

# FEAST, FROLIC AND WORSHIP, CITY PROGRAM

Churches Hold Services and Many Social Events Are on Schedule.

Gorged to discomfort, the city today folded its napkin, sighed, pushed back from the Thanksgiving board and leisurely contemplated its blessings.

Church bells were first to herald the holiday. They broke the stillness at 6 a. m., calling the faithful to services of thanksgiving. Others followed hourly until at 10 and 1030 their music was heard throughout the city.

Many Protestant congregations joined in union services. In co-operation with the Church Federation of Indianapolis, services arranged were so that residents in all parts of the city were able to attend a Thanksgiving service near their home.

High mass was celebrated in the Catholic churches at 8 a. m. Vespers and night services will be conducted in a number of Protestant churches tonight.

**Wears Sunday Aspect**  
With industries, stores, banks and public buildings closed, the city wore a Sunday aspect. Restaurants, hotels and clubs, however, buzzed with activity as chefs and waiters prepared Thanksgiving dinners.

School children from the public and parochial grade and high schools were home for a holiday until Monday morning.

Mail men doffed their uniforms and rested weary feet while speculating on the burdens the approaching Christmas will hang on their shoulders. The postoffice was to remain closed all day. There were no deliveries, other than special delivery and perishable matter. Collections were restricted to the holiday schedule.

Eighteen weddings featured the holiday social calendar.

Two hundred fifty couples have made reservations for the annual Thanksgiving dinner-dance at the Columbia Club tonight. "Hoagie" Carmichael's Columbia Club orchestra will provide the music.

At the Hoosier Athletic Club annual Thanksgiving dinner-dance, 125 couples have made reservations. Stiles' Collegians will play for the dancers.

Two sororities will give dances tonight: Delta Tau at the Irvington Country Club, and Gamma Delta Alpha at the Knights of Columbus auditorium.

Thanksgiving balls at the Marriott hotel, Knights of Columbus auditorium and Broadmoor Country Club Wednesday night were attended largely.

The Thanksgiving day "sportlight" was focused on the clash between Butler and Tufts college in the Butler stadium at 2 p. m.

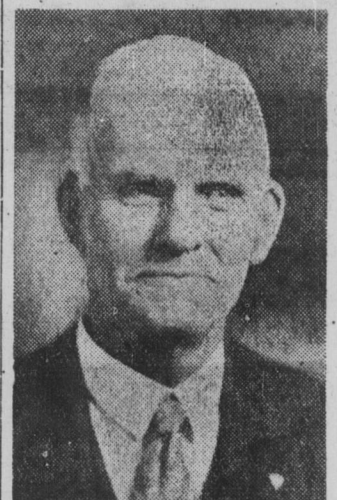
No broadcast was arranged for this encounter, but stay-at-homes had their choice of four college games via radio: 12:45, Cornell vs. Penn State vs. Pittsburgh, over KDKA and four stations of the NBC network; 12:45 Columbia vs. Syracuse, Columbia network, and 1:45, Marquette vs. Iowa State over WHAD, Milwaukee.

Radio programs almost universally offered programs appropriate to the holiday, both this afternoon and tonight.

Bus, traction, and steam lines reported the usual holiday increase in passenger traffic into and out of the city.

Except at city prison, where the customary daily fare was served, inmates of the city's hospital, prisons, orphanages, and charitable in-

## Long Service of Engineer Ended Today



Levi Rogers.

A last blast of the whistle and a big decorated engine smoothly came to a halt in the Union station today. Levi Rogers, 228 North Randolph street, the engineer, gave the shining machinery a last wipe with a piece of waste and stepped from the cab, to be given an ovation by friends and fellow craftsmen.

For fifty-three years Rogers has been a railroad man. He was born in Indianapolis in 1858 and entered the service of the Pennsylvania railroad when 16 years old. He first was a switchman, then a fireman, and was promoted to freight engineman in 1885 and to the post of passenger engineman in 1905. He has spent practically his entire career on the Indianapolis-Vincennes branch.

In 1926 he was presented with a badge of honor by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for his long service.

Other Indiana employees who will be retired by the Pennsylvania today are Herman G. Gulle, car repairman, Terre Haute; Hallie E. Bitsberger, engineer, Ft. Wayne, and Joseph T. Worsham, trucker, Terre Haute.

