

HEART THROBS IN RELICS SOLD TO BUY FOOD

Sentiment Sacrificed When Gifts of Romance Go in Time of Need.

(This is the second and final story revealing Gold Hunting in Indianapolis.)

BY ARCH STEINEL

He displayed a cheap tin pan. It was full of trinkets, backs of watches, gold spectacles, rings, platinum pendants.

"There's \$500 worth in that pan. I've gotten them since Monday," he added.

The pan—the size for making sauce—weighed heavy in the hand. It weighed heavy of hearts, too. The back of the watch, an old hunting case that stuck out from a side, was an unemployed one's first meal in months outside the soup line.

The ring leaning against it was some broken love-life that lost its owner because of hunger and need. Benjamin Hersch, owner and manager of the Standard Gold Smelting and Refining Company, 423 Lemcke building, put the tin pan back into the safe.

Sells His Gold Crown

"What'll you give for this?" is their question as I weigh it up to find out its gold value. I'll not forget one fellow who came in, and Herschon settled a gold weight on its scales as he gathered the story together.

"He asked the same question, but he pointed to a gold crown in his mouth. I asked him why he wanted to sell it. He said he needed the money. A pair of pliers lay on the counter. He grabbed the pliers, saying, 'How much? I'll pull it out!'"

Herschon told him he couldn't pull the crown off in his office; that it wasn't a dental chair. The man went away. He came back in a few hours.

"He laid the crown down. I even hated to toss it on the scales. I gave him \$2," he averred.

Old Families Market Relics

Herschon says that some of the city's best families—families that pioneered Indianapolis—came to his wicked office window to sell their old relics and antiques for ready cash.

He has refined and smelted down many heirlooms that were bought by him through his wicked office window while tears played soft chords throughout the sale.

"There's one story I hate to tell you. I shouldn't say anything about it," he hesitated.

Then he told this story:

A woman, white with age, and courteous with the courteousness of southern gentility, approached the iron window that guards the safe with its riches of wealth.

Romance Sold to Exist

"I want to sell this watch, this cameo pin," she said.

A kerchief brushed at her eyes as she talked.

Herschon bought the trinkets. They were of the best of gold.

A few days later she returned to his office.

Staring out his office window, blinking, she laid a wedding ring down.

"I—I don't like to do this. It was husband's. He was in the Civil war."

"We were married while magnolias bloomed. He died. A son was left to me. The world war took him. He never came back."

"You won't melt this before Wednesday. Please hold it that long. I've sold all my clothes already to try and keep it. But it may help me to buy some little things I can sell and I'll be back Wednesday, sure, and take it back."

Locked Deep in Safe

"That was last Wednesday," Herschon said.

"Did she come back?" he was questioned.

"No!" and the refiner of gold as well as hearts softened the "No."

Mr. Average



NEA

Well, here he is—the average American man! A little narrow in the chest, perhaps, and a bit full through the middle—but this plaster model doesn't lie.

It represents the composite measurements of 100,000 veterans of all racial stocks after their return from the World war, and it has been placed on view at the Museum of Natural History in New York.

The figure, of slight build, is more suggestive of a sedentary than an athletic life.

DRYS PICK CANDIDATES

Congressional, County Nominees Named at Convention.

Fessenden W. Lough, Twelfth district, and John W. Phelps, Anderson, Eleventh district, today were congressional nominees of the Prohibition party, as result of action at the party convention Friday night in Cadde tabernacle.

County candidates nominated were:

Wesley T. Wilson, circuit court judge; Charles B. De Mott, prosecutor; John W. Huddleston, sheriff; Dr. M. C. Lyons, coroner; Hubert Stuck, treasurer; T. B. Fitzgerald, surveyor; Frank Henderson, county commissioner, Second district, and Rudolph S. Dieninger, Third district.

WARN ON BOND DEBTS

Auditors Told Obligations Must Be Met Despite Tax Law.

Governmental units must meet payments on bonds, despite any legislation adversely affecting ability to pay the coming year.

This warning was given county auditors Friday in a letter from bondholders, the Fletcher American Company, the Union Trust Company and the Fletcher Trust Company.

