

SCHOOL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING TOPIC SEPT. 13

Presented Board Publicly
Tuesday Night—\$1.09
Tax Levy Set.

The 1926-27 school city budget was turned over to Chamber of Commerce officials today. After a survey of the proposed expenditures and appropriations, as outlined by the board, the Chamber probably will make recommendations to the board.

The budget was advertised today and will be discussed at a public hearing in the school offices Sept. 13. The budget was presented to the board Tuesday night by Business Director Ure M. Frazer.

The proposed levy of \$1.09 is one-cent lower than that for 1925-26.

The levy, divided into four main sections, provides for the following: Tuition fund, 4155 cents levy on each \$100; special school fund, 59 cents; library fund, .075 cents and free kindergarten fund, .0055 cent.

The budget provides for an expenditure during the year of \$710,000 for the additional elementary school buildings. This calls for additions at Schools 43, 47, 62, 66 and 73 and a new structure to be School 84 and portables at School 77.

\$700,000 for Tech

Technical High School will receive \$700,000 for new buildings. This will be financed by bonds.

In the appropriation is a \$1,050,000 bond issue for the new Shortridge. No written explanation of the additional \$500,000 is given.

It is understood the increase is caused by payment of architect's fees on the plans cast aside by the board last spring.

Carried in the expenditures, is a \$2,250 item for repairing the present Shortridge. Some idea of the physical condition of the building in which children will attend school for at least another year, can be derived from Frazer's remarks about Shortridge's repair.

"The amount budgeted for this year, shows a slight increase over last year and is only sufficient to hold this plan together for another year."

Rental \$38,460

Rental for the old Shortridge building, now the property of the State Life Insurance Company, on \$38,460. An elementary repair calling for expenditure of \$183,191 is included in the figures.

Along with the \$710,000 elementary building program are other building additions, not yet paid for under the 1925-26 budget, that run the aggregate building program expenditures to \$1,578,656.

General expenditures for operation and maintenance of the school city for 1926-27, including instruction and building costs, are estimated at \$11,464,790. Some of this is taken care of in the 1925-26 budget, leaving a total of \$8,861,470 new funds available.

A sinking fund of \$547,341 is provided. Last year's fund was \$253,801. Increases in teachers' salaries this year brings about an expenditure of \$1,920,000 for teachers, as compared to \$1,575,824 under the 1925-26 budget.

'WET' START FOR MONTH

September May Follow Example of Its Predecessor.

September today started out to follow the example of its predecessor, August, when heavy rain fell for about two hours in the morning. Local thunderstorms are likely to night and Thursday, Meteorologist J. H. Armstrong of the United States weather bureau said.

Ordinarily September is a dry month, the autumn rains not starting until about the middle of October. August also is a dry month, but the precipitation for the thirty-one days this year was 4.97 inches, compared with a normal fall of 3.33 inches. Farmers are hoping for some hot, dry days, so that their crops will mature.

GETS TIGER TERM

Charles Van Arsdale, 319 S. Capitol Ave., charged with operating a blind tiger, was fined \$100 and sentenced to thirty days in jail today by Judge Thomas E. Garvin in municipal court one. When Van Arsdale indicated he would appeal, the court fixed bond at \$1,000.

Plane in Which Rodgers Died



This plane carrying Commander John H. Rodgers, Hawaiian flight hero, side-slipped and crashed into the Delaware river at Philadelphia, killing Rodgers and injuring his mechanic. A navy board of inquiry is examining it.

AUTO GROUP WARS ON RURAL OFFICERS

State Association Will Seek Law Controlling Traffic Signals in Villages—Case Appealed.

Passage by the next Legislature of a law controlling the erection of "stop and go" signs in villages and towns will be urged by the Hoosier State Automobile Association.

The situation at Ingalls, Ind., twenty-four miles northeast of Indianapolis, on State Rd. 37, and at other villages is termed "obnoxious" by motor body officials.

John J. Brown, State tax board chairman, who demanded refund of a \$6.50 fine from Justice Milton P.

SEND TRUE BILL COPY TO PRISON

Hope to Rearrest Two in Duesenberg Robbery.

At the request of Detective William Rugenstein, Prosecutor William H. Remy today ordered a certified copy of the grand jury indictment against Hilton Crouch and Steve O'Hagan prepared and forwarded to Illinois State Prison at Joliet where both are serving a one to ten year sentence for robbery in Chicago. Crouch and O'Hagan were indicted with two other men, now fugitives, for auto banditry, robbery and grand larceny growing out of the Duesenberg pay roll robbery last April, when bandits escaped with \$4,300.

