

## HOOVER OFF ON YACHT TRIP TO VISIT EDISON

President-Elect to Meet Ford and Firestone on Monday.

BY THOMAS L. STOKES  
United Press Financial Editor  
MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 9.—President-Elect Hoover today was to set sail on a yachting cruise that takes him on a pilgrimage to the home of Thomas A. Edison, the aged wizard of American invention, who stands as one of the chief symbols of the modern industrial age which Hoover is a leading figure. Hoover, generally regarded as the spokesman for this efficiency era, will have opportunity to chat not only with the inventor, but also with two other outstanding exponents of the machine age—Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone—who will be present at Edison's eighty-second birthday celebration at Ft. Myers Monday.

The President-Elect and Mrs. Hoover will leave here today shortly after lunch, motor to Trestle No. 2, down the coast, where Hoover caught his sailfish, and there embark on Jeremiah Milbank's yacht Saunterer.

Reach Goal on Monday  
Milbank and Edgar Ricard of New York, old friend and former partner of the President-Elect, will accompany him on the two-day cruise about the southern end of Florida, through the Keys and up the west coast.

The schedule provides for arrival at Ft. Myers about noon Monday. The Saunterer will dock at the Edison winter home, where Mr. and Mrs. Hoover will be met by the inventor.

The President-Elect will visit at the Edison home only a few hours. During that time, the aged inventor will show Hoover and his other two friends, Ford and Firestone, the little plot where he is experimenting with rubber culture and explain to them the new dream that has come to him at this period of a life filled with numerous successes.

Interested in Rubber  
Hoover, perhaps, is as keenly interested in the rubber problem as the other two whose business lives it concerns so intimately, both of whom are now concerned in projects for rubber culture on a large scale. Ford in the far interior of Brazil and Firestone here in Florida, as well as in Liberia and in the Philippines.

As secretary of commerce, Hoover sponsored a bill designed to break the British rubber monopoly, which, while it failed of enactment, was credited with Great Britain's modification of the Stevenson rubber restriction act, by which that country dominated the world supply.

While active in this move, he instituted investigations aimed at developing rubber substitutes.

## MAN SAVED FROM WELL AFTER WALL CAVES IN

Connorsville Worker Imprisoned Six Hours Suffers Injuries.

By United Press  
CONNORSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 9.—Raymond Ziegler, 39, a hospital here today after being imprisoned six hours in a well by a cave-in of bricks and earth. He had gone to the bottom of the well to repair a pipe connection.

Other workmen heard his screams and found that about eight feet of the well had been filled by the cave-in. The entombed man's voice was plainly heard. Due to a fear of additional cave-ins rescue work was slow.

Fellow workers, aided by the fire department, and Ziegler himself, the debris was removed from about his feet and legs.

He sustained a broken arm and numerous cuts and bruises.

## QUIZ COUNTY OFFICIAL

Poor Farm Probe Is Continued by Grand Jury.

