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CANNING PLANT OF POLITICIAN POURS 'DEATH' IN RIVER

Ivan C. Morgan at Last, However, Has Promised, Say Conservation Officials, to Help End 'Poisoning' of Streams.

GAME FISH QUITTING MUSCATATUCK

Lye and Acids From Austin Industry Are Blamed by Nearby Residents for Near Ruining of Once-Clear Waters.

BY ARCH STEINEL
Times Staff Writer

"Me catchem heap big fish!"

Back around 1800 those words were used in the Delaware Indian tongue as some big brave pulled out his line in the Muscatatuck river of Indiana and proudly related with measured hand-lengths and words his fish-story from tepee to tepee.

The only difference now is that the Muscatatuck hasn't the proud liars it had in the Indian days.

The fish no longer are "heap big."

PENSION COSTS TO HIKE TAXES

12-Cent Increase in Levy Is Predicted by Auditor.

Marion county taxpayers will find that a prospective 12-cent increase of the county's tax rate is due largely to the cost of old-age pensions, the new registration law for elections and cost of the 1934 general election.

The department believes the "heap big fish" has been caught.

They believe, or at least they have his word for it, that he's changed his gills and fins and intend to restore to the Muscatatuck river the true meaning of its Indian name, "Clear river."

Warnings, Only Warnings

Angle in the pollution of the years on the Muscatatuck and but one name is blamed for the destruction of the river's game fish by residents of Jackson, Scott and Washington counties and that—

Ivan C. Morgan, head of the Morgan Canning Company, Austin.

Heavy "sugar-papa" to the campaign chest of Indiana's G. O. P. and state chairman of the party during the last presidential election, Morgan never has been caught in the seining, of either the state health board or the conservation department, for state stream polluters.

This is the seventh of a series on stream pollution in Indiana. The eighth, to appear Wednesday, will tell of "A No Mean City and Its Pollution."

When residents along the river became irate in their demands that waste from his cannery at Austin cease their flow into the stream the state conservation department, before the regime of Governor Paul V. McNutt, and the state health board said they had warned Morgan of the pollution.

Nothing came of the warnings. The pollution continued.

Lie Causes Fish to Die

Only a few weeks ago residents at Little York, along the river's banks, reported lye from the hominy packing of the cannery had resulted in the death of a large quantity of fish.

Morgan has said that stories of the death of fish due to his cannery has been exaggerated in the same manner as any fisherman would tell of his day's sport with rod and reel.

Residents along the river point to a three-mile ditch, black with waste and sludge, that pours the wastes from his cannery into the Muscatatuck.

The ditch passes through farms and is a fine food trough for chickens and pigs, while one man along

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SHOWERS, IS FORECAST

Relief From Heat Wave Promised for City Tonight.

Relief from rapidly climbing temperatures was promised Indianapolis today with the United States weather bureau forecast that thunderstorms can be expected here this afternoon or early tonight.

Fair weather will prevail on Wednesday, was the forecast, with cooler temperatures. The mercury Monday climbed to 92 at 4 p.m.

GOVERNOR IS MARRIED

Virginia's Chief Executive Wed to Canadian-Born Secretary.

WINNIPEG, Man., Aug. 1.—Governor John Garland Pollard of Virginia and his Canadian-born secretary, Miss Violet Elizabeth McDougall, were wed in a quiet ceremony at the First Presbyterian church here Monday.

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SENATOR JOHNSON'S SON ENDS OWN LIFE

Suicide in West Coast Town Is Reported.

By United Press

BURLINGAME, Cal., Aug. 1.—Archibald Johnson, second son of United States Senator Hiram Johnson, committed suicide today, authorities reported.

GIRL, 13, IS STATE'S YOUNGEST MOTHER

Grandparents, 29 and 32, Also Lay Claim to Title.

By United Press

SEYMORE, Ind., Aug. 1.—The little town of Kurz near here today claimed among its inhabitants the youngest grandmother and mother in the state.

A daughter was born to Mrs. Ralph Croucher, 13, Monday. Her mother, Mrs. Hubert Edwards, is 29, and her father is 32.

