

## RACKET QUIZ IS DOWNFALL OF 'BIG BILL'

Political Machine Crumbles  
as Allies Are Indicted;  
Crowe Probed.

This is the fifth of a series of articles on racketeering by James P. Kirby, staff writer for The Times and NEA Service and closes the story of Chicago.

BY JAMES P. KIRBY

NEA Service Writer  
CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—"Big Bill" Thompson, three-times mayor of Chicago, super-patriot who was elected on his pledge "to keep America safe for Americans," founder of the "America First Foundation" and who prided himself as "Big Bill, the Builder," is now in seclusion somewhere in the Wisconsin woods.

Meanwhile, a special grand jury is investigating the political activities of his ally, Robert E. Crowe, State's attorney for eight years and one of his strongest henchmen.

Already, two of the strongest of the political allies of Thompson and Crowe—Morris Eller, leader of the bloody Twentieth ward, and his son, Judge Emmanuel Eller of the Criminal Court—are among sixty indicted by the special jury on charges of conspiracy.

From his seclusion Thompson today contemplates the destruction of his political machine and the imminent indictment of powerful friends and associates who for years maintained absolute control on Chicago and who permitted the racketeer and the gangster and the beer barons to operate without disturbance.

Officials Resign

Charles Fitzmorris, once secretary to the mayor, then chief of police, and finally controller, has resigned.

Dr. William H. Reid, Thompson's city smoke commissioner and close personal and political friend, has resigned.

Michael Hughes, Thompson's chief of police, adviser and councilor and long powerful in Chicago politics, has resigned.

State's Attorney Crowe was repudiated by more than 200,000 votes in the April primary in his attempt at renomination after eight years in office. He is the man held responsible by Chicagoans for the demoralization of business and public affairs through his failure to prosecute racketeers, gamblers and gangsters.

A judgment of more than \$225,000 held by the courts to be collectable has been returned against Thompson and certain of his political associates for the return of city funds, dissipated by the Thompson spoils system.

Thompson Sick Man

Thompson, according to informed persons at the city hall, is a sick man. Strangely missing from the front pages of Chicago newspapers are the invective, the proclamations and picturesque comment of the thrice-elected mayor.

Stranger still, in the minds of Chicagoans, are some of his more recent official acts. These include the appointment of Captain William Russell, long known as a policeman of honesty and integrity and never popular with the Thompson machine, as commissioner of police; the appointment of Captain John Stege, fired from the police force on a technicality after twenty-six years, as chief of detectives and the ace in the hole of the special grand jury investigation. It is admitted these resulted from strong pressure brought to bear on the mayor by reform organizations.

Police Force Probed

In one industry alone, the candy jobbing industry, sixty-two individuals are under conspiracy indictments in the State courts. Forty-five of these are also under similar indictments in Federal court and are now awaiting trial under bonds of \$20,000.

Already a special grand jury has begun to comb the police department to sift the part played by some of its officers in the affairs of primary day. It is investigating, too, the part played by certain notorious gangsters, racketeers and gunmen, known to have been heavy contributors to campaign funds.

The once-powerful Thompson-Crowe political machine which contributed to the apportionment Chicago has borne among the great cities of the world is passing.

Next: The Racketeer invasion of St. Louis.

## HELD IN MURDER FOR CIRCUIT COURT TRIAL

Second Degree Charge Against  
Porter Jordan.

Charged with second degree murder in the death Sept. 9 of Bert Harris, 1209 Delos St., Porter Jordan, 1414 Delos St., late Friday was bound over to Circuit Court without bond by Judge Paul C. Wetter in municipal court.

Ray Frankum, 1501 Churchman Ave., accused of an attack on Mrs. Harris after her husband had been killed, was bound over to the court under \$2,500 bond.

Harris was killed in an altercation among the three men.

Mrs. Jordan, in court Friday with her three small children, collapsed when the murder charge was made against her husband.

PHILIP KANTZ DIES

Father of Mrs. Marie De Long  
Passes Away.

Philip A. Kantz, 75, father of Mrs. Marie De Long, 825 N. Delaware St., died Friday. Mr. Kantz, a garage owner, called police asking investigation of a stench bomb attack on his place of business. Detective John Hannan shook a pair of overalls hanging in the place and a skunk jumped out of one of the pockets. Hannan reported another stench bomb had been thrown.

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## Television Is Broadcast



## CHEMISTS BARE FRAUD IN 'DOPE' TO DOCTOR GAS

Declare Secret Mixtures to  
Add Motor Power Are  
Snares.

By Science Service  
EVANSTON, Ill., Sept. 14.—Secret "dope" sold to private owners for addition to motor gasoline at least a delusion and possibly a snare. Investigations described at the Institute of Chemistry of the American Chemical Society here show that chemicals of real potency in the betterment of automobile fuel are already well known and are now marketed by responsible manufacturers.

There is no secrecy in their scientific formula. The search for anti-knock material has been highly scientific and exhaustive. It is probable that no ordinary person outside the great research laboratories has any chance at all of producing something of value to drop by the teaspoonful into a tank of gas.

### Brand Mixtures Fraud

Among the chemicals recently sold widely without basis of merit are nitro-benzene and ortho-nitrotoluene, fixed up in perfumed and colored mixtures. These coal-tar products do nothing of significance to the gasoline and may be regarded as a fraud.

More deceptive is the widely known use of moth balls. These may be used either as such, or may be purchased at times in a crushed form under some non-descriptive trade mark. Experiments carried out by the Bureau of Mines have revealed that moth balls, known to chemists as naphthalene, have practically no effect, good or bad, on the power qualities of gasoline.