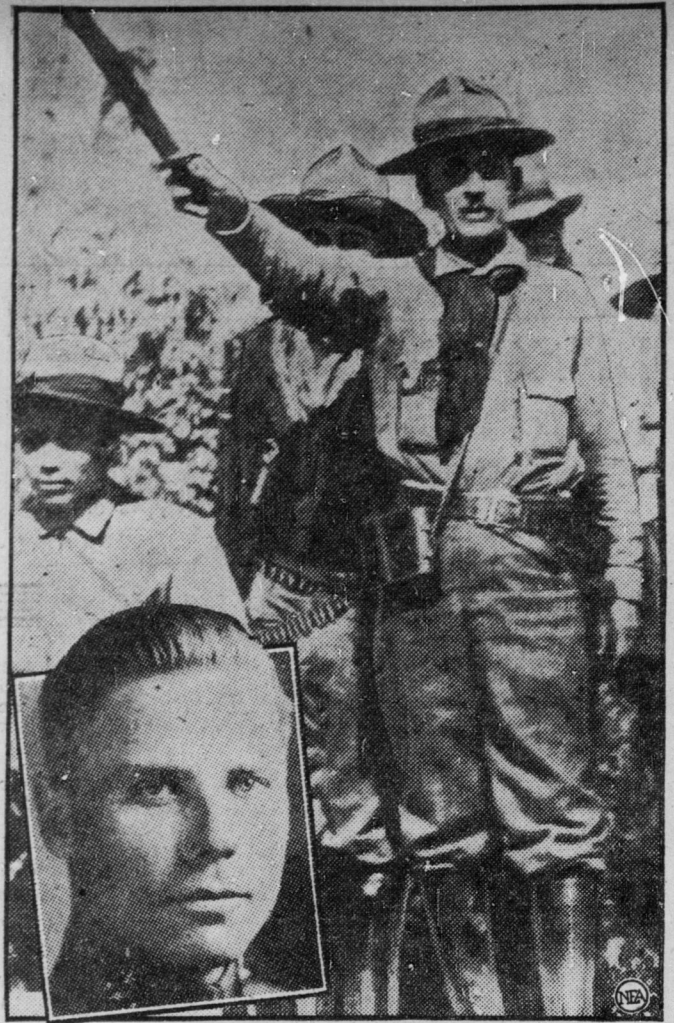
County Commissioner George Snider Friday testified before the Marion county grand jury for more than two hours. It was reported that Snider, who is president of the commissioners' board, was being questioned relative to conditions at the county poor farm.

This institution has been the subject of grand jury probing for three weeks. Several inmates have been questioned about foodstuffs and the management of the poor farm. The grand jury has received information that food raised at the farm has not reached the tables.

Snider and other commissioners recently revised institution rules preventing individuals from making investigations.

Couple Plead Bankruptcy  
Liabilities of \$296,173 and assets of \$120 are listed in a voluntary bankruptcy petition filed in federal court by Carl L. Zimmerman, Anderson. His wife, Mrs. Edna Zimmerman, filed a similar petition, listing liabilities of \$276,174 and assets of \$200.

## Marine Nabs Sandino Ace



Bagging bandits in tropical climes has become almost a habit with Lieutenant Herman Hanneken, lower left, of the United States Marines. His newest feat is the single-handed capture of the rebel chief Sandino, leading general Manuel Jiron above, whose band is responsible for many outrages on the east coast of Nicaragua. Lieutenant Hanneken already had gained distinction by trapping the wily bandit Charlemagne in Haiti in 1919, going alone through several lines of sentries.

