

# 200 DEAD, 3,000 INJURED, FORECAST AS JULY 4 TOLL

## MILLIONS WILL BE SPENT FOR SKY DISPLAYS

Fireworks Sales Are Far Heavier Than Reported Last Year.

## HEAT WAVE PREVAILS

Pre-Holiday Accidents Are Numerous, With Many on Casualty Roll.

**WASHINGTON, July 4.**—The Nation today celebrated the 152nd anniversary of its independence. The cost will be nearly 200 lives, 3,000 injured and some \$8,000,000 for fireworks, if expenditures and injuries of previous years are duplicated. Increase of about \$1,000,000 a year in fireworks purchased indicates the celebration will be even more costly than heretofore, unless small boys develop an unusual caution in setting off giant crackers. Hot weather over the country caused fears for a large number of drownings at swimming resorts. The capital, deserted by President Coolidge, most of the Cabinet, diplomats and officials, celebrated with a few speeches and fireworks. The District of Columbia tries to prevent the deaths and injuries of celebrators by banning sale of explosive fireworks, but stores around the line in Virginia and Maryland had a boom business in young dynamite.

## Eight Hurt in Crash

**DENVER, July 4.**—The first Fourth of July automobile accident reported here today injured eight persons, two seriously. An automobile driven by W. C. Thornton, Denver financier, turned over, injuring the eight occupants. The injured are: Thornton, his wife, Rose; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wigg, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eaton, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Moore, Cincinnati. Sixteen other persons were injured in crashes here yesterday.

## Hospitals Are Ready

**ST. LOUIS, July 4.**—St. Louis hospitals have provided six free emergency treatment wards to care for an anticipated 400 injured as a result of today's Independence day celebration. Forty-four injured yesterday raised the total for the preholiday casualties to 155. Miss Frances Mitchell, 16, was the second person to be seriously injured when shot by a blank cartridge wad. The missile penetrated her back for an inch.

## ROAD NEAR COMPLETION

**Macadam Pike to Sunnyside Ready in Two Weeks.**

New macadamized road connecting Sunnyside Tuberculosis Sanatorium with Cumberland pike, under construction at a cost of \$10,000, will be finished within two weeks, County Road Superintendent Luther E. Text said today. Intermittent rains have caused considerable delay in the last month. The road is being built with regular county forces, no contract having been let. Prior to now the sanatorium has had only a cinder-gravel road, which became bad during wet weather.

## BALKS RUN ON PARDONS

**Colorado Governor Ends Year Without Freeing a Prisoner**

**DENVER, July 4.**—Governor "Billy" Adams has made pardons in Colorado very unpopular since his inauguration more than a year ago. Despite terrific pressure he steered the ship of State to the case of his first year at the helm without granting a single pardon to penitentiary prisoners. Prior to attaining the State's highest office, Governor Adams served forty years in the State legislature, from a district in the where he still has vast ranch property in southwestern part of the State, etc.

## TOO MANY CHICKENS

**Two Men and Women Caught Unloading Hens From Machine.**

Too many chickens caused the arrest of George Chadwick, 41, of 136 E. McCarty St.; Roscoe Williams, 41, of 522 Virginia Ave., and Helen Blake, 46, of 1659 S. Delaware St., on vagrancy charges Tuesday night. Sgt. Cummins and squad found the three unloading chickens from a sedan in front of 136 E. McCarty St. They found four chickens in the house. Williams and Chadwick told different stories, the police allege.

## Damp Fourth

**EVANSVILLE, Ind., July 4.**—The Fourth of July for Mrs. Arthur Stone and her two little children. They are marooned by high water near the mouth of Green River, where the family has a summer cottage. The husband and father, a local attorney, plans to ask aid of the Government relief steamer Kankakee unless the water recedes by Thursday. The family has plenty of food in the cottage, but there will be no fireworks for the children.

## 'That Makes It,' Says Al, With Kiss



## U. S. LINER SALE IS AUTHORIZED

**Leviathan Among Ships to Go on Block.**

**WASHINGTON, July 4.**—Disposal of two major American shipping lines to private interests took definite shape Tuesday when the Merchant Fleet Corporation was authorized by the United States Shipping Board to prepare bid specifications for sale of the United States lines and the American merchant line. The two lines will be sold under eight alternate propositions. Simultaneously, the shipping board directed the fleet corporation to prepare bid specifications for the sale of the American Palmetto line, operating out of South Atlantic ports. This line would be sold on a basis of six or more of the ten cargo ships now operating under the line. Included in the United States lines is the giant liner Leviathan, largest American vessel and queen of the Nation's trans-Atlantic passenger ships. The others are the George Washington, Republican, President Harding, President Roosevelt and the America. The latter vessel recently was refitted and put into service again after being burned several years ago.

