

## U. S. MUSTERS FORCE TO CURB RICH RUM GANG

Dry Sleuths to Pit Brains Against Wealth of Giant Syndicate.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—The federal government has mustered a staff of thirty technicians, code experts and astute investigators in an attempt to curb a mighty liquor syndicate plying ships between St. Pierre-Miquelon, New York and the Bahamas and doing an estimated \$1,000,000-a-month business.

The justice department, charged with prohibition enforcement, has placed its faith in a short, sandy-haired Virginian, H. J. Simmons, chief of special agents for the New York district.

In a soft, drawing voice he expresses his belief that romance still lingers in the detective business and that Sherlock Holmes and Philo Vance used methods that can be applied in every-day life.

Live Outside U. S.

It is our belief that a gigantic combination of rum-runners is working between St. Pierre-Miquelon and the Bahamas," he said. "It is a ferry system."

"The boats come out of the north, loaded with wines and champagne. Exactly on schedule, they arrive outside New York and discharge their cargo. Then they proceed to the Bahamas for a supply of hard liquor, dropping it off here on the return trip."

"As near as we can figure, the flow of liquor into New York is worth \$1,000,000 a month."

"I can give you some idea of how carefully the rum syndicate is organized when I tell you that there is a board of directors at the head of it. We believe the board consists of six or eight men, all of whom spend most of their time outside of the United States."

Capital Is Unlimited

"Now, in my work we are up against the problem of fighting a gang that has almost unlimited capital."

Simmons waved toward a radio set in one of his rooms.

"That's worth money on a radio. So I'm betting the brains of my men against money—the human element against mechanical perfection."

"I have one man who can speak five languages. Another one is an expert at translating Greek and still another can speak Chinese."

"My men often have to work for months on radio messages we intercept," said Simmons. "Like Poe, I believe there is no code that can not be broken down."

POLICE WILL WARN TOY GOLF COURSES

Controller to Enforce Provision for \$15 Monthly License.

Police were asked today by City Controller William L. Elder to notify operators of miniature golf courses to obtain their \$15 licenses for the month.

The ordinance directing payment of the fee and making it unlawful for courses to remain open after 1 a. m. became effective Oct. 6. Operators were notified by letter, Elder said, but results have not been forthcoming. After police give the verbal notice they will be requested to recheck later this week, Elder said.

GOLF GROUP IS NAMED

Riverside Course Advisory Committee to Suggest Changes.

Advisory committee of the Riverside municipal golf course has been appointed to make recommendations for changes in the course before next year to the park board. Similar committees will be named to aid in revision of other courses, A. C. Salter, park superintendent said.

Committee members are: William A. Pickens, chairman; Albert Gall, M. E. Foley and John E. Milnor, former board members; J. M. Davis, and Harry Schopp, South Grove course manager.

THIS IS GOING TOO FAR

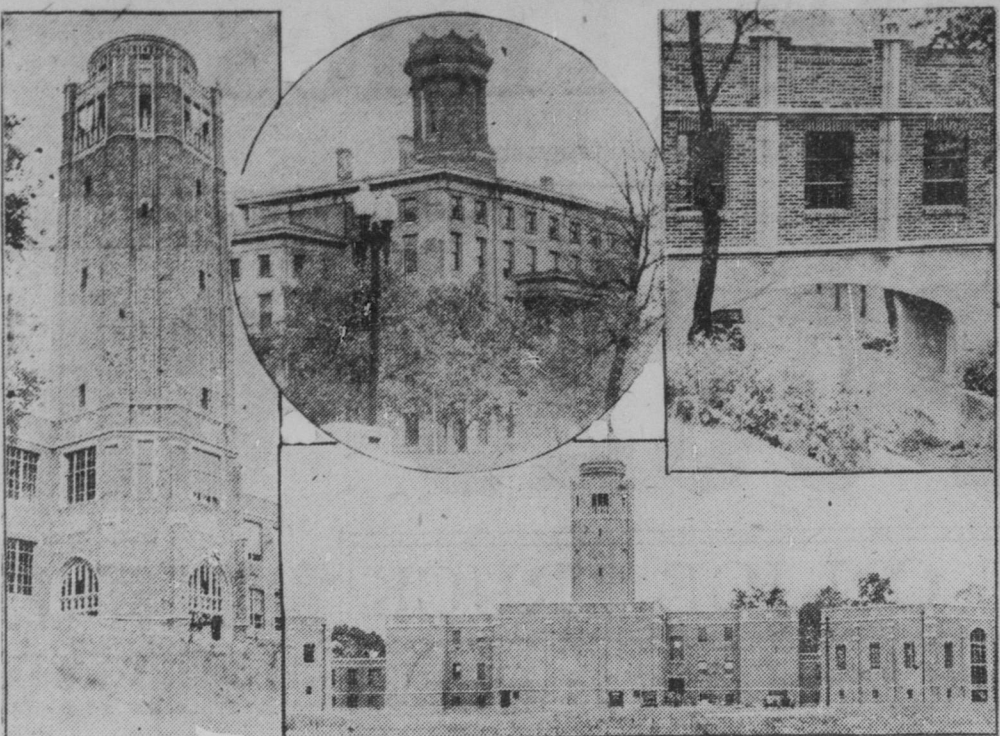
She Didn't Mind Strange Women, but Smoking—Oh, My.