Stations were served sumptuous dinners at noon today. Where turkey was lacking, duck or chicken graced the tables.

The Wheeler City Mission and Salvation Army served dinners to the destitute, the mission also conducting Thanksgiving services for the 275 prisoners in the Marion county jail this morning.

**HONOR GIVEN AMERICAN**  
PARIS, Nov. 29.—James Hazen Hyde, American capitalist, has been given the highest honor that France can award—Le Grand Croix de the Legion of Honor.

The award came as the recompense of a grateful government for Hyde's thirty years' of activity in strengthening Franco-American amity.

## USES HICKMAN AS MODEL; BOY LANDS IN JAIL

'The Hawk' Emulated 'The Fox' in Trying Blackmail Plot Here.

Hickman "The Fox" supplied Wendall C. Hessong, 21, with the idea of naming himself "The Hawk" and writing blackmail letters, Hessong confessed today in his cell at Akron, O.

Hessong admitted, after his capture by Akron authorities Wednesday, that he was "The Hawk," who wrote letters threatening to blow up three homes and murder the occupants "in cold blood" if they did not leave sums totaling \$3,000 in their mail boxes.

The letters, mailed Nov. 19 in Indianapolis and bearing printed pictures of a hawk, were received by Bailey L. Hawkins, president of the Citizens State Bank of Carmel; Hal Purdy, vice-president of the Marmon Motor Company, and Louis Koss, Indianapolis manufacturer, all living on estates near Carmel.

Sheriff Thomas Ramsey of Noblesville went to Akron today to return Hessong.

"This all started some time ago when I saw an airplane called 'The Clipped Wing Hawk,'" said Hessong. "I wanted that for my own."

In my enthusiasm for this ship and aviation I had some stationery printed on which there was a picture of a hawk.

"I forgot to get the airplane on the stationery. One night, I guess it was about two weeks ago, I was sitting up in my room at Carmel, when I got the idea of these letters. I had been reading of Hickman, who called himself 'The Fox,' and I had heard it was the fashion in Chicago and vicinity to write that kind of letters."

"So, a week ago last Monday I began writing. The newspapers didn't get it for a time and I thought I was pretty clever. Once or twice they nearly snared me when I went to get money near mail boxes. I didn't get it, though." (Detectives were guarding the homes.)

"Then, last Saturday the newspapers got hold of the story and I was pretty scared. I wanted to give myself up, but got weak hearted and instead hopped a train for Akron, where one of my brothers works. I wanted to start life over."

Hessong told the Akron police of his early life, proudly recalling he was president of the junior class at Carmel high school and a member of the basketball team which won a sectional championship in 1925 and came near winning in 1926.

Persons at Carmel who knew the youth always had held him in high regard. His parents, who live at

## Score Real Egyptian Hit



Whatever might this conglomeration be, mes enfants? Students of Egyptology might hazard a long guess that it's a cross between a campus sheik and Marc Antony paying court to a Cleopatra more at home in a Packard sedan than a barge on the Nile.

Right again, students! It's a picture of Roy Hackleman and Josephine Binnering, John Heron Art Institute students, who were the hit of a stunt given at the Egyptian ball held at the institute.

Fifty-fourth street and Keystone avenue, said he was a good boy, but had a flair for wanting things he could not afford.

As an instance, they pointed out that he had taken a flying course at an Anderson aviation school, which he could not pay for. He counted on paying out of a judgment he hoped to get against a former sheriff of Hamilton county for a bullet wound he received three years ago when a deputy sheriff fired at him and several other youths on the theory they were bootleggers. One of the other

youths wounded had collected a judgment.

Quitting a job as truck driver for the Broad Ripple Lumber Company this summer, Hessong went to Detroit and got a personal interview with Edsel Ford, the parents said.

He was permitted to take and passed a flying examination at the Ford airplane factory, but when the doctors discovered the unremoved bullet near his spine they turned him down, fearing that he might be stricken with paralysis while in the air in future years, according to the parents.

## POLICE SEARCH FOR KIDNAPER

Child Lured Into Auto and Taken to Country.

