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## Sure, There Is a Santa, Otto Knows

Disabled Veteran to Get Pension: His Children Need Clothes.

YEARS ago, there was a small boy named Otto.

He was the regular kind of a boy who tick-tacked on Halloween, shot firecrackers on the Fourth of July, and at Christmas-time, snooped in closets to see if he was going to get that red necktie, or woolly cap.

He believed in Santa Claus then. He wrote to him in scrawly boyish hand, his wishes.

But years passed and Otto became a man. He played Santa Claus.

War came. Otto shipped to help his country.

Today Otto lies in the United States Veterans hospital on Cold Springs road. He can not play Santa now. He is totally disabled.

And the years have brought him a little Otto and five other children.

AND today, still believing in Santa Claus, he wrote to him in care of the Cloth-a-Child of The Indianapolis Times.

His writing is scrawly from pain now instead of immaturity. But he started his letter just as he did years ago as a boy and just as his little Otto does.

"Dear Santa Claus—I am asking you a great favor. I am in the hospital and I can't see any way of getting things for my six little babies. I don't think I ever will be home with them. We get a basket from the trustees, so you know how we stand. Please remember my babies. Yours Truly, OTTO."

And all that he says in his letter, of not being home with them, is true. Officials of the veterans bureau of Indianapolis say.

Call Riley 5551—and ask for Cloth-a-Child editor of Times.

You will receive name of needy school child, 5 to 12 years of age. Each child has been checked for need by social service division of public schools. Community Fund relief agencies provide the names of worthy children to be clothed.

You clothe the youngster, or we'll do it for you. That's your Christmas, the child's, and that's our Christmas.

Otto is too ill to play Santa. He is too ill to buy them clothing. But Otto has a Christmas present coming, or rather his family has, and that is a \$30 monthly compensation.

John H. Ale, director of the United States Veterans bureau, told the Cloth-a-Child editor of The Times, "You can write him that we're putting through his compensation."

But the compensation isn't here. His little Otto and the others he calls his "babies" need clothing, relief agencies report.

And so that's what a grownup Otto became a boy again and wrote to Cloth-a-Child.

COMMUNITY FUND agencies can not hope to make their budgets last throughout the year and play Santa at Christmas.

Otto still believes in Santa Claus. Do you? If you do, then just write a letter or call Riley 5551. You will be put in touch with him and his "babies" or other Ottos who range the town seeking warm clothing for their children.

The Cloth-a-Child donors' list had reached eighty-four children to be clothed at 8 a. m. today. List of late donors follows:

Transit and Proof Department, Indiana National bank, three children. Mutual Benefit Association, leader store, boy and girl. Knight Club, two boys. Sammie Rice and Lora Kibler, boy. Business office of Indianapolis Times. Girls of Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, girl. Mrs. Santa Claus, boy. Central Avenue Santos, two children. Employees of Wadler Company, cared for two children and took another girl. One Who Likes Antiques and Hobbies, child. Employees of United Mutual Life Insurance Company, boy. (Other donors to the campaign, to date, on Page Four)

## FIVE CHILDREN, TWO MOTHERS DIE IN FIRE

Baby of 18 Months Is Youngest In House Blaze.

By United Press SAULTE STE. MARIE, Mich., Dec. 8.—Two mothers and their five children were burned to death when a fire destroyed the home of Ernest Hiblen early today.

The dead: Mrs. Erlene Orr, 19; her daughter, Constantine, 18 months; Mrs. Genevieve Hiblen, 31; Genevieve Hiblen, 8; Katherine Hiblen, 6; Jerome Hiblen, 5; Ernest, Jr., 2. Overheated stove pipes were believed to have caused the fire. The two husbands were at work when the fire occurred.

Hourly Temperatures  
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8 a. m. .... 36  
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## Cooking News

Women who delight in preparing a new dish and simple but satisfying menus will find the third section of today's Indianapolis Times packed with appeal.

This eight-page section is devoted chiefly to news of food buying opportunities and hints on cooking that women will find of special interest.

