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ASK HOLMES TO HELP IN FAMED CASE

Local Lawyer Requested to Assist in Mellett Murder Prosecution.

SAYS HE MAY SERVE

If It Is Agreeable to Other Attorneys.

Ira Holmes, prominent Indianapolis attorney, has been asked to aid in the prosecution of three men under indictment at Canton, Ohio, on charges of murdering Don R. Mellett, former Indianapolis resident and newspaper publisher, it was learned today.

Holmes was asked to assist in the prosecution by J. H. Mellett of Anderson, brother of the slain publisher, he said.

"I consented to aid in the case if an agreement is reached on a satisfactory fee and if my connection with the case is agreeable to other counsel," Holmes said.

Mellett went to Chicago today to confer about Holmes' retention with Joseph Roach, former Indianapolis attorney, engaged by Canton citizens to investigate vice conditions there which led to the Mellett murder and to prosecute the murder case, Holmes said.

Roach won fame as an investigator of graft cases in election fraud cases at Terre Haute. He also was investigator in the Bell election fraud case here.

Michael Glenn, former Indianapolis traffic inspector, has been aiding Roach in the Canton case.

ARRAIGNMENT TUESDAY

Prosecutor Says There Will Be No Delay for Two Indicted Men.

By United Press
CANTON, Ohio, Sept. 4.—Louis Mazer and Ben Rudner, two of the three men indicted Friday in connection with the murder of Don R. Mellett, are to be arraigned here next Tuesday and a date set for their trial.

Patrick McDermott, third man named by the Stark County grand jury, has succeeded so far in eluding authorities.

"There will be no delays," Prosecutor C. B. McClelland promised. "We shall ask death for every one implicated in the murder."

More indictments are expected. Investigators believe the two men now in jail will implicate others of the bootleg ring held responsible for Mellett's assassination.

REPORT MADE ON S-51 SINKING

Two on 'City of Rome' Held Partly to Blame.

By United Press
BOSTON, Sept. 4.—Capt. John Diehl of Everett, Mass., and third mate Timothy L. Dreyer of Savannah, Ga., of the steamship City of Rome were held partly responsible for the collision between that vessel and the United States submarine S-51, which cost thirty-four lives, in the report of steamship inspection officials, made public here this afternoon.

The report said circumstances warrant the suspension of the license of Diehl and Freyer for nine months.

The steamboat inspection officers said, however, that the S-51 was not entirely blameless. They said: "While any fault attributed to the S-51 cannot take away that of the City of Rome, at the same time it is our opinion that the acts and conditions on the S-51 were contributory to this collision and modify the fault on the part of the master and third mate of the City of Rome."

MORE RAIN IS FORECAST

Showers Likely Tonight; 3:24 Inches in Three Days.

Not content with dumping 3:24 inches of rain on Indianapolis during the first three days of September, the weather man is likely to furnish more showers this evening, according to the United States Weather Bureau.

Clear skies are expected by Sunday. White river, which reached a high point of 9:8 feet, started falling Friday morning. Rain Friday night totaled .09 of an inch.

DO YOU VOTE?

Why did 40 per cent of the qualified voters in Indianapolis stay away from the polls in the last primary?

