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## NEW EVIDENCE IS INDICATED IN RELIEF INQUIRY

'Results in Last 24 Hours' Important, Says Lewis; State Laws Scanned.

Important new evidence in the Grand Jury's Center Township relief investigation has been uncovered in the last 24 hours by deputy prosecutors, it was indicated today. Prosecutor David M. Lewis declined to comment on the situation other than to remark that "results in the last 24 hours have been particularly satisfactory."

With the Grand Jury in recess until Monday, the prosecutor and his deputies began an intensive study of state laws affecting relief.

### Relief Statutes Studied

Several deputies spent a large part of the day poring over relief statutes in the Indianapolis Bar Association library at the Court House.

Mr. Lewis and Samuel E. Garrison, Grand Jury deputy prosecutor, spent two hours alone in the Grand Jury room studying other phases of the law and checking over their evidence.

Meanwhile, Leo X. Smith, attorney for the Center Township trustee, conferred with a "prominent citizen" in an attempt to complete the committee of five named to work out a businesslike administration of relief for the township.

### Name Withheld

Following refusal of William H. Book, Chamber of Commerce executive vice president, to serve, Trustee Thomas M. Quinn and the township Advisory Board met last night and named a man to replace Mr. Book. The new appointee's name was withheld pending his acceptance or rejection.

The group also issued a statement regretting Mr. Book's decision not to serve and asking him to submit any suggestions he may have for eliminating objectionable practices which brought on the present Grand Jury probe for poor relief.

The township Advisory Board last night accepted a suggestion that it abandon the idea of having a citizens committee to revamp the relief administration and make whatever changes the Board itself deems necessary.

### Four Agree to Serve

Members of the committee who have agreed to serve are Harry Miesse, Indiana Taxpayers Association executive secretary; Oscar P. Barry, plumbing firm operator; Charles M. Dawson, Washington Township trustee; and John G. McNutt, attorney and member of the recent Tax Adjustment Board.

Mr. McNutt is listed as Democratic committeeman for Precinct 5, Ward 18. Mr. Garrison denied reports that Grand Jury subpoenas had been ignored yesterday, saying that through a misunderstanding on the part of a clerk, only a portion of the 30 subpoenas issued for yesterday had been served.

The remainder of the 30 were served later in the day and some of the witnesses met before the jury recessed. The others, Mr. Garrison said, agreed to appear Monday.

## STOCKS ARE LOWER; PRICE RANGE NARROW

### BY UNITED PRESS

Stocks were lower at New York today after a generally narrow fluctuation. Some issues suffered losses of \$1 or more.

Announcement by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau that the recent \$250,000,000 RFC note offering had been oversubscribed 14 times brought a firm tone into Government issues, while other sections of the bond market was irregular. Wheat and corn were fractionally lower at Chicago.

## RED CAB MEETS CITY INSURANCE RULING

Officials of the Red Cab, Inc., today filed notice at the City Controller's office that new public liability insurance to meet the requirements of City ordinances had been obtained.

The company's action nullified a Safety Board recommendation that its operating license be suspended if it failed to renew a liability policy which expired early last month. City Corporation Counsel Edward H. Knight said the company has met necessary requirements.