## Legislative Calendar

Senate bills introduced:  
H. B. 298, Gilley, Doves, Denison.—Providing that state relief fund auditor first must approve expenditures for which schools ask relief from state. Authorizing withdrawal of \$12,000 annually from relief fund for administration of act. Ways and means.  
H. B. 297, Bennett and Scott of Lake.—Increasing amount allowed by state for burial of former service men from \$75 to \$125. Judiciary B.  
H. B. 298, Gwin.—Requiring courts to keep detailed judgment docket. Judiciary B.  
H. B. 299, Rice, of Huntington.—Permitting mutual insurance companies to handle insurance heretofore limited to stock companies. Insurance.  
H. B. 300, Scott of Lake.—Providing for legislative apportionment. Legislative apportionment.  
H. B. 301, Fisher.—By request. Providing for appointment of building commissioners and inspectors for cities of first four classes for four years by mayors. Cities and towns.  
H. B. 302, Baker and Lowry.—Providing for lighting of streets upon petition of property owners. Cities and towns.  
H. B. 303, Bosson.—Increasing annual salaries by \$600 for chief clerk of Marion county Barrett law department and his assistant. City of Indianapolis.  
H. B. 304, Kottkamp.—Providing that one year of academic training may precede hospital training for nurses. Judiciary B.  
H. B. 305, Kottkamp.—Requiring Marion county to provide deputy sheriffs with disability and life insurance policies. City of Indianapolis.  
H. B. 306, Noll.—Redrafting collection, payment and special enforcement sections of Barrett law and clarifying same. Judiciary B.  
H. B. 307, Busenbark.—Providing for payment of funds to minors upon such opinion of court. Emergency. Judiciary B.  
H. B. 308, Trovbridge.—Permitting public libraries to sell bonds for building construction, without obligating municipalities. Cities and towns.  
H. B. 309, Calvert, by request.—Providing that no improvement assessment shall exceed value of land. Cities and towns.  
H. B. 310, Bouchard.—Increasing furniture, livestock and agricultural implements exemption of farms to \$1,000 and exempting mortgages payable in monthly installments of not to exceed monthly average interest of 1 percent of principal. Ways and means.  
H. B. 311, Bernhardt.—Amending state gas tax law to permit dealers to deduct 3 percent of monthly gallonage for losses in handling. Roads.  
H. B. 312, Cantwell.—Providing that shorthand reporters shall make transcripts for counties without cost when county desires to take appeal. Judiciary B.  
H. B. 313, Ahlsten and Harris.—By request. Providing revision of Lake county for purpose of electing county commissioners, giving urban communities greater representation. County and township.  
H. B. 314, Street and Smith.—Permitting public utilities, with consent of public service commission, to furnish service free to hospitals caring for charity patients. Cities and towns.  
H. B. 315, Harris.—Permitting second-class cities of Lake county, through city councils, to agree on co-ordination of transportation systems without change of ownership of management. Cities of second class.  
H. B. 316, Grant.—Appropriation \$1,500 annually from state treasury to State Poultry Association of Indiana. Ways and means.  
H. B. 317, Noll.—Amending act of 1927 to permit possession of fish, shipped into Indiana, during the closed season when possession of such fish, if caught within the state, is prohibited. Natural resources.  
H. B. 318, Bosson, King, Noll, Kottkamp, Marken, Wright, Claycombe.—Increasing the salaries of Indianapolis municipal court judges from \$5,000 to \$7,500 a year.

House bills introduced:  
H. B. 29, Cantwell.—Providing for appointment of judges pro tem. of superior courts.  
H. B. 71, Claycombe.—Providing for removal of judges pro tem. of superior courts in nonresident motor vehicle negligence suits.  
H. B. 290, Bernhardt.—Amending state gasoline tax law to permit distributors to deduct 3 percent of monthly gallonage for loss in handling.  
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House bills passed:  
S. B. 154, Holmes, Adams and Cravens.—Extending the statute of limitations on felonies, including forgeries, from two to five years. Passed: Ayes, 29; Noes, 10.  
S. B. 155, Rowley.—Compelling political subdivisions to use prison-made goods.  
S. B. 204, Sims.—Permitting board of works members to continue as sewer commission until work started is completed, despite change of administration. Cities and towns.  
S. B. 205, Hoffman.—Providing that defendant in divorce suit may show in affidavit his address to be unknown. Judiciary A.  
S. B. 206, Kline.—Providing that county commissioners must post bond capacity on bridge approaches. Roads.  
S. B. 207, Friedley.—Providing that reports of public officers, along with receipts and disbursements, shall show all indebtedness. Judiciary B.

House bills indefinitely postponed:  
H. B. 24, Kistler.—Making owners of dogs liable for damage to livestock and poultry by dogs. County and township report.  
H. B. 110, Batchelor.—Providing for appeals to county courts on appeals from decisions by state tax board and highway commission. Judiciary A report.  
H. B. 228, Lee and Chamberlain.—Requiring coal mine operators to maintain washhouses at mines and imposing penalty for failure to do so. Mines and mining report.

