

INDIANAPOLIS, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1931

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## FARMERS PAY WAY TO FAIR WITH WHEAT

37-Cent Grain Good for 50-Cent Admission at Turnstiles.

### RICH RACE ON PROGRAM

\$12,000 Frank P. Fox Stake for 2-Year-Old Pacers Track Feature.

Wheat tossed its old "staff of life" away today and, hiking from 37 cents to "four-bits," became the farmer's "Annie Oakley" to the Indiana state fair.

From 6 a. m. through noontime the maker of biscuits and flapjacks rode in bags on the running boards of autos or was carried on stairways through the northeast gate of the fairgrounds.

At noon approximately 750 bushels of grain had been deposited in trucks stationed at the gates. It was deposited with quips and irony, sarcasm and fun.

"Here's what might have been hog feed," observed one cynic.

#### Farm Board Razed

"If the federal farm board would do as much as your fair board is doing things would be all right," razzed another as he passed his bag of grain to a gatekeeper.

One auto bore its load with the placard, "Thirty-seven-cent wheat and 10-cent bread. Who gets the slice?"

But despite the jocularity, with its sting at times, the farmers were out to get their mental granary stuffed with fair facts and new ways to marcel a Guernsey's back for show purposes.

If they protested the price of grain they patted the fair's back for its exhibits, its harness races, its efforts to make the 1931 exhibition representative of other years.

#### Fine Stock in Coliseum

The Coliseum with its judging of Percherons, Guernsey and Shorthorn cattle was the peep show de luxe for the agrarians.

They hung over rails and criticized judge's decisions or approved, depending on which way their "experting" blew.

"Now I'd give it to that heifer Look, she's got all the edge over No. 57," objected one farmer.

The running of the Frank P. Fox stake for \$12,000 in the harness races not only brought out the best of the 2-year-olds pacers at the fair, but also put Sam and others who left the plow behind them on front rows in the grandstand.

The "setting-hen," the fruit that should have been canned and the new litter of pigs were banished from the mind as Sam and Sam's friends enjoyed themselves.

"Now, Sam, you know you've never raised a Shorthorn in your life," criticized a wife with the accompanying elbow-punch to "shut up."

#### Rich Stake on Program

But it was Sam's day at the fair. Hadn't he driven miles in his car with his load of wheat to gain admission to the fair? And he wasn't going to be denied now, in his inalienable right to say what he thought whenever he thought it.

They ate of the fair's sweets, stuffed on buns of barbecue, and seemed never to tire walking from exhibit building to building.

"Lawdy, it's a mile up and down hill to that new forty-acre patch of clover I bought, so I guess I can do a bit of walking here," explained one suspended red-face as he tramped from the swine show to the dog exhibits.

Despite a 3,000 decrease in Tuesday's attendance for this year under 1930, officials of the fair board were optimistic.

"We're ahead approximately \$2,000 in receipts over last year's fair. The attendance at the harness races has enabled us to keep even with 1930," one fair official said.

Former members of the board of agriculture were feted today at the fair.

#### Legislators Come Thursday

Thursday, the fair will honor legislators and Governor Harry G. Leslie.

The Governor and lawmakers of the state will be entertained at a luncheon in the Woman's building by the fair board and girls of the home economics school. In the afternoon they will have the honor boxes at the harness races.

Fifty representatives of newspapers, press associations, and farm magazines were entertained at a dinner Tuesday night in the administration building.

#### MODEL PLANES TO FLY

H. S. Knight to Direct Contest at Airport Dedication.

Model airplane contest will be conducted at the municipal airport during its dedication, Sept. 25 to 27, by H. S. Knight, contest manager, officials of the port announced today.

Don Burnham of West Lafayette, national outdoor champion in 1930, and one of the competitors for the Sir Charles Wakefield cup has been invited to enter a plane in the contest, Knight said.

Prizes for winners in the contest are first, \$25; second, \$15; third, \$10, and five prizes of \$5 each. The planes will be demonstrated in front of the grandstand at the dedication.

#### 17, TO WED MAN, 68

Iowa Girl Will Marry Blacksmith Fifty-One Years Her Senior.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Sept. 9.—Joseph McSweney, 68, a blacksmith and mayor of Carson, near here, has obtained a marriage license to wed Grace Talley, 17, of Carson. A year ago Grace's sister Helen, 18, married A. D. Forristal, 65.

## DAHLIA MOONSHINE

You'll Find It at the Posy Show

BEEFWAX, chewing gum of the dark ages, is now the beautifier of midday.

At least that's the information passed on to fair visitors if they stop at the bee and beeswax exhibit of the C. M. Scott Company.