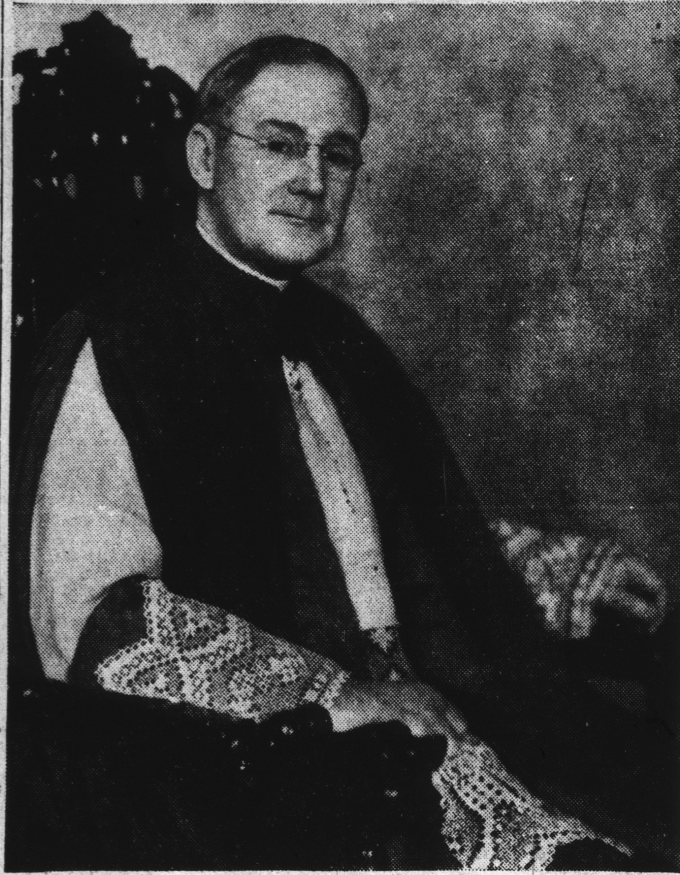
## LYNN BARI INJURED

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 2 (U. P.).—Lynn Bari, motion picture actress, nursed an injured arm today. She splintered a bone in her left arm when she fell down stairs at the Union Depot. She came to Albany for a film premiere.

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## Msgr. O'Connor Dies at 55



Msgr. O'Connor... understood people and their problems.

## Joan of Arc Pastor Led Catholic Charity Here

Friends Called Him 'Cardinal Hayes of Indianapolis'; Funeral Services to Be Held Monday.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Maurice F. O'Connor, pastor of St. Joan of Arc Church, largest Catholic parish in Indianapolis, died today at St. Vincent's Hospital.

Msgr. O'Connor often was referred to by associates as "the Cardinal Hayes of Indianapolis" because of his charitable work. Death came to him on All Souls Day, as many believed he had wished.

Only a month ago, he requested assistants to conduct a tridium in honor of Our Lady of Sorrows, which would end on All Souls Day. Such a tridium will close at St. Joan of Arc Church tonight.

Msgr. O'Connor, who was 55, had been a patient at the hospital for several weeks and had been in failing health for more than a year.

Funeral arrangements were made immediately by officials of the Diocese of Indianapolis. The body is to be taken to the St. Joan of Arc rectory, 4217 Central Ave., tomorrow and may be viewed there until Sunday afternoon.

The body will be taken to the church at that time and will lie in state. Services will be held the next morning. The scores of priests from throughout the diocese who will attend will begin reading the office of the dead at 9:30 a. m.

The Most Rev. Joseph E. Ritter, Bishop of the Diocese of Indianapolis, will officiate at the Pontifical Requiem Mass which will follow. Burial will be at Holy Cross Cemetery.

### Was Born Here

Msgr. O'Connor was born in Indianapolis, April 5, 1884. The son of the late Timothy and Mary O'Connor. In boyhood he expressed his desire for the life of the religious.

After attending parochial schools here he attended St. Joseph's College at Rensselaer and then entered St. Mary's Seminary at Cincinnati.

He was ordained to the priesthood by the late Archbishop Moeller of the Cincinnati archdiocese, May 21, 1910, and celebrated his first mass a week later at St. John's Church here where he had been an altar boy.

His first assignment was as assistant pastor at St. Augustine at Jeffersonville. He subsequently filled assistant pastorates at St. Mary of the Woods, Terre Haute, and St. Patrick's and St. John's here.

In 1918 he became administrator (Continued on Page Three)

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His sentence was for life and he placed in court records a vow never to seek liberty again. Thus he closed his world forever to the skyways in which, in the brief span of four months, he had etched a bizarre career—Indiana's "Flying Lochinvar," stealer of planes, the "Flying Fool," kidnaper, slayer.

