

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 romantic and economic role oil plays in world affairs.

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INDIANAPOLIS ROTARY DELEGATION LARGEST

City Sends 150 to District Meeting at West Baden.

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.

Selection of a new district governor, election 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 Caravan Club, Murat 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 Shriners are eligible to attend the Caravan 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 to the National Geographic magazine and his wife; F. A. Seiberling, Akron tire manufacturer, and his wife and daughter, and Mrs. Victor Kleeswirth 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 Hollister, 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.



Leo T. Brown

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.

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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.

The sermon will follow a talk before parents and Sunday School workers at 6:45 p. m.

Speaking Tuesday night on "The Christian Worker and his Own Soul," Dr. Goodell defended the first president of Jonathan Edwards, early American religious leader and theologian, who said: "I make it my first business to look after the salvation of my own soul."

"No man," said Dr. Goodell, "becomes a scholar or a saint in his sleep. There is an exacting price to be paid for everything that is worth while and so it is with spiritual power."

"How can you give if you do not possess?" Jonathan Edwards was right. How can you tell others of that which you do not know yourself? Are you repeating with flippancy a wise old tale or has this been wrought by deep experience in your own soul? Here lies the secret of any Christian's power and especially that of the pastor."

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., 4055 Washington Blvd.

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 SS. 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.

RADIO SERVICE TO CHINA

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

By United Press

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 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 1884 which gave them the exclusive right to transmit telegraphic messages.

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A THREE DAYS COUGH IS YOUR DANGER SIGNAL

the infected membranes and stop the 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 troubles. Creomulsion contains, in addition to creosote, other healing elements which soothe and heal

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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. Reiffle, 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. Reiffle, 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. Reiffle 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.

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.

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.—Allegedly 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."

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