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C. Henry, county agricultural agent, said he had not sufficient facts on hand to estimate the damage. He said he believed the peach crop was seriously damaged, the strawberry crop gone and the apple crop injured. He declared wheat and oats went untouched and that most vegetables in the ground this time of year are hardy enough to ward off the frost.

Ice at Bridgeport

Bridgeport nurserymen declared ice was a quarter of an inch thick there Sunday morning.

Edward Maschmeyer, nurseryman, 206 W. Troy Ave., in the heart of the county's truck farming center, said effects of the frost could not be determined fully yet, but the loss was large and the spring market probably would be short.

SNYDER MURDER CASE OUTLINED

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briefly summarized the indictment, charging that on March 29 the defendants did "wilfully" murder Albert Snyder.

Together at Hotels

"In 1915," said Newcombe, "Ruth Brown and Albert Snyder were married. He was a little bit old-fashioned, while his wife liked a little bit more life. Then, two or three years ago, this woman met the other defendant, Henry Judd Gray. Their friendship ripened into intimacy. They went to hotels together, occupied the same room and were known as 'Mr. and Mrs. Gray' in the Imperial and Waldorf-Astoria Hotels."

"We will show you that his wife induced her husband to take out policies which, in the event of 'accidental' death, would bring the beneficiary \$6,000. We will show that Henry Judd Gray knew of that insurance."

"Albert Snyder was slated for killing on March 7. Before that Gray had bought the sash weight and chloroform with which that poor devil, Albert Snyder, was done to death."

Tools of Death

"Gray met Mrs. Snyder in Henri's restaurant and gave her the tools of death. And even as she took them with her she had her 9-year-old daughter, Lorraine, with her. Oh, that woman! She brought her daughter to the man she plotted with."

Newcombe's voice was raging now. His nasal tones rose and filled the huge courtroom.

The defendants stared at the prosecutor. Both remained unemotional. They appeared as though they were merely watching the district attorney tell a dramatic, almost incredible story.

Newcombe finished his statement at 11:40, after talking half an hour. During that time neither defendant displayed any emotion.

Brother Testifies

When Newcombe resumed his seat, Warren Schneider, a brother of the slain man, was called as the first witness. He testified he last saw his brother alive in January, 1926, and he had been called after the murder to identify his brother's body and had done so.

Dr. Howard W. Neal of Jamaica, assistant county medical examiner, was the next witness. He said that about 9 a. m. on March 29 he went to the Snyder home and found picture wire making a deep furrow in Snyder's neck. He told of grawsome details with no variation in accent. Mrs. Snyder's glance never wavered from the witness. She was leaning forward in her chair, intent upon every word. Gray, his eyes partly closed, sat looking at the floor beneath a chair directly in front of him.

SHOT PIERCES WINDOW

Police Fall to Find Person Who Fired at Street Car Sunday

Police were unable to tell what kind of a bullet it was that struck a College Ave. street car at Ft. Wayne Ave. and Alabama St. Sunday or who fired the shot. Ray Comstock, 614 Highland Ave., conductor, said he heard glass fall, and saw the hole in the car window, but did not see anyone with a gun. No one was sitting near the window.

GET BLOCKS FOR FUEL AND FLOOR



Wood paving blocks were in demand today for firewood at N. Meridian between Tenth and Sixteenth Sts. The blocks were hauled away by wagon and truck load by persons to whom they were given by the Marion Construction Company, which has the resurfacing and widening a contract. A Westfield farmer hauled several loads home for flooring a barn.

THREE CHILDREN HURT IN SUNDAY AUTO ACCIDENTS

Girl Crawls Under Car for Ball—Boy Tricyclist, Another Lad Injured.

Three children were among Sunday's traffic accident victims.

Margaret Duckworth, 6, retrieving ball from under an auto in front of her home, 1239 Nordyke Ave., was injured when the driver, unaware of her presence, drove the car away.

Billy Rodenberg, 3, of 765 N. Belmont Ave., was bruised when his tricycle was struck by an auto driven by Charles W. Cassel, 743 N. Belmont Ave., when turning into his driveway.

Woman Injured

James Curtis, 5, of 1719 Arrow Ave., was hurt when he ran into the side of a car driven by Charles Harrington, 29, of 1332 Olney St., at 1540 Roosevelt Ave.

Clay Beckham, 38, of 346 E. McCarty St., was charged with assault and battery, reckless driving and speeding after his car struck another driven by George Adrian of 100 R. R. 4, Box 595, at 3500 S. Meridian St., Sunday, injuring Charlotte Reed, 21, of 1702 Draper St., riding with Beckham. She was sent to the city hospital.

Miss Pauline Marshall is the chief Red Cross nurse here. She told me this evening that she sees nothing but twenty days and nights of work ahead for her and her assistants. You see the main part of the flood won't be due here for a week. But the great Red Cross of the nation is behind her, she'll get help and plenty of it, soon. She'll need it. She and Maj. John C. H. Lee, United States Army engineer, in charge of this district, have been told today by airplane fliers that there are perhaps 50,000 human beings caught in houses or on high ground in the district north of us. They are vast lake, tonight, and the crest of the flood hasn't hit us. This great district, as large as some of our smaller States, is emptying itself of human beings. Rowboats, motor boats, steamboats and planes, are picking up the sufferers and heading them toward Vicksburg.

