

# FEAR, HATE PERVADE AIR OF PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS

## U. S. GOOD WILL AMONG NATIONS TO FACE TRIAL

Coolidge's Presence Called  
Master Stroke of Diplomacy.

ABLE MINDS TO AID HIM

Undercurrents of Jealousy  
May Break Loose at  
Havana Meeting.

**HATYANA, Jan. 9.**—As though sitting precariously on top of a sleeping volcano which might break loose at any time, the sixth Pan-American congress will convene here next Monday with President Calvin Coolidge as the principal speaker.

Not since the blowing up of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor on that memorable Feb. 15 of thirty years ago, has this historic city of the West Indies been the scene of a more important event, fraught, as it will be, with good or ill for the United States and the rest of the western world.

Today, the United States is misunderstood in Latin America as it never has been before. Suspicion is rampant. Fear of "the colossus of the north," as the United States has come to be called down here, is on the increase. United States motives are suspected and are the subject of mounting criticism.

**President Breaks Precedent**  
That President Coolidge is thoroughly alive to the menace to the United States' relations with these southern neighbors of ours is evident. Defying precedent which tends to keep the President within the borders of his country, he will board the battleship Texas at Key West, cross the straits of Florida and land on the foreign soil of Cuba as a gesture of good will.

But that is not all. With the President will come the most distinguished array of delegates that ever presented the United States abroad in a gathering of this kind.

The list will be headed by former Secretary of States Charles Evans Hughes. Others will be the ambassador to Mexico, Dwight W. Morrow; Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador to Rome; Oscar W. Underwood, former Senator from Alabama; former Judge Morgan J. O'Brien; Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, brother of the secretary of the secretary of the navy and president of Leland Stanford University; J. C. Brown Scott, secretary of the Carnegie endowment for international peace; Dr. Leo S. Rowe, director general of the Pan American Union, and Col. Noble Brandon Judah, new ambassador to Cuba. While he will not be a delegate, Secretary of State Kellogg has announced he will come.

**Diplomacy Is Needed**

By his decision to visit Cuba in the middle of a highly important session of Congress at Washington, by his appointment of such an able galaxy of men to represent this country and by his many recent friendly gestures toward Mexico beginning with the appointment of Ambassador Morrow and including his sponsoring Lindbergh's good will flight to Mexico and Central America, Kellogg has announced he will come.

**DEMOCRATS TO CAPITAL**

Fifteen State Leaders Will Attend  
Jackson Day Banquet.

Fifteen prominent Indiana Democrats were to leave by special car this afternoon for Washington to attend the Jackson Day banquet Thursday night.

In the party were: R. Earl Peters, of Fort Wayne, Democratic state chairman; Mrs. A. P. Flynn, of Logansport, vice chairman; Joseph M. Cravens, of Madison; Walter Myers, Albert Stump, Frederick Van Nuy, Michael A. Ryan, A. C. Salter, Dr. Carleton B. McCulloch and Meredith Nicholson, of Indianapolis; L. G. Ellingham, of Fort Wayne; Dan W. Simms, of Lafayette; Walter S. Chambers, of Newcastle, and J. Frank Culbertson, of Vincennes.

Evans Woolen, Fletcher Savings and Trust Company president and candidate for the Democratic nomination for president, is to speak at the banquet.

**REALTORS WILL ELECT**

Director to Succeed Frank L. Moore  
to Be Chosen Thursday.

A director to succeed Frank L. Moore, resigned, will be elected at the Real Estate Board luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce Thursday. Boyd W. Templeton and I. Watt Pugh have been nominated.

Templeton is manager of the Indiana Trust Company real estate department and Pugh is treasurer and manager of the real estate department of the Security Trust Company.

**Will Rebuild Burned Plant**

**TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 9.**—Officials of the Valentine Packing Company, whose plant here was damaged \$50,000 by fire early Sunday, are already planning to rebuild. The loss is covered by insurance.

**WE CAN SUPPLY MONEY NOW**  
for current needs. Confidential and quick. CAPITOL LOAN CO., 141 1/2 E. Wash. St.—Advertisement.

## The Mothers of the Doomed



The sadness in these eyes tells anew the story of the Snyder-Gray case. At the left is Mrs. Josephine Brown, mother of Ruth Snyder. At the right is Mrs. Margaret Gray, mother of Judd Gray.

## FLAME MURDER TRIAL AT HALT

Illness of Veteran Lawyer  
Causes Delay.

