

# WHIPPING POSTS FOR INDIANA URGED BY GRAND JURORS

## ADVOCATE LASH AS CRIME CURB; ONE IS OPPOSED

Beatings Recommended for Deserters of Wives and Children.

NO, IS COLLINS' VIEW

Punishment Certainty Is More Desirable Than Severity, He Says.

BY MORRIS P. MOORE

The Marion County grand jury went on record today unofficially as favoring a return of the old-time whipping post—as a crime preventive.

Five of the six members of the inquisitorial body told newspaper men they favor such method of punishment, particularly for wife beaters, wife and child deserters and for the younger criminals of a more serious nature.

It all started—this outburst of the five—when someone found a clipping from a Delaware newspaper setting out views of leading jurists and officials of that State denouncing the whipping post as now used.

Only One Against

Foreman E. J. Gausepohl, 3333 Broadway, and Harry Cross, 5335 Ohmer Ave., took the lead, while the one who is against such corporal punishment is George S. Cottman, 336 N. Ritter Ave.

James E. Fisher, 18 E. Fortieth St., sides with Gausepohl and Cross rather vociferously, while John S. Ellenberger, R. R. H., and James W. Haworth, R. R. O., the two remaining members, nodded silent acquiescence.

"The fear of the thing we must instill," said Cross. "We have about sixty wife desertion cases here a week," added Deputy Prosecutor William H. Shaeffer.

Costly to State

"We can indict, have them arrested, and the court can exact a promise that they'll pay up, but they skip again. The county does not have the funds to chase down each one."

"They can seek refuge in neighboring States and it would cost Indiana from \$50 to \$100 each to return them here."

"When they are placed in jail, certainly they can not pay, and while there, the families suffer even more."

"A good, sound lashing, inflicted not in public view, but in the recesses of the jail, would go far to minimize such cases. It does no good to put them in jail. They would fear the stinging tips of a long whip."

Called Dark Ages Relic

Cottman differed with the other five, seeing the whipping post as a revival of "a brutal sort of punishment that failed in the dark ages."

"Hard labor would be far better, as a deterrent to crime," he said. Criminal Judge James A. Collins also differed with the grand jury. "Certainty of punishment, rather than severity, is needed. Speedy trials rather than corporal punishment will deter crime," Collins said. "The whipping post in Indiana would be a step backward in our civilization."

Such a drastic change in the criminal code would necessitate action by the legislature.

Mrs. Ethel Simons, 736 Bosart Ave., former president of the Kendall Dramatic Club, has been appointed director of women's activities of the Independent Voters' League, of which William A. Boyce, Jr., city clerk, is president.

## When Miss Indiana Is Crowned Queen—



Photo by Times Staff Photographer.

like these members of the Circle ballet when they are crowned in The Times-Indiana Bathing Beauty contest.

Rink's is awarding a complete afternoon frock and evening gown to Miss Indianapolis Saturday

night in the Indiana ballroom and the same kind of outfit to Miss Indiana May 7 in the Indiana theater. Em-Roe Sporting Goods Company will give each of the two champions a Bradley bathing suit and cape like the ones shown in this picture.

Miss Indianapolis and Miss Indiana will be attired

## 26 BEAUTIES IN TONIGHT'S TEST

Five Will Be Selected for Finals Saturday.

Five more girls will be named tonight in the second preliminary of The Times-Indiana bathing beauty contest in the Indiana ballroom. These girls, with the five named Tuesday and the five to be named Friday, will appear in the finals Saturday night in the ballroom, in competition for the title of Miss Indianapolis.

The girls who will compete tonight are:

Hazel Alwes, 724 S. East St. Etta Louise Roberts, Columbus, Ind.

Violet G. Allum, 5090 W. Fifteenth St. Dorothy Voight, Speedway City.

Beatrice Babb, 1620 E. Twelfth St. Peggy Joslin, 2219 College Ave. Buelah L. Smith, 17 W. North St. Mildred Walter, 423 E. North St. Apt. 4.

Loretta Dunn, 1223 S. Richland Ave. Miss Irene Hughes, 539 S. Illinois St.

Ellen Bloom, 2231 Central Ave. Mary McCann, 401 Blake St. Dora Burrell, 614 N. East St.

