

SMOKE COVERS CITY 3D TIME, ENDANGERS ILL

Hospitals Filled With Haze; Worse Than Before, Say Administrators.

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pit superintendent; Dr. Charles Myers, City Hospital superintendent, and Albert Scheidt, assistant to the administrator of Indiana University Medical Center hospitals, said the smoke today "is the worst of any time this year."

This Is Awful

"This is awful," Dr. Benson said. "It is worse today than the last time and the last time we thought it couldn't be worse. Something surely will have to be done. This thing gets progressively worse. We have had no difficulties from patients today, but I had plenty last time. It's practically impossible to keep a hospital as clean as it should be with this kind of a pall."

Dr. Myers said that he could not remember when the smoke was as heavy and penetrating at City Hospital.

"You can hardly put in words how bad the smoke is out here today," he said. "If the dirt it brings into the hospital was the only damage done it would be worth drastic action to clear up the situation."

We're Burning Lights'

Mr. Scheidt said he could not comment on the condition of patients in the pall since he was not a physician, but said that the pall was thicker at Robert Long, Coleman and Riley hospitals than at any time in his memory.

"We are burning lights generally throughout the buildings," he said. "Many more than we would ordinarily be burning on a day, that apart from the smoke, would be sun shine."

There was "considerable smoke" in the corridors and rooms of St. Vincent's Hospital during the early morning hours, causing discomfort for patients suffering from respiratory diseases, Sister Rose reported. The smoke within the hospital began to clear about 8:30 a. m. she said.

Down town the pall gathered at 6:30 a. m. and continued to grow thicker until 10 a. m. The sun appeared again as a copper disk. Motorists burned head lights. Office building lights flickered through the haze.

There was a calm at 6 a. m. today, so little air stirring that the cups of the wind measuring machine at the Weather Bureau did not turn around, the bureau reported.

By 10 a. m. the wind had picked up a velocity of four miles an hour and the bureau predicted that by afternoon there would be velocity of 12 to 15 miles an hour.

There was no smoke in the smoke except that which the rapidly cooling coke particles made themselves when they condensed moisture from the air, the bureau said.

Those who came to work from Irvington and suburbs not affected reported the day was bright outside the smoke area.

Mr. Johnson also said he would appoint a Smoke Committee League next week to present proposals for lower coke prices to Thomas L. Kemp, Citizen's Gas and Coke Utility manager.

He indicated the campaign for

MR. PROSECUTOR, MEET MR. PROSECUTOR



Mr. Prosecutor meets Mr. Prosecutor in the lobby of the Claypool Hotel as the heads of Hoosier county legal staffs attended a conference yesterday and today. Shown here are David Long (left), Bedford, prosecutor of Jackson and Lawrence Counties, and C. B. Eskew, Corydon, prosecutor of Harrison and Crawford Counties.

GEORGE METFORD RETURNS



George Metford, a former Indianapolis resident, now is prosecutor of Jefferson and Switzerland Counties. He is shown registering for the meeting. At the table is Miss Mary Gatti, employed in the Attorney General's office.

REPRESENT SOUTHERN INDIANA



Here are two prosecutors from the southern half of Indiana—John W. Goddard (left), Greensburg, Decatur County, and Robert A. Ralston, Paoli, prosecutor of Orange and Washington Counties.

Father Killed When Struck by Auto Near Methodist Hospital

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tragedy and ran across the street to where her mother was weeping over Mr. McNally's body. The young woman still was in her makeup as a pickaninnny in a dancing sextet.

Mr. Garrison told Dr. Norman H. Booher, Deputy Coroner who investigated, that he swerved his car to the left side of the street but could not avoid striking the couple. Mrs. McNally was knocked to the pavement, but was uninjured.

She was reported for shock at the Nurses' Home. Mr. Garrison was not held.

Mr. McNally was born in Crawfordsville, but had lived in Indian-

lower fuel prices would not be carried to the Public Service Commission.

The Citizens Gas & Utility Co. does not have to consult any law-making or governing body to make a sensible fuel available to the people of Indianapolis, he said.

"I have been informed that if the people are willing to accept a 25 cent increase per meter per month in their gas rate, the price of coke can be reduced from \$9.75 per ton to \$8.25, if the retail coal merchants also will co-operate."

Mr. Johnson said the League did not consider this the only method to end the smoke.

Cites Other Types of Coal

"Of course there are other smokeless fuels besides coke. Any coal having a volatile content of not to exceed 20 per cent is defined as a smokeless fuel by the City smoke abatement ordinance. Pocahontas coal comes within this class of smokeless fuel.

"In the larger institutions, automatic mechanical stokers are being used successfully in the abatement of smoke. Many householders also are operating mechanical stokers, and there is an abundance of good stoker coal available right here in Indiana at reasonable prices."

IN INDIANAPOLIS

Here's County Traffic Record

DEATHS	
(To Date)	
1937	138
1936	146
DEATHS IN CITY	
1937	94
1936	116
ACCIDENTS	
(Dec. 1)	5
Accidents	5
Injured	1
Dead	1
ARRESTS	
(Dec. 1)	18
Speeding	18
Reckless Driving	6
Running Preferential Street	3
Running Red Light	4
Drunken Driving	2
Others	11

OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau

INDIANAPOLIS FORECAST: Fair tonight and probably tomorrow; rising temperature; lowest tonight about 29.

Sunrise: 6:49; Sunset: 4:48.

TEMPERATURE
Dec. 2, 1938

7 a. m. 31 1 p. m. 39

BAROMETER
7 a. m. 30.60

Precipitations 24 hrs. ending 7 a. m. .09
Total precipitation since 10 p. m. .33
Excess .33

MIDWEST WEATHER

Indiana—Fair tonight and probably tomorrow; not so cold tonight, warm to 40°.

Illinois—Fair and not so cold tomorrow, possibly increasing cloudiness and warm to 40°.

Michigan—Cloudy, possibly increasing cloudiness and warm to 40°.

Lower Michigan—Much cloudiness tonight and tomorrow, possibly increasing cloudiness and warm to 40°.

Ohio—Fair, slightly warmer in west and warmer in east and north portions tomorrow; in extreme west portions tonight.

Kentucky—Fair tonight and tomorrow; in west and extreme west portions tomorrow and in extreme west portions tonight.

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES AT 7 A. M.

Station, Tex. Weather, Bar. Temp.

Bismarck, N. D. Clear 29.45 22

Boston Cloudy 30.50 30

Chicago Clear 30.58 20

Cincinnati Clear 30.58 20

Detroit, Mich. Clear 30.58 20

Dodge City, Kas. Clear 30.28 32

Fort Worth, Tex. Clear 30.16 46

Jacksonville, Fla. Clear 30.16 46

Kansas City, Mo. Clear 30.46 32

Las Vegas, Nev. Clear 30.04 36

Los Angeles Clear 30.44 36

Minneapolis Clear 30.44 36

Mobile, Ala. Clear 30.38 40

Montgomery, Ala. Clear 30.38 40

New York Cloudy 30.48 36

Okla. City, Okla. Clear 30.44 36

Omaha, Neb. Clear 30.44 36

Pittsburgh Clear 30.56 20

Portland, Ore. Clear 30.18 36

San Antonio, Tex. Clear 30.04 38

San Francisco Clear 30.04 54

St. Louis Clear 30.16 32

Tampa, Fla. Clear 30.16 32

Washington, D. C. Cloudy 30.46 36

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