

LIFE PRISONER LOSES ON PLEA FOR NEW TRIAL

Tipton Judge Denies Petition of Elmer Hoover for Coram Nobis Writ.

By Times Special
TIPTON, Ind., Nov. 14.—Elmer Hoover, life term convict in the Indiana state prison, has lost his right to obtain a new trial by means of a writ of coram nobis, it was sentenced for criminal attack.

Judge Glen Gifford of Tipton circuit court has denied Hoover's petition for the writ, declaring there was a total lack of evidence to support the plea.

The convict's petition asserted he was led to enter a plea of guilty through a fear of mob violence instilled in him by officers following his arrest.

Hoover also contended statements had been made which prevented him from obtaining a hearing before the prison board of pardons and paroles. However, Judge Gifford declared he had too much confidence in members of the board to believe they have been prejudiced against the prisoner.

Counsel for the convict announced an appeal will be taken to the Indiana supreme court.

Judge Gifford expressed opinion that the sentence imposed on Hoover was too severe, but that the court was powerless to remedy the situation.

Hoover has served six years of his term. He was arrested March 13, 1925, and entered a plea of guilty at 8 a. m. the next day.

ALLEGED COMPANION OF WOUNDED MAN HELD

Another Serving Term and Two Others Are Fugitives.

By Times Special
ANDERSON, Ind., Nov. 14.—Suspected of being one of the four bandits who stole an automobile owned by Dr. B. A. King, Anderson, and participated in a series of filling station holdups in the vicinity of Lafayette, Peru, Logansport, and Williamsport in May, George Martin, 30, is in custody here.

Police say Martin and three companions, two of whom are fugitives, engaged in a running battle with hijackers and that Richard Mudd, Elwood, found on a road near Peru, was wounded by a bullet. Mudd was sent to the state reformatory after recovering from his wound.

Dr. King's automobile was found at Peru, bullet riddled and the floor covered with blood. Martin was arrested at home of his father-in-law, Charles Hasty, north of Anderson. He denies complicity in the theft of the automobile and the robberies. He will be surrendered to Warren county authorities and prosecuted in connection with the holdup of a filling station near Williamsport.

COMMUNION FOR CLUB

Newman Members at Indiana University Will Attend.

By Times Special
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Nov. 14.—The Newman Club will hold its annual fall communion breakfast Sunday morning for all Catholic students of Indiana university, with Paul H. Martin, editor of the Indiana Catholic, Indianapolis, as the principal speaker. The breakfast will be served at 8:45 and will be preceded by a communion mass at 8 at the local Catholic church with the Rev. Father Paul A. Deery, pastor, officiating. He also will speak at the breakfast. Charles Dant, Washington, will be toastmaster.

Music for the communion mass will be provided by the Newman Club choir under the direction of Miss Mary M. Woelerts of Elwood.

Frosh G. Eugene.

By Times Special
GREENCASTLE, Ind., Nov. 14.—An Empress Eugene style complex has extended to the freshman class at De Pauw university. Tradition demands that freshmen men wear caps, whose style changes little from year to year, but with the Empress Eugene fad sweeping the female contingent off its feet, the men were not to be outdone. It started as a playful gesture, sophomores grabbing caps from the heads of the freshmen and ripping off the short bills. The freshmen, left with the skull shaped hat that was once a cap, proceeded to add feathers and to copy the style espoused by the empress. The interfraternity council has ruled that the freshmen can escape punishment as long as there is a bit of green showing in the new creation.

Smiths Lead at De Pauw

By Times Special
GREENCASTLE, Ind., Nov. 14.—The Smiths are in the majority on the De Pauw university campus, Greenastle, a check of a new student directory shows. There are thirty in an enrollment of 1,500 bearing that name. This is an increase over last year, when but seventeen were enrolled. The Williams family is next, with the Jones and Browns in a tie for third place. An old year book shows that there was once a Smith Club on the campus.

