

VALUE OF OIL FOR NEXT WAR SHOWN IN LAST

American Supply Led Allies to Victory; Germans Handicapped.

This is another of the series of articles on the economic and political role of oil in world affairs.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Some conception of the importance of oil and gasoline in the next big war may be gathered by consideration of the part they played in the last.

"We might say the allies floated to victory on a wave of oil," said Lord Curzon, British foreign secretary, in 1918.

Incidentally, the wave was one of American oil.

More recently, President Coolidge has said:

"Developing aircraft indicates that our national defense must be supplemented, if not dominated, by aviation. It is even probable that the supremacy of nations may be determined by the possession of available petroleum and its products."

Europe Depended on U. S.

The lesson of the World War greatly intensified the struggle between the great powers for the world's oil resources. Among other things, Europe learned that it was dependent for its oil on the United States and it will never be in that position again.

The World War was not a naval war, so the few oil tankers in battle-ship, then in operation had little real chance to demonstrate their superiority. The allied and American navies, however, developed their oil-burner programs rapidly during the years of conflict. The central powers were not able to emulate them, for they were short of oil even for their submarines and airplanes.

Germany Handicapped

General Ludendorff has admitted that lack of oil left the central powers under a tremendous handicap.

Just before the Germans invaded Rumania, the British destroyed the Rumanian oil wells—a hard blow to the Germans. Rumania later sued for compensation, but failed to collect.

Toward the close of the war, German peasants had no kerosene at all for their lamps. German airmen had to use heavy and unsatisfactory benzol substitutes in engines, which slowed up their planes and other motorized vehicles had to be abandoned in large numbers.

Shortage Hurt Allies

Whether an oil shortage lost the war for Germany is perhaps debatable, but the allies also had very serious trouble of a similar nature. The enemy's submarines played havoc with the slow, heavy oil tankers and sank so many that England's petroleum stocks dropped 40 per cent below the supposed minimum requirements of the war.

New combat methods, better convoys and merchant ships which began to carry oil in double bottoms saved the day.

INDIANAPOLIS ROTARY DELEGATION LARGEST

City Sends 150 to District Meeting at West Baden.

By Times Special

WEST BADEN, Ind., Feb. 22.—A special train from Indianapolis brought the largest delegation to the Twentieth District Rotary conference which opened here Tuesday and will close today. Indianapolis sent 150.

Election of a new district governor, selection of next year's convention city and discussion of plans for district representation at 1928 international convention at Minneapolis, Minn., were in today's program.

Terre Haute Rotarians won first place in a bowling tournament Tuesday. Indianapolis was second and Bedford third.

ARABS TO BE HONORED

Shrine Luncheon Club Will Observe "Patrol Day."

The Shrine Club, Shrine luncheon club, will observe "Patrol day" at its luncheon Thursday at Murat Temple in honor of the Arab Patrol of the temple.

Arthur H. Kimber, first lieutenant of the patrol, and Joel B. Ryde are in charge of the entertainment. Attorney Albert Stump will speak. A number of attendance prizes will be awarded. All Shrine members are eligible to attend. The Shrine Club luncheons, according to President Edward V. Fitzpatrick.

FISHER VISITS BAHAMAS

Former Indianapolis Resident on Yachting Cruise.

Carl G. Fisher, former Indianapolis man and builder of Miami Beach, Fla., visited Nassau, the Bahamas, last week, according to a dispatch from that place. With Fisher on his yacht were Mrs. Fisher, James A. Allison of Indianapolis; Dr. John Oliver La Gorce, associate editor of the National Geographic magazine and his wife; F. A. Seiberling, Akron tire manufacturer, and his wife and daughter, and Mrs. Victor Kleesworth of New York.

ADMINISTRATOR NAMED

Judge James E. Deery Appointed for Lilly Estate.

Former Municipal Judge James E. Deery was appointed special administrator of the estate of James E. Lilly by Probate Judge Mahlon E. Bash Tuesday. Most of the \$750,000 estate was bequeathed to city charity institutions. Other administrators are Arthur V. Brown of the Union Trust Company, trustee, and John Hollett, attorney for a daughter of Mr. Lilly who brought a will contest.

