

CODE PRAISED AT PLUMBERS' SESSION HERE

Means End of 'Handy Men,'
'Chiselers,' State Chief
Tells Delegates.

The adoption of the NRA plumbing and heating code will give a wonderful opportunity to the plumbing and heating industry, declared Joseph G. Hayes, president of the Indiana Master Plumbers' Association, at the opening session of the thirty-eighth annual convention at the Lincoln yesterday.

"The adoption of this code should bring about the elimination of 'gyppers,' 'chiselers' and 'handy men,'" Mr. Hayes said. He stated the NRA has brought about regulation of the plumbing industry that will benefit master plumbers and assure co-operation of wholesalers and dealers of plumbing supplies.

Joseph L. Clarke, Indianapolis, president of the Indianapolis Merchants Plumbers' Association, and Robert Kirby, representing Mayor Reginald Sullivan, welcomed the delegates.

Speakers at yesterday's sessions were Edward B. Klein, Cincinnati, national director; W. E. Price, Muncie, Central Supply Association president; William M. Holland, Indianapolis, divisional code authority agent for the General Contractors of Indiana; Robert Dick, New York, Lead Industries Association plumbing advisor; John J. Calnan, Chicago, National Association of Master Plumbers vice-president; Henry P. Reger, Chicago, Illinois Association of Master Plumbers president, and Charles Gwene, Chicago, Chicago local association president.

Today's sessions will be held by Fred K. Myers, Indianapolis, director of housing and sanitation of the health board, and Charles Sims, Indiana Association of Journeymen Plumbers president. Reports of committees, election of officers and the selection of the 1935 convention city also are on the program.

TECH SERVICE GROUP TO PRESENT AWARDS

Three Military Students Will Be
Honored for Cadet Work.

Bronze medals will be awarded to three members of the R. O. T. C. unit at Technical high school by the service group, composed of members of the Tech faculty who served in the World War.

These medals will be awarded Monday to the most deserving cadet officer, noncommissioned officer and private. Winners will be chosen by the United States army officer commanding the unit.

The committee who arranged for these medals was composed of Chelsea Stewart, Charles C. Martin, Sergeant Chester A. Pruett, H. E. Chenoweth, and James H. Butler.

PLAY TO BE GIVEN BY GARFIELD CHURCH CLUB

Dramatic Group to Offer Comedy in
School 34 Friday.

The Dramatic Club of the Garfield Christian church will present a comedy, "Last Daze of School," by Charles L. Archibald, Friday night at School 34, Kelly and Boyd streets. Those in the cast are Mrs. Karl Oaks, Rosella Frazier, Harry Eades, Mabel Young, Stanton Whitlock, Mrs. Robert Rasch, Mrs. William H. Palter, Florence Mills, Mrs. Sidney Ratcliffe, Lowell McCannahan, James Young, Loren Cooper, Mrs. Opal Young, Mildred Parsley, Adolph Whitlock, Arvin Graham, Forest K. Zanglein and William H. Palmer.

SCHOOL GROUP OPENS OFFICE FOR CAMPAIGN

Headquarters Will Be Directed by
John L. Niblack.

Campaign headquarters of the Citizens' School Committee, non-partisan group which will present a slate for election of school commissioners this fall, was opened yesterday at 540 Illinois building.

The office is in the charge of John L. Niblack, executive manager, the only paid official of the committee. The committee was successful in electing its entire slate in the last election.

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The Romantic and Beautiful

LOVE LETTERS OF DICKENS

Two Amazing Interludes in a Great Artist's Life

BY H. H. HARPER

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE
The previous episodes presented the amazing "First Interlude" in the dramatic life of Dickens, a poverty-stricken but brilliant London youth. He captivated Maria Beadnell, beautiful daughter of a well-to-do banker. After three years of ardent courtship Maria rejected him. The "First Interlude" was ended. Heartbroken and despondent, he impulsively married Catherine Hogarth. Years of unhappiness followed. Twenty-two years later began the "Second Interlude." Dickens was now forty-four, and the father of nine children. Maria had been married for years to a staid, small business man and had two children. She wrote to Dickens. He responded with an ardor which reflected the love he had felt in his heart all his life for Maria Beadnell. We have already printed one of the letters of the "Second Interlude" which has been pronounced the "greatest love letter ever written" and also the famous "cousinhood letter." Apparently Maria's advances were to establish an intimacy closer than that of mere platonic friendship.

