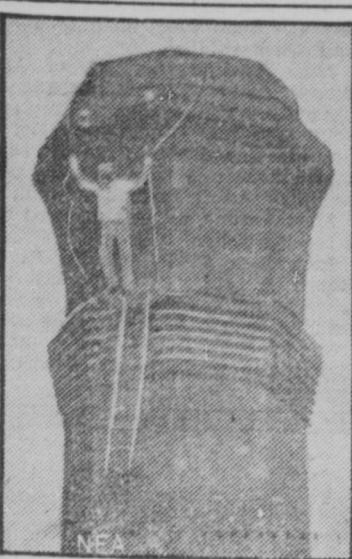
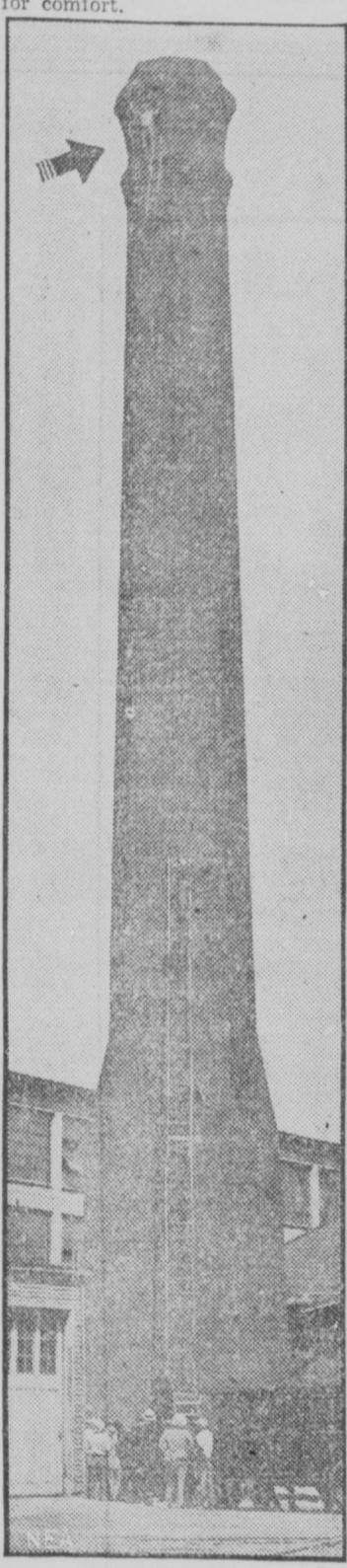


## Air Stunter Might Try This Feat



**HIGH UP AND HELPLESS—** Balanced precariously on a six-inch ledge 140 feet above the ground, James E. Kemp, 63, is shown here on a chimney where he clung with one hand to a short length of rope for two hours at Rochester, N. Y., after seeing a fellow steeplejack plunge to death when they were working, broke. He first pulled himself to the top of the chimney, but this was too hot for comfort.



**TRYING TO RESCUE HIM—** Here you see firemen, coast guardmen and bridge workers attempting to reach Kemp with extension ladders. They finally rescued him by shooting a line over the chimney with a life-saving gun. After a heavy rope had been drawn over the chimney top, a chair was sent up to him.



**SAFE AGAIN AT LAST—**A close-up of the elderly steeplejack reclining in bed after cheating death. His only complaint was that his arm was tired.

**OIL ORDER IS REFUSED**  
Commission's Verdict Is Turned Down by Gov. Sterling.

**KILGORE, Tex., Sept. 2—** East Texas oil operators today awaited impatiently an order of the Texas railroad commission reopening the vast field closed Aug. 17, under martial law.

A conservation order from the commission, which conducted hearings to establish a reasonable production for the field, was drawn up Tuesday, but Governor Sterling refused to accept the order.

**SCHOOL TO REOPEN**  
Freshmen to Register at Cathedral Friday Morning.

Cathedral high school will reopen next Tuesday. Registration of freshmen is scheduled from 8:30 to 11 Friday morning. Those who have attended the high school before this year will receive their class cards Tuesday morning.

**STRAY PIGEON ALIGHTS IN HOTEL**  
A white pigeon with a blue celluloid band on a metal tag flew into an open window of the Plaza hotel Monday. The management of the Plaza is keeping the pigeon until its owner appears. The only identification is the numeral 23 on the foot band.

