

WPA OFFICIAL SENTENCED AS TIPS AUTOIST

Thirty-Two Convicted of Traffic Violations Assessed \$267.

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was to face a charge of drunken driving and failure to stop after an accident. Police charge he failed to stop after his car crashed into one driven by Wilbur Leavelle, 32, of 3307 Ralston Ave., on 30th St., between Central Ave. and New Jersey St.

A horse, owned by Lena Grindman, R. 3, Box 977, ran in front of a truck driven by Arnold Wright, 22, of R. 2, Mooresville, and was killed last night on Raymond St. near Harding St.

State Car Toll Cut in August

Twenty-four fewer persons lost their lives in traffic accidents during August of this year than during the corresponding month of 1936, State Safety Director Donald F. Stiver reported today.

Intensive safety campaigns by State and local agencies were listed as a chief cause of this reduction, the third to be reported this year. There were fewer persons killed in January and May of 1937 than during those months last year.

Coupled with this report, which he said was "encouraging," Mr. Stiver warned that unless extraordinary precautions are taken during the remaining months of 1937, seasonal bad weather conditions may send traffic deaths skyrocketing.

Despite the August record, State Safety Department statistics showed 845 persons were killed during the first eight months of 1937 as compared with 754 deaths for the corresponding period during 1936 and 713 during 1935.

The August totals were 108 deaths this year, 132 in 1936 and 120 in 1935. This reduction was attributed by safety experts as particularly encouraging, it was said, since August is a vacation month.

The months of October, November and December, with their earlier hours of darkness, dense night fogs, wet leaves on pavement, and ice, sleet and snow increase the hazards of driving, Mr. Stiver said.

Urban Area Tolls Up

Department statistics show the 1937 death toll has increased more in urban than in rural areas. Ft. Wayne was listed as the safest large city in Indiana with a yearly estimated rate of only 5 fatalities for each 100,000 persons.

The estimated rate for Indianapolis is 31 fatalities each 100,000, and 54 for Gary, a city only slightly larger than Ft. Wayne.

Lafayette has the best record for cities from 25,000 to 70,000 persons, while New Castle heads cities of from 10,000 to 25,000. Washington, Ind., classed in the 5000 to 10,000 class, and Martinsville, in the 2000 to 5000 class, have not had traffic deaths during 1937.

Oct. 11 to Begin Safety Week

Mayor Boettcher said today he soon would issue a formal proclamation designating the week of Oct. 11 for safety observance in the city.

The Mayor has asked Police Chief Morrissey to arrange plans to include a parade and possibly several public addresses on safety.

"By this move, we hope to make the public traffic-conscious. We also will strive to make it a week of no accidents," he said.

Various Indiana State Police

Justice Faces Barrage of Questions



His head cocked jauntily and smiling as if he hadn't a worry in the world, Associate Justice Hugo L. Black faced the barrage of questions fired at him by newspapermen, on the deck of the City of Norfolk, Va., as he arrived from Europe, and refused to answer a point blank query on his alleged membership in the Ku-Klux Klan. He hinted at a radio statement that he could not be "misquoted" on his reply to the charge.

posts now are engaged in a contest to reduce fatalities in their areas. The Spencer post is ahead with a 22.2 per cent decrease, while the Seymour post has had a 46.6 per cent increase.

The Indiana State Police Board is to give a silver cup to the winning post at the end of the year. Lieut. Lawrence McCarty, Accident Prevention Bureau head, has been selected by the Chief to work out the program details.

According to present plans the Bureau head said, each day of the week will be set aside to remind motorists of a specific traffic hazard such as reckless driving and so on.

Auto Fatalities in U. S. Show Increase

CHICAGO, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Automobile fatalities in the United States in the first eight months of 1937 were 11 per cent greater than in the corresponding period last year, the National Safety Council announced today. The Council said 24,520 persons were killed in highway accidents through August, 1937, compared to 22,160 last year.

Grandview Farmer, 72, Dies of Injuries

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 30 (U. P.).—William Ranger, 72-year-old Grandview farmer, died in the Deaconess Hospital last night of injuries received Monday when his wagon was struck by a truck.

