

# COAL SHORTAGE HERE REGARDED UNLIKELY

## OVERCHARGE ON HOTEL LIGHT BILL ALLEGED IN SUIT

Indianapolis Light, Heat Firm Collected \$25,688, Says W. T. Riley.

Charges that the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company overcharged him \$25,688 in light rates were made in a suit by William T. Riley, on file in Superior Court One today.

Riley, from 1921 through 1923, operated the English Hotel, during which time he alleges the company charged him 5 cents a 100-kilowatt hour, while the maximum rate at the time was only 2.5 cents a 100-kilowatt hour.

**Perry Answers**  
Harvey Hartsock, attorney for Riley, is preparing an answer to the complaint in which the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company, which was formed with the merging of the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company and the Merchants Light and Heat Company, will be made co-defendant in the matter, Attorney Merle N. A. Walker announced.

Order seeking to have all documents, books and records showing the amount charged and payment thereof brought into court was filed by Riley.

### Prepares Supplement

Norman A. Perry, president of the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company, and formerly president of the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company, filed a deposition in answer, stating he is president of the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company, but does not have control of the records sought. In the deposition no reason is given for his not being in possession of them, but it was represented to the court and Walker that since he now is president of the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company he does not have documents of the Indianapolis Light and Heat Company.

## MILLER OUTLINES NEW TENURE ACT

Urges Contracts Be Signed Before April 20.

Charles Miller, State superintendent of public instruction, issued a summary of Attorney General Arthur L. Gilliom's opinion regarding the teacher tenure bill today to all school authorities in Indiana.

Miller's communication advises school boards to sign contracts with their teachers before the new law goes into effect. It will become effective about April 20.

After that date all teachers with five years' experience go on indefinite tenure with the signing of their next contract. Removal is possible only in extreme cases for serious infraction of regulations.

Acting School Superintendent Joseph F. Thornton said that no attempt would be made here to evade the new law.

"Teachers' contracts in all probability will be signed in July this year as heretofore," Thornton said.

### DAMROSCH ILL; WORKS

Conducts Orchestra While Doctor and Nurse Wait.

**By United Press**  
NEW YORK, April 2.—Walter Damrosch, retiring conductor of the New York Symphony Orchestra, directed his musicians in a Wagnerian concert last night while a physician and nurse waited in vain for his recovery.

Damrosch was operated on for provide instant care in an emergency, sinus trouble a few days ago, but insisted on leaving his sickbed to avoid disappointing the audience. After the concert he returned to the care of the doctors and nurse.

### 'MURDERED' MAN ALIVE

**By United Press**  
TUSCALOOSA, Ala., April 2.—J. D. Lott, itinerant painter, "murdered" a year ago at Eutaw, Ala., has been found alive and well in Pikes County, Green County officials announced today.

Mrs. Mattie Reynolds and William Upchurch, two of the six persons indicted for the crime, will be released from the jail where they have been awaiting trial.

Lott went to Eutaw a year ago, and after a few days' sojourn, suddenly disappeared. After lengthy investigation, officials decided he had been killed because he interrupted a drinking party in the woods near town.

### WRIGHT RITES SUNDAY

Wife of Author of "Bone Dry" Act to Be Buried at Lynn.

Funeral services for Mrs. Frank E. Wright, 32, of 840 N. Rural St., will be held Sunday at 2 p. m. at the Quaker Church at Lynn, Ind.

Mrs. Wright, wife of Representative Wright, author of the Indiana "bone dry" law, died at her home here Thursday.

The body was taken to the home of her parents at Lynn for burial, following the services Sunday. Surviving are the parents, husband and one son, age 3.

### WET PAVEMENT BLAMED

Wet pavement is said to have caused an auto driven by George L. Liddell, 48, of 408 N. Rural St., to skid into one driven by Thomas Shroyer, Spencer Hotel, at Eleventh and Meridian Sts., late Friday. Liddell was thrown from his auto and was taken to his home in a city hospital ambulance.

## Work for Success of Home Show



L. H. Lewis (above), president of the Real Estate Board, and J. F. Cantwell (below), Home Complete Show director, are among those who have labored to make a success of the exposition which opens tonight.

## GUARDS ACTIVE IN FORD-SAPIRO CASE

Six From Auto Company Staff Attend Court.

