

SICKLY WOMAN EMBEZZLER SET FREE BY JUDGE

Sentence of Defendant
Weighing Only 78 Pounds
Suspended in U. S. Court.

By Times Special.
FT. WAYNE, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. Erna W. Stoner, 29, Lafayette, who embezzled funds of the Lincoln National Bank and Trust Company here while in its employ, is at liberty under suspended sentence imposed by Judge Thomas W. Slick after she entered a plea of nolo contendere. She was fined \$100 on six counts and given two-year terms in the federal women's prison at Alderson, W. Va., on each count, the sentences to run concurrently.

The accused woman, who weighs only seventy-eight pounds, appeared near collapse as she withdrew a plea of not guilty and entered the one which admitted truth of the charge. She did not look at her husband or parents as the plea was changed.

No Good in Sentencing
Before passing sentence, Judge Slick said:

"The cowardly thing for me to do to appease public sentiment, is to send her to jail for life. Then people would say, 'There is a real judge.' But I'm not going to do the cowardly thing. There is no reason why I should wreck her life. She's wrecked her own life, almost. I believe the girls here in the courtroom have a living example of wrong doing when they see what she has suffered. There would be no good of sentencing her."

Paroled to Attorney

Judge Slick paroled Mrs. Stoner for two years to her counsel, Dan Flanagan.

Although defense counsel declared Mrs. Stoner had taken \$2,500, officials of the bank declared the shortage was \$12,000. Flanagan declared that when his client signed a statement regarding the shortage in July she had been without sleep for three days and nights.

MUNCIE MAYOR AGAIN IN CLASH WITH JUDGE

Ban on Filing Cases in Police Court
Put on for Third Time.

By Times Special.
MUNCIE, Ind., May 3.—Citizens here are watching with interest the next step in the Dale-Mann feud renewed by action of Mayor George R. Dale.

The mayor for the third time announced that police officers will not file cases before Judge Frank Mann of city court.

"I have given him several chances, but this is the last one," the mayor said.

The mayor also instructed his son-in-law, City controller Lester Holloway, to refuse payment of the salary of Henry Harrison, the son-in-law, and bailiff of Judge Mann.

"Harrison refuses to do his duties and he won't get his money until he does," Dale said.

The mayor said general conditions in city court were the cause of his latest move against the judge.

VETERAN LAWYER DIES

Perry E. Bear, Madison, Stricken
While in Theater.

By Times Special.
MADISON, Ind., May 3.—Perry E. Bear, 69, veteran member of the Jefferson county bar, is dead of heart disease. He was stricken while attending a theater.

He was a native of the county and served as its prosecuting attorney when he was only 21 years old. He had been city judge and also Jefferson circuit judge.

4,064 POPULATION GAIN

Bedford Increases While Linton Shows 13 Per Cent Loss.

By United Press.
BEDFORD, Ind., May 3.—Bedford's population has increased 4,064 persons since 1920, preliminary 1930 census figures show. The 1930 count is 13,140.

By United Press.
LINTON, Ind., May 3.—Linton's population decreased 13 per cent during the last ten years. The 1930 census figures were 2,077 against 5,856 for 1920.

Alleged Still Owner Held

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., May 3.—John Garrett, 35, is in jail here in lieu of \$5,000 bond after arraignment before United States Commissioner Clyde Randel. He was arrested at Burns City, Ind., and brought here by federal prohibition officers, who said they found a fifty-gallon still at his home.

I. U. Professor to Speak

By Times Special.
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., May 3.—Among speakers at the fifteenth annual convention of the National University Extension Association which will be held three days in New York, beginning Wednesday, will be Professor R. E. Cavanaugh, director of the Indiana university extension division.

Heavy Mushrooms

By Times Special.
BRAZIL, Ind., May 3.—Finding of two mushrooms with a combined weight of two and a half pounds by Albert H. Woods, has caused him to claim this spring's heavy mushroom championship. One of the fungi weighed one and one-half pounds.

\$88,000 for Building

By Times Special.
ANDERSON, Ind., May 3.—Twenty-five building permits were issued during April at the office of Ira Davis, city controller, for projects estimated to cost \$88,425. Erection of a \$30,000 plant at the Ames Shovel and Tool factory and a \$25,000 addition to the Guide Lamp plant, were the largest buildings started during the month.

Chapel Being Enlarged

By Times Special.
FRANKLIN, Ind., May 3.—Work has been started on an addition to the Franklin chapel which will practically double seating capacity of the building.

Rings Presented in May Day Fete



Left to right, Frances Cauble, R. O. Rutter and Sarah Crouch.

FREE INSURANCE FOR MINISTERS

Evangelical Church to Pay
Premiums.