House bills on third reading:  
H. B. 81, Ferguson of Allen.—Authorizing junior colleges in Ft. Wayne on petition of 2,500 taxpayers. Passed: Ayes, 90; Noes, 1.  
H. B. 91, Mieser.—Permitting Michigan City to establish sanitary district. Passed: Ayes, 89; Noes, 0.  
H. B. 114, Zimmerman.—Setting second Friday in April as Arbor day. Passed: Ayes, 87; Noes, 0.  
H. B. 97, Bernhardt, Bouchard and Clavert.—Providing means whereby property owners can pay on public improvement assessments pending decisions on appeals. Passed: Ayes, 88; Noes, 0.  
H. B. 103, Bloom.—Giving superior court No. 1 of Allen county and the circuit court of county concurrent jurisdiction in matters of adoption with superior court No. 2. Passed: Ayes, 88; Noes, 0.  
H. B. 122, Harris.—Eliminating present requirement that detectives in cities must be in uniform when arresting motorists. Passed: Ayes, 90; Noes, 0.  
H. B. 128, Kottkamp.—Providing that Center township, Madison county, justice of peace be allowed \$1,500 annually by township trustee 1st clerk and \$1,200 annually for quarters. Passed: Ayes, 88; Noes, 0.  
H. B. 10, Thiel.—Requiring landlords to maintain standard heat in flats, apartment houses and business buildings. Killed: Ayes, 39; Noes, 44.  
H. B. 12, Evans.—Providing forest fire warden service with annual appropriation of \$15,000 and fixing penalties for starting fires. Passed: Ayes, 78; Noes, 6.

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## OWNERSHIP OF GAS CO. STOCK IS MADE PUBLIC

50,000 Shares in Hands of Dozen Holders; Double Par Value Paid.

About 50,000 shares of the Citizens Gas Company common stock are controlled by twelve large holders of stock certificates. The Times learned today from reliable sources. Brokers and private interests who have paid more than double the \$25 par value of the certificates to obtain voting control of the company have declined to divulge the interests they represent.

At one time the stock certificates were reported to be selling as high as \$87 a share, the majority being bought for more than \$50, it is understood.

Par value of the 80,000 shares of common stock totals \$2,000,000. Trustees of the gas company have voting power for the holders of certificates under terms of a trust agreement provided in the 1905 franchise granted by the city. The city is planning to take over the \$2,000,000 utility as originally intended by organizers of the company.

Awaits Enabling Legislation  
Mayor L. Ert Slack is delaying formal action by the city pending action of the Indiana legislature on "enabling" legislation. John W. Holzman and Fred C. Gause are special counsel for the city.

Any legal opposition to the city's plan to take over control of the trust, under provisions of the original agreement, will come from stock certificate holders who have acquired the securities for speculation. It is understood that certain private interests already have employed attorneys to watch proceedings.

Certificates of stock provided that the holder shall relinquish all title and interest in the property on receipt of the \$25 par value and a sum equal to 10 per cent interest a year and that the property be turned over to the city.

Interest has been paid to date, making possible the city control on retirement of the \$2,000,000 common and \$1,000,000 preferred stock. Gavin L. Payne, broker of Gavin L. Payne & Co., 207 Continental National Bank Bldg., who has openly bought the certificates on the market, and associates, controlled approximately 12,000 shares the first of the year. About 2,000 shares were held in the names of Clarence R. Spann and William E. Miller, associates of Payne, and 850 by Frederick L. Payne.

Hold 12,000 Shares  
More than 12,000 shares were held by the Circle Securities Investment Company, 622 State Life building, and William L. Taylor, an attorney and incorporator of the company. Taylor and Jackson Carter, his son-in-law, and Merdie G. George, secretary Taylor and Carter law firm, incorporated the company in July, 1928, to "buy and sell all types of stocks and bonds."

Taylor declined to discuss the holdings except to say he would not fight the plan for municipal control.

Newton I. Todd, broker, Lemcke building, and the Indiana Trust Company hold more than 6,000 shares each. It is not known whether the certificates have changed hands since first of the year.

Approximately 8,300 shares were held then in the name of Mrs. Jennie E. Wolf, apartment 21, 3742 North Meridian street. Mrs. Wolf is the wife of Louis Wolf of Elroy and Wolf, dry goods and notions, 360 West Washington street.

