

FINGERPRINTS OF TWINS DECLARED TO BE NOT ALIKE

Scotland Yard Detectives Deny Claim Made by Professor.

By United Press
LONDON, March 18.—Scotland Yard has emphatically refuted claims made by a local professor that the finger prints of twins are often similar. No such instance has ever been discovered in the history of the fingerprint system, it is said.

German, Dutch and Swiss police authorities quickly wrote to Scotland Yard asking for information of the report from England of the similarity of the finger prints of two twins and pointing out that if the professor was correct the whole system of police identification was threatened. Scotland Yard has replied that the professor, William Crowther of University College, was mistaken.

Prof. Crother said that twins often showed a resemblance not only in build and size and shape and appearance, but in blood pressure and fingerprints. He cited the case of two twins, George and Edward Ellis, whose finger prints, he said, were similar.

Sir Wyndham Childs, assistant commissioner of police and head of the criminal investigation department of Scotland Yard, proved that the professor was wrong. He said that the Yard had dealt with over four million finger prints and no two had ever been found alike.

"The system has never failed," said Sir Wyndham. "Although the formation of the fingers of the twins resembled each other in many respects, when it came to the finger prints they were totally dissimilar. You cannot split straws; finger prints are alike or they are not alike. George Ellis, for instance, has three radial loops and seven ulnar loops, while Edward has one radial loop and nine ulnar loops. Any expert could see the difference in a minute."

GOV. WHITFIELD, MISSISSIPPI, DIES

By United Press
JACKSON, Miss., March 18.—Governor Henry L. Whitfield of Mississippi died early today after a long battle with blood poisoning.

The Governor lapsed into unconsciousness at noon Thursday, shortly after directing his funeral arrangements, in which he asked that his rites be simple and that friends send no flowers. He also requested that his military staff act as pall-bearers and that the State flag be draped around his casket.

He had been sinking rapidly since his return here from Memphis, Tenn., on crutches several months ago. His left leg was amputated at a Memphis hospital in an effort to check spread of the poison.

ADVENTURES IN PEARLS

Stories of pearls are winning beautiful prizes for local persons and already a number of girls and women have been made happy through merely writing a short, 200-word story on these gems.

The story plot you have been thinking about should be put on paper at the first possible moment, because you too, may be the author of the winning story which will be published daily in The Times.

The prize, a five-pearl start of the famous genuine Add-A-Pearl, is awarded the winner through a Times order on the Julius Walk & Son Jewelry Store, 5 and 7 E. Washington St.

This story may be typewritten or in script. The plot and action must center around pearls. It may be true or fictitious.

By Lenore Knight, Morgantown, Ind.

It lay on the table in the drab little room, matchless, glowing—a priceless pearl on a platinum chain, gleaming against the velvet of the little black case in which it had come.

SHORT TRIAL FOR DEARTH FORESEEN

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their papers were confiscated, and they were brought before Judge Dearth in his courtroom and threatened with some undescribed penalty if they again sold copies of the paper which had been taken from them.

Aside from proving the fact that the orders for this confiscation and this seizure of the boys came from the judge, little time will be spent on that matter.

Murray May Be Called

It is also probable that Superior Court Judge Robert Murray will be called to tell why he went to the Legislature in 1923 to secure a special jury commissioner for his own court. Up to that time the jury commissioner from the Circuit Court had drawn juries for both courts, as is done in most jurisdictions.

Former Judge Joseph G. Loeffler, it is understood, will be served with a subpoena duces tecum and asked to bring certain documents in his possession to the trial. He was judge when Dearth served as prosecutor of the county. John O'Neill, who was attorney for Sheriff Harry McAuley when Dearth threatened his impeachment last summer, will also be summoned. He will be asked to bring such evidence as he had prepared for a defense of McAuley had the charges not been dismissed by Dearth.

Jury Evidence Sought

Attorney Len Guthrie, who testified before the House judiciary A committee concerning juries, and Francis A. Shaw, former president of the Muncie Bar Association, will be on the short list of witnesses to be called.

Samuel A. Dawson, jury commissioner pro tem. in 1925, will be summoned and asked concerning the summoning of juries under the orders of Judge Dearth.

Considerable confusion has resulted in the county clerk's office from the race between the House

NO HOME FUNDS TO BE REQUESTED

Commissioners Ignore State Recommendations.

Disregarding recommendations of the board of State charities, that improvements be made on the new Detention Home, 225 E. Michigan St., county commissioners will not ask the council for remodeling appropriations, it was said today.

A list of business to be taken up at the meeting, March 25, shows that the Detention Home is not to be considered.