Police today searched intensively for a man who lured Vivian Martin, 7, of 3119 West Sixteenth street, into the country near Clermont Wednesday and attempted to attack her.

Even a description of the girl's abductor and his car, police were hopeful of capturing him.

The girl, daughter of T. R. Martin, was on her way to school at Belle Vue place and Fourteenth street, at 1:30 p. m., when a man in a big automobile offered to drive her to school. The child accepted, but the man drove into the country and took the child into a corn field.

He tried to stifle her cries by holding his hand over her mouth, but was frightened away without accomplishing his purpose. Her clothing covered with mud, Vivian walked home. Police were called and she was taken to City hospital for examination, and returned home.

From Amos Kentzer, 1406 North Holmes avenue, police learned the girl's abductor was driving a lead-colored Studebaker sedan. When the car stopped for gas, the driver was amusing the little girl at his side with stories. Two small white dogs were in the back seat, Kentzer said.

He described the driver as being from 30 to 35 years old, about 5 feet 8 inches in height, weighing about 175 pounds, of sandy complexion, and wearing a gray hat and gray sweater.

Owen Peet, 2617 Massachusetts avenue, reported to police that a man tried to lure his stepdaughter Ivel Rapier, 11, into a Ford coupe this morning at Hazel street and Massachusetts avenue.

Police believe the man may be the same one who kidnaped the Martin girl.

## Can't Squeal

SEYMOUR, Ind., Nov. 29.—Dead hogs give no telltale squeals. Two porkers, each weighing 200 pounds, were killed before removal by thieves from the M. P. Burcham farm, one-half mile east of here. The thieves were trailed to a road where it appeared the hogs had been loaded into a truck or auto.

## CALL YOUNG PEOPLE

Youthful Church Workers Meet Friday.

Several hundred "Young People of the Church of God" are expected to be in Indianapolis Friday and Saturday to attend the annual state convention.

Business sessions will be held in the North Indianapolis Church of God, 900 West Thirtieth street.

Topics of church interest will be discussed and inspirational messages delivered by experienced workers in the young people's field.

The convention theme this year will be "Builders Together With Him," the Rev. P. B. Turner, in charge of arrangements, announces.

Speakers are Judge Frank J. Lahr, of the juvenile court, who will discuss "Building Christian Citizenship," Prof. J. A. Morrison, president of the Anderson Bible school and seminary; Miss E. Faith Stewart, a missionary from India, home on furlough; Dr. F. G. Smith, editor of the "Gospel Trumpet," the Rev. A. F. Gray, of Anderson; the Rev. Edgar Powell of Huntington, and the Rev. G. T. Neal of Bedford.

**Two Geese Are Stolen**  
A goose in the hands of two thieves in the coop, particularly on Thanksgiving eve. On that theory, hungry thieves Wednesday night stole a \$3 goose from a coop in front of Nathan Segal's grocery, at 1333 North Senate avenue, and another of like value from Frank Bernard's grocery, 1006 North Senate avenue.

## MAROTT WINS BUILDING SUIT

Buys Site to Halt Filling Station "Project."

George J. Marott, shoe merchant and hotel owner, has ended a two-year fight to block a filling station project across from the Marott north side apartment hotel by buying the site, it was learned today.

Marott is understood to have paid \$40,000 for the property of E. W. Warner, northeast corner of Twenty-seventh and Meridian streets.

Frank Wooling, real estate dealer, had sought for two years to obtain permission for a filling station on the choice corner across from the expensive hotel. Marott's attorneys battled him before the board of zoning appeals, park board, city council and in circuit court.

"It is unfair that a man should have to fight for two years to protect his property. I think the city should control all filling station sites and receive the revenue above a stipulated amount," Marott proposed.

Marott said he had not decided what use he will make of the new property.

## U. S. ADMIRAL IS DEAD

By United Press

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The funeral of Admiral Frank F. Fletcher, retired commander of the Atlantic fleet, will be held tomorrow afternoon at Trinity Episcopal church.

Fletcher, who had been ill for several months, died yesterday after an operation Saturday. He was 73 years old. Since his retirement Fletcher had spent much of his time in Italy, returning to make his home here about a year ago.

It was for his inventions that Fletcher was best known, although he was in command of the navy forces which occupied Vera Cruz, Mexico, in 1914.

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