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## SEEK COURT OPINION IN PARK FIGHT

Johnson to Take Ouster by Duvall as Board Head to Judge.

## LAWYER SCORES STRIFE

Mayor Determined Two Others Shall Go.

A suit to determine who shall act as park board members was to be filed in one of the Marion County Superior Courts today as a means of settling the controversy arising from the dismissal by Mayor Duvall of Emsley Johnson, park board president, and Duvall's determination to demand the resignation of Albert M. Maguire and Frank P. Manley, other board members, Johnson said.

The suit was to be in the nature of quo warranto proceedings to determine the legal aspect of the situation. The park board law says members shall not be removed unless for cause, Johnson maintains.

Johnson said the attorneys employed by the ousted park board are Miller, Dally and Thompson and Samuel Ashby.

### Deplores Clash

The clash between Duvall and city park board members was deplored by Joe Rand Beckett, attorney. Beckett said strike is injurious to the commercial and civic interests of the city.

Such clashes could not occur under the city manager form of government, proposed for Indianapolis, he said.

But the mayor, who insists that Johnson has resigned as board president, indicated that the two other board members are to be dismissed. He expressed his sentiments in verse as follows:

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There shall be two vacant chairs,

We shall miss them at the meeting;

When we take up park affairs,"

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## FIRES CARRIED INTO NEBRASKA

Grass Blazes Sweep Into Another State.

By United Press

VALENTINE, Neb., April 16.— Prairie fires which have been sweeping the Dakotas and Minnesota, spread to northern Nebraska today.

A fire fanned by a strong wind which made it difficult to fight was raging south and west of Valentine.

Dispatches from St. Paul however said grass and bush fires in the northwest diminished today and threat of further damage was removed as the wind abated.

A survey of the Dakotas and Minnesota, revealed no serious damage. Forestry officials here and at Duluth said there were no forest fires.

Several farm buildings and one school building burned near Brainard, where brush fires seemed most serious.

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Pays for Slaying Husbands of Dairy Maid.

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## Freedom of Air Is Upheld

CHICAGO, April 16.—Federal Judge James H. Wilkerson today ruled the Zenith Radio Corporation, operating station WJAZ, was not guilty of interfering with other stations in using wave lengths not assigned to WJAZ.

The Government brought suit against the Zenith corporation on a charge that it had "upstaged" the wave length of five Canadian stations. Zenith officials contested the suit, claiming "freedom of the air" was at stake.

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## SAVE BOOZE TILL CHECK IS FINISHED

Destruction Delayed for Investigation of 330 Missing Cases.

## WARD MAKES REQUEST

Judge Baltzell Grants Postponement.

## Large Crowds Expected on Concluding Days of Exposition.

Indianapolis luncheon and civic club members were guests at the fifth annual Home Complete Exposition.

The doors opened at 10 a. m. and will open at the same time Saturday for the last day of the exposition this year at the Manufacturers' Bldg., State fairground.

Show officials estimated that more than 65,000 people have attended the exposition since it opened last Saturday night. A crowd of 15,000 passed through the aisles Thursday.

With Club day today and Building and Loan and Out-of-Town day Saturday, it is believed the combined attendance for the two days will soar above the 40,000 marks.

A feature of the show Thursday night was the parade of more than fifty workmen who aided in the construction of the Mediterranean bungalow, the centerpiece of the exposition. The house was erected by R. H. Shelborn & Co.

Delegations of realtors from Milwaukee and Detroit were in Indianapolis today giving the show and the city the "once-over." They arrived Thursday and will leave this evening.

William Low Rice, during the first two days announced the sale of eight lots in north side additions, said Thursday that his total had reached fourteen.

## No More Red Tags for Your Car

The red police sticker will soon pass into oblivion.

Inspector Lester Jones today announced yellow stickers, to conform in color with traffic signs, will replace red tags now used to inform motorists they have broken parking regulations and must pay a \$2 fine. About 50,000 yellow stickers will be ordered.

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## SPRING BACK AGAIN

Mercury Rises—Fair Weather to Continue, Says Forecast.

Indianapolis experienced spring-like weather again today, following a rise of the mercury Thursday. Temperature at 7 a. m. was 40. Through 8 degrees below normal, this still was 13 above the mark for the same hour Thursday.

Fair weather should continue tonight and Saturday, the United States Weather Bureau announced. Slightly lower temperature Saturday is included in the prediction.

At the Department of Justice office, it was said no official order for beginning the investigation had been received. Henthorn is not assigned to the case, was said.

"Unknown Agent"

It was indicated when Ward outlined briefly his investigation plans that a Department of Justice agent unknown in this district would work on the case.

Ward said the investigation will proceed through the regular channels and that after the investigation a report will be made to him by the agent on the case. He then will review the facts and if they warrant criminal action he will present them to a grand jury.

Because of the possible lengthiness of such an investigation it was believed that it will not be completed in time for presentation to the grand jury, May 5, even if the facts warrant it.

E. C. Yellowley, prohibition administrator of the Thirteenth District, arrived in the city Thursday when the liquor re-check was started, and visited Deputy Administrator A. R. Harris at the Federal Bldg.

Jack E. Dawson, for thirteen years associated with the Reliable Furniture Company, 33 S. Illinois St., has been named manager of the Indianapolis store of the company. The company operates stores in twenty-six cities.

**BULLET PROOF SHIELD**

Glass on Sheriff's Auto to Protect Deputies.

Sheriff Omer Hawkins reported today that one of his emergency machine-guns has been equipped with bullet-proof glass to protect his deputies from bullets while chasing bank bandits and rum runners.

"It's lucky you're not here answering the charge of murder," Judge Collins said.

**10 YEARS! YOU'RE LUCKY'**

Collins Tells Negro He's Fortunate in Not Answering Murder Charge.

"You're a lucky bird," said Criminal Judge James A. Collins today when he fined Samuel Jiles, 24, Negro, \$100 and costs and sentenced him ten to twenty-one years at the Indiana Reformatory for burglary.

Evidence disclosed Jiles fired three shots at John Wehrly, 1554 Broadway, clerk at the Hotel Royal. Jiles, a bell hop, is alleged to have held Wehrly up and taken \$35 from the safe.

The miners said Wills is not an experienced mine worker.

The letter also protests the dis-

placing, a year ago, of Charles Fox, former Terra Haute man, on the board.

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