## CITY ABANDONS ALL HOPE OF BUDGET SLASH

**Council, Vigorously Opposed  
to Pay Cuts, Backed  
Against Wall.**

BY LOWELL NUSSBAUM

City councilmen today virtually had abandoned hope of effecting any substantial reduction in the 1932 city budget and levy.

With the budget slashed more than \$500,000 below this year's budget before it was submitted to the council, members of the council are experiencing difficulty in finding items which can be sliced without impairing operation of city departments next year.

As the net result of four budget committee meetings, the council has been able to decide on tentative reductions of only \$11,230, the equivalent of only 2 mills in the tax levy.

Predictions that the 1932 city tax levy will remain at \$1,036, as advertised, freely were made at the budget committee meeting Tuesday night.

### Battle Salary Cuts

An almost overwhelming sentiment against salary cuts, as proposed by Board of Trade officials, was apparent at the meeting, which was attended by only four members. The committee will meet again tonight.

At a previous session councilmen considered salary cuts on a sliding scale, with the larger cuts for the higher paid employees, which would have resulted in a budget cut of about \$150,000, equal to 2½ cents in the levy.

City officials and Albert F. Walsman of the Indiana Taxpayers' Association were to confer today with state tax board officials in regard to Walsman's charges of error in computing the levy, which, if corrected, he said, would permit a 54½ cents levy cut without disturbing the budget.

### Prevented by Law

Practically the only reduction effected Tuesday night was a unanimous decision to reduce salaries of nine police women to \$600 a year. Five other police women assigned to juvenile court would receive \$1,320 a year and four matrons would receive \$1,500 a year.

At present police women are receiving the same pay as second grade patrolmen, \$2,026 a year, but the budget as submitted to the council carries a reduction next year to \$1,320. Cutting wages of the nine would save \$6,480 a year.

Councilmen and safety board officials favor eliminating all but five of the fourteen police women, but are prevented by law from dismissing them arbitrarily.

Letters presenting objections to dismissal or cutting pay of the five police women assigned to juvenile court have been sent to city officials by Juvenile Judge John F. Geckler.

### Seek to Cut Expenses

James E. Deery, city attorney, was instructed by councilmen to prepare an ordinance requiring city departments to obtain approval of the city controller before contracting any obligations above \$100 and below \$2,000. At present there is no check on expenditures below \$2,000, all above this figure requiring council approval.

The ordinance was proposed as a means of holding down department expenditures.

Views of a committee representing the Indianapolis Federation of Community Civic clubs were voiced at the meeting by John F. White.

While opposing salary cuts for city employees, White urged that if the council should decide on salary cuts, that the cuts be made only in salaries above \$2,200. These cuts would not include police and firemen.

### NAVAL OFFICER'S BODY TO BE BROUGHT HOME

Quartermaster Thomas Victim of Drowning Off Indian Head.

Body of Chief Quartermaster Carroll H. Thomas, U. S. N., formerly of Indianapolis, who was drowned when he fell from a tug off Indian Head naval station in Maryland Saturday, is expected to arrive here for burial Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas, 2333 Langley avenue, parents of the naval officer, said they had no details of the mishap that cost their son's life. Mrs. Gladys Thomas, the widow, is bringing the body here from the eastern states.

Quartermaster Thomas had been in naval service eighteen years, enlisting when he was 20. Survivors besides the widow and parents are: A brother, Gilbert, and three sisters, Miss Idabelle Thomas, Mrs. Helen Huff and Mrs. Ethel French, all of Indianapolis.

**KROGER LEADER HERE**  
On his tour of branches of the Kroger Grocery and Baking Company in all parts of the United States, A. H. Morrell, president of Indianapolis branch, Tuesday will visit twenty-three other Kroger branches which maintain 5,000 stores throughout the country. A. W. Metzger heads the Indianapolis division.

## THEY TELL ME

BY BEN STERN

**W**HETHER it was the watermelon, or just an excuse to get away from home one night, there was a real gathering of Republicans to attend the Irvington G. O. P. Club watermelon feast Monday night.

Whatever the attraction, the best show in town was offered with a dual feature.

The first was the Damon and Pythias act of Senators Jim Watson and Arthur Robinson, and the second was the old time spellingbee Republican speech made by the senior senator.