Sales Prize Offered

By Times Special
GREENCASTLE, Ind., Nov. 14.—To stimulate sales of the Yellow Crab, humorous publication of De Pauw university, a silver loving cup will be presented to the sorority selling the most issues of the forthcoming number, to be known as the co-ed number. The magazine is published by the De Pauw chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity.

Sheriffs to Be Invited

By Times Special
KOKOMO, Ind., Nov. 14.—The Indiana Sheriffs' Association, which will open its 1931 convention in St. Wayne Tuesday, will be invited to meet here in 1932, according to Sheriff Clifton Small of Howard county, secretary of the association and a member of its legislative committee.

Boy Saved From Death

By Times Special
MUNCIE, Ind., Nov. 14.—Herman F. Wehage, 8, is playing today after being near death. A Muncie specialist removed a small whistle from the boy's lung.

Vesper Speaker



Vilhjalmur Stefansson

By Times Special

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Nov. 14.—The speaker Sunday for the De Pauw university vesper service will be Vilhjalmur Stefansson, noted Arctic explorer.

Although born of Icelandic parents in Canada, Stefansson has spent much of his life in America. He received his early education in North Dakota and Iowa, later going to Harvard. In 1906 he became a member of the Leffingwell-Mikelson expedition to the Arctic regions and in 1913 he began his third trip to that land of ice. He started the world by announcing that he would subdivide the country in a region characterized as entirely absent of animal life. He stayed there for five years and was honored on his return by the whole world.

WHITE SLAVERY PLOT ALLEGED

Two Williamsport Men Free on Bond.

By Times Special

WILLIAMSPORT, Ind., Nov. 14.—Charles C. Rice and Ernest Miller, both of Williamsport, are under \$4,000 bond each pending action by a federal grand jury on a charge of conspiring to violate the white slave act.

It is alleged the men trapped a prominent Westville (Ill.) woman in a hotel at Terre Haute and induced her to pay \$2,000 to a supposed government investigator, under a promise that she would not be prosecuted.

ESSAY CONTEST ON TAXATION IN INDIANA

Everett Sanders Offers \$100 Prize at Indiana University.

By Times Special

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Nov. 14.—To promote a wider interest in, and an understanding of the system of taxation in Indiana, Everett Sanders, graduate of the Indiana university and formerly secretary to President Coolidge, is offering for the third and last year a prize of \$100 to the undergraduate student of the university who writes the best essay on the general field of taxation in Indiana.

Sanders first offered this prize in 1928, stipulating that \$100 was to be awarded three consecutive years unless the committee in charge saw fit to withhold the prize, owing to no worthy essay being submitted. This was done in 1929 and 1931, so that the third and last award will be made in 1932.

"The classification of property as a remedy for the present tax situation in Indiana" is the subject for this year's contest. The essays will be 10,000 words in length and must be submitted under a nom de plume by May 1, according to Professor Frank G. Bates of the political science department and chairman of the committee. The award was won in 1928 by Wendell M. Adamson and in 1930 by Herman C. King.

Debate on Radio

By Times Special

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Nov. 14.—De Pauw university team will debate the Kent college of law over radio station WGN in Chicago Jan. 4. Professor Herold Ross announced. De Pauw will be represented by John Milled, Indianapolis, and William Spry, Lebanon. De Pauw will have the negative side of the question, resolved. "That the several states should adopt a uniform system of old age pensions." The remainder of the debate schedule calls for Miami university, Nov. 24; Earlham college, Dec. 8; Indiana State Teachers college and Ross Polytechnic Institute, Feb. 9; Manchester college, Feb. 21; Dayton university, Feb. 23; Goshen college and Franklin college, March 22; St. Mary's college, April 12, and the University of Cincinnati, April 26.

Potato Yields Checked

By Times Special

FT. WAYNE, Ind., Nov. 14.—W. B. Ward of the horticultural department of Purdue university spent two days in Allen county checking results obtained by entrants in the 400-Bushel Potato Club. William Lampe, a former champion, this year raised 318 bushels an acre.

