

## WAIT INDICATED FOR SOUTH SIDE TEN-ACRE PARK

Schedule of Fixing Other Playgrounds Too Heavy, Perry Declares.

The Park Board's play to create a "garden spot" from 10 acres of lumpy ground immediately south of the Asphalt Plant probably will not materialize for several months, it was indicated today.

The plot, donated by the Works Board, was the Park Commissioners' answer to the plea of South Side residents for a playground and park.

It was pointed out by the Commissioners three months ago that the land was available for playground use and that there was a lot of it. Best of all, it was free.

### Plan Must Wait Now

There was something said about trees being planted this summer, of grassy plots and park benches, being put in. Maybe a Community house where residents could gather in the evenings for meetings. It would be a model approach to the City, too.

But the trees and the grass, the community house and the benches are not in the cards this summer. Park Board Engineer J. Edward Perry said that no planting could be done until fall because of the heavy schedule of fixing up the Park Department's other playgrounds.

"We hoped to get it all done," Mr. Perry said. "But we won't be able to plant until fall."

### Plot Ready for Softball

Mr. Perry said that grading had been finished and the plot was now ready to be used for softballs. He said that two backstops for two diamonds would be put up, but that he doubted whether backstops for tennis courts, which were also in the picture, could be obtained this season.

Work on renovating the City's 38 playgrounds will begin about June 1, officials said. Both playgrounds and pools will open June 12.

### PROTEST REDUCTION OF NEWSSTAND SIZE

Twenty-five downtown newsstand operators, all over 50 years of age, today asked the Works Board to modify its order reducing newsstand dimensions, "so that we can make an honest dollar."

Through their attorney, Clyde Karrer, they said that the newsstand, which can be no higher than 46 inches, will not provide shelter for the operator, and that many of the more aged will be "driven off the streets."

The Board said it would take no further action in the matter and Mr. Karrer said he and some other citizens intended to confer with the Mayor, about it. The order becomes effective next Thursday.

### AIR STUNTS SLATED AT PURDUE SUNDAY

WEST LAFAYETTE, May 19.—The 11th annual American Legion Purdue Air Meet will be held at the university field Sunday.

Mike Murphy, stunt diver, will head the list of performers. Others include Commander Ed Leach, William Moose and Earl Stein, batwing parachute jumper.

A model airplane contest will be held during the morning for gas-powered and still models.

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## CITY MANAGER STUDY PUSHED

I. U. and Purdue Heads Get Resolution; Each to Name Two to Committee.

Copies of the Legislature's resolution providing for a City Manager Study Commission today were sent to presidents of Indiana and Purdue Universities who are to appoint two committee members each.

Organization of the committee was started by Lt.-Gov. Henry F. Schricker, who is also to name one member of the committee. Other members will be named by Governor Townsend and Rep. James Knapp (D, Hagerstown).

The resolution making possible a general study to determine the advisability of the city manager form of government in Indiana cities was sponsored by Rep. Howard Batman (D, Terre Haute) and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

President Edward E. Elliott of Purdue and President Herman B. Wells of Indiana University will be asked to make their appointments soon after receiving certified copies of the resolution.

## CALLS SINO-JAP STRIFE USELESS

Shanghai Y. M. Official Says China Was Open for Friendly Trade.

**Times Special**  
GREENCASTLE, May 19.—The Chinese-Japanese war "has been a terrible war and an unnecessary one," C. W. Pettit, general secretary of the foreign Y. M. C. A. in Shanghai, China, said in an interview here today.

Prior to the invasion, Japan was in position to develop her trade and institutions in China on a friendly, co-operative basis," Mr. Pettit said.

In the invaded area, 52 institutions of higher learning have been bombed, or occupied by the Japanese. This has forced 100,000 Chinese college students out of their schools.

Phil Pettit, son of Mr. Pettit, is a sophomore at the university.

## WABASH EXERCISES START TOMORROW

**Times Special**  
CRAWFORDSVILLE. May 19.—The 10th commencement of Wabash College will be held June 3, 4 and 5 on the campus.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by the Rev. William R. Graham, Lafayette Central Presbyterian Church pastor, will begin the June 4 ceremony.

Degrees will be awarded June 5.

Classes of '89, '94, '99, '04, '09, '14 and '19 have planned reunions for the week-end and the members of these classes will attend the alumni dinner.

Included on June 3 program are a board of trustees meeting, a Baldwin oratorical contest, a picnic buffet and a concert on the chapel steps by the Ambassadors, campus dance band.

Phil Droke, owner, reported to police.

### ROB DROKE OFFICE

Burglars broke into the Maxwell Droke Publishing Co., 1014 N. Pennsylvania St., last night and stole four typewriters and an adding machine with a total value of \$325.

Maxwell Droke, owner, reported to police.

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