The wax is used for making candy, cosmetics, in dentistry, and by electrolyzers.

#### Indiana Moon Shines in Flower Show

Indiana's moon doesn't necessarily have to shine over the "cowshed" as it did in "b-e-u-tiful K-k-aty," the World war song, if one visits the agriculture building at the state fair.

For in all its glory is Indiana Moon, a flesh ochre-colored dahlia, on display.

Mrs. A. B. Martin of LaFontaine is godmother and breeder of this dahlia. The flower has received a certificate of merit from the American Dahlia society.

#### Ohio Team Pulls 3,640 Pounds

A team weighing 3,640 pounds pulled 3,200 pounds more than its weight on the hoof Tuesday in the horsepulling contest.

The team is owned by the Hole Farm Company of Versailles, O. A team owned by John A. Day, Springfield, Ind., won second place in the contest.

#### Wisecracking Wrecks His Tonsils

Miracle of miracles—a doctor actually treating a man for talking too much.

Ladies, you're vindicated, and it took physicians in the first aid hospital of the American Red Cross to turn the trick.

For a male applied to the hospital for relief for his tonsils. He'd talked them into the croup selling fair wares. He got treatment and also a scolding from his wife for saying more than he had to.

"If you'd quit wisecracking to sweeties that pass by, this wouldn't have happened," said the "frau" with the usual last word.

#### Radio Fans Go Wild Over "Arkie"

The Arkansas Woodchopper on the WLS barn dance program is all his name says he is.

He has chopped wood, pitched hay bundles, clerked in crossroad stores, called "sets" at country dances and plowed corn.

"Arkie" is one of the biggest worries of Uncle Sam's mail men, because of his fan letters.

#### Just Cancel That Yellowstone Trip

The fair's floral show will save one a trip to Yellowstone park.

Petrified trees and plants form the centerpiece for the pool at the show.

#### Purdue Grads to Feast at Barbecue

Purdue "aggies," alumni, and former students will talk old times at a barbecue-luncheon at the fair Thursday. Five hundred pounds of pork and lamb have been ordered for the feast.

E. C. Elliott, president of Purdue; Dean J. H. Skinner, and Governor Harry G. Leslie will be special guests at the luncheon.

#### They'll Bid Farewell to Calves

If you should see a tear-shedding ceremony at Friday's fair, don't mistake it for a funeral.

"It'll just be that boys and girls with exhibits of calves are parting company with their pets at the annual calf club auction sale in the Coliseum."

J. C. Spang of Zionsville will auction the calves. Local packing companies, hotels and railways will bid for the calves.

#### Swallows Tack and Goes on Diet

One fair-haired fair fellow is dieting the rest of this week at the fairground.

He's eating nothing but bread and "spuds."

And all because he swallowed a tack when attempting to fix a sign on his booth. Emergency treatment at the first aid hospital, coupled with the ordered diet, was the prescription for one "lost tack."

#### Ferris Wheel Still Is Popular

The midway's ferris wheel still holds glamour for lovers and near-lovers.

"We're just praying for a real dark night to make this fair the best ever," asserted the ticket-hawker.

#### Dog Battle Starts Pandemonium

Two pointers met over cages at the dog show Tuesday.

The battle was a draw, with the two owners getting the worst end of the bargain in some "clawed hands." By the time the combatants had settled back to leisurely eating dog biscuits, every pound in the show was up on his paws and ready to take a whack at his next-door neighbor.

The show became a bedlam of "bow-wows" and "woofs."

#### Want Noise? Poultry Furnishes It

If you relish rural static or dote on steam roller noise, a few hours in the poultry building will convince you why the chicken never got across the road.

You can hear Galli-Curci tenors, basses and just plain squawks.

And at 6 a. m. the building is a motet of a Petaluma back yard.

## MANIAC SLAYS KIN AND MAKES ESCAPE

By United Press

WABASH, Ind., Sept. 9.—Authorities here today followed what they believed to be the trail of a maniac killer, charged with shooting his wife and slaying her foster father.

Mrs. Emery Templeton was brought to a hospital here from her foster parents' home, where Samuel Eccles, 57, was shot to death. Mrs. Templeton, suffering three bullet wounds, is not expected to live.

Police were told that Emery, a World war veteran, came to the Eccles home, where his wife had been living after becoming separated from him two months ago. The shooting followed soon after, police learned.

Templeton, it was recalled, was imprisoned two months ago on an insanity charge, later being released on a peace bond. Last winter relatives filed insanity suits against him and attempted to have him placed in an insane institution. The suits were dismissed in court.

and Mrs. Gertrude Kerkhoff, both of Kokomo.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

## FARMER IS KILLED BY RUNAWAY TRUCK

Crushed when his runaway truck pinned him against a wooden support post in the barn, William H. Waterman, 63, R. R. 3, Box 78, was killed today.