**DELPHI, Ind., Jan. 9.**—No session of the trial of Lloyd Kimble, charged with the murder of Daniel Sink, was held today owing to the illness of Charles Pollard, veteran Carroll County attorney, of prosecution counsel.

Pollard, 82, will celebrate sixty years as a member of the Carroll County bar.

Cross-examination of Kimble by prosecution attorneys will be the next step in the trial. It had been predicted the case would reach the jury Tuesday, but today's adjournment will probably cause submission to go over until Wednesday.

Mrs. Jeanetta Taylor, ace witness for the State, is still a prisoner in the county jail here, where she has been held since early in October, when she made a statement to authorities which resulted in arrest and indictment of Kimble. Authorities have not announced what course they intend to pursue regarding her.

## IDENTIFY NEGRO WHO LED CHASE BY POLICE

George Hurt Jumped from Second  
Floor of Courthouse Here in 1909.

The Negro who led police in a chase through downtown crowds after escaping from the turnkey's office on the second floor of police headquarters Saturday, today has identified as the elusive George Hurt.

Hurt, police said, is on parole from the State prison at Stillwater, Minn., where he was sentenced on a murder charge. He gave his name as Baker when arrested in a downtown store Saturday after a jewelry theft attempt. Hurt knocked over several women customers and jumped a couple of counters before he was captured.

He was captured on Court St. west of Delaware, after his second escape. Hurt leaped from the second story of the Courthouse when on trial here in 1909.

**Y Club to Hear Editor**

on Political Conditions

Boyd Gurley Speaker for  
Bible Investigation Group;

To Start Series.

Boyd Gurley, editor of The Indianapolis Times, will speak Wednesday night at the Y. M. C. A. to the Bible Investigation Club on "What Are the Causes Which Led to the Present Conditions of Indiana State and City Politics?" Alfred L. Roberts, Bible word director, will be in charge.

The first of a triple series of twelve gospel messages will be delivered following Gurley's talk. Section A on "Leadership Training Course" will be under the direction of the Rev. A. H. Moore, pastor of the Seventh Christian Church.

Section B on "The First Year of the Ministry of Jesus," will be under the Rev. George P. Kehl, pastor of the second Reformed Church. Section C on "What Can a Man Believe?" is to be in charge of the Rev. Harold Propp, pastor of the College Ave. Baptist Church; the Rev. F. A. Reed, pastor of the Brookside United Brethren Church; and the Rev. R. S. Barr, pastor of the First United Brethren Church.

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## Hear Ye?

Fear not, you Indianapolis telephone girls, there are no otolaryngologists' here. This one of the world's longest words means a machine for testing hearing. It is now being used in Paris, according to United Press dispatches, to test the hearing of operators of the Paris telephone system.

In Paris they may need it. Local telephone officials say that their girls have passed physical examinations before they ever go on the switchboard, but no "otolaryngologists" is or will be used.

## JACKSON JUDGE PLEA OPPOSED

Montgomery Biased, Claim  
Governor and Aids.

County prosecutors this afternoon opposed the motion of Governor Jackson, County Republican Chairman George V. Coffin and Robert I. Marsh, law partner of Jackson, for a change from Special Judge Oscar H. Montgomery of Seymour in their trial for alleged conspiracy to commit a felony.

The State filed a brief in which it was set out that the defense exhausted the one opportunity to change judges when Jackson's attorneys participated in the selection of Montgomery. The defense motion asserted Montgomery is biased and prejudiced.

The court, however, was expected to grant the motion, as he has said he probably would sustain it if it was filed within the proper time. The trial has been set for Feb. 7. This action of defense attorneys, however, is expected to delay it.

If Montgomery retires, Criminal Judge James A. Collins will assume jurisdiction and name three prospective candidates for the special judgeship. Judge Collins disqualified himself after the indictment was returned.

The defendants are alleged to have offered former Governor Warren T. McCray \$10,000 and a promise of non-conviction in State courts if he appointed James E. McDonald county prosecutor. William P. Evans, in-law of McCray, resigned then.

**Subjects of Section B are:**

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## HAMMER DEATH PROBED BY JURY

Indictment of Young Wife Is  
Expected Today.

**PAINESVILLE, Ohio, Jan. 9.**—An indictment charging first degree murder is expected to be returned today or Tuesday against Mrs. Velma West, 22-year-old Perry housewife, who pounded her husband to death with a claw hammer.