JUST where and how they met, no one knows; nor is it at all necessary that we intrude upon the privacy of that meeting.

If she were still attractive in appearance and was as handy with her voice as she had been with her pen in setting herself right, we could perhaps assume that she might have convinced Dickens that here was his chance to retrieve the lost opportunity of his youth.

All this, however, is highly improbable. She was no longer a part of his world; for more than twenty years he had gone steadily forward, while she, handicapped by an unromantic husband and the household cares incident to an increasing family, had made no progress.

The only thing in common between them was a 22-year-old reminiscence, which must have been a little embarrassing, not to say painful, to both.

THE impression Dickens got of her at their first meeting is best determined by the letters which follow. It is a point on which there is some conflict of opinion. The case presents a rather interesting psychological problem, which the reader will perhaps enjoy figuring out for himself.

At all events, no matter what Dickens' mood or impression may have been, Maria Beadnell had a powerful influence in shaping his life, and Maria's letters inspired him to write the second chapter of a human story the like of which he never wrote, either before or afterward.

The following letter shows that Dickens and Maria met again one Wednesday evening early in March and he wondered if he had taken her cold "by sympathy."

Whether or not he was still under the spell, no one will doubt that the prototype of "Dora" was doing all she could to atone for her former treatment of him, when their meetings had been "little more than so many displays of heartless indifference" on her part and "a fertile source of wretchedness and misery" to him.

Tavistock House,
Saturday Morning,
Tenth March, 185.

My Dear Maria:
Your letter was delivered here yesterday evening at half past

seven. Being out, I did not receive it until I returned home at midnight. This answer is necessarily very short, for I have a fear that it may not reach you otherwise.

I think we are pretty sure to be at home before three tomorrow. I can not positively speak for myself, as I am one of a committee on some public literary business, which may have to make an official representation some time tomorrow. I have undertaken to say what is necessary to be said, whenever the interview comes off; and it is not impossible (the matter pressing) that Sunday may be profaned for the purpose. I do not think it is very likely, however.

Your cold is a very well-disposed one, to improve in such weather, and it has my warmest commendation for being so good. I am so busy that I have not had time to consider whether I took it by sympathy on Wednesday evening—but I think I heard somebody sneezing at my desk half the day yesterday, who sounded like the incomparable author.

You make me smile when you picture to yourself how weak I might be, and what poor thoughts I might have, and in what unworthy lights it might be my spoiled nature to show myself. With faults enough to answer for, I believe I have never been that kind of a person for a day.

Little Ella shall hear from me on Monday.

In the ghostly unrest of going to begin a new book, my time is like one of the spirits of Macbeth, and "will not be commanded"—even by me.

You may be perfectly sure that in writing to me, you write to no one else.

Ever affectionately yours,
C. D.

IT would be immensely interesting to read the letter that gave rise to Dickens' remark in the fourth paragraph of the foregoing, but unfortunately he destroyed it.

His comment might easily provoke a suspicion that she had strained the bounds of propriety, and was pressing the intimacy too fast, and a trifle too far, especially in view of his closing paragraph, which appears to have been in answer to some anxious inquiry as to the danger of her letter being seen by others.

Whatever it contained, Dickens seems not to have reciprocated with his "whole soul," as he did in the closing sentence of his letter of Feb. 22.

And so this romantic affair seems to have continued—with considerable abatement, on his part at least—until nearly a month later when he had occasion to answer another note in which she must have complained of his waning interest or some fancied neglect. He explained with commendable patience, telling her just what an author's life is like, and tried to show her why he could not play the conventional lover.