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DATA REPORTED SENSATIONAL IN COUNTY INQUIRY

Fountain Affair Subject of Investigation at Covington.

By Times Special

COVINGTON, Ind., Nov. 14.—Evidence reported to be of a startling nature is being heard at a court of inquiry being conducted here by Justice of the Peace James A. Neal.

Testimony thus far gathered is said to include the following:

Although more than 2,000 tons of coal were sold at mine operated by the county, only \$45 found its way into the county treasury. William Suttles was in charge of the mine, receiving a salary of \$6 a day.

Another witness said that he received \$2.50 a day pay from the county throughout a summer, presumably for road work, but in fact he spent practically all his time working on a farm owned by a county official.

County records show, a third witness said, that he received a certain wage per day for his services, but that in reality was paid \$2 a day less.

Adams Clings to First Narrative of Dual Slaying

By United Press

FT. WAYNE, Ind., Nov. 14.—The state continued to batter today at George Adams' story of the killing of John Wilson and Walter Gilbert, prohibition agents.

Two and one-half hours of cross-examination failed to shake the testimony Adams gave, the first time he had related the details of the fatal shooting on the Huntingdon road July 22. Adams clung tenaciously to his contention that he did not reach for his revolver until two shots had been fired at him, one of them striking him in the neck. He held firmly to his statement that, after being shot, everything "went black," and that he did not recall firing at the agents.

The state managed to draw from Adams an admission that he was aware that neither Wilson nor Oliver Gittle, also a dry agent, were armed. He denied, however, that he saw a badge on either of the men.

Mrs. Adams, who fainted in the courtroom Friday while her husband was on the witness stand, is expected to testify today after cross-examination of Adams is completed this morning. The defense is expected to rest its case this afternoon, after which court will be adjourned until Monday.

Three hours will be allotted each side for final arguments. The case probably will go to the jury late Monday.

NOTED ARTISTS BOOKED

Three Programs to Be Given Next Month at Bloomington.

By Times Special

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Nov. 14.—Indiana university students, faculty members, and townpeople will be provided an opportunity to hear three world-famous dramatic and musical organizations during December, according to Dean B. W. Fennell of the university music school. The first concert will be from 8:30 to 9, George H. Batt of Earlham college will be heard from WGN from 8:30 to 9 p. m. President W. S. Atchison of Butler university will speak from Indianapolis stations WKBF from 7:30 to 8, and WFBM from 8:30 to 9. George H. Batt of Earlham college will be heard from WKZB, Connersville, from 8:30 to 9. President Earl E. Harper of Evansville college and Representative J. W. Boehne Jr. will be heard from an Evansville station.

In furtherance of the campaign, various choruses will set aside a special day for colleges, either Sunday or Nov. 15.

Letter Men Organize

By Times Special

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Nov. 14.—A "D" association has been formed on the De Pauw university campus after an absence of several years. This organization is made up of all athletes who have won the varsity letter in a major sport. Rex Moffett, Indianapolis, brother of Coach D. C. Moffett, is president; Merrill Copeland, Indianapolis, secretary, and Farrington Bridwell, Indianapolis, treasurer. The association will have charge of all concessions and programs for athletic events. About thirty men have earned the varsity award and are on the campus this year.

Former Cashier Held

By United Press

KENTLAND, Ind., Nov. 14.—John Lyons Jr., cashier of the defunct State Bank of Brook, when it closed in December, at liberty under \$5,000 bond, today after being indicted by a Newton county grand jury at Kentland on charges of embezzlement and larceny. It is charged specifically that Lyons stole \$10,000 in Liberty bonds belonging to Hannah Dixie. The bonds were in the bank for safe keeping.

Suspects Not Identified

By United Press

LAPORTE, Ind., Nov. 14.—Witnesses to the \$25,000 robbery of the Kendalville Citizens National bank Oct. 16 failed to identify three suspects arrested here as the bandits. The bandits used license plates stolen here on their automobile.

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