More than forty witnesses will be called before the grand jury of fifteen men and one woman and it was believed that Mrs. West's confession which so far has been kept under lock and key, would be read before the jury.

County Prosecutor Seth Paulin was confident today that an indictment charging first degree murder would be returned.

The West case, he said, "will receive first consideration of the grand jury and I am confident that the indictment will be returned."

Among the witnesses expected to testify are Jar's West, brother of the slain man, who discovered the body; Coroner O. O. Hausch; Sheriff Edward Rasmussen; Dr. R. E. Spence, alienist retained by the State, and Miss Mabel Young, at whose home Mrs. West attended a bridge party after the confessed slaying.

**HARMON AWARDS ARE**

WON BY CITY NEGROES

J. W. Hardick Gets \$100 Prize for  
Portrait Paintings.

Indianapolis Negroes again will share in the annual awards of the Harmon Foundation, New York, for creative work during the past year. Prize winners announced today include a second prize of \$100 and a bronze medal for portrait paintings of J. W. Hardick, local Negro artist, whose studio is at 541 1/2 Indiana Ave.

Last year similar award went to Hale Woodruff, who shared the studio with Hardick, but is now studying art in Paris.

Hardick is a graduate of Arsenal Technical High School and studied at the John Herron Art School. His portraits are of distinguished members of his own race and he also has executed many still life and other pictures.

Honorable mention for creative work in music went to J. Harold Brown, 1034 N. West St., music director at the Crispus Attucks High School. Awards totaled \$4,000.

**MINE FIRMS ACCUSED**

Twenty-One to Face Legal Action  
for Conditions on Shafts.

Twenty-one Indiana mine companies and more bosses will face legal action in their counties for alleged violation of the State mining laws which require adequate ventilation and monthly reports on coal tonnage. Albert C. Dally, chief State mine inspector announced.

"There has been an increase in the laxity of mine bosses in making reports," he said.

**NATIONALISTS TO MEET**

Party Picks St. Louis for July Meeting—Zahne Chairman.

**ST. LOUIS, Jan. 9.**—The National party, which in 1924 threw its support to Robert M. La Follette, will hold its 1928 convention here early in July, the St. Louis convention bureau announced. The party is the successor of the Populist party. John Zahnd, Indianapolis, is national chairman.

**Recovering from Rabbit Fever**

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## BANDIT TAKES LOOT, HANDS OUT HIS CARD

Wave of Holdups Continues  
Over Week-End: 'Mournful Robber' Is Busy.

The "Mournful Bandit," robbing a milk wagon driver and handing him a card bearing that inscription, provided the most colorful episode of the hold-up wave here over the week-end.

Harry Steele, 31, of 1438 Olive St., Capitol Dairies driver, faced the sad-hearted bandit's revolver as he was getting back in his wagon in front of 3436 Birchwood Ave. at 6:30 a. m. A muffler pulled up over the bandit's face served as a mask, Steele said.

After taking \$6 and a check for \$23, the bandit gallantly said "Here's my card," and handed over a bit of green cardboard with the inked inscription, the "Mournful Bandit."

**Flees in Stolen Auto**

He fled in an auto driven by a companion, waiting a little ahead of the milk truck. The auto license revealed it as the property of L. P. Merz, 1131 N. Capitol Ave., stolen from Capitol Ave. and Court St. Sunday night.

From his description police believe the "Mournful Bandit" may be the man who held up several milk wagon drivers last week.

Roy Mongel, attendant at the Silver Flash filling station at Forty-Sixth and Illinois Sts., was one of the Sunday hold-up victims. Two bandits who asked for a gallon of gas in a can took \$15 at the point of a revolver.

A bandit forced Attendant William G. Pascoe, 910 Athon St., to open the safe at the Standard Oil Company filling station at Indiana Ave. and North Sts. and took \$45.

**Holds Up Oil Station**

Another bandit walked into the Standard Oil station at Belmont Ave. and Washington St., holding a gun in one hand and masking his face with the other. Charles Kinley, 3666 Rockville Rd., was forced to hand over the money drawer containing nearly \$150.

Mrs. F. C. Kinley, mother of the attendant, was walking toward the station when she saw the man run out. She held a flashlight, as if signalling.

Mr. and Mrs. David H. Noble, 4923 Winthrop Ave., fought and screamed until they put a gunman to flight at an alley between Carrollton Ave. and College Ave. on Forty-Ninth St., late Sunday.