The flame had subsided; it was bound to do so. Maria having succeeded in making generous amends for all her former cruelty

was disposed to take him too seriously in all he had written her. Of course he was in dead earnest at first, but later she showed an utter lack of finesse in questioning his feelings, his actions, his goings and comings, his attendance at their meetings and so on, without stopping to consider that now, and for years past, he had lived in a sphere in which she could never have a part. He reminds her of that, gently but unmistakably, in the letter next following.

ADDED to all his activities he was, of course, continually planning new books. He was beginning even then to dream of Little Dorrit.

Then too—although carefully concealed by Mr. Forster, his biographer, and for years past, he edited his published letters—he was at this period devoting a great deal of his time in assisting the Baroness Burdett-Cutts in the conduct of a Home for Fallen Women.

Why this important branch of his humanitarian work was deleted is one of the mysteries that surround many abridgments in his biographies. There were also many friendships and intimacies with the people of the stage that are just now, in the world wide interest in more information about this great man, emerging from their graves of silence.

Giving all this the slightest glance, it is clear that he had little inclination to coquet with Maria. Of course her sudden appearance had superseded everything else for the moment; but after the first meeting or so the novelty wore off; the rushing tide of his strenuous life flowed on and Maria's antiquated little friend was swamped in the flood of friendships and business activities—a condition of which she was becoming painfully aware.

AND this brings up the tremendously vital problem which underlies the whole of the correspondence. In the indiscreet warmth of those intimate letters "all to herself" Dickens had exposed himself to embarrassing danger; and in his saner moments after the first flush of excitement he was evidently hard pressed to excuse that would let himself out gracefully, without antagonizing her. In this dilemma it will be seen that he used considerable strategy.

Georgina Hogarth wrote that Dickens and his wife were to be married in the winter of 1836, in almost every respect, and that they had "lived unhappily for years." It is quite possible that in 1855 this had already become more or less noised about, and had it come to light that there was to be an open rupture, the public always hungry for scandal, would of course have been curious to find out who was at fault.

Mrs. Dickens being a plain, unobtrusive home body, the suspicion would naturally fall on the more romantic head of the man who was constantly moving about in theatrical circles, among all sorts of people, and exposed to all sorts of temptation.

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Tomorrow's episode shows Dickens' elopement in his last affair, which is growing embarrassing.

CITY ROTARIANS TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

100 Expected at District Session Tomorrow in Bloomington.

Approximately 100 members of the Indianapolis Rotary Club will go to Bloomington tomorrow to attend the twentieth district conference of Rotary International. James Duane Dungan, president, will head the delegation. Harry W. Hobbs, chairman of the local club's convention committee, and Hal E. Howe, secretary, will have charge of arrangements. Sessions will be held tomorrow and Friday on the Indiana university campus.

GLASS 'PISTOL' FAILS

Bandit's Fake Weapon Fails to Awe
Gas Station Attendant.

A variation on the "wooden pistol" stall was attempted last night by a bandit armed with an empty bottle.

George Cherry, 28, of 1607 Lexington avenue, attendant of a filling station at Michigan street and White River boulevard, was the victim of the hoax.

Mr. Cherry refused to hand over any money, so the bandit threw the bottle at him, screamed and fled.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS MEET

Mable Clift Named President by
New Unit.

Officers have been elected by a new group of Camp Fire Girls, which met in the home of Miss Mable Clift, 3016 Clifton street. They are Mable Clift, president; Janet Newbold, vice-president; Mary Westfall, secretary; Joan Horne, treasurer; Florence McCollum, scribe; Marjorie Rasmussen, assistant scribe, and Mary Davis, sergeant-at-arms.

RESTAURANT IS ROBBED

Thieves Steal Loudspeaker and
Microphone from Tavern.

The Wooden Whistle blows with a feeble toot today. The Wooden Whistle is a tavern at 320 East Washington street which was broken into by thieves last night. A microphone and loud speaker valued at \$200 were stolen, according to a report by William Davey, proprietor.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAY WILL BE PRESENTED

Technical Show to Be
Staged Friday Night.

