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FORECAST: Increasing cloudiness tonight, probably becoming unsettled tomorrow; warmer tomorrow.

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## PARING SAVES \$2,153,836 IN CENTER TAXES

Budget Requests Reduced  
To Cut City-Township  
Rate to \$3.20.

LEVY HIGHER THAN 1937

Board to Meet Tomorrow  
And Set Amounts for  
County Units.

(Tabulations, Page 23)

Taxpayers in the Indianapolis-Center Township area today had been saved \$2,153,836 through cuts made in 1938 property taxes by the Marion County Tax Adjustment Board.

After nearly three weeks of study, the Board pared budget requests to reduce the proposed levy 42 cents from \$3.62 to \$3.20. The reduced rate, however, is 32 cents higher than the 1937 levy for Indianapolis-Center township.

Board members are to meet tomorrow and formally set the rates for all county units. Further changes can be made before that time, but none is expected.

The final rate was set late yesterday after a dispute over the School City rate was settled, resulting in a 5-cent cut in the requested \$1.05 rate.

### Major Cut in Poor Relief

At the conclusion of their study the Board had lopped 3 cents off the requested \$2-cent county rate and 4 cents from the \$1.29 City rate.

The major cut in the Indianapolis-Center rate came as Center Township officials offered to cut 30 cents from the previously submitted \$1-cent Center Township poor relief rate.

Cut and final rates of other townships inside the City as approved by the tax body are Perry, (Turn to Page Three)

## BUREAU FORECASTS TEMPERATURE RISE

### LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 a. m.	56	11 a. m.	76
7 a. m.	60	12 (Noon)	79
8 a. m.	66	1 p. m.	80
9 a. m.	69	2 p. m.	80
10 a. m.	73		

The Weather Bureau, which claims there is no such thing as Indian Summer, said today that this is the time of the year one would expect if there was one, and that temperatures today were about the kind that would come with it.

They are normal today. Moreover, they are going to get higher tomorrow, the Bureau predicted. Cloudiness tonight may bring unsettled weather tomorrow, the bureau said.

## IMMIGRATION AIDS SEEK MUNCIE WOMAN

MUNCIE, Ind., Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Immigration authorities today sought Mrs. Freda La Duro, 35, wife of the City Health Commissioner, who has been missing from her home since Sept. 16 following a quarrel with her husband, Dr. Jules La Duro.

Immigration officials were asked to aid in the search when the woman's relatives from Chicago and Galesburg, Ill., said she might attempt to return to her native Sweden.

George G. Mize, chief engineer of the Diamond Chain Co., reported to police today that his wife, Mrs. Ruth M. Mize, 39, left on a hunting trip Monday morning and has failed to return to their home at 4348 Winthrop Ave. He said he could give no reason for the disappearance. He said she had said she would return Tuesday night and that she was driving her own car.

## Japan Bluntly Tells U. S. Bombings Will Continue; England Studies Boycott

Parliament May Meet to  
Consider New Step  
Against Tokyo.

LONDON—Demand for boycott on Japanese goods in indignation over bombings expected if Government calls special session of Parliament on Far Eastern crisis.

GENEVA—League of Nations subcommittee proposed ending of nonintervention in Spain if foreign troops are not withdrawn. Britain and France expected to propose armistice to allow troop withdrawal. Plan note to Rome on Spanish war.

PARIS—Britain, France and Italy sign anti-aircraft agreement.

HENDAYE—Loyalists open fierce offensive in Northern Spain.

ROME—Duce proclaims that Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany will lead Europe to peace in speech on return home.

LONDON, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Rapidly increasing anger over the Japanese war in China may bring an emergency session of Parliament to consider the Far Eastern crisis, it was understood today.

Moreover, it was certain that if a special session were called, one of its principal concerns would be a demand for a blanket boycott on all Japanese goods, regardless of consequences.

Labor Party leaders were expected to take the lead in demanding a special session. In making any such demand, however, it was indicated that they would have important backing from liberals and even from some conservative elements.

### Arouse Public

Japanese airplane raids on inland Chinese cities, the Japanese airplane attack on Britain's ambassador to China, the alleged shelling of a fleet of fishing junks by a Japanese submarine, the severe damage to British interests in China and general horror at the conduct of the undeclared war combined to unite a formidable body of public opinion in a desire for some sort of Government action.