He had come on a prosaic 60-mile ride, handcuffed in an automobile and by dark from Macon, Mo., where the surprise conclusion of his case occurred at 6 p. m. yesterday.

At that moment he stood before Judge Harry Libby, heard a lawyer plead him guilty to the first degree murder of Carl Bivens, 39, Brookfield flying instructor, and heard this question asked:

"In view of the fact that I am about to mete out to you the lesser of two punishments for your crime, do you swear that you will never seek parole?"

He said calmly: "I do." Judge Libby then pronounced sentence.

Carl Bivens' widow, Rita, mother of two grown sons, had asked the State to spare his life "but put him away where he won't ever get out to do any more harm."

Prosecutor Vincent Moody of Macon, entered no objection to the life sentence.

Mrs. Bivens said in Brookfield she was motivated, in a measure, by her sympathy for Pletch's elderly parents.

"Mr. Moody (the Macon prosecutor) called me late yesterday," she said, "and asked me what I thought they ought to do to that boy. He asked me if I demanded the death penalty. Of course I said no, I didn't want any more killings. And they did just what I wanted them to do, and just what I told Mr. Moody."

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## URGES ADDED INSPECTION OF MEAT SUPPLY

Dr. Harvey Says Only 14 Out Of 180 Plants Have U. S. Inspectors.

### By NOBLE REED

About half the meat sold in Indiana is packed by firms that have no regular government inspections, the State Health Department disclosed today.

Of 180 packing firms in Indiana only 14 have Federal Government inspectors at the plants daily, checking the condition of animals and the meat as it is prepared for public consumption, according to Dr. Verne K. Harvey, State Health director. Indianapolis packing plants that have Federal inspectors are: Kingan & Co., Armour & Co., and City Butchers Co.

### Urges Legislation

"A solution to this condition is going to be demanded by the public sooner or later and I think proper state legislation will have to be pushed through the next Legislature," said Dr. Harvey.

"Of course, thorough cooking destroys any harmful germs but in cases of half-cooked meats known as 'rare' servings the danger of ill effects always is present if the cuts should happen to be from diseased animals."

Dr. Charles H. Herrold, head of the Indiana Bureau of Federal Meat Inspection, said that between 1 and 2 per cent of all animals inspected at the 14 plants in Indiana are condemned as unfit for packing.

### Holds Inspectors Needed

"Packers who have no regular inspection might be convinced that their meat is perfectly all right when it isn't," he said. "Bad meat cannot always be detected unless an experienced inspector is on duty full-time at the packing plant."

Under Federal laws, any meat packing firm that makes interstate shipments must have Federal inspectors at their plants. The 166 firms in Indiana do not have to have Federal inspection because they make no shipments out of the state.

The State Health Department has only six food inspectors for the entire state and their time is spent mostly in inspections of restaurants and retail food stores, Dr. Harvey said.

### Four Cities Have Staffs

"Our limited staff can get around to a packing plant once a year and then they can only make inspections as to general sanitation conditions at the plant. No check can be made on the animals or meat."

Four Indiana cities, Indianapolis, Ft. Wayne, Lafayette and Richmond have city meat inspectors but they, too, make only periodic inspections of meats and plants.

Dr. Harvey said restaurant owners of the State proposed meat inspection (Continued on Page Three)

## READ, 86, HUMORIST, IS DEAD AT CHICAGO

'Arkansas Traveler' Author Ill Only Short Time.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2 (U. P.).—Ole Read, a member of the great school of American humorists that included Mark Twain, Josh Billings and Eugene Field a half century ago, died today at 86.

The white-haired author who won fame with his "Arkansas Traveler," published 50 years ago, became seriously ill a week ago. He had been living with his daughter, Mrs. Belle Latham King, and completed his last book early this year, "The Autobiography of the Devil—Satan's Side of It."

Born at Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 22, 1852, the son of a plantation owner, Mr. Read began his writing career as a reporter for the Franklin (Ky.) Patriot at 21.