The list consists of requests for minor appropriations and \$50,000 SunnySide Tuberculosis Sanatorium. The home was leased from James M. Davis through James F. Edwards, councilman and real estate man, for \$350 a month. Council has appropriated \$325 a month for rental.

The State fire marshal's office and the charities board demanded that commissioners make improvements costing more than \$1,000.

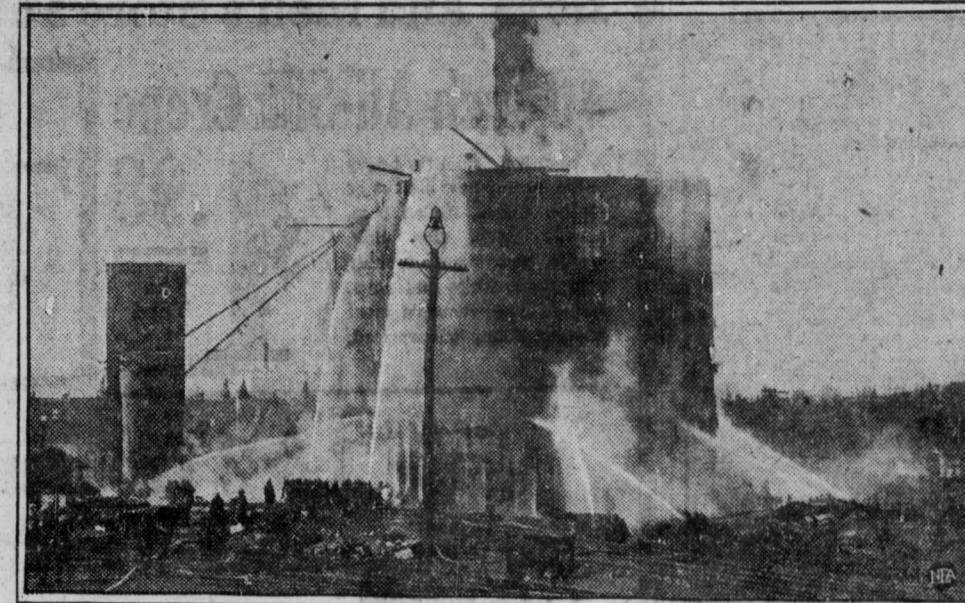
At present no children are being committed to the home by Juvenile Judge Frank J. Lahr.

Move to Make State Fair 'Safe and Sober'

Hip pocket liquor law violators will be more than ever tabooed at the 1927 Indiana State Fair. Gambling also will be barred.

This was the decision of the fair board Thursday when it ruled that Secretary E. J. Earker employ a detective to watch for law violations. The board decided to continue its

Spectacular Burning of Elevator



One of Philadelphia's most spectacular fires of recent years was the burning of this grain elevator. Neighboring residents were driven from their homes by the menace of the blaze, railroad traffic was disrupted by hose across the tracks, \$200,000 damage was done, and the flames, at times rising hundreds of feet could be seen from many sections of the city.

NANKING NEAR CAPTURE

Cantonese Push Attack on City—Shanghai Endangered.

By United Press
BROOKLYN, March 18.—Police today held a confessed mail robber.

Fred Buhl Jr., 24, said he and five companions held up a Chicago & Alton train at Alton, Ill., Aug. 23, 1923, and escaped with \$300,000.

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DELAY STUDY OF CITY'S BRIDGES

Chamber Group May Take Up Survey Next Week.

Pending the return of Chairman William Fortune and William Book, director, the Chamber of Commerce civic affairs committee today is delaying consideration of the "bridge breach," according to John F. White, vice chairman.

"The situation has become alarming," White declared. "Fortune did not indicate that a committee meeting would be called during his absence, but I presume we will take up the local bridge situation at a meeting on his return."

Complaints have been received on the condition of the W. New York St. bridge and the Indiana Ave. structure. Both will be considered by the committee, White said, in addition to the College Ave. span which sank last week, and the Fa Creek bridge at Central Ave., which engineers reported undermined.

Fortune & Book are scheduled to return next week.

ADMITS MAIL ROBBERY

Man Held at Brooklyn—Officials Find No Record of Case.

By United Press
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Postal inspectors here had no record of such a robbery and newspaper files yielded no information on it.

Chicago police were asked to check up on the reported hold-up.



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NASTURTIUMS

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LAWN SEED

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For Shady Lawns—A mixture of grasses that will stand in real heavy shade. It contains especially imported grasses. Special for one week.

65¢; 8 lbs. \$1.75

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White Dutch Clover. 60¢

Blue Grass. 50¢

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