The National Council of Labor considered at meeting last night the question of demanding a special Parliament session, instead of awaiting the scheduled opening Oct. 21. This discussion will be renewed tomorrow at a meeting of the desire committee of the Labor Party at Bournemouth.

Maj. Clement Attlee, leader in the House of Commons of the Labor Party, is expected to seek an interview with, or to write to, Prime Minister Chamberlain asking him to call Parliament into session at once.

League Threatens  
Intervention Step

GENEVA, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—A League of Nations subcommittee considering the Spanish civil war problem proposed today that European powers consider ending the nonintervention agreement unless (Turn to Page Three)

## STEPS TO REUNITE LABOR ARE DRAFTED

Printers' Head to Propose  
A. F. of L. Revamping.

DENVER, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Charles F. Howard, secretary of the Committee for Industrial Organization, announced today that he would introduce three constitutional amendments at the American Federation of Labor convention next week designed to "pave the way" for reunion with the John L. Lewis faction.

Mr. Howard, who arrived today, said that in addition to restoring peace between the warring groups, he hoped the proposed amendments would enable the "big four" railroad brotherhoods, representing 500,000 workers, to enter the federation fold.

He said the amendments had been submitted to "the proper officials" and that they would be reported out on the convention floor next week. They were formulated by Mr. (Turn to Page Three)

## Japanese at Tientsin Claim Russians Are Leading Chinese.

WASHINGTON—Japan bluntly advises United States Government that her fliers will continue to bomb military objectives in Nanking despite American protests. "Earnestly" seeks American cooperation in future warnings.

TOKYO—Japanese reply to U. S. protest reaffirms Tokyo's claim that her military campaign in China is a matter of "military necessity," deny Japanese planes indiscriminately bombing Chinese civilians and ask U. S. Government to co-operate in future.

SHANGHAI—Japanese at Tientsin claim Russian officers are directing Chinese troops in northern fighting.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Japan bluntly advised the United States today that she will continue to bomb military objectives in the Chinese capital of Nanking, despite vigorous American protests over aerial attacks on urban areas populated by peaceful people and non-military property.

The Japanese asserted, in a formal note to Secretary of State Hull, that the bombing of military facilities in and around Nanking "is a necessary and unavoidable measure for attainment of the military objectives of the Japanese forces."

Japan promised not to aim bombs at noncombatants and reiterated her "desire" to avoid injuring nationals or property of other countries "if possible."

State Department officials made public the text of the note, written by Koki Hirota, Japanese Foreign Minister, but declined to comment on the reply until American diplomatic officials have had opportunity to study its implications.

The bombing of the military facilities and equipment located in and around the said city (Nanking) is a necessary and unavoidable measure for the attainment of the military objectives of the Japanese forces," Minister Hirota's note said.

"The recent proposal of the Imperial Japanese Government that the officials, citizens and vessels of our excellency's country take refuge as the result of the desire of the Japanese Government (Turn to Page Three)

MARTIN, UNION HEAD,  
LEVELS GUN ON AIDS

Points Weapon at Delegation  
Protesting 'Purge.'

DETROIT, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Homer Martin, youthful president of the United Automobile Workers Union, pointed a revolver at a union member today when a delegation hammered on his hotel door in efforts to protest the purge of union leaders.

The episode occurred as an estimated 50 union members waited in the lobby and outside the Eddystone Hotel, Mr. Martin's residence. Representing half a dozen U. A. W. locals, they awaited an audience with the union leader to protest the discharge yesterday of union organizers and leaders who were connected with recent unauthorized strikes.

"What's this noise, out here?" he was quoted as saying.

The union men, protesting the gun, said they wanted to know when Mr. Martin would see them.

The president put the gun away, explaining apologetically: "I didn't know who was at the door."

Later, the union official elaborated upon the episode.

"I have been threatened before and when someone kicked on the door, I thought they might be here to get me," he said.

TREE FALL PROVES FATAL

BEDFORD, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Robert V. Worman, 63-year-old former mill employee of Colitic, died at the hospital here last night from injuries received in a fall from a tree Monday.

## WPA OFFICIAL SENTENCED AS TIPSY DRIVER

Assessed \$57 and Given  
45-Day Term; 32 Are  
Convicted.

7 SPEEDERS FINED \$120

Mayor to Designate Week  
Of Oct. 11 for Safety  
Observance.

CITY—Mayor Boetcher to designate week of Oct. 11 as "Safety Week." Thirty-two erring motorists pay \$57 fines and costs in Municipal Court.