Turn to the third section. It's another real service by The Times.

## LAYDEN SUCCEEDS HUNK ANDERSON IN NOTRE DAME POST

Famed Member of 'Four Horsemen' Is Selected to Take Irish Grid Berth;

Harper Also Resigns.

SILENCE KEPT BY ALL INVOLVED

Duquesne University Football Boss Says He'll 'Accept' Job as 'Head Man' at South Bend Institution.

By Times Special

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 8.—The resignations of Heartley (Hunk) Anderson, Notre Dame football coach, and Jesse Harper, athletic director, were confirmed today by the United Press.

Elmer Layden, one of the famous "Four Horsemen," has been named to fill both positions in a sweeping athletic reorganization.

High authorities at the university whose football teams have been a national phenomena since the regime of the late Knute Rockne withheld comment on the upheaval until the return of the Rev. Charles L. O'Donnell, president of the institution, who is undergoing treatment at the Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn.

Neither Harper, Anderson nor Layden would comment pending the official announcement by the university.

There was some indication in the information obtained by the United Press that Anderson, while resigning as football coach, might return next season as assistant to Layden.

The athletic reorganization came after Notre Dame's most disastrous season on the football field. It was a season marked by defeat after defeat and brightened only by a sensational victory in the last scheduled game in which Notre Dame beat Army by a single point.

The new coach, Layden, was one of the brightest stars ever turned out in the heyday of the Rockne system. He was a back field member of the famous undefeated 1924 team, one of the most powerful the country had ever seen.

He coached the last season at Duquesne university, Pittsburgh, Pa., where his team made a splendid record.

Layden to 'Accept'

By United Press

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 8.—Elmer F. Layden, Duquesne university head football coach, probably will accept an appointment as head coach at Notre Dame university, where he was a back field member of the famous undefeated 1924 team, one of the most powerful the country had ever seen.

He coached the last season at Duquesne university, Pittsburgh, Pa., where his team made a splendid record. "I think it's true, and I think I'll accept," Layden said, when told that South Bend dispatches disclosed the resignations of Heartley (Hunk) Anderson and Jesse Harper at Notre Dame, and predicted his appointment to both offices.

## Laborer Needs Liquor Most, Says Walter Pitkin

'Prices Now Are Simply Graft,' He Asserts as He Arrives in City for Address.

BY TRISTRAM COFFIN

Times Staff Writer

"The laboring man needs the benefits of liquor more than any other type of person," said affable Walter Pitkin, psychologist, educator and writer, today upon his arrival here to address a joint dinner of the Indiana Library Association, Indiana Library Trustees Association and Indiana Historical Society.

Enlarging upon his view Mr. Pitkin said: "The laborer has a greater need for an outlet. He has few opportunities for entertainment necessary for diversion from continual physical labor."

He advised beer and ale, adding that Americans do not know how to drink hard liquor in moderation.

Mr. Pitkin predicted that a crisis would be reached in the repeal era over temperate drinking as a reaction against prohibition days.

"Habitual drinkers are simply graft now," he stated. "However, that may benefit that working man by making beer his standard drink. If you would make a survey, you probably would find that the laborer really prefers 4 per cent beer."

Mr. Pitkin agrees with H. L. Mencken that work and play, in the words of the three little pigs, "don't mix." Mixing the two he termed "the plague of the country."

Drink slowly and forget the frets of the world, he advised.

When queried by the reporter as to whether the habitual use of hard liquors during prohibition would not

give the repeal drinker an ability to "handle" legal liquor he said: "That is quite possibly true. I know a wealthy New Yorker, easily able to buy the best liquors, who still prefers to buy raw whisky and bathtub gin. Tastes have been easily corrupted during prohibition."

Mr. Pitkin approves heartily of the "It's Smart to Be Legal" campaign of The Times and other Scripps-Howard newspapers, and said that the speakeasy proprietor was a counterfeiter. "I would like to see a vigilante movement against speakeasies, because they rob money from the taxpayers," he asserted.

