

## CITY RANKS HIGHLY IN AID TO WANDERING MEN; TWO AGENCIES PROVIDE RELIEF

Central Housing Foundation and Wheeler Mission Give Lodging and Meals to Tens of Thousands.

FOOD SUFFICIENT TO SUPPORT ARMY

Cleanliness and Precaution Against Spread of Disease Required; Work Is Only Payment Suggested.

(This is the second of three stories on Indianapolis transient problem.)

By WILLIAM H. M'GAUGHEY  
Times Staff Writer

Scores of hungry, homeless men roll out from under the black steel rods of freight cars with every train that pulls into Indianapolis.

As each "knight of the road" creeps out from his soot-laden berth and shakes the dirt and grime from his clothes, his first wish is to be supplied with two of the fundamental needs of life—food and shelter.

What would happen if Indianapolis did not have the facilities to supply these needs?

With several hundred homeless vagrants migrating through the city every day it is imperative for community protection that means of relief are provided which will not force the men into panhandling or begging or criminal acts.

If steps were not taken by the welfare agencies, housewives would be harassed constantly by back door panhandlers and pedestrians would be stopped at every turn by the "moocher." The crime rate would soar rapidly.

Fortunately, Indianapolis ranks high in the list of urban communities in the handling of transient relief.

The three principal agencies in Indianapolis that care for the homeless in search of food and shelter are the Central Housing Foundation, the Wheeler City Rescue Mission, and the Salvation Army. In its quarters in the rear of Tomlinson hall, the Central Housing Foundation at 222 East Wabash street will celebrate its first birthday this month. It was established in December, 1932, by resources of the Indianapolis Community fund.

Lodging Given 78,102

In a period of nine months from February to October 31 of this year, the charity enterprise gave 78,102 lodgings and served 169,057 meals to transients and local homeless. The number of meals served in the nine-month period would be sufficient to feed an average family of four members two meals a day for 58 years.

So efficiently is the Foundation managed under the direction of Paul H. Moore that the average cost for all the food, overhead, upkeep and general expenses of the foundation amounts to only 17 cents a day a man.

The meals that the men eat twice a day cost only 3½ cents a meal for each man. Despite the low cost, the food is pure, wholesome and substantial. About 760 meals a day are served free of charge.

Medical Test Required

When the men are received at the Central Housing Foundation, they are required to submit to a medical examination by three full time medical students connected with the organization. Before the men retire, they must take their daily shower bath or a bed is not turned over to them.

Facilities are provided for the men to mend shoes and sew tattered wearing apparel. Haircuts may be obtained from one of the men, a barber out of a job, who works at the foundation in return for his meals and lodging. A spirit of cheerfulness permeates the recreation room at night when the men gather to drive away the blues and the feeling of nostalgia. The men join in on "Home, Sweet Home," "Down Upon the Swanee River," "Sweet Adeline," and other songs that are strongly imbedded in American tradition. Then, they pause to listen to the quartet sing, to hear the washboard musician perform, or to watch a few wandering thespians put on a melodramatic. A spirit of good fellowship reigns at these socials as the men fraternize in their humble room.

Cleanliness Prevails

When the men retire at night after a weary journey on the road, they go to one of the several large dormitories that contain more than a hundred cots in each room. The beds are immaculately clean and the floors are spotless from daily scrubbing.

The iron-clad rule of "No work, no food" is strictly enforced at the foundation. Various tasks are provided. The building is cleaned, from top to bottom, every morning by a crew of the men aided. Others make the beds and change the sheets, wash the nightgowns and clothing and wait on tables at meal time. A task for every man and a man for every task is the practice.

Transients are given two meals and one night's lodging at the foundation and then are asked to move on. Local homeless are housed and fed until they obtain jobs, if destitute.

The Wheeler City Mission at 245 North Delaware street operates on a similar basis. Transients may stay for a three-day period there, however.

Long Record of Service

The Mission is a non-saccharine enterprise that has been a friend of the destitute man for nearly a half a century. Always interested in humanitarian enterprises, the mission ever has tried to give the "tramp" a new outlook on life. In the last few years their duties have increased to a great extent as the throes of the depression catapulted thousands of workers from their jobs and threw them on the roads in search of jobs.

