

Board Made Decision On July 1 to Tunnel Sewer, Records Show

WPA Workers Await Call to Begin 38th St. Project;
Cave-ins Are Reported in Other Cities;
Secret Meeting Revealed.

Under terms of a decision reportedly made at a secret meeting, the Works Board at last is ready to go ahead with the 38th St. storm sewer.

North Side residents, swamped by recent heavy rains, had demanded that the Board settle a technical controversy which has delayed work on the project nearly two months.

The Board announced yesterday it would build the sewer by tunneling—the method advocated June 3 by City Engineer Henry B. Steeg, instead of the open ditch method originally planned.

But although announcement of the decision was not given out until yesterday, Board records showed that it was made July 1.

Although Board members evaded direct questions on the decision, it was learned on good authority that the decision was agreed upon at a secret meeting of seven Board members on Thursday June 30. The Board meets in regular sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Question Debated for Weeks

For weeks, the Board had been unable to decide whether to tunnel and then back fill or to build the big sewer. Manufacturers of concrete pipe, used in a surface cut, advocated that method; manufacturers of steel tunnel lining urged the tunnel method.

Finally, on June 29, Board records show, the Board ordered Mr. Steeg to prepare two sets of specifications "to enable the Board to select alternate bids under the open cut method and also the tunnel method."

Then, unannounced, the secret session was held the next day at some place other than City Hall.

On Friday, July 1, at the regular meeting, Mayor Boettcher asked if the specifications for alternate bids were ready. Mr. Steeg replied they were not. Lloyd D. Claycoyne, attorney for North Side residents who have requested the sewer, asked the Board to hasten its decision so work could be started.

Mayor Boettcher assured him a decision would be reached "very soon."

The next day, Saturday, July 2, the torrential rain struck, flooding the North Side area once more.

On July 5, Mayor Boettcher declared, "There can be no further delay," and ordered Mr. Steeg to speed up his two sets of specifications so the Board could advertise for alternate bids.

July 1 Entry Revealed

No further action was taken last week. Then yesterday, the Board's decision was announced. The entry of July 1 on the Board minutes was revealed.

It said: "The Board hereby re-sets all previous instructions to the City Civil Engineer with reference to the manner and method of constructing the College Ave. main storm sewer, and said Engineer is now directed and instructed to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of said sewer by and under the tunnel method of construction of sewers."

Board Secretary Ernest Fricke usually keeps his minutes at Camp Perry, O., in August, reported yesterday to Capt. Montgomery McKey. A team captain, 10 principals, two alternates and a coach will be in charge.

An entertainment program will be presented tomorrow night through the courtesy of L. S. Ayres and the Women's Overseas Service League.

PRESIDENT SENDS GREETINGS TO ELKS

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. July 12 (U. P.)—Greetings from President Roosevelt and the plaudits of Charles Edison, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, who called them "practical patriots" and "practical pacifists," were bestowed today on the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks at their 74th annual convention.

Mr. Roosevelt messaged: "I am encouraged to learn that the Elks so long active in all good work are also to the maintenance of adequate national defense."

Mr. Edison, addressing the delegates, said that the Elks had much in common with the Navy in their attitude toward national preparedness.

TOWNSSEND CALLED IN FREIGHT HEARING

Governor Townsend is to testify Thursday in the Interstate Commerce Commission hearing at Buffalo on the petition of eight Southern Governors for special freight rates as a means of developing southern industries.

The hearing is to be opened today for a preliminary conference.

Other difficulties have beset cities on tunnel projects. For example, Walter S. Rae, a Pittsburgh contractor, was awarded \$16,839 damages against the city of Reading, Pa., on a tunnel job, according to an article in the June 16 issue of the *Engineering News-Record*, construction industry trade journal.

WPA labor is to be used on the job. Carl Kortepeter, Marion County WPA administrator, has said the tunnel method will employ fewer men than the open ditch method.

Engineers Cite Cave-In

Engineers who urged the open ditch system told the Board recently that serious cave-ins have occurred when the tunnel method was used elsewhere. In one city, a cave-in resulted in the death of several workers.

The engineers said that WPA men are seldom skilled enough to do tunnel work and that cities have been importuned skilled laborers from other cities.

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THIS GERMAN NEVER
HEARD ABOUT HITLER

YONKERS, N. Y., July 12 (U. P.)—Cort Pistorius, 16-year-old German boy, was asked in City Court today what he thought of Adolf Hitler.

"Who?" asked the boy, who was charged with jumping a ship from Germany.

