

TEACHERS BEGIN MEETING PLANS MONTHS AHEAD

Groups to Attempt to Get Same Speakers at All Conventions.

Officials of the Indiana State Teachers' Association and affiliated organizations will meet Saturday to plan the program of an affair almost a year away—the annual Teachers' Convention, Oct. 23 and 24.

The meeting in the association office in the Hotel Lincoln will mark the first time in history that the state group and smaller organizations have planned co-operative programs.

Robert Wyatt, association executive secretary, explained that an effort will be made this year to secure the same speakers and entertainers at the Indianapolis meeting and at the four sectional meetings in other parts of the state.

The move will be one of economy, Mr. Wyatt said, but at the same time the best available talent can be secured.

Those who will attend the meeting will be J. Fred Hull of Fowler, association president; Arthur Moore of Lebanon, newly elected chairman of the executive committee; Mr. Wyatt; Glenn Henderson of Woodburn, president of the North Eastern Teachers' Association; M. E. Dinsmore of Valparaiso, president of the North Western Association, and Gerhardt Ahrens of Booneville, president of the South Western Association.

Other officers of the executive committee who were elected recently are Superintendent E. E. Day of Marion, vice chairman, and Superintendent H. C. Sherwood of Mitchell, member of the business committee.

The four smaller state associations became affiliated with the Indiana State Teachers' Association for the first time last year.

W. A. SHEAD HIRED BY PULLIAM INTERESTS

Walter A. Shead, Indianapolis publicity man for the last 12 years, has been made public relations director for Radio Station WIRE and Central Newspapers, Inc., Eugene C. Pulliam, president of the corporation, announced today.

Mr. Shead for the last two years has been publicity director for the State Democratic Committee and formerly was director of the State House news bureau during the administration of former Governor Paul V. McNutt.

Map Paralysis Drive



Keith Morgan, national