Members of the Technical high school makeup staff have been working the last three weeks studying character types for the revue, "The Sketchbook of 1934," to be presented Friday night in the school auditorium.

Those who will assist in making up characters for the revue will be Margaret Basey, Dorothy Davis, Dorothy Garrison, Lorri Harper, Virgil and William Heistand, Margaret Kendall, Gertrude Walsh, Woodrow Wells, Joan Baker, Joy Bettis, Ruth Funk, La Donna Loftin, Charlotte McKay, Robert Robble, Norma Stearns, Helen Stoshich, Glendora Valentine, Dorothy Glosin, Marjorie Gaddery, Ralph Morgan and Margaret Walker.

PENNSY TO BE HONORED

Official to Be Guest of Honor at
Caravan Club Meeting.

Pennsylvania railroad day will be featured at a meeting of the Caravan Club in the Scottish Rite cathedral tomorrow.

The railroad company will be represented by the guest of honor, C. B. Sudborough, St. Louis, assistant vice-president. Lloyd D. Claycombe, past president of the Caravan Club, will preside.

Son, Missing 20 Years, Sought
A son, missing from home twenty years, is being sought by police as a result of a letter received at headquarters yesterday from the father, Jacob Lesheim, 1334 Market street, Wilmington, Del. The son is Morris Lesheim, 35.

LOCAL NRA MOVING TO LARGER HEADQUARTERS

Lack of Space in Present Offices
Prompted Change, Says Hoke.

Removal of NRA headquarters from the Chamber of Commerce building to the sixth floor of the Meridian Life building, 307 North Pennsylvania street, today or tomorrow, was announced by Fred Hoke, state NRA director.

Because of lack of available space to carry on their work in their present quarters, Mr. Hoke asserted that it was imperative to find larger quarters.

VALUATION UNCHANGED ON UTILITY PROPERTY

Assessment on City Company Again
Fixed at \$34,426,940.

Last year's assessment of \$34,426,940 for property of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company has been retained by the state tax board.

Tax commissioners said the assessment is the entire valuation of the light company property for taxation, including the amount fixed for local taxing officials for realty holdings.

FIRST AID HONORS WON

Certificates Awarded 30 by Red
Cross Representative.

Twelve persons received certificates yesterday for completing the advanced course in first aid, given by the Red Cross, and eighteen were awarded certificates for completing the standard course in first aid work.

The certificates were awarded by Paul W. Goss, national field representative of the Red Cross first aid and life saving service.

PAPPAS GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE; RETRIAL DENIED

Penalty Is Imposed by
Judge Baker After
Murder Trial.

Basil V. Pappas, 50, alias John Nick, was sentenced to life in the Indiana state prison today by Judge Frank P. Baker in criminal court for the murder of Mrs. Belle Brown, 522 North East street, last Dec. 24.

Judge Baker sentenced Pappas after overruling a motion by his counsel, Seth Ward, for a new trial. Mr. Ward signified his intention of appealing if county council will grant funds. Pappas is a pauper. He was convicted of second degree murder March 21.

Pappas shot Mrs. Brown, his landlady, after a quarrel over his room, according to testimony at the trial.

At the same time Judge Baker granted a new trial to Jesse Pink, ex-convict, on charges of robbing the drug store of Charles Seller, 1163 West Thirty-sixth street. The judge ruled there had been prejudicial error in the charge to the jury which took only 40 minutes to convict Pink last March.

Pink's record shows he robbed five stores in 1930 and was sentenced to from one to ten years in the penitentiary.

HELVERING IS GROOMED AS FARLEY SUCCESSOR

Internal Revenue Chief May Head
Democratic Party.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—A quiet realignment of Democratic political leadership may take place while public attention is centered on Republican efforts to regain lost strength.

It was said today that Guy T. Helvering, commissioner of internal revenue, was being considered as the possible successor to Postmaster General James A. Farley as chairman of the Democratic national committee.

Mr. Farley's resignation is expected as part of the administration's policy of keeping officers of the national political organization out of public office. Reuse of this attitude on the part of President Roosevelt, Mr. Helvering would be expected to quit his present position.