"Hitler," said a policeman. "That head of your country—Adolf Hitler."

"Who is he?" Cort asked.

questioned whether Mr. Piersol could furnish the pipe immediately.

Next lowest bidder was the Indianapolis Concrete Pipe Corp. at \$1400. A member of that company said he could furnish the pipe at once and Mr. Steeg suggested his company be awarded the contract if Mr. Piersol is unable to deliver the pipe immediately.

The Board received three bids on a part of the concrete pipe for the project. Low bid was submitted by J. C. Piersol at \$1312. Mr. Steeg

Girls Prepare for Camp at Winona Lake



These five girls are inspecting the handcraft materials they will work with this summer at Camp Winona, Winona Lake, as Miriam Martin, counselor and archery instructor, explains their use. The prospective campers are (left to right): Betty Jane Williams, Susan Arand, Miss Martin, Betsy Maynard and Martha Jean Haverstick. The Tabernacle Presbyterian Church is camp sponsor.

3 Companies at C. M. T. C. Camp Try Again This Afternoon.

A second parade was scheduled for student soldiers at the Citizens Military Training Camp at Ft. Harrison, Indianapolis, today, after three companies tied for first place in the parade last night.

They are Company A, commanded by Capt. C. F. Klinek, Cincinnati, O.; Company B, commanded by Capt. R. A. Wagner, Dayton, O., and the Signal Company, headed by the Lieutenant G. E. Kent, Columbus, O.

A full day's program was scheduled for the 2242 cadets today, starting with rifle squad practice at 8 a. m., extended order drill at 9 a. m. and first-aid training for third and fourth years, followed by work on advanced scouting and patrolling. Citizenship classes topped off the morning program.

The afternoon schedule included studies in mapping and aerial photography for fourth-year men; musket practice for third-year men, and supervised athletics and recreation for the entire camp.

Athletic Events

Preliminary bouts in camp wrestling and boxing meets will be held at 7 p. m.

Special assignments of the day included radio code practice and installation and operation of field telephones and controls for the Signal Company, and instruction in machine-gun use for the Machine Gun Company.

John R. Lloyd, Cambridge, O., won the pistol championship among fourth-year men yesterday with an "expert" score of 89 per cent.

Command of the cadet companies will be transferred tomorrow from officers of the 329th Ohio Reserve Infantry to the 330th Ohio Infantry. Old and new officers were guests at a reception last night in the officers' club.

Naylor at Reception

The receiving line included Brig. Gen. William K. Naylor, post commander; Col. L. A. Kunz, 11th Infantry, and camp commander; Col. H. D. McMurtry, 10th Infantry; S. R. Harsh, 330th Infantry commander; Col. Thomas Robbins, senior medical officer, reserve; and Maj. O. H. Cornwell, 329th Infantry commander.

Candidates for a C. M. T. C. rifle team to represent the Fifth Army Area at national rifle matches at Camp Perry, O., in August, reported yesterday to Capt. Montgomery McKey. A team captain, 10 principals, two alternates and a coach will be in charge.

**Report Farley
Willing to Be
Baseball Tsar**

Etta Jones Case Goes To Jury for 2d Time

DANVILLE, July 12.—For the second time the case of Mrs. Etta Jones, charged with first-degree murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Helen Schuler, was to go to a jury this afternoon.

The jury, composed chiefly of farmers, was expected to begin deliberation about 4 p. m. They will go to their chamber with a demand by the State attorneys that Mrs. Etta Jones be found guilty and charged and be made to "suffer death in the electric chair."

John Kelley, Marion County deputy prosecutor, told the jurors the gun introduced into evidence was found at the scene of the crime and was used by the defendant to kill Helen Schuler and to wound her stepmother in the Beech Grove Hotel.

"It stretches the imagination to expect that public ownership would reduce the total cost of transportation or improve the product," Mr. Cox said. "It would not reduce what happened in the days of Government operation during and immediately following the War."

"Without amplifying, I merely ask you to think what the result would be of placing over a million railroad employees on Government payrolls under political control."

Denies Having Gun

Mrs. Bess Robbins, Indianapolis, was to close pleadings for the defense this afternoon. The jury was expected to get their instructions from Special Judge Edgar A. Rice at 3 p. m.

The jury also composed for the most part of farmers disagreed after a three weeks' trial in January, placing Mrs. Jones back behind the bars to await the second trial that will climax today.