OPENS COURT ACTION TO RECOVER \$100,000

Austin V. Clifford, bankruptcy trustee for the Continental Credit Corp., Winchester, Ind., today filed in Federal Court two complaints against the Commercial Bank & Trust Co., Union City, asking recovery to the bankrupt firm of more than \$100,000.

His petition charged that the bank took from the checking account of the bankrupt firm \$93,523.34 it owed and that the payment constituted a preferred claim and should be returned and pro rated among creditors. He also asked for return of \$34,577.03 in notes on the same basis.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

MEETINGS TODAY

Indiana Conference on Social Work, meets, Claypool Hotel, all day.
Indiana Police Officers' Association, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.
Sigma Nu, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.
Fine Paper Credit Group, luncheon, men's grill, William H. Block Co., noon.
Advertising Club of Indianapolis, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.
Sigma Chi, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.
American Business Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.
Acacia, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.
Indiana Motor Traffic Association, luncheon, Hotel Antlers, noon.
Construction League of Indianapolis, luncheon, Architects and Builders Bldg., noon.
Off Club, luncheon, Hotel Severin, noon.
Indiana Sheep Breeders' Association, meeting, 1 p. m., Lincoln Hotel.
Sigma Nu, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.
Personal Finance Companies of Indianapolis, dinner, 6 p. m., Columbia Club.
Knights of Maccabees, meeting, Hotel Lincoln, 7:30 a. m.
Indiana Women's Republican Club, meeting, Columbia Club, 2:30 p. m.
Lifeline Underwriters, luncheon, Claypool Hotel, noon.

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MEETINGS TOMORROW

Exchange Club, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.
Optimist Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.
Reserve Officers' Association, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.
Phi Beta Theta, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.
Delta Tau Delta, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.
Beta Theta Pi, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.
Federation of Community Clubs, luncheon, Hotel Washington, 5 p. m.
Kappa Sigma, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.
Indiana State Conference on Social Work, meeting, Claypool Hotel, all day.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

(These lists are from official records at the County Court House. The Times, therefore, is not responsible for errors in names or addresses.)

John E. Julian, 21, of 1508 Bates St.; Ethel Schermerhorn, 19, of 440 Audubon Ave.;
Paul A. Harding, 22, of 2431 Martin Ave.; Otto Marie Jones, 22, of 1846 Boulevard Place;
Clarence A. Pollard, 30, of Benjamin Harrison; Mildred L. Benson, 34, of 2452 Carrollton Ave.;
Edward H. Stumph, 27, of R. 6, Box 800; Mary Schroeder, 26, of 1518 S. Talbot St.;
Robert E. White, 25, Newcastle; Sara E. McGuff, 23, of 306 Guilford Ave.;
Ezra M. Walker, 24, of 1411 River Ave.; Mildred A. Brooks, 21, of 228 S. Sherman Ave.;
Vernon A. Beck, 24, of 328 N. Ritter Ave.; Elizabeth F. Van Pelt, 20, of 1308 Spann Way;
Joseph M. Cahill, 27, of 1419 N. Gale St.; Martha Louise Metcalf, 25, of 817 E. 4th St.;
Norman H. Schulz, 30, of 1215 Union St.; Harold E. Radt, 24, of 622 Parkway St.;
Harold E. Robertson, 22, of 146 Centennial St.; Pauline Brown, 19, of 3148 W. 10th St.

BIRTHS

Curtis, Margaret Toler, at 3153 Station Harry, Louise Wills, at 28 N. Keystone.
Leonard, Elizabeth Rudman, at 598 N. Oriental.
Carl Irene Wood, at 2922 N. Collier.
Hubert, Mabel Cadenhagen, at 631 Collier.
Delbert, Mildred Thompson, at 2119 Station.
Raymond, Ethel Donley, at 2710 Burton.