Others Hold Certificates  
Reported holdings of others: Arthur Jordan, capitalist, 802 Medical Arts building, 680 shares; Blanche McCoy, 974 West drive, Woodruff place, 500; Richmond Harris, 18 East Elm street, Chicago, 750 shares; Otto F. Hausen, bonds and stock, 803 Fletcher Savings and Trust Company, 700 shares; Charles S. Becker, broker, 213 Merchants Bank building, 800; John R. Welch, president of gas company directors, 180; William L. O'Connor, 1423 North Pennsylvania street, 970; George J. Marott, shoe dealer, 140 shares.

Auto Gas Causes Death  
By Times Special  
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 9.—James E. Jones, 33, postal employee, is dead, a victim of carbon monoxide gas from the engine of his automobile. His body was found beneath the car in a garage at his home.

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Former South Whitley Publisher Was Libel Suit Defendant.  
By Times Special  
SOUTH WHITLEY, Ind., Feb. 9.—Robert E. Hicks, former publisher of the Specialty Salesman magazine here, has been ordered by a federal court at Chicago to pay 1 cent to B. W. Downs who asked \$25,000 damages in a libel suit. Downs alleged he was libeled through a criticism of his methods of selling a book. Costs in the case were assessed against Hicks.

## RADIO 'TRUST' INQUIRY AIRED IN CONGRESS

Department of Justice Expects to Take Action Against Corporation.

BY PAUL R. MALLON  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—For a week the department of justice has been conducting a private investigation of the Radio Corporation of America combine to ascertain if a violation of the anti-trust laws has been committed, it was learned here today.

The department is contemplating two courses of action, first to warn the interested parties to revise their system or secondly to file suit in court to dissolve the alleged trust. Authorities in touch with the situation believe the first course will be followed in case the violation is disclosed. Recently the department adopted a general policy to stay out of court if a trust dissolution could be effected without a legal battle.

Probed in Senate  
The senate interstate commerce committee has been investigating briefly the radio situation in connection with the Dill bill to extend the life of the federal radio commission another year. The bill was ordered favorably reported to the senate by the committee Friday night and will be pressed for emergency action before congress adjourns.

During this hearing, it develops now, Oswald F. Schuette, executive secretary of the Radio Protective Association, representing the independent radio groups, testified the department was understood to be contemplating prosecution of the Radio Corporation and its affiliated organizations.

Later it was learned the department had obtained 16,000 pages of testimony from an old federal trade investigation of the Radio Corporation, the General Electric Company and the United Fruit Company.

Delay Action on Bill  
In view of this news reaching congress, no action is expected to be taken on the pending Dill resolution directing the commission to turn over its evidence in the case to the department, and providing for a congressional investigation of the situation.

A development in the case is expected Monday in Wilmington where the United States district court will hear the independent injunction restraining the Radio Corporation from requiring licensees to buy tubes from it. The justice department is expected to have an attorney present to listen to the evidence.

## MINERS TAKE LOW PAY

Five Mines in Bicknell Area Well Manned at Less Than Union Scale.  
By Times Special  
BICKNELL, Ind., Feb. 9.—Five mines in this district in which men are working for less than the wage scale negotiated between the United Mine Workers of America and employers, are having no trouble in operators.

Among the mines in operation is the American No. 1, Indiana's largest bituminous shaft and second largest in the United States. According to Harvey Conrad, superintendent, more than 400 men are now working in the mine, and many others are asking for jobs.

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## REALTY DEALS MAY PASS 1928 TOTAL

Washington Bank Reports Sales of \$300,000 Since Jan. 1.

With realty sales showing a good volume since Jan. 1, local realtors believe the 1929 real estate market will equal or exceed last year's mark, according to the weekly survey of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board. Business of the Washington Bank and Trust Company, according to Henley T. Hotel, real estate department manager, has started off unusually well this year.

Sales by representatives of the bank's realty department since Jan. 1 have exceeded \$300,000. "With this start, we believe we will exceed the \$4,000,000 business we did last year," he said.

