

## ARBITRATION IN STRIKES URGED BY CHURCHMEN

### Pastors' Report Condemns Recent Application of Martial Law.

Refusal of employers to arbitrate differences with workers and application of martial law during industrial strikes were condemned as contrary to national ideals in a report made to the annual convention of the Indiana Pastors' Association in First Baptist Church today.

The report, made by the industrial commission and delivered by the Rev. T. J. Simpson, Washington Street Presbyterian Church pastor, referred specifically to the recent "hot" factory strike at Jeffersonville.

Increase in child labor, reduction in wages and longer hours since ending of NRA also were deplored.

### Church Mergers Recommended

Mergers of congregations to relieve "overchurched" conditions in rural communities was recommended in the rural commission's report, given by E. C. Cameron of Butler University. The industrial-agrarian conflict was described as forcing farmers into "a system of tenantry pronounced worse" than the peasantry of Europe.

Reconstruction of Sunday church programs to meet changing requirements and to compete with outside attractions was urged in the report of the commission on Sunday problems, presented by the Rev. A. E. Cowley, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville.

The three-day meeting is to close with a fellowship supper at 5:30 and an address on "The Lost Radiance Recovered" by Dr. Rufus M. Jones, Haverford College, at 6:15.

### STUDENT LIBRARY AIDS AT MANUAL ANNOUNCED

Eleven Assistants Are Picked for Current Semester.

Announcement of Manual Training High School student library assistants for the current semester was made today by Mrs. Florence Schad, head librarian.

The 11 new aids are: Mildred Wall, Hollis Browning, Lena Waiks, Mildred Briggs, Ethel Herbig, Olive Hoyt, Jeanne Johnson, Marie Moates, Clarice Reimer, Genelle O'Brien and Hazel Hendrickson. With the exception of the latter, all the girls are members of the Masoma Club, girls' honorary organization.

### WPA ADULT TEACHERS MEETING HERE TODAY

Conference With Supervisors Held at I. U. Extension Center.

More than 75 teachers of adult education classes conducted by Works Progress Administration in Marion County are to meet today with state supervisors at the Indiana University extension division.

Floyd I. McMurray, state superintendent of Public Instruction, is to speak on "There's Nothing New Under the Sun." Other speakers are to be Dr. Carleton B. McCulloch, WPA district director, and William F. Vogel, state supervisor of WPA emergency education.

There are 175 WPA adult education classes conducted in Marion County with attendance of 3000.

### UNWED MOTHER LOSES BATTLE FOR HER CHILD

Claim She was Drugged at Baby's Adoption Held False.

**SOUTH BEND, Ind., Feb. 5.**—Lena Gusa, Mishawaka, an unwed mother, lost custody of her 3-year-old child because she wrote her name too clearly on the Baby's adoption papers. She claimed she was drugged when the papers were signed three years ago, but Judge Dan Pyle ruled the woman's signature proved her contention false.

### PIT GAME HENS STOLEN

Fowl Valued at \$35 Taken From City Man's Poultry House.

Seven White Pit Game hens valued at \$35 were stolen from the poultry house of Clifford Grover, 966 N. Tibbs-av, he reported to police today. The fowl formerly were owned by the late Sgt. William Purcell of the police department and are believed to be the only ones of this breed in this part of the country.

## Deaths Among Indiana Residents

**MARKETVILLE.**—Amos H. Williams, 89, Survivors: Son Arthur and Court, brother, Marion Williams.

**ALEXANDRIA.**—Mrs. Mary Ann Silvey, 67, Survivors: Son, William, daughter, Mrs. Rosa Perry; brothers, James, Charles and Elmer; sister, Mrs. Rebecca Taylor; Mrs. Sarah Wood; Mrs. Margaret Brown; Mrs. Marian Silvey and Mrs. Carrie Brown.

**FRANKFORD.**—Jacob A. Webb, 83, farmer. Survivors: Sons, Dora, Noah and Frank Webb.

**LAPEL.**—Miss Mary Jane Busby, 83, Survivors: Son, Fred, brother, Woodward, brother, John and T. M. Busby.

**RUSHVILLE.**—Mrs. Maude, Newhouse, Survivors: Son, William, daughter, Miss Ruth Newhouse; sister, Mrs. Ida Ward, brother, John Smith.

**NORMAN.**—Mrs. Edith Callahan, 75, Survivors: Daughter, Mrs. Gustie Pountain and Mrs. Maggie Bell; brother, George Mitchell; sisters, Mrs. Mary Lawson and Mrs. Ada Bower.

**SCOTTSDALE.**—Bona "Stephen East, 64, Survivors: Sons, Howard, Ralph, William and Clarence; daughter, Mrs. Catherine Carter and Mrs. Dora Coy; brothers, John, Charles and Fred East; sister, Mrs. Henry Browning.

**LADOGA.**—Mrs. Robert Driftle, Survivors: Son, Robert, brother, William and Charles; sister, Mrs. Jack Rawlings; brother, John Driftle.

**COVINGTON.**—Virgil R. Royce, 24, Survivors: Widow, Juanita; daughter, Eleanor June; mother, E. Royce; sister, Mrs. Vernon; brother, Lucile Emerson.