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SCHOOL HEADS PRAISE SYSTEM OF JUNIOR HIGH

Revised Course of Study Works to Student's Advantage.

(This is the last of three stories on the new junior high school system.)

School officials in cities where junior high schools have been inaugurated are unanimous in their support of the system.

The revised course of study, they say, works to the advantage of the pupil in almost every case.

In junior high schools, they declare, the aim is to teach the pupil, not the subject.

One of the features of all junior high schools is that the pupil is allowed more individuality than is given either in the grade schools or in high schools. This policy will be followed closely by junior high school teachers in Indianapolis.

Cite Individuality Need

School administrators, in recommending freer rein to the pupils, reason that greater individuality is necessary, if pupils are to find their likes and dislikes.

"A pupil, if subjected to a rigid course of study, would have no chance to discover his aptitudes," said Milo H. Stuart, assistant superintendent of schools, who is in charge of the inauguration of the junior high schools here. "He never could learn what sort of work he wanted to follow later in life."

Another argument advanced by school officials for the less rigid course of study is the fact that the junior high finds most pupils at the "growing stage" when they are restless and resentful of strict confinement to a program.

Indianapolis school officials, seeking to profit from the experience that has been gained since the first junior high schools were established twenty-two years ago, have set up a system which is not entirely similar to any other junior high school establishment. The local junior high will seek to take the best from the systems of other cities.

'Great for Pride'

Most unique feature of the Indianapolis system is the absence of special junior high buildings. "Junior high buildings are great for civic pride," Stuart said, "but they aren't necessary for better education."

Another difference in the local system is that the junior high school grades will be in full operation one year after they are started. Stuart pointed out. Other cities have taken as long as ten years to place the system fully in operation, Stuart said.

Still a third point of departure of the Indianapolis schools lies in the fact that all pupils in the same grade will receive the new form of instruction at the same time—Sept. 6, for the 7B and 8B grades; Jan. 23, 1933, for the 7A and 8A, and Sept. 3, 1933, for the ninth grade.

Heads '98 Vets



William J. Otjen (above) of Enid, Okla., was chosen commander of the United Spanish war veterans at their thirty-fourth annual convention at Milwaukee. Otjen had been senior vice-commander.

PLAN SAFETY RALLY

County Schools in Program at Garfield Park.

Picnic supper, a band concert and address by officials of the city, county and state will form the program for the safety rally of Marion county schools Tuesday afternoon in Garfield park.

Principal speakers will be Frank J. May Jr., secretary of state; Gus Mueller of the state accident prevention bureau; Fred T. Gladden, county school superintendent; Todd Sloops of the Hoosier Motor Club, and Miss Julia E. Landers, Marion county safety director.

Sheriff Charles (Buck) Sumner will preside at installation of school patrols. Marion county bus drivers will hear an address by Captain Howard Smith of the state police department.

'WALES SHIRT' COCKTAIL HONORS LOUD APPAREL

Brilliant Blue Beverage Is Served at Bar in Riviera.

BIARRITZ, France, Aug. 27.—The "prince's shirt cocktail" appeared at one of the Basque coast bars today as a tribute to the prince of Wales on his new practice of wearing a different colored shirt each day.

The "prince's shirt" consists of three-fourths gin, one-eighth white mint and one-eighth cream of yvette. When served it is a brilliant blue.

Wales continued to go in for colorful haberdashery and appeared Friday in a primrose polo shirt, which he wore while helping to move into a rustic farmhouse near Biarritz, where he intends to stay until the middle of September.

FARMER'S VOTE COUNTS MOST ON PROHIBITION

Geography, Not Population, Still Decides State Representation.

BY HERBERT LITTLE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—If a prohibition repeal resolution is put before state legislature, or before state conventions elected, on the same uneven representation that lower houses of most state legislatures now are, a farmer's vote will be worth 20 per cent more than a city man's.

This fact, disclosed in a special survey of representation in legislatures, discloses the reasons for the convention system of ratification advocated by anti-prohibitionists.

It further shows that if legislatures are given power to denote the basis of representation in the ratifying conventions, they are likely to continue the present uneven setup.

