

# GAS INSPECTION LAW DECLARED 'MONEY-RAISER'

Petroleum Group to Seek  
Change on Grounds of  
'Inefficiency.'

Charging that Indiana's gasoline inspection law is in "the coal oil lamp stage" and has degenerated from a public service to "a mere unconstitutional revenue raising measure," Max L. Wickersham, executive secretary of the Indiana Petroleum Association, announced today that war is to be waged on the law at the next legislative session.

Unanimous backing of the oil men of the state and even by the oil inspection department itself will be given the movement, he predicted.

A petition of protest is being circulated and generally signed, Wickersham declared. It reads as follows:

"We wish to go on record as protesting against the present oil inspection law of Indiana as inefficient, an excessive fee, and a public hazard."

"The motoring public does not realize that in addition to the 4-cent gasoline tax in Indiana, it also is adding to the annual exchequer of the state an additional \$400,000 under the oil inspection law," Wickersham declared in fighting for change.

"The law was adequate for kerosene or illuminating oil in the old days of the coal oil lamp, but today it is impossible for our state oil inspectors to make proper inspection under the present system of highly explosive liquids such as gasoline and naphtha."

"It is only a question of time until an explosion occurs which will wake the populace to action and without doubt the responsibility will lay on the inspection department."

"The revelation will show that

# Arrange Water Carnival

Miss Alma Telfert, left, and Francis E. Hodges, right, city swimming supervisors, and Red Cross life savers, in charge of a water carnival dedicating the new Garfield park swimming pool Sunday afternoon.



highly explosive liquids are unloaded from tank cars to bulk plants, trucked to service stations and resold to the motorists weeks before a sample of the fluid reaches the state department. It also will reveal that the inspectors have taken the invoice gallonage without a sample and billed the oil company for inspection.

"The oil inspection fee in Indiana is 40 cents per barrel. On a 10,000-gallon tank car the oil company pays the state \$8 to carry out the intent of the law to protect the public."

"It is understood that of the \$400,000 collected each year in this

manner, about \$90,000 is used for inspection purposes. The balance of over \$300,000 reverts to the general fund."

Effort will be made to change the law so that inspection will not cost more than 1 1/2 cents per barrel and all the money will be spent for "inspection at the pump," Wickersham said. This is the fee paid in Illinois.

Democrats long have made efforts to repeal the inspection law in its entirety, but the Republican majority has retained it. At the last legislative session, leading senators admitted that it was a fund-raising and job-making measure as now constituted.

# RICH WOMAN HERMIT ENDS HER OWN LIFE

Leaves but \$150 and Her  
Curse to Relatives; Suicide Due to Ill Health.

By United Press

NEW YORK, June 16.—Mrs. Rosalie Barbell, a hermit reported to have accumulated \$500,000 in the course of her strange life, has killed herself, leaving only \$150 to one of her relatives and her dying curse to all the rest.

She turned on the gas in her cramped little apartment on Oak Hill Terrace and ended her life. She had been suffering a bronchial cough for which she had refused to accept medical treatment.

Today neighbors recalled her strange mode of living, and related tales of how she strode through the neighborhood with a sack of provisions and a glare in her eye for any one who presumed to wish her "good morning."

Relatives often called to see her, according to other tenants in the house. After they had pounded on the door, Mrs. Barbell would shout for them to go away.

Even when her cough grew serious she would allow no one in the apartment except Mrs. Edward Morris, wife of the superintendent of the building.

Mrs. Norris treated the widow's cough, and then came the day when the superintendent's wife broke both her ankles.

Deprived of Mrs. Norris' assistance and still refusing to see a physician or any of her relatives, Mrs. Barbell's condition grew worse.

Her suicide followed. Four notes addressed to relatives, contained nothing but the following message:

"I wish that all the harm in the world will happen to you and your children."

# Marbles Tourney Entry

Please enter my name as a contestant in the Times Marbles tourney, to start Tuesday at 10. I have permission of my parents to play and to accept the trip to Ocean City, N. J., if I am winner, all expenses to be paid through arrangement of The Times with the National Marbles Tourney Association.

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# HAINES LEADS IN DERBY

Negotiates 360 Laps in Y. M. C. A. Bunion Marathon.

Vincent Haines leads in the Y. M. C. A. "bunion" derby with 360 laps negotiated in the fifty-mile marathon. Haines' lap total is equivalent to fifteen miles. The total mileage must be completed by Sept. 15.

Herman Meucke of the Big Four

is in second place with 280 laps and Harry Metzger third with 212 laps. The event is arranged for systematic exercise during the summer months and not as a speed event.

Editor Dies on Steamship BALBOA, N. Z., June 16.—Advises received here reported Guy Clark, editor of a Clarksville (Miss.) newspaper, had died of heart trouble on the steamship Amapala, returning from Cristobal to New Orleans. The body was embalmed for shipment to New Orleans.

# RARE STAMPS ARE SOLD

200 Collections Disposed of at Tri-State Club Session.

More than two hundred stamp collections were sold at public auction at the summer convention of the Tri-State Stamp Club in the Hotel Lockport Sunday. An exhibit

of stamps by the postoffice department was under charge of Edgar Brown of the Indianapolis post-office.

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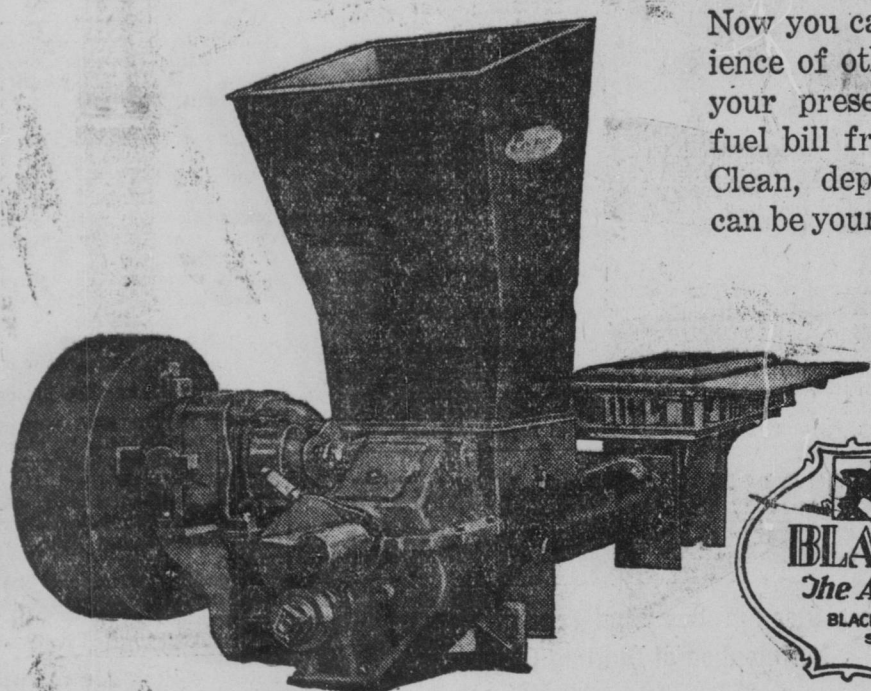
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