By United Press.
SOUTH BEND, Ind., May 3.—Group insurance upon its ministers will be obtained by the Evangelical church conference of Indiana, it was decided at its annual meeting here.

The insurance will be in the amount of \$1,000 for each minister, the premium to be paid by the conference.

The conference granted permission for the erection of a \$30,000 church in Mishawaka.

It was reported to the meeting that the membership had gained 1,118, with the total now at 15,371.

The conference comprises 121 church buildings valued at \$1,930,000, with seventy-two parsonages valued at \$284,000.

Salaries paid during the last twelve months were \$140,000; expenses of the Sunday schools, \$37,000, and the average contribution, \$2.14 a person.

The Rev. J. O. Mosier, Van Wert, O., was appointed presiding elder of the East district and the Rev. C. Maas, Elkhart, presiding elder of the West district. Otis Collier, Portland, received deacon's orders.

Injury Causes Death

By Times Special.
LIBERTY, Ind., May 3.—Miss Ellen Gray, 82, following a broken hip, died at a Richmond hospital.

Burial will be made at College Corner, O. She leaves three sisters, Mrs. Sarah Thompson and Mrs. Lydia White, Liberty, and Mrs. Nettie Landis, Connersville.

WIFE DEFENDER OF ROBBERY ACCUSED

'Fesses Up

By Times Special.
SHELBYVILLE, Ind., May 3.—Raymond Volz, 14, after spending three days in the Shelby county jail here during which he feigned being feeble minded and gave a fictitious name, confessed to three sisters.

Mrs. Sarah Thompson and Mrs. Lydia White, Liberty, and Mrs. Nettie Landis, Connersville.

After the boy had given his real name, authorities communicated with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Volz, and they came here and took him home.

RUM PLOT CASES SET

Two Former Sheriffs Will Face U. S. Court at Ft. Wayne.

By Times Special.
FT. WAYNE, Ind., May 3.—The Charles Zimmerman and Guy Emrick liquor conspiracy cases are on the docket of federal court here for trial next week.

Zimmerman is a former Steuben county sheriff and Emrick held the same office in Allen county.

Dies Near Milton

By Times Special.
MILTON, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. Edna Alley, 50, following a long illness, is dead near here. She leaves her husband, Porter; three daughters, Mrs. Paul Gage, Fern and Alma; a granddaughter, Mrs. J. F. Bailey, Indianapolis; and three grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Sunday.

Mother of Four Dies

By Times Special.
BROWNsville, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. Pearl Hoffman, 53, wife of Mr. Luther Hoffman, is dead here. She leaves her husband and four daughters, Mrs. Cecil Huntington, Hamilton, O., and Genevieve and Mathews, at home.

Beitah Widow Dies

By Times Special.
BETHEL, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. Sarah E. Long, 74, widow of Newton Long, is dead here. Burial will be made at Palestine, O. She leaves four brothers.

Farmer Killed

By Times Special.
GLENWOOD, Ind., May 3.—William A. Vansoy, 65, farmer, was electrocuted while planting corn near here when he came in contact with a fallen high tension wire.

Orphans' Dog Stolen

By Times Special.
ANDERSON, Ind., May 3.—A St. Bernard dog, bought with pennies earned by children in the Madison county orphans' home, has been stolen.

ACTION WIDENS DIVORCE SUIT

Co-respondent at Anderson
Now Defendant.

By Times Special.
ANDERSON, Ind., May 3.—In a supplementary complaint filed by Ira Emminger against Mrs. Carmen Emminger, Clarence Leib, employed in the Barret law department of the city, is named a party defendant. In the original complaint he is the co-respondent.

The husband, in the latest complaint, alleges city police are conspiring with Mrs. Emminger and Leib to induce him to withdraw the divorce petition.

It is alleged that a liquor raid on the home of Mrs. Emily Rolf, a widow, where Emminger asserts he called for a business conversation with a roomer, was without basis as the divorce defendants knew no liquor would be found.

FOUR GAMBLERS WITH CARNIVAL REFUND \$60

Anderson Police Make Raid on
Wheels of Fortune.

By Times Special.
ANDERSON, Ind., May 3.—Four stands of a carnival here were busy when Chief of Police Alvin E. Riggs and three patrolmen arrived to investigate complaints against gambling.

The police found the stand operators conducting a gambling game on wheels of fortune, paying off in money instead of with merchandise as they had assured authorities they would do.

Taken to police headquarters, four men were given the choice of paying back \$60 they had taken from five players or going to jail. They paid, and were released. The stands were closed during the remainder of the carnival's stay.

ENROLLMENT INCREASES

Many Seek to Become Students in
Central Normal College.

