

## BONDED BOOZE RUNNING LOW; PRICE SOARING

Approach of Repeal Signal for Frenzied Drive to Corner Market.

Indianapolis bootleggers were happy today at the prospect of regaining some of their lost business, as they watched the price of medicinal whisky rise as result of a shortage in supply.

Practically all the sixteen and seventeen-year-old brands, such as I. W. Harper, Old Taylor, Sunnybrook and others, which cost the druggist from \$34.50 to \$36 a case when medicinal whisky was legalized in Indiana a few months ago, now are priced wholesale at \$55 a case.

Forecast that the wholesale price would go to between \$75 and \$85 a case, and possibly even \$100, by Christmas with many of the more popular brands unobtainable at any price, was made today by L. Michael Condon, local distillery representative and president of the new Central States Brokerage Corporation, Indianapolis.

### Reduced Profits

Retail prices of medicinal whisky have not kept pace with wholesale prices here, druggists reducing their profit to hold the prices down, but most of the favorite brands have been hiked from 50 cents to \$1 a pint, and the price must be hiked further when new stocks are ordered.

Brands which formerly were sold here from \$2.25 to \$2.50 a pint now are retailing at from \$3 to \$3.50, with higher-priced favorites increased accordingly.

The price rise is due partly to the shortage in supply of aged whisky in distillery warehouses, and partly to the battle on the part of large interests to corner the supply in anticipation of prohibition repeal.

### Stock to Be Rectified

There are only about 13,000,000 gallons of whisky in bond today, according to Condon. Of this amount, 8,000,000 gallons are old whisky and after repeat, can be rectified by the addition of alcohol and water, and sometimes Sherry wine, each gallon of old whisky being converted into from two to four gallons of rectified whisky.

This process can not be followed legally with medicinal whisky, which must be uncut.

For this reason, distillers are not the least bit anxious to make sales to druggists now, preferring to hold their limited stocks until after repeal when they can be cut, or rectified, and produce greater profits, Condon said.

Consumption of whisky in this country in pre-prohibition days ranged from 90,000,000 to 110,000,000 gallons a year, with about 20 per cent of this imported.

Trading in whisky warehouse certificates is going on at a dizzy pace recalling the frenzied dealing in lots during the Florida real estate boom and in stocks on New York curb before the break in 1929.

### Bring Fancy Prices

Groups seeking to corner the supply are buying certificates at a price, confident that the price will be higher in the next few days.

The Central States Brokerage Corporation, formed here several weeks ago with Condon as president and Sidney Weinstein as treasurer, to corner a supply of whisky in bond in anticipation of repeal, has bought up certificates representing about 400 barrels of whisky, and hopes to acquire another \$100,000 worth for speculative purposes.

As evidence of the actual shortage in whisky, Condon has written a letter from the Bernheim distillery at Louisville announcing that its stock of older whiskies will be exhausted by Oct. 1, leaving only a small quantity of 4-year-old whisky with which to fill orders.

## Times Vote Shows Old Traffic Signs Favored

Hick Town' Brand Is Put on New System by Letter Writer.

With scores of ballots received today by The Times from Indianapolis motorists and pedestrians who are voting on the city's new downtown traffic signs, not one vote could be found for the new plan of traffic direction.

Every vote received today was a demand for the return of the old semaphore system, instead of the new plan in which the policemen move traffic by whistles only.

Several of the voters, using the ballots printed in The Times, added letters to their votes. A typical note read:

"I enclose herewith my vote on traffic semaphores. Apropos of this type of traffic control equipment being used only in hick towns, the use of such equipment in Washington, D. C., provides an interesting comparison.

"In that village, on some intersections traffic control officers are supplied not only with a semaphore, but a platform with a railing and umbrella. It is evident that that town at least is more interested in efficient traffic control at certain congested intersections than the appearance or posture of the officer."

The new plan was put into effect by the safety board at the request of Traffic Captain Louis Johnson, who claimed traffic policemen using the semaphore as leaning posts and that the system was a "hick town" plan away.

Protests have been received all over the city, charging that the new system has slowed up traffic and that motorists are forced to come to a stop at every corner and to peer about for a glimpse of the policeman to learn whether to go or stop.