## CAROLINA CAPITAL IS PERILED BY FLAMES

**Historic Hotel Is Destroyed by Raleigh Blaze.**

**RALEIGH, N. C., July 4.**—Fire threatening an entire business block including the city auditorium here was brought under control after the historic old Yarrow Hotel was destroyed. Fire fighting equipment was called from Durham, twenty-six miles away, to aid local firemen in controlling the flames. Other buildings in the block where the fire centered were believed out of danger, but firemen continued to play water over the smoking ruins of the hotel and on nearby buildings. The fire was discovered in an elevator shaft soon after it had started. There were few guests in the rooms at the time.

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Governor Smith, his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Warner, and Major Warner sat in the executive mansion at Albany listening to radio reports of the balloting at Houston. Thomas Jefferson, the Governor's Great Dane, looked on anxiously. Finally Ohio swung over to Smith, giving him the necessary two-thirds. "That makes it!" he exclaimed, and grabbed his daughter for a celebratory kiss.

## The City in Brief

**THURSDAY EVENTS**  
American Business Club luncheon, Columbia Club.  
Rotary Club luncheon, Claypool.  
Advertising Club luncheon, Spink Arms.  
Engineering Club luncheon, Board of Trade.  
Indianapolis Association of Credit Men luncheon, Severin.  
Sigma Chi luncheon, Chamber of Commerce.  
Sigma Nu luncheon, Board of Trade.

Methods of using the Junior Red Cross as an educational feature in the schools were discussed by Miss Maude Lewis, representing national American Red Cross headquarters, before students and faculty of the Teachers College of Indianapolis, Tuesday afternoon.

The picnic of the Indianapolis chapter of the Order of De Molay has been postponed from Sunday to Saturday, according to David Neafus, chapter advisor. The outing will be at Broad Ripple Park.

"Sing and Be Happy" was the tip Harper Garcia Smyth, of Cleveland, Ohio, song director and pageant producer, gave members of the Rotary Club Tuesday at the club's Claypool hotel luncheon. He led the club members in singing numerous popular songs.

Annual picnic of the Columbia Club, to be held July 11 at the Ulen Country Club at Lebanon, will be attended by about 200 persons. The picnic will be an all-day affair, with golf, tennis, baseball and horseshoe pitching for the men and bridge for the women during the afternoon.

Suit to padlock a residence and soft drink stand of Steve and Anna Stonich, 702 Haugh St., as a public nuisance, was filed in Superior Court Tuesday by attorneys for the Anti-Saloon League. Liquor has been sold there, it was alleged. A year's padlock is sought.

Russell Smith and Earl Drake,

both 30, of Shelbyville, were ordered held to the Federal grand jury on liquor charges by United States Commissioner John W. Kern Tuesday. Bond was set at \$1,500. It was charged that Drake, a Shelbyville hotel porter, sold liquor to Smith, an employee of a poolroom, at Shelbyville Monday night.

## 16,287 STATE WARDS

**11,242 Men, 6,002 Women Are in Institutions.**

There are 11,242 men and 6,002 women in the twenty State institutions, a survey published by the State Charities Board shows.

The largest group is at the Indiana State Reformatory at Pendleton, where 2,064 are serving time. Indiana State Prison at Michigan City is second with 1,936 prisoners and the Indiana State Farm near Greencastle is third with 1,258.

At the Woman's Prison, Indianapolis, there are 201 prisoners and 327 at the Girls' School near Clermont. Other institutions were listed as follows: Central State Hospital, 1,533; Logansport State Hospital, 1,324; Richmond State Hospital, 1,141; Evansville State Hospital, 1,033; Madison State Hospital, 1,404; School for Feeble-Minded Youth, Wayne, 1,597; Farm Colony for Feeble-Minded, Butler, 337; Village for Epileptics, Newcastle, 701; State Soldiers' Home, Lafayette, 377; Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans Home, Knightstown, 507; State Sanatorium, Rockville, 174; Indiana University Hospitals, Indianapolis, 348; State School for the Deaf, Indianapolis, 129; Boys' School, Plainfield, 488.

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**No Typist; Begs**  
**NEW YORK, July 4.**—James Allman, former English journalist, who says he failed to make a living from his profession because of his inability to learn to use the typewriter, was arrested here for soliciting alms.