DEATHS

Edward E. Reynolds, 65, at Methodist, tumor.
Jennie T. Brown, 67, at 3921 Washington St., heart.
Mary Belle Black, 80, at 3609 Central, aneurism.
Arthur B. Brady, 45, at Methodist, general peritonitis.
Raymond M. Hall, 22, at 1622 Martin, pneumonia.
Cornelius Cronin, 66, at 1702 E. Washington, chronic myocardiitis.
Louise Brennan, 48, at St. Vincent's, chronic myocardiitis.
Michael Kennedy, 67, at 229 E. Morris, chronic myocardiitis.
Heleen Tuttle, 32, at Fletcher Sanatorium, coronary occlusion.
William W. Hargrove, 57, at 902 N. Pennsylvania, chronic myocardiitis.
Henry Harrison, 60, at 1210 Naomi, coronary occlusion.
Ruth May Mahaffey, 34, at 1709 Montclair, coronary occlusion.
Zella Parker, 41, at 36 W. 13th, pulmonary tuberculosis.
H. Russell Gatron, 40, at City, brain tumor.
Flora Miller Frost, 78, at 654 River, cerebral hemorrhage.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau

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

TEMPERATURE

Sept. 29, 1937

7 a. m. 49 1 p. m. 53

BAROMETER

7 a. m. 30.37

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7 a. m.00

Total precipitation22.85

Record 2.06

MIDWEST WEATHER

Indiana—Increasing cloudiness, showers beginning in northwest portion late tonight or tomorrow and northeast tomorrow; somewhat warmer tonight, cooler northwest tomorrow.
Illinois—Increasing cloudiness, showers probable north portion tonight and tomorrow and central Friday; somewhat warmer tonight except extreme northwest corner; cooler extreme northwest corner tomorrow.
Ohio—Increasing cloudiness, probably showers in west and north portions tomorrow; warmer tonight, cooler in west and extreme portions tomorrow.
Kentucky—Generally fair and warmer tonight; tomorrow cloudy, warmer in east and south; showers and showers and showers in northwest portion.

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES AT 7 A. M.

Station	Weather	Bar.	Temp.
Albany, N. Y.	Cloudy	30.02	42
Bismarck, N. D.	Cloudy	30.02	46
Boston	Cloudy	30.50	52
Chicago	P. C. Cloudy	30.26	58
Cincinnati	Cloudy	30.42	52
Cleveland	P. C. Cloudy	30.26	58
Denver	Cloudy	29.90	58
Des Moines	Cloudy	30.12	52
Helena, Mont.	Cloudy	30.16	32
Jacksonville, Fla.	Rain	30.12	70
Kansas City, Mo.	Clear	30.10	68
Lafayette, La.	Clear	30.28	88
Los Angeles	Cloudy	30.02	68
Miami, Fla.	Cloudy	29.90	74
Minneapolis	Cloudy	29.90	50
Mobile, Ala.	Clear	30.22	60
New Orleans	Clear	30.16	64
New York	Clear	30.54	54
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Clear	30.12	62
Omaha	P. C. Cloudy	29.90	58
Pittsburgh	Clear	30.48	48
Portland, Ore.	Clear	30.74	56
San Antonio, Tex.	Clear	30.16	68
San Francisco	Clear	29.98	54
St. Louis	Clear	30.28	60
Tampa, Fla.	Cloudy	29.98	72
Washington, D. C.	Clear	30.32	50

\$2,153,836 Is Slashed From City-Center Township Budget

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21-cent cut, total rate \$3.20, Warren, 12-cent cut, \$3.04 final rate; Washington, 12-cent cut, \$2.93 final rate, and Wayne, 37-cent cut, \$3.37 final rate.

Walter Horn, Indiana Taxpayers Association research director, said he would like to see an additional 1-cent cut from the City rate due to an estimated increase of \$31,000 in excise taxes next year.

Whether Board members were considering this was not indicated. It was held likely the tentative rates approved yesterday would go to the State Tax Board tomorrow on the deadline for work of the tax-reviewing body.

Deadline Was Feared

Fabien Blumer, Chief Deputy County Auditor and Tax Board secretary, will present audited and adjusted tax rates to the Board tomorrow.

For a while the possibility of a deadlock on the School City rate was seen yesterday. William Book, Chamber of Commerce executive vice president, told the Board a 5-cent reduction in the \$1.05 school rate was mandatory under a tax distribution law which provides for payment of an additional \$500,000 in gross tax funds to teaching units next year.