"I would be insulted," he continued, "if a man asked me to take a drink when I did not need one. Drink should not be a social instrument, but rather a healthful measure to relax tired nerves. People over forty relax more readily with mild liquor."

He praised American-made wine and beer, declaring that prohibition had improved the art of brewing.

## RESIGNS GRID POST



"Hunk" Anderson

## Corpse of Negro Slayer Mutilated and Burned by Frenzied Texas Mob

Bloodthirsty Citizens Tear Heart From Killer's Body After Demanding Sheriff Deliver Dead Prisoner to Them.

By United Press

KOUNTZE, Tex., Dec. 8.—The body of David Gregory, Negro ex-convict, accused of attacking and murdering a white woman, was burned in the Negro section here today after a blood-thirsty mob tore out the heart and wrangled for hours before tossing the mutilated form on a huge pyre.

Gregory, hunted for the brutal slaying of Mrs. Mellie Williams Brockman, near Kountze, last Saturday, was shot from a church steeple at Voth by officers late yesterday.

He died en route to Kountze and a mob blocking the highway demanded the body.

For hours the snarling, shouting mob of 400 toyed with the body, slashing and kicking it through the streets.

Eager fingers tore the heart from the chest and handled it in ghastly glee.

The hideous form was rolled before the door of Gregory's mother and she was forced to view it.

"You done right, white folk," she said calmly.

Body Tossed on Pyre

Hours of argument ensued over disposition of the body. Some wanted to hang it in the Negro section and leave it as grim warning. Another group shouted for a burning.

Finally, boxes and debris were piled high in the center of the Negro district and the body tossed on top.

After Gregory's body had been disposed of, the mob turned toward the jail and threatened to take two other Negroes, who were accused of aiding the hunted man in evading officers for five days.

The idea was dropped, however, and the mob gradually disbanded.

Let Them Have It

Sheriff Miles D. Jordan first refused to surrender the body when stopped by the mob between Silsbee and Kountze. However, believing escape with the body was impossible and that serious trouble was impending he acquiesced.

"I let them have the body," Jordan said. "I figured I'd rather give up the body of a dead Negro than shoot a white man."

A shot was fired into the body as it fell to the ground from the sheriff's car. A log chain was produced and attached to the neck and the march up and down the streets began.

One Woman Faints

Women and children witnessed the ghoulish spectacle as the mob cut and tore at the body. A woman fainted. Others screamed hysterically.

Heard for Gregory began after Mrs. Brockman's body was found in a woods near here which had been set fire, officers believed, in an effort to conceal the slaying.

She had been shot in the head with a charge from a shotgun.

A Negro answering the description of Gregory had been seen in the vicinity a few minutes before carrying a shotgun, officers said in filing the charge of murder against him.

FREE HAIR CUTS ARE FULLER SHOPS' GIFT TO CLOTHE-A-CHILD

The "next" call of the barber-shop was heard today as Fuller's Friendly barber shops came to the aid of Cloth-a-Child donors.

"We'll cut the hair of all children dressed by donors without charge. Here's hoping your campaign reaches the 500 mark," said W. P. Fuller, proprietor, as he made his annual tonsorial gift.

Harry Pilz of the Lockebier barber shop offered to cut twenty heads of hair for Cloth-a-Child.

## 1,400 Street Car, Bus Workers Join Company in Profit-Sharing Plan

Employees Will Receive 25 Per Cent of Total Gross Revenue in Lieu of Hourly Wage Increase, Effective Immediately.

A voluntary agreement between officials of the Indianapolis Railways and People Motor Coach Company, whereby more than 1,400 employees entered into a profit-sharing agreement with the company, was announced today.

The profit-sharing plan, which is said to be revolutionary in the history of street railway concerns in the city, was adopted in lieu of an hourly wage increase, as a result of NRA regulations.

Representatives of the general council of the employees, who announced the profit-sharing plan, stated that the agreement is an evidence of good will between employers and workers and will preclude the possibility of threatened strikes.