## EXPLORER WILL FOLLOW TRAIL OF MARCO POLO

**Chinese Region May Bare New Story of Origin of Man.**

**HANKOW, China, July 4.**—The footsteps of Marco Polo will be followed by Prof. George B. Cressey, Shanghai College geologist, who has just passed through here en route to Kansu and Inner Mongolia, where he will study the ancient past of those remote districts of China. New evidence of the origin of man may be unearthed by Professor Cressey in his studies, although his principal studies will be upon the climate of Asia during the last ten millions of years. Whether the people of the overcrowded plains of China will be able to emigrate to the great expanses of empty land in Mongolia, some writers have urged, may be determined by agricultural studies to be made by Professor Cressey.

**Explores in Mongolia**  
The area to be explored lies in western Inner Mongolia, north of the Great Wall from Kansu. Except for irrigated strips along the Yellow River all this region is a desert.

In the center of the area lie the great Alaskan range of mountains, which rise to over 10,000 feet, and divide the desert into two distinct regions, the Alaskan desert on the west and the Ordos on the east.

The Ordos includes the district within the great northward bend of the Yellow River outside the Great Wall. Although an ancient Mongolian trade route crosses this district, it seldom has been followed by foreigners. Except for the few trails most of the Ordos and Alaskan is quite unknown, both geographically and geologically.

Marco Polo crossed the area on his journey to China, and during much of the summer the expedition will be following in his footsteps. The Chinese city of Ninghsia and the Mongol trade center of Wang Yeh Fu will be the headquarters for work.

## Knows This Region

Prof. Cressey has over 2,000 miles of travel in Inner and Outer Mongolia to his credit. Both the Ordos and the Alaskan were visited by Prof. Cressey in 1924, on the return from an expedition to Koko Nor in Tibet.

There was no opportunity for detailed studies at that time, but hasty examination indicated several promising areas. Since that time the few available reports of earlier explorers have been examined and definite projects mapped out.

An attempt to continue work in 1926 resulted in an attack by brigands, before the area was reached. Mongolia itself is characteristically peaceful, but the Chinese borderlands are often in an unsettled condition.

Reports indicate that conditions along the route which it now is proposed to follow are quiet.

## SERVE MEMPHIS FREE

**Two officials Refuse Checks; Firemen's Fund Benefits.**

**MEMPHIS, July 4.**—Imagine working for nothing! You would not like it—yet that's just what M. J. Condon and Lloyd Bindford do. Condon is chairman of the civil service commission and Bindford is chairman of the board of censors. They both refuse their monthly checks; Bindford has never asked for his and Condon lets his remain with the city clerk for several months and then signs them over to the firemen's relief fund.

## ELECTROCUTE INSECTS

**Englishmen Proposed "Charged" Wire to Replace Fly-Swatter.**

**LONDON, July 4.**—Don't swat the fly, for another and easier method has been invented here which doesn't take one-half the effort of swinging a fly swatter. It is made of two bare-wire solenoids in a case, on which a bait that appeals to the insects' appetite is laid. An electric light attracts the insects. They go to dine, and are electrocuted or stunned so that they fall into a trap and cannot escape.

## TRIES TO CHANGE LOOT

**Boy Caught in Attempt to Select Fit in Bail Mit**

**ELYRIA, Ohio, July 4.**—Summer time and baseball can do lot of things with a small boy's mind. A lad of ten, passing a bank here, saw the sporting goods display of a store. He took a fancy to a baseball glove in the window. He walked into the bank, took the glove and walked out. Later, finding the glove didn't fit, he went to the store and tried to exchange it for another, with disastrous results.

In Georgia every unmarried man or woman of 30 has to pay a tax of \$6 yearly.

## PLUMBING AND SEWER WORK

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## 'GIRL HICKMAN' IS UNMOVED IN CELL

**High School Flapper Tells Without Emotion of Her Kill Impulse.**

**By NEA Service**  
**CARLAND, Cal., July 3.**—"The girl Hickman" is the title police here have bestowed on Miss Erna Janoschek, 17-year-old high school girl, held on charges of first degree murder. Erna, a pretty, intelligent young flapper, strangled to death a year-old baby, Diana Lillencrentz, for whose parents Erna worked as a maid and nurse. She told about it with flip unconcern. "I strangled the baby because I felt her mother was supporting me in managing her other child, and because I felt they were working me too hard."

At this point the girl interrupted her explanation to laugh.

**Laughs at Crime**  
"I have to laugh when the impulse comes over me," she said. "When things like this happen I have to laugh."

Which remarks help to explain why the police call her "the girl Hickman."

Some criminologists here see an amazing similarity between Erna and the young Los Angeles murderer.

Neither in looks nor psychological makeup does either one bear any outward sign of abnormality or degeneracy. Both were bright students in school, apparently desiring to do creative things—Erna's room contained scraps of poetry she had scribbled.