An attempt is made at the mission to bring about a spiritual as well as a material rehabilitation of the homeless man. After he is fed and has his clothes mended, he is invited to join in the religious services held nightly in the chapel. Many converts are recorded in

## Tonight's Radio Excursion

SATURDAY

4:00—Duchin's orchestra (CBS) WABC.  
4:15—Piano duo (NBC) WJZ.  
4:30—Ballet in Hollywood (NBC) WJZ.  
4:45—Three Stamps (NBC) WABC.  
4:55—Jack Armstrong (CBS) WABC.  
5:00—Neil Sisters (NBC) WJZ.  
5:15—Spanish Serenade (CBS) WABC.  
5:30—Trio (NBC) WJZ.  
5:45—Cugat's orchestra (NBC) WABC.  
5:55—Midwest Ballet (CBS) WABC.  
6:00—Leary's Irish Minstrels (NBC) WJZ.  
6:15—George Hall's orchestra (CBS) WABC.  
6:30—Mary Small soloist (NBC) WJZ.  
6:45—Captain Al Williams (NBC) WJZ.  
6:55—Schubert's ensemble (CBS) WABC.  
7:00—Fred & Wm. Wile (CBS) WABC.  
7:15—John Herick baritone (NBC) WJZ.  
7:30—Trio Guizar, tenor (CBS) WABC.  
7:45—Three Musketeers (NBC) WJZ.  
7:55—Religion in the News (NBC) WABC.  
8:00—Jane Froman, Charles Carlie and Seren's orchestra (CBS) WABC.  
8:15—Abe Lincoln and congregation (CBS) WABC.  
8:30—Circus Days (NBC) WABC.  
8:45—Humber's ensemble (NBC) WJZ.  
8:55—Engineering Thrills (NBC) WJZ.  
9:00—Elmer Everett Yess (CBS) WABC.  
9:15—Economics in the News (NBC) WJZ.  
9:30—George Olsen's orchestra (NBC) WABC.  
9:45—Piano team (CBS) WABC.  
9:55—Soprano's orchestra; soloist (NBC) WABC.

Antonia's Cubans (NBC) WABC.  
7:45—Blanche Calloway's orchestra (CBS) WABC.  
8:00—Stokowski and Philadelphia orchestra (CBS) WABC.  
8:15—Jack Pearl and Goodman's orchestra (NBC) WABC.  
8:30—Byrd Expedition broadcast (CBS) WABC.  
8:45—Honolulu Serenaders.  
8:55—Colonel Stoopnagle and Budd (CBS) WABC.  
9:00—Belmont's orchestra and Yacht Club Boys (NBC) WABC.  
9:15—Reynold's orchestra band (CBS) WABC.  
9:30—Rolf Saturday Night Dancing Party (NBC) WABC.  
9:45—Byrd Expedition broadcast (CBS) WABC.  
9:55—Tales of the Titans (NBC) WJZ.  
10:00—New Service (CBS) WABC.  
10:15—Cuckoo (NBC) WJZ.  
10:30—H. Kallenborn (CBS) WABC.  
10:45—One Man's Family (NBC) WABC.  
10:55—George Jessel (CBS) WABC.  
11:00—Hart dance (NBC) WJZ.  
11:15—Glen Gray and orchestra (CBS) WABC.  
11:30—Waldorf on the Air (NBC) WABC.  
11:45—Abe Lyman's orchestra (CBS) WABC.  
11:55—Martin's orchestra (CBS) WJZ.  
12:00—Carnegie (NBC) WABC.

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SATURDAY  
P. M.  
5:30—Marimba band.  
5:45—Pirate Club.

## Indiana in Brief

Lively Spots in the State's Happenings Put Together 'Short and Sweet.'

By Times Special

COLUMBUS, Dec. 16.—Charged with forgery and automobile theft, George Moore, Danville, is held in jail here, his arrest having been made twenty-three minutes after Columbus officers were notified, although Moore was taken into custody by police at Seymour.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Morgan returned to find their car missing from a parking place beside the Columbus city hall. They notified police who had received a report that a suspicious appearing man had driven south out of the city on U. S. Road 31.

Seymour police were notified and shortly afterwards Moore was in custody. Two tires on the Morgan automobile burst as the car was driven rapidly over a railroad crossing in Seymour, police said, putting an end to a chase which started on receipt of the report from Columbus.

