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## PAUL MOORE QUILTS POST AS AIRPORT CHIEF

Resigns in Secret Session After Long Period of Turmoil.

### COX NAMED SUCCESSOR

M. G. Johnson, Engineer, to Take Assistant's Job at Field.

After months of turmoil and clashes over authority, Paul H. Moore, superintendent of the Indiana municipal airport, today submitted his resignation to the works board.

The action was taken in a closed session of the board from which newspaper men were excluded. Moore left the city hall before he could be questioned.

Only recently has the board had the power to control the situation at the airport. This authority became vested in the board with the passage of a bill in the legislature which removed the previous dual power of the city council and the works board.

#### Cox Is Successor

Charles E. Cox Jr., employed as assistant superintendent several months ago and then reported as being groomed for Moore's place, will be the successor of the former superintendent.

M. G. Johnson, assistant city engineer, who was identified with the airport project in the final months of construction, will step into Cox's place and will be known as engineer and airport manager and also will retain his post in the city engineer's office.

Johnson will be paid \$100 a month in addition to his salary in the engineer's office for services at the airport. Edward Johnson, assistant at the airport, was named assistant to Cox at a salary of \$1,800. Cox will receive \$3,600 annually.

#### Believes Resignation Demanded

Moore's resignation, according to reports at the city hall, followed months of bickering between Moore and Cox, and the works board and council. It is believed generally that his resignation was demanded after the legislature's action gave the works board power to act.

Heretofore, the works board was tied and could not take action on airport matters without ratification of the city council. During this period, Moore retained sufficient support in the council which, it was reported, would have held the post for him in case of an open battle.

Moore supervised construction of the airport which cost the city more than \$750,000. The building of the airport went smoothly until last summer when several blunders occurred among workmen and officials. Battles flared over digging the second well and its alleged heavy content of pollution.

#### Regime Is Cut Short

Other outbreaks came when completion of the administration building was months overdue and finally it was taken over by a bonding company.

Moore's regime at the airport was short of the city only moving to the field in the last thirty days.

E. Kirk McKimsey, president of the board, said Moore had submitted a verbal resignation and indicated \$1,200 in salaries would be saved the city under the reorganization.

Moore formerly was connected with the Chamber of Commerce and spent several years in developing aviation activities in the city.

Cox, formerly was connected with United Fruit, flying service in Indiana. He served overseas during the war.

## 'DON'T CARE,' SAYS WIFE KILLER SUSPECT

Refuses to Reply to Formal Reading of Warrant; Held Without Bond.

CLEVELAND, March 16.—Leo Yaratch, 25, formerly of Corry, Pa., was arraigned on a charge of wife murder today before Judge Oscar Bell, who continued the case until March 20.

Asked to reply to Clerk Adolph Koselka's formal reading of the murder warrant, Yaratch muttered an indifferent "I don't care," and was ordered held without bond. Yaratch was arrested Friday night by detectives who found him wandering aimlessly near the spot where the body of his slain wife, Margaret, 28, was found early that day.

## SOVIETS ARE SUBJECT

Labor Press Correspondent Will Speak at Communal Hall.

From A. B. Magill, who was a correspondent for the labor press at the trial of eight engineers recently convicted of conspiracy and sabotage in Soviet Russia, will have opportunity to hear details of the trial at Communal hall, 17 West Morris street, Wednesday night at 8. Magill also will lecture on the progress of the Russian five-year plan and illustrate his talk with pictures. The lecture is under auspices of the Indianapolis section of the International Workers' Order.

#### Supreme Court to Adjourn Soon

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The supreme court announced today it will adjourn March 23 until April 13.

## CHAPLIN PICKS A QUEEN!

Will He Star or Wed London Girl?



She's only 20, and so far has been seen only in minor roles in British movies and in advertisements for which she has been hired. But Patricia Goddard, or Sari Maritza, as she is known professionally, is believed to have won the artistic approval and perhaps the affection of Charlie Chaplin, upper right.