Waterman, his lungs punctured by broken ribs, died before medical aid could be reached by his son, William Jr., 23, who discovered the accident.

Coroner Fred W. Vehling said he believed Waterman had cranked the truck or left the motor running and it started to roll into the barn.

Waterman, one foot on the running board, apparently had tried to grasp the emergency brake on the light truck when he was pinned against the post.

His son said he heard several calls for aid and looked toward the road and did not find his father until several minutes later when he went to the barn.

Surviving him, in addition to William Jr., are the widow, Mrs. Louise Waterman; two sons, Elmer, R. R. 3, Box 88, and Walter S. Waterman, 1719 South Emerson avenue, and two sisters, Mrs. Pauline Bulk and Mrs. Gertrude Kerkhoff, both of Kokomo.

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## JUDGE DISQUALIFIES

Chamberlin Steps Down in Vehling Suit.

Circuit Judge Harry O. Chamberlin today disqualified himself in the impeachment suit of Coroner Fred W. Vehling, naming three Marion county superior court judges from whom a special judge is to be selected.

Suit was brought against the coroner by James Holland, administrator of the estate of the late John Snyder, charging Vehling with unauthorized appropriation of Snyder's estate, valued at about \$500.

Other suits are on file by Holland in superior and probate courts to recover the estate.

Judge Chamberlin nominated for special judge: Judges William A. Pickett, superior court three; Clarence E. Weir, superior court four, and Joseph R. Williams, superior court one.

Aged Woman Dies

LAPSEL, Ind. Sept. 9.—Mrs. Jane Woodward, 84, died after falling from a couch. A hip was broken and she suffered from shock.

## WOMAN SLAYS MOTHER-IN-LAW IN THEIR HOME

Fires Bullet Through Own Throat After Killing Relative With Gun.

### ENEMIES FOR YEARS

Tragedy Climaxes Strife of Long Standing; Father Unable to Halt Deed.

With an aged man looking on helplessly to interfere, Mrs. Claude A. Achey, 36, succumbed to irritation of a long-festering domestic difficulty Tuesday night, and shot and killed her mother-in-law, Mrs. Dayton C. Condon, 59, in their home at 641 East Thirty-third street.

Then Mrs. Achey turned the gun on herself, and fired a bullet through her throat. In city hospital today, her condition was so critical she could not talk to detectives who sought her version of the slaying.

If she recovers, they said, she will be charged with first degree murder.

The shooting occurred on the front porch of the home where the two families lived.

Huband Is Helpless

Not three feet away from the gun's muzzle sat Mrs. Condon's husband, unable, because of infirmity, to prevent the tragedy.

For several years, Achey told police, his wife and mother have been antagonistic to each other. Several times his wife threatened to "do something" unless the mother and stepfather moved, he said.

A week ago she flourished a revolver and threatened to shoot some one, but her husband attempted to take the gun away. She clung to it, resisted his efforts to take it from her, and finally hid the weapon.

Fires Fatal Shot

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Achey began packing her clothing, telling her husband she intended to leave. About 6 p. m. he left the house to get fishing bait for a trip he had planned for today.

More than four hours later, he had not returned. Condon and his wife were sitting on the porch when Mrs. Achey came back to the house. Without speaking she entered and took off her hat. Then she walked back on the porch.

A street light glinted on the gun in her hand. She pointed it at Mrs. Condon.

"Take that!" she screamed, pulling the trigger.

Turns Gun on Self

"Did I hit her?" she cried. Then she fired again.

Mrs. Condon slumped back in her chair, a bullet through her heart. Mrs. Achey turned and ran into the house, from which came the third bark of the revolver, and the sound of a body crumpling to the floor.

Neighbors and police arrived and the latter sent Mrs. Achey to the hospital. Achey returned home a few minutes after the shooting and he and his stepfather were questioned and allowed to remain at home.