McNutt Is Court Victor in Agriculture Board Row

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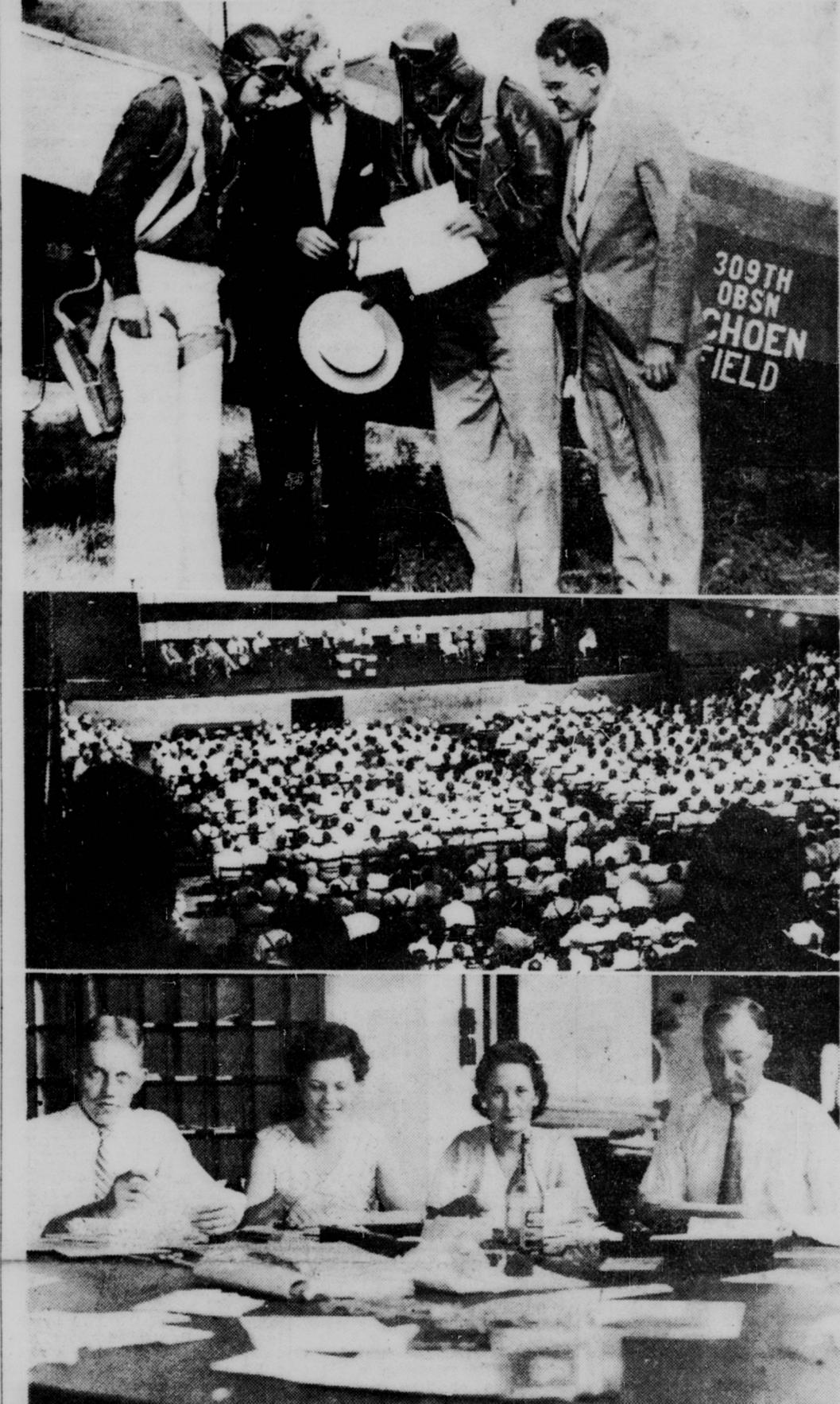
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Recovery War Fought on Three Fronts



Upper (left to right)—Herbert T. Fisher and A. L. Taylor, Chamber of Commerce officials; Lieut. Stanton Smith and Francis Wells, state recovery directors.

Center (left to right)—Harold Perry, Miss La-

via Layman, Mrs. Helen Heiton and W. E. Paul, sorting more than 10,000 NRA pledges.

Lower—Part of the huge crowd that assembled in Tomlinson hall Monday night when labor leaders urged full support of the recovery program.

29 Big Downtown Stores Pledged in N.R.A. Drive

Retailers Sign Up to Observe Blanket Code at Meeting Today: Agreements Flood In.

Twenty-nine downtown Indianapolis retail stores today pledged themselves to support the NRA program at a meeting of the members of the Merchants' Association, according to Edward Kahn, furniture dealer. The meeting was held in the Illinois building. Signed NRA agreements from 10,000 Indiana employers were announced as a total.

Swamped by the rush of agreements from employers throughout the city and state, Francis Wells, Indiana recovery director, announced the appointment of Frank J. Kurka of St. Louis as his assistant.

Kurka's chief duty will be to interview the increasing throng of industrialists who have besieged Wells' office in the Chamber of Commerce building since the inception of the recovery program.

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CONTEST MILK CODE PROVISIONS IN COURT

Illinois Distributors Hold Enforcement Illegal.

Smart country squirrels moved to town today for "the season."

For while they can scamper at will around such city oasis as University park, they are open prey in the country from now until Oct. 15.

The shooting season for squirrels opened today with the number of licenses running ahead of last year, according to Kenneth Kunkel, chief of the conservation department fish and game division.

Labor groups met the challenge of recovery Monday night when they overflowed Tomlinson hall in the first huge labor meeting in many months.

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