He was an ardent golfer. Once while playing a Texas course his ball was trapped behind a bunker.

He was asked: "How many strokes did you take down there?"

"Three," he replied.

"But we heard six," his partners said.

Mr. Read explained: "There were three echoes."

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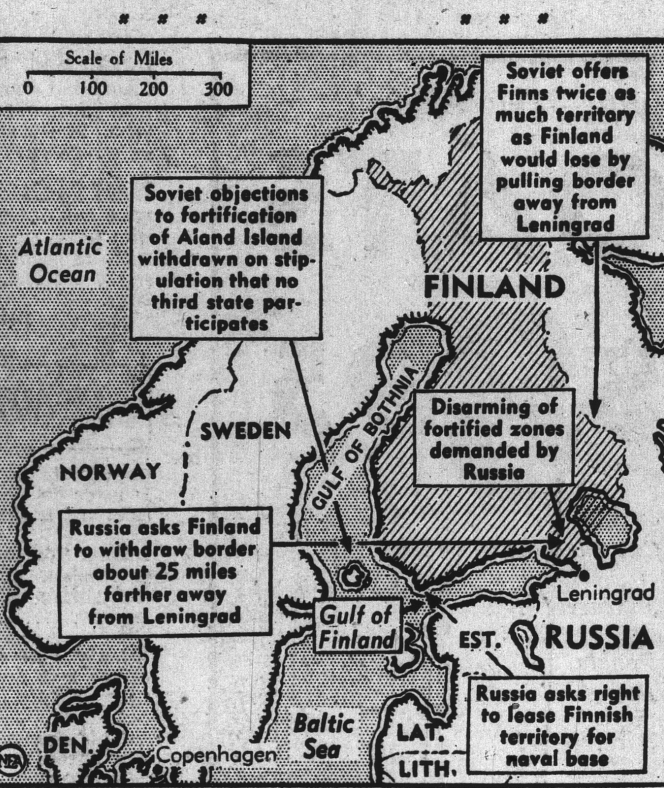
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## BALTIC-BALKAN INTRIGUE OVERSHADOWS FIGHTING



This map shows Russia's demands on Finland, except for the non-aggression treaty... that is the demand to which Finland most objected.

## HOUSE VOTE ON EMBARGO NEAR

Conferees to Get Orders Today; Rayburn Denies U. S. on Verge of War.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (U. P.).—Sam Rayburn, the Administration floor leader, today told the House just before it was scheduled for the important vote on retaining the arms embargo that the "United States is not on the verge of war."

"The question has been raised of changing some rules during the game," Mr. Rayburn said.

"Whose game? We have no part in the game that is being played in Europe today."

Vote Scheduled Today

He declared that every country in the world had been "put on notice" that changes were coming in the neutrality law when the President first asked Congress to enact new neutrality legislation.

The vote on the embargo issue, scheduled before night, will come on the question of instructing House conferees to seek retention of the embargo on arms exports.

Rep. Luther A. Johnson (D. Tex.) led off closing debate with the charge that the arms embargo has "played into the hands of dictator nations."

Charges Russia Gives Orders

"We've had word from the dictator of Russia that they don't want us to pass this bill," Mr. Johnson said. "What would they think of us if we told them what to do in their internal law?"

A succession of Republican speakers followed Mr. Johnson. Some of them merely extended their remarks in the record in favor of keeping the embargo.

The Senate recessed until 7 p. m. after Democratic Leader Allen W. Barkley was unable to obtain unanimity. (Continued on Page Three)

## MERCURY MAY DROP INTO 20S TONIGHT

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 a. m.	30	10 a. m.	40
7 a. m.	32	11 a. m.	42
8 a. m.	34	12 (noon)	41
9 a. m.	35	1 p. m.	42

"Radiator-alcohol" weather is to continue here tonight and tomorrow with the temperature dropping to between 25 and 28 degrees tonight, the weatherman said today.

The low for last night in Indianapolis was 30 degrees at 6 a. m., or about 12 degrees below normal for this period of the year.