Deals totaling approximately \$24,500 have been closed in the last few days. Among them was the sale by E. A. Shockley, representative of the company, of a ten-acre tract in Franklin township to Alonzo M. Hommel. The property formerly was owned by Stella McFarland. Representing John E. Myers, Shockley sold a forty-one-acre tract in the same locality to Charles E. Holliday. A house in the Northside addition was sold by C. W. Cones to James B. McCoy through James C. Myers and H. E. Herrold, salesman, represented Mr. Cones in the sale to David Richardson of property at 2934 Massachusetts avenue.

Otis Summer purchased through A. L. Conn a property at 1531 East Thirty-fourth street from the Security Trust Company. Two sales were made by A. R. Scott. One was a property in Shadeland Acres, sold by C. G. Ritchie to G. M. Thomas, and the other was at 4408 Massachusetts avenue, bought by Wilbur Buchanan from Esther A. Coffins.

Thirty-seven Lots Sold  
Deals totaling \$50,000 were reported closed in the last few days by Thomas F. Garzon & Co. One of the largest was the purchase by Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Shirley of a large, brick veneer residence at 4934 Washington boulevard from Mr. and Mrs. Augustus E. West. Mr. and Mrs. West accepted in exchange title to a double house at 228 and 330 East Twelfth street and a single residence at 330 East Twelfth street.

Carson also sold two large wooded lots on Wabash road, one on the northeast corner and one on the northwest corner of Watson road and Carrollton avenue. They were purchased by Herman Blumbers from the Fletcher American Company, his company, in the last few months, has made sales in this district totaling \$100,000. The deals included fifteen lots, sold to various purchasers, and a residence, sold to Fred C. Gause, attorney.

Purchase of thirty-seven building lots in the vicinity of arfield park was announced by Fiebert & Kelly, realtors. The lots were bought for A. G. Gaudin, local builder, from the Tri-State Finance Company of Louisville, Ky. Charles R. Ettinger, Indianapolis realtor, represented the Louisville concern.

Twenty of the lots front on Glenside street, eight on Allen avenue and nine on Yoke street. All are south of the park. Goldberg, it is said, plans to start six new modern bungalows in that district immediately. At present, he is building two houses on Berwyn street and one at Kimber and Shelby streets.

Bungalows in Deal  
Several sales were reported closed by Wayne W. Schmidt, manager of the real estate department of the Farmers' Trust Company. Schmidt sold a lot in the \$700 block on Central avenue. Two deals were closed by L. C. Valls and Hugh Gerow, department salesman. One was the sale of a house at 873 West Twenty-fifth street and the other was a property in the 1700 block on College avenue.

Two Warfield lots were reported sold by Robert W. Stockwell to Frank F. Wooling, realtor. One of the lots was purchased from the Clark estate and the other was sold by Miss Lucille Yov.

A new, brick veneer bungalow at 6120 Haverford avenue, was sold by Bridges & Graves, realtors, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley B. Le Feber. The company accepted as partial consideration title to two lots in the Northside addition. A modern, four-room bungalow at 2931 North Denny street, was sold to Robert L. Hodges and a similar residence at 2923 Denny street was sold to James M. Harrison.

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## ROME EXCITED OVER PACT BY ITALY AND POPE

Pontiff and King Expected to Exchange Visits After Signing.

BY THOMAS B. MORGAN  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
ROME, Feb. 9.—The entire city was a scene of prodigious activity today as preparations were made for the final step in the settlement of the Roman question—the signing of the official accord between the Vatican and the Italian government, Monday.

Realization that the troublesome differences between the state and the church, which have continued for more than fifty-three years, were about to be ended brought excitement in every quarter.

It was reported as extremely likely that the pope would exchange visits with King Victor Emmanuel after the accord has been signed. The signing of the accord originally had been planned for Sunday, but the Vatican announced officially that the signing ceremonies had been postponed until Monday.

On that day, Cardinal Gasparri, papal secretary of state, will affix his signature to the official document of accord, together with Premier Mussolini.

The occasion will be the most historic one in the modern archives of the Vatican.

The postponement of the signing was attributed to the fact that all necessary documents for the formal signatures were not ready.

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