

DEATH CLAIMS VESTAL AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Congressman for 8 Terms
Succumbs at Hospital
in Capital.

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strain of the eight campaigns in which he participated.

The 1930 contest was strenuous, Representative Vestal being declared the winner by only nine votes.

His seat was contested, but the affair was dropped by the congressional committee as no charges of personal fraud could be brought.

Like many other figures in public life Representatives Vestal had to wage a bitter fight for his education.

He was born on a farm in Madison county, Jan. 18, 1875, and educated in one country schools. He later worked in factories and in a steel mill to obtain funds with which to continue his education. And then taught school.

At 21 he graduated from the law school of Valparaiso university and was admitted to the bar the same year.

Elected Prosecutor

In 1900 Mr. Vestal was elected prosecutor of the Fifteenth judicial circuit and was re-elected in 1902 and 1904. He then continued in the practice of law in Anderson.

He was nominated in the Republican primary of 1916 and elected to congress from the old Eighth district.

His services as one of the Republican leaders gave him prominence and the district re-elected him every two years.

Fight in 1930

His hardest battle was in 1930, despite the Democratic landslide. Representative Vestal again was declared the winner.

The 1931 congressional reapportionment put Madison and Hancock counties in the same district with east Marion county and Mr. Vestal felt that with the loss of the old contacts the bitter campaign sure to ensue would be too great a tax upon his strength.

He is survived by the widow and two children, Ralph and Vivian Vestal.

They were at the bedside when he died at 10:55 a. m.

Procedure Doubtful

A complicated legal question has arisen over selection of a successor for Representative Albert Vestal of Anderson, who died today in Washington.

The statutes provide the Governor set a date for a special election in the district to select the successor, candidates to be chosen by the Republican and Democratic district organization.

Representative Vestal was elected from the old Eighth district, composed of Adams, Delaware, Jay, Madison, Randolph and Wells counties.

But the congressional reapportionment statute passed by the 1931 legislature placed Representative Vestal in the new Eleventh district composed of Madison, Hancock and the east half of Marion county.

The question is whether the successor must be elected from the old district which, under the law, was abolished or from the new district now represented by Dr. W. H. Larabee of New Palestine, Democrat.

The question must be decided by state election commissioners.

RITE INITIATES FETED

Thirty-Nine Members of New Class

Guests at Cathedral Banquet.

Thirty-nine members of the Scottish Rite, who as members of the Washington bicentennial class, have received degrees in the order during the four-day convocation this week, were guests at a banquet in the Scottish Rite cathedral Thursday night.

The banquet was the final event in the convocation program.

PROCLAIMS 'CLEANUP'

Mayor Sullivan Urges Support for Annual Campaign.

Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan today issued a proclamation, setting April 18 to 30 for the annual "Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Modernize Campaign."

The proclamation calls on all citizens to remodel, repair and decorate their homes and other property during the period. Sullivan also called on municipal departments to render "every possible aid to the movement."

Dress Home Show for Opening



GIRLS RECOUNT COURTSHIPS BY 'KINDLY' RECTOR

Waitress' Mother Shouts
Charge at Cleric in Im-
morality Trial.

BY HERBERT MOORE

United Press Staff Correspondent

LONDON, April 1.—A commotion was caused at the trial of the Rev. Harold F. Davidson, rector of Stiffkey, Norfolk, on charges of immorality today when the mother of one of the waitresses with whom he was friendly interrupted the proceedings to shout denunciations at the clergyman.

Miss Dorothy Burn, 21, waitress, was on the witness stand being cross-examined by R. F. Levy, counsel for the rector. He asked her if it were true she now had a better position, being a manageress. The mother, seated in the rear of the hall, shouted:

"She did not get the job through him or his help either. She had to leave there because he made her ill."

Miss Burn, tall, slim, in a blue hat and fur necklace, detailed her acquaintanceship with the rector. She always dressed as a clergyman, she said, and visited the restaurant regularly.

Three years ago, she testified, he pestered and embarrassed her, asking her to spend the week-end at his house in the country.

"He said I was too lonely to be working there," she testified. "He showed me photographs of actress friends and said he used to forgive them their sins."

Mr. Davidson arrived at the rear

APRIL FOOLS' DAY IS HELD IN COURT

Fisticuffs Threatened as Nitu Divorce Trial Drags On.

It was April Fools' day in superior court two today.

Judge Joseph R. Williams was fooled as to the length of time to try a divorce.

Ira Holmes, attorney, was fooled on the capability of interpreters.

Reporters were fooled into believing that Holmes might renew his wide acquaintanceship with Mister Fisticuffs.

It started in the contested divorce case of Pete Nitu, 220 North Illinois street, Greek restaurant owner, seeking freedom from his wife, Konstantina.

Konstantina talked a mixture of Bulgarian, Serbian and Macedonian.

One interpreter got the answer "I understand."

Holmes called in a new interpreter.

On cross-examination, Holmes' ire flared pugnaciously when he accused John J. Rochford, the husband's attorney, of trying to force the wife to testify to things "she doesn't mean" in her polyglot tongue.

"Stop the tomfoolery," ordered Nitu as the attorneys neared

Rush orders were given at the home complete exposition in the state fairground Manufacturers' building today in preparation for the annual show which will open at 9:30 Saturday night.

Carpenters erected booths in record time, and gardeners, nurseries, florists and landscape

artists concentrated on the formal garden to be the centerpiece of the show.

Upper Left—Paint brush in hand, Miss Ruth Apostol, 3765 Ruckle street, does the final decorating on the home show library booth.

Upper Right—The first entry

in the miniature model house contest, sponsored by The Times.

Lower Left—Misses Panorai, Apostol, Margaret Habich and Ruth Apostol plant a tree to aid completion of the show garden centerpiece.

Lower Right—When it comes to saws, Miss Habich shows expert carpentry tricks.

blows. "How much longer will this divorce case take?"

"Four more hours," declared Holmes.

"All right," sighed Williams, as the linguistic divorce continued to pile up notes for the court reporter. "This is April Fools' day, anyway."

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Mr. Davidson arrived at the rear

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Today is April Fool's day and also the first of the month. We wonder if the Postman realizes this when he delivers those open-faced letters.

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