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ter at Postoffice, Indianapolis.**BINDOVER OF
GROTTO CRASH
DRIVER ASKED**Coroner to Urge Jury Action
Against Chauffeur and
Motorman.**REPORT IS TONED DOWN**M'Intosh Sticks to His Side
Despite Instructions to
'Revamp.'

Coroner C. H. Keever announced today that his inquest report of the Sahara Grotto crossing crash, Oct. 14, which resulted in the death of twenty persons, would recommend that the driver of the truck and the interurban motorman be bound over to the grand jury.

The report will be finished and ready for filing in municipal court Thursday, Keever said.

Harry Stewart, 38, of S. West St., the truck driver, who was given most of the blame in the public service commission's report of the tragedy, Tuesday, was arrested on an involuntary manslaughter charge immediately after the crash and held eighteen hours, until he was released on his own recognizance by Municipal Judge Dan V. White. Judge White ordered him to appear Nov. 15.

Motorman Badly Hurt

The motorman, W. W. Merrill, 51, of 6285 College Ave., was injured seriously in the crash, which shattered the front end of the interurban.

The public service commission's report distributed blame among Stewart, members of the Grotto party, passing motorists and a dim interurban light.

One Grotto member testified that he "saw a bright light and heard a crash" and escaped alive, although riding in the trailer, which figured in the slaughter.

Saw Bright Light

A woman resident of the vicinity also testified to the bright light, as did the motorman, who decided he turned the bright light on after coming off a siding eighteen miles from the city.

The law requires dimmers within the city limits. Most of the Grotto party testified that they saw no light or a dim one.

Many Grotto party members had knowledge of the route, the report points out, and further states "they were paying no attention to lights or signs."

It sets out that the light must have been dim, however, but citing tests made with the dimmer on says:

"Even with the dim light the approaching train should have been noticed by the truck driver and accident averted."

Crossing Hazardous

Although with a clear view, the crossing is hazardous, the report continues. It recommends that on such trips the crossing be flagged, as is done with school busses.

The public incidentally, was blamed for the forty-mile speed of the interurban, on the ground that "speedy transportation is demanded" and the automobile rate is forty in the country.

The report is to be printed and distributed in an effort to prevent such tragedies in the future.

**CREDITORS FILE CLAIMS
AGAINST MAYOR'S PAPER**Receiver Is Taking Bids for Sale
of Post Machinery.

Claims against the Indianapolis Post, which was published several weeks this summer and in which former mayor John L. Duvall was interested, were filed in Federal Court Tuesday by the Metals Refining Company of Hammond, Ind., the Mergenthaler Linotype Company, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Lanston Monotype Company of Philadelphia, Pa.

The petitioners presented claims totaling \$6,037.71. John W. Castor, local printer, is receiving bids for the sale of the machinery, as receiver of the concern.

G. A. R. CHIEF TO SPEAKState Commander Will Be Guest of
Women's Relief Corps.

State Adjutant Albert J. Ball of the Grand Army of the Republic, today issued an invitation to all Civil War veterans living in or near Indianapolis to come to Ft. Friend, 512 Illinois St., Friday to meet State Commander John H. Hoffman. Hoffman will be on hand to address the ninth district meeting of the Women's Relief Corps, which is expected to attract 500.

AYRES HERE 55 YEARSAnniversary Celebrated With
Special Sales All Week

Washington St. was paved with cobblestones, ladies' skirts trailed in the dust, and Indianapolis citizens sat in the lobby of the new Betez House and discussed the excessive cost of the present courthouse, then under construction, when L. S. Ayres & Co. opened its first store in Indianapolis. This week the organization is celebrating its fifty-fifth year with a special sale and several store parties for employees.

Winter on Way; Coal Prices Up
By United Press

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—The city received definite assurance winter was on the way when coal dealers announced an increase of 50 cents a ton in prepared sized of Anthracite.

**Ernie Purrs, but
She's Greyhound**

Ernestine Sadie Greyhound is nesting in the arms of Miss Winifred Stahl, 4038 Oberlein Ave. She's the Indiana Central football team mascot.

When the University Heights team went to Richmond to play Earlham College, the Earlhamites scoffed muchly at the Greyhounds, the name affectionately given the Indiana Central team. Some of the Earlhamites sent Ernestine to the Indiana Central dressing room with the sarcastic note that this was the nearest thing to a greyhound in Richmond that day. Miss Stahl, an Indiana Central senior, cares for Ernestine at night.

**CHICAGO TRIAL
OF 'BRITISH
LION' RESUMED**

McAndrew Hearing Reopened, With Thompson Hurling New Broadside.

LIBRARY BOARD RAPPEDGet Out If You Can't Do
'Duty,' 'Big Bill' Demands
in Ultimatum.

By United Press CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Mayor William Hale Thompson today leveled his guns on the two most active factions now opposing him in his fight to "save America from King George."

One-half of his firing was directed at Superintendent of Schools William McAndrew, who again went to trial on charges of "sponsoring pro-British teachings in the Chicago schools."

Trustees of the Chicago Library Association bore the brunt of the remainder of the attack. Against McAndrew, Thompson has marshaled a dozen or more witnesses whom he counts on to expose "Pro-British Passages" in histories now taught in local schools.

German Editor to Fore

Included among the witnesses are school teachers, members of patriotic organizations, and Frederick Franklin Schrader, a German-American magazine editor.

Schrader was expected to offer most of today's testimony. Center of a Government attack during the war, which is said to have finally resulted in his writings being barred from the mails, Schrader has allied himself with Thompson to specifically seek out "objectionable" school literature.

Immediately after entering the fight, he issued the most scathing denunciation of England which yet has appeared in the battle.

He promised revelations at the McAndrew trial which would "shock everybody," and for that reason his testimony was looked to as among the most important of the hearing.

Job Is at Stake

McAndrew's position is at stake in the trial, Thompson having asked that he be dismissed on charges of insubordination, as a result of his "favoring pro-British textbooks."

The mayor's firing at the library trustees came in the form of a flat opportunity to resign if "you don't like the campaign to purge the library of objectionable books."

"This matter of pro-British books," Thompson said to the trustees, "was an issue in the last election. The people spoke when they elected me, and if the library board is not in accordance with the will of the people, it is presumptuous for members to retain their jobs."

Members of the library board refused to comment on the statement, intimating that their attitude is that a change of city administration "does not necessarily mean a change of library books."

Attorney Sounds Defense

Meanwhile, Stanley Ryynniak, attorney, who has filed a petition for an injunction to prevent Thompson from destroying books in the library, came forward with an amended petition challenging the "mayor's right over the library."

He alleged that Thompson exceeded his authority when he empowered U. J. Hermann to examine library books to determine which books contain "objectionable phrases."

Hearing of the amended petition was continued until Nov. 22.

Mellett Prober to Speak

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Oil Men Convene

WEST BADEN, Ind., Nov. 2.—Fifty companies have exhibits here for the annual fall convention of the American Oil Men's Association, which opened today to continue through Friday. Ed F. Schie, Detroit, Mich., who attempted a round-the-world flight, will speak on Thursday night.

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