Rugenstein said there is a possibility of the two being paroled at expiration of their minimum term and a capias for their arrest will be served when they are released. Crouch is believed to have knowledge as to who murdered Wilkinson Haag, druggist, at the Green Mill dance hall several months ago.

Radio Riles Trenton, but Not Indianapolis

The tones of the radio on the evening air have not been found objectionable by Indianapolis residents. Dr. Herman G. Morgan, city health officer, today wrote to health authorities in Trenton, N. J. Good citizens of Trenton are annoyed by the radio "that plays very loud, or whose loud speaker is pointed out a window," the health authorities wrote to Dr. Morgan. They asked whether Indianapolis has an ordinance preventing use of radios after 11 p. m., indicating that one of that nature was likely to be introduced there.

"We have received no complaints," Dr. Morgan said.

ILLINOIS TOWN FLOODED

\$500,000 Damage Done by Near-Cloudburst.

By United Press
GALESBURG, Ill., Sept. 1.—A near-cloudburst, in which six inches of rain fell, today caused damage estimated at \$500,000 in Galesburg. Downtown streets were flooded, railway reported numerous washouts and disruption of schedules, while the city lighting and water plants were seriously damaged.

Famed House Bids Adieu to Streets

Tilted at a rakish angle, with its kitchen on the way to establish a new altitude record, the celebrated house of Robert Hackney today was descending the streets of Indianapolis for a prosaic retirement at 2318 N. Capitol Ave.

The antics of the big double dwelling in the course of a journey through city streets that lasted several weeks brought gray hairs to park board members and caused Mayor Duval himself to fidget a bit. Now only half of the structure remains in the public highway and the building soon will be on its new foundation, house movers said.

Brown's appeal will attack jurisdiction, on the ground that there was no affidavit or indictment, and that no plea was entered or witnesses sworn. The tax board accepted legal aid of the auto association to make the test case.

Brown said he did not see the overhead signal, but had slowed up for the intersection and was driving less than ten miles an hour. At Ingalls two overhead signals are only half a block apart on Rd. 37 at the intersection of two roads, and change rapidly, motor body officials said. There is no "change interval" on the signs.

The Hoosier Motor Club and the State association are conducting a campaign against "unfair" enforcement of laws and unnecessary signs on arterial highways. Numerous complaints have been received against a Crothersville marshal, who has fired at several motorists.

Two Signals

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\$500 MORE PAY VOTED HILKENE

Jeanette Williams Named to School Post.

Increase of \$500 in the salary of Jacob H. Hilken, superintendent of buildings and grounds of the city schools, was voted by the board Tuesday night. Hilken's salary was increased from \$4,500 to \$5,000 annually.

Jeanette Williams was appointed director of the department of education for exceptional children, with a salary of \$2,900. This position has been vacant since spring.

More than one hundred persons appeared and asked that the Bible be read in the schools. The Rev. George S. Henninger, pastor of the East Tenth Street Methodist Church, and the Rev. O. A. Trinkle, pastor of the Englewood Christian Church, were spokesmen.

The matter was referred to the instruction committee.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Autos reported stolen to police: Catherine Gordon, 5160 E. Michigan St., Chevrolet, 506-269, from St. Vincent's Hospital.

Harold Cunningham, 140 W. Thirty-Seventh St., M-1202, from St. Vincent's Hospital.

G. B. Walsh, 2464 N. Illinois St., Ford, 403-913, from Capitol Ave. and Ohio St.

Brice Thompson, 848 S. Belmont Ave., Ford, 514-039, from Ohio St. and Senate Ave.

E. Nugel Boulter, 33 Downey Ave., Chevrolet, 657-702, from Vermont and Delaware Sts.

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THREE AMERICAN WARSHIPS WATCH

Anchored in Shadow of Nicaraguan Revolt.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—With three United States warships and a landing party of Marines guarding American lives and property endangered by the Nicaraguan revolution, the State Department today awaited reports on the impending battle at El Bluff.

The U. S. S. Galveston is in Bluefields harbor in the shadow of El Bluff, where the conflicting native forces are expected to decide control of the Nicaraguan Gulf Coast.

Both the Galveston and Marines occupying Bluefields have been ordered to maintain strict neutrality.

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