

## FAIL TO CUT SCHOOL LEVY; APPEAL SEEN

Rate Remains at \$1.45 as  
Adopted by Board; Given  
Auditor.

Harry Miesse, Indiana Taxpayers' Association secretary, today announced petitions for hearing by the State tax board on the \$1.45 levy adopted by the city school board on Wednesday afternoon, were being circulated through all sections of the city.

The petitions will be filed with County Auditor Harry Dunn within the ten-day period provided by law. Miesse said he will seek as many signatures on the appeal petitions as possible.

The school board adopted the \$1.45 levy Wednesday afternoon.

The levy was left at \$1.45, despite intentions when the meeting opened President Theodore F. Vonnegut said, of reducing it to \$1.279 because of statements of Miesse, that an appeal would be taken to the tax board no matter what figure the board set.

Miesse failed to make any recommendations to the board. When asked his opinion of the budget and levy he declared he had had insufficient time to study the budget but that he would file an appeal if the budget adopted was not satisfactory to the league.

### Reduction Is Urged

William H. Book, Chamber of Commerce civic affairs director, said he would appear before the tax board at the hearing. The Chamber of Commerce submitted a report urging reductions which would have panned the levy to \$1.05, or possibly to \$1.02.

Support of the \$1.45 levy was given at the meeting by Ira Chase Koehne, attorney, representing the Indianapolis Engineering Society, who urged school building and main-

## Bobbie Waits to Swim In His Street Mudhole



"Whee," shouted little Robert Speer, 4, of 616 Exeter Ave., "if one more truck gets stuck we can go swimmin' here."

Bobbie probably will have his wish fulfilled, too, because an average of one truck a day gets stuck in the huge mudhole at Exeter Ave. and North St. A mail truck driver worker for an hour Tuesday before

he got his vehicle out of the mire. Residents say the street was leveled for paving in the spring, but work was halted so that a storm sewer might be placed in first. Since that time nothing has been done to the street or storm sewer.

Only once during the summer has the hole been dry, residents say, and when it rains, the water backs up the entire length of the block.

### GET MAD AT BUTCHER

Customers Produce Blackjack and Gun in Market Scrap.

Two turbulent customers who thought a piece of meat was an ounce short of weight, brought a blackjack and gun into play at the Standard Meat Market, 449 W. Market St., late Wednesday, Avram Lasco reported to police.

One of the men struck him on the head several times with a blackjack. Lasco reported.

"The place is pinched," the other yelled and drew a revolver and flashed some sort of badge. Lasco, Harry Lindner, 140 N. East St., and Paul Brandline Jr., 4003 W. Washington St., butchers, as the man emptied the gun into the air and the angry customers fled in an auto.

Major Louis Johnson is investigating to see if the man with the badge was a policeman.

### Asks Itemized Statement

By Times Special  
RUSHVILLE, Ind., Sept. 15.—Adam Weaver, who had been held in jail here after Mrs. Martha Fitch, mother of his 16-year-old wife, Evelyn, charged he had kidnapped the girl from her home in Cartage, has been released. Proof was offered that the couple was married at Greencastle after fleeing from Cartage.

"There isn't much use cutting the budget now," he said, "since it is apparent an appeal will be filed with the tax board regardless."

Miesse urged the board to pre-

pare an itemized public statement, declaring such a statement had not been given for fifteen years except through budget advertisements.

### JENSEN TO LECTURE

"Problems of American Democracy" will be the topic of a series of lectures by Prof. Howard Jensen of Butler before the Indianapolis League of Women Voters, beginning Oct. 14 at the Little Theatre playhouse.

Professor Jensen was invited to lecture Wednesday at a meeting of the league at the home of Mrs. Warren K. Mannon, Buckingham Apt.

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## M. E. PASTORS EAGER TO ROOT FOR SHUMAKER

Resolution, Greeted With  
Cheers, Probably Will Be  
Passed at Meet Today.

The committee on temperance of the ninety-sixth annual Indiana conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church today is expected to pass a resolution upholding the Rev. Edward S. Shumaker, superintendent of the Indiana Anti-Saloon League, under sentence of contempt of the State Supreme Court.

The resolution was read to the conference Wednesday amid wild applause. The eight district superintendents drew it up as part of the annual report.

"Enemies of prohibition through illegitimate processes and officials not in sympathy with the law seek to evade the consequences," the report read. "The wets have especially centered their attack on Dr. Shumaker. We heartily endorse his leadership and express our confidence in him," the report stated.

"The imposition of a prison sentence on Dr. Shumaker is both unjust and unnecessary. We contend," the report said, "that the punishment of Dr. Shumaker is both cruel and unusual."

### Superintendents in Cabinet

Superintendents comprising the cabinet: R. H. Toole, Vincennes; E. H. Boldry, Bloomington; J. T. Scull, Connersville; G. G. Murphy, Evansville; J. E. Murr, New Albany; L. C. Jeffrey, Seymour, and Oren W. Pfifer, Indianapolis.

Presiding Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, Cincinnati, led the devotional service this morning, which was followed by a conference session. The itinerant school luncheon was held at noon in the Irvington Masonic Temple.

Mrs. Dan Brummitt was to speak before the Woman's Home Missionary Society this afternoon, and Dr. F. B. Stockdale, D. D., was to speak on "The Preacher's Genesis."

Dr. W. S. Bovard, D. D., Chicago

corresponding secretary of the board of education of the church, spoke Wednesday evening. H. W. Baldwin, Indianapolis, was re-elected secretary of the conference Wednesday and he appointed E. F. Schenck, Oscar Jean and J. G. Moore as his assistants.