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#### BY MILTON BRONNER

NEA Service Writer

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## TAX HIKE PERIL SPURS COUNTY POOR AID QUIZ

Threat of 25-Cent Boost Stirs Probe of Present Relief Program.

### \$400,000 DEBT AIRED

Action on Bond Issue Is Deferred Until Special Council Meeting.

#### Slams Poor Relief Statutes

Councilman Roy Sahn, urging that the present volume of relief be paid, pointed to the present \$400,000 debt as an expense which "taxpayers can not stand."

The debt represents poor relief bills from last December to March 15. More than thirty groceries are owed the aggregate sum.

William H. Book, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce civic affairs committee, told councilmen that poor relief statutes were to blame for "the biggest thing this county ever faced."

Lack of investigators under nine township trustees was blamed for the "expensive" poor aid program.

Sahn charged trustees with handling relief in an "unbusiness-like fashion."

"Supplies Not Bought Wisely"

"The one trouble with the whole relief system is that supplies are not bought wisely, and a system should be inaugurated to pay the lowest possible cost for supplies," Sahn declared.

County Commissioner Dow W. Vorhies told councilmen that the \$400,000 represents bills already accrued and that scores of grocers will be forced into bankruptcy unless the county's debt is paid.

"If these grocers are not paid, many will be thrown out of business, and only those who are financially able to carry on can do business with the county," Vorhies said.

## GETS IN WRONG HOUSE; MISTAKE IS FATAL

Trips on Stairs of Strange Home, Falls and Breaks Neck.

SAN MATEO, Cal., March 16.—Bernardo O'Donnell's failure to recognize his own front door cost him his life.

O'Donnell returned home late Sunday night. He entered a door which he thought led him to his own apartment.

Upon reaching the second floor he realized he had made a mistake and was in the wrong house. He turned to hurry back down the stairs.

Half way down he tripped, fell and broke his neck, dying almost instantly.

## HOBO KING, IN LOVE, IS LOOKING FOR JOB

Girl Demands He Work, Make More Money Than She Does.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—J. Leon Lazarovitz, once crowned "king of the hoboes" in San Francisco today—looking for a job.

The man who was selected "king" at a hobo convention in Minneapolis in 1927, and later abdicated, confessed that his desire for less travel and more security was inspired by an affair of the heart.

He met a girl, he said, in Brandon, Canada, while on a "side door pullman" tour.

"She works steady and says I got to work and make more money than she does," Lazarovitz explained. "So that's why I'm here."

#### Hourly Temperatures

6 a. m. .... 30 10 a. m. .... 34  
7 a. m. .... 30 11 a. m. .... 34  
8 a. m. .... 32 12 (noon) .... 34  
9 a. m. .... 33 1 p. m. .... 35

Brighter in Porto Rico

He will see a pathetic people impoverished—well nigh forgotten for years—by their former lucrative trade in rum and bay rum gone.

He will see islands that have been devastated by earthquakes—lands foredoomed by geologists to oblivion when some gigantic future earth tremor engulfs them.

The Porto Rican vista, while depressing, will be brighter to some extent, due to the recent assiduous efforts of Governor Roosevelt to mitigate the lot of the natives—to build up waning industry and introduce new trades—to foster education and better social conditions.

## Face Gin Party Trials

Their companion, Virgil Kirkland, 20, convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment, the four Gary (Ind.) youths now face murder trials as the aftermath of the death of Arlene Draves, 18, during a drinking party.

Left to right are David Thompson, Paul Barton, Leon Stanford and Harry A. Shirk. Pleas on a lesser charge may be accepted by the state to save the long trials, it is expected.

## REPORTER WILL DEATH TAKES BE HOOVER AID REP. ASWELL

Boston Man Named as New White House Secretary.

#### By United Press

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Theodore Joslin, 41, Washington correspondent of the Boston Transcript, will be appointed secretary to President Hoover, it was announced at the White House today.