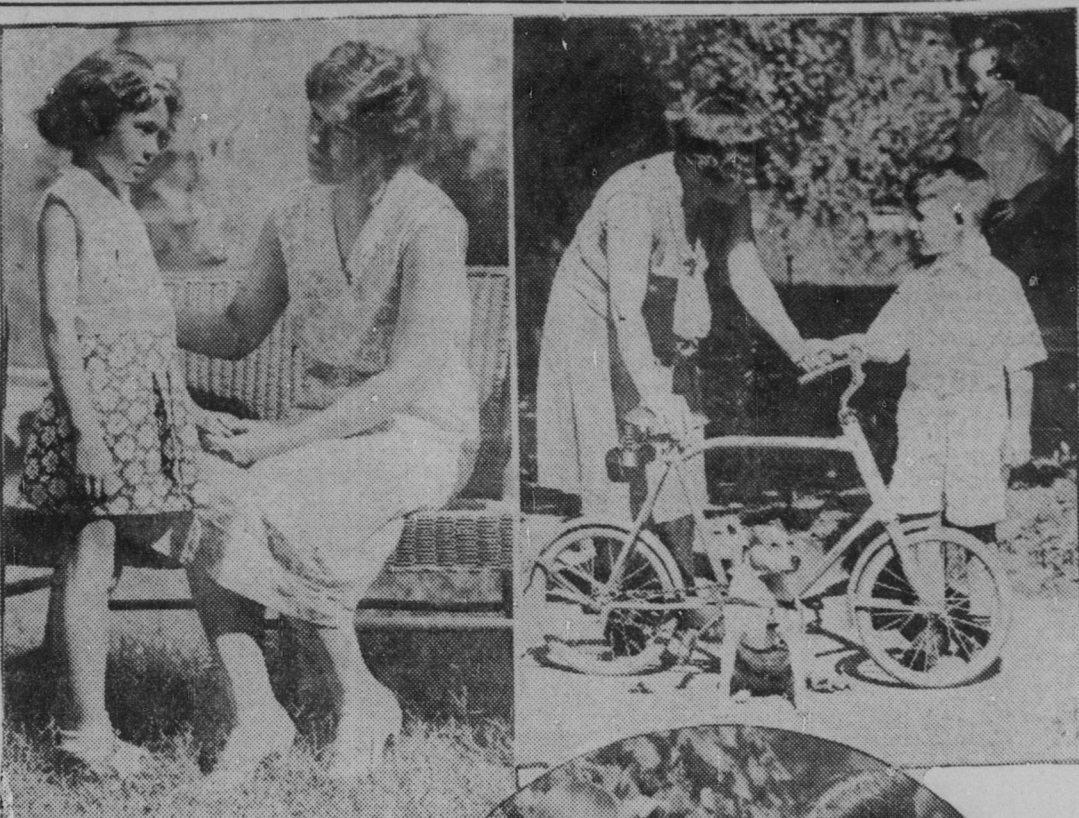
To newspaper reporters today Achey refused any information further than facts obtained by police.

He was prominent here five years ago, when as a grand juror, he charged that James E. Armitage offered him \$2,600 and a city hall job to vote against an indictment of John L. Duvall, then mayor.

The Acheyes were married fourteen years, but had no children.

## BABY DAYS LEFT BEHIND

They're 'Grown' Boys and Girls Now



## CITY RECEIVES BIDS ON PAVING

Sixteenth Street Widening to Cost Nearly \$90,000.

Bids on widening and paving of Sixteenth street from Delaware street to Northwestern avenue were received today by the city works bureau.

Of the section from Delaware to Illinois streets is estimated at \$35,068 and the remainder at \$54,251. The roadway will be fifty-four feet wide.

Other bids received, to be tabulated by A. H. Moore, city engineer, were Speedway avenue, from Indiana avenue to Sixteenth street, \$11,077 and College avenue, Massachusetts avenue to Eleventh street, \$26,666.

The board also confirmed resolutions for improvement of Delaware, from Thirty-eighth to Fortieth; Michigan street, from Tibbs to Little Eagle creek; South Meridian street section, from Southern avenue to Pleasant Run boulevard, and Georgia street, from East to Noble streets.



Upper Left—Barbara Briening, 2848 North Illinois street, tells her mother, Mrs. Walter Briening, about that "thrilling" first day in school.

Upper Right—Donald Pierson liked school, but he's glad to get back to his new scooter bike and dog, Trixie, for a while, he tells his mother, Mrs. Charles Pierson.

Lower—Priscilla Schofield, 2918 Shriver avenue, had her mother, Mrs. William M. Schofield.

## DRY CAMPAIGNERS OPEN STAND HERE

Allied Campaigners for Prohibition, waging their fight for popular support of the eighteenth amendment in 261 cities throughout the country, open a three-day stand in Indianapolis this afternoon at 2:30 and tonight at 8 in Cadle Tabernacle.

Purpose of the movement is to "resell prohibition to the nation." Leaders will appeal for better law observance.

Bert C. Morgan, former prohibition enforcement officer for Indiana, is general chairman in charge of the meetings. For most of the first day speakers will be Dr. Ira Landrith, chairman of the Christian Endeavor union.

Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan, asked to preside at the first meeting, declined because of press of other duties. He will give a short welcome address.

Senator Arthur R. Robinson is one of the local sponsors of the movement. He probably will preside at one of the meetings.

According to Chairman Morgan, Louis Ludlow, Seventh district representative to congress, is a sponsor of the local sessions.

Chief speaker during the campaign in Indianapolis will be Daniel A. Poling, national chairman of the allied forces for prohibition.

Morgan announced he expects delegations from surrounding cities to attend the meetings.

JUST another day, to you, today.

But it isn't just another day, can't you understand?

Try to realize that in the last, short twenty-four hours there have been momentous events in the lives of hundreds of your fellow citizens.

Why, in just a day's time, scores of your smallest neighbors have grown up.

Only a day ago they were babies. Half brave, half frightened—some skipping, some lagging, away they went.

And, listen, in the last day, they have fought their first bout in their big battle—that perpetual scrap with old "Kid Living Your Own Life."

And did they win. Say, are they babies today? Who says so?

They're big school boys and girls, not babies. Ask any one of them.

MOTHER? Bet you, she's proud. That lump in her throat Tuesday morning when she waved goodbye has begun to feel smaller now. She thought she'd be sad just about forever, but—well, it's pretty fine to have a big school boy or girl to come home with such thrilling stories.

"Why, mother," said Barbara Briening, 6, as she romped home Tuesday after enrolling, "I was so tired after recess that I had to take a nap."

"School isn't so bad, after all, when you can rest when you get tired."

Mrs. Walter Briening, Barbara's mother, wouldn't trade her school girl today for all the babies in the neighborhood, although, of course, she was worried some about Barbara while Barbara was in school Tuesday. She lives at Apartment 4, 2848 North Illinois street.

AND so far as Priscilla Schofield is concerned, the fact that she "marched along with a nice little boy" was the highlight of her first day at school.

Priscilla was chiefly interested in how her bangs looked. In fact, those bangs had been trained purposely by her mother, Mrs. William M. Schofield, 2917 Shriver avenue, to look just right for that great first day at school.

No sir, don't ever think that today is just another day. Still think so? Just think again.

Robbed in Cattle Barn

Cattle on exhibit at the state fair are poor watchdogs, Fred Meeker of Muncie told police today, reporting theft of \$26 from his trouser pocket, and a pair of shoes he valued at \$7, while he slept in the building at state fairground Tuesday night.

## LESLIE FLAYS DOLE IN WIRE TO PRESIDENT

Indiana Able to Care for Its Jobless, Hoover Is Advised.

### ROAD PROGRAM PUSHED

Highway Heads Deny They Will Benefit From \$700,000 Projects.

Opposition to a dole system and to federal financial aid for unemployed, was voiced today by Governor Harry G. Leslie in a telegram to President Herbert Hoover.

While Leslie was writing the telegram his highway commission was considering the already outlined plan of furnishing work for from 3,000 to 5,000 men on the state highway system.

The text of Leslie's telegram to the President follows:

"The people of Indiana appreciate fully your plans for meeting the unemployment problem and through me assure you they are deeply conscious of their own responsibilities to the unemployed of this state."

Spurns Federal Help

"We Hoosiers stand opposed unalterably to the false doctrine of federal paternalism or 'dole' system and feel that financial aid from the federal government not only is unnecessary but undesirable."

"As in previous emergencies whatever needs are required in Indiana will be met through the generosity of Hoosier citizens. At the same time we will appreciate the counsel and direction of your coordinating committee."

Members of the highway commission declared they were not prepared to announce the fully developed plan to spend the highway maintenance surplus of approximately \$700,000 on the unemployment proposal advanced by Albert J. Wedekind, chairman of the commission, and by the Governor.

Deny Interests Selfish

At the same time they announced they would go into the matter of truck purchases this afternoon. An attempt to sidetrack this was made when it was decided to use the funds for the relief program.

They were, however, indignant at reports that the roads upon which the proposed relief work is to be made are located near the farms and property owned by themselves and the Governor.

It was pointed out that State Road 26 from Lafayette to State Road 41 passes close to the farm owned by the Governor, near the corner of Warren and Benton counties.

Spencer County Helped

Another road on the program starts at Hillham in Dubois county and proceeds thirty-six miles to Maxwell. Much of this mileage is in Spencer county, where both Wedekind and Highway Director John J. Brown have their extensive agricultural and banking interests.

A son-in-law of Brown operates a large ferry company at Rockport and both this town and Maxwell are on the Ohio river. There is no bridge at this point.

Two more roads on the program begin at Huntington, the home of Arthur H. Sapp, newly-named commissioner.