

COURTS JAMMED AS POLICE PRESS GAMING CRUSADE

ARRESTS OVER WEEK-END HIT NEW HIGH MARK

305 Booked on Variety of Charges; 124 Held in Gambling Cases.

NO LETUP, SAYS CHIEF

Special Squads Sent Out by Worley to Raid Suspected Places.

Municipal courts were crowded today as the result of a drive on gambling by police Saturday night. Police themselves did not expect convictions for most of the 124 persons charged with visiting gambling houses, because they found evidence of gambling in only four places. Fifteen places were visited and arrests made in eight.

"The sooner the gamblers realize that there is to be no commercialized gambling in Indianapolis, the better off they will be," declared Police Chief Claude M. Worley. Worley organized the raids after calling in several special squads at 8 p. m. Saturday.

Mayor L. Ert Slack said the raids were in line with administration policy.

Arrest Record Set

With the gambling arrests to boost the total, the police set a new week-end total for slatings. A total of 451 charges was placed against 305 persons.

Of this number, 157 were charged only with vagrancy, the technical count upon which police temporarily hold those whom they wish to investigate.

Records show that Lieut. Patrick O'Connor was the only officer to seize what might be termed real evidence of dealing with the goddess of luck.

O'Connor reported to Worley that he stood outside a window at the William H. Killcough poolroom, 1237 Oliver Ave., and heard terms of gaming used by twenty-five men inside and saw money pass.

He arrested the participants on charges of gaming and visiting a gambling house. A set of dominos and \$1.50 in cash were taken for evidence.

Gambling Charges

O'Connor said he watched a game at the poolroom of James Atkins, 30, of 1068 W. Twenty-Eighth St., and saw money pass. One of the six arrested said the game was for 50 cents a corner. Killcough and Atkins were charged with keeping gambling houses.

In all other raids except two the officers said they saw no evidence of gambling. At the Maxie Epstein poolroom, 726 Russell Ave., a set of whist dominos was seized as evidence. Thirty-four men were charged. In another raid two decks of cards were the only gambling equipment found.

Others charged with keeping gambling houses and the number of men found there charged with visiting gambling houses were: Earl Sears, 39, of 206 Indiana Ave., eleven arrested; Claude Poland, 48, of 81 S. Capitol Ave., four held; Charles Burke, 32, of 111 W. Maryland St., ten held, and Ray Layton, 33, of 311 Massachusetts Ave., three held. A raid at 117 1/2 N. Illinois St., netted nine suspects.

On Liquor Charges

Liquor caused the arrest of 61 persons. Forty-one were charged with public intoxication, fourteen with operation of a blind tiger and six with driving an automobile while intoxicated.

Traffic accounted for nineteen arrests, seven on traffic violations and twelve for alleged speeding.

STUDENTS BACK HOOVER

Universities Give Secretary Heavy Margin in Sraw Vote.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 23.—Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover received 1,258 votes, or 339 more than all the other candidates combined, in the annual university presidential straw vote, the Yale Daily News, student publication, announced.

Hoover carried or tied in forty-three of the forty-eight State, while Governor Smith carried two States. Of the 2,177 undergraduate votes, the complete results were: Smith, 428; Davis, 137; Ritchie, 90; Lowden, 32; Baker, 135; Young, 34; and Reed, 30, with the remainder scattered.

The Republican candidate received 1,569 votes to 617 for the Democrats.

WARN OF SPURIOUS BILL

Candy Clerk Detects Raised \$1 Note, Customer Files.

Police and Federal officers today warned merchants to be on the look-out for raised bills. A warning came as the result of an attempt to pass a one dollar bill, disguised as a twenty, at the Betsy Ross candy store, 15 E. Market St., Saturday. A well-dressed man made a purchase and passed the bill to the clerk. Noting its peculiar appearance, the clerk removed the "20" which was pasted on, and returned the \$1 bill to the man, who left at once.

Actor's Mother to Stay

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Jan. 23.—Mrs. Charlotte Lupino, mother of the English comedian, Lupino Lane, has been granted an extension of her stay in this country. Originally she was told to terminate her visit Feb. 1.