Warmer weather will return, probably by the week-end, according to J. H. Arrington, meteorologist.

Snow flurries in Chicago are local, caused by cold winds off Lake Michigan and there are no indications of early snow here, he said.

## NAZIS SINK TANKER, KEEP IT FROM BRITISH

PANAMA, Nov. 2 (U. P.).—The crew of the 4327-ton German tanker Emmy Friedrich sank their ship in the Caribbean Sea Oct. 24 to prevent the British cruiser Despatch from capturing it and its 40,000 barrels of oil, reliable quarters said today.

Overtaken by the 29-knot Despatch, on its way from Tampico, Mexico, the Emmy Friedrich's crew opened the ship's sea cocks and smashed the valves so the British could not close them. It was understood that the Germans were taken aboard the Despatch and later transferred to another ship or landed at a British West Indian port.

## Bingo Back?

Chief Frowns as Chain Letters Advertise Game by Mail.

THE LATE and in some cases lamented bingo, buried a year ago by Police Chief Michael Morrissey, today appeared to be resurrecting itself.

Chain letters, containing instructions for playing the game by mail, were being circulated through the city and promising rich rewards of \$500 or more to winners, and assuring everyone he couldn't lose.

Chief Morrissey said he will ask Federal co-operation and investigate the whole thing.

"We will investigate to determine who is printing the letters and who is behind the scheme," Chief Morrissey said.

## NAZIS DROP SHELLS ON DESERTED TOWN

French Say German Claims Are Exaggerated.

PARIS, Nov. 2 (U. P.).—German artillery, after previously shelling a French village on the Western Front, have shelled a French town for the first time since the war started, it was announced today.

German batteries opened a blast yesterday afternoon on Forbach, four miles from German Saarbrücken. The people had been evacuated long ago.

The Germans also shelled with four-inch guns a hill two miles northeast of Saarbrücken, it was announced.

French patrols made prisoner a German youth of 18, and said that the German forces contained many youths, serving under experienced officers.

Authoritative German reports of activities on the Western Front, shameshadow German successes and minimized losses.

They denied that the French had retired from their resistance positions established before the German attack of Oct. 12 or that the Germans had occupied a strip of French territory 10 miles wide and 2½ miles deep east of the Moselle.

BERLIN, Nov. 2 (U. P.).—The German High Command said in a communique today:

"In the west there was only slight artillery fire at several points."

fair tactics and cheating have prevailed in the elections this year," the editorial read. "We challenge the Student Council to do something about such a situation."

Mr. Cotton said that a couple of fraternities got together in caucus for the senior elections, first of the year, and ran around end on the campaign, with their entire slate elected.

At the junior elections, the ones who had been run around end on in the first place, got together and did some end-running themselves. They elected their slate.

Mr. Cotton made no mention of the sophomore elections, but he was sufficiently moved about the freshman elections to write the editorial, which resulted in the theft of the issue.

Meanwhile, freshmen filed solemnly to the polls, voted their votes, and then fled away again wondering, for the most part, why they had not received a copy of the Collection.

"We have positive proof that un-

## Russia Confident Finland Must Capitulate; Soviet, Germany and Italy Make Rival Moves in Southern Europe.

By LOUIS F. KEEBLE  
United Press Cable Editor

Three European war "fronts" were active today:

1. Finland and the Baltic.
2. The Balkans.
3. The Maginot and Siegfried Lines.

At the moment the Baltic looks most exciting. Finnish Foreign Minister Elias Erkkö said his nation was willing to resist "any attempted territorial penetration by Russia." But Russia is confident that the Finnish mission returning to Moscow today will have to come to terms in the "final phase" of the discussions after the Supreme Soviet adjourns.

The reason for Russia's confidence is that Finland stands alone in a military way.

Finland has been assured of the warm sympathy, and moral support of Norway, Sweden and Denmark, but it looks like a case of the three sister nations saying to Finland: "Let's you and him fight; we'll hold our coat."