AGE MAY PREVENT MOVING OF STEVE

Jackson to Take No Action on Plea for Transfer for Several Days.

No action will be taken for several days by Governor Ed Jackson on the petition for transfer of D. C. Stephenson, former Klan leader, now serving a life sentence for murder, from the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City to the State reformatory at Pendleton.

Jackson may take no action. He can, if he desires, refer it to the prison board of trustees.

"I have not decided exactly what I shall do in this matter," Jackson declared before leaving for Evansville, where he will inspect the Southern Indiana Hospital for the Insane.

Transfer of Stephenson would be a violation of the law which specifies that no prisoner over 30 years is to be confined at the reformatory and that all life prisoners must serve their sentences in the State penitentiary, Jackson said. Stephenson is about 35 years old.

Filed by Attorneys

Fear of personal injury at the hands of prison officials, because of his testimony against the Governor during the latter's bribery trial, is set out as the cause for the desire for transfer, by the attorney, Lloyd O. Hill and Paul Newman. They explained that they were filing the petition, because Stephenson is not permitted to see or confer with them at the prison.

Hill also announced today his willingness to submit Stephenson to examination by a lunacy commission.

"Neither Stephenson nor myself would object to such a test," Hill declared. "No one is more sane than Stephenson and only someone selected by the powers that be would hold otherwise."

Feared Vengeance

The statement that Stephenson is suffering from paranoia, dementia praecox and grandiose hallucinations, made by Dr. H. C. McCaughey, superintendent of the Justitia Hospital for the Insane, in testifying at Noblesville in a sanity hearing for a woman, is "bosh," Hill asserted.

Discussing Stephenson's actions during the Jackson trial last week the petition states that he "refused to answer the questions propounded until he had been given opportunity to consult his attorneys, not that he desired to be advised as to his constitutional rights, but that he was in fear of what would happen to him if he testified against the chief executive when he was returned to the State Prison, where he would be placed in the hands of servants of the chief executive of the State and those who hold their places of employment at the will of the chief executive."

MURDERER SOUGHT

Negro Charged With Killing Man in Brawl.

Police today searched for Clarence Meadows, Negro, 439 Minerva St., charged with murdering Robert Boyd, 50, Negro, of 622 N. California St., Tuesday night, after an argument in a cleaning shop at 752 Indiana Ave.

After the altercation the owner of the shop ordered Meadows to leave. In a few minutes he returned through a back door and struck Boyd on the head with a steel pipe, police say. Boyd died this morning at city hospital.

Meadows returned to his home a few minutes after police had questioned his mother. When they returned a second time, the mother said Meadows had told her that he was going to police headquarters to give himself up, but he did not appear.

RADIO SERVICE TO CHINA

U. S.-Shanghai Line Will Tend to Break Cable Monopoly.

By Times Special

MANILA, P. I., Feb. 22.—Commercial radio service between America and Shanghai was inaugurated today. C. H. Nance, far eastern representative of the Radio Corporation of America announced.

The entry of a radio transmission of messages in China will tend to break the monopoly held by the telegraphic companies. The Chinese government and British and Danish telegraph companies entered an agreement in 1924 which gave them the exclusive right to transmit telegraph messages.

BEYER FUNERAL IS HELD

Funeral services for Edward Beyer, 58, of 2176 N. Pennsylvania St., who died Tuesday, will be held at 9 a. m. Thursday at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral. Mr. Beyer, a life long resident of Indianapolis, had been ill two years.

He had been superintendent of the Kramer Manufacturing Company for thirty years. The widow and nine children survive.

A THREE DAYS COUGH IS YOUR DANGER SIGNAL

Persistent coughs and colds lead to serious trouble. You can stop them now with Creomulsion, an emulsified creosote that is pleasant to take. Creomulsion is a new medical discovery with two-fold action; it soothes and heals the inflamed membranes and inhibits germ growth.

