

## 'GUESS' HELD RUINOUS TO LIGHT PAYERS

Chamber of Commerce's  
1927 Committee Blamed  
for 'Compromise.'

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that the effort to discredit the committee's action is unjust and not in accordance with the facts."

### No Audit Made

Also of interest in connection with the alleged guessing in the case is the fact that no audit of the books of the utility companies was made by the accounting department of the public service commission, nor by the auditors employed by the Chamber of Commerce "guessing committee," nor by any one else.

Ward B. Hiner, head of a committee of public-spirited members of the Chamber of Commerce, offered to deposit \$1,000 in cash in any bank in the city, if the officials who agreed to the compromise will call an election and vote of the members of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce to find out whether members of the Chamber of Commerce approved the actions of the guarantors and officials of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Hiner and his committee offered the \$1,000 to charity, if the action of the compromise committee should be approved by a majority of the members.

### "Explanations" Made

Behind closed doors, Frederick E. Matson, attorney for the "guessing committee," made "explanations" of the action of the Chamber of Commerce committee in the alleged "grab case" on a valuation of \$400,000 "fixed-up" between the guessing committee and the promoters.

Outside his office, the press waited without being admitted to the conferences. On one occasion, while newspaper men waited for another "explanation," Andrew F. Sutton, 1115 North Alabama street, sought admittance to the conference.

"I am a taxpayer and there are several things I would like to have explained too," Mr. Sutton announced.

### Only for Members

He was informed that the meeting only was for members of the Merchants Association, the Indianapolis Real Estate Board, the Associated Employers and the Indianapolis Board of Trade, who had been invited to attend.

"But I am a substantial taxpayer and I am interested, too," Mr. Sutton protested. Indignant, Mr. Sutton turned to the newspapermen and said:

"I want them to explain to me, too, what was the hurry in this deal anyway. I pay taxes of \$200 a year and my light bill is considerable. I notice in the new schedule of light rates that I get no reductions but the big power users get theirs, all right."

Next—Alleged fictitious property values.

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## 'I THINK PEOPLE ARE SWELL'

### First Lady May Go Down As Most Revered Woman

(This is the last of a series of articles on Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, first lady of the land.)

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 4. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt is no aid to employment among White House secret service men.

It was on last March 3 that the secret service made this discovery. The Roosevelts were staying at the Mayflower hotel in Washington, having arrived the night before from New York. Mrs. Roosevelt rose early and decided to take a 20-cent taxi around town to call on relatives at another hotel and visit a St. Gaudens sculpture in a local cemetery. She had learned to know and love this St. Gaudens work, famous for its beauty, while she was in Washington during the war.

A friend waited for her on the sidewalk in front of the hotel while she ran back through the lobby to the presidential suite, for her little black dog, Meggie. As the friend waited, she was approached by a secret service man.

"Are you going with Mrs. Roosevelt?" he asked. "The friend admitted that she was. "Well, see if you can't look after her. She must be looked after. She belongs to the country now."

At Groton prep school in June, when Franklin Jr. was graduated, Mrs. Roosevelt went to the commencement in advance of her husband, congress having failed to adjourn as had been expected. Elaborate preparations had been made for the President's safety; there were police on all sides, secret service men at strategic points.

Walking with her oldest son, James, across the campus, Mrs. Roosevelt recognized a man who had just climbed a stone fence after they had climbed it, as one of the secret service. She told James to go back and tell him not to follow them.

Her son didn't fancy the task. "James," his mother repeated, "if you don't tell him I'll do it myself."

MRS. ROOSEVELT isn't haunted by fear. "Nobody wants to hurt me," she said when advised to submit to constant secret service protection. Not even the attempt on her husband's life made her afraid. "We talked all that over when we were facing public life," she says. "We knew the danger. But we just decided not to think about it."

The President's wife has a philosophy of courage. "We're living in an adventurous age," she says. "Being afraid of what may happen tomorrow, next week, next month, isn't going to help any of us. Nobody knows how long an adventure may last, but we might as well live it courageously while we live it."

Nor is her courage her only philosophy. She's a feminist, an internationalist, strongly against war, a firm believer in trade unionism; and she never forgets to remember children and child welfare.

For women of the lowest industrial scale, under-privileged women, her sympathies have always been deeply involved; and their exploitation in sweatshop labor has been one of her principal concerns.

"Women of that class are the most helpless creatures in the world," she said, in the days before they were helped by the blue eagle.

LONG in advance of NRA, Mrs. Roosevelt talked of a plan she had considered whereby some sort of label might be devised to be stamped or sewn on garments and other articles made in factories paying decent wages and observing decent hours of labor. She even had gone so far as to consult with women labor leaders and New York retailers and manufacturers.

"And the NRA brought us labels," she said months later, with a smile.

The question of whether or not a married woman should be allowed to work is another subject on which the President's wife has not been silent. "In an emergency this may be necessary," she said. "But to say that any particular group of people can not work, is class legislation of the worst kind."