**CRAWFORDSVILLE.**—Mrs. Kizzie Warren, 65, Survivors: Widow, S. G. Warren; son, Clint; brother, Fred; sister, Mrs. Monticello.

**MONTICELLO.**—Mrs. Mattie E. Smith, 68, Survivors: Brother, Andrew Rinkler; sister, Mrs. A. B. Rinkler; daughter, Mrs. W. W. Rinkler; son, Aubrey McCartney.

**MEYHART.**—Allen Edward Joseph, 62, Survivors: Widow, Ora; sister, Mrs. Cora Welch; brothers, Brice, Harry and Ernest Joseph.

**POWELL.**—Vincent Lee Harkrider, 81, Survivors: Daughter, Mrs. Nora Laque; sister, Mrs. Nannie Harkrider; brother, George Ringler, 65, farmer. Survivors: Widow, George Ringler; daughter, Mrs. Roy Windler; son, Henry Garing; Mrs. Roy Windler; son, John; brother, Fred; sister, Mrs. Balenseller; Mrs. Bernard Freeland and Mrs. Philip Deno.

**PARSONS.**—Mrs. Bessie, 71, Survivors: Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boxell; brother, Charles; sister, Misses Martha, Beatrice and John Boxell.

**FRANKLIN.**—Francis N. Whitesides, 83, Survivors: Widow, Mrs. Virgil F. Whitesides; daughter, Mrs. Fred Newell.

**ELWOOD.**—Mrs. Nancy Jane Headley, 78, Survivors: Son, Charles; daughter, Mrs. Grover Headley; daughters, Mrs. Mollie Courtney, Mrs. Thomas Brown and Mrs. George Thoroughgood; sister, Mrs. Hattie Nelson; Mrs. Flo Cloud and Mrs. Gusie Collins; brother, Charles Little.

**COLUMBUS.**—Cornelius Shadrack, Survivors: Widow.

**LAFAYETTE.**—Joseph M. Harshman, 38, Survivors: Wife, Margaret; daughter, Mrs. Gordon Myers; brother, George Harshman; sister, Mrs. Florence Phebus; sister, Mrs. Dora Marcus and Mrs. Mollie Phebus; sister-in-law, Mrs. Laura Olinger.

**BURLINGTON.**—Mrs. Mable Patty, 29, Survivors: Widow, Carl; daughters, Mildred Mary and Mary Lee Patty; son, Joe Patty; father, James Taylor; sisters, Mrs. Mary Taylor, Mrs. Julia Hull and Mrs. Lottie Smith; brothers, Claude, Harold and Wilfred Taylor.

**LOANSPOUT.**—Mrs. Laura B. Blomer, 71, Survivors: Widow, Edwin; nieces and nephews.

**CORY.**—Arthur S. Gummere, 70, Survivors: Sons, Herman, Herschel and Edsel Gummere; daughters, Mrs. Elsie Koyet, Mrs. Edna Lincoln and Mrs. Ernestine McClain; sister, Mrs. Minnie Tucker.

**CLAY CITY.**—Mrs. Hester H. Staley, Survivors: Widow, Charles; sons, Marvin, Chester and the Rev. Manford Staley; daughter, Miss Marceline Staley; sisters, Mrs. Grville Kitch, Mrs. E. E. Pulk and John Grace Kendra.

**RICHMOND.**—Ellis L. Porter, 23, Survivors: Widow, daughters, Misses Mary Alice and Jane Porter; brothers, Verne and Dudley Porter; sister, Mrs. Alta Wright.

**LINTON.**—Edward Harper, 64, Survivors: Brothers, Dade, Alvadore and Noah Harper.

**LYONS.**—Matthew Basch, 77, Survivors: Brother, Andrew Basch; sister, Mrs. Mike Johnson.

**PAKES.**—Robert A. Cougill, Survivors: Widow, Lela; brother, Charles.

**EVANSVILLE.**—Miss Emma White, 86, Mrs. Lillian Hudziez, 37, Survivors: Widow, George; daughters, Helen Louise and Anna Lee; son, Billy; mother, Mrs. Martha Hudziez; sister, Mrs. Bernard Kirsch and Miss Willa Hefington; brother, Carl Hefington.

**Mrs. Laura V. Osage, 44, Survivors: Widow, Rufus; sons, Ervin, Aaron and Rufus; daughters, Misses Ruth, Charlotte, Bernice and Betty Lou Osage; brother, Henry; Fred and Ed Rader.**

**Mrs. Mamie Hedderich Lyon, 80, Survivors: Daughter, Mrs. Ann Kinderman and Miss Vera Lyon; sons, Arthur and J. Byron.**

**ROBT WAYNE.**—Mrs. Ida Wright Shafer, 79, Survivors: Son, Fred Wright; daughters, Mrs. C. E. Enrich and Mrs. Louis

## G-MEN STUDY NOTES IN WELLS MYSTERY

### Clews Sought in Letters of Missing Man.

By United Press

**CHICAGO, Feb. 5.**—Puzzled by letters written by Harry H. Wells, Monroe (Wis.) contractor, just before he disappeared last week, authorities today sent them to Department of Justice headquarters in Washington for examination.