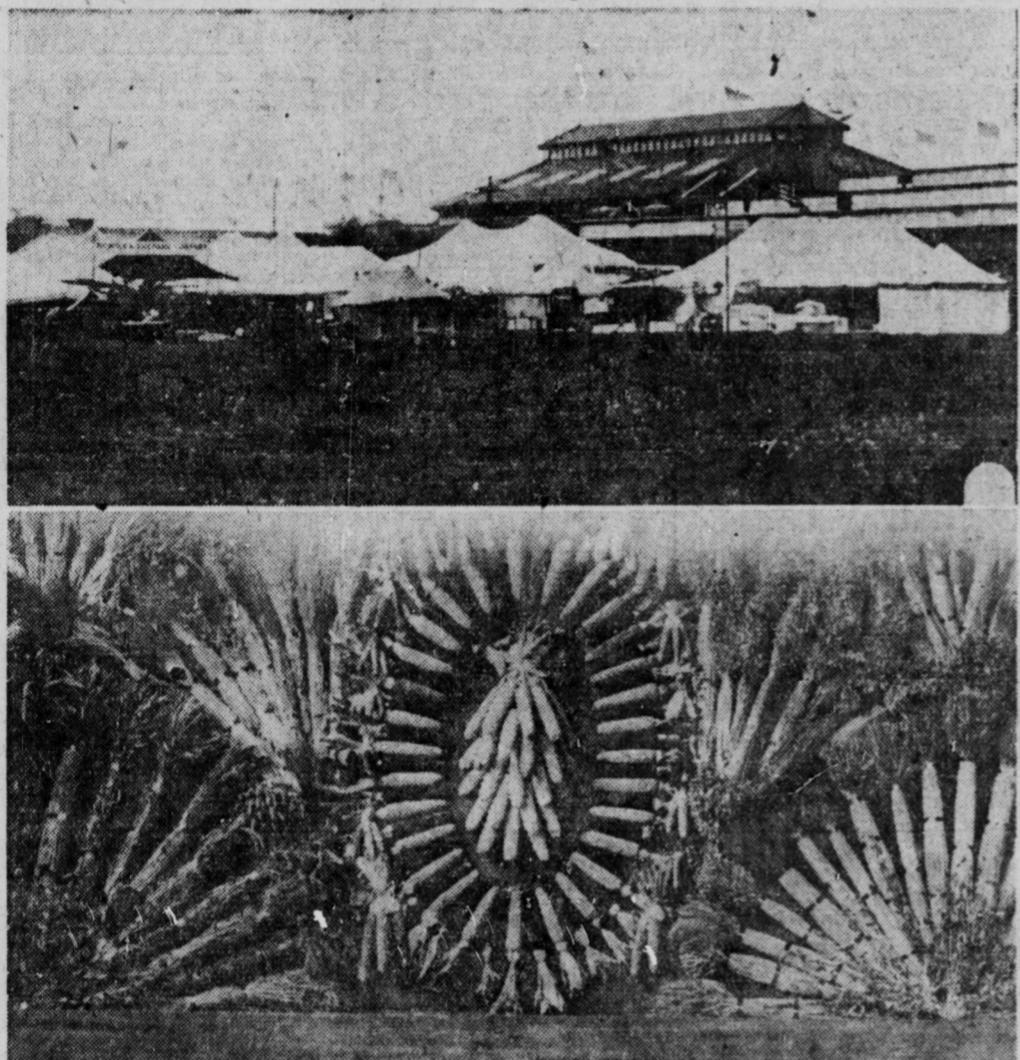
The League of Women Voters today started to find out through the Indianapolis Times.

The league, as do many citizens and other organizations, feels there is real menace to American political safety in the fact that thousands upon thousands of persons take no part in selecting officials.

A questionnaire upon voting will be printed in The Times for a week, beginning today. Both voters and non-voters are urged to fill this out and mail it as directed on the coupon. From the answers the league hopes to get at least a good cross-section upon how Indianapolis citizens feel about voting. This will be made the basis of a campaign to get out a bigger total vote than ever in the November election.

See the coupon on Page 4.

Hoosierdom Drawn in By Magnet of State Fair, Seventy-Five Years Old



Above—The "tent city" at the Indiana State fair, where Indiana farmers may view practically every sort of implement manufactured to make the farmer's task lighter. Among the instruments exhibited are tractors, grain separators, fodder shredders, ensilage cutters, silos, metal granaries, windmills, barrows and plows. Below—Part of the exhibit of Indiana farm products in the agricultural building.

CITY TAX RATE DUE TO BE SET AT \$1.04 TODAY

Council Meets This Afternoon Instead of Monday Night.

Designation of the city tax rate for 1927 at \$1.04 cents is expected at a city council meeting this afternoon.

The regular council meeting had been scheduled for Monday night, but a check of councilmen revealed that two men were planning to leave the city for Labor day, majority members said.

Eliminate Economy

Council has eliminated from the budget many items of economy proposed by City Controller William C. Buser, whose estimate called for a tax rate of \$1.03.