Joslin replaces former secretary, George Akerson, who resigned six weeks ago to take an executive post with a motion picture corporation.

Joslin has been a Washington correspondent of the Transcript for a number of years.

## Louisiana Democrat Dies at Washington.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Representative Ames Benjamin Aswell (Dem., La.), member of the house agriculture committee, died at 2:15 a. m. today of heart trouble at his apartment here.

Aswell had been a member of all congresses since 1911. As senior Democrat on the agricultural committee he led the fight in the house for the inclusion of food loans in the drought relief bill passed at the last session.

Aswell represented the eighth district of Louisiana and lived at Natchitoches. He was brought up on a cotton plantation and worked on his way through school. He graduated from the George Peabody Teachers college in 1892, and later received the degree of bachelor and master of arts from the University of Nashville.

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## SLAYS BROTHER AND SHERIFF; ENDS LIFE

By United Press

MONTICELLO, Ind., March 16.—A life-long friendship between Sheriff Ray Fisher, 40, of White County, and a deputy, ended tragically Sunday when Talbutt killed Fisher, wounded a deputy, killed his own brother, then committed suicide rather than be arrested for bank robbery.

Talbutt, 43, fired upon Fisher without warning when the sheriff and his deputy, Barney Ireland, went to the Talbutt farm to serve a warrant issued in Tippecanoe county against Talbutt and his brother William, 34.

The warrant charged that the brothers participated on Feb. 6 in holding up the Battle Ground bank and stealing \$1,400.

Sheriff Fisher had delayed arresting the Talbuts for several days, insisting to officers of the neighboring county he believed them innocent. Scott Talbutt and he had been friends for years. Talbutt supported him when Fisher ran for sheriff.

Officials of the Battle Ground bank visited the Talbutt farm on an invented errand last Friday. Later they identified the brothers as the bandits. The warrant was sent to Fisher to serve as the Talbutt farm is just inside the line of this county.

When Fisher asked Ireland to accompany him he told the deputy it was unnecessary to take a gun as he "knew" the brothers would not resist.

At the farm, the sheriff was reading the warrant to William Talbutt when Scott stepped suddenly from a corn crib and opened fire with a shotgun, killing Fisher instantly.

Shotgun, armed, ran. A bullet ripped through his hand as he dodged across a field to summon aid.

When posers surrounded the farm later they found the bodies of both the Talbuts in the house. Scott apparently had shot his brother, then committed suicide and fallen across William's body.

Sheriff Fisher was a World War veteran. He leaves his wife and two children. William Talbutt leaves his wife. Scott was unmarried.

## SCHROEDER LAUGHS WHEN JUDGE PASSES SENTENCE

In apparent good humor and without his usual scowl, Harold Herbert Schroeder, 35, of Mobile, Ala., today stood before Criminal Judge Frank P. Baker and was sentenced to two to twenty-one years in the Indiana state prison.

Schroeder's sentence was mandatory under the verdict reached on Tuesday night by a jury that found him guilty of voluntary manslaughter.

Schroeder was charged with the alleged slaying of an unknown man whose body was found in Schroeder's flaming sedan on the High School road early May 31.

Schroeder sat quietly in the jury box before sentencing. Brought before Baker he stood silently while Ira Holmes, defense attorney, told Baker no appeal would be taken.

"Have you anything to say before I sentence you?" Baker asked.

"No. Nothing at this time," Schroeder answered.

Baker then pronounced the sentence, saying it was "2 to 14 years."

Holmes corrected Baker, pointing out the maximum was twenty-one years. Holmes, Baker and Schroeder laughed together at the judge's error.

Wearing a hat for the first time since he was returned here from Mobile last June, Schroeder was returned to the county jail in a "chain gang" with nine other prisoners. Schroeder will be taken to the state prison Tuesday by Sheriff Charles (Buck) Sumner under guard of sheriffs.

As Schroeder left the courtroom he was shown a picture of Harold Webb, 24, whose mother, Mrs. Louise Crooks, R. R. 2, Box 673, had told Baker, as the case was going to the jury, that she believed her son had perished in the car.

