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## SHED BLAST KILLS BOY; CHUM HURT

Cigaret of Young Hunters  
Believed to Have Fired  
Five Powder Kegs.

### SECOND YOUTH MAY DIE

Crawls to Highway Terribly  
Burned and Calls Aid.

**BRAZIL, Ind., Dec. 16.**—Thomas Bridgewater, 16, was killed and his cousin, Carl Cornwell, 15, was probably fatally burned early today in the explosion of five kegs of blasting powder in a powder shed at the Boot and Ingers coal mine near here.

The boys were coon hunting and are supposed to have broken into the powder house and accidentally dropped a cigarette into an open keg of powder.

The building was wrecked by the explosion. Cornwell, although terribly burned, reached the highway and was picked up by an auto and brought to a hospital here.

Sheriff Weber and his deputies headed a searching party which hunted for the other boy. His charred body was found some distance from the wrecked shanty, where it was believed to have been blown by the blast.

It was reported a third boy was in the party, but no trace of him has been found.

The youths were visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Cornwell, who lives near the scene of the blast. The boys' parents are prostrated.

## FURTHER STEPS TO BE TAKEN TO AID GOOD WILL

Interdenominational Com-  
mittee to Plan Closer  
Cooperation.

The interdenominational committee which sponsored the visit of Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, noted preacher and writer, who Tuesday night addressed the city-wide Good Will meeting at Cade Tabernacle, will meet in a few days to discuss closer union of Jews, Catholics and Protestants.

Earl R. Dunder, president of the Church Federation, which sponsored the mass meeting, is chairman. "The various sects are closer together as a result of the gathering, and it is planned to cooperate in movements from time to time," said Dr. Ernest N. Evans, Federation secretary. He said thousands heard the address broadcast by WFMB, Merchants Heat and Light Company station.

"Good will was increased in Indianapolis by the visit of Dr. Cadman, churchmen declared. Dr. Cadman said the city-wide meetings of Jews, Catholics and Protestants were a compliment to Indianapolis. Church Federation sponsored the good will gathering. Dr. Cadman's address was characterized by wit and philosophy.

"This country shall never fall as long as we cling to the great constitutional spirit which, under God, made us a nation. Fear of God, which is the beginning of wisdom, and love of God, which is the end of wisdom, are the two polarities which have kept our nation intact," he said.

He scored the series of "blobs" in Middle West politics.

Referring to the World War, he said: "It is possible to find a common mind in the business of murdering, surely it is possible to find a common mind in the business of peace. We must replace tolerance with brotherhood."



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The right tackle wins more  
than football games.

## Human Stomach Violates the Dry Law

Photo of Girl With Skimp  
'Teddy' in Demand—  
Royal Stork Busy.

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.**—The human stomach is an habitual violator of the Volstead act, if Senator Edge, New Jersey, is correct in his physiology. "It is asserted by medical men," Edge said in the Senate for 2.75 per cent beer, "that there is as much alcohol generated in the system from a day's ordinary diet as is contained in three pints of 3 per cent beer. As is well known, the average capacity of the stomach is less than three pints."

### "WEARY" ONES DIE

**NEW YORK, Dec. 16.**—Mrs. Josephine Ricciardi, 24, and her two children, Joseph, 4, and Pasquale, 2 months, grew weary awaiting promised Christmas cheer. Yesterday neighbors smelled gas and, breaking in, found all three dead.

### SKIMPY "TEDDY" GIRL

**PITTSBURGH, Dec. 16.**—Copies of Pitt Panther, humorous Pittsburgh University student publication, sold as high as \$5 apiece today, following news of its suppression because the girl on the cover was clad only in a skimpy "teddy." Land office business was reported on copies which sold for \$3. The publication has been barred from the mails.

### INSTALLMENT DAMAGES

**WASHINGTON, N. Y., Dec. 16.**—Frank Smith must pay \$2 a week for thirteen years, by court order, to the three-year-old daughter of James McElligott, who was killed by Smith's automobile.

### STORK IS BUSY

**LONDON, Dec. 16.**—The royal stork soon is going to be as busy as Santa Claus. Three additions to the British royal family are expected. Princess Mary, the Viscountess Lascelles, soon will withdraw to her Newmarket place to prepare for a visit from the busy bird. The Duchess of York is anticipating a similar caller and things are being made ready for the third baby at the Park Lane home of Lord and Lady Mountbatten. The lord is a nephew of King George and Queen Mary.

### DEPENDANT VANISHES

**CHICAGO, Dec. 16.**—His trial on a charge of attacking a 15-year old girl failed to interest Roy Rinaldo, 28, and he vanished from the courtroom while jurors were being questioned. The judge ordered the trial to proceed while police sought the defendant.

### ELEVEN FEARED DEAD

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.**—With E. E. Stetler's 100-foot steam yacht Miramar missing for sixteen days, Coast Guard headquarters today expressed fears for the lives of the crew of eleven men aboard the ship.