Every trick of the political orator's trade was utilized.

Senator Jim complimented the ladies, waved the flag, made Republicanism sound like the "Old Time Religion," gave the Democrats the devil, told stories, waved his arms and shot his cuffs; and if there had been any babies present he would have kissed them.

It has been years since there was such a gathering of mid-Indiana Republicans.

Among those present were office-holders, would-be office-holders and past office-holders.

Two former Governors, Jim Goodrich and Ed Jackson, were interested participants. A roll call of the guests would have sounded like a

## HUSBAND SHOT TO SAVE INFANT SON

**Wife Turns Rifle on Mate  
Who Attacks Family in  
Drunken Rage.**

After an all-night drunken quarrel, during which he beat his wife and four older children, a father came to grief early today, when his wife shot him with a rifle as he started to whip his 3-year-old baby.

An emergency squad under Sergeant Irvin Landers found Harold Haslet, 36, at his home at 1614 Ludlow avenue, with wounds from a 22-caliber rifle in both arms. Mrs. Haslet admitted the shooting.

"Harold hasn't worked for a year," she told Sergeant Landers. "We have lived off the country, except once in a while when the county gave him some odd job at which he could make a little money."

"But somewhere he got money to drink. Last night he came home drunk and beat me and the children. When he went after little Tiler, I took the baby away from him and got the gun."

Haslet was treated at city hospital and then lodged in city prison on charges of vagrancy and assault and battery. Mrs. Haslet is charged with shooting with intent to kill.

The older children are: Harold Jr., 14; Emma, 12; Samuel, 10, and Alice, 6.

**Mrs. Harold Haslet**



## LOVE BROKER'S WIFE GRILLED ON MURDERS

**Says She's 'Through' With  
Mate; Denounces Him as  
'Fiendish Wretch.'**

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persons in foreign countries whom Powers probably met when he was overseas during the war and of several of his women correspondents are included.

A nation-wide check of Powers' activities, conducted, police believe, under various aliases, was continued as police sought what may prove a key to the entire case—his diary.

Police are confident Powers kept a diary, but so far all efforts to locate it have failed. The fact that he has records dating back to 1924 and seemed to enjoy writing leads them to believe he kept a daily account of his activities.

### Search for Diary

Search for more bodies of possible victims has been abandoned temporarily, as deputies reported that bodies found on what was believed a second burial place were those of sheep.

The plot of ground near Reynoldsburg, was searched closely and no evidences of fresh digging was found. The original owner reported seeing a man who he said closely resembled Powers about the place frequently at night.

Failure of a "detector" to indicate presence of any other bodies in the plot on which is located the garage and burned cottage near which five bodies were recovered caused the search to be abandoned there.

The "detector," invented by a physician here, reacted strongly when held over the spot where Mrs. Asta Buck Elcher, her three children and Mrs. Dorothy A. Pressler Lemke were buried. It showed reaction at other places on the property, police said.

### Search in Three States

Farm land once held by Powers in three states—South Dakota, Illinois and Ohio—may be checked for evidence of more love murders, it was learned today.

Letters so far uncovered have revealed him as wooing by mail from Miller, S. D., in 1924; Vandalia, Ill., in 1925, and Mansfield and Crestline, O., a year later.

All these letters were from women lured by matrimonial agency advertising, as were the two he confessed he killed in his garage at Quiet Dell, near here, and buried with the three children of one victim.

They were revealed as investigation of the Detroit agency through which he lured his confessed victim began.

In the Dakota Powers was known as Joseph Gildow.

In Mansfield he was known as Powers.

### Wife Believed Doomed

It was there he wooed by mail his present wife, the letters of the two abounding in honeyed phrases, and leading toward the sex discussions that were to follow.

Louella Strothers, his wife, and her sister, Eva eventually were to meet the fate of Mrs. Asta Buck Elcher and Mrs. Dorothy Lemke, officials believed.

Powers had told friends he intended to buy a new automobile and take the couple for a "good long ride." Also it was learned about life insurance he had inquired about life insurance.

Mrs. Powers admitted she had been wooed by mail after a letter was found addressed to him from her. It was addressed to him at Crestline, O. In it she described herself:

"I have fine character, light brown hair and hazel eyes. Fair complexion, wear glasses, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weigh 160 pounds. I will be 40 years old the 5th of next month."