School Board members said the rate and budget were at a minimum and that the State law did not mandate the cut.

An agreement between School

Bumper Crops Start Boom in Rural Buying

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Bumper crops have started a farm buying boom unprecedented since the World War, Department of Agriculture economists reported today.

Farmers are buying more—and getting more for their produce—than at any time in the last 15 years. They will have more than \$9,000,000,000 to spend from this year's crops. Long-standing buying records are being smashed.

While total cash farm income still is about 10 per cent below the 1929 peak, the price of manufactured goods which farmers buy is nearly 15 per cent lower than the boom year, the Department reported.

The "balance of purchasing power" between farm products and manufactured goods is the most favorable to farmers in recent years. It takes fewer pounds of cotton or bushels of corn to buy a suit of clothes than at any time since the early 1920s.

Cash income from farm marketing this year was estimated by the Department at \$8,575,000,000. This would be an increase of \$1,000,000,000 over last year and nearly double the 1932 farm income. Government benefit payments will add \$500,000,000 to this.

The purchasing power of farm products does not differ greatly from the predepression period, the Department said. But Government benefit payments give farmers a substantial margin over that period in purchasing power.

BOB BURNS

Says:

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 30.—I sometimes wonder if all these modern conveniences ain't makin' a soft race out of us. Of course, if them scientists want to invent all them electrical gadgets to make our work easier, you can't blame us for usin' 'em. I suppose it goes hand in hand with progress, but I know one lady who carries the modern conveniences a little bit too far. The other day I was over to her house, visitin', when her little boy's nurse came in and complained about all the bad things the lady boy had been doing. The lady called her boy in and says, "Rollo, you've been a naughty boy—you go right into the electric vibrator and give yourself a good shaking."

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BLACK TO MAKE KLAN REPLY IN RADIO ADDRESS

Jurist to Deliver 20-Minute Talk Over Air at 8:30 P. M. Tomorrow.

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various purposes on different occasions," Mr. Ickes said.

"How outraged we can be, you know, when we have a chance to go the other fellow's ox."

"I really think the greatest expert on the subject of the Ku Klux Klan is Mr. Hoover. I refer you to him. He accepted their support. Nobody criticized him."

"You are not intimating he may be a member of the Klan?" a newsman asked.

"I am not intimating anything," Mr. Ickes said. "I know how I felt about the K. K. K. about the time they put on nighties and pillowcases in support of Herbert Hoover. My reaction was such that I voted for Al Smith just on that issue."

BAR REJECTS BLACK INQUIRY

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

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Court declare legislation unconstitutional only by unanimous or nearly unanimous decisions, was not reported by committee. The recommendation was designed to place the association in opposition to 5-4 decisions.

The Committee on Commerce reported it recommended Government regulation of water carriers, approved the Pettingill "long and short haul" railroad bill and disapproved the basing point bill.

A trend by states toward centralizing their own governments' affairs in Washington was noted in the report of a committee on changes in statute laws.

Karl N. Llewellyn, New York, read the report.

Rep. Summers, who is chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, told the convention today the Government had passed into the hands of a million people in its executive Department of death only one man was selected, and which the people could not control.

"What are we going to do about it? I don't give a hoot about big speeches. Are you willing to join a battalion of death to save the Constitution and the Government?"

Dictators sprang up, he said, when people turned their backs on their government and let somebody run it for them.

"As we look to the future, we are rapidly approaching a crisis when it will be decided whether our economic system and our Government will stand or fall."

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

LONDON

WASHINGTON

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foreign troops were withdrawn from Spain. This was a compromise on the demand of the Spanish Loyalists that they be given the right to buy arms abroad.

The subcommittee which made the proposal was one named by the League's sixth Commission, also called the political and the peace commission. It was ordered to draft a proposal for submission to the full committee.

The subcommittee of the "sixth commission" at its meeting today agreed to propose that if French-British negotiations with Italy did not succeed speedily, members of the nonintervention committee consider ending their agreement entirely. This meant, in fact, to consider the possibility of restoring to the Loyalists the right to buy arms openly.