The substance does, however, increase the viscosity of the fuel so that the spray of the material in the motor carburetor is cut down in volume. Particularly in the Model T Ford it is well known that most owners waste a large part of their fuel by feeding too rich a mixture to the carburetor.

Those sending in the first ten correct answers each will receive a pair of seats to "Lilac Time," First National Pictures' Colleen Moore starring photodrama, in which wartime aviators are used as a compelling romance.

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5. What is the name of the organization to which the leading aviators belong?

Mail answers at once to The Times Lilac Time Editor.

## Aviation Fans, Here's Chance to Win Prizes

Only two more chances to win free seats for "Lilac Time," and today is one of them!

Below are printed five more questions about aviation which every well-informed person should be able to answer. Answer them correctly now, mailing your answer to the Lilac Time Contest Editor, care of this newspaper.

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## VETERAN TEACHER DEAD

Miss Lizzie Perlee, 67, Taught in  
Indiana 43 Years.

Funeral services for Miss Lizzie Perlee, 67, a teacher in Indiana's public schools for forty-three years, began 50-year penitentiary terms here today on their pleas of guilty to holding up the automobile of John Findlay, Gasconade merchant, binding him and his aged mother to a tree, and escaping with \$5,500 Findlay had withdrawn from his bank.

They are Walter Johnson, 23, and Carl Dipton, 27, of Moberly, Mo., and Clarence Hamlich, 24, of St. Louis.

## 50 YEARS IN PRISON

Three Youths Are Sentenced for  
Missouri Holdup

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 13.—Three youths, all in their twenties, began 50-year penitentiary terms here today on their pleas of guilty to holding up the automobile of John Findlay, Gasconade merchant, binding him and his aged mother to a tree, and escaping with \$5,500 Findlay had withdrawn from his bank.

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## BEAR ROBS CAMPERS

Flour Bruin's Favorite Food; He  
Loots Tourists.

By Times Special

LINDSAY, Cal., Sept. 14.—Three local sportsmen were forced to give up cooking with their white camping at Sequoia National Park. A bear got away with all but one package of their supply, and they had hoped for at least one round of flapjacks. To protect if they fastened the package to the limb of a tree, overhanging a stream. But Bruin succeeded in tearing a hole in the bag, big enough to let the flour pour down into his gapping jaws.

## LENIENCY FOR YOUNG

First Offenders Are to Get Second  
Chance When Possible.

By Times Special

LONDON, Sept. 16.—First offenders will be given a chance to come back in this metropolitan area. A letter recently addressed to magistrates by the Home Office expresses the wish "that every court, before committing a young offender to prison, will satisfy itself that this course is inevitable and that no other method of treatment can be properly employed."

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## GROWTH

1921 \$29,281,610.92

1923 \$33,373,130.92

1925 \$41,320,993.09

1927 \$45,682,848.25

**Leadership**  
in the field  
of banking is  
attained by giving  
a type of service  
that attracts  
and holds  
the largest  
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## The Fletcher American National Bank

Largest Bank in Indiana with which is affiliated the  
FLETCHER AMERICAN COMPANY  
Southeast Corner Market and Pennsylvania Streets

## How Smith Looked at Syracuse Fair



A picture of Al Smith as a spectator at the recent Syracuse (N. Y.) State fair, this. It is interesting in connection with Smith's "Nailing a Lie in the Whispering Campaign" statement. The statement dealt with a purported letter saying Smith was "disgustingly intoxicated" at the fair. At the left of the photo is Mrs. Smith. At the right are John H. McCooey, Brooklyn political leader, and his wife.

ALUMNI TO PICNIC

## De Pauw Association Plans

Sept. 26 Outing.

De Pauw Alumni Association members will picnic Sept. 26 at Ulen Country Club, Lebanon, Indiana.

Likely, Indianapolis alumni president, announced today.

Likely said more than 150 are expected to attend the university gathering. Golf, bridge, chicken dinner and dancing will feature the afternoon and evening program. Prizes will be given in golf and bridge. Mrs. James C. Carter is secretary.

Golf—Fred C. Tucker, George Clark, Hubert Fenton, Fred Kiger, Dinner and Decorations—Mrs. James C. Carter, Mrs. Neal Grider, Mrs. Earl W. Kiger.

## SEEK CHAIR FOR BANDIT KILLER

Move to Ensure Death for  
Cleveland Gunman.

By United Press  
CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 15.—The State today set in motion the legal machinery by which it hopes to send Paul Jaworski, Detroit and Pittsburgh bandit and killer, to the electric chair.

Jaworski was shot and captured here Thursday after killing Patrolman Wieczorek, shooting Patrolman George Effinger and wounding Ben Majsterik, confectioner. Effinger and Majsterik are still in a serious condition.

The gunman was indicted for the murder of Wieczorek Friday and will be arraigned today from his cell in city hospital, although his condition still is serious.

Physicians reiterated today that Jaworski will recover.

Edward C. Stanton, county prosecutor, will conduct the arraignment. He said it is determined Jaworski will pay with his life and Stanton, himself, will prosecute the gunman.

Should Jaworski receive less than the death sentence, he will be extradited to Pittsburgh where he is under sentence of death for the killing of a mine paymaster at Clevendale, Pa.

## At Last!

## The Real Story of Lindbergh's Flight

The story that describes in detail his feelings and his actions during this epochal flight.

The story that tells his life history.

The story that describes the great demonstrations accorded him in the capitals of France, Belgium and England.

The story of the unprecedented receptions at New York and Washington.

Even the story of his flight to Mexico.

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A Member of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania

and telling much that LINDBERGH'S modesty would not permit his writing in his own story.

## This Wonderful Story

Also gives a—

History of the development of the flying machine.

History of other epochal flights and voyages.

History of other efforts to bridge the oceans by air.

A complete detailed diagram of the Spirit of St