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NOON

Cloudy tonight, probably some rain, turning to snow; Sunday partly cloudy, much colder with temperature Sunday morning below freezing.

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MOORE UP IN COURT TODAY FOR SENTENCE

Ex-Councilman Slated to Get 2 to 14 Years on Bribe Charge.

NEW TRIAL SOUGHT

Remy Remains Undecided on Dorsett Trial Set for Monday.

Former City Councilmen Boynton J. Moore, convicted on a bribery charge two weeks ago, was scheduled to be sentenced to a two to fourteen prison term before Special Judge Paul G. Davis today.

Defense Attorney Ira M. Holmes was to file a motion for a new trial. State and defense attorneys gathered in Criminal Judge James A. Collins' office for a conference at 9:30, the hour set for the sentencing. Prosecutor William H. Remy and Special Prosecutor Emsley W. Johnson said they had reached no decision as to whether to proceed with the trial of former Councilman Walter R. Dorsett Monday.

Dorsett and all but Claude F. Negley of the other indicted councilmen are seeking to be permitted to plead guilty to a misdemeanor bribery charge, punishable only by a fine in return for their resignations from office.

Meredith Nicholson Selected

The Chamber of Commerce, City Manager League and Board of Trade joint committee at a meeting late Thursday picked a list of men it recommended as successors to Millard W. Ferguson, Democrat, and Dr. Austin H. Todd, Republican. Only one name, that of Meredith Nicholson, author, was suggested to succeed Ferguson. Nicholson was elected Monday noon. Nicholson has been active in Democratic party affairs and was defeated for State Senator at the last election.

The three from whom it was recommended Todd's successor be chosen, when his resignation becomes effective April 25, all are Republicans. They are:

Horace B. Hewitt, 1031 Congress Ave., president of the North Indianapolis Grange Works and treasurer of the H. L. G. Manufacturing Company.

Earl Buchanan, 1215 King ave., employment manager of the National Malleable Castings Company.

The Rev. Clarence G. Baker, 201 N. Addison St., superintendent of the Hawthorne Social Service center.

White, Meure to Vote

Councilmen John P. White and Albert F. Meure, civic organizations' candidates, Thursday elected to succeed Boynton J. Moore and Walter R. Dorsett, will vote with the other councilmen on the election of Ferguson's successor Monday night.

Election of Nicholson is practically assured. Councilmen indicated they would favor the author. They declined to comment on the four recommended to succeed Todd.

"It looks like they have elected him. He was the only person recommended," said Council President Otis E. Bartholomew.

"Nicholson was some pick. He is one of the outstanding men in Indianapolis. He's a Democrat, but of course you would expect that in Ferguson's place," said Claude E. Negley.

City on Front Page

"Nicholson would be absolutely splendid. He will help put Indianapolis on the front page, but in a different way from what it has been done."

A group of citizens who circulated petitions recommending J. Edward Burk, Southeastern Civic Improvement League leader, to succeed Moore to council today issued a statement explaining why Burk's name was not presented.

The petitions were forwarded to a Board of Trade member of the joint civic committees and the committee apparently took no action on them, the statement said. Burk was not nominated from the floor at the council session because there was a misunderstanding as to the hour of the meeting, it said.

TOP HOGS BRING \$9 IN MARKET, 25 CENTS UP

Receipts at Usual Saturday Low Mark; Cattle Average Higher.

Hogs advanced sharply 25 cents on the hundredweight at the local livestock exchange today to a top of \$9 with 2,000 animals in the pens. Material in the bulk sold at \$8.25 and higher.

Other material was steady with light receipts. Cattle were generally higher compared with prices of a week ago.

The Chicago market was very slow with little on sale. Salesmen were asking 10 to 15 cents higher. Receipts numbered 4,000 in the hog division with 6,000 hoolovers.

Injured Motorist Dies

SIX CHARGED WITH THEATER BOMBING

Fire Marshal's Aid Believes Hammond Case Solved.