In the letters Wells told his brother-in-law, Harry Burgoyne of Monroe, that he had reached "the end of my rope" as the result of extortion threats.

"Please be careful when you tell Sarah and the children," Wells wrote. "It breaks my heart that I will never see them again."

Police and Federal men here are working on the theory that Wells was kidnaped and either slain or held for ransom. His warnings to his family, however, led them to believe that he might have disappeared voluntarily and left kidnap clues to confuse investigators.

Wells' blood-stained car was found in a Chicago street last Wednesday.

## HOOSIER CADET WINS HONORS AT CINCINNATI

High R. O. T. C. Award Is Given to John F. Finney, Rushville.

**CINCINNATI, Feb. 5.**—One of the highest honors given undergraduate cadets in the University of Cincinnati unit of the R. O. T. C. today was awarded John F. Finney, Rushville, Ind., at a military convocation on the campus.

For outstanding military scholarship, Mr. Finney received the pre-junior ordnance blue star. The award was made by Maj. Lawrence C. Mitchell, commandant of the unit.

Mr. Finney is a cadet in the ordnance branch and a pre-junior in third-year co-operative studies in the College of Engineering and Commerce. He is a graduate of Rushville High School, class of 1932, and the son of Sam Finney, Rushville.

**WPA Official to Speak**

Ralph Werner, camp management director of the Works Progress Administration, is to address Federal agency directors this noon in the Washington.

## DEATH RATE IN CITY INCREASED, REPORT SHOWS

### Figures Reveal 14.6 Persons out of Every Thousand Died in 1935.

High speed living, unusual climatic conditions and hard luck combined to give Indianapolis a higher death rate in 1935 than it has had in recent years, Dr. Herman G. Morgan, health board secretary, said today.

Department statistics show that 5439 persons died here last year, for an average of 14.6 deaths a thousand for the city's population. In 1934 the rate was 13.9, and in 1933 it was 12.9.

This was balanced some by a slight rise in the birth rate. He pointed out that 5875 babies were born last year at a rate of 15.8 a thousand for the population. This was an increase of .7 over the previous year, and a gain of 1.2 over 1933.

"There is a tendency for both rates to level off toward a common figure," Dr. Morgan said. "The trend also shows that the birth rate has declined from 1921 to 1933."

The darkest part of the city's health picture was in the infant mortality rate, he asserted. It was from 10 to 15 per cent higher than in previous years.

**Heat and Depression Blamed**

Humid weather of last summer, and effects of the depression may have contributed to this increase. "When you couple the heat of last summer with the fact that some families had difficulty providing a proper sustenance level, you may have an explanation," he said.

"It is difficult to determine scientifically which cause was the more important."

Pneumonia, which caused 643

deaths, showed a higher rate than at any time since 1918. This particularly was true during the months of January and December.

Diphtheria likewise was unusually prevalent during the fall and winter months, and was responsible for 25 deaths. This, Dr. Morgan said, was a 75 per cent increase over 1932 and a 50 per cent increase over 1933.

"Apparently this was caused by failure of the public to take advantage of immunization treatments, and also by the appearance here of an unusually virulent organism," Dr. Morgan declared.

"Climatic conditions undoubtedly influenced the high rate of respira-

tory diseases, which were common here during the cold weather. Dark dreary days and absence of sunshine favored development of this type of germs," he said.

**Only One Smallpox Case**

On the other side of the ledger, only one smallpox case was reported to city health officers during 1935. Dr. Morgan explained this by the fact that so many people have been vaccinated for this malady.

Cancer was responsible for 472 deaths, diabetes for 60 and influenza for 43. There were 32 homicides, and 69 suicides.

"Heart disease took the biggest toll," he said. "During the last 15 years, this type of ailment has sup-

planted tuberculosis as the principal cause of death here.

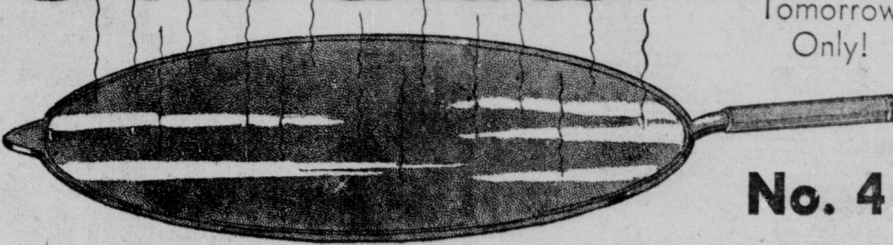
"There are many ways to explain this. First, there has been advances made in diagnosis, care and treatment of tuberculosis. It still remains, however, the chief cause of death in the 15 to 25 age group," Dr. Morgan added.

"Because we have conserved life among youths and children, more people live to the heart disease age of 40 and over. Worry, dissipation, speedy living and fatigue, which we all experience in this day and age, undoubtedly have caused more heart cases."

"Indianapolis has had many better health years," he said.

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