

# GRAND JURY MAY PROBE JULIETTA CLOSING

## PLAZA CHURCH PURCHASE NOT PUT THROUGH

Remonstrance From Southport Said to Have Halted Commissioners.

Marion County commissioners today declined to take any definite action toward the purchase of the two churches in the World War Memorial Plaza, following a conference with representatives of the memorial commission. It was understood the three commissioners were about to sign an agreement to authorize purchase of the churches when a remonstrance against such action was brought in by a citizen from Southport.

The remonstrance was signed by 250 taxpayers out of 154 solicited. Commissioner Charles O. Sutton lives at Southport. The remonstrance said that the purchase of the churches would be a great burden upon the taxpayers. The churches would enhance rather than destroy the beauty of the plaza, it said. Several petitions signed by heavy taxpayers and advocating the purchase were received.

"All of the commissioners are patriotic and believe in the plaza project, but they can't yet resolve to place this great tax burden upon the people," said Harry Dunn, county auditor. It is understood Commissioners John Kitley and Sutton are delaying action, because of the heavy taxation.

Those who attended the conference were William L. Elder, Bowman Elder, Sam Ashby, Russell J. Ryan, county attorney, Dunn, and three commissioners. Action on the purchases must be taken by Dec. 31.

### PROHIBITION ORDERS

By United Press  
ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 16.—Failure to observe liquor laws in the future at Michigan University will cause revocation of fraternity charters, President Little announced.

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## Representative Citizens Greet Good Will Orator



A committee of representative citizens from all denominations met Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, pastor of Central Congregational Church, New York, at Union Station, when he arrived to deliver an address at Good Will meeting Tuesday night at Cade Tabernacle. Left to right are: M. E. Foley, Joseph Myers Jr., John W. Herrington, secretary to Dr. Cadman; Dr. Cadman, William J. Mooney, Dr. Ernest N. Evans, Joseph A. McGowan, Dr. Harry A. King.

## MRS. REMUS IS FREED BY COURT

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tional for every gallon removed. Remus stated. He said 50,000 gallons were stored there.

Remus said alcohol purchased in St. Louis was used to "cover up" the alcoholic strength of the liquor left in the barrels. Six gallons were removed from each barrel and alcohol added at the warehouse to make it test proper strength. He said he contributed \$6,000 for alcohol.

### Went to Washington

Remus said he was not in St. Louis for more than a day or so at a time during the summer, but made eight or ten trips to Washington, D. C., and New York.

Remus said he helped pay for the telephone at Rex Realty Company office, where plans for removal of the whisky were made. He told of meeting other defendants there. Remus said he saw some of the liquor at Walker White Company, a warehouse, where trucks were loaded.

Judge Robert C. Baltzell sustained the objections. United States District Attorney Albert Ward immediately nulled the process of service against her, in order that the testimony of Remus might be retained on the court records.

### Remus Guarded

The courtroom bristled with guards as Remus took the stand. A Department of Justice agent walked with him to the witness chair and as he sat down, three other Federal agents stood up in the courtroom.

Threats, it is said, had been made "to get Remus when he testified." The bootleg king showed little nervousness. He sat in the chair with his legs crossed and with a self-important air.

He said he aided in raising money to buy the Jack Daniel distillery. Remus was guarded heavily because it is said threats "to get him" have been made by his former co-workers in rum-running.

Remus said that the deal was negotiated June 26, 1923, and that he and his associates paid \$125,000 for the plant.

Remus named Michael Whalen, Morris Multin, Harry Levin, defendants, and Jack Kraatz and Joseph Connor, both of whom are now dead, as other contributors to the fund for buying the distillery.

He said the deal was consummated in the office of Vance Higgs, St. Louis attorney, and that Leon Garver, Cincinnati attorney; Whalen, John Marcus, Edward Heintzinger, T. A. Heffernan, H. L. Dahlgren, Lem Motlow, Daniel O'Neill and himself were present. All the men but Garver are defendants.

He gave \$50,000. Remus said he supplied \$50,000 to buy the distillery. It was expected that Remus would

Theodore Messer of Cincinnati, an auto mechanic, was the first witness this morning.

He said he drove Remus from Cincinnati to St. Louis and back to Cincinnati through Indianapolis several times in September, 1923, and that each time liquor was carried. He said each time he and Remus were escorted by another car driven by Harry Stratton, and that Mrs. Remus accompanied Stratton. Messer identified Morris Multin, one of the defendants, as one of the alleged conspirators.

### Gauger Testifies

James Dillon, Government gauger at the distillery, followed Messer. He said he found the 890 barrels contained only about 3 to 11 per cent alcohol. He said the contents were mostly water.

During testimony of A. H. Reimer, another gauger, Judge Baltzell objected to defense attorneys repeating questions.

"You are not running this matter," Judge Baltzell said as he rapped vigorously with his gavel.

"We don't mean to be impertinent, your honor," Wayne Ely, defense attorney, said.