Spring to Sound Knell of Flapper



The flapper is flapping her final flap, according to Miss Elizabeth Chadwick, associate editor of Harper's Bazar, at L. S. Ayres & Co. this week. Whereas, she looks like the Miss Virginia Aldridge in the photograph on the left, by spring she will appear as the Miss Virginia Aldridge, right. Miss Chadwick declares that the debutante is dropping her pseudo-sophistication.



CHAMBERLIN TO START ON TOUR

Flier Ready for First Hop of Nation-Wide Trip.

GARDEN CITY, N. Y., Jan. 23.—Clarence D. Chamberlin was expected to take off shortly before noon today on the first hop of his country-wide lecture tour.

Final adjustments on the tiny Sperry biplane were completed and Chamberlin was to make a short test flight before he left for Allentown, Pa., where he will speak tonight.

Other towns in western Pennsylvania were included on the itinerary before the aviator continues to West Virginia.

He expected to return to New York, Saturday, when he will make another attempt to break the world's endurance flight record.

PROTEST ROAD MOVE

Holt Property Owners Ask Damages for Change.

County commissioners today took under advisement remonstrances of taxpayers living along Holt Rd., who object to changing the road route. Commissioners announced they will move the road from twelve to seventeen feet west in order that the center will be on the county section line.

Property owners are asking \$10,000 for damage they allege will be done if the road is altered. The Indianapolis Water Company is seeking \$12,000 because change of the road-way will throw the water mains on private property.

Commissioners explained that a second purpose of shifting the road-bed is to take out many of the jogs. For several months efforts have been made to resurface the road, which leads to the Indianapolis airport at Mars Hill. Commissioners will view the road Wednesday morning.

QUARTET WILL RETIRE

Fionzaleys, Chamber Music Leaders, to Close Career Next Year.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—The Fionzaleys quartet, internationally known for twenty-five seasons, will close its career next year, after a farewell tour. The Fionzaleys are the undisputed leaders in chamber music, supplanting the Kneissels early in the century.

The members of the quartet, now on a southern trip, are Adolfo Betti, Alfred Pochon, Nicholas Moldovan and Ivan D'Archembeau.

The organization was founded in the summer of 1903 by Edward J. Decoppet of New York and Switzerland. The name derived from Decoppet's chateau Fionzaley, on Lake Geneva.

U. S. SEA HERO DIES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The body of Rear Admiral Victor Blue, United States Navy, will be sent this afternoon to Marion, S. C., for burial.

Admiral Blue, 62, a Spanish-American and World War hero, died from a heart attack near Lannin, S. C. Sunday while on a train en route from Jacksonville, Fla., to this city. He had planned to enter Walter Reed Hospital here for treatment.

ENGINEERS PRONOUNCE DOOM OF EIFFEL TOWER, WORLD'S HIGHEST STRUCTURE

BY RALPH HEINZEN

PARIS, Jan. 23.—A commission of experts of the city of Paris will crawl around the whole Eiffel Tower in May to determine whether it should be demolished. Private engineers say the tower is doomed and that the highest structure in the world must be torn down within ten years or it will fall. Such a catastrophe would threaten the lives of thousands of residents in one of the richest quarters of Paris.

Take That!

FRANKFORT, Ind., Jan. 23.—T. H. I. & E. traction cars will run through the city at a speed of one and one-half miles an hour if an ordinance is introduced in the city council is acted on favorably. The move is a retaliatory one after repeated efforts to induce the traction company to repave paved streets had failed.

WINKLER CRITICISED

Dry Chief Declines Comment on Muncie Affair.

George L. Winkler, deputy prohibition administrator for Indiana, today declined to comment directly upon criticism of his handling of the Muncie liquor situation as "inefficient," expressed in a conference of leading dries there Saturday.

Winkler, however, pointed out the number of arrests made there, declared an efficient agent is on the job now and that the withdrawal of Agent Sanford Starks, who resigned after he was transferred from Muncie to Chicago, was not unusual.

Starks had been termed an inexperienced and inefficient agent in a letter of E. C. Yellowly, dry administrator, Chicago, to a Muncie pastor. At the conference Saturday R. C. Minton, Yellowly's legal adviser, apologized for this statement and insisted that Starks was not removed because of political pressure.