Under the terms of the agreement, effective immediately, employees of the company will receive 25 per cent of the total gross revenue. The wage scale of 49 to 56 cents an hour for the more than 1,400 employees working on an hourly basis, will be maintained. Salaried employees and executives are not affected by the plan.

Executives Not Included

Adoption of the profit-sharing plan was announced today by Arthur Rountree, T. J. Syres, Rudolph Geisler and John W. Staley of the general council of employees following a meeting yesterday with Charles W. Chase, president of the traction company.

The plan effects motormen, conductors, bus drivers, repair and linemen, and all other permanent workers employed on the hourly basis.

"Employees of the Indianapolis Railways and Peoples Motor Coach Company worked seventy hours a week before the advent of NRA," said Mr. Rountree, spokesman for the group. "Then we were reduced to forty-eight to fifty-four hours a week."

"With the cuts in hours our earning power was reduced. The men agitated for more money. We felt it our duty to go to the company and ask for an adjustment of hours and wages to permit us to earn a living."

A petition asking for an increase in pay was filed two months ago.

New Equipment Purchased

"Several meetings were held and finally at the meeting yesterday whereby officials showed us that the buying of tremendous amount of new equipment—some \$2,500,000 worth—was eating up all the earnings."

"In a spirit of fairness, the company offered a counter-proposal whereby the employees will share in the future earnings of the company. This seemed fair to us, for statistics of the company show that the installation of new street cars have increased the earning of the company 17 per cent, while the addition of trackless trolleys show an increase in earnings of 28 to 30 per cent."

According to the present setup of the plan, the total gross revenue from all sources shall be deducted as follows:

1. Operating expenses and taxes. 2. Interest on bonds, notes and miscellaneous obligations and dividend on preferred stock. 3. Depreciation.

4. Amount required (which shall not exceed \$75,000 in any one month, including depreciation) to provide for payment of principal on account of the purchase of new equipment or other improvements which have been financed over several years and for miscellaneous obligations.

Effective Until 1935

5. The company's share of any expense of any pension retirement plan which may be adopted.

Leaving the balance to be apportioned 25 per cent to employees under the profit-sharing plan and 75 per cent to be retained by the company.

The first basic unit shall be from Dec. 1, 1933 to and including March 31, 1934, and thereafter each three calendar months.

In conclusion, the agreement states that the employers and employees that the profit-sharing plan shall form the basis of participation in the increased earnings of the company, effective as of Dec. 1, 1933 and until Dec. 31, 1935, and that during that period no change shall be made in the present wage scale or existing bonuses.

Operator Slugged by Oil Station Thieves

Attendant Sent to City Hospital for Treatment.

As he surprised a man stealing oil from a drum at the Gaseteria filling station, Tenth and Dorman streets, Carl Faust was dogged from behind by a partner of the thief last night.

Police were told Faust had stooped to close the faucet of the drum when he was attacked. The first thief returned and the two rolled a heavy oil drum on the legs of the attendant, who was lying on the ground, only partly conscious. He was sent to city hospital for treatment.

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## MASON JURY STILL OUT; INSTRUCTED FOR SECOND TIME

Deadlock Must Be Broken, Judge Indicates in Trial of Alleged Slayer of City Police Sergeant.

VOTE 9 TO 3 FOR GUILT, IS HINT

Conviction Makes Death Penalty Mandatory; Talesmen Recalled for Rereading After Twenty-one Hours.

BY JAMES A. CARVIN

Times Staff Writer

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Dec. 8.—Jury deliberating the fate of William Mason, accused slayer of Police Sergeant Lester Jones, was recalled to the courtroom at 11:20 a. m. today, after more than twenty-one hours, and listened to rereading of instructions by Judge Fred E. Hines.

In addition, at request of the jurors, Judge Hines gave additional instructions on circumstantial evidence.

At conclusion of the instructions, the jurors were sent out for lunch.

Judge Hines indicated he will require the jury to continue its deliberations until the deadlock is broken.

It was rumored the jury stood nine to three in favor of the death penalty, the three favoring life imprisonment. Under the law, the conviction makes the death penalty mandatory.