### No Farce

"Then don't try to make a farce of this case, by repeating such questions," the court said.

"We don't mean to infer anything like that," Ely replied.

Defense attorneys were questioning Reimer about a hole drilled in the top of a barrel said to have been taken by ex-sheriff George Snider in December, 1923, when he stopped the cars driven by John Marcus and Ben Doncaster, near Indianapolis.

"Take a look at that hole in the top of the barrel," Ely instructed the witness. "What do you say about it?"

"I'd say it was freshly bored," Ely was asked what he meant by freshly bored.

"Oh, within the last year or so," he answered.

The defense scored during the cross-examination of E. B. Henson, special Government investigator, who worked on the case more than a year.

### Elliott Grills Witness

"What do you know about this case," Homer Elliott defense attorney, asked him.

"I know a lot about this case," Henson replied.

"From your own investigation?" Elliott asked.

"No, from hearsay," he answered.

John P. Roach, detective sergeant of St. Louis, told of arresting Edward Meininger, defendant, in a soft drink parlor operated by Whalen.

He said Meininger called himself Edward Alberts and said he was from Chicago. Roach testified that on the way to headquarters, he met a member of the detective force who greeted the man as Edward Meininger.

"After a lot of questioning he told me his name was Edward Meininger, but that he was with the gang operating the distillery and wanted to keep himself from being exposed," Roach testified.

During recess District Attorney

**7 MORE SHOPPING DAYS**

before CHRISTMAS

Ward said the bond of Meininger would be increased from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

"That's too small a bond for any one who is playing such a big part in the case," Ward said.

Meininger was placed in the custody of Deputy Marshal Simon T. Hickman until arrangements were made for raising his bond.

Bank clerks and lawyers were Government witnesses Tuesday. They told of the sale of the distillery to Remus and his syndicate for \$122,000.

George Winkler, prohibition group chief, told of going to St. Louis, and escorting Arnold J. Hellmich, former collector of internal revenue at St. Louis to Indianapolis on Oct. 20. Hellmich is a defendant.

Defense attorneys unsuccessfully attempted to show that the Government's attorneys promised Hellmich and other defendants compensation if they would testify to certain facts before the grand jury.

### Harris to Testify

A. R. Harris, deputy prohibition administrator, also was expected to testify today. District Attorney Albert Ward said he did not believe Bert Morgan, former prohibition director, would go on the stand. Morgan cleaned up the Death Valley farm near Cincinnati, one of the plants of the rum-running syndicate.

John B. Marshall, special attorney general, brought out the fact that the liquor seized by ex-Sheriff George Snider and his son Roland, Dec. 15, 1923, near Indianapolis, was part of the Jack Daniel distillery supply, and was being transported to Cincinnati.

Ben Doncaster and John Marcus, defendants, were arrested at the time. This is the overt act that caused the case to be transferred here from St. Louis.

### PRICE CUT IS SECRET

By United Press  
DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 16.—Dodge Brothers today announced a novel reduction in the price of motor cars, but not to be publicly announced until Jan. 1. Buyers of Dodge cars between now and that date will benefit by the reduction which will be refunded, the company announced.

Judge Collins Takes Cognizance of Situation When He Overrules Plea of Weavers for Change of Venue in False Claim Case.

The county grand jury may investigate the proposed abandonment of Julietta, county hospital for the insane, Prosecutor William H. Remy said today.

Soon after Remy said this, County Auditor Harry Dunn said he would at once order Dr. Benjamin Potter, Julietta superintendent, to stop removal of patients, except epileptics, who are to be taken to the Indiana Village for Epileptics at Newcastle. County commissioners had directed all patients be removed from the hospital by Jan. 1, because the county council refused to appropriate funds to operate the hospital in 1926.

Judge James A. Collins, of Criminal Court, remarked:

"The grand jury of Marion County is specifically charged with the duty of examining into the conditions and management of the poor house, and I am strongly of the opinion that the grand jury will not look with favor upon any such change and would see, in so far as is within its power, that the pauper insane were properly cared for in an institution provided for that purpose.

Collins made the remark in overruling a plea of George A. Weaver to Son Windsor J. Weaver, contractors, for a change of venue from Marion County in the case in which they are charged with presenting false claims for work on the men's wing at Julietta.

### Fear Unfair Trial

Merle N. A. Walker, attorney for the Weavers, said his clients could not have a fair trial in Marion County because of publicity given the charges and the more recent public agitation over the plans to close the hospital.

Remy said that he would try Windsor J. Weaver Dec. 28 on the charge of trying his clients in the local court if the trial was set for some time in February or later.

Remy said the present agitation was nothing to do whatever with the Weaver case.