Alice Burt, 631 W. Thirtieth St. Gertrude Dunn, 2312 Prospect St. Frieda Whitaker, 1402 Lincoln St. Evelyn Wolf, 627 Parkway.

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## DESERTED HUSBAND ILL

Mrs. Norma O'Connor Still Is Missing From Home

Relatives of Mrs. Norma O'Connor, 32, of 625 E. Sixty-Third St., who disappeared from her home April 15, today asked that word her husband J. B. O'Connor is dangerously ill be broadcast in the hope she will hear of it and return.

## ORDERED ON BALLOT

Three Precinct Candidates Win Court Fight.

Names of three candidates for precinct committeemen, stricken from the lists by the county election board, were ordered back on the ballots today by Superior Judge Byron K. Elliott in a ruling on suit brought by five candidates.

Judge Elliott held that they filed in good faith in the precincts in which they thought they lived, and that their correct addresses were given.

The three whose names go back on the ballot are Jesse A. Evans, 1324 N. Olney, Seventeenth precinct, First ward; William L. Jones, 1240 N. Oxford, Sixteenth precinct, First ward, and Charles L. Roush, 1520 Brookside Ave., Thirteenth precinct, First ward.

The two whose names will not appear on the ballot are Clyde Rickes, 842 E. Dr., Woodruff Place, Twenty-second precinct, Ninth ward, and George L. Stivers, 1725 N. Oxford, Eighteenth precinct, First ward.

## New Decatur County Map

By United Press  
GREENSBURG, Ind., April 26.—Stanton Guthrie, county surveyor, and Robert L. Meek, city engineer, are at work on a new map of Decatur County which will replace the old chart made in 1916. The new map will show new roads and farms in addition to towns, streams and railroads not shown on the old one.

## NEW 'MANAGER LEAGUE INC.' IS SUED FOR NAME

Original Group Seeks to Enjoin Organization's Use of Title.

Suit to enjoin the newly-organized "City Manager League, Inc." from the use of that name to "deceive, confuse and mislead" the public, was filed in Superior Court today by the Indianapolis City Manager League, the original organization supporting the city manager movement here.

The complaint for injunction was filed by Claude H. Anderson, executive secretary for the Indianapolis City Manager League in behalf of Frank E. Gates, league treasurer, and all members of the original league.

Allege Fraud, Deceit

The complaint sets out that the Indianapolis City Manager League was organized in July, 1927, "for the purpose of obtaining non-partisan, honest and efficient municipal administration for the city of Indianapolis by the establishment of the city manager plan of municipal government."

The City Manager League, Inc., says the complaint, was incorporated April 17, 1928, with the "sole purpose of fraudulently deceiving and misleading the voters... for the purpose of appropriating and using to its own advantage the good name and reputation, prestige and influence of these plaintiffs."

Leaders in the Indianapolis City Manager League anticipated the counterfeiting organization would advance slates for legislative candidates in an attempt to confuse the public and fraudulently give such candidates the aspect of the old league's endorsement. Disgruntled candidates omitted from the old league's legislative slate were thought to be behind the new organization.

Trio Named Defendants

Defendants in the action are the three "directors" of the City Manager League, Incorporated: Carl H. Englemier, 602 N. Tuxedo St., Bertram Watson, Negro, 408 N. Illinois St., and Ernel M. Hamilton, 2121 Barth Ave., none of whom have been active, say officers of the original league, in the city manager movement.

The suit would have the newly incorporated league enjoined from using the name it now bears and "from sending out notices, postal cards, letters or other communications of any kind using said name and from carrying on any activities under the name of the City Manager League, Incorporated." It is asked that the injunction be made permanent on final hearing.

## ALUMNI HEARS NIBLACK

Argues Repeal of Teachers' Tenure Law.

Repeal of the teachers' tenure law was favored by Deputy Prosecutor John L. Niblack, candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senator, in an address today noon before alumni of the Benjamin Harrison Law School at the Lincoln.

Niblack, an alumnus of the school, graduated from Indiana University before entering the law school in Indianapolis.

He cited his record as a deputy under Prosecutor William H. Remy and denied allegiance to any group or faction.