That more than twenty ballots were taken during the night was indicated when the supply was exhausted and the jury sent out for more paper.

Mason, charged with murder in connection with the machine-gun slaying of the Indianapolis police sergeant in the Peoples Motor Coach garage in Indianapolis, Feb. 7, was arrested with other suspects, including Fred Adams, George Swartz, Ernest (Red) Gibberson and Swartz pleaded guilty to second degree murder and accepted life sentences.

Mason, given the same opportunity by Marion county authorities, chose to stand trial on a charge of murder during the commission of a robbery. The death penalty is mandatory upon conviction.

Instructions Are Lengthy

Following a lengthy reading of instructions to the jury yesterday, the case was given to the talesmen at 1:55 p. m. In his instructions, Judge Hines told the jurors that if they found that Mason "aided and abetted" in causing the death of Sergeant Jones they must return a verdict of guilty.

The judge explained to the talesmen that the fact that the bandits had appeared at the garage, perpetrated a holdup and shot Sergeant Jones was ample proof of a conspiracy without the necessity of the state showing that the defendants had met before the crime and conspired to kill the police officer.

It is not necessary for the state to show which of the bandits fired the shot which killed Sergeant Jones, Judge Hines asserted in his instructions to the jurors.

Dean Trial Jan. 10

He warned the talesmen to carefully consider the testimony of Sergeant Arch Ball, ballistic expert of the Indianapolis police department, on the grounds that the "science of ballistics has not been accepted by Indiana courts."

In his testimony Sergeant Ball said that the automatic pistol found beside Mason in the Erlanger (Ky.) hideout of the gang and a machine-gun found buried in a pile of rubbish at the hideout, were the weapons used in the holdup resulting in the death of Sergeant Jones.

Edward (Foggy) Dean will go on trial in Marion county criminal court Jan. 10. Prosecutor Herbert Wilson announced yesterday. Clyde Miller, attorney for Dean, was reported to be seeking a change of judge for the trial of the suspect.

BACK BROKEN, CRAWLS HALF MILE FOR HELP

Hunter Takes Two Hours to Cover Short Distance.

By United Press BRAZIL, Ind., Dec. 8.—Suffering a broken back received when he fell from a tree while hunting, Millward Boes, 60, crawled half a mile through brush and under fences last night before he could attract help. Because of the intense pain it took him two hours to complete the distance.

DOLLAR WEAK ABROAD

Closes in London at \$5.12 to Pound Sterling.

By United Press LONDON, Dec. 8.—The dollar closed at \$5.12 to the pound today. The franc closed at \$35.16 to the pound.

In Paris, the dollar closed at 16.27 (6.146 cents a franc), slightly weaker than yesterday's closing price of 16.35 (6.116 cents a franc).

COLDER WEATHER DUE TO ARRIVE TONIGHT

No Indications of Severe Drop in Temperature.

Colder weather tonight and tomorrow was in prospect here, but there are no indications of a severe temperature drop in the next few days, according to forecast of the United States weather bureau.

While a cold wave was reported moving out of Alberta and Saskatchewan, Canada, a warm belt this side of it was expected to prevent this section from feeling the sub-zero weather recorded in Canada.

Starting the Season Right

FOR the seventh season The Times will serve Indianapolis and Indiana basketball fans, beginning Monday, with complete coverage and fresh gossip of cage doings throughout Hoosierdom, in the popular column "Off the Backboard."

This winter, from Monday until the cage season ends with the state high school tournament at Butler fieldhouse in March, "Off the Backboard" will be conducted by Carlos Lane, assistant sports editor of The Times.

For several weeks, since the backboards in hundreds of gyms throughout the state first began to resound with the thump of basketball, Lane has been looking them over and preparing to dish it out for hardwood fans when the season really got under way.

Watch the sports page of The Times Monday and daily thereafter for "Off the Backboard" if you want the latest and most complete dope available on the net giants (and the pygmies, too) in Indiana.