

## KOKOMO MAN'S PRISON VISITS ARE REVEALED

Former G. O. P. Leader Denies He Aid Pierpont in Break.

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Omer Brown, Kokomo, former Howard county sheriff and one time Republican county chairman, visited Harry Pierpont at the Indiana state prison six times before Pierpont led the escape of ten prisoners there Sept. 26, 1933, it was learned by The Times today.

During the period the visits were made by Brown, he was attempting to obtain a parole for Pierpont from the state clemency board.

Brown was named by Prosecutor Ernest Botkin, of Lima, O., as the "finger man" in the delivery of John Dillinger from the Lima jail. The charge against Brown was brought out by the prosecutor in closing arguments at the trial of Russell Clark, one of the Dillinger gangsters, for the murder of Sheriff Jess Sarber, who was shot to death when Dillinger was delivered.

Pierpont and Charley Makley already had been condemned for their part in the murder.

### Admits Lima Visit

Three days before his name was mentioned by the Ohio prosecutor, Brown gave a lengthy interview regarding his connections with Dillinger and Pierpont to a Kokomo newspaper.

He admitted visiting Dillinger in the Lima jail a few days before the delivery, but said he went there from Kokomo to obtain an order for \$50 which Dillinger had promised as aid in obtaining a parole for a fellow prisoner who still remained at the Indiana state prison.

En route to Lima, he again visited the parents of Pierpont at Leipsic, O. Brown was quoted as saying: "He had been there before and the prison records show that the Pierponts were with Brown when he visited Harry Pierpont at the prison Aug. 4. Other visits of Brown to see Pierpont at the prison were June 22 and 28, July 12 and 24, Aug. 4 and 25."

### Parole Is Denied

Pierpont's petition for parole was denied by the state clemency board Aug. 24. All dates are 1933.

Governor Paul V. McNutt has charged in speeches that officials expect to prove a "payoff" in connection with the prison break. Reports of various amounts have been current.

State police admit that they are looking for Pearl Elliott of Kokomo as a possible key witness in connection with the case. Last trace of her was when she was reported renting apartments for the Dillinger gangsters during their stay in Chicago, it was said.

In his statement to the Kokomo paper, Brown did not disclose the name of the prisoner on whose behalf he was getting \$50 from Dillinger. He said an order was given him on "an Indianapolis relative" whose name he would not care to bring into the affair.

### Pay Tribute to Sarber

His conference in Lima was the first time he had ever met Dillinger, Brown explained.

Although his explanation was published on Thursday of last week and his name was not mentioned by Prosecutor Botkin until Saturday, it contained the following:

"It was inevitable, I suppose, that my name would be brought into the prosecutions over there at Lima, not only because of my visit to Dillinger, but because I had represented Harry Pierpont in his attempt early last summer to obtain a parole."

High tribute was paid by Brown to Sheriff Jess Sarber and his kindly reception at the Lima jail.

Brown also stated that after Pierpont escaped from prison he visited his relatives and wanted them to try to get in touch with him and urge him to return.

## MUNCIE MAN NAMED TO STATE FARM POST

New Assistant Clerk Appointed by Superintendent Miles.

PENDLETON, Ind., March 29.—Appointment of C. B. Robertson, Muncie, as assistant clerk in the office of the Indiana state reformatory, has been announced by Superintendent A. F. Miles.

Mr. Robertson will succeed the Rev. Herbert Taska, an employee for fifteen years, who resigned. No reason for the resignation was given.

Superintendent Miles also announced that machinery for a flour mill to be constructed outside the reformatory wall has arrived. The mill will be ready for use next summer. All wheat raised at the reformatory will be converted into flour at the mill.

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## EASTER PARADE ON IN GOTHAM



With Easter just around the corner, thousands of New Yorkers took advantage of a balmy Palm Sunday to do a little "parade" rehearsing down swanky Fifth Avenue. Prominent among the paraders were little William Wetmore, shown below rolling his own down the famous thoroughfare, and (above) Miss Julia Kernan and Jane Voorhees (right) purchasing gardenias.

## Aged Patient Beaten to Death, Student Charges

Stark Story of Tragedy at Wisconsin Hospital Is Revealed.

By United Press

MADISON, Wis., March 29.—A stark, sensational story of how an old man was beaten fatally at the Mendota state hospital by a burly attendant was laid before the legislative investigating committee here today by a University of Wisconsin student.