**By United Press**  
DETROIT, April 2.—Unusual precautions have been taken to guard the courtroom where the Ford-Sapiro libel suit is being tried. During yesterday afternoon's session the guard included six detectives of the Ford Motor Company's private staff; Henry Ford's chauffeur, who is said to be in reality a bodyguard; one police lieutenant, which was taken to mean that perhaps other police were there in plain clothes; and two Federal secret service agents.

The Ford men said they had been present more or less since the trial started and that it was their business to guard valuable records of the Ford company, being used in court, and he otherwise useful.

The trial stood adjourned today until Monday.

### FOUR HURT IN WRECK

Train Splits in Two Sections—One Plunges Into Ditch.

**By United Press**  
WICHITA, Kan., April 2.—Four persons were injured, three seriously when the Firefly, crack Rock Island passenger train, split into two sections and three coaches went into a ditch near Wellington, Kan., at 2:15 a. m. today.

A defective rail was responsible for the accident. The train was making full speed and the engine, mail car and two cars, had passed the defective stretch when a rail split, hurling a chair car and two sleeping cars into a drainage ditch.

### LONGEVITY IS SUBJECT

Rotarians to Hear Dr. E. O. Lindemuth at Luncheon Tuesday.

Local Rotarians at their luncheon meeting next Tuesday at the Claypool, will hear an address by one of their own members, Dr. E. O. Lindemuth, on "Old at Forty or Young at Sixty?"

Whistling solos by Miss Frances Sellers will be the entertainment feature.

### WILSON SPONSOR DIES

**By United Press**  
NEWARK, N. J., April 2.—Funeral services for former United States Senator James Smith Sr., 75, who died here last night, will be held Monday morning. It was announced today. As a member of the Democratic convention in 1910, he nominated Woodrow Wilson, then president of Princeton University, for Governor.

### BRAKEMAN INJURED

Millard Jones, 28, Pennsylvania yard brakeman, was injured today when thrown from a box of a car. He received a broken right wrist, cuts and bruises, and was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital.

### SIXTEEN EXECUTED

LONDON—An Exchange telegraph dispatch from Belgrade said sixteen persons had been hanged at Tirana, Albania, for complicity in the November revolution.

## 8 INJURED WHEN W. TENTH STREET CAR OVERTURNS

Breaks Off Pole, Strikes Grocery—Motorman Says Brakes Failed.

Officials of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company, and Sergeant Frank Owen of the police accident prevention bureau today investigated an accident at 1 a. m. when W. Tenth St. car failed to make a turn at Blake and New York Sts., and overturned.

Eight of fifteen passengers were cut and bruised, and the crew and others were shaken, police reported.

### Three to Hospital

Those taken to city hospital: Mattie Jeffrey, 29, Negro, 421 Blake St., cut on arm; John Moore, 50, of 2011 Wilcox St., cut about face; Donald Grillo, 22, of 1238 W. New York St., cut on knee.

Sherman Aldridge, 17, of 1123 N. Belle View Pl., was treated by Dr. S. L. Egart, 837 W. New York St., and went home. Others who went home: Warren Pierce, 33, Negro, of 2112 W. Tenth St.; Robert Helm, 38, Negro, 121 Puryear St.; Joseph Wicker, 25, of 2101 W. Walnut St., and John Hosteller, address unknown. All suffered cuts and bruises, police said.

Emergency Lieut. O. D. Thomas said Charles D. Young, 315 N. Senate Ave., the motorman, told him the car was traveling at moderate speed when he attempted to shut off the power and apply the brakes at Douglas St. They failed to hold, he charged.

### Speeding Report

Roy Newlin, 1031 King Ave., a passenger, and J. H. Todd, 448 W. Washington St., and Martin Flisk, 161 Blake St., who were standing on the opposite corner from the wreck, stated the car was traveling fast, Thomas reported.

After leaving the rails, the car struck a pole, breaking it off, and then crashed into the grocery of Bert Hahn, 302 W. New York St. The pole probably saved considerable damage to the store and the lives of those in the front of the car, police said. An auto owned by Mrs. Lillian Day, 302½ W. New York St., parked nearby, was wrecked.

### SUICIDE ATTEMPT FAILS

Paul Hamilton, 36, Connorsville, Ind., was released from city hospital today recovered from a suicide attempt. He is alleged to have cut his throat early today in his room at 435 E. New York St.

## THROAT CUT FOR LIFE

Man Wounded in Neck by Bullet May Live Due to Surgeons.