### RABBI DIPLOMAT

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.**—A few minutes after the resignation of Alexander P. Moore, ambassador to Spain, was announced today, Rabbi E. J. Jack of Little Rock, Ark., called at the White House with politicians who were to urge his appointment to the post.

### NOYES ELECTED

### CHAMBER HEAD

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.**—Nicholas H. Noyes, treasurer and purchasing agent of Eli Lilly & Co., today was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce. He succeeds Frank S. Fishback.

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### GAS RATE CUT

### IS ANNOUNCED

**Citizens Directors Also Increase Dividend.**

Directors of the Citizens Gas Company today decided to increase the discount for a payment within ten days on gas bills to 10 instead of 5 cents a thousand cubic feet. This will mean a total saving of \$168,000 a year for consumers.

The directors also decided to pay stockholders one-half of deferred dividends of the years 1921, 1922 and 1923, and increase the 1925 dividend 1 per cent, making a total of 10 per cent this year.

### FIRE TRUCK SMASHES CARS

**BERWIN, Ill., Dec. 16.**—Two persons were believed fatally hurt and several others less seriously injured today when a fire truck crashed into an elevated train running along the street level tracks.

## Step Right Up Gentlemen, It's Time for New Licenses



It's time to get your 1926 auto license. Miss Agnes B. Johannes, showing one of the new license plates, is one of the clerks in the automobile department of the secretary of State's office at the Statehouse who may wait on you.

## How Would You Like to Introduce Santa Claus?

Why Not Help Foreign  
Born Children Know  
U. S. Christmas.

**AN** alien land! This big fine generous America of ours an alien land? Yet that's the way it seems to those black eyed families from across the sea, who are trying to become accustomed to American money, American budgets, and American ways of all kinds, without much American help. That's the way it seems to two women of foreign birth who are struggling to support themselves while the father and son, their only wage-earner, is fighting for his health in a sanatorium.

It would mean a good deal to them to know real American hospitality at Christmas time. To know that somebody in this great, strange city had their interest at heart and wanted them to have an American Christmas. Wouldn't you like to be their Santa Claus and visit them?

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## DOUMER GETS FINANCE POST

**Loucheur's Exit Saves  
French Cabinet.**

**PARIS, Dec. 16.**—Former Finance Minister Paul Doumer tonight accepted the request of Premier Aristide Briand that he resume the finance portfolio, succeeding Louis Loucheur, who resigned yesterday under pressure of the popular dissatisfaction with his tax program.

Having experienced with a "personal program" of taxes under Loucheur's brief tenure and having found the direct taxes unpopular, the cabinet decided to present its own program rather than to have a project which would bear only the personal label of Doumer.

Loucheur's retirement eliminated, at least temporarily, the defeat which the cabinet appeared certain to get in the chamber if it stood by Loucheur and his proposals.

### COLORED HIGH SCHOOL IS UP

**Suit to Prevent Building Is Before Appellate Court.**

Can the Indianapolis school board compel colored children to attend the colored high school which is being constructed on West St.

This was the substance of oral arguments heard today by the Indiana Appellate Court, sitting in banc, in the suit brought by Archie Greathouse, colored, and others, to enjoin the school board from building and maintaining a separate school for colored pupils. The injunction was denied in a Marion County Court.

W. E. Henderson, Robert Bailey and W. S. Henry, colored attorneys, represented Greathouse. Henderson argued that segregation of colored pupils is an indignity to the colored race. Albert Baker appeared as school board attorney.

### SEYMOUR MAN MISSING

**SEYMOUR, Ind., Dec. 16.**—Posses today are searching for John Ott, 66, who disappeared from his farm near here. Worry over the condition of his wife may have caused Ott to carry out a threat of suicide, friends say.

## U. S. FREES MRS. REMUS OF CHARGES

Federal Judge Rules Hus-  
band Can Not Testify  
Against Wife.

### ALLEGED PLOT IS BARED

'Bootleg King' Tells How  
Protection Was Bought.

A man may not testify against his wife.

Because of this, Mrs. Imogene Remus, wife of George Remus, millionaire bootleg king, and charged with being one of the conspirators in a gigantic liquor ring, was freed today by the United States Government.

When Remus, one of the star witnesses for the government took the stand this morning in Federal Court to reveal in detail the operations of the alleged rum plot, defense attorneys screamed out objections on the grounds that Mrs. Remus was a defendant and her husband could not testify.

Remus testified that high politicians protected the ring from interference while the \$30 barrels of whiskey in the Jack Daniel distillery at St. Louis were pilched.

He said the late Jack Kratz, a St. Louis politician, arranged for protection from the Internal Revenue office. For each case sold \$12 went to Kratz and his friends who arranged the protection. William J. Kinney, deputy gauger, got \$3 a case, Remus said.

Nathan Goldstein, St. Louis political boss, told Remus he had Arnold J. Helmholtz, former Internal Revenue collector, appointed. Remus testified. Helmholtz is a defendant in the trial.

Local police also gave protection to the liquor in storage where runners could get it, he said. Remus testified Morris Multin, another defendant, and Senator Michael Kinney were friends and Kinney had told Multin he would "assist in any way."