STATE—Traffic deaths in Indiana during August show drop of 24 from same month in 1936.

NATION—Auto fatalities in U. S. 11 per cent greater for eight months of 1937 than 1936, National Safety Council reports.

A WPA official, convicted of drunken driving, reckless driving, drunkenness and resisting an officer, today was fined a total of \$57 and sentenced to 45 days in jail by Municipal Court Judge Charles J. Karabell.

He is Mike Ray, 39, of 15 N. Riley Ave., State Compensation Officer for the Indiana WPA. He was arrested last night on E. Washington St.

Ray pleaded not guilty to drunken driving.

"How many drinks did you have?" Judge Karabell asked.

"Six or seven shots of whisky," Ray replied.

"Any man who claims he was not drunk after drinking that much whisky should not be employed by a public agency," Judge Karabell said.

Refuses Leniency

"If I get a jail sentence," Ray said, "I'll be fired."

Judge Karabell then passed sentence.

Thirty-two persons were convicted of traffic offenses and were assessed \$267 in fines and costs. Thirteen violators of preferential streets were fined \$81; seven speeders, \$120; and five reckless drivers, \$16.

A man and a woman were reported recovering from injuries received in an accident last night.

Only one other traffic accident was reported in Marion County.

Injured were Jessie McClure, 39, of 1639 N. Arsenal Ave., and Miss Winnie Bush, 27, of the same address. They were cut on the face and hands when their car collided with one driven by Ray Almie, 51, of 1235 Tecumseh St., at Cornell Ave. and 15th St. They were treated in City Hospital.

Perry Pettrell, 29, of Ft. Harrison, (Turn to Page Three)

## ROOSEVELT STARTS TRIP INTO CANADA

'Good Neighbor' Mission Will  
Take Him to Victoria, B. C.

(Mrs. Roosevelt's column, Page 19; Merry-Go-Round, Page 20; Thomas L. Stokes, Page 32).

SEATTLE, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—President Roosevelt and his official party moved away from Smith Cove Pier in Puget Sound aboard the destroyer Phelps today in a drizzling rain, bound for Victoria, B. C., on a brief "good neighbor" mission.

The Presidential flag was hoisted as President Roosevelt, his wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Boettiger, Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt, and his two grandchildren, Eleanor and Curtis, moved up the gangplank.

Later, the party will disembark at Victoria to the booming of a ruler's salute from British guns, and be whisked away to the Government House.

Leut. Gov. Eric W. Hamber will be Mr. Roosevelt's host during the short stay at Victoria.

The President will return to American soil at 4:30 p. m. at Port Angeles, Wash., and motor 27 miles to Lake Crescent to spend the night.

## Parley Leader



Prof. F. M. Vreeland

## 2500 TO ATTEND SOCIAL SESSION

Delegates Begin Arriving for  
Opening of Three-Day  
Conference.

Advance sessions of the 46th Annual Indiana State Conference on Social Work began today as the vanguard of more than 2500 visitors, expected to attend the three-day seminars beginning tomorrow, arrived in the city.

While not as large as the National Conference on Social Work held here this summer, the state gathering is of major interest. It will be addressed by nationally known social leaders.

Today 10 study courses of four sessions each were to begin in the Claypool Hotel. All week-end sessions are to be held there and in the Hotel Lincoln.

Delegates to the conference are to include professional workers and representatives of clubs, churches and other organizations active in social work.

Prof. Francis M. Vreeland, DePauw University sociologist, is conference president.

Nationally-known speakers include Winthrop D. Lane, investigation director for the New Jersey Juvenile Commission; Roy Sorenson, Chicago, National Conference on Y. M. C. A.'s assistant general secretary; Mrs. Nadie Deem O'Hern, Washington, former WPA regional social worker; Ruth E. Lewis, assistant professor of medical social work at Washington University, St. Louis, and Miss Jane Hoey, public assistance division director of the Social Security Board.

Thurman A. Gottschalk, State Welfare Director, is to speak at the conference's formal opening in the Claypool tomorrow night. He is to speak on the "Outlook in State Welfare Work."

Governor Townsend and Mayor Boetcher are to welcome the delegates.

Officers and six executive committee members are to be elected Saturday for a three-year term ending in 1940.

## Daylight Milk Delivery Rule Proposed for City

Indianapolis milkmen won't have to jump from warm beds these cold mornings any sooner than other workers if a proposed ruling of the State Milk Control Board is adopted.