This is the reason that for the first time the advocates of a constitutional change have sought convention rather than legislative ratification. Their success as to obtaining the convention system is illustrated by the fact that both parties are pledged to submission of repeal in one case, revision in the other, to "truly representative" conventions.

Cling to Power

Over-representation of rural counties in legislatures goes back to early days, when most representation was geographic. Population representation has increased somewhat in recent decades, but the process is slowed down by reluctance of the rural communities to surrender their power.

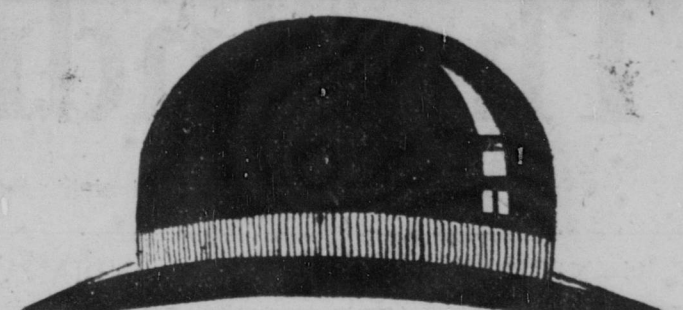
The survey which showed a disparity of 20 per cent covered eight states, fifteen of them states where cities make up 50 per cent or more of the population, and three from other states. The survey covered only the lower house, usually considered the most representative of the legislature.

Connecticut, which has 255 rural representatives and twelve urban, has the largest disproportion. On the basis of population instead of "towns," the state would have 153 urban, 114 rural. The senate, usually more representative in this state, has a large urban majority, but it would be three or more votes larger on a straight population basis.

Rural Vote in Majority

Ohio, birthplace of the Anti-Slavery League, is next. This lower house has seventy-seven rural votes and fifty-one urban, whereas the figures would be exactly reversed on a straight population basis.

On the other hand, New Jersey alone of all eighteen states has a



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Other states surveyed with the present division between city and country listed first and the population listed second, were as follows: Delaware—30 rural, 5 urban; 20 rural, 15 urban.

Vermont—237 rural, 10 urban; 171-76.

NEW YORK—65 rural, 85 urban. (This is due largely to excluding aliens in computing state representation.)

Missouri—115 rural, 35 urban; 84-66.

Maryland—82 rural, 36 urban; 60-58.

Illinois—96 rural, 57 urban; 83-80.

Rhode Island—57 rural, 43 urban; 45-55.

Minnesota—91 rural, 40 urban; 78-52.

Indiana—70 rural, 30 urban; 61-39.

Oregon—40 rural, 20 urban; 35-25.

Maine—140 rural, 11 urban; 131-20.

Pennsylvania—142 rural, 68 urban; 138-72.

New Hampshire—327 rural, 91 urban; 321-97.

California—29 rural, 51 urban; 283-517.

Massachusetts—17 rural, 222 urban; 163-227.

NEWS VENDER INJURED

Blind Tom McGraw Suffers Fracture of Skull.

Condition of Thomas McGraw, 57, blind newspaper vendor, who fell into a sidewalk basement shaft at 419 East Washington street, Friday, incurring a skull fracture, remained critical today at city hospital.

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TARIFF ISSUE IS HELD VITAL

It's Campaign Battleground, Says Jim Watson.

By Times Special

WINONA LAKE, Ind., Aug. 27.—"The tariff will be the vital issue in the campaign."

This phrase rang in the ears of north Indiana Republicans who returned to their homes today following the Second district rally here Friday.

Senator James E. Watson said that would be the issue in his address, which closed the meeting and, as he heads the state ticket, the Republican battle will be fought on that front.

At the same time, Watson sought to close the mouths of Democratic critics by declaring:

"I don't believe in personalities in a campaign. If my party comes to a place where he has to throw mud to win, I don't want it to win," he declared to the obvious delight of the 4,000 present.

Attacking Governor Roosevelt's statement that the "Smoot-Hawley tariff built an embankment of barbed wire entanglement around the country," Watson declared:

"Governor Roosevelt is a high-minded gentleman, but honestly, he doesn't understand the tariff."

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