By United Press
HAMMOND, Ind., April 7.—A five months' investigation, with arrest of six persons, today led authorities to announce belief that the mystery surrounding Hammond's million dollar bombing, which damaged the State theater and literally shook the city last Nov. 8, has been solved.

Announcement of the solution came from Deputy Fire Marshal Elmer Vrooman, after he had placed under arrest William Klei-hege, Hammond theater magnate, and lessee of the State at the time of the blast.

Kleihege operates three other theaters in Hammond and Vrooman said he believed the motive for the bombing was "the fact that the State, although it was believed to have lost money, drew sufficient patronage from the other three not to allow any profits."

Other men accused of the bombing are: Harry L. Ames, Hammond labor leader, charged with placing the bomb; Dean Meloy, alleged Chicago gangster; Marwood Williams, Hammond; James Tuto, Hammond and Joe Million, who the State charges employed the dynamite for Klei-hege. Million was the motion picture machine operator at the time of the blast.

Vrooman said Million told him that he received \$2,000 from Klei-hege to employ bombers. Then, the deputy fire marshal said, Million detailed the entire plot to him, how he employed Ames, business agent of the Hammond Hod Carriers' Union, and how Ames rounded up the gang.

Charges "Frame Up"

Kleihege has refused to talk. Vrooman said, claiming that he has been "framed" by those held as his co-conspirators. Kleihege's bond was fixed at \$10,000. Other bonds: Ames, \$80,000; Meloy, \$40,000; Williams, \$70,000; Tuto, \$10,000; and Million, \$10,000. Of the group, Kleihege was the only one expected to have no trouble in giving bond.

Robbers Beat \$150 Victim

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SINCLAIR TO FACE SURPRISE EVIDENCE

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 7.—New evidence developed by the Senate Teapot Dome committee will be given to the jury in the trial of Harry F. Sinclair, charged with conspiring to defraud the Government in the lease of the famous naval oil reserve.

The trial, starting Monday in District of Columbia Supreme Court, has been delayed nearly two years by an unsuccessful appeal to the United States Supreme Court, the illness of former Secretary of Interior Albert B. Fall, co-defendant, and a mistrial resulting from Sinclair's jury shadowing.

Some new testimony in connection with the Continental deal, not yet disclosed by the Senate committee, may be aired at the trial, it was learned today. This possible "surprise" testimony, however, is not being even hinted at by Government prosecutors.

The trial is expected to last a month. Nearly seventy-five witnesses are understood to have been subpoenaed by the Government.

FILE LAST PLEA TO STAY HALL'S DEATH

Death request close to John Hall, 20, of South Bend today as a letter from his attorney containing a last desperate appeal for mercy lay on the desk of Governor Ed Jackson.

Hall is sentenced to be electrocuted at Indiana State Prison at Michigan City Tuesday. The Governor will not be back to his office until Monday. He is at City Falls State Park with his family, resting.

Pliny Wolford, secretary to Jackson, has arranged a conference of Hall's attorney, Frank E. Coughlin, South Bend, with the Governor Monday.

Coughlin wrote that Thomas O'Brien, pal of John Hall, now serving a life term in State Prison, has confessed that he, not Hall, struck Louis Kreidler, South Bend druggist, a fatal blow on the head in a robbery attempt two years ago. The State contended in the trial that Hall hit Kreidler. The druggist died five days after the attack.

Coughlin says that O'Brien did not confess until Friday because he had hoped to keep the fact that he had struck the blow from his aged, ailing mother. Coughlin says O'Brien now says he does not desire to add the weight of young Hall's death to that of the druggist upon his soul.

Hall was to have gone to the chair March 9, but the Governor granted a stay. On March 30 prison trustees held a public hearing upon

Hourly Temperatures

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7 a. m. ... 53 9 a. m. ... 47

READ BUMPS ON HEAD TO DETERMINE QUALIFICATIONS FOR GOVERNORSHIP

"FORMATIONS of skull, skin and muscle" peculiarly equip John E. Fredrick, Kokomo manufacturer, for the Democratic nomination for Governor, according to the candidate's zealous publicity man whose offering to newspapers today provoked chuckles across editorial desks of Hoosier dailies.