The couple told police an automobile drew up alongside them and one of the men in the car stepped out with a drawn pistol and demanded money. Noble seized the gunman by the neck. The bandit put his foot against Noble for a brace and when he pulled the gun loose, Noble fell. Mrs. Noble screamed and the bandit fled in the auto.

**Negro Hides in Car**

C. F. Hutchins, 736 East Dr., Woodruff Place, lost \$1 in a hold-up Saturday night. He came from Church at Thirtieth and Alabama Sts., to find an armed Negro crouched in his auto.

A youthful bandit held up Nick Espar, 124 W. Nineteenth St., at Capitol Ave. and Market St., early Sunday and got \$3.85.

**MISSING GIRLS FOUND**

Dayton, Ohio, Police Report Locating Two City Young Women.

Dayton, Ohio, police today reported to Police Chief Claude M. Worley that two girls reported missing from this city last week were found there.

They are: Miss Juanita Hudson, 17, of 1747 E. Forty-Sixth St., and Miss Lorena Townsend, 16, of 4715 Baltimore St.

Miss Hudson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hudson and disappeared after visiting her mother, who was ill at Methodist Hospital. Miss Townsend is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Townsend.

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## Maimed Mingle With Able at Convention of Legion

Retiring Officers Presented  
With Tokens of Esteem;  
Launch Drive.

Men with long scars on their faces—men with suspicious coughs—men on crutches—maimed and broken men—all wearing the cap of the American Legion—mingled with able bodied men, Sunday at the Elks Club at the state convention of commanders and adjutants of the Legion.

Ten years ago these men were straight bodied and sound—then came the war.

They gathered Sunday to launch the 1928 campaign in behalf of those who went "over there" in 1917 and 1918.

Frank McHale, Logansport, new state commander, took over the office from Paul V. McNutt, Bloomington, and will lead the Legionnaires this year. McNutt will advance to the national executive committee.

**Officers Get Gifts**

Bowman Elder, retiring from the executive committee, was given a large shield in an illuminated case. McNutt was presented with a gold badge and a desk set by John Wheeler, Crown Point.

Brig. Gen. L. R. Gignilliat, Culver Military Academy, and vice president of Fidae, internal organization of the Legion, was principal speaker at the afternoon meeting.

Clarence Jackson, Newcastle, past commander, gave the gold plaque to Elder and outlined his work for the Legion.

**Outlines Orphan Work**

Tom McConnell, Fowler, State chairman of the child welfare division and past commander, told of work done for orphans in 1927.

Dr. Ross A. Cooper, Carmel, new State rehabilitation chairman, spoke and advised that cases for consideration by the United States Veterans' bureau be forwarded through the State Department as usual.

Don Sowers, national American Legion department director, flung a challenge to anti-government forces.

Officers installed were: McNutt, national executive committee member for Indiana; McHale, State commander; Klinger, State adjutant; Herschell Jones of Petersburg, vice commander; J. A. Rensberger of Goshen, vice commander; Robert P. Daggett of Indianapolis, finance officer; Dr. Edmund C. Lindsey of Columbia City, chaplain; Dr. Logan Esarey of Bloomington, historian; Sam Berman of Sullivan, sergeant-at-arms; Forest A. Harness of Kokomo, judge advocate, and Robert Bushes of Ossian, athletic officer.

**First Lady' of  
Empire State  
Is Recovering**

**Mrs. Alfred E. Smith**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Mrs. Alfred E. Smith, wife of the New York Governor, was recovering rapidly today from the effects of an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Smith was removed from the Smith suite at the Biltmore late Saturday to St. Vincent's Hospital, where her illness quickly was diagnosed. An hour later she was on the operating table.

The Governor, who remained at his wife's bedside most of Saturday night, plans to return to Albany this week, barring a relapse in Mrs. Smith's condition.

**M. E. PASTORS PLEDGE**

to AID TO STRIKE VICTIMS

All Work for Bicknell Sufferers in  
Charge of Vincennes Man.

Acting on a plea of Bicknell, Ind., miners for aid, the Rev. O. W. Pifer, Indianapolis district superintendent of the Methodist Church, today introduced a resolution at the weekly meeting of the local Methodist Ministerial Association placing all Methodist relief work for the miners under direct charge of the Rev. R. T. Toole, Vincennes, Ind., Methodist district superintendent.

This would include all contributions of food, clothing and funds to be distributed among suffering miners and their families made destitute by the long drawn-out strike.

At a meeting of the Indiana Christian Ministers' Association at the Y. M