The Times is giving every citizen a chance to vote on the question. Today's ballot is on Page 20. Clip it out and send it to the Signal Tower, The Times.

Another note accompanying a vote today said:

"I certainly fail to see any ad-

## STRIKERS HURLED BACK BY TEAR GAS ATTACK



Hundreds of strikers had attempted to rush the gates of a silk dyeing mill at Lodi, N. J., and this was the scene as police turned them back with tear gas bombs and clubs. Pickets are shown as they dropped their placards and fled blindly from the fumes. At least twenty persons were injured. Similar strikes in more than a hundred other dyeing mills brought the manufacture of silk textiles to a standstill in the east, for some 40,000 workers already were on strike from the spinning and weaving mills.

## 5,000,000 HOGS DIE IN DISTRICT

2,000,000 More Are Likely in Farm Allotment Schedule.

Four million pigs and one million sows are being slaughtered in this district under the supervision of the local aids in the department of agriculture, Dr. C. L. Elliott, head of the Indianapolis office, said today.

Local stock yard officers believe that Agriculture Secretary Henry A. Wallace will order an additional two million pigs killed here in the near future under the farm allotment plan.

Although no arrangements have been made as to the disposition of the meat, Elliott believes that it will be distributed to charity organizations for poor relief this winter. The meat is being cured and preserved until orders come from Washington providing for its disposition.

Elliott revealed that the farmers in this territory are reluctant to bring in their sows to be butchered. For that reason, the department of agriculture may have some difficulty in filling the quota.

It is believed that the farmers are keeping back their sows in hope that the price of pigs will go up next year. The bounty of \$4 paid for each sow is believed not to be sufficient to induce the farmers to sacrifice their sows.

## 'KIDNAPING' PROVES FLO WOMAN Frantically Calls for Help, Then Finds Baby.

"A man just has kidnapped my baby and left in a Ford," was the frantic cry of a woman who telephoned police headquarters today. Before Irvin McClain, radio dispatcher, could get names of other details, the woman said:

"Oh, never mind. The baby is back."

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## Desperado Charged With Edsel Ford Kidnap Plot Captured in California

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 16.—Suspected of complicity in an attempt to kidnap Edsel Ford, Detroit automobile magnate, a man identified as Joseph (Red) O'Riordan, 44, was arrested here Friday by sheriff's deputies.

O'Riordan, once described as "the most dangerous man alive," was said to be a member of the notorious "Purple gang" of Detroit.

He was trailed to a rooming house on descriptions sent by the Detroit police department.

Police said the attempted kidnaping was frustrated July 2, 1930. Deputies said O'Riordan made no resistance, and walked out with his wrists in position for handcuffs. He was held incommunicado, for Detroit police.

His once flaming red hair had been dyed black.

## CRASH WRECKS CHEVALIER AUTO

By United Press

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 16.—Maurice Chevalier, French motion picture star, was injured Friday when his automobile turned over after a collision with another machine.

The actor was taken to Emergency hospital. After an hour's treatment he was returned to his home. His injuries were cuts and bruises and not serious, physicians said.

Chevalier was returning from Santa Barbara, where he attended a preview of his latest picture. His automobile, the first he has owned in America, was driven by his manager, Max Rupp. Rupp was not injured. There were no others in the machine, they said.

Chevalier will sail Sunday for France, but without the automobile he expected to take with him.

The city of Leghorn, Italy, has given its name to types of hats and chickens because these have been exported from the Leghorn port.

Chevalier

When the first cotton spinning factories were established, about 1800, they employed many young children and working hours were from sunrise to sunset.

## Bulbs for Spring

Now is the time to think of your fall planting of hardy bulbs for your spring garden next year. Spring flowers, because, no matter what the condition of the soil may be, rich or poor, clayey or sandy, they are practically certain to produce blooms, as the embryo flowers already are formed in the bulbs when planted.

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## MEET TO PLAN HOSPITAL FUND OF METHODISTS

125 Committee Members in Parley on \$3,000,000 Campaign.

Indiana Methodist hospitals' "new deal in philanthropy" was inaugurated Friday at a conference of 125 committee members from every county in the state at Methodist hospital nurses' home auditorium here.