Deceives Sad Mother

By Times Special

ANDERSON, Dec. 16.—Robert Jones, 20, paroled Indiana reformatory inmate, imposed upon Mrs. Beatrice Dale, 54, in leading her to believe that he was her long missing son.

When taken into custody on a charge of stealing a bicycle, Jones was peddling bread which Mrs. Dale had baked.

Authorities state Jones has confessed stealing the bicycle and that he committed other thefts in company with Virgil Johnson, 28, also a paroled inmate. On information given by Jones, Johnson was arrested in Hamilton, Va., and will be returned here.

Needy Children Aided

By Times Special

BLOOMINGTON, Dec. 16.—Two hundred needy Bloomington children, ranging in age from 5 to 11, were to be guests this afternoon at a Christmas party by six Indiana student organizations. Gifts of clothing, candy, fruit and toys were to be distributed following an hour of games and a visit from Santa Claus.

Organizations to participate were the Association of Women Students,

Women's Athletic Association, Union Board, Y. W. C. A., Sphinx Club and Pleiades.

City Leader Dies

By United Press

NEWCASTLE, Dec. 16.—Funeral services were held today for Martin L. Koons, active in business, political and social circles of Newcastle, who died Thursday.

Mr. Koons long had been secretary of the Henry County Building and Loan Association. He had served as a member of the city school board.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Noan Koons; two sons and two daughters, Fred Koons, Newcastle; Paul Koons, Muncie; Mrs. Malcolm Edwards and Miss Anna Claire Koons, both of Newcastle.

Phi Beta Kappa Elects

By United Press

BLOOMINGTON, Dec. 16.—Indiana university students elected to Phi Beta Kappa in recognition of scholastic ability include the following: Frances G. Blank, Valley Mills; Fairy Burnaw, Frankfort; James D. Hunt, Columbus; Edith Strain, Crawfordsville; Mary L. Todd, Bloomington, and Mary M. Moore, Lebanon.

## Sunday School Lesson

Text: Acts 28:11-12, 30, 31

BY WM. E. GILROY, D. D.

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The ambition to visit Rome had long been present, but never fulfilled, in the mind of the much-traveled Paul.

Rome in a sense was the city of his dreams. It was the center of power and imperialism, and though Paul had pledged his life and interest to a higher kingdom and the empire of his dreams was the empire of Christ, nevertheless, there was something that challenged his interest and imagination in this city that had brought the whole world beneath its sway.

Moreover, he was a Roman citizen in an era when to be a citizen meant to occupy a position of prestige and privilege. He had looked forward to visiting Rome some day, and in glowing words had told of his willingness to preach the Gospel in this city of imperial splendor and power.

For he was unashamed of the Gospel, as yet little known and recognized. To him it was the power of God unto salvation, greater even than the power of Rome itself.

And now Paul was journeying to Rome late in life and a prisoner. Unable to secure justice in Palestine, he had made his appeal to Caesar, and the Roman governor, who apparently was well disposed, but who was dilatory about acting, had been irked by Paul's plea. "You have appealed unto Caesar," he said. "Unto Caesar you shall go."

The journey to Rome was not without peril, for the shipwreck, so graphically described in Chapter 27 of the Acts, had meant the loss of the ship and the bare escape of sailors and passengers with their lives.

The company had been compelled to winter in the island of Melita, and now, in the spring, a ship of Alexandria, which also had wintered at the island, conveyed them safely to Rome.

It is an interesting circumstance, considering the harsh and brutal treatment that often is accorded prisoners in modern states, and even here in Democratic America, that Paul should have had unusual liberty in Rome while he was awaiting trial.

The process of Roman justice proved to be slow, but Paul was permitted to live in his own house, although there was a soldier guarding him, and for two whole years, he was told, he lived thus, receiving all who called upon him.

One can understand the unusual opportunity for preaching the Gospel that was accorded Paul under

these circumstances. Instead of this period of enforced settlement being a limited period of his life, it was in some respects the time of his greatest and most significant activities.

It was a time, at least, when the depth of his religious experience and faith found meaning, and in the so-called "Epistles of the Imprisonment," the letters that Paul wrote from Rome to the Philippians, the Ephesians and others, we have the very highest development of Paul's conception of the Gospel, of the church, and of the eternal mission of Christ and His followers in the redemption of the world.