May Ask Armistice

Great Britain and France, at their expected conference with Italy on the Spanish civil war, intend to suggest a suspension of hostilities while foreign volunteers are withdrawn, it was understood today at London.

A French-British note inviting Italy to discuss the volunteer problem is nearing completion and may be forwarded to Rome for delivery tomorrow by the British ambassador and French charge d'affaires.

Il Duce Pledges Drive For European Peace

ROME, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Premier Mussolini, returning from his visit to Fuehrer Hitler to the accompaniment of resounding cheers from the populace of Rome, proclaimed in a speech tonight that Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany would lead Europe to peace.

Premier Mussolini appeared on the balcony of Venice Palace, his official residence, in response to the clamor from the throngs in the square in front of it for a speech.

Britain, France and Italy Sign Pact

PARIS, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—French, British and Italian naval experts today signed an agreement that includes Italy in the Mediterranean "anti-piracy" patrol.

Loyalists Launch Major Offensive

HENDAYE, FRANCO-SPANISH FRONTIER, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Rebel reinforcements were rushed to the northern Aragon front today in an effort to stem a major offensive launched by the Loyalists.

HOWARD DRAFTS MOVE TO UNITE WARRING LABOR

Printers' Head to Propose A. F. of L. Constitution Changes at Parley.

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Howard's own union—International Typographical Union—with headquarters in Indianapolis, at its last convention, he said.

Only C. I. O. Aid There

Mr. Howard is the only official of the C. I. O. who will participate at the A. F. of L. convention. His union has not been suspended although its president is John L. Lewis' chief assistant in the "rebel" committee. Mr. Howard will take part in the Union Label Trades Department convention this afternoon.

His announcement came shortly after J. W. Williams, president of the Building Trades Department, announced that he would not seek re-election, ostensibly because of the opposition of William L. Hutcherson of Indianapolis, president of the Carpenters. Mr. Hutcherson organized a bloc of unions to force expulsion of the C. I. O. unions, including Mr. Howard's.

Mr. Hutcherson attended the Building Trades Department meeting where Mr. Williams urged a broad Federal housing program in his annual report.

Mr. Howard said he would not bring up the subject of his amendments at the Union Label meeting but would await the opening of the full convention Monday. He said he had not talked over the proposition with Mr. Lewis but was "confident" the C. I. O. would rejoin the Federation if it was adopted in full.

OPERATE ON X-RAY EXPERT

PARIS, Sept. 30 (U. P.).—Charles Vaillant, French radiologist, was recovering today from his 14th operation for abdominal lesions produced by X-rays. Dr. Vaillant lost an arm through previous operations. He established the first radiology laboratory in France.

ing the airdromes at Soochow, Ningpo, Hangchow and Chengchi, a Japanese spokesman said. On the Shanghai front, they bombed the Chapel, Kiangwan and Tazang sectors all day.

A Chinese spokesman asserted that the Chinese were not only holding firm against the Japanese "big push" but had retaken the Aikuo Girls' School which has been the scene of stiff fighting.

Corporal Esau Protheroe, of the British Royal Welsh Fusiliers, was wounded slightly in the legs today by shrapnel, identified as from a Japanese shell, while on guard duty along the boundary of the International Settlement.

10 FACTS

EVERY HOME OWNER SHOULD KNOW ABOUT GAS HOUSE HEATING

- 1 Gas fuel is paid for after it is used. No money tied up in stored fuel. All things considered, it is an economy as well as a great convenience.
- 2 You never have to remember to order fuel. Always available when your thermostat calls for heat.
- 3 You never have to stay at home to await fuel deliveries nor do weather conditions interfere with delivery.
- 4 There are no fluctuations in quality — no frequent adjustments required for proper combustion.
- 5 It is more convenient — the only fully automatic heating service available — the greatest value your fuel and equipment dollar can buy.
- 6 There is no odor or noise attached to its combustion.
- 7 It is cleaner. No smudge, grease or leakage.
- 8 Standard price set by gas rate which has steadily tended downward.
- 9 The use of gas for heating will decrease the cost of home maintenance and decorating.
- 10 Minimum of moving parts. No ignition trouble.

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