The "new deal" program, covering a period of five years, is intended to raise \$3,000,000 to relieve the four Methodist hospitals in the state of bonded indebtedness in order to make it possible to provide hospitalization at less cost to the patient.

"Present hospital costs are too high," said J. I. Holcomb, Indianapolis, campaign executive chairman. "Every hospital should operate so it just barely is out of the red," but it should not attempt to meet building costs from patients' fees.

Several items enter into the "new deal" campaign, the most original being that of service bonds, whereby contributors purchase bonds entitling them to free hospital service each year, the amount depending on the size of the bonds, which increase in value each year.

Another is the life annuity plan, whereby money is given to the hospital building fund, the contributor receiving interest the remainder of his life.

The third major factor in the campaign is that of bequests. A group of attorneys in various cities has been organized to assist persons who wish to leave bequests to one of the four Methodist hospitals in their wills. The hospitals are located in Indianapolis, Ft. Wayne, Gary and Princeton.

The program was explained by the Rev. John G. Benson, hospital superintendent who said the campaign will be carried on entirely by volunteers, no paid experts being employed.

Honorary chairmen are Bishop Edgar Blake, the Rev. Jean S. Milner, and the Rev. John S. Milner. Besides a central committee for the state, there will be speakers' bureaus in every county. Dr. Benson announced two fifteen-minute periods weekly will be donated by WKBF for radio talks on the campaign.

Central committee members are Arthur V. Brown, W. E. McKee, William L. Taylor, the Rev. William C. Hartinger, Edgar Blake Jr., and C. R. Kluss, Gary; E. L. Morgan, Chester; the Rev. E. T. Franklin, O. U. King and the Rev. F. E. Thorpe, Ft. Wayne, and the Rev. Warren W. Want and the Rev. Mr. Benson, Indianapolis.

Meeting in the office of Charles A. Grossart, county auditor, the board perfected organization, with election of John Newhouse, county council vice-president, as president, and Arthur C. Schrader as vice-president. Other members are Mrs. Maggie Maxwell, Russell Wilson, school board member; Frank Quinn, Harry W. Britton and Forrest M. Knight, realtors.

The board decided upon a new method for hearings, whereby some private sessions will be held. At these sessions, newspaper men will be admitted.

Willson and Knight spoke, advocating the admission of reporters.

"Deliberations of the board are of public interest," Willson said, "and the public should be fully and accurately informed."

Sessions will open at 10 a. m. daily. First matter to be considered will be the Indianapolis city civil budget. The school city budget will be next, followed by the county and township budgets.

460 to Get Church Diplomas Diplomas will be presented to 460 persons, including children, on Promotion day, which will be observed Sunday, Sept. 24, by the Tabernacle Presbyterian church, Thirty-fourth street and Central avenue.

## FATHER, SON JAILED FOR STEALING BUCKET

Father and son "passed the buck" Friday in the theft of a \$2 bucket and each was fined \$1 and costs with a thirty-day jail term.

Dan Acton, 59, and his son Everett, 33, of 203 Quill street, were sentenced by Municipal Judge Dewey E. Myers on larceny convictions.

The bucket was the property of the Rev. D. O. Crowe, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist church, Hoyt avenue and Shelby street, and was stolen from the rear of his home at 735 Shelby street.

The son said:

"I stole the bucket because father told me to."

"We needed a water bucket; that's why we stole the bucket," the elder Acton explained.

Burglars Steal Adding Machines Burglars who broke into the office of Dr. H. E. Barnard, 66 West New York street, during the night escaped with two adding machines and two typewriters, with a total value of \$218, police reported Friday.

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By Times Special

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—Lawyers finally wound up the Helen Kane-Murray Posner romance Friday. It cost Helen, radio, stage and screen entertainer, \$32,500.

Peter B. Olney, referee in bankruptcy, approved an agreement under which Helen is to pay the \$32,500 to the Bond Dress Company, of which Posner was president until it went into bankruptcy.

Creditors of the company sued Helen for money given her by Posner and obtained a \$40,000 judgment. The \$32,500 payment is a compromise.