**By United Press**  
JAMAICA, N. Y., April 2.—Physicians cut the throat of Charles Collins to save his life. He was shot in the neck. The bullet punctured his windpipe. The wound caused his throat to swell, cutting off his air supply. Physicians slashed his throat and inserted a silver tube in the windpipe.

In order to keep the air at the same temperature and with the same amount of moisture it would have after passing through the nose or throat, a gauze tent was placed over his bed. A vaporizer provided chemically treated air. Surgeons said he would recover.

### \$55,000 DAMAGE SUIT

**Motorist, Bus Operator, Named in Complaint Filed on Injuries.**

Suits seeking damages of \$55,000 from Holman Hill, 430 E. Washington St., bus operator, and John W. Browning, 430 E. Washington St., were filed in Superior Court today by Leonard Carter, 4204 Guilford Ave., in behalf of his wife, Ella B. Clark, and daughter, Thelma Clark. Both the child and woman were seriously injured when they were riding in the bus driven by Hill, when it collided at Union and Orange Sts., Dec. 12, 1925, with a car driven by Browning. It is charged.

### ANNOUNCE CIVIL EXAMS

Many Positions Open, Announcement by Secretary Reveals.

Civil service examinations to fill the positions of forest fire prevention lecturer, assistant radio inspector, minor laboratory assistant, laboratory apprentice, assistant scientific aid, library assistant, associate architect, map printer's helper and multigraph operator have been announced by Henry M. Trimpe, civil service secretary.

Information and application blanks may be obtained from the secretary, 421 Federal building.

### DE PINEDO MAKES HOP

Italian Flies From New Orleans to Galveston, Texas.

**By United Press**  
DALLAS, Texas, April 2.—Cheered by fellow countrymen and a large crowd of Americans, Francesco de Pinedo, Italian aviator, landed in Galveston harbor at 10:36 a. m. today after a nonstop flight from New Orleans.

De Pinedo left New Orleans at 7:35 a. m., covering the distance in 3 hours 1 minute.

It was the first leg of De Pinedo's tour which will take him to the Pacific coast, thence to New York, from where he will fly to Italy.

The Indianapolis Times is proud of its children. It wants you to know the folks who make the paper something more than ordinary, the folks who make it a thing of flesh and blood, almost — a welcome, interesting, visitor in your home, a personality. Today

The Times introduces:

Walter D. Hickman

## ROUNDING ROUND THEATERS

With WALTER D. HICKMAN

Stuart Walker has definitely decided to open his stock season at B. F. Keith's on Monday night, May 2, according to word received by Gus Showalter of Keith's from William Fields, Walker's representative.

George Sommes, production director for Walker, intends to leave Indianapolis the first of next week for a conference with Walker in New York City.

Indications today are that Walker may open his season here with Elizabeth Patterson and George Gaul in "Lazy Bones." Miss Patterson played the lead in this play in the original New York cast.

Miss Patterson is at present the featured player in "Charm." It is hoped here that she will be given a chance to appear in this success at Keith's during the summer.

As Mr. Walker is opening his season here later than he expected, he has announced that his stay will be limited to ten weeks. Mr. Fields will arrive here next week to make plans for the opening of the season.

Charles Berkell tells me that he has secured the Indianapolis rights to the stock presentation of "Square Crooks," "White Cargo," "The Seventh Guest," "The Home Towners," "Easy Come, Easy Go," "Zat So," and others. This assures the Berkell Players at English's some interesting successes in the early weeks of the season.