8 MORE AMERICANS BOW BEFORE ROYALTY

Women Prepare for Presentation at
Second Court.

LONDON, May 16.—Eight more American women went through final preparation today for presentation at tonight's royal court at Buckingham palace.

Thirteen were presented last night, and made their curtsies before King George, in the uniform of colonel-in-chief of the royal horse guards, and Queen Mary, in a powder blue gown and jewelry that included the Kohinoor diamond.

Those to be presented tonight include: Mrs. Cecile B. Seiberling, Akron, O.; Miss Marie McRae Smith, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Edward Miller-Mills, Chicago; Miss Nancy Penoyer, San Francisco, and Mrs. Prynns Hopkins, Santa Barbara, Cal.

AMENDMENT TO TAXI ORDINANCE IS SOUGHT

Safety Board Favors Law Requiring
Damage Insurance.

Keeping in step with modern safety precautions, the safety board today requested the city legal department to draw up an amendment to the present taxicab ordinance, which would provide that all cabs carry property damage insurance. Cabs now are required to carry only liability insurance.

New Yorker to Talk Here

Chauncey W. Crofoot, Elmira, N. Y., will speak on "Saving Time and Money With Well-Designed Forms" at a dinner of the National Association of Cost Accountants, Indianapolis chapter, tonight at the Washington.

Steel Men Meet on Code

WASHINGTON, May 16.—Steel code authority and industry members met here today expecting to revise the code considerably and extend it beyond the present expiration date of May 31.

CITY Y. M. C. A. ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT



Fermo S. Cannon



Edgar H. Evans

Fermo S. Cannon, chairman of the Federal Home Loan bank, was elected president of the Indianapolis Y. M. C. A. last night, at a meeting of the board of directors.

He succeeds Edgar H. Evans, who has served eight years. Mr. Evans was made vice-president and chairman of the finance committee.

Mr. Cannon is president of the Railroadmen's Building and Savings Association.

Other officers elected last night are H. H. Hornbrook and Charles J. Lynn, vice-presidents; H. C. Atkins, treasurer, and Merle Sidener, recording secretary.

Following the election, Mr. Cannon appointed the following members of committees: Mr. Evans, finance; Mr. Hornbrook, public relations; Mr. Lynn, world service; Earl R. Conder, religious emphasis; James M. Ogden, educational; Clayton O. Mogg, membership; B. W. Duck, building, and E. O. Sneathen, social.

Funeral to Be Held for Mrs. Horace H. Monger

W. C. T. U. Member Will Be
Buried in Washington
Park Cemetery.

Funeral services for Mrs. Horace H. Monger, 69, of 1129 North Oakland avenue, will be held at 10:30 tomorrow in the McNeely & Sons undertaking establishment. Burial will be in Washington Park cemetery.

Mrs. Monger died Monday night at her home. She was a member of the Third Christian church, Queen Esther chapter, O. E. S. and the W. C. T. U.

Surviving her are the husband, Horace Monger; a son, Clarence D. Monger; six brothers, W. D. Johnson, H. B. Johnson and Oscar Johnson, of Larned, Kan.; Louis Johnson, Richfield, Kan.; Edward and Logan Johnson, Minneapolis, Kan.; and five sisters, Mrs. Anna Hage and Mrs. Eda Tomlinson, Garfield, Kan.; Mrs. Emma Millenberger, Long Beach, Cal.; Mrs. Amelia Fekete, and Mrs. Laura Brannan, Larned, Kan.

Rites for Charles Denney

The funeral of Charles Denney, 27, Bridgeport, will be held at 2 tomorrow in the Nazarene church at Bridgeport. Burial will be in Plainfield.

Mr. Denney committed suicide yesterday morning at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Denney, Bridgeport. He was said to have been despondent over inability to pay a fine in municipal court.