HER interest in women has made news stories, and news stories gave her an opportunity to demonstrate her interest in women by buying home-made cakes and other food products.

Attempting to beat the depression at one of its sources, Maryland farmers' wives started a co-operative market in a Washington suburb. When they furnished fifty cakes for a garden party given in honor of disabled World War veterans, it came out that the White House was one of their regular customers.

"How did that happen?" they were asked.

"Well, we read in the papers that Mrs. Roosevelt was interested in women," they replied. "Our manager called at the White House and Mrs. Roosevelt has been having her housekeeper buy from us ever since."

If the President's wife ever does go down in history as a feminine about Ben Adhem—one who loves her fellow-women—there'll have to be a postscript about her concern for women's outstanding interest—children.

"We mustn't lose interest in the child," is one of her pronouncements. "Everybody's child. So that when this period of hardship is over, we won't find ourselves saddened for a generation by its aftermath of increase in crime and the other things that go with poor food, poor homes, poor education."

LAST summer she taught this doctrine to 4-H Club boys and girls in their annual camp on the grounds of the Smithsonian institution. The 4-H youngsters are members of farm clubs sponsored by the ex-

tension service of the department of agriculture. Two from each state earn a camping trip to Washington each year, for excellence in raising pigs or poultry, making clothes or canning fruit or vegetables.

"It's very important for you boys and girls to get together this way," Mrs. Roosevelt told them. "Because our country is so great, people of one section find it difficult to understand people of another."

As to trade unionism, she believes in it thoroughly and has no hesitancy about saying so. For years she has been an active member of the National Women's Trade Union League.

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Her anti-war feeling is based on a personal recollection of two wars. She was a young girl in England at the time Great Britain conquered the South African Boers; she remembers Boer war scenes like those in the moving picture "Cavalcade." Her husband was assistant secretary of the navy under Woodrow Wilson, in the World War.

She has seen for herself how people forget the terrible lessons of military struggle.

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ON politics she is consistently silent. The first rule she laid down for her weekly press conferences was on last March 3, when Washington newspaper women saw her for the first time and one of them asked her a semi-political question.

"There's one thing I must tell you," she announced. "I never will have anything to say on anything political, and I will not be asked political questions."

No politics, but a real and outspoken interest in human problems, women, children. The four walls of the White House would shut her in, aloof and remote from human problems, if she chose to let them, but she doesn't choose to let them.

"Do you know," said one of her friends, having made a shocked discovery, "do you know, Mrs. Roosevelt can't have anybody just drop in to see her here. Nobody can get in unless they're invited and expected."

It's true. That's one of the traditions and regulations of the White House. A policeman on duty challenges you courteously if you set foot on the front portico.

"Do you have an appointment?" he asks. The colored butler adds his query, if you get past the policeman to the door:

"Are you expected?"

Mrs. Roosevelt is the first President's wife who has left the shelter of the White House to walk and ride and talk with the American people as one of them. She may become the most revered woman of her generation, or the worst misunderstood. People finally may approve or disapprove of this new model First Lady.

But whether they like her or not, she likes them.

"I think people are swell!" she says.

## IRA A. MINNICK INSTALLED AS KIWANIS CHIEF

Receives Gavel at Services;  
All Other Officers  
Also Seated.

Ira A. Minnick received the president's gavel from W. Luther Snodgrass yesterday at installation services held by the Indianapolis Kiwanis Club.

Other officers seated were Frank V. Hawkins and Harry H. Ochiltree, vice-president; Chester T. Spriggs, treasurer; Jack Harding, secretary; and John M. Caswell, Albert J. Wohlgenuth and J. Ralph Fenstermaker, directors.

Three new members, Howard J. Lacy Jr., Reginald W. Garstland and Paul W. Akin, were introduced. It was announced that the Kiwanis midwinter conference will be held Wednesday at the Columbia Club.

## RECRUITING CLERK GETS WORLD WAR CITATION

Belated Recognition for Verdun Heroism Goes to Harlie Sylvester.

For services to the French people in the World War Sergeant Harlie C. Sylvester, chief clerk of the United States army recruiting office at Indianapolis, has been awarded the medal of Verdun.

His citation says: "The name of Harlie C. Sylvester, Company A, Fifth machine gun battalion, is written in the golden book of the soldiers of Verdun, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, 1918."

Sergeant Sylvester also has received the silver star for gallantry in action at Thiancourt, France, Sept. 13, 1918. He is married, has two daughters and lives at R. R. 12, Box 39.

## 10TH WARD G. O. P. MEET

Card Party and Social Saturday at Home of Hotels.

Tenth Ward Republican Club will hold a business meeting at 8 Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hotel, 336 South Randolph street. A card party and social will follow the business meeting.

## Boy Bitten by Stray Dog

Joan Hedrick, 6, of 331 West Thirtieth street, was bitten by a stray dog yesterday while playing on the sidewalk in front of her home. She was treated by the family physician.

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