## Judge in Walb Case



Federal Judge Walter Lindley of Danville, Ill., who is presiding at the trial of Clyde A. Walb, former Republican State chairman, at Ft. Wayne, on charges of violating the national banking laws.

## HOME TOWN TALKS WEAVER CLEMENCY

By Times Special

LA GRANGE, Ind., April 26.—Confession is good for the soul—and sometimes a man's standing in his home town.

Folks, who a few months ago were cursing white-haired Valentine D. Weaver as the man who robbed them of their savings, entrusted to him in the First National Bank of LaGrange, today were discussing the circulation of a petition for clemency for him.

Weaver had been a leader in every community movement, so trusted that wealthy farmers used to meet him on the street, hand him hun-

dreds of dollars in cash and ask him to make deposits for them when he got to the bank. It developed that Weaver in many cases pocketed the cash instead of depositing it.

The religion of La Grange, however, appears to be one of forgiveness for sins, rather than an eye for an eye, because citizens were seriously talking of having petition for clemency ready to present when Weaver comes up for sentencing before Judge Walter Lindley at the close of the trial, in which Walb now is the sole defendant.

There is no movement for clemency for Walb.

## PACIFIC FLIERS PLAN TO MAKE EUROPEAN TRIP

Maitland, Hegenberger Will Visit Principal Countries Abroad This Summer.

BY MAURITZ A. HALLGREN

United Press Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON, April 26.—Two other American air heroes may make European tours this summer, in addition to Charles Lindbergh's projected tour.

Lieut. Lester J. Maitland, who with Lieut. Albert C. Hegenberger first spanned the Pacific by airplane from California to Hawaii, expects to visit the principal European countries. He expects Hegenberger to accompany him.

Maitland now is writing a history of aviation in America entitled "Twenty-Five Years of Flying." It deals with the development of aeronautics from the time of the famous flight of Orville Wright at Kitty Hawk, N. C., in 1903.

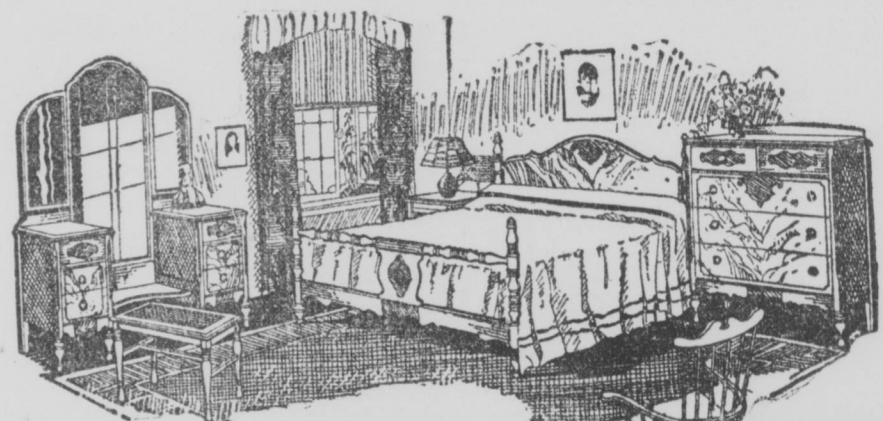
Maitland is now on a two months' leave of absence, writing his book. But he has been assured that this leave will be extended to give him at least six weeks in Europe. Hegenberger, now stationed at Dayton, Ohio, probably will be granted a similar leave.

The two aviators will not take an airplane abroad with them. According to Maitland, his study of European aviation will consist of flying the various types of army and commercial ships now in service on the continent. He has decided to visit Germany, France, Italy and perhaps several other countries.

Maitland and Hegenberger will be on the continent at about the same time that Col. Lindbergh will be making his "good will" tour of Europe and Asia. Lindbergh is expected to fly over the Atlantic to some northern country late in May or early in June.

Miss Eva Stamper, Apt. 12, 431 N. Illinois St., was locked up in city prison today after city hospital doctors pumped poison she had taken from her stomach today. It was the third time Miss Stamper has taken poison, police said.

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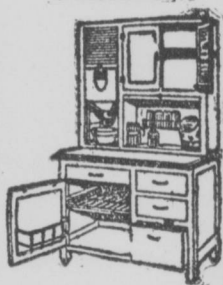
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