

\$500,000 TO REPAIR CITY CAR TRACKS

ten Per Cent of Revenue to Be Spent This Year for Improvements.

More than half a million dollars, most 10 per cent of the annual revenue of the Indianapolis Street Railway company, is being spent this year to replace and lay new tracks, according to T. L. McCarty, chief clerk of the engineering division.

The company hopes to complete by Jan. 1 the two miles of single track extension of the East Michigan street line from Bradley to Emerson avenue, together with one mile of double track.

This mile of double track alone will cost \$88,000.

Two hundred twenty-five men have been employed on this job and on the one-half mile of double track on Shelby street and the laying of 400 feet of new track between Washington and Maryland street on Illinois street.

This, together with the English avenue replacement and extension, will total four miles of single track this year.

Several new methods in track construction have been introduced this season by the street car company, including the thermit welding type of rail and steel tie plate fastening.

Through use of thermit welding, the protruding rail joint has been eliminated. A steel alloy which binds the two ends of the rail is used, making for smooth stretches of rail.

The steel tie plate will help to lessen the wear and so provide for level track instead of a series of hills and valleys.

A heavier rail also is being used in the 1929 construction and replacement program. Rails formerly weighed 90 pounds to the yard but the new rail weighs 102 pounds, and is expected to have greater wear-resisting qualities.

MINNESOTA HANDICAP IS HUNG ON NEWTON

*Hoover Secretary is Unlikely to Be Successor to Good.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The fact that Walter H. Newton, secretary to the President, was born in Minnesota, may keep him from being named secretary of war, Washington observers agreed today.

Newton is in line for a cabinet position, it's believed. The present vacancy, caused by the death of Secretary Good, might go to Newton but for the fact that at this present time Minnesota already is represented so well in Washington.

Not only is Attorney General Mitchell from Minnesota, but also Assistant Attorney General Youngquist, presidential secretaries Akeron and Newton, Roy A. Young, governor of the federal reserve board; William F. Schilling, member of the federal farm board; Charles H. March, member of the federal trade commission; Arch Coleman, first assistant postmaster-general; and Edgar Markham, assistant to the chairman of the federal farm board.

"LIZZIE'S" SPREE FATAL

Alcohol Fumes Ignite in Wreck With Interurban Car.

"Lizzie" got all "tanked up" on "alky." She was strutting "high, wide and handsome" near Tenth and Brooks'ide today. You could smell her alcoholic breath a square away.

Then an outbound freight interurban crashed into her. The potent "alky," coupled with the crisp air, ignited "Lizzie" and, when firemen reached the scene they found Manuel Schonecker, 27, of 1533 North Hamilton street standing beside "Lizzie"—his car. He estimated the fire loss at \$150.

YEGGS CAN SEE A JOKE

Finding Safe Empty Burglars Drink "Pop" and Leave Nickel.

By United Press LAMEST, Tex., Nov. 22.—Burglars who staged four robberies in this city apparently have a sense of humor.

After breaking into the safe of a local bottling company, where they found nothing, the yeggs sat down to enjoy a bottle of "pop." Manufactured by the company. When the manager opened the place in the morning he found a lone nickel—left for him in payment for the drink.

HIDDEN FORTUNE FOUND

Death of Aged Woman in Old House Reveals Secret Hoard.

By United Press NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The death of Pauline Poppitz, 80-year-old Brooklynite, brings up the controversy—"What good did she get out of it?" and "It gave her old age independence."

She lived in an old broken-down house, and did all of her own work. After she died more than \$500,000 was found in her rooms in bonds, mortgages and bank accounts.

EVADE WALL OF SPEARS

College Students Find Way to Get to Night Parties.

By United Press OXFORD, England, Nov. 22.—Students of Corpus Christi college returned from vacation to find the usual six foot wall around the college augmented by spears twelve feet high, surmounted by a row of cutting spikes.

The solved the problem of climbing in and out of college after dark by piling bricks at the bottom of the spears, and throwing a rug over the spikes.

OPEN BIDS ON NINE HIGHWAY PROJECTS

Improvement of 65 Miles of Roads Involved in Competition.

Bids on nine highway projects, for improvement of sixty-five miles of state roads, chiefly by paving, were opened by the state highway commission.

The projects and low bids were:

State road No. 42, from the Dale to Perry county line, one mile northeast of Perry, 12.014 miles. Low bidder, Globe Construction Company, \$267,808.72.

State roads Nos. 39 and 41, from Dyer, three-quarters mile east and one-half mile west of U. S. No. 41, to one mile north of Hartside, Lake county, 3.068 miles. Henry Downey, Hammond, \$51,134.02.

State road No. 24, nine miles northeast of Muncie, to the Indiana-Ohio state line, Allen county, 6.037 miles. Roger Daoust, Defiance, O., \$106,888.52.

State road No. 67, from Switz City to one-quarter mile northeast of Worthington, Greene county, 8.037. John J. Quinn Company, Bedford, \$156,318.70.

State road No. 2, Lowell to state road No. 53, one and one-fourth miles south

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

FREE HUSBAND IN CORD DEATH

Grand Jury Fails to Indict Robert McPherson.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—After more than two months in a prison cell, Robert A. McPherson was free today, exonerated by a grand jury of charges that he killed his wife, Mrs. Virginia Hurley McPherson, on Sept. 14.

He had been indicted on a first

degree murder charge, but ineligibility of one juror caused the present to be quashed. The present jury refused to return an indictment on evidence presented.

Mrs. McPherson, a nurse, was found strangled to death, a pajama cord tied about her neck. Police, supported by a coroner's jury, declared the death a suicide. The grand jury investigation followed demands by Senator Lee S. Overman of North Carolina.

Corn and Potatoes Displayed

ANDERSON, Ind., Nov. 22.—Prizes totaling \$380 are offered for the best corn and potatoes entered in the Madison county corn and potato show in progress at the Citizens bank. The exhibit is sponsored by the Madison County Purple Alumni Association.

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