By Times Special.
DANVILLE, Ind., May 3.—President Wood of Central Normal college announces that enrollment for the spring term which will open Thursday is the heaviest in several years.

The college for this term is offering for the first time an intensive course to close in August, 1931, by which a student can cover two years work in fifteen months, enabling him to teach in public schools. Central is the only Indiana college offering such a course requiring such a short period.

BANK WIND UP ASKED

Petition for Liquidation Follows
Closing at Arcadia.

By Times Special.
NOBLESVILLE, Ind., May 3.—A. E. Martz and son, Fred E. Martz, president and cashier, respectfully, of the Central Bank at Arcadia, which closed a few days ago, have filed petitions in court here asking for permission to liquidate the institution.

The petition says an appraisal shows assets are sufficient to pay all depositors and other creditors in full. A supplementary petition asks the court to appoint Fred E. Martz, trustee, to settle up the affairs of the institution. A hearing is set for Thursday.

I. U. Men to Speak

By United Press.
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., May 3.—President W. L. Bryan and Dean W. A. Rawles of Indiana university are in Iowa City for addresses on the program of the twelfth annual meeting of the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business at the University of Iowa.

Doctor's Mother Dies

By Times Special.
MILTON, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. May Denny, 76, mother of Dr. Edgar Denny, is dead here, after a long illness. Burial will be at Scotland.

Young Woman Dies

By Times Special.
MILTON, Ind., May 3.—Miss Hazel Helmsing, 23, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Helmsing, is dead near here. Burial will be made at Pershing.

River Work Started

By Times Special.
PERU, Ind., May 3.—Work has been started on a part of a \$150,000 flood control project in the Wabash river here by Ewing Shields & Son Company, Indianapolis.

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Reply Filed by City of
Muncie in Paving
Controversy.

By Times Special.
MUNCIE, Ind., May 3.—The city of Muncie charges that \$125,000 was paid to officials of the last preceding city administration by the so-called paving trust in perpetrating fraud and bribery.

This was the city's answer to injunction suits filed in Delaware circuit court to enjoin the best of works from cancelling sixteen improvement contracts awarded by the Hampton administration.

The answer sets out that the contracting firms of Curtis & Gubbins, the Birch Construction Company and William Morrison, a material and supply dealer, entered into an agreement to corrupt and influence city officials by payment of money and granting of favors.

Under the agreement the answer charges, Curtis & Gubbins were to receive all contracts for concrete paving, while asphalt work was to go to the Birch company. In the charges it is set out that the Birch company was to pay 15 cents for each yard of asphalt paving laid while Curtis & Gubbins would pay 65 cents for each yard of concrete paving.

That members of the alleged conspiracy also are endeavoring to bribe certain officers of the present administration is also charged, although the details were not included in the official action. It is understood that Mayor George R. Dale will attempt to show proof of this when the injunction suits are heard in circuit court Thursday.

BUFFALO HERD EATS GOLF LINKS GRASS

Anderson Pro Only Man on
Course Who Tried to
Chase Animals Away.

By Times Special.
ANDERSON, Ind., May 3.—W. O. Tindler, professional at the Grandview municipal golf course, became a modern Buffalo Bill when a herd of buffalo, escaped from the Miller Brothers 101 Ranch circus, stampeded on the golf links.

Lure of grass on the links brought the buffaloes across White river, up a steep bluff to the course, where golfers took one look, dropped their clubs and scurried to the nearest shelters.

Although the buffaloes preferred grass to human flesh, nobody took any chances of getting in the open except the professional, who was moved by a determination to save the expensive greens. He ventured forth in real cowboy fashion, except a horse. One of the herd made for a permanent green and was about to take a bite of it when Tindler chased it away.

Other buffaloes, not so particular, were content to munch on the fairway grass.

Presently a real cowboy hove into view from across the river and took command of the situation. Almost the first thing he did was to ride his horse across the prize No 18 green to the accompaniment of angry shouts from the golfers who by this time had regained their courage.

The cowboy finally persuaded the animals to retire from their new-found grazing, and they were returned to the show grounds.

Officials of the circus settled for the damage done to the green. Whether the settlement was on the basis of money or complimentary tickets was not disclosed.

Sullivan Man Killed

By Times Special.
SULLIVAN, Ind., May 3.—James Morrison, 45, tire dealer here, was killed instantly and a woman companion as yet unidentified received injuries expected to prove fatal when the automobile in which they were riding crashed into a furniture truck. Ernest Smith, Evansville, driver of the truck, was cut and bruised.

Drain Work Opposed

By Times Special.
ANDERSON, Ind., May 3.—Fifty-three remonstrances are on file in Madison circuit court objecting to assessments which a drainage commission proposes to levy against lands for reconstruction of the Edmund H. Peters drain, in the northwest corner of Madison county. The ditch, which is said to be in a bad state of repair, extends through three townships and a section of Elwood.

