

BATTLE LOOMS OVER SALE OF POPPY IN STATE

V. of F. W. to Combat
Move of Legion to Get
State Permit.

England's war of the roses won't have a thing on Indiana and it's war of the poppies.

For at the next meeting of the legislature the American Legion of Hoosierland will attempt to obtain the state's seal of approval on their annual poppy drive, while the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the state will combat the legion's right to the flower for obtaining money for disabled veterans on Memorial day.

The call to arms was sounded to the V. F. W.'s this week by Arthur G. Gresham, national legislative deputy of the organization.

Aroused by Resolution

Gresham and his buddy veterans have been aroused by a resolution adopted at the last legion convention recommending state legislation giving the legion the exclusive right to sell poppies in Indiana.

In past years the two veterans' organizations have fought street "duels" in Indianapolis for customers for their poppies on Memorial day.

Gresham declares the V. F. W.'s were first in the field in the sale of poppies.

He asserts that the legion began the sales after they saw the success with which their own drives were received.

Claims Hoover Approval

He says that Presidents Harding, Coolidge and Hoover have indorsed the V. F. W.'s "buddy" poppy to the exclusion of the legion's "In Memoriam" flower.

In turn, legionnaires declare that the "In Memoriam" poppy was introduced in 1920, one year before the V. F. W.'s flower was put on the market.

Legionnaires declare they are willing to co-operate with the V. F. W.'s in the "poppy" days, providing the veterans will guarantee that there will be no pay for those selling the flower.

The V. F. W.'s complain that poppy sellers of the legion have pushed their workers off desirable corners.

Beat Legion to Corners

The poppy sale in Indianapolis this year found the V. F. W.'s catching the proverbial worm by beating legion sellers to corners. The result was a confusion for citizens and quarrels between the sellers.

The two veterans' bodies differ as to the originators of the poppy.

The legionnaires say "Mrs. Moina Michaelis, a Y. M. C. A. worker in New York, conceived the inspiration.

The V. F. W.'s say: "A French war widow hit upon the plan and developed it in France for welfare work among war orphans and widows."

BOOZE PLANE IS SEIZED

Customs Men Pose as Leggers to Trap Air Rum Runners.

By United Press

BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Customs patrolmen posed as boot-leggers to capture a liquor-laden airplane, it was revealed today. For weeks customs men believed the plane was making regular trips carrying contraband liquor to sections of western New York.

Two of the ground crew, Jack Anderson, 17, and Edward Connally, 34, were captured Wednesday. Then the officers returned to the landing field in Connelly's and Anderson's automobile, awaited the arrival of the plane and seized it.

GUATEMALA WITHDRAWS

Inform League of Nations of Resignation From Council.

By United Press

GENEVA, Sept. 3.—Guatemala informed the League of Nations to day that it was necessary to resign from the league council.

Bolivia announced she would not be a candidate for the vacant council seat because she opposed the system of Latin American nations choosing their candidates in advance instead of leaving them to be elected by the league assembly.

MISSING MAN IS FOUND

Retired Seymour (Ind.) Manufacturer Located in Cincinnati.

By United Press

CINCINNATI, Sept. 3.—Wilbur Buckdall, 48, Seymour, Ind., retired machinery manufacturer, who disappeared last week, was found in Cincinnati Wednesday.

Buckdall and his family a few weeks letter from Cincinnati, hinting of sudden plans. A nephew, Frank Disney, came here and traced him through discovery of his automobile in a parking lot, police said.

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FORECASTS NO DROP IN STATE 29-CENT LEVY

Debts of Two Years Barrier
to Decrease, Says
Deputy Auditor.

Prediction that the 29-cent state tax rate can not be reduced and can only be kept from an increase by utmost economy was made by William P. Cosgrove, deputy auditor of state, today.

Cosgrove made the prediction in addressing the Indianapolis Real Estate Board at the Washington hotel.

"As far as the state expenditures are concerned there is but small prospect for immediate relief," he declared. "The state, like ourselves, is compelled to pay for what it has bought, and in the absence of a special session, our obligation has two years more to run."

Cites Education Expense

He pointed out that budget appropriations for 1932 amount to \$13,955,791 and other statutory expenditures to at least another \$500,000.

"The Indiana taxpayer, in his generosity, finances a line of unnecessary expenditures ranging from \$10,000,000 memorials down to laundering of babies diapers," Cosgrove charged.

Citing the large expenditures for the four state schools, he said:

"I feel sure that it can be shown that the continually increasing expenditures for education can be traced more directly to the demands of the educators than those being educated."

Urge Salary Adjusting

Twenty-three million is too much for the state highway department to spend and the money should relieve the local burden on real estate by caring for local roads and possibly police traffic work the speaker suggested.

"There is no necessity for any increase in the tax on gasoline nor for automobile licenses," Cosgrove continued. "Motorists are now paying more than \$26,000,000 a year, exclusively of property taxes, which is more than one-half of all the money the state handles. The thing to do is to cut out the non-essentials and properly allocate the money we are now collecting."

Statehouse salaries should be classified so that there is not \$100 or \$200 a month difference for the same work performed, he added. Another saving would be through more careful checkup on traveling expenses, particularly automobiles he declared.

Freight Save Youth's Life

By United Press

PEABODY, Mass., Sept. 3.—Doctors had abandoned hope when firemen began an attempt to resuscitate John Ahearn, monoxide victim, with an inhalator. One hour and 20 minutes later the youth was revived.

34 SCOUTS HONORED

Merit Badges Are Awarded at Court of Honor.

Thirty-four Boy Scouts were awarded merit badges at a Court of Honor held Wednesday night in the Cropsey room of the Central library. Four scouts were promoted to star rank and two to Life scouts. Scouts receiving merit badges are:

Richard Kelleher, Troop 4; Gerald Crum and Eugene Ross of Troop 10; James Gipe Jr., Troop 1; Joe Franklin, Forest Satterfield of Troop 24; Robert Clegg, Charles Donelan and Bill Kurtz of Troop 45; Wendell Brown, Troop 59; Kenneth Waldo, Troop 59; John Fell, Troop 61; Rolla Burdette, Kenneth Millholland and Phil Taylor, Troop 62; Edward Erler, Troop 69; Walter Stalnaker, Troop 71; Willard McDonald, Troop 7; Edward Heidrich, Troop 8; Fredrich Turner, Troop 80; Jack Boone, Boone Messick and Eric Weddigh, Troop 82; Glenn Bingham, Harry Hill and Paul Warman, Troop 84; Bruce Dixon and Robert Ferguson, Troop 90; Richard Galimberti and Herbert Newman, Troop 8; John Johnson, Troop 45, and Tom Van Ness, Troop 94.

Star Scout Rank—Gerald Cruse and Eugene Ross, Troop 8, and Willard McDonald, Troop 72.

Forest Satterfield, Troop 24, and Boone Messick, Troop 82, were promoted to life scouts rank.

WHOSE BROWN DERBY?

(Sept. 3)

What Indianapolis man will be crowned with the BROWN DERBY at the celebration of "Indianapolis Day" at the Indiana State Fair on Sept. 11?

What man will win the bronze plaque that goes with the Derby?

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Tickets on sale for trains leaving Indianapolis 8:00 a. m. Saturday, September 5 and all trains up to and including train No. 36 leaving Indianapolis 1:00 a. m. Monday, September 7. Returning, on all trains up to and including train No. 35 leaving Chicago 12:01 Midnight Tuesday, September 8. Tickets good only in coaches. Proportionate round trip fares to other points.

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