

## SCHOOLS WILL CLOSE TUESDAY; HONOR LINCOLN

'Rail Splitter' President Spoke in City 68 Years Ago Today.

With the closing of city schools, the city hall, and memorial day dinners and addresses Indianapolis will celebrate the 120th birthday anniversary of Abraham Lincoln, Tuesday.

Sixty-eight years ago today the "rail-splitter" President spoke from a balcony of the old Bates house, corner of Washington and Illinois streets.

Grade and high schools of the city celebrated his Indianapolis visit with pre-birthday memorial exercises today.

Students told of his trip from Springfield, Ill., through Indianapolis, on his way to take the executive chair of the nation. Lincoln remained in Indianapolis until the morning of his birthday.

Mail service will be curtailed to one residential and two business deliveries Tuesday. Other offices than the postoffice in the federal building will remain open.

Banks, the Marion county court-house offices, statehouse offices, Butler university and the Cathedral high school will not close.

A Lincoln memorial day will be celebrated by the general assembly with a joint session in the house chamber at 11 a. m. Tuesday.

Colonel David N. Foster of Ft. Wayne and Oswald Ryan of Anderson will be the speakers. Lieutenant Governor Edgar D. Bush will preside.

With Dr. Stanley Coulter, dean emeritus of Purdue university, as the principal speaker, the John Holiday post of the American Legion will hold a Lincoln day dinner at 6:30 p. m. Tuesday in the First Presbyterian church.

State Senator John Niblack of Indianapolis will tell the legionnaires the "five funniest stories" told by Lincoln. State Representative Oscar Ahlgren of Whiting will speak on legislation for veterans.

Ogden Will Speak

Dr. O. W. Fifer, Indianapolis district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal church, will address the Gyró Club at the Lincoln Tuesday, on "Abraham Lincoln."

Attorney-General James M. Ogden will speak over WFBM, Indianapolis Power and Light Company radio station, at 9:30 Tuesday night on "Abraham Lincoln and Indianapolis."

Ogden's address will be part of the Banner-Booster program sponsored by the Banner-Furniture Company.

Ogden will repeat part of the address which was made by Lincoln from the balcony of the old Bates house on his visit to Indianapolis Feb. 11, 1861.

**\$200,000 NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH IS DEDICATED**

Bishop of Indianapolis Diocese Conducts Ceremony.

Dedicatory exercises for the new \$200,000 edifice of the St. Patrick's Catholic church, Woodlawn avenue and Hunter street, were held Sunday morning.

The Rt. Rev. Joseph Charrand, bishop of the Indianapolis diocese of the Catholic church, conducted the ceremonies.

The new structure replaces one which was destroyed by fire June 20, 1927.

At present a temporary altar is being used by the parishioners. A permanent marble altar is being erected in Italy. It will cost \$10,000 and will be brought to Indianapolis within the next six months.

**SCIENTIST WILL SPEAK**

Dr. Albert E. Wiggam to Address Sons of American Revolution.

The Indiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will hold its annual Washington's birthday banquet Feb. 22 at the Indianapolis Athletic Club.

Dr. Albert Edward Wiggam, author, will speak on "The Blood of the Nation" or "The Patriotism of a Biologist." Mrs. W. D. Long will give an impersonation in colonial dialect, assisted by Mrs. Charles A. Breece. The Mary Traub Busch trio will provide music.

President Thomas A. Daily will preside at a business meeting preceding the banquet.

**ARRANGE SPELLING BEE**

Civic League Sponsors Event Tuesday Night.

Sherman-Emerson Civic League will hold its fourth annual "old-fashioned spelling bee" Tuesday night at School 62, Wallace and Tenth streets. The modern McCall speller will be used instead of the McGuffey reader. Attorney E. O. Sneathen will be "schoolmaster." Mrs. Elizabeth Witt and Floyd Baber will assist.

The public is invited. Mrs. W. E. Heyer, vice-president, in charge of arrangements, announced prizes will be awarded.

**FAST TRAIN DERAILED**

Seven Cars of Broadway Limited Leave Track Near Hobart.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Officials of the Pennsylvania railroad began an investigation today of the derailment of seven cars of the Broadway limited, crack Chicago-New York passenger train, near Hobart, Friday.

Unofficial reports said the breaking of an axle on one of the Pullman cars caused the accident.

All of the derailed coaches remained upright and prevented injury to any of the 100 passengers.

**Pioneer's Kin Dies**

BRAZIL, Ind. Feb. 11.—Funeral services were held Sunday for Mrs. Amanda Zenor, 83, granddaughter of Samuel Riddle, first white man to settle in Clay county.