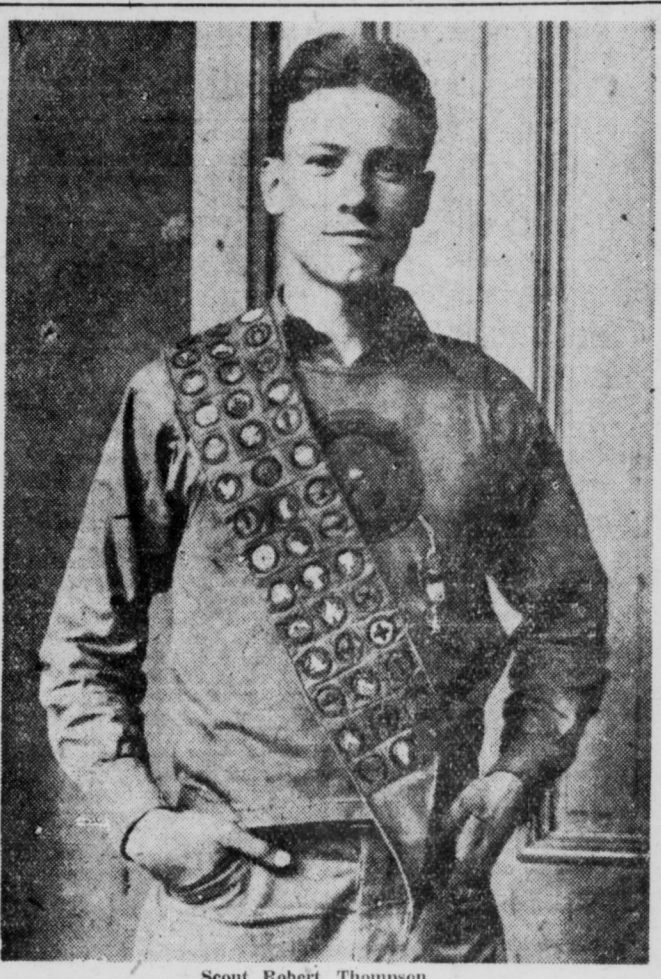
George Sommes is considering a three year contract as director of all productions for the Little Theatre Society of Indiana. It is essential that the Little Theatre has the services of this man. His record in the season just closing guarantees real future for this organization.

I believe that the contract will be signed and it is most important that this is done if the Little Theatre is to carry on its program of accomplishments. The production of "R. U. R." and "The Adding Machine" this season proves beyond any doubt the efficiency of George Sommes as a director.

I sincerely hope that the building fund will be completed in time so that the seating capacity may be increased from 250 seats to 500 before the season opens in the fall. If this is done, it is probable that the Little Theatre next season will present Shakespeare's "Hamlet" with return to Atlanta.

C. Rolare Eggleston, for years manager of B. F. Keith's here, and now head of the Keith interests at Atlanta, Ga., will arrive here next week for the annual Shrine Convention at the Murat. Following this event, he and Mrs. Eggleston will return to Atlanta.

## HAS 49 PROOFS THAT HE'S A 'GOOD SCOUT'



Scout Robert Thompson.

Scout-craft was "on parade" today in Tomlinson Hall, where hundreds of persons inspected displays arranged by Scouts of the city as the closing feature of Boy Scout week.

Thrown open Friday afternoon the coliseum was crowded Friday night with friends of Scouts and scouting, who marveled at ingenious booths arranged to show various phases of Scout activity.

The most honored Scout at the exposition was Robert Thompson of 1545 Barth Ave. Young Thompson is a double-eagle Scout, holding forty-nine merit badges. Only forty-two are required for this honor.

He is working toward the "diamond" Scout honor, which demands fifty merit badges. He is assistant scoutmaster of Troop 34, and was responsible for the planning of the arrow making and marksmanship booth.

Booths were to be judged today by John A. Hook, Indianapolis Boy Scout council president; E. W. Harris, vice president, and Wallace O. Lee, Scout commissioner.

Band concerts, vaudeville acts and Scout stunts will entertain the crowds at tonight's final session.

The bank closed its doors last Saturday and State bank examiners have been at work on the books.

In letters left to several friends, Todd declared "he could not stand the distress of the depositors" of his bank.

"Please be assured that my records at the bank are in entire balance," another letter said. He blamed "enemies" for the bank's failure.

The widow and two children, James Todd, 23, and Martha Todd, 17, survive. Mr. Todd was a graduate of De Pauw University and a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

### Hoosier Identifies Bandit Suspects

**By United Press**  
ST. LOUIS, April 2.—Identified as bandits who staged a holdup near Danville, Ill., Wednesday night, Floyd Haverstick, 28, Madison, Ill., and his brother, Harry Haverstick, 26, St. Louis, are held by police here today.

They were identified by Freeman Wright, Louisville, Ky., and Thomas Fagan, Terre Haute, Ind., as the two men who took nearly \$300 from them after shooting Wright in the hand, causing a superficial wound.

The brothers were released on \$10,000 bond after preliminary hearing and left the police station immediately after their victims. A few minutes later detectives found Floyd had "trapped" the automobile containing Wright and Fagan at the curbing, near the station, and was threatening their lives unless they withdrew charges. The brothers were immediately rearrested and held without bond.

### FORD'S CONDITION GOOD

Doctor Announces No More Bulletins Will Be Issued.

