

## LIQUOR WILL BE TOPIC FOR TWO HOUSE HEARINGS

Much Discussion Probable on Prescriptions and Dry Law Repeal Bills.

Wets and drys are scheduled to go to bat before the public morals committee of the house of representatives next week, when public hearings will be held on two bills—one for outright repeal of the Wright bone dry law and the other giving physicians authority to prescribe whisky for medicinal purposes.

The committee, which is headed by Representative Russell J. Dean (Dem., Marion), can recommend that the bills be killed through indefinite postponement, passed or report without recommendation.

Rumblings that forces of both the wets and drys are mobilizing strongly for the approaching battle before the committee has reached Dean, who expects the chamber of the house to be filled to capacity on Tuesday and Wednesday.

### Repeal Hearing Wednesday

The first of the liquor bills to be considered will be that to permit physicians to prescribe whisky, which comes up Tuesday night. The following night the repeal bill, introduced by Fred S. Galloway (Dem., Marion), is set for general discussion.

Dean stated that scores of physicians will be present Tuesday night. Several opposed to the bill permitting them to prescribe whisky and others strongly in support of the measure.

He also declared that Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, president of the Indiana W. C. T. U., and Ethan A. Miles, attorney for the Indiana Anti-Saloon League, will speak against both bills, and will be supported by a battery of other speakers.

### Physicians Will Attend

Notices that the bill affecting physicians will be up for debate on Tuesday night have been sent doctors throughout the state by Thomas Hendricks, secretary of the Indiana State Medical Association, and Dean said several hundred undoubtedly will be present, and that various groups will be represented by attorneys and other speakers.

Galloway, author of the repeal bill, stated that one or two ministers will speak in favor of passage of his repeal measure, and that he has been assured that among the others to urge passage of the bill will be Albert Smith, prominent Indianapolis attorney; George J. Marott, capitalist and merchant; and Leo M. Rapaport, a member of Governor Harry G. Leslie's crime commission.

### DEFENDANT VICTOR IN SECOND TRIAL OF CASE

Marion County Woman Sought \$10,000 After Being Struck by Truck.

*By Times Special*

GREENCastle, Ind., Feb. 7.—A jury in the Putnam circuit court here returned a finding for the defendant, Murray G. Garfield of Danville, in the case of Delia Hankins of Marion county, in which she demanded \$10,000 for injuries alleged to have been sustained, when she was struck by a truck driven by Garfield in May, 1929.

Three days were required to hear the case, which was on trial for the second time here, a jury having disagreed after deliberating twenty-four hours in June, 1930. The case was brought here from Hendricks circuit court at Danville.

The accident occurred on the Rockville road near the Hendricks Marion county line. Mrs. Hankins was struck as she was crossing the road. Her attorneys attempted to prove that the accident was caused by carelessness and fast driving of Garfield, while the defense maintained Mrs. Hankins became confused and stepped in front of the truck.

### Aged Farmer Dies

*By Times Special*

COLUMBUS, Ind., Feb. 7.—Joseph Hoehn, 69, farmer, died at his home east of this city of pneumonia. He was born in Clark county in 1861 and in 1882 moved to Bartholomew county where he had since lived. He was an active member of the Methodist church. He leaves two daughters: Mrs. Edna Holm, and Mrs. Sarah Marling; a brother, Frank Hoehn, LaGrange, Ore., and a half sister, Miss Mary E. Hoehn, Madison.

### Death Remains Mystery

*By Times Special*

MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 7.—Authorities are about ready to list the death of Grant Lowe, 37, as an unsolved mystery. His body was found in a culvert beside a road southwest of here Friday. A severe blow behind the left ear resulted in brain concussion and hemorrhage. While police have not abandoned a murder theory, they are inclined to the belief he may have been struck by an automobile.

### Teachers End Session

*By Times Special*

MONTICELLO, Ind., Feb. 6.—The fifth annual session of the White County Teachers' Association closed here today. Principal speakers were Dr. W. D. Henderson, director of the University of Michigan extension division, and Dr. W. R. McConnell of the department of geography, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

### \$1,000 Awarded After Tragedy

*By Times Special*

HUNTINGTON, Ind., Feb. 7.—A judgment for \$1,000 has been awarded Wm. Hamilton, as the result of the death of his daughter, Mary Elizabeth, 6, killed after falling from a school bus when struck by an automobile of Clare Holley. He is awaiting trial on a charge of manslaughter.

### Noblesville Woman Hurt

*By Times Special*

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Feb. 7.—Mrs. Floyd Eller of this city, is in a hospital with severe injuries to her legs, the result of the automobile which she was driving striking some gravel. It skidded and turned over.

## INDIANA LEADS NATION IN LIMESTONE FOR BUILDING

State's Corn Fifth While Coal Output Gives Sixth Place.

### Talk of Good Old Days as 'Uncle Joe' Retires

*By Times Special*

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Indiana residents using domestic electric lighting number 566,280, according to the Bonbright Survey of electric light and power companies of the United States, published by the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company. Primary horse power in the state totalled 602,113, which includes the rated capacity of electric motors driven by purchased current.

"Indiana ranks ninth among the states in value of manufactures, of which the most important are iron and steel products and dressed meats," says the survey report. "It produces 70 per cent of the limestone used in the United States for building, ranks sixth in output of coal and takes an important place among the states in the production of petroleum, natural gas, pottery and cement. The corn crop is exceeded in only four states."

Other facts cited in the survey report include: Total population, 3,225,600; number of families, 737,707; number of manufacturing establishments, 4,726; average number of wage earners, 280,717; value of manufactured products, \$213,479,432; value of all crops, \$237,937,000; number of telephones, 561,000; number of automobiles and trucks, 882,802.

## BILLS DISPOSED OF NEARLY IDENTICAL

### State Senator's Bank Robbed at Battle Ground

*By Times Special*

BATTLE GROUND, Ind., Feb. 7.—Two unmasked bandits robbed the State bank of \$1,400 late Friday afternoon and escaped in an automobile in which an accomplice waited.

The bandits, one wearing a brown overcoat and cap and the other overalls, entered the bank and asked Cashier Clyde Jones for change for a ten-dollar bill. As he started to comply with the request, both robbers drew guns with the demand, "Give us all of it."

Two girl employees and Jones were forced to enter the vault and a patron compelled to lie on the floor. The robbers obtained all money in sight and fled to their all.

J. Floyd Garrott, state senator from Tippecanoe and Benton counties, is president of the bank, which has resources of about \$250,000. The bank stands near the site of the famous battle of Tippecanoe.

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