Fredrick, it seems, appreciates Colneal Lindbergh's annoyance with camera-men. But it's Hoosier artists who are out for Fredrick's profile.

On the spot where Fredrick's hat reposes, they recognize at once, the "rounded planes" that equip him to restore the good name of Indiana.

And Fredrick, to the artistic sense, has "the skin you love to vote for."

Among those who are biting their brushes for a chance to transfer Fredrick's likeness to canvas are, according to the candidate's press agent, "Robert Davidson, famous Hoosier sculptor, 'Sandy' Selfridge, prize-winning portrait painter; Hugh Poe,

Yes, Why?

By Times Special
EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 7.—"Now, what do you want to bring that up for?" was the reply of William Brown when his wife, Mrs. Docie Brown, asked him why he didn't go to work, she testified in city court where Brown was fined \$10 and costs and sentenced to ninety days on the enal farm for intoxication.

HUNT AUTOISTS WHO SHOT COP

State Policeman Killed in Pursuing Stolen Car.

By United Press
HARTFORD, Conn., April 7.—State police believe today the motorists who shot and killed State Policeman Irving H. Nelson of New Haven at Pomfret had fled into Massachusetts.

The automobile, said to have been stolen in Worcester Wednesday, was found by the side of the road at Dudley, Mass., early today.

State police of Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut were cooperating with all available local authorities in the search.

Nelson attempted to arrest the three men in the car near Pomfret, Conn., after they had eluded motorcycle police near Springfield, Mass. The motor car had sped through Pomfret and when Nelson attempted to overtake them they fired a volley from the car, fatally wounding the police officer.

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STILL OBJECTS TO FEE

Executive Also Feels U. S. Should Not Pay Entire River Control Cost.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 7.—Friends of farm relief and flood control foresaw today the possibility of presidential veto of one or both bills.

President Coolidge had let them know that he entertains serious objections against both the McNary-Haugen farm bill and the Jones-Reid flood control measures.

While he had not said in so many words that he would exercise his veto power, he had made it unmistakably clear that he strongly opposes important features of both bills.

The President makes it a point not to announce an intended veto in advance, but many acquainted with his processes saw in his latest revelations a serious prospect of such action eventually—a stronger likelihood on farm relief than on flood control, however.

Still Objects to Fee

Mr. Coolidge, as hitherto, still objects to the equalization fee of the McNary-Haugen bill. This phase of the situation caused his veto last year.

His objections to the flood control measure are two-fold; namely, against having the Federal government bear the whole cost and against the situation which would compel the Federal government to buy at elaborate prices large tracts of land along the flood zone, much of which is held by rich corporations.

There has been much talk in Congress that the farm bill has been altered to meet many of the President's objections. But it has not been changed to overcome his criticisms of the equalization fee principle.

At the flood control measure, it was said in Congress today that the House promoter probably have compromised about as much as they can. Congress as a whole appears to favor Federal government payment of costs.

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AGED SLAYER SITS MUTE IN CELL AT MARTINSVILLE

Poolroom Proprietor Kills Man; Wounded Brother May Die.

By Times Special
MARTINSVILLE, Ind., April 7.—With the blood of one man on his hands and a strong possibility that there may be another victim, Charles Blackstone, 70, sits silent today in a cell of the Morgan County jail here.

Ed Stewart, 33, was fatally shot by Blackstone Friday evening. He wounded Stewart's brother, Wayne, 28, so seriously that his death is expected at any moment.

Authorities said the slaying apparently was the result of a dispute over money the Stewarts owe Blackstone. But the aged prisoner refuses to discuss the motive or anything else connected with the shooting. He fired two shots from a revolver at Ed Stewart, both taking effect, and causing almost instant death. Wayne Stewart was struck in the abdomen by three bullets.