The student, who wore the gold key of an honorary scholastic society, was an alcoholic patient at the hospital before the stories of cruelty and sordidness leaked out.

The aged man, he said, was struck in the stomach several times because he wandered from his bed one night.

The student related that he was locked in the "violent ward" when he refused to make out progress reports as dictated by Dr. Watson, who is not listed on the hospital staff at present.

The legislative committee refused to divulge the name of the witness who, after a year in the institution, returned to his studies and became an honor student.

After the death of the aged man shortly after the beating had been administered, Dr. August Sauthoff listed the death as the result of "natural causes," the student said.

"I remonstrated and was told the ward attendant had reported the man's injuries were caused by falling out of bed," he testified.

## FORT PLANES WILL FORM FLYING CROSS

Impressive Feat Will Mark Easter Ceremonies.

An impressive "flying cross," formed by six army airplanes, will mark the Easter services at Ft. Harrison Sunday. The feat, never before attempted, will be directed by Lieutenant S. T. Smith of the army air corps.

On the ground, soldiers stationed at the fort will form a "flying cross" over which the "flying cross" will fly at 9 a. m.

The Eleventh Infantry band and the Raper Commandery choir of Indianapolis will play and sing a number of musical selections during the ceremonies. The Rev. Lewis Brown of St. Paul's Episcopal church, will deliver an Easter message.

## FIRST SLEEPER PLANES GO IN SERVICE SOON

American Airways' Crafts to Be Put in Use Within Three Weeks.

By Times Special

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 29.—The world's first sleeper planes, with berths one inch longer than those of the standard American sleeping car, will go into service within three weeks on routes of American Airways, it was announced today by Lester D. Seymour, airways president.

The planes, manufactured by the Curtis-Wright Airplane Company here, are an improved type of the Condor biplane, have a top speed of 190 miles an hour, a cruising speed of 160 miles an hour and carry twelve passengers, two pilots and a steward.

The first of the fleet of six sleeper planes which the airline has purchased is being test flown here and will be delivered to American Airways within two weeks, factory officials said. The others will be delivered at the rate of one a week. First installation of this equipment will be made on the company's Dallas, Ft. Worth, Los Angeles route. This route will be flown in approximately ten hours, Mr. Seymour said, which compares with fastest rail time of forty-four hours.

Berths in the new sleeper planes are convertible in the flight or on the ground into wide, comfortable lounge seats so the passengers may sit up until ready to retire. Arranged like the interior of a railroad sleeping car, each section contains an upper and lower. Each berth is as fully equipped with individual heating and cooling vents, reading lights at the head and foot of each berth, a clothes net and hanger and a wide luggage rack at the foot for the passenger's baggage.

Air conditioning of the plane in flight is accomplished by two large suction type ventilators set in the cabin ceiling which effect a complete change of air every three minutes. While on the ground portable blowers will force cool or warm air into the cabin to assure an even temperature while the planes are being serviced at stops.

## TAX EXEMPTION FOR FIREMEN ANNOUNCED

Smoke Eaters Can Deduct \$500 From Property Levy.

Another reason for singing "Oh! For the Life of a Fireman" was found by Attorney-General Philip Lutz Jr. today.

He set out in an opinion to Clem Smith, head of the fire marshal's division of the state safety department, that all active firemen are entitled to \$500 property tax exemption.

Mr. Smith wants the opinion to instruct firemen how the exemption can be obtained. He is an officer of the Indiana Fire Chiefs' Association.

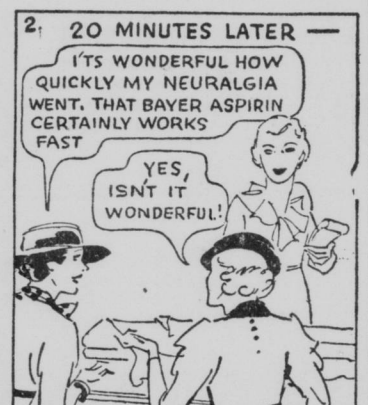
## PASTOR INVITES 750 COUPLES HE MARRIED TO CHURCH SERVICES

More than 750 couples, married during the past ten years by the Rev. O. A. Trinkle of the Englewood Christian church, have been invited to be special guests at the church services tonight.

The Rev. Mr. Trinkle, who will close an evangelistic campaign this week, will speak on "Marriage."

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