The idea of having drivers make daylight deliveries during winter months originated among local milk authorities and was approved by Leon C. Collier, Indianapolis area administrator.

Surveys in other cities, Mr. Humrickhouse said, show that when daylight deliveries are made the milkman comes in contact with members of the household every day and is able to increase the sale of his products.

The companies also are saved money, he said, by not having to make many special deliveries during the daytime. If the order is adopted, all local milk firms will have to comply with it, Mr. Humrickhouse said.

"It was to promote their health and the health of the consumers that the new regulation was proposed. In winter months milk now is allowed to sit on doorsteps from midnight, the time delivery starts, until the consumer brings it into the house around 7 a. m."

"It freezes and pops the caps, exposing the milk to germs. A chemical change also takes place when milk freezes. This has an injurious effect on many children," he said.

The State Board is to hold a public hearing on the proposal Oct. 26 in the State House. Delivery hours provided for under this regulation are from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. and would be in effect except during five summer months.

"There are 900 milkmen in Indianapolis and the rate of colds and pneumonia among them has been high," C. W. Humrickhouse, State Board executive secretary, said.

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## DISCLOSE CITY LICENSES ON PIN MACHINES

8 of 11 Boards Brought In  
On Judge Baker's Order  
Bear Tags.

LOGAN EXPLAINS RULE

Devices Legal if Not Used for  
Gambling, View of  
Office.

Most of the pinball marble machines confiscated recently in raids conducted by Criminal Court bailiffs under orders of Criminal Court Judge Baker, bear stamps of the City License Department, it was learned today.

Judge Baker ruled that marble machines are devices of chance as defined under the 1935 State Slot Machine Law. He pointed out that the law prohibits operation for public use any kind of machine that "can be used for gambling purposes."

Defense attorneys, defending an operator recently, contended that the devices were used only as games of skill and not for gambling.

Martin Logan, of the City Legal Department, today said his office had construed the City license ordinance to include the marble machines "so long as they were not used for any form of gambling."

Eight of 11 machines confiscated by Court bailiffs bore city license stamps.

## STREAM POLLUTION SUITS ASKS \$40,000

Times Special

SHELBYVILLE, Sept. 30.—Pollution of Brandywine River near here by the Greenfield Packing Co. was alleged in a suit, brought by 14 Shelby and Hancock county landowners, on file today in Shelby Circuit Court.

The suit, which asked \$40,000 damages, alleged that the packing company had dumped refuse into the stream and had made stock raising unprofitable, cultivation of the land impossible and had endangered the health of those living near the stream.

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## BLACK TO ISSUE KLAN ANSWER ON AIR TOMORROW

20-Minute Talk Scheduled for Broadcast  
Over Three Major Chains at 8:30 P. M.;  
Justice Remains in Seclusion.

ICKES TERMS CHARGES 'RED HERRING'

Refers Questioners to Hoover as "Greatest  
Expert on . . . Ku-Klux Klan"; Jurist's  
Radio Reply Sets Precedent.

(Editorial, Page 20; Photo, Page 3)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Associate Justice Hugo L. Black tomorrow night at 8:30 p. m. will present over the combined networks of the nation's major radio broadcast chains his answer to charges he was and is a member of the Ku-Klux Klan.

Justice Black will speak for 20 minutes, officials of the National, Columbia and Mutual broadcasting concerns announced.

Announcement of the broadcast came as Secretary of the Interior Harold C. Ickes termed the Klan charge a "red herring" and referred questioners to ex-President Hoover as "the greatest expert on the subject of the Ku-Klux Klan."

Arrangements for the broadcast were made by Justice Black's brother-in-law, Clifford Durr, after Justice Black told reporters yesterday he would make his reply to the Klan charges "in a way that cannot be misquoted and so the public can hear it."

Justice Black himself was in seclusion today, believed to be at Mr. Durr's suburban home in Alexandria, Va.

The announcement by the broadcasting companies ended a brief period of speculation as to Justice Black's plans. He had hinted on arrival at Norfolk, Va., yesterday from a European vacation that he would present his reply to the charges by radio.

Step Has No Precedent

At that time he said that he would make his reply "in a way that cannot be misquoted and so the public can hear it."

The decision to present his reply to the Klan charges by radio comes as an unprecedented step for a Justice of the Supreme Court.

Never in history has a Justice made a radio talk of the type expected tomorrow night. On only a few occasions have justices of the high tribunal ever spoken over the air.