The chief stumbling block in the negotiations is the Karelian Isthmus, the narrow, wide extremity of southeastern Finland between the Gulf of Finland and Lake Ladoga which brings Finnish defenses within 20 miles of Leningrad.

The rocky, wooded and lake dotted isthmus is ideal for defense and Finland has it amazingly well-fortified. To revise the border and sacrifice those fortifications, as Russia demands, would be to lay Finland wide open to invasion.

A compromise on that issue might save the day. If Finland gives up Karelia, it is capitulation.

Balkan Struggle Strategic

In the Balkans, quietly and without ballyhoo, there is an intense struggle for advantage going on.

On one side, the Balkan States are trying to smooth out differences among themselves and form a Balkan alliance with, with the support of Turkey and Italy, would tend to discourage aggression against them.

Greece and Italy today patched up their long-standing difficulties and reaffirmed their 1920 non-aggression treaty. This took one of the biggest stumbling blocks to Balkan solidarity out of the way.

On the other side, Germany and Russia are building their fences to get the utmost in trade advantage through agreement, and the Allies are not idle in pushing their interests.

What is going on is shown in scattered dispatches which seldom appear on the front pages, but add up to something.

Danube Trade Hurried

Germany has concluded trade agreements with Rumania, Bulgaria and Jugoslavia which will insure a source of vitally needed war material and food.

Overland transit from Jugoslavia into Germany across their common border is comparatively simple. Rumania has just completed a railroad across the Danube, which simplifies transit to Germany through Slovakia. In addition, Rumania and Bulgaria lie along the Black Sea.

Commerce from the Black Sea, especially wheat, oil, and minerals from Russia, can be taken up the Danube into Germany, as long as the river is open to navigation.

In advance of the winter freeze, the river is reported to be heavy with traffic.

Expect Offer to Bulgaria

Russia is doing her dickering not so much for immediate trade advantage as for future political dominance of certain areas.

Perturbed by Turkey's adherence to the Allies, after Russia thought a Turkish-Russian alliance was the bag, has impelled Russia to adopt measures calculated to impress the Turks.

Germany, incidentally, also is sending Baron von Papen to sound out Turkey on exactly where she stands and President Ismet Inönü of Turkey declared his Government wished to remain on good terms with everybody.

One thing Russia has done is to send a delegation of seven Gov-

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## ROCKEFELLER ASKS WORLD LABOR PEACE

NEW YORK, Nov. 2 (U. P.).—John D. Rockefeller Jr. appealed yesterday for peace among nations and between business and labor.

He spoke at a ceremony during which he drove the final rivet in the final building of Rockefeller Center. He stressed the need for the fullest development of mankind under conditions of individual and industrial freedom and urged co-operation among businessmen and labor to enhance the wealth of civilization.

AVIATORS TO RESUME HOP GUAYQUILLO, Ecuador, Nov. 2 (U. P.).—Commander Humberto Gallino and his brother, Capt. Victor Gallino, Peruvian aviators, said today that they would resume their New York-Lima flight tomorrow. The aviators, who were forced down on Puna Island in the Gulf of Guayaquil Monday while attempting a non-stop flight, spent today making minor repairs to their plane.

## Newspapers Disappear On Eve of Butler Vote

The political pot at Butler University boiled over today as freshmen, hardly aware of what was happening, fled to the polls to choose their officers.

The major election disturbance was the disappearance of the entire issue of the Butler Collegian, student newspaper, which had a front page editorial on the general theme: "We're Gonna Be Robbed."

Most of the issue of the paper disappeared from a table in Arthur Jordan Hall, where the copies had been placed for distribution last night.

One hundred exchange copies disappeared from behind two locked doors, one of which was forced, according to the editor, Edward Cotton, who wrote the editorial.

When the theft was discovered, 500 more copies were printed, but the usual distribution is about 1500. Thus, most of the voting freshmen did not know that Mr. Cotton charged they were the "victims of a caucus."

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