Councilmen failed to sanction Buser's plan to dispense with many of the lawyers for various boards and departments and to authorize elimination of all grades of policemen between sergeants and patrolmen.

Friends Profit

Friends of the councilmen profited from their consideration of the budget, notably Acting Inspector of Detectives Claude M. Worley. The compensation for Worley's position would be increased from \$2,282.50 to \$3,600, only a few dollars less than the salary of Police Chief Claude F. Johnson. Worley had been promoted by the G. O. P. Coffin faction for chief of police.

Buser had recommended abolition of a number of the legal positions and addition to the regular legal department of one attorney.

DEDICATION IS SEPT. 12

Bishop Will Preside at Ceremony of Irvington Church.

Bishop Frederick D. Leete will preside at a formal dedication of the new \$250,000 structure of Irvington M. E. Church, Sept. 12.

Dr. W. G. Davidson, Illinois Wesleyan College president, will speak. Including furnishings the structure is valued at \$300,000. The Rev. J. B. Rosemurgy is pastor.

BOUND OVER TO JURY

George Sandes of Los Angeles, Cal., was bound over to the Federal grand jury today under \$1,000 bond by United States Commissioner Fae W. Patrick, for alleged possession of 120 grams powdered opium.

Sandes said he had become ill while with a show troupe in the West and became addicted to drugs.

All Exhibits in Place as Big Affair Opens—Children Admitted Free.

Promptly at 6 this morning turnstiles at the State fairground began clicking off what sponsors of the 1926 Indiana State fair predict will be a record-breaking assemblage.

With the most minute details arranged and every exhibit in place, the exposition was started with full prospect of successful termination a week from today. Interest was heightened with the recollection that this year's presentation marks the seventy-fifth anniversary of the fair as an institution.

Three-quarters of a century ago the fair was a mere child, nothing more than an experiment. Today, as the 1926 exposition opens, it is the outstanding event in the lives of Indiana's thousands of prosperous agriculturists.

Weather permitting, officials of the State board of agriculture predict a total attendance of 250,000. Last year, with only a one-week fair,

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SECRETARY KEEPS G.O.P. PUZZLED

Leaders Wonder if Davis Will Address Them.

Secretary of Labor James J. Davis today forced the puzzle solvers of the Republican State organization to work overtime in speculating whether he will address a joint meeting of the G. O. P. State central and executive committees in Indianapolis.

A letter from Davis himself, who will speak at the Labor day celebration here Monday, has failed to shed light on the question.

"It's partly definite and partly not," one party official said when asked whether the letter contained an acceptance from Davis.

State Chairman Clyde A. Walb and other party officials had hoped to persuade Secretary Davis to lambast the World Court, praise the Watson program for farm relief and create an atmosphere of veiled administration support for the senatorial ticket.

RADIO FOR HOSPITAL

EAST VIEW, N. Y., Sept. 4.—Equipped with headphones for every patient, a \$5,000 radio set, purchased with funds collected in a country-wide drive, was operating in Grasslands Hospital today.

FOIVE DIE IN CRASH

TOLEDO, Ohio, Sept. 4.—Five persons killed in a crossing accident near here Friday were identified today as C. Paul Tallmadge, Chicago attorney, his wife and their three children, Robert, 15; Jean, 8, and Caroline, 2.

UPSET IN PERSIA

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—The Persian shah has accepted the resignation of Premier Mostowfi ol-Mamalek, according to State Department advice today. A new cabinet is expected to be presented to the next session of the Majlis (Parliament), which opens Sept. 8.

SEE ACCEPTANCE OF RESERVATIONS TO WORLD COURT

Delegates Believe Way Will Be Paved for American Entrance.

By Henry Wood, United Press Staff Correspondent

GENEVA, Sept. 4.—The United States Senate's five World Court reservations eventually will be accepted, it is believed by delegates to the conference, which has been considering them here.

The jurists, representing thirty-eight of the forty-eight signatories of the court protocol, have ended their discussions of the reservations after accepting, on first reading, the first four and the first half of the fifth. The body adjourned Friday night until after the meeting of the League of Nations assembly.

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