Helen Schuler, Tell City, daughter of Walter Schuler, Beech Grove, and stepdaughter of Mrs. Lottie Jones, was found shot to death the day of the fatal shooting, was found lying of bullet wounds on the floor of a bedroom in the Schuler home a year ago Thursday.

Denies Having Gun

Mrs. Jones, who remained on the witness stand for the greater part of the day yesterday, said she never knew the Schulers before July 14 and that she had gone to the home on that day to inquire about music lessons for her 7-year-old daughter, Betty Jean.

Mrs. Jones has denied steadfastly she shot the child or her stepmother or held a gun in her hand at any time.

The first jury went into their chambers for deliberation at approximately the same time the new jury is expected to go out. The jury in January remained out more than 30 hours before being dismissed by Judge Rice.

MORGAN TO JOIN IN CHICAGO PARLEY

CHICAGO, July 12—DeWitt Morgan, Indianapolis school superintendent, will participate in a five-day conference on problems of education and administration at the University of Chicago, starting July 18.

It will follow the twelfth annual Institute for Administrative Officers of Higher Institutions, which meets tomorrow to discuss training of college teachers. Noted educators will attend.

The new \$800,000 shops, garage, service and transportation buildings of the Indianapolis Railways will be dedicated formally at a luncheon meeting Monday in the new garage at 1130 W. Washington St. An inspection tour will follow.

Among the items in this program are reduction in operating expenses, equality of treatment for all forms of transportation with the elimination of subsidies for some, and relief from costly and restrictive legislation. He said the railroads also sought revision of statutes to allow for more automation, adjusting rates and fares, regulation of carrier carriers and the right to accumulate surplus earnings in normal time.

Disorderly

Is Right, Say

These Police

BAY CITY, Mich., July 12 (U. P.)—Police wished today they never had arrested Tom Massaro on a charge of disorderly conduct.

It wasn't until Massaro was locked in a cell at the City Jail that showed how disorderly he can be. In three weeks of custody Massaro:

Tore down the steam and water pipes in the jail, causing damage of several hundred dollars.

Set the County Jail afire when he was transferred there.

Started three fires in the City Jail when he was returned because Sheriff's deputies thought he was too hot to handle.

Reportedly escaped out of a strait jacket in which he was placed at the County Infirmary.

Freed himself from his bonds of 100 feet of rope, slipped the keys from the pocket of a sleeping, exhausted guard, and escaped from the Infirmary.

Led an attempted break of 13 prisoners from the County Jail by sawing the bars to the bullpen.

**CITY PASTOR HEADS
LUTHERAN LEAGUE**

LAKE WAWASEE, July 12 (U. P.)—The Rev. Allen K. Trout, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Indianapolis, today headed the Indiana Synod Luther League for the second consecutive year following closing of the 41st annual convention of the organization.

Other officers elected included Miss Dorothy Emerson, Elkhart, vice president; Mrs. Esther Emrich of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Ft. Wayne, recording secretary; Miss Marie Wetzel, Anderson, treasurer, and Miss Ada Stocking, Elkhart, corresponding secretary.

2 BROTHERS DENIED RELEASE FROM JAIL

Two brothers, both charged with kidnapping and murder, today were denied release from County Jail on bond by Judge Pro Tem. William E. Riley in Criminal Court.

Clavin Cummings, 21, R. R. 17, Box 2398, a former convict, and his younger brother, Clayton, are held in connection with the death of Harold Roney, fatally injured in fight in a poolroom near Belmont Ave. and Michigan St., May 29.

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**GUN DISCHARGED
AS TAXI DRIVER
BATTLES BANDIT**

Two Others Held Up Here; Thieves Obtain \$275 in Crime Series.

Three persons were held up by armed bandits and lost of about \$275 was taken in overnight crimes, police reported today.

Guy White, 43, a taxi driver, of 1618 E. Raymond St., escaped in injury when he grappled with a passenger who pressed a gun to his back. With the automobile in motion, Mr. White grabbed the gun, accidentally discharging it, the bullet striking the roof of the taxi.

The passenger fled from the car, disappearing between houses near Indiana Ave. and Michigan St. Mr. White told police. The bandit obtained no loot, Mr. White said.

Bandit Gets \$5

An armed robber, described as six feet tall, took \$5 from William Kegan, 51½ E. Washington St., in a holdup in N. Blackford St. 400 block, it was reported to police.

While asking the direction to Indiana Ave., a man held up Earl Shidler, 21, of 230 W. Wyoming St., at knife-point and took \$25. The bandit, accompanied by a woman, fled in an auto, containing two other men and a woman, and drove away, Mr. Shidler, told police