No Advance Copy of Text

It was not certain whether Justice Black had conferred with President Roosevelt before deciding to make the broadcast.

Radio officials said that they would not be provided with an advance text of Justice Black's remarks.

This fact turned attention to Justice Black's statement to reporters aboard the City of Norfolk as the vessel docked yesterday. He said, in response to inquiries as to whether he contemplated a radio address that "some parts of the press might fail to publish what I said."

Mr. Ickes made his statement when questioned by reporters about Justice Black's appointment: "You mean about the Ku-Klux."

Mr. Ickes interjected: "Why don't you interview former President Hoover? He knows more about it than I do."

Mr. Ickes said the Klan supported Mr. Hoover and "nobody seemed to worry about it, either." He said that Mr. Hoover carried a number of Southern states in 1928 and "it was all right then."

"It showed the birth of new liberalism in the South," a reporter suggested.

"No, it showed that the same old red herring can be made to serve (Turn to Page Three)

Bar Rejects  
Black Inquiry

Attorneys' Committee Says  
'Too Late' to Act On  
Appointment.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Proposal that the American Bar Association investigate the appointment of Justice Hugo L. Black to the Supreme Court was rejected today by the Resolutions Committee.

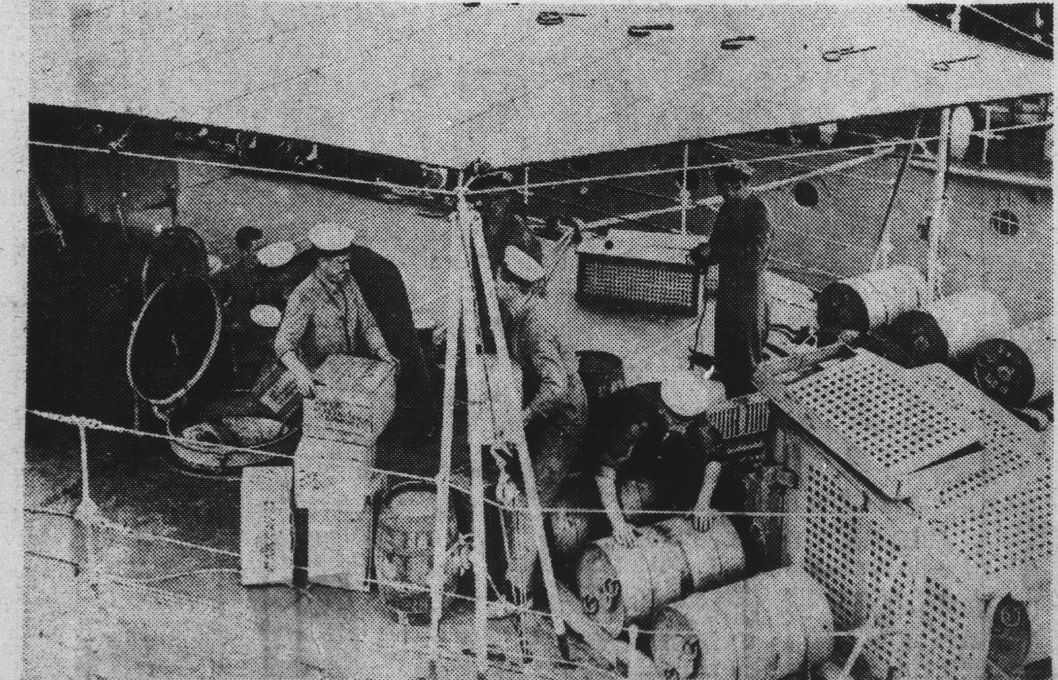
The members said it was too late to do anything about the matter.

The resolution had been offered by Robert Lee Tullis, former dean of the University of Louisiana Law School. The resolutions group, in reporting, said "there is nothing now pending in respect to which the Association can take any effective action."

The question of Justice Black's appointment may still be debated on the convention floor but most observers felt the general assembly would concur with the committee's report.

The committee also turned down a resolution to have the association investigate the reasons why candidates spend more to secure election to an office than the office pays. The committee held this matter was covered by the Corrupt Practices Act. A resolution to bar the radio broadcast from the court room also was rejected. This subject is being considered by special committees. Suggestion that the Supreme (Turn to Page Three)

## PRIMING FOR PIRATE PATROL



Depth charges and stores are loaded aboard H. M. S. Beadice