## Dead Live!

Memorial Services Held for Sailor Who Died on Maine.

BY ARCH STEINEL

THROUGH the myriad colors of a stained glass window of the Fletcher Place Methodist church—a window dedicated to Harry J. Keys, Victim of the U. S. S. Maine—a mainly forenoon sun measured off each panel Sunday morning, measured each paean of praise of the Rev. William F. Russell, the church's pastor, as he preached the thirtieth memorial service for Indiana's only boy to lose his life on the Battleship Maine.

In the fourth row pew, wearing a blue dress—navy blue—sat Mrs. Tillie Turner, 70, of 708 North New Jersey street, Harry's mother, hearing the pastor of the church in which he first learned his Sunday school lessons pay tribute to her son, who died Feb. 15, 1898.

Members of the U. S. navy recruiting station, the Harold C. McGraw Camp, No. 1, of the Spanish War Veterans, formed a portion of the congregation.

SIX flags guarded a water-colored photo of Seaman Keys on its easel near the altar. Five of the flags sepi; while the sixth, hanging from a wall, stirred constantly during the service. A draught—a something—picked up the blue-bordered end of this flag with its woven inscription, "In Memory of Harry J. Keys, U. S. N." and kept it in soft motion during the service.

"There is no death. The dead live," said Mr. Russell. The other five lay still as stage scenery.

VOICE husky, Mr. Russell said, "I have an announcement to make. Mrs. Turner wants me to present this water-color picture of her son to the navy recruiting station."

A navy lieutenant bowed a "thank you." Mrs. Turner motioned him with a smile of "you're welcome." Each birthday of her boy, Nov. 21, she will go to the recruiting station to pay reverence to that picture.

The sixth flag waved its hem inscribed "In Memory of Harry J. Keys, U. S. N.," the doxology was sung; echo taps were played; the sun measured off its last panel in the window dedicated to Seaman Keys, and the memorial service ended—except in the heart of a mother.

**DAUGHTER KILLS MOTHER, SELF**

Leaves Note; Found With Gas Tube in Mouth.

By United Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Mrs. Eva P. Bischoff, 68, an invalid, was found dead in bed today in her Whitestone, Queens, home, her head crushed.

Her daughter, Miss Sadie Clair Bischoff, 42, who left a letter indicating she had killed her mother, was found dead on a couch in another room, a tube connected to an open gas jet in her mouth.

Unable to gain admittance to Bischoff's home, a maid, who came to do the weekly housecleaning, prevailed upon Harry Schwefel, 12, who lives next door, to climb through the second story window.

In a few minutes the youth ran out the front door, shouting, "They're dead!"

Detectives believed the mother had been slain in her sleep. The daughter's body was fully clothed. Inspector John Gallagher said the letter seemed to him to be "something about religion," and about all he "could make out of it was that the daughter killed her mother and then herself."

**CLEANERS AT CONCLAVE**

National President Addresses Indiana Association.

The Indiana Association of Dyers and Cleaners opened a convention at the Lincoln today. Frank A. Weller, president of the National Association of Dyers and Cleaners, was the principal speaker at a business session this morning. F. E. Glass, Indianapolis, president of the state organization, delivered the annual president's address.

Other convention speakers will include R. C. Sharpeberger, Indianapolis; Paul Trimble, national association managing director; Roy Denny, editor of the Cleaning and Dyeing World. A dinner dance will be held tonight and the convention will close Tuesday afternoon.

**Bey of Tunis Dies**

TUNIS, Feb. 11.—Sidi Mohammed El Habib, 71, bey of Tunis, died here today. The funeral will be held tomorrow. Sidi Ahmed, a nephew, will succeed him.

## DROP FIGHT TO INSERT 'P. R.' IN MANAGER BILL

Fear Doubtful Legality of Proposed System Might Crash Whole Scheme.

Efforts to amend the city manager law to provide the proportional representation system of electing city commissioners were to be abandoned in the Indiana house of representatives this afternoon.

Doubtful constitutionality of the "P. R." system, described as the nemesis of "machine control" of city manager government, caused the Indianapolis City Manager League and members of the Indianapolis delegation in the house to recede from their advocacy of proportional representation, it was learned.

This switch in plan was the latest development in the city manager controversy that was to be opened formally on the floor of the house at 2:30 p. m. At that hour the Noll bill, clarifying and strengthening the 1921 city manager act was to be placed on second reading and opened to debate and amendment.

**Report Favors Bill**

The bill was drafted by the Indianapolis City Manager League and introduced in the house by Representative Frank J. Noll Jr. of Indianapolis.