**By United Press**  
DETROIT, April 2.—Henry Ford's recovery continues normal and there has been no material change in his condition, a spokesman for Dr. R. D. McCure, surgeon-in-chief for the injured manufacturer, informed the United Press this morning.

Dr. McCure last night issued a statement announcing there would be no more medical bulletins issued about Ford's condition, and that he was making a "perfectly normal recovery."

### GIRLS FLEE AUTO CRASH

Two young women who jumped from a stolen auto at Sixteenth St. and Indiana Ave. late Friday as the car ran over an embankment were sought today by police. The car, owned by G. P. Kemper, 718 N. East St., was found overturned near the place where Col. F. W. Gilbert, American Legion national commander, met his death in an auto accident several years ago.

### PARENT-TEACHER CLUB

The Parent-Teacher Association of Margaret McFarland school, Perkins and Raymond Sts., will meet Tuesday at 3 p. m. A program will be given and refreshments served. Mrs. E. H. Wischmeyer, president, will preside.

## Dealers Say Reserve Stocks Are Large Enough to Forestall Higher Prices for the Time Being

Indianapolis coal users are temporarily safe from increased coal prices resulting from the present mine shutdown, coal dealers said today.

### Far and Near

#### BLAST KILLS EIGHT

LA PAZ, Bolivia—Eight persons were killed and nine injured when the motor of the launch Ana Catarina exploded in the Chapare River.

#### NEW SHOOTING STORY

PARIS—Further complications confuse the story of the shooting by the Countess De Janze, formerly of Buffalo and Chicago, of Raymond De Trafford, wealthy Englishman. The Countess had been with her when she purchased the gun used. Both are recovering.

#### UNITED STATES MONEY HELPS

ROME—American gold will be used to recreate part of ancient Rome, the government revealed. Part of the Rome municipal loan floated in New York this week will restore the Marcellus Theater and probably reconstruct the Ara Pacis erected by Emperor Augustus.

#### HUNTING TROPHIES

NEW YORK—Col. William Hayward, former United States attorney here, returned with a large collection of hunting trophies which he party secured during several months in East Africa. The collection, which will be given to the Fifteenth Regiment, his former command, includes lions, water buffalo, oryx, hartbeest and other rare members of the deer family.

#### MORE WOE FOR KIP

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—Application to serve Leonard Kip Rhineland by publication with the summons and complaint in his wife's proposed suit for separation will be made within the next ten days, Lee Parsons Davis, trial counsel for Mrs. Alice Beatrice Jones Rhineland, has announced.

#### SUIT OVER PRIZES

PHILADELPHIA—The Sequel-entennial Exhibition Association has been sued for alleged irregularities in the award of prizes at the exhibition here last fall. The Hoover Company, vacuum cleaner manufacturers, charges it was defrauded of the grand prize after the jury had awarded it to the plaintiff. The prize was received by the Eureka Company, joint defendant with the sequel manager.

#### HUNGRY; CAME BACK

ORANGE, N. J.—Donald Hager, 16, ran away from home and his Odyssey lasted all of two days. His mother, waiting at 3 a. m., found Donald had returned and was in the pantry, ransacking the icebox.

#### NO "GO-GETTING"

NEW YORK—Golf and sleep, particularly the latter, will be the pastimes provided at the Rip Van Winkle Club, which will occupy 600 acres in the Catskill mountains. Members of the club said they wanted to eliminate "Go-Getting."

#### FEWER BEARDS

NEW YORK—The number of beards has been reduced 20 per cent since the war, even in Russia, Thomas W. Pelham, safety razor manufacturer, said upon his return from a trip to Europe and Africa.

#### BIBLE BALLOT

HANOVER, N. H.—Students at Dartmouth generally believe the Bible was uninspired. Asked the question in a religious questionnaire, they voted: Yes, 245; no, 731; undecided, 44.

#### FISHY DYNAMITE

NEW YORK—George Falley, a laborer, explained the presence of a stick of dynamite in his room by saying he intended to use it on a fishing expedition. By exploding the dynamite, he said, he would have been assured of a large catch. He was given an indeterminate penitentiary sentence.

#### SPEEDY TRIAL

CHICAGO—Trial of Oliver Dickson, Negro, 19 years old, for attacking a white woman, took only two hours and resulted in sentence of 99 years.