### Pick Assistants

C. B. McKinney, Huntington, conference statistician, announced his assistants as follows: Kenneth Vennerdorff, Bloomington; J. T. Meyer, Connersville; Millard Brittingham, Evansville; J. F. Seelig, Indianapolis; E. C. McKinney, New Albany; L. S. Lovell, Seymour, and J. M. Pynshon, Vincennes.

C. M. Kroft, Indianapolis, treasurer, announced his assistants as follows: E. A. Hartswall, Tunnerton; R. R. Cross, Shelbyville; R. O. Pearson, Waldron; W. F. Fink, Princeton; H. M. Pattison, Indianapolis; Walter Matney, Canton; Arthur Jean, Vevay, and J. C. Fouts, Bruceville.

Dr. Rebecca Parrish, of the Mary Johnson hospital, Manilla, P. I., spoke before the Women's Foreign Missionary Society Wednesday.

A group breakfast at the Delaware hotel opened today's program. Committee reports were to be submitted late this afternoon. A dinner is scheduled for 6:30 and a theater party for 10 tonight.

Referring to the American press, said: "People are demanding more accuracy in the news. I do not mean to say they are not interested in the latest murder, but they do not want over emphasis on crime news. People are asking more facts and less opinions from their newspapers."

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## FIXES WRECK BLAME ON LIVING AND DEAD

Coroner Makes Findings in Inter-urban Crash at Evansville.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 15.—Otto Lloyd, switchman, and Chester Brown, motorman, the latter one of the four persons killed when fifty others were hurt here a week ago in an interurban car crash, are held responsible for the wreck in findings by Coroner Max Lowe.

Prosecutor E. M. Lindsey announces he will make a study of the coroner's report before reaching a decision on whether or not criminal action will be taken again Floyd.

## LENDERS NAME STATE MAN FOR NATIONAL HEAD

Thompson of Shelbyville to Hold Two Offices If He Is Elected.

Francis L. Thompson, Shelbyville, was nominated national president this afternoon at the thirteenth annual convention of the American Industrial Lenders' Association at the Claypool.

Thompson now is president of the State organization, but will hold both offices in the event of his election. He is the outstanding candidate for the office and may go unopposed.

Women of the organization were to be entertained this afternoon with a musical at the Marott hotel.

A banquet at 7 tonight in the Riley room of the Claypool will close the second day's sessions.

Praising the work of Elmer Johnson, supervisor of the industrial loan division of the State banking department, and William H. Remy, Marion County prosecuting attorney, in eliminating the loan shark, Leon Henderson, a director of the Russell Sage Foundation of New York, spoke before the convention Wednesday.

### Fight Loan Sharks

"The Russell Sage foundation law has been utilized to prosecute a nation-wide chain of salary purchasing loan sharks in eight States including Indiana," said Henderson.

"The law is fool proof because it has been tested in Virginia and Colorado, and its constitutionality upheld in each instance."

About 600 delegates are expected to be registered before the convention closes.

### Cooperation Stressed

The convention was opened by the Rev. W. M. Lyons, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Dick Miller, president of the Chamber of Commerce, gave the address of welcome. William Young, Philadelphia, national chairman, responded. F. L. Thompson, Shelbyville, chairman of the convention committee, also spoke.

Eugene C. Foster, director of the Indianapolis Foundation, stressed the need of cooperation between the lenders and social service organizations at the luncheon Wednesday. Other speakers: Felix McWhirter, president of the Peoples State Bank; F. E. Stroup, Grand Rapids, Mich., and A. B. Madison, Atlanta, Ga.

## CONCRETE RULE BEING PROBED

Stiff Specifications Cause  
City Hall Furore.

"Federal and State highway commission specifications are good enough for me," commented Frank Cones, works board member, today in discussing the "concrete-asphalt boomerang" at city hall.

It is said the State and United States engineers do not require reinforcement such as the city specifications. The city recently boosted the specifications from 8 to 9 inches and reinforcement from 42 to 67 pounds of steel for each 100 square feet.

Cones and John W. Friday, Democrat, declared Wednesday that they planned to "confer on the present specifications," because they were not consulted on the change.

When City Engineer Paul Brown told the board he acted on its "approval," Cones and Friday denied they gave an "a. k." to the new requirements which concrete interests charge are "padded" to give asphalt an unfair advantage in bidding.

"I don't know enough to discuss the matter intelligently. I never heard of it until I saw it in the paper," said Friday.

## SCRIPPS SAYS U. S. FRIENDLY

Publisher Bears Message of  
Good Will to Britain.

By United Press

LONDON, Sept. 15.—The Daily Express announced the arrival of Robert P. Scripps in London says few Americans have deeper insight into the attitude of America toward Britain and lauds the friendly Anglo-American relations maintained by the Scripps-Howard newspapers. The Daily Express quotes Scripps as follows:

"I do not think there is any distrust in the United States of British policy. In any event, the press is not viewing it distrustfully. I have not been in the United States since the collapse of the disarmament conference, but I have not been informed that there is any excitement about it. It is obvious that America and Britain are the economic leaders of the world and there is every reason for cooperation between them."

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### 600 ATTEND MEETING

Indiana Real Estate Association in  
Session at Michigan City.

By Times Special

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Sept. 15.—Attendance reached 600 here today at the fourteenth annual convention of the Indiana Real Estate Association which opened for a three-day session Wednesday.

A feature today was a barbecue luncheon and open air meeting on the shore of Lake Michigan.

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