"Does that look anything like the man?" Holmes asked.

Schroeder looked at the picture several seconds.

"No, sir," he answered.

## LEO BROTHERS ON TRIAL FOR LINGLE DEATH

30-Year-Old St. Louis Man Accused as Hired Killer of Reporter.

### STATE'S PLANS SECRET

Suspect's Attorneys Confident They Can Prove He Is Not Murderer.

#### BY WILLIAM F. HALLBERG

United Press Staff Correspondent

CHICAGO, March 16.—The long-awaited trial of Leo V. Brothers on charges of committing Chicago's most sensational crime—the murder of Alfred (Jake) Lingle—opened today in Judge Joseph Sabath's criminal court.

A clash between opposing counsel over witnesses called by the state started the trial.

Tyrell V. Krum, chief defense counsel, attempted unsuccessfully to obtain nervous statements of state witnesses living outside Chicago.

The defense charged a previous list produced by the state included the names of persons without the remotest connection with the Lingle murder. The quarrel ended with the state promising to identify its remaining witnesses "in ample time."

The 30-year-old St. Louis man, whom the state charged with the hired killing of the Tribune reporter and secretive racketeer, appeared nervous as attorneys prepared to spend at least a week in selection of a jury.

Plans of the state in the trial were as mysterious as was the killing of Lingle last June 9. Brothers himself confessed he knew nothing of the evidence to be offered against him.

Both Sides Are Confident

Attorneys for both state and defense were sure of victory. "I'll state every professional reputation Brothers goes to the electric chair," was the comment of Pat Roche, chief investigator for John A. Swanson, state's attorney.

Brothers' attorneys were just as positive he would be acquitted. They based their belief on the list of twenty-one witnesses the state had said it would produce. None of these witnesses, they contended, could do more than say he saw the murder and that Brothers was the man.

To offset testimony of this kind, the defense was ready to produce other witnesses of the slaying who would testify Brothers was not the man.

#### Predict State's Failure

The possibility was discussed that Charles F. Rathbun and James E. McShane, special prosecutors appointed to solve the case, might withdraw as attorneys to act as witnesses. Since the killing last June these men have done little else but investigate the crime.

Tyrell Krum and Louis Piquette, defense attorneys, predicted the state would fail because a motive for the slaying could not be proved unless it was proved some one had paid Brothers and who that some one was.

Brothers was arrested last Dec. 21 at a hotel where he had been in hiding for many months. He was held a secret prisoner until Jan. 9, seven months to a day after the murder when a report of a summoned newspaper man, pointed to Brothers and announced, "There is the slayer of Alfred Lingle."

#### Started Crime Cleanup

That was all Roche or any of his colleagues ever have said except to repeat time after time that they "knew" Brothers was the slayer and that he would be positively identified.

No crime in Chicago's history has had a more far reaching effect than the murder of Alfred Lingle, which aroused the city that numerous drives against criminals were started, grafting and corruption were revealed, and such a demand for a cleaning up started that gangsters were put on the defense for the first time in years.

## \$6,130,046 IN PLAZA

Fortune Spent in 10 Years, Examiners Report.

Between Nov. 10, 1920, and Dec. 31, 1930, local and state governments expended \$6,130,046.24 on the Indiana World war memorial, according to the report of the state board of accounts today by Examiners Ross Teckmeyer and Otto Jensen.

Of the total sum, \$3,264,510.12 came from the 6 mill special state levy, which has been cut to 4 mills for the next four years by the 1931 legislature.

City of Indianapolis contribution was \$1,287,299.62 and Marion county \$1,475,476.37. Various minor funds are listed in the report including \$50,462.22 for Block 5, and \$52,368.31 for Block 16. The main shrine, listed as Building A, cost \$1,597,074, and the obelisk and fountain, \$714,985, thus far.

## FREE 14,000 PRISONERS

By United Press

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