By United Press  
CHICAGO, Oct. 8.—Mrs. Anna Silvers did not mind when her husband brought strange women home with him, but she did object to their smoking in her house "because it injured her prestige and social standing in the community," she stated today in a divorce suit filed here. The Silvers live at Pontiac, Ill.

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## Indiana's New Home for Blind



While workmen are busy razing the old blind school to beautify the World War Memorial plaza, pupils of the Indiana State School for the Blind are accumulating themselves to their new \$1,025,000 home at Seventy-fifth street and College avenue.

Left Photo—Entrance to the executive offices of the new school with its tower. The tower houses a water standpipe for emergency use as well as fire protection.

Center Oval—The old school which was erected in 1874 and now is being razed.

Top Right—The causeway at the new school which bridges a road and forms an indoor passageway for students from the interurban to the school. The passageway connects the entire group of school buildings.

Lower Right—A rear view of the main wing of the new school.

## CHURCH MEMORIAL HOME READY IN '31

Presbyterian Refuge for Aged Is Discussed at Synod Session.

Plans for occupancy of the \$200,000 Estelle Peabody Memorial home of the Presbyterian church in North Manchester in the spring of 1931 was reported today at the annual Indiana synod meeting Irvington Presbyterian church.

The home will admit persons of all denominations who have reached 65 years of age. It was made possible by fund presented by James B. Peabody of North Manchester and Los Angeles.

Dr. William R. Graham, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, Lafayette, unanimously elected moderator of the synod at the opening session Tuesday night, presided at today's session.

Recommendations for clearing up difficulty over the recent resignation of the Rev. L. G. Leary, pastor of the Bloomington church, were to be presented to the synod today.

The resignation came three months ago when a question of authority arose between the Rev. Leary and the church's student pastor, who has charge of Presbyterian students of Indiana university.

Dr. A. G. Parker, Hanover college president, was among principal speakers today. Other speakers were to include the Rev. Francis Shunk Downs, New York, board of foreign missions secretary; the Rev. Henry B. Master, Philadelphia, board of pensions secretary; the Rev. Samuel Callen, Ft. Wayne, and the Rev. E. Graham Wilson, New York, board of foreign missions secretary.

NEW PASTOR TO SPEAK

Murat Temple Caravan Club Will Hear New City Minister.

Murat temple's Caravan Club will hear the Rev. Abram S. Woodward, new pastor of the Meridian Street Methodist church, at luncheon Thursday.

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P. J. Sertell Elected President of Bruce P. Robinson Post.

Election of P. J. Sertell as commander of the Bruce P. Robinson post, American Legion, was announced today. Other officers are Paul M. Gary, first vice-commander; Stewart Maxwell, second vice-commander; John P. Ragsdale, adjutant; and Don Smith, finance officer.

2,000,000 FOR CHARITY

Estate Valued at \$10,000,000 Left by Chicago Capitalist.

By United Press  
CHICAGO, Oct. 8.—The late Thomas O. Jones, capitalist and member of the war trades board during the World war, left \$2,000,000 to charitable and educational institutions, according to his will on file today for probate.

Jones, who died Sept. 27 after an operation, left an estate valued at \$10,000,000.