Of all known drugs, creosote is recognized by high medical authorities as one of the greatest healing agencies for persistent coughs and colds and other forms of throat trouble. Creomulsion contains, in addition to creosote, other healing elements which soothe and heal the inflamed membranes and stop the irritation and inflammation, while the creosote goes on to the stomach, is absorbed into the blood, attacks the seat of the trouble and checks the growth of the germs.

Creomulsion is guaranteed satisfactory in the treatment of persistent coughs and colds, bronchitis, asthma, bronchitis and other forms of respiratory diseases, and is excellent for building up the system after colds or flu. Money refunded if any cough or cold is not relieved after taking according to directions. Ask your druggist. (adv.)

CREOMULSION FOR THE COUGH OR COLD THAT HANGS ON

Heads 'Y' Drive



Leo T. Brown

Leo T. Brown, attorney, has been chosen to lead one division of the annual membership campaign of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Brown has been chosen as its captain William Springer of the Security Auto Insurance Company, John O. Lewis, attorney, Ralph Swingley, Indianapolis Water Company, and Ralph L. McKay of the Equitable Life Assurance Company.

During Feb. 20-27 the campaigners expect to produce 1,000 members. A special saving of \$3 is offered to all new members.

Other division leaders are R. J. Duke of the Y. M. C. A., Joel T. Traylor of the John Hancock Insurance Company and William F. Hendren of the Hendren Printing Company.

Safety Pledges Will Be Feature at Food Show

Motorist Will Be Asked to Sign Promises by Chief Worley.

Years ago, before prohibition made drinking popular, we used a horse and buggy to get home and "signed the pledge" before climbing on the water wagon.

Today drinking is illegal, and we use automobiles instead of horses, but the pledge-signing pastime still is with us.

And this particular piece of philanthropy is sponsored by Police Chief Claude M. Worley.

Here's how and why. At the Indianapolis Pure Food and Household Appliance Show, to be held at the Cadle Tabernacle next week, the Accident Prevention Bureau of the Police Department will have a Safety Booth in charge of Lieut. Frank Owen of the bureau.

Pledge to Be Signed

Chief among the exhibits will be the "pledge" which all motorists will be asked to sign. "I will drive carefully always, and keep upmost in my mind the urgent need for closer observance of the traffic laws, particularly those applying to school zones, and I will encourage others to make and keep this same pledge, to the end that a sacrifice of life may be stopped and driving become a pleasure instead of a peril."

A carbon copy of the signed pledge will be placed on file at police headquarters, says Worley.

Posters made by children of the public schools along safety lines will be displayed, with a new set each day of the show. Traffic squads from the schools will give daily demonstrations of safety work.

Auto Club to Assist

Police will be assisted by the Hoosier Motor Club, which will display warning signs of all kinds. The signs will be explained, and those signing the pledge will be expected to obey them. Pledge signers will be given a book of Indianapolis traffic laws.

Each of the 1,100 school patrol pupils will be given a free ticket by Chief Worley.

FIRE LOSS IS \$4,000

Garage and Servants Quarters Are Damaged by Flames.

Fire, believed to have been started by an overheated stove, early today caused damage estimated at \$4,000 to a garage and servants' quarters in the rear of the home of Josiah K. Lilly Jr., 4959 Washington Blvd.

Seek South Bend Boys

Police watched roads from South Bend, Ind., today for the arrival of Gilbert Brown, 18, and Marion Bullock, 17, who are said to be riding in an automobile belonging to Brown's brother, taken by the runaway youths.

LEAGUE BRANDS INSPECTORS AS BIG TAX WASTE

Garfield Women Quit Council for Support to Street, Smoke Officials.

Too many smoke inspectors and street inspectors, which they allege make the taxes in Indianapolis high, and the wish of the Indianapolis Council of Women to have more inspectors, caused the Garfield Civic League to withdraw from the council at the league meeting Tuesday afternoon.

"We believe that the police could do the work of the smoke inspectors, and they certainly can see the holes in the streets without the city paying inspectors to see them," Mrs. Martin L. Reiffe, president of the Garfield Civic League, said in speaking of the resolution to withdraw from the council.