Death Follows Injury

By Times Special.
GREEN'S FORD, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. Adeline Cain, 85, following a broken hip, is dead near here. She leaves her husband, Milton; two daughters, Mrs. Nellie Pouts, Hagerstown, and Gertrude, at home; and a son, Walter, at home.

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Pilot Whose Plane Killed Seven Would Fly Again

Evansville Youth 'Eager and
Ready' to Take Seat
at Controls.

By Times Special.
EVANSVILLE, Ind., May 2.—Although a plane piloted by Milton Covert, 20, Evansville, killed seven persons at Fayetteville, Tenn., Sunday, he is not through with aviation. Returned here while awaiting a hearing on manslaughter charges, May 9, Covert says:

"I'm trying to forget, but I'm eager and ready to fly again."

Describing the tragedy, which resulted when his plane headed into a crowd watching an air circus program, Covert said:

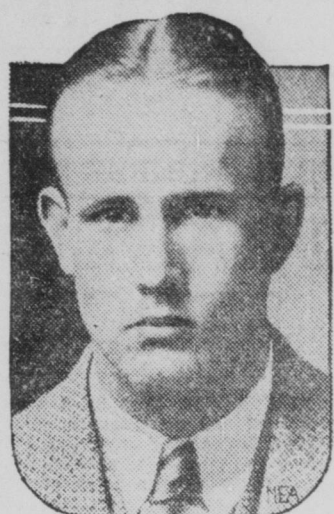
"I was gliding out from over a forest when I suddenly hit a descending current of air. The bottom seemed to drop out of my plane and it nosed directly down into the crowd. I gave it the 'gun' full pressure to try and pull out but it dropped."

"My right wing hit the crowd first and the plane, its propellers whirling, made a full three-quarter turn in the crowd."

"Some one helped me out and flung my arm over my eyes, but I saw several bodies on the ground first. That's all I want to say about that—I want to forget."

"Nothing I can do can express the sorrow and regret I feel over the accident, but I feel that all I can do is forget, now."

"I had other members of the circus call the sheriff after I had recovered from the shock and voluntarily gave myself up to examination and custody. The crash was only an accident—an accident I will regret all my life."



Milton Covert

LACE PEDDLERS IN WRONG CALL

Better Business Bureau
Visit Causes Arrest.

By United Press.
FT. WAYNE, Ind., May 3.—Two peddlers of "Irish hand-made lace" got into the wrong office here, and thence their path led to the police station.

The women went from the fifth floor of the Standard Building to the fourth, where their first call was at the office of the Better Business bureau.

Thomas H. Hayes, bureau director, called police while his secretary, Mrs. Lena Crumb, kept the women occupied by purchasing a scarf for \$7.

Investigation showed that the lace was machine manufactured, and purchased in Pittsburgh.

The women, giving their names as Mrs. Mary Smith, 65, and daughter, Miss Mary C. Smith, 23, were held under \$100 bond each.

Neither would admit any connection with women giving the name of Williamson, previously arrested here on similar charges, although a bill made to Mrs. M. Williamson from a Memphis (Tenn.) hospital, was found in Mrs. Smith's purse. The Williamson women provided bonds and then left the city without awaiting trial, the bonds being forfeited.

DEAD CHILD'S FAVORITE TOY AGAIN ON GRAVE

Clay Dog Removed Twice in Nearly
Fifty Years at Franklin.

By Times Special.
FRANKLIN, Ind., May 3.—A toy dog made of clay has been replaced on the grave of little Gracie Frazier in Greenlawn cemetery after having been missing since last winter, the second time in nearly fifty years that it has been removed from the grave.

A small boy, a son of Amos Benchmeier, found the toy on the city dump. He took it to his home. None of the family knew about the toy being kept on the grave until informed by Franklin college girls.

The boy's father then communicated with O. O. Frazier, brother of the dead child, and soon the little clay dog, favorite toy of its dead mistress, was back on her grave.

Mother of Eight Dies

By Times Special.
MIDDLETOWN, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. Rebecca Fadley, widow of Henry T. Fadley, is dead here. She was a life-long resident of this vicinity. She leaves six sons, Ray and Frank, Newcastle; Fred, Detroit, Mich.; Dewey, Clarence and Herschel, Middletown; two daughters, Mrs. Stella Carson, Anderson, and Mrs. Dewey Peckinpaugh, Springport.

Auto Thefts Charged

By Times Special.
RICHMOND, Ind., May 3.—George Mendenhall, formerly in the employ of a bank here, is under arrest at Detroit, charged with stealing two automobiles there which were recovered here after sale to a Richmond dealer.

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