Think Flood Delays Meridian Curbing

The Mississippi River flood today was believed responsible for the four-day delay in arrival of a carload of curbing for Meridian St. between Tenth and Sixteenth St. The street is being widened and repaved.

The Marion County Construction Company asked Big Four Railroad officials to investigate the delay. F. H. Rosebrook, company secretary, asked rerouting through Cincinnati, Ohio, of two other cars of curbing.

Arrival of the material from Lithonia, Ga., will not delay the asphalt paving of Meridian, Rosebrook said.

Rosebrook has no report on the cause of the delay, but it is believed to date high waters, since the Illinois Central route is through Martin Tenn.

Temporary relief from the bumps and chuck holes on the north approach of Delaware St. bridge at Fall Creek was ordered today by the Duvall administration new board of works.

Headed by Virgil Vandagriff, board president and City Engineer Frank C. Lingenfelter the works school made an early morning visit to inspect the approaches which never have been in condition since the bridge was built two years ago.

Grading, Oiling Ordered

Scraping, grading and oiling was begun today.

Street Commissioner George Woodward started a grader and roller to work to put the approaches in condition.

The permanent improvement of the approaches is delayed by the city's failure to acquire the ground and we want to give citizens a temporary surface," said Vandagriff.

Bids for paving the south approaches were advertised for today, the board said.

The new board adopted the policy of inspecting the sites of projects the day they come up for action. John W. Friday and Frank Cones are other members.

Senate Ave., between Washington St. and Indiana Ave. the topic of a widening and resurfacing petition, was visited. A hearing on the proposed widening from 50 to 70 feet was set for this afternoon.

Blocks Given Away

Announcement of the Marion County Construction Company that wood paving blocks would be given away on Meridian between Tenth and Sixteenth Sts. drew citizens and farmers who hauled the blocks away in wagons and trucks.

The street is being widened and paved with asphalt. Paul Gray, Marion County Construction Company foreman, said a farmer came from Westfield to get blocks for flooring a barn. Others will use them for fuel.

The Meridian project and improvement of W. Michigan St. between White River and Holmes Ave., are being rushed to completion before the Speedway race, Gray said.

Every Lodge Helps

Office buildings of Vicksburg are lighted tonight. Women volunteers are sweeping them out and scrubbing hallways and empty rooms, making them ready for the dazed, sleepless, sufferers. Every lodge room and fraternal house is being made ready for them. We have heard the news that President Coolidge is sending Secretary Herbert Hoover down South. Thank God. We'll need him and all the help he can bring.

There's horror and death behind the scenes, everywhere. There's John Descha, for instance. I talked with him in the Masonic Temple only an hour ago.

Saved Family

He got his wife and family out of Greenville. "I had to leave my car, and the piano and the radio. Had 'em almost paid for, too, but no insurance against a flood," he said. "How do I know they're gone? Well, there was a 50-foot tree out in the yard by the house and that was covered when we went over the farm in a steamboat last evening. I couldn't see a sign of the old house. It was awful tough about my neighbor, Ernest Clarke, too. I got my son out safe, but his wife and four children were drowned. He was away sick in a hospital; wasn't there to help 'em."

PIONEER DENTIST IS FOUND DEAD

Dr. Thomas Rutledge Dies After Heart Attack.

Dr. Thomas Rutledge, 70, of 721 E. Fifteenth St., retired dentist, was found dead in his bedroom at 7:30 a. m. today. Death is believed due to heart attack, and from grief over the death in February of his sister, Mrs. Sarah Prather.

The body, a gash cut above the right eye, was found by Mrs. Louisa Huntingdon, aged housekeeper. He had been dead several hours, according to Dr. C. R. Shaffer.

Dr. Rutledge was a graduate of the Indiana Dental College. He was a Mason.

He is survived by a nephew, Jesse Crim, 3632 Kenwood Ave., and two brothers living in Ohio and Iowa.

MANUAL WINS CONTEST

Danville Second, Noblesville Third in Commercial Department Event.

The commercial department of Manual Training High School won first place in the district contest for high school commercial departments of Marion, Hendricks and parts of Boone and Hamilton Counties here Saturday, it was announced today.

Manual Training had fifty-four points; Danville second with twenty-two, and Noblesville third with twenty-one points. The winners will meet Saturday at Ball Teachers' College, Muncie, to compete with winners from fourteen other Indiana districts.

British Craft, Also Attacked, Silence Shelling.

By United Press LONDON, April 25.—Chinese troops fired on the U. S. S. Peary and on two British warships in the Yangtze River today, an admiral's communiqué announced. The Peary was fired on from Futung Bluff, near Kukkiang which has been a trouble center for many weeks.

No one knows how much typhoid there is in it. So you may be sure no doctors and nurses will sleep in Vicksburg this Sunday night because all these thousands of human beings must be inoculated against typhoid fever and, perhaps, diphtheria. There is one steamboat load of refugees from the town of Murphy due here at any moment; the doctors expect to hear the old steamboat Randall, which is carrying them blow her whistle around

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U. S. SHIP UNDER FIRE BY CHINESE

Drink River Water

I have talked to many refugees today who, while they have been marooned on high spots or in the upper stories of their houses, have been drinking the Red River water for the past few days. There are dead animals in the river water; for hundreds of miles up the flood, clear into Illinois and Missouri, the flood is polluted; it isn't drinking water, but it's all the water there is.

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