to the morgue never are paroled and they never escape."

BAR ON INTEREST RATES IS DROPPED

Clearing House Association Removes Restrictions on Savings and on Business Hours.

Restrictions on the rate of interest on savings accounts which can be paid by its members were removed today by the Indianapolis Clearing House Association, which includes seven banks. Members of the Association have been restricted to paying not more than 3 per cent on savings heretofore.

Hours for business also can be determined by the individual banks, the association decided.

Members of the Association are the Continental National Bank, Fletcher American National Bank, Indiana National Bank, Merchants National Bank, Indiana Trust Company, Union Trust Company and the Livestock Stock Exchange Bank.

The Peoples State and Fletcher Savings and Trust Banks left the Association several months ago in order to change business hours and interest rates.

SALARY CUTS ILLEGAL

Attorney General Arthur L. Gilliom this afternoon rule that the State budget committee has no authority to cut salaries already fixed by law or reduce the number of employees.

Every available Federal prohibition agent who is not working on an investigation job has been ordered to New Albany to aid in a crusade in that territory to wipe out stills and to arrest law violators before cold weather.

It is expected that more than twenty of the present force of about thirty men will be in the hills of the southern part of the State in the next twenty-four hours.

Deputy Administrator Ansel R. Harris said the southern part of the State has needs of cleaning up and that he intends to complete the drive in the next few weeks.