The eleventh man, R. M. Johnson, 40, of 4020 Central avenue, who failed to appear, will be rearrested on a charge of visiting a gaming house.

Following trial of the case this morning, Johnson's name was carried as dismissed, but Sheaffer said this was an error.

The dismissals were gained on motions of John Royste, defense counsel, that police possessed no search warrants for the place, and had not seen money or lost.

Kruse told Sheaffer he heard the bet's "being made on the margin," but did not see money exchange hands.

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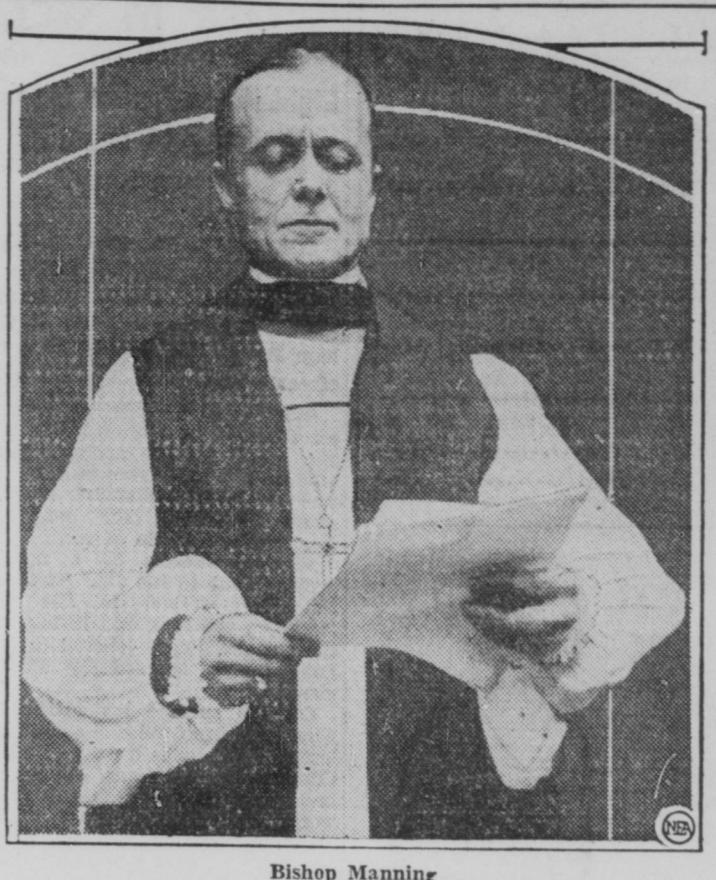
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## Bishop Manning Assails New Canon on Divorce



Bishop Manning

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—The proposed new canon which would permit Protestant Episcopal ministers to unite divorced persons in marriage is denounced as "amazing" and "shocking" by Bishop William T. Manning of New York in his first public expression on the subject.

"The proposed new canon on marriage and divorce is a sign of the times," the prelate said in letters to the Living Churchman and the Southern Churchman. "This canon proposes a complete departure from the Christian, scriptural and prayer book ideal of marriage."

"If the general conference were to adopt this canon the Protestant Episcopal church would be confronted with the gravest crisis in its history."

## PARTY ENDS IN FATAL STABBING

**Four Arrested in Probe of  
City Killing.**

Stabbed in the abdomen by an unknown assailant, Thomas Connor, address unknown, died early today at city hospital.

Police arrested three men and a woman for questioning about a two-hour drinking brawl that led to the killing.

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## Aviation

Weather conditions at 9 a.m.:

North-northwest wind, 11 miles an hour; temperature, 64; barometric pressure, 29.76, at sea level; ceiling, overcast; light rain and fog, estimated 300 feet; visibility, one-half mile; field wet.

**Weather Halts Airmen**

Aerial traffic through Indianapolis, and over the entire midwest virtually was suspended today because of "soupy" weather.

With the ceiling almost on the ground and rain falling, the air races at Cleveland were called off for the day, while double events were planned for Thursday.

Embry-Riddle air mail due through at 2 this morning finally nosed through the fog after daylight, while the westbound T. W. A. night air mail, due in at 3:30 a.m., arrived about 10 and pushed on through the soup to St. Louis. Passenger flights were canceled.

**Floodlight is Moved**

The huge BBT floodlight at municipal airport was per