Akard Rites Set

Funeral services for Thomas Roy Akard, 40, of 1012 East Washington street, will be held tomorrow at the Voigt funeral parlors. The Rev. Luther Seng, pastor of the Bethany Evangelical Lutheran church, will officiate. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

Mr. Akard died Monday night. He was a World War veteran. Surviving him are the widow, Mrs. Georgie Akard; a daughter, Jane; five brothers, Jack Akard, Henderson, Ky., and Frank, Decatur, George and Marion, all of Knoxville, Tenn., and two sisters, Mrs. Edward Gervin and Mrs. Arthur Gantt, both of Knoxville.

Y. M. C. A. TO STAGE BOYS' WISCONSIN TRIP

Three Weeks' Motor Tour to Em-
brace World Fair Visit.

The Indianapolis Y. M. C. A. announced today a trip for high school boys to Manitowish (Wis.) state Y. M. C. A. camp on Boulder Lake, Wis.

The motor caravan carrying the boys will leave Indianapolis July 3 and return three weeks later. A trip to the Century of Progress is included.

JACKSON SEEMS SURE OF PARTY CHAIRMANSHIP

Peters' Organization Offers
Little Opposition to Choice
of McNutt.

No district election upsets that would jeopardize selection of Omer Jackson, Greenfield, as state Democratic chairman Saturday, appeared likely today with election of district chairmen and vice-chairmen slated for this afternoon.

Jackson, Ellettsville district chairman, is the choice of both Senator Frederick Van Nuys and Governor Paul V. McNutt, and is not strongly opposed by R. Earl Peters, who has the senator and Governor aligned against him in his United States senate bid.

Peters' reports that the Peters faction might attempt to elect Tom McConnell, Fowler, the Second district chairman, but McConnell may have tough sledding even to return to the state committee.

McConnell Backs Peters

McConnell is a strong backer of Peters in the senate race, but the administration strategy board is running Lawrence Corey, Monticello editor, against McConnell, and claims his election.

One of the bitterest district fights is scheduled for the Tenth where John Day DePrez, Shelbyville editor, is opposed by the administration-backed Anderson Ketchum, Greensburg, state tax board secretary.

The Tenth is the home district of Pleas Greenlee, the governor's patronage secretary, and DePrez claims to have given Greenlee a thorough drubbing in the primary election of state convention delegates and precinct committeemen.

Third District Battle

Another probable battle scene is the Third district where Mayor William Kraus, Elkhart, a Peters backer, is believed facing a hard fight. Administration spokesmen claim the Third district vote now stands three and three on Kraus.

Confident of continued control, the administration intends to retire Mrs. A. P. Flynn, Logansport, as state vice-chairman when the new state committee meets Saturday.

Mrs. Margaret Affis, Delphi, Second district vice-chairman, Mrs. Montgomery Scholl, Connersville, and Mrs. Alta Sembover, Bloomington, are mentioned for Mrs. Flynn's post.

Peters Claims 1,400 Votes

Almost on the eve of the district elections, Peters issued a statement insisting he has no ambitions to control the state committee, but expressing confidence that he has enough delegate pledges to assure him the senate nomination in the state convention June 12.

Administration spokesmen, including Governor McNutt, contest both claims, however, pointing out that the former state chairman's supporters made a strong fight for precinct committeemen elections in the primary.

The Peters delegates claim is contested by Frank McHale, administration advisor, who made a check for the Governor and who contends that no candidate can enter the convention with more than 450 to 500 votes assured.

A total of 1,076 votes are required for nomination and Peters supporters are claiming a maximum of 1,400.

NEW OFFICERS NAMED

War Department Announces Eight
Transfers to Fort.

The war department has announced the transfer to Ft. Benjamin Harrison of eight officers from posts scattered from Pennsylvania to the Philippines.

First Lieutenants Paul A. Berkey and Valentine Smith, Lieutenants Robert C. Ross and John P. Woodbridge, and Master Sergeant L. W. Slaughter will join the Third artillery at the fort. Lieutenant-Colonel G. Barrett Glover, Major Adlai P. Young, and First Lieutenant Dwight L. Adams will join the Eleventh infantry.

Legion Entertains Veterans
Garfield post, No. 88