Edward Melninger, in charge of the distillery while removal was going on, received compensation of \$60 or \$75 a month and 50 cents additional.

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## Wife-Husband Clash Marks Rum Trial

Mrs. Remus Says 'Boot-  
leg King' Is Seeking  
Revenge.



Mrs. Imogene Remus

Two fights are going on simultaneously in Federal Court. One is the St. Louis liquor conspiracy trial, with its background of secret service men, red whiskey, dangerous as dynamite, raced across country in all-night auto rides, money and plotting.

The other, working slightly under the surface, but equally heavy with human emotions, threat and danger, is a clash between man and wife.

"I am afraid of him," said Mrs. Imogene Remus, wife of George Remus, the Cincinnati "bootleg king." "Him" is her husband, and she insists that between them for months has gone on this battle of clashing wills, accusation and hate.

Charges against Mrs. Remus, who was indicted with the twenty-eight other defendants, were dismissed today.

"I did not believe that the United States Government would punish a woman for her husband's wrongdoings," Mrs. Remus declared. "This attempt was made in this case. They said I drove at night, help."

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# MURDERS IN CITY SHOW LARGE DROP

Figures From Detective Bureau List  
Value of Property Stolen in  
Year at \$1,619,912.51.

## TOTAL COMPLAINTS INCREASE

Hold-Ups Gain, but Burglaries De-  
crease as Compared to 1924.

## City's 'Crime Record'

	1925.	1924.
Property Stolen .....	\$1,619,912.51	\$1,543,125.78
Property Recovered .....	\$1,226,948.60	\$1,163,713.20
Homicides .....	32	82
Hold-Ups .....	356	250
Vehicles Stolen .....	2,377	1,946
Vehicles Recovered .....	1,992	1,796

Hold-ups, auto thefts and total value of property stolen in Indianapolis during 1925 increased over totals for 1924, but homicide, burglaries and assault and battery cases decreased, records of the police force detective bureau today showed. Figures were taken for all of 1924, and for 1925 up to midnight Tuesday.

During 1925 property stolen was valued at \$1,619,912.51, an increase of \$76,786.73 over the 1924 figure. However, police were able to recover \$1,226,948.60 worth of property this year, while in 1924 only \$1,163,713.20 worth was returned to owners.

A large part of the stolen property was automobiles, for to date this year there have been 2,377 vehicle thefts, as compared to 1,946 last year. This is an increase of 433 thefts.

Many auto theft victims were made happy this year, for police returned cars to 1,992 of them. Last year only 1,796 vehicles were recovered.

Your life was a bit safer in Indianapolis this year, for there have been only thirty-two homicides, or murders. Last year the total was eighty-two or fifty more than for 1925.

This year has been a boom one for handits, the total of hold-ups being 356, an increase of 106 over last year. Burglaries, on the other hand, showed a decrease. There have been 1,547 burglary complaints to the department since Jan. 1, 1925, while in 1924 there were 1,681 complaints. The decrease in 1925 was 134.

Total complaints showed an increase of 240, the 1925 figure being 12,393, while in 1924 there were only 12,053.

In assault and battery cases, 1925 was better than its predecessor, the total this year being eighty-eight, compared to 168 last year.

In assault and battery with intent to kill cases, the decrease was thirty-two. The figure for 1925 was 133; that for 1924 was 165.

Thirteen for Manslaughter

There have been thirteen manslaughter cases this year, while last year there were none.

The reason for the difference is that Coroner Paul F. Robinson this year has ordered all persons in fatal auto accidents slated on manslaughter charges.

Miscellaneous felonies showed a decrease of thirty-three—the 1925 figure being 6,609 and the 1924 mark 6,642.

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## CLASH OCCURS IN CITY COURT

**Police Sergeant Threatens  
to 'Lock Up' Prosecutor.**

Paul Rhoadarmer, assistant prosecutor assigned to the city court of Judge Dan V. White, and Sgt. Frank Owen, in charge of the motorcycle squad clashed in court today.

Rhoadarmer insisted on more frequent appearance of motorcycle policemen to testify in speeders' trials.

"Don't try to dictate to my department," said Owen, and added he might "lock Rhoadarmer up."

Rhoadarmer contends the politicians are able to protest speeders more effectively if their trials are delayed under the system whereby one motorcycle policeman appears only one day a week in court. Owen says the system enables men to be on duty chasing speeders a greater length of time.

The Owens system will prevail in the court of Judge Delbert O. Wilmett and the Rhoadarmer process in Judge White's court, it was decided.

### LODGE MEMORIAL

**WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.**—A resolution authorizing appropriation of \$200,000 for erection of a memorial to the late Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts was introduced in the House today by Representative Tinkham, Republican.

### ONE MISSING IN FIRE

**Blaze Destroys Store, Doing \$750,000 Damage.**

**HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 16.**—Fire destroyed the Zenner-Bradshaw department store here today with a loss estimated at \$750,000. The night watchman is missing. It was feared at first that three janitors, together with the watchman, had perished, but the janitors later reported uninjured to the owners.

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