It came unannounced from the cities and towns committee with a report favoring passage. The report was adopted more than a week ago.

Political factions, seeing the hope of controlling city government under the manager form slipping away under the "P. R." system of electing commissioners, at first were outspoken against the voting innovation.

Their opposition, however, was soft-pedaled when it appeared that because of "P. R.'s" doubtful legality, under the Indiana constitution, its inclusion in the city manager statute might offer a vulnerable spot for attacks on the whole city manager law in the state supreme court.

Sensing this, and informed by high legal authority that proportional representation might prove a boomerang, the city manager forces agreed, it was learned, to withdraw this feature of the Noll bill.

An amendment was expected from Representative J. Glenn Harris of Gary to remove "P. R." and permit election of city commissioners under the federal system of elections.

**"Better to Wait"**

Friends of the city manager government feared that if they succeeded in their fight for "P. R." and the city manager form of government were established in Indianapolis in 1930 with commissioners elected, the whole governmental structure of the city might crumble under an adverse decision by the state supreme court.

If proportional representation would open the city manager form of government to danger of invalidation by the supreme court, it is better to wait two years and then seek an amendment to the constitution so that "P. R." can be adopted, one Marion county representative explained.

Evansville representatives had intended to offer an amendment to extend proportional representation to that city, as well as Indianapolis. Today's developments, however, made this improbable.

Contemplated amendments include:

Several Amendments Proposed

1. One by Indianapolis forces friendly to the manager form, designed to protect the present set-up of the Indianapolis board of health which directs management of the city hospital.

2. One by Representative John W. Chamberlain of Terre Haute, regarded detrimental to the manager plan, proposing to make the city clerk and city judge elective instead of appointive. The city judge reference would not apply to Indianapolis.

3. Another by Chamberlain to increase the salaries of commissioners from \$500 to \$5,000 a year.

4. One or more by Indianapolis opponents of the city manager form of government, intended, presumably, to remedy parts of the law regarded of doubtful constitutionality.

Friends of the city manager law and the Noll amendments were anticipating the strongest attack to come from Representative Lloyd D. Claycomb of Indianapolis, avowed enemy of the manager government.

Claycomb said he had made no decision on introduction of a bill he has prepared for a form of city government incorporating principles of the present federal system and city manager plan. "We'll wait and see what happens," he said. "If the present law is amended so as to make it reasonable, I may not introduce my bill."

A bill resting in the cities and towns committee of the senate calls for outright repeal of the 1921 city manager act.

## Starts Her Second Term



Mrs. Grace Banta Urbahn, who today began her second term as Indiana state treasurer. Mrs. Urbahn became treasurer when her husband, Ben Urbahn, died during his term. She was elected in the following election and re-elected last November. Mrs. Urbahn was sworn in at 11 this morning by Supreme Justice Julius Travis in the presence of other officials and many friends. The office was decorated elaborately with flowers sent by friends.

## SCHOOL ISSUES MAY BE PASSED

Tax Board Is Expected to Approve Bonds.

Approval of two bond issues of the Indianapolis board of education, one for \$305,000 and the other for \$600,000, was forecast today following a public hearing before the state tax board.

The issues are being reviewed by the tax board at the behest of the Indiana Taxpayers' Association.

At today's hearing the school board was given until Saturday to file additional plans and specifications for additions to be constructed at Schools 15 and 49 and the proposed new Irvington high school.

W. C. Nussbaum, attorney for the taxpayers' association, said that the association felt the bonds were needed and merely asked that the tax board review the issues in order to insure taxpayers the manner in which their money would be spent.

**FOUR STORES ROBBED**

Burglars Bore Through Doors, Loot Is Small.

The "brace and bit burglars," who have committed a series of burglaries in the last three weeks, gaining entrance in each instance by boring their way through the doors, added four more stores to their string today.

Their loot totaled only a small amount of change. In the R. C. Snoddy drug store, 3432 East Tenth street, they overlooked \$300 which was hidden in the cash register.

Other places entered, all of which were ransacked, but from which nothing was taken, were the A. & P. grocery at 3426 East Tenth street, the Sam Danner fruit store, 3428 East Tenth, and a Standard grocery at 3316 East Tenth street.

**IRWIN FUNERAL SET**

Last Rites to Be Held Tuesday for Traffic Manager.

Funeral services for Harry J. Irwin, 38, of 7345 North Meridian street, Acme-Evans Company traffic manager, will be held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at the residence. The Rev. Graham Gibson of Fifty-first Street M. E. church, will conduct services. Burial will be at Summitville, his birthplace.

