

—Conservation—  
**FILTHY WATER FORMS MENACE TO SWIMMERS**

Virulent Bacillus Abounds in Indiana Streams as Pollution Result.

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We are facing the greatest drought in the history of the country.

The streams of the middle west are at the lowest ebb in years. Torrid temperatures extend from coast to coast. Thousands flock to the old swimming holes. That part of the population of the country that is blessed with swimming holes free from sewage pollution will be thrice blessed this fall when they find themselves free from sinus infection.

I have developed a theory that remains to be endorsed by the medical fraternity that we are in the sinus belt because we are in the pollution belt.

The flat lands of the middle west with their sluggish streams grossly polluted by every municipality, form a breeding ground for that virulent bacillus *staphylococcus aureus* that starts the formation of boils, pus infected wounds and even general septicemia.

When the Lord created the human being, He made a land dwelling animal out of the material on hand. The nasal, auricular, and vocal openings were left wide open.

Water Enters Passages

On creatures that inhabited the waters of the earth, he placed quick closing valves preventing the ingress of water when the creature dived into its native element. Because of that deficiency in the human being, it is not possible even with the most experienced swimmer to keep water out of the nasal passages.

When that water is infested with any of the forty odd variety of pathogenic or disease-producing bacteria that thrive in midwestern streams during the summer, merely a drop of it retained on the nasal mucous membrane for thirty minutes plants a marvelous growth of pus formers that can develop into almost anything, depending on the general physical condition of the host.

When bacteria are bred for scientific investigation in the laboratories, a watery solution of blood or blood serum mixed with agar jelly to stiffen it is sterilized then inoculated with the bacillus and incubated for a short period at a temperature approaching the human body heat.

The terrific ability of pathogenic bacteria to multiply by division soon clouds the entire solution.

Refuse Pours Into River

Today, I visited one of the large packing plants within the city limits. Out of the slaughtering pens a stream of water two feet wide and three inches deep was running directly into White river. The water was red with the blood and serums of killed animals, a perfect combination for the propagation of disease-producing germs.

Enough of this culture medium is pouring into White river daily to make that stream a deadly menace to human life for miles down.

With the advent of breweries and distilleries in Indiana, we are confronted with another potent source of stream pollution.

The state health department, after a survey of the Wabash river below Terre Haute, discovered that the two new distilleries established in that town have increased the pollution of the Wabash to the same extent as if the city had added to its population 3,000,000 souls.

The pollution of streams can be as readily accomplished by spent beer or whisky mash as by municipal sewage. Both are fertile foods upon which disease-producing bacteria thrive.

Menace in Swimming

We will not have an end to this most disgraceful of all outdoor decorations until the people of Indiana awaken from their coma of indifference and demand that the industries, the cities and the state join hands in cleaning our filth-laden streams.

We must bear in mind constantly that the art of swimming in Indiana is a very dangerous pastime. Indulging in it, as I have discovered to my own personal sorrow, may mean forfeiting one's health for an extended period.

Of all the forms of sport we are interested in during the summer months this particular one of swimming in disease-bearing waters will prove the most costly to you and to your family not only in terms of health but in terms of dollars.

Dollars spent for doctor and hospital bills, for time out from your daily task and possibly for an extended vacation from the state in a section where there are no streams to be polluted, that country where our doctor advises us to go to recover from a septic sinus, the southwest.

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**Eight Local Girls and Children Stand on Threshold of Possible Stardom in Hollywood Productions**



**Screen Tests to Be Made of Winners in Times M-G-M Contest.**

Beneath the blaze of more titan than massive Klieg lights, eight Indianapolis girls and children will take their first step on the road to possible stardom in the movies when they make their debut before the sound recording cameras of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer traveling motion picture studio on the stage of Loew's Palace theater at 9 tonight.

While an audience at Loew's theater voiced approval, the four girls and four children awarded the coveted talking picture screen and voice tests were selected last night in an elimination contest in which forty-three semi-finalists participated.

Decision of the Hollywood motion picture technicians serving as judges in the finals of the Times-M-G-M search for new screen personalities a Butler university junior and member of the Indianapolis Civic theater, a George Washington high school senior, a dancer, and a cashier.

**STOCK MARKET BILL IS PASSED**

Control Measure Approved, Awaits Signature of Roosevelt.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, June 2.—The battle of the stock market control bill, expected to go down in legislative history as one of the stiffest of recent years, was over today but for the President's signature on the act.

The measure, a keystone in President Roosevelt's arch of new deal legislation, finally was approved by both house and senate yesterday but three girls and three children for the film and voice tests, it appeared during the elimination proceedings last night that four girls and four children revealed sufficient possibilities to warrant the filming of two additional tests. So today instead of six test winners, there are eight.

Those named today who will receive their screen and voice tests on the stage tonight, follow:

Girls—C'Mari de Schipper, 20, of 821 Hampden drive; Audrey Foley, 20, of 2842 East New York street; Anna Lascu, 18, of 1024 North Belle Vieu place, and Mayrose Robinson, 19, of 313 South Tompkins street, Shellyville.

Children—Barbara Jean Wolf, 6, of 617 North Illinois street; Dean Hinshaw, 5, of 1234 North Tacoma avenue; Rose Marie Moynahan, 5, Ambassador hotel, and Jene Ralph McIntire, 5, of Dexter place.

**More Than 2,500 Entries**

Considerably more than 2,500 entries were received by The Indianapolis Times on behalf of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Company, and these eight represent the more outstanding of the entire enrollment.

C'Mari de Schipper, one of the first to win commendation of judges, is well known in Indianapolis for her frequent activities in dramatic circles. A junior at Butler university, she is president of the Dramatic Club there and has been a member of the Indianapolis Civic theater since her stay in this city. As a member of this organization she has appeared to advantage on several occasions in Civic theater plays.