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## EGG PRICES AT LOWEST MARK IN 2 DECADES

City Consumers May Not Benefit From Slump, Wholesalers Say.

By United Press

CHICAGO, Oct. 8.—Eggs, fried, scrambled, poached or any other way, will be one of America's cheapest foods this winter. Raw, they dropped to the lowest price in twenty years on the Chicago mercantile exchange.

Eggs for November delivery dropped to 21½ cents per dozen and December to 22½. Not since 1910 have prices been so low.

Whether Mrs. Indianapolis will receive the advantages of the lowest egg market in twenty years during the ensuing months is dependent on a big "if."

For today wholesalers admitted that the speculative egg had reached a bottom in the city never before recorded in the "hen fruit" mart.

But the big "butter and egg" men declare that it hinges on the retailer whether the consumer benefits by a bear market.

They charge that the retailer, in some instances, has asked more than a 10 per cent margin of profit per dozen.

Butter Is Included

"Eggs we sell at 29 and 30 cents have been sold by retailers at 39 and 40 cents a dozen," declared J. P. Groves, manager of the H. Redfern & Co. egg dealers.

Nor are eggs alone in the charge of alleged profiteering, for one commission man asserts butter sold to the retailer at 41 cents a pound costs the consumer from 48 to 55 cents a pound.

A check of egg prices in retail stores revealed that chain groups were taking a lower profit in most instances than independents, whose prices were ranging from 35 to 43 cents a dozen.

Defense Is Offered

Eggs are classed by one wholesaler as sold to the retailer as follows: Cheap eggs, 25 to 26 cents; seconds, 27 to 28 cents; firsts, 31 to 32 cents; very select, 34 to 35 cents.

"We sell very few of the 34 to 35 cents eggs," he said.

## Dr. Egbert, City Physician for 32 Years, Is Dead



Dr. James Egbert

Dr. James Egbert, 59, of 1648 North Alabama street, died early today at his home after a short illness.

Born in Morgan county, Dr. Egbert left with his parents to make a home near Dodge City, Kan., in 1886. He returned to Indiana at the age of 24 and entering the Indiana Medical college graduated with the class of 1888.

He was an eye, ear and throat specialist and practiced in this city for the last thirty-two years.

Dr. Egbert was a member of the Masonic order, the First Baptist church and American Medical Association.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Surviving him besides the widow, Mrs. Matilda Egbert, is a daughter, Mrs. George O. Chambers of Indianapolis.

35-cent eggs for they are all uniform in size and color," he avers. "Today the market was paying the farmer 23 cents a dozen for his fresh eggs."

Retailers offering eggs at more than 38 cents claimed that the quality of their eggs, the premium they paid for eggs only twenty-four hours old, necessitated the higher prices.

"We sell very few of the 34 to 35 cents eggs," he said.

## COLD SHOULDER TURNED TOWARD VETERAN PLANS

Washington Doesn't Care for Ideas Advanced at Legion Session.

By Scripps-Haward Newspaper Alliance

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—Suggestions being discussed at the American Legion convention for relief of depression by new governmental aid to veterans are being received here without enthusiasm.

The first of two plans calls for expenditure by the government of three billion dollars. Treasury officials and members of congress point out that this would require an immediate and huge increase in taxes. There is no surplus of funds.

It has been suggested that the government buy up all outstanding adjusted compensation certificates at their face value, which is three billion dollars.

The purchasing power of a large

group of people would at once be increased by this amount, advocates of the plan argue, and industry should feel the beneficial effect.

However, even the most insistent friends of veteran relief hesitate to approve any expenditure calling for an increase in taxes. Industry would be hurt by such an increase more than it would be helped by having three billion dollars in circulation, in the opinion of a number of officials, it is claimed.

Treasury officials were not ready to comment on the second plan being discussed by the veterans. This calls for exchange by the government of adjusted compensation certificates for participation certificates to be issued against the allied war debt bond now in the treasury.

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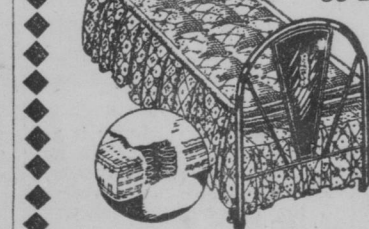
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