He had been associated with the milling company thirteen years. The widow and a son survive.

## CRIME WAVE IS BEING PROBED

Broadmoor Robbery Victims to View Suspect.

A second probe into the robbery of members of the Broadmoor Country Club last May by several bandits was to be started this afternoon by Prosecutor Judson L. Stark and William H. Remy, former prosecutor.

The investigation was expected to touch not only on the robbery, but also alleged crime activities in the city and probably some circumstances surrounding the mysterious fire and explosion in the Edward Traugott Company clothing store, Aug. 26.

Several persons who were victims of the hold-up men are to be questioned by Stark and Remy within the next few days.

One of the primary purposes of the investigation will be to ask club members to view pictures of Charles Phayer, alleged St. Louis gangster, who is charged with being a participant in the holdup.

Phayer was to have been tried this month on a charge of auto banditry and robbery, but several persons were unable to give positive identification.

Phayer was partly identified by victims several months ago following his arrest in St. Louis. He now is in St. Louis, under \$5,000 cash bond in criminal court.

**TWO WOMEN HELD**

Negroes Are Accused of Holdups.

Because of the quick work of a bondsman, Sergeant Frank Reilly was forced to arrest Mrs. Blanch O'Banyan, 24, Apt. 2, 705 North Senate avenue, and Mrs. Mattie Thomas, 23, 622 East Allegheny street, both Negroes, twice to secure their identification as the women who held up Joseph Helt, Y. M. C. A. Wednesday night taking \$15 cash and a \$325 check.

Reilly arrested the women Sunday on vagrancy charges when he met them on the street and slated them subject to \$500 bonds. Before he could go to the Y. M. C. A. and return with Helt to identify the women they had been released under bonds signed by Mrs. Virginia Benniote, 1515 Steel street. According to police Mrs. Benniote is a niece of Eli Gmil, professional bondsman who has been barred from signing bonds at police headquarters.

Raiding the North Senate avenue apartment of Mrs. O'Banyan, Reilly arrested the two women again. He also found Douglas Austin, Negro, there pouring out some liquor and arrested Austin on a liquor charge.

Helt positively identified the women as the ones who had robbed him, police said. They were held on vagrancy charges with bond set at \$5,000 each.

**STOP ASTHMA OR NO PAY**

D. J. Lane, a druggist at 1413 Lane Building, St. Mary's, Kan., manufactures a remedy for Asthma in which he has so much confidence that he sends a \$1.25 bottle by mail to anyone who will write him for it. His offer is that he is to be paid for it after they are satisfied with results, and the one taking the treatment to be the judge. Send your name and address today.—Advertisement.

## PRESENT BILLS IN LEGISLATURE TAXING TOBACCO

\$4,000,000 to Be Raised From Levies on Smokers and Amusements.

Designed to raise \$4,000,000 annually—the equivalent of an 8-cent increase in the state tax levy—two bills were to be introduced in the Indiana house of representatives this afternoon levying taxes on amusements and tobacco.

Decision to enter the bills and push them vigorously in both houses was reached at a joint meeting of senate and house subcommittees at noon today.

The two bills were sponsored by the Indiana Farm Bureau Federation after having been drafted by Professor G. W. Starr, head of the research department of Indiana university.

The subcommittees decided to withhold for the time being a third measure prepared by Starr and the farm bureau to raise \$1,000,000 annually by a fee on corporate stocks.

The tobacco bill levies a license fee of \$3 on all tobacco dealers and calls for a tax of one mill on each cigarette weighing three pounds or less per thousand; two mills on each cigarette weighing more than three pounds per thousand; one mill on each little cigar weighing less than three pounds per thousand; and three mills on each cigar retailing for three cents or less each and weighing more than three pounds per thousand; one cent on each cigar selling for three cents or more each and weighing more than three pounds; one cent for each three ounces of snuff or chewing tobacco; and one cent on each

## Boy Is Hero

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 11.—The heroism of Leo Oldham, 12, saved the lives of his mother, three brothers and three sisters when their home was destroyed by flames Sunday.

A bucket of motor oil in a heating stove exploded, setting up a wall of fire between the seven persons.

Leo rushed through the flames and helped them escape through a window.

Ten cents worth of smoking tobacco. Stamps will be obtainable from agents or banks designated by the auditor of state, to whom dealers and distributors will be required to make monthly reports.

The amusement bill imposes a tax of 10 per cent on all admissions to professional amusements, including moving pictures, theatricals and boxing events.

Revenues obtained from both tobacco and amusement taxes will go into the state's general fund, the former being counted upon for \$2,225,000 a year and the latter, \$1,750,000 a year.