## CIGAR STORE CLERK GETS LOTTERY FINE

Motion to Suppress Sustained, But Guilty Finding Made.

Despite sustaining of a motion to suppress evidence, Robert Wynn, employed in a cigar store at 475 Massachusetts avenue, was fined \$10 and costs Friday by Municipal Judge Dewey E. Myers on a charge of operating a lottery and gift enterprise. Sentence was suspended.

Police said they caught Wynn in the act of selling baseball pool tickets to W. H. Drake, 412 North Alabama street. However, a dollar which Drake had laid on a counter presumably in payment was not taken by Wynn, and Drake replaced the money in his pocket.

None of the tickets said by police to have been seized could be offered in evidence, due to sustaining the motion to suppress.

## Just How Good, Katie?

Klondike Oracle Steps Forward to State That Gay Gals of '49 Dance Halls Were All Right.

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 16.—Klondike Kate sat back and rolled a cigarette deftly with one hand.

"I want to state," said Klondike Kate, "that a more decent set of gals never existed than those of us who frolicked so merrily in the Dawson dance halls."

"I remember the night I made \$750 as easily as falling off a log. All I had to do was to chat with a gentleman who was buying wine. He bought \$1,500 worth and I got 50 per cent commission. Now there wasn't anything unlady-like about that, was there?"

Kate was just out of a Spokane convent when she joined the rush, she said.

"I was just 10," she said. "I went north because every one was going. I got more of a thrill out of my first moose steak than I did from earning my first \$100."

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## 'Uncle Joe' Sees Good Times in Pawn Business Boom

THE dourst man in town smiles.

He is the fellow who can look at a one-carat diamond and make it seem just one carat going into a mating with some soubrette.

He is "Uncle" Joseph, pawnbroker at Illinois and Ohio streets, or maybe "Uncle" Jacob, John or Abraham.

"Uncle" smiles because business is on the up-swing and several years of accumulation of monkey-wrenches, bits, crowbars and cross-saws are going so fast that he can't keep in enough tools to do his own handy man jobs around his "hockery."

"Uncle" has seen four years of artisans file by his window or the windows of other pawnshops in the city and heard them come in with woe in eyes to part with a favorite adze, maul or fondly say,

"What'll you give me for this brace and bit?"

But now "Uncle" says they're coming back to buy the tools of others or their own if they can find them to go out on a job promised the other day.

BOOM in the pawn business is such that redemption of articles is more common than it has been in the last four years.

"They're coming back for their watches. This summer's electric fan is being traded for a winter overcoat to hunt a job," he said.

"Why, even the guitars are selling."

And believe you us when a guitar sells, that means something to "Uncle."

It means, he says, "that folks are finding time to play and sing again, instead of grump around all day."

But the big news to "Uncle" is that the heavy "ice" (diamonds) are being pawned.

"Down to their last dollar? Is that the reason?" Uncle was asked.

"Nope. It's this way; they've held on to that three or four-carat diamond through the depression. It's their stake for good times. Now, they're pawning them to go into business."

"Why, I've taken in two stones, big ones, in the last week. One fellow took his \$400 loan and said, 'I'm starting an insurance agency.'"

JUST a few doors from "Uncle" is "Auntie" Jack Werner, 234 Indiana avenue.

"Auntie" is "Uncle's" counterpart in skirts. She wouldn't play Polyantha if you handed her Broadway, the Ziegfeld show, and

threw in Madison Square garden.

But "Auntie" is optimistic about the market in carpenter's rules, hammers, and the national recovery.

She adds one to "Uncle's" good-times smile with, "And they're getting married, too. Unredeemed wedding rings are selling."

In fact, the mechanic who buys a monkey wrench in one breath may be eyeing a "ball-and-chain" emblem in the next and trying to haggle "Auntie" out of the orange blossoms engraved on it as well as a plush box to put it in for presentation to his "sweetie."

And if "Uncle" and "Auntie" are to be believed, they'll be dancing "ring around a rose, pocketful of pawn tickets" as their world-old three-ball signs glisten in the sun of a new deal for the "hockshop."