**CORD REFUSES WORD ON KIDNAPING THREAT**

U. S. Industrialist in Seclusion on English Estate.

By United Press

LONDON, June 2.—E. L. Cord, American motor and airplane industrialist, continued today to refuse to discuss reports that he was taking refuge in England with his family because of kidnap threats made at his California home.

Friends said, however, he was considering hiring a guard for his country home to prevent invasion of intruders. The gates now are open and any one can enter unchallenged.

As the result of publication of news of the kidnap threats, more than 200 begging letters arrived at his home in fourteen hours yesterday. One was from a football club, seeking a subscription; another from a woman whose husband is in jail.

**MARY PICKFORD TO PRESS DIVORCE CASE**

Reconciliation Rumors Shattered; Doug Still in England.

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, June 2.—Reconciliation of Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks, rumored and reported by their friends for months, went aglimmering today as Mary pressed for action on her pending divorce complaint.

She won a court order that permits her to serve notice on Fairbanks of her divorce action by publication. Miss Pickford submitted an affidavit that her husband left California May 23, 1933, and had not returned.

**Fishback Addresses Brokers**

Paul Fishback, Indianapolis, secretary of the National Food Brokers' Association, addressed the Indianapolis Food Brokers' Association in the Washington last night.

**POLICE LEAVE STRIKE AREA FOR SCHOOLS**

Morrissey Orders Traffic Officers Back to Crossings.

Police traffic officers went back to the school crossings yesterday after doing more than eight weeks' guard duty at the plant of the Real Silk hosiery mills during the recent strike.

Forty-eight policemen usually assigned to dangerous intersections to protect children going to and from school, were assigned to the hosiery mills by Chief Mike Morrissey shortly after the start of the strike.

Custodians from the building and ground staffs of the school city temporarily were assigned to perform the duty of traffic officers during the labor trouble.

Complaints from school officials and citizens when the traffic officers were taken off their regular posts failed to move Chief Morrissey. He offered to supply uniforms to the custodians, but school officials stated that this proposal was not feasible. They said that the custodians were among the busiest persons in the schools at the time traffic protection was needed in the streets.

**ED ELSNER IS NAMED TO DEMOCRATIC POST**

Gets Sergeant-at-Arms Job for State Convention.

Announcement was made today by Omer S. Jackson, Democratic state chairman, of the appointment of Ed Elsner, Seymour, as sergeant-at-arms of the Democratic state convention on June 12.

Mr. Elsner is an attorney and a former member of the Indiana senate. In 1932 he was a candidate for Democratic state chairman.

L. N. Savage of Rockport will be a candidate for judge of the appellate court, southern district.

**SYP SUSPECT NABBED BY FRENCH OFFICIALS**

American Held After Capture at Toulon Naval Base.

TOULON, France, June 2.—A spy suspect who claimed American citizenship was held for investigation today after his arrest at the naval arsenal.

The man gave his name as Nilajilh Amry and said he was a native of Chicago, on a world tour. Police were about to release him when he mentioned that he recently visited Germany. Then they decided to hold him until they investigated his statement that he wandered into the arsenal in idle curiosity with the morning shift of workers.

Troops were evacuated from the vicinity of the wrecked Auto-Lite plant during the night and today only a few remained on guard there.

Peace efforts culminated suddenly, calming a situation that twenty-four hours before had been so serious labor appealed to President Roosevelt for direct intervention.

The Edison company agreed to restore the pay level of June 1, 1932, which meant restoration of two 10 per cent cuts. The union demand for a closed shop will be compromised through arbitration.

**BANNER DAY FOR THE MIDDIES**



**THREE CHILDREN ARE TREATED FOR DOG BITES**

Ordinance Many Require All Animals to Receive Inoculations.

Despite police warnings to children to avoid stray dogs during the hot spell, three more children suffered dog bites last night.

An ordinance is being prepared at city hall to compel all dog owners to have their pets treated with an anti-rabies serum before licenses are issued for the dogs.

Helena Brumet, 5, of 935 Spruce street, was bitten in the right thigh by a police dog owned by Raymond Vick, 933 Spruce street. The child was playing in the yard of her home when the dog bit her, according to the police. She was sent to city hospital.

While playing in front of her home at 316 Forest avenue, last night, Pauline Fair, 3, was bitten on the cheek by a dog owned by a neighbor. She was sent to city hospital.

Robert Wilkins, 11, of 1012 East Ohio street, while playing in the yard of the home of Leslie Moore, 134 Herman street, was bitten on the lower lip by a dog owned by Mr. Moore, according to police. Robert was treated at city hospital.

**NATIONAL PARTY WILL NOMINATE FULL SLATE**

County Organization to Meet to Plan Convention.

Members of the Marion county National party organization will meet at 2:30 Sunday at 16 North Oakland street. Plans for the county convention, which will be held later this month, will be laid.

Full county and city slates will be nominated at the convention, and approval will be given to selected candidates for congress in the Eleventh and Twelfth districts.

The party will hold a rally on the Fourth of July at the Lockerbie, 121 South Illinois street.

**BARNES, FARMHOUSES DESTROYED BY STORM**

High Winds Followed by Hail, Rain in South Dakota.

By United Press

ABERDEEN, S. D., June 1.—Farmhouses and barns were destroyed, trees uprooted and wreckage strewn over a countryside today by a severe wind and hail storm.

The storm, striking last night, billeted huge clouds of dust across miles of fields in its path, with rain and hail following. Telephone and telegraph lines were snapped, isolating the city for a short time.

A similar storm, but less severe, struck at Garretson, S. D.

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