3 DIE IN TRAGEDIES

Accident, Drowning, Suicide Are Reported.

One man accidentally was shot to death, another committed suicide, and a 15-year-old Negro boy was drowned over the week-end.

Funeral services for Joseph W. Payne, 47, of 1548 Shepherd St., will be held at 2 p. m., Tuesday at the home, and burial will be at Crown Hill cemetery. Payne was attempting to extract a bullet from an ancient muzzle-loading rifle Saturday night when the gun discharged, sending the bullet through his heart.

Surviving are the widow, two daughters, Jeannette May, 12, and Rebecca Alice, 6.

John Hatwood, Negro, 15, of 1407 Mill St., took the "dare" of his companions and attempted to cross the canal on a water pipe at Eleventh St., placed about a foot above the water. He slipped. Two hours later police recovered the body.

Funeral services for Fred C. Russell, 29, of 1832 Lexington Ave., who shot himself Saturday afternoon, will be at 2 p. m., Tuesday at the home with burial at Crown Hill cemetery.

URGE ENTRY IN COURT

Women Plead With Coolidge in Behalf of World Tribunal.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Miss Belle Sherwin, president of the National League of Women Voters and Mrs. J. J. O'Connor of the American Association of University Women, urged President Coolidge today to aid in reopening negotiations for United States entry into the world court.

The women represented the national committee on the cause and cure of war.

OPEN FIGHT ON NAVY PROGRAM

Admiral Claims War With British Is 'Inevitable.'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—A bitter fight in Congress over the Navy's plan to build \$800,000,000 worth of warships in five years was foreseen today as the House Naval Affairs Committee continued to question navy officers concerning the program.

Senator Borah forecast the opposition's viewpoint in an utterance characterizing as "madness" the huge navy program coupled with Rear Admiral Plunkett's declaration in New York Saturday that war with Great Britain is "inevitable" in the near future.

"Such statements put out by naval officers are notice to all the world and particularly Great Britain to get ready for war," Borah said. "I regard such declarations as mischievous to the last degree."

"Those who must pay the taxes and do the fighting and dying in case those people succeed in bringing on war ought not to delay in taking part in this affair. They are entitled to be heard before this mad policy becomes fixed."

Borah said the addition of a limited number of cruisers to round out the fleet and protect commerce was a reasonable proposal, but "the program for the largest navy in the world, together with the wild and excited statements about war, sheer madness."

Countess Marries Here in World War Romance

Cincinnati Man Takes as Bride Woman He Met During Conflict.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 23.—It looks like a hot time in Federal Court here. The Government has filed suit to confiscate three barrels of black pepper shipped here from St. Louis, Mo., on an allegation that pepper is adulterated with corn products and a fiber material.

A romance of World War days resulted Sunday afternoon in the marriage of former Countess Helen L. M. De Bournat, of the French nobility, and Clifton J. Knodde, decorator of Cincinnati, Ohio, at the home of the bridegroom's brother-in-law, W. A. Thomas, 539 S. Audubon Rd.

The Rev. H. T. Wilson officiated. The couple left immediately after a thirty-day wedding trip. Their destination was secret. They will make their home in Cincinnati.

The countess did not use her full title, but preferred plain "Helen Bournat, New York, designer and decorator."

She is a Bourbon and a direct descendant of Napoleon; a cousin of King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, King Alfonso of Spain and the king of Portugal.

The bride came to America five years ago to continue work as interior decorator. She has lived since in New York City, Columbus, Ohio, and Cincinnati. Both are expected to return to Indianapolis for a brief visit after their wedding tour.

COAL MINERS TO WORK

WILKESBARRE, Jan. 23.—The intense cold of the last few days has brought property to the anthracite regions, which have been hard hit by slack market conditions.

Every colliery in this section will be working full time by Tuesday, officials said today.

TWO FIREMEN ARE INJURED IN TRUCK CRASH

Sudden Stop Due to Auto Driving in Front of Blaze Fighters.

Two city firemen are recovering at city hospital today from injuries suffered Saturday night when Engine Truck 27 crashed into the rear of Engine Pumper 27 on which they were riding in front of 842 N. La Salle St.

William B. McKissick, 42, of 14 N. Jefferson St., and R. C. Wallace, 26, of 402 N. Meridian St., were bruised and cut.

The truck was going south on La Salle St. to a fire at 448 N. Tuxedo St., when an automobile drove in front of it. The driver of the truck was forced to stop suddenly and the pumper which was following it crashed into the rear of the truck. The automobile driver did not stop.

Miss Edith Meyer, 614 N. East St., suffered a broken right arm and severe body bruises Sunday morning when she was run over by an automobile driven by David Meeks, 421 E. Michigan St., in front of her home. Miss Meyer, at city hospital, faces a charge of intoxication. Meeks was arrested on charges of assault and battery and failure to stop after an accident.

Other injured in week-end traffic accidents: William Hoy, 46, Churchman Ave. and Wade St., leg bruised; Betty Ann Fox, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fox, 24 Garfield Pl., body bruises; Miss Hazel Cook, 19, of 1252 W. New York St., bruised and cut.

BOY 'KILLED' BY SHOCK IS ALIVE

Hit by High Tension Wire, Thrown 20 Feet, Revived.

MAGNOLIA, N. J., Jan. 23.—Michael J. Lynch, 18, was alive today, but only after what doctors believed was almost a living death.

The youth was watching a fire near his home here when he came in contact with a 5,000-volt wire which had melted and was hanging from a tree. The wire struck Lynch on the head.

The force of the jolt, bystanders said, created a great ball of flame and Lynch was thrown through the air for about twenty feet. William Dodds, a public service employee, went to Lynch and could detect no pulse and no heart beats.

Public service employees started giving respiration and in twenty minutes there was a slight fluttering of the heart. Within an hour the heart beat again and was regular. Soon Lynch jumped to his feet.

Lynch's mind today still was upset, but doctors believed he would recover completely.

New Law Halts Setting of Velma West's Trial



Velma West and (inset) Ed West, husband she killed.

Hammer Killer Refuses to Plead; Judge Grants 10-Day Delay.

PAINEVILLE, Ohio, Jan. 23.—Legal technicalities of an enactment recently passed by the Ohio Legislature threatened today to cause delay in setting a date for the trial of Velma West, confessed Perry, Ohio, hammer murderer.

On advice of her attorneys, Mrs. West refused to make a plea when formally arraigned for the murder of her husband. Judge A. G. Reynolds entered a plea of not guilty.

Francis W. Poulson, defense attorney, announced he had instructed his client not to make a plea, to protect her rights under the amendment to the general code, which provides sanity examination by a commission before the actual trial begins. The commission in turn makes a report to a special jury.

Poulson asked ten days in which to decide whether he would petition the court for appointment of such commission.

Judge Reynolds granted the request, asserting that in view of the status of the case he would not fix a trial date.

Poulson indicated that the question of the sanity enactment's constitutionality might be taken to the State Supreme Court, which would mean a delay of months before the case comes to trial.

ZAHND AIDS NAMED

National Party Candidate Appoints Campaign Heads.

John Zahnd, National Party candidate for president, of Indianapolis, and Wesley H. Bennington, of Cleveland, vice presidential candidate, today announced from party headquarters here campaign managers for six districts which embrace the entire country.

"There is no doubt," Zahnd announced, "that the party's strength is much more than the 1924 vote for the La Follette ticket which was supported by the party in 1924 and polled 5,000,000 votes and was second in eight States."

He predicted the vote would double in 1928 and that there was nothing to keep his party from winning in a "three-cornered race with the two old parties."

"People of prominence from every State," he said, "are writing that they are getting sick and tired of corruption and misrule in national and local politics."

ICY PLANE DEATH CAUSE

Diary Reveals Flier Lost Control, Took to Parachute.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 23.—Ice forming on his plane caused Fred Hoyt, Wichita, Kan., aviator, to lose control of the machine and abandon it in a parachute, a diary made public by his brother, George Hoyt, revealed today.

Hoyt's body was found on snow-covered waste land thirty miles from Holbrook, Idaho, Saturday night after he had been missing seven days. His plane had been found earlier in the day ten miles from where his body was found.

WOMAN TRIES SUICIDE

Desire for Her Children of Former Marriage Blamed.

Despondency brought on by desire for her children of a former marriage who are living with their father, caused Mrs. Elsie Hall, 31, of 637 Arbor Ave., to attempt to commit suicide by poison, police said today.

Mrs. Hall at first refused to go to city hospital, declaring, "Let me alone. I want to die if I can't live with the children," police said. Hospital attaches said they will recover.

FLAYS MODERN LICENSING

"The tendency to cast off the conventional chains and find happiness without regard for the old idea of self control and perseverance is encouraged by plays, books, essays and hundreds of pages of printed matter advocating unrestricted license," said Dr. William Lowe Bryan at the Y. M. C. A. "Big Meeting" at English's Sunday.

Dr. Bryan assailed the modern idea of self-expression and pointed out the degenerative effects of license on any race.

The speaker next Sunday will be Evans, the Welshman, cousin of Lloyd George. "His Majesty, Mr. Average Man," will be his topic.

Harry O. Thompson Found Dead

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MOTHER AND INFANT FLEE DEATH PERIL

State Soldiers Guard Home of Millionaire, After \$25,000 Demand.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 23.—State troopers patrolled the grounds about the estate of Walter B. Lashar, millionaire president of the American Chain Company, today while Mrs. Lashar sped South with their infant daughter, as result of receipt of three letters demanding \$25,000.

"The letters were signed by 'The Iron Hand,' and gave no indication of kidnapping. Police say the letters were written by some one with a good education."

The letters were received on Jan. 10, 11 and 12. The guard since has been maintained at the mansion and floodlights have been thrown on the house at night. Once a bag was left at a spot the mysterious writer had named, but no one appeared.

The one threat came in the first letter, which said: "If there is a slip we strike once and that one strike will be worth more to you than all your money."

Fearing the writer may have been influenced by description of the kidnapping and murder of Marion Parker in Los Angeles, Mrs. Lashar left the estate for an unnamed southern destination, taking her young daughter with her.

Abduction Threatened

WELLSVILLE, Mo., Jan. 23.—Citizens of Wellsville were aroused today by identical blackmail letters threatening kidnapping of Mayor John McMurtry's daughter, Virginia, a student at Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., and Edward Oliver, Wellsville banker.

Both demands specified that \$500 in \$20 bills be left beneath signposts near Wellsville, and in the case of Miss McMurtry, the letter warned that if the girl would be kidnapped and held for higher ransom if the money were withheld.

Montgomery County authorities, advised of the threats, endeavored to trap the authors of the letters by placing counterfeit money beneath the signposts, but the extortionists did not appear.

Youth Under Arrest

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 23.—Kirby Binkley was under arrest today, charged with an attempt at kidnapping which paralleled the method used by Edward Hickman.

Binkley was alleged to have gone to a trade school and told the teacher of a 12-year-old girl that the girl's father was ill. He was alleged to have attempted to obtain custody of the child.

The teacher, remembering the similar tactics used by Hickman, called police.

TWO WANTED IN DEATH OF POLICEMAN HELD

Youths Accused of Slaying at North Vermont 1925.

NORTH VERMONT, Ind., Jan. 23.—John and Jacob Wright, brothers, wanted on charges of slaying Edward Fowler by policeman Sept. 20, 1925, are in custody at Troy, Ohio, local authorities are advised.

The two pleaded guilty at Troy to a theft charge.

Fowler was shot down by one of two youths whom he stopped on the street and asked, "Where are you going?" An automobile, later identified as having been in the possession, was stolen from E. W. Trook, Indianapolis lawyer.

SCHURTE IS SPEAKER

Railroad Y. M. C. A. Secretary Gives Lecture at Boys' Meeting.

Secretary Samuel L. Schurte of the Railroad Y. M. C. A. gave an illustrated lecture, "The Mask," at the boys' meeting at the Central Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon.

J. I. Hymer of the Remington Arms Company will be speaker at the meeting next Sunday.

Officers elected Sunday were Theodore Weakley, secretary of registration; James Hogart, keeper of the books; Charles Herin, attendance secretary; Floyd Morrison, orderly; Clyde Fister, secretary of promotion, and Thomas Strouse, ticket collector.

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