Members of the committees which approved the bills today are Senators Carl M. Gray of Petersburg, French Clements of Evansville and Alonzo H. Lindley of Kingman and Representatives Charles M. Trowbridge of Rushville, Claude G. Malott of Bloomington and James H. Lowry of Indianapolis.

All predicted speedy passage for the measures.

Approximately 500 persons attended a rehearsal of spiritual hymns at a musical convocation Sunday by the Indianapolis Lutheran Association in the First English Lutheran church. The convocation was in charge of Rev. H. Grady Davis, Whitestown. Delegations were present from Anderson, New Castle, Whitestown, New Augusta, Terre Haute, East Germantown, Brookville, Columbus and Cicero.

**200 CASES UP AT GRAND JURY SESSION TODAY**

Cleanup of 'Hot Car' Ring Most Important Business Before U. S. Body.

More than 200 cases involving more than 250 persons are to be presented to the federal grand jury, which went into session today.

The grand jury was sworn this morning by Federal Judge Walter C. Lindley, of the eastern district of Illinois. Judge Lindley came here from Chicago, where he has been sitting to hear the clemency petition of Attorney Russell V. Duncan, former Marion county representative, sentenced to two years at Leavenworth penitentiary in connection with disappearance of an internal revenue tax refund check.

David B. Cole of Vevay, was named foreman.

In order for Lindley to come here for the Duncan case, it was necessary for Federal Judge Robert C. Baltzell to relieve him at Chicago.

Liquor violations compose the majority of the cases to be investigated, although the most important case is the cleanup of the interstate motor theft conspiracy case.

Robert F. McNay, W. Lee Smith and Frank Glenn, convicted in trial of the case several weeks ago, and now serving terms at Leavenworth penitentiary, are to be taken before the grand jury as witnesses in the case Tuesday.

It is probable that Shadon M. Beamblossom, former secretary of the Evansville Klan, also will be called at a witness.

About thirty witnesses in various cases, including pistol violations, motor thefts and counterfeiting were heard this morning.

## Expansion Sale!

**\$3 Bed Spreads**  
Lustrous rayon, sizes 80x105 inches. Bolster style.  
**\$1.98**  
—Third Floor

**The Store of Greater Values**  
**THE FAIR**  
311-325 West Washington St.

**\$4 Part Wool Blankets**  
Large size. Extra heavy handsome plaids. Sateen bound. Each  
**\$2.19**  
—Third Floor

## No School Tuesday

A Good Day to Buy These

**Girls' \$7.98 to \$10 Coats**

**Smartly Fur Trimmed \$5**  
Also Navy Chinchilla Coats tailored and dressy models. Sizes 7 to 14 years.

**\$15 Fur Coats \$5.98**  
Sizes 4 to 12. While they last.....

**Girls' \$6.98 and \$7.98 DRESSES \$3.98**  
Smart crepe de chine dresses—One and two-piece styles in pretty colors. Sizes 6 to 12 years.

**Girls' Bloomers 44c**  
Rayon in pastel colors in sizes 8 to 12 years. Also Satins in sizes 6 to 14 years. —Second floor

**School Shoes**  
at Decidedly Low Prices

**BOYS' \$2.95**  
Shoes or Oxfords. Black and brown. Sizes 2½ to 5½.

**GIRLS' \$2.95**  
Smart brown or patent leather Oxfords for school. Sizes 3 to 8.

**Boys' Flannel Shirts**  
Made in the U. S. A. Flannel shirts and blouses. Tan and grey. Size 6 to 16 years.  
**79c**

**\$1 Boys' Pajamas**  
Warm Flannellette in 1 and 2-piece styles.  
**79c**  
—Street floor

**Boys' Lumberjacks**  
Fancy wool plaids with knit bottoms. Sizes 8 to 16 years.  
**\$1.29**

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**Tuesday, Extra Special! Underpriced Sale**

**Women's Fine Winter**

**COATS \$3.75**

**\$5 Sample Spring Dresses \$2.98**  
While They Last  
The Fair—Second Floor

**Fur Scarfs Reduced to \$5**

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## First Flivver Chained to Lamp Post by Ford to Foil Curious Crowds

By Times Special

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Henry Ford had to chain and lock his first flivver to a lamp-post whenever he parked it in the streets of Detroit in 1893, to prevent curious bystanders from trying to start it.

This is the amusing fact brought out by Charles Merz, who, in the February issue of World's Work, discloses the story of Ford's ten-year struggle to find financial backers for the awkward creation which made him the world's wealthiest man.