#### FEW CLOTHES

NEW YORK—Although John A. Stewart, banker, who died at the age of 104 recently, left a gross estate of \$4,029,563, his personal effects totaled only \$345. The figure included clothing, with a value of \$150.

#### CAMPAIGN FOR \$6,000

Leaders Say Hawthorne Social Service House Is Widely Used.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Enos Carsten, 79 N. Addison St., a campaign committee was organized Friday to complete plans for raising \$6,000 of a \$12,000 equity for the Hawthorne Social Service House at 2440 W. Ohio St.

About 130 boys and girls are enrolled in the Boy Scout, Girl Scout and Camp Fire activities of the center. Twenty basketball teams, having an enrollment of 100 boys and young men, are using the "gym" each week. Ninety girls and eighty-four boys and men take part in regular "gym" work.

Two public schools and ten churches in the community make use of the social center weekly and those in charge of the drive feel that because of the wide use made of the Hawthorne House the public will respond generously to the call for funds.

#### No Change Yet

"There has been no change in the price yet," Charles S. Merrick of Muesing-Merrick Coal Company said. "Shippers are quoting us rather temporary prices to enable them to take advantage of any rise in price later. Of course, advances in price are inevitable if the strike lasts from three to five months, as some are predicting."

Suspension of activities in union coal mines of the central competitive district passed into its second day today, with both operators and miners holding to their "watchful waiting" policies.

#### Scene Shifted

Headquarters for the four States comprising the central competitive field are: Terre Haute, Ind.; Columbus, Ohio; Springfield, Ill., and Pittsburgh, Penn. Negotiations at any of these cities resulting in a temporary agreement between operators and miners of each State will greatly affect the national situation.

The scene has shifted from international headquarters here and district agreements are hoped for that will force the entire central competitive field into line.

Accurate count of the number of miners affected at present is impossible, but at least 200,000 union miners in four States are believed to be idle awaiting a new wage agreement.

#### Lewis Silent

John L. Lewis, mine workers' president, has not yet commented on Monday. He delivered an address Friday at Taylorville, Ill., upon the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the eight-hour day in the mines.

At least another week is expected to pass before the present situation takes a definite turn in favor of either the operators or the miners. An interstate conference is unlikely and union forces are pinning their hopes on signing an important temporary agreement in one of the four States comprising the central competitive field that will force the other three to terms.

#### Bandit Gets \$50 At Point of Gun

Flees From Filling Station in Stolen Truck.

A lone bandit using a stolen truck staged a bold hold-up late Friday and escaped with \$50 from the Indiana Refining Company filling station, Tenth St. and Sherman Dr.

J. C. Taylor, attendant, said he faced a revolver when he approached the truck. The bandit, Taylor said, forced him to open the safe and drove away.

The truck, property of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company, was stolen from Michigan and Lincolnwood Sts.

#### CRASH BRINGS ARREST

Driver Jailed After Collision With Girl Through Windshield.

Miss Valeria Barber, 16, of 904 E. Fifty-second St., remained in a serious condition today at Methodist Hospital, where she was taken Friday night after being hurled through the windshield of a car driven by her brother when it was struck at 82 N. Meridian St. by an auto driven by Melvin Server, 21, 707 E. Thirtieth St.

Server was lodged in jail on a charge of speeding, assault and battery and reckless driving. Police Sergeant Jack O'Neil reported he had been following Server for several blocks before the crash and that Server was speeding, swinging from one side of the street to the other and forcing other cars to run over the curb to avoid being struck.

Three persons with Server were not injured, but both cars were badly damaged.

#### TO GIVE GALLERY TALK

Richmond Woman Will Discuss Exhibitions at Herron Institute Sunday.

A gallery talk by Mrs. M. F. Johnston of Richmond, Ind., will be given at the John Herron Art Institute Sunday, 3:30 p. m. Mrs. Johnston will discuss the Max Bohm and Wilhelm Ritschel exhibitions. There is no admission charge.

#### ARREST ENDS SHOPPING

Girl Charged With Buying \$700 of Goods on False Pretenses.

Miss Catherine Dengler, 19, of 445 N. Arsenal Ave., faced charges in municipal court today of obtaining more than \$700 worth of merchandise from downtown department stores on false pretenses.

J. W. Lovett, Quigley-Hyland detective agency superintendent, whose operatives made the arrest, that unauthorized she had used the charge accounts of ten persons, nine of them women, in purchasing the goods. She denied the charges.