Thus we see how, as Paul himself pointed out, apparent misfortunes, even bonds and imprisonment, may become the means of emphasizing God's grace and work.

## ABOLISHING OF CITY TREASURERS INVALID

State Supreme Court Holds Law of Last Legislature Illegal.

An act passed by the last legislature abolishing the office of city treasurer in Hammond, Whiting and East Chicago was held unconstitutional by the Indiana supreme court yesterday.

This was the first act of the last assembly held invalid. It was held that the law was local in application and that the cities affected were no different from other cities of the second and fourth classes in the state.

## PASTOR WILL SPEAK

Methodist Ministers of City to Convene Monday.

The Rev. Guy O. Carpenter, pastor of the Irvington Methodist church, will address the Baptist ministers of Indianapolis, Monday, at 10:30 a. m. at the First Baptist church, on the subject, "Public Worship and the Church." The Rev. R. M. Dorrill, pastor of the Broadway Baptist church, will give the devotional reading.

The meeting will be under the direction of the Rev. G. D. Billeisen, president of the Baptists Ministerial Association. The Rev. Robert A. Gardner, chairman of the program committee.

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Payroll of civil works projects employees in the state today is expected to total about \$1,250,000, according to reports from CWA headquarters this morning.

Last Saturday's payroll showed 71,480 employees and a total payroll of \$950,233, or an average of \$17.22 for each worker. Seventeen thousand persons have been added to the payroll on CWA projects this week, it was estimated.

The civil works administration today approved thirty-five new projects, bringing the total to date to 2,824 projects, employing 134,453 men, with total wages of \$20,806,691. The only Marion county projects in the list approved today is the cleaning and painting of walls at the blind institution, employing ten men a day with total wages of \$2,295.

## TRAINING SCHOOL MEETS

Central Leadership Classes to Convene at Church Meeting.

Fourth session of the Central leadership training school of the Indianapolis Baptist churches will meet at the First Baptist church Monday night at 7:45. The school has an enrollment of 600, divided into eight classes.

Instructors are Miss Myrtle Huckleberry, Mrs. George Kinsey, Miss Nellie Young, the Rev. W. R. Jewell, L. C. Trent, W. T. Albertson, the Rev. T. J. Parsons and Dr. R. E. Kent.



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## Badger Game

Impersonates Officer; Free Meals Continue.

Mr. Everett Winnings of Bridgeport is going where he will receive some more free meals, but he will do without free beer and cigarettes.

Winnings will enjoy his stay in Indianapolis at the Marion county jail under a \$2,000 bond until the federal grand jury gets around to his case of impersonating a federal officer.

In a hearing before United States Commissioner Howard S. Young in the marshal's office today, Clarence Gibbs, a farmer who lives near Plainfield, charged that Winnings stopped him on the national road and informed him that he was under arrest last Wednesday. Winnings is said to have showed Gibbs an impressive looking badge.

"Before I take you in, we might as well have a good time," Winnings is alleged to have said magnanimously.

The two men then started on an expedition in search of some liquor, Gibbs charges. They finally ended up in a lunch room on Morris street with Gibbs spending and Winnings consuming, the testimony states.

At this juncture, Sergeant Irving Landers and squad walked in, looked at Winnings and politely waited outside until he was through eating, drinking and smoking before arresting him.

Winnings stated this morning that he did not remember many of the details of his evening spree, but admitted that he must have been drunk "or something."

Beaten; Overcoat Stolen

Robert Putt, 21, of 615 West Pearl street, reported to police last night that while he was in the American Settlement house, next door, two youths tied and beat him and stole a black overcoat and hat.

## NEW PASTOR WILL BE INSTALLED HERE

The Rev. Glen Mell Assumes Duties Tomorrow.

The Rev. Glen W. Mell will assume his new duties as pastor of the Eighth Christian church at services set for 7:45 tomorrow night. He succeeds the Rev. Linn A. Tripp, Church Federation of Indianapolis local service director, who has served as supply pastor five years. Mr. Mell, who is taking graduate work in Butler university, came here from Spokane, Wash., where he held a pastorate.

Charge to the minister will be delivered tomorrow night by Dr. Frederick R. Kershner, Butler college of religion dean, while the Rev. Virgil P. Brock, Indianapolis Christian Union executive secretary, will deliver the charge to the congregation.

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