Each surrendered abruptly to the impulse to kill, and displayed no remorse or grief afterward. Dr. and Mrs. Guy Lillencrentz, for whom Erna worked, had come to San Francisco, where the young doctor, a recent medical college graduate, is a hospital interne. While they were gone Erna calmly called up the police to tell them she had killed the baby.

## Had Impulse to Kill

"I'd rather face the police than Mrs. Lillencrentz," she explained. She told how she brooded, alone in the house with baby Diana and little Francis, aged 3, over her supposed overwork.

Suddenly came the impulse to kill. She did not harm Francis; she was fond of the child. Instead she seized the smaller child from the crib, wrapped a towel about its neck and killed it. Then she summoned the police.

At the police station she told of having had the impulse to kill other children who had been left in her care. Always before, she said, she had overcome it.

She insists, however, that a desire to be revenged on Mrs. Lillencrentz was her sole motive in this crime.

## CABS COLLECT JEWELRY

**NEW YORK, July 4.**—In four months, this year, more than \$59,000 worth of jewelry has been left in taxicabs in this city. Forty-five packages of jewels, besides clothing, brief cases, luggage, umbrellas, canes and other articles were found by drivers after their fares had departed.

## New Golf Links Near Rushville

**RUSHVILLE, Ind., July 4.**—The Rush County board of commissioners has agreed to converting the old fairground here into a golf course. The new course, covering twenty-five acres, is about one and one-half miles from the city, and promoters believe will afford a place for local golf enthusiasts to play instead of going to nearby towns with courses. Oliver Cartmel, Halbert Brown, Virgil Maffett and Robert L. Newkirk, local business men, are promoters of the course.

## STEAL Cannon

**MORRISTOWN, Pa., July 4.**—Five men are sought as the thieves who attempted to steal an antique cannon from a shop here last night for a Fourth of July celebration. They were dragging the cannon down the street at the end of a rope, a trolley crashed into it and smashed it.

## TOWN HAS THREE TIMES

**Alvordton, (O.) Residents Give Up Hope of Knowing Hours**

**ALVORDTON, Ohio, July 4.**—Finding out the time in this town is a tough job. Ask one man and you'll get one kind of time, ask another and you'll be an hour late and a third and you might be an hour early. Some folks in this town go by sun time, railroad men go by central time, which is the official time of the State.

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## COOLIDGE HAS QUIET BIRTHDAY AT REST LODGE

**President Declines All Invitations to Holiday Celebrations.**

**BY ROBERT MOOREFIELD**  
**United Press Staff Correspondent**  
**CEDAR ISLAND LODGE, Wis., July 4.**—President Coolidge observed his fifty-sixth birthday anniversary today by spending a quiet day with his family at Cedar Island Lodge, the summer White House.

He did not participate in any public July Fourth celebration, but remained in seclusion with Mrs. Coolidge and his son, John. Several birthday cakes had been baked for the President, both in Superior and Duluth, and the cutting of them will include the only ceremony on his natal day.

This afternoon, members of the presidential party from Washington, visited the lodge. Invitations to take part in Independence day observances here were declined by the President, who made known his desire for a quiet day with his immediate family on the banks of the Brule.

The President has taken no action to appoint a successor to Herbert Work, Secretary of the Interior, who presented his resignation Monday, to take charge of the Hoover-Curtis Republican campaign.

The resignation probably will not be accepted formally until a successor has been named. James W. Good, who has been considered as a possible successor, was understood to have refused the post, because of the press of private business.

Herbert Hoover, it was understood, sent word to President Coolidge today that he would visit the chief executive in the near future.

## FIND STONE AGE BONES

**Three Skeletons of Famous Cro-Magnon Race Unearthed**

**PARIS, July 4.**—A new find of three skeletons of the famous Cro-Magnon race of stone age times is reported from the allee du Roc, Charente, in France. The remains were those of a man about fifty years old, of a woman, and of a youth just cutting his first wisdom tooth. They had apparently all been buried in a cave, the roof of which later fell, covering their graves still more deeply with rough blocks of stone. This rock fall had considerable damaged the skeletons.

## HELEN WILLS IN FINAL

**American Tennis Queen Beats Elizabeth Ryan at Wimbledon.**

**WIMBLEDON STADIUM, England, July 4.**—Miss Helen Wills, American champion of all three leading tennis countries, entered the final in the women's singles at the All-England tennis championships today by defeating her Wightman Cup team mate, Miss Elizabeth Ryan, with the loss of only two games, 6-1, 6-1.

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