After the shooting Blackstone made no effort to escape. He remained in his cigar store-poolroom and was arrested there. The shooting occurred on a street in front of the place. The quarrel which terminated fatally was started Friday afternoon and reached its deadly climax a few hours later when the Stewarts returned to Blackstone's place which they had visited during the afternoon.

Blackstone's wife is the proprietor of a woman's apparel shop at Shelbyville, Ind.

WIDOW SUES SLAYER FOR \$10,000 DAMAGES

Lawrence County Man's Victim Was Father of Seven.

By Times Special
BEDFORD, Ind., April 7.—The \$10,000 damage suit of Mrs. Bertha Shields against John Landreth, slayer of her husband, Roswell Shields, has been taken to the Jackson Circuit Court on a change of venue from Lawrence Circuit Court here.

Landreth is serving a life term in Indiana State Prison for the murder of Shields. The slaying was the climax of a quarrel which resulted when Landreth charged sheep belonging to him had been killed by a dog Shields owned.

Mrs. Shields in the damage suit recites that her husband was the sole support of herself and seven children, ranging in age from 2 to 22 years.

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GREAT HONOR DEPEW

Leaders in All Fields Pay Tribute at Funeral.

NEW YORK, April 7.—Notables from the worlds of politics, business and society attended the funeral of Chauncey M. Depew at St. Thomas' Episcopal church today. Outside the church, hundreds of mourners who were unable to gain admittance to the services bared their heads in silence as the flower bed casket containing the great man's body was carried to the chapel.

Merchants File Bankruptcy

Roy C. Purvis, Tipton merchant, filed a voluntary bankruptcy petition in Federal Court today, listing liabilities of \$12,038 and assets of \$5,013.

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Infantry Has Good Eye



When the reserve officers training corps of the University of Missouri held a military ball the other night, one of the doughboys' chores was to choose a queen. Here she is—Phyllis Kay of Tulsa, Okla., proving that the infantry hasn't entirely lost its eye.

SNOWSTORMS RAGE IN IOWA, NEBRASKA

No Relief From Cold Seen for Isolated Sections of Middle West.

By United Press
CHICAGO, April 7.—Freezing temperatures, accompanied by snow or rain in many sections, was forecast for the Middle West today as the storm which Friday blanketed Iowa and Nebraska with snow and flooded the Southwest continued eastward.

The forecast held little hope for favorable weather for Easter prom-naders. While Sunday was expected to be generally fair throughout the Central States, subnormal weather would prevail, the Weather Bureau said.

Omaha, Lincoln, Sioux City and other eastern Nebraska and western Iowa cities were digging themselves out from under more than a foot of snow today, as disrupted telephone and telegraph communication was being restored after having isolated them for nearly twenty-four hours.

The snowfall, heaviest April fall on record, had practically abated today, although temperatures still were falling. Actual damage was estimated at between \$300,000 and \$400,000, but farmers said the snow was worth millions as a blanket for the spring wheat crop.

The storm tore down more than 1,000 poles and forced newspapers to resort to radio for their outside news. Stations at Kansas City and Des Moines were utilized. Several cities were without lights or street car service for a time, but railroad and air mail schedules continued unhampered.

Rivers and creeks in Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas were out of their banks and many persons were forced to flee to higher ground. The unseasonable weather and rain was felt as far south as Texas.

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CHILLY WAVE TO GREET ANNUAL EASTER PARADE

Weather Man Forecasts Mercury to Drop Below Freezing.

A chilly Easter, was Weather Man J. H. Arrington's prediction today.

Temperatures will be below freezing Sunday morning, he said. But there is not much chance of rain. If any precipitation were likely it probably would be snow, but that is very unlikely, he said.

It will be partly cloudy, however, but there likely will be some periods of sunshine, he said.

Rain is likely tonight, probably turning to a light snow, he predicted.

Last Easter, April 17, was a warm sunny day, United States Weather Bureau records show. The temperature rose to 78 in the afternoon.

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