Collins also remarked:

"In 1901 the Legislature pro-

## Noyes President of Chamber



Nicholas H. Noyes

Chamber of Commerce directors today elected Nicholas H. Noyes, of Lill Lilly and Company, president for next year.

vided that counties having a population of 150,000 or more could establish an asylum for the incurably insane. It also provided that those who could be committed to such an asylum were the incurably insane who had become a county charge as paupers. It was under the provisions of the foregoing act that Julietta was established in Marion County. It was established for the sole purpose of being the asylum for the pauper insane, and why there should be any discussion of returning the pauper insane to the poorhouse of the county, I cannot understand."

"The commissioners said they were powerless to defer the closing of Julietta.

"There is nothing we can do now," said John Kitley, who said he was impressed with the report filed in Circuit Court Tuesday, by the county board of correction and charities.

"The county council refused to approve any appropriation for Julietta for 1926, or make any tax levy, so that's all there is to it," said Kitley.

Kitley said the only way out will be for the council to hold a special meeting to appropriate funds or the State agree to take the inmates.

Cassius L. Hogle, council president, said there will be no council meeting until the middle of January. Both Commissioners Charles O. Sutton and John McCloskey have said that something must be done before Jan. 1, if proper quarters can not be found for all the inmates of Julietta.

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## DENY KAPLAN RUMORS

Manager Says Kid Can Make Featherweight Limit.  
By United Press  
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Louis (Kid) Kaplan, who defends his world's featherweight title against "Babe" Herman on Friday night at the new Garden, will be able to make the weight limit. His manager denied such reports and said Kaplan weighed 127 pounds at the beginning of the week.

## CITY'S MURDERS SHOW DECREASE

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6,632. These include the more serious cases. Miscellaneous misdemeanors, minor cases, decreased fifty-six. This year's figure was 527; last year's 593.

Indianapolis is not the only city where autos was stolen. During the year police have been asked to look for 18,966 automobiles stolen in other places, an increase of 2,723 over the figure for 1924.

Total arrests by the detective bureau were 2,640, as compared to 2,810 for last year. These were divided as follows: Fugitive from justice, 260 in 1925 and 267 in 1924; vehicle taking, 189 in 1925 and 174 in 1924; miscellaneous felonies, 879 in 1925 and 1,190 in 1924; miscellaneous misdemeanors, 970 in 1925 and 803 in 1924; burglaries, 155 in 1925 and 157 in 1924; homicides, 26 in 1925 and 69 in 1924; assault and battery, 137 in 1925 and 151 in 1924.

Convictions were: Burglaries, 94; homicides, 10; assault and battery, 35; vehicle taking, 99; miscellaneous felonies, 353, and miscellaneous misdemeanors, 52.

The detective bureau is composed of one supervisor, two captains, three lieutenants, fifty-six detective sergeants, one Bertillon record clerk and two policemen.

### DEATH TOLL 13 LESS

Police Chief Herman F. Rikhoff today commended members of the police accident prevention bureau when the annual report, submitted by Sgt. Mary Moore, showed twelve less persons were killed in traffic accidents in 1924 than last year. Seventy-seven persons were killed last year.

Rikhoff said the record was remarkable in view of an increase of more than 1,000 accidents. Injured also increased from 2,153 to 2,220.

The report showed 500 children injured in traffic and twenty-one in nontraffic accidents with thirteen killed in traffic and eight in other accidents.

Fifty-two adults were killed in motor crashes, twenty-eight in nontraffic accident. Injured in street accidents were 1,720, while nontraffic accidents injured eighty.

The bureau, established three years ago at Rikhoff's direction, has investigated 800 complaints and has brought about many improvements which have helped to cut down the death toll, Rikhoff said.

Harry Smith and Jack O'Neal are the other members of the department.

## SHANK DECRIES KLAN COMBINE

Mayor Says Aiding Aspirants Doesn't Mean Anything.

Effort of Mayor Shank to obtain reinstatement of Arthur B. McGee, former police lieutenant, and Harvey W. Bedford, Klan leader, does not mean a combination of the Klan and City Hall factions of the Republican party, Mayor Shank said today. "They wouldn't have me if I wanted them; I wouldn't join with them if they asked me," was Shank's summary of the situation. Shank added the next objective of the City Hall wing is to unseat George V. Coffin, Republican city chairman, whom he said is "running the whole works."

The board of safety has added two policemen to replace two discharged by the board, Ernest L. Kingston, president, announced. Those added were Charles P. Harrahan, 1541 E. Ohio St., and Robert A. Long, 337 S. East St. The action is considered detrimental to the prospects of McGee and Bedford.

## MARION POLICE WIN

To Get Pension Credit for Time Off Force.

Marion, Ind., police who had been spared of ever receiving pension were glad today by an opinion rendered by Attorney General Arthur L. Gilliom. Some years ago a number of police were discharged without cause and lost when the case was taken to court.

The State Supreme Court, four years later, reversed the decision and the men were reinstated, but received no pay for the four years and twelve months they were off the job. Gilliom held they should be credited for this time in considering their pensions, which are granted after twenty years' service.

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