"There are too many 'tax eaters' and we consider smoke and street inspectors examples of them. High taxation has caused the giving up of homes and if some of the ministers who talk about the decline of the home would help to reduce the taxes by disposing of some of the 'tax eaters' the homes would not be so hard to keep."

At the civic league meeting Tuesday, Mrs. Reiffe, Mrs. Emma Flick, Mrs. Fred Huff and Mrs. Samuel Davis were appointed to call on Mayor Slack. They will visit him next week, the committee announced, and will impress upon him their ideas of the way the city's money should be spent.

"We hold the mayor responsible for everything," Mrs. Reiffe said.

Resolutions of the Indianapolis Council of Women conflict with those of the Garfield Civic League, and members of the league say they believe they can get farther by not being affiliated with the local council.

Records Crash IN LONG FLIGHT

London-Australia Air Trip Made in 15 Days.

By United Press

PORT DARWIN, Australia, Feb. 22.—Another air record fell today when Capt. Bert Hinkler, Australian flier, set his small Avro airplane down here, thus completing a flight from London to Australia in fifteen days.

The tiny machine and its single occupant had broken the record made by Sir Keith and Sir Ross Smith in 1919 when they flew to Australia from London in twenty-eight days.

While the principal record to fall was the London-Australia flight time, it was pointed out that Hinkler had established four other records in his dash from London.

They include:

The longest solo flight.

The longest flight in a light airplane.

The fastest flight between Great Britain and India.

The first non-stop flight between London and Rome.

Hinkler left London Feb. 7 on his record breaking flight.

In the last flight from Bima, the tiny Avro was forced to go about 500 miles over water.

DE PAUW CELEBRATING

Program Today Honors Founding Ninety-One Years Ago.

By Times Special

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Feb. 22.—De Pauw University here is celebrating the ninety-first birthday anniversary of its founding with Judge Henry M. Dowling, graduated from the university in 1893, as the principal speaker.

The program is patriotic in nature. All classes have been dismissed for the day.

Two alumni meetings are on the day's program. The annual mid-winter council of graduates and other former students was held this morning, followed by a luncheon.

Preferred Dog to Baby

WHITING, Ind., Feb. 22.—Alloging her husband preferred a dog in their home to a baby, Mrs. Mildred J. Elmore has filed suit for divorce. She asserts that in referring to her child by a former marriage, her husband said: "I hate the baby and would rather have a dog in the house."

Armory Site Chosen

By Times Special

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Feb. 22.—A lot on E. Washington St. here has been selected as the site for a \$65,000 Indiana National Guard armory, as the result of a conference between Adj. Gen. William H. Kershner and local citizens. The city council has appropriated \$12,000 to pay for the site. Work will begin within the next few weeks.

Wields Gavel



Charles O. Grafton

Sessions of the Twentieth District Rotary convention which opened today at West Baden, are being presided over by Charles O. Grafton, district governor. The meeting will close Wednesday. Indiana Rotary club members and their wives to the number of 1,500 are expected to attend.

POOLROOM MAN TO FACE TRIAL IN DEATH CASE

Manslaughter Charge Is Filed Against Tipton Motorist.

Trial of Glenn Kirkpatrick, Tipton, Ind., poolroom operator, as the hit-run driver whose automobile killed Allen Campbell, 18, of 852 W. New York St., Oct. 29, will open in Criminal Court Thursday.

Kirkpatrick is at liberty on \$10,000 bond on manslaughter charges, punishable in Indiana by sentence of from two to twenty-one years.

Kirkpatrick was not arrested for four days after the accident at Blackford and Washington Sts., when the car crashed into the bicycle of Campbell, a Western Union messenger boy.

Special venire of fifty prospective jurors was drawn Tuesday by County Clerk George O. Hutsell and the country jury commission, to augment the jurors already in the criminal court panel.

Case Viewed as Important

Criminal Judge James A. Collins will preside. He considered the case of sufficient importance to defer arraignment of six Indianapolis city councilmen on charges of bribery. It is the first time in more than a year that Criminal Court has been called upon to try a hit and run driver, according to court attaches.

The death of Campbell was one of four deaths by automobiles in two days. It caused a search for the driver of the death car unrivaled in city police history. Scores of suspects were questioned.

An anonymous letter to Police Chief Claude Worley finally led to the arrest.

The State's chief witness will be Wilbur Buchanan, 20, of 1819 Kessler Blvd., Western Union messenger, who will identify Kirkpatrick as the man who made this statement to him the night of the crash, in front of the Claypool hotel:

"You'd better get out of my way. I just ran over one of you boys with my car."

Identified by Messenger

"He is the man," Buchanan said when he accompanied officers to Tipton, when the arrest was made.

Kirkpatrick has signed a statement that he was drunk the night of the crash, and that for days after it, reading accounts of the search for the driver in the newspapers, he suspected himself as the driver. Starke said. He failed to notify officers.

The third main link in the State's chain will be testimony of a poolroom employee of Kirkpatrick, whose story is expected to be that when Kirkpatrick returned home the night of the crash, he warned employees to "remember if the law comes around, I've been here three or four hours."

H. B. Pike, pauper attorney, will be assisted in the defense by Eber M. Brown.

Denies Blackmail

Grand Jury Inquiry Opens in Lafayette Case.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Feb. 22.—No clues have yet been disclosed in the hunt for John Burns and Samuel Baxter, prisoners who killed Deputy Sheriffs John Grove and Wallace McClure while en route to the Indiana Reformatory at Pendleton Feb. 7.

The latest report concerning the slayers is from Des Moines, Iowa, where men answering descriptions of the two were seen after abandoning an automobile stolen at Ft. Dodge, Iowa.

Investigation of the case is under way by the Tippecanoe County grand jury, which convened Tuesday. Prosecuting Attorney Laurence Davison is being assisted by A. K. Sills as special prosecutor.

Error Nets City \$15,000

By Times Special

NEWCASTLE, Ind., Feb. 22.—Posting of a \$15,000 debt against the city of Newcastle was made twice, State board of accounts examiners have discovered in an audit of city books, and as a result the total indebtedness of Newcastle has been decreased from \$193,992 to \$178,992.

Prisoner Locks Up Self

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 22.—John Hand, sailor, caused much confusion at the city jail here. He escaped and locked himself in the prison elevator. He finally surrendered.

COOLIDGE WILL HONOR MEMORY OF WASHINGTON



Mrs. Eugenia F. Brinberry

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—President Coolidge will leave here at 11:30 a. m. today on the yacht Mayflower for Alexandria, Va., to be guest of honor at an observance of the 160th anniversary of the birth of George Washington.

The President will make the seven-mile trip on the Potomac without Mrs. Coolidge, who still is confined to the White House because of a slight cold.

Reception Planned

Luncheon will be served Coolidge and guests aboard the yacht, which is expected to dock at the Alexandria naval torpedo station wharf not later than 12:30 p. m. The President's group then will be escorted to the historic Carlyle house, where a reception will be given from 1:30 to 2:30 by Governor and Mrs. Byrd of Virginia.

Following the reception, to which more than 1,200 persons have been invited, President Coolidge and his official party will take places in the reviewing stand to witness a parade conducted under the auspices of the George Washington Birthday Association. Numerous patriotic societies will march.

Legislature to Greet Him

The President's schedule does not call upon him for a public address in Alexandria. The Virginia Legislature will be there en masse to greet him.

Included in the party that will accompany the President on the Mayflower will be the two Virginia Senators, Glass and Swanson and their wives, C. Bascom Slump, Representative Moore, and former Representative Carlin.

Immediately following the parade, President Coolidge will board the Mayflower for the return to Washington.

Steals Fire Ladder

CASTLE ROCK, Colo., Feb. 22.—After breaking into the fire department building and stealing its ladder, a thief carried it a block and used it to gain entrance to the second story of a drug store.

Druggist Gave Her Very Good Advice

Miss Ruth Horowitz, Bronx, N. Y., writes: "Having been troubled with indigestion caused by constipation for several months, my druggist advised a purely vegetable laxative pill. I can safely say that since I am taking them, and only one each night, I feel like myself again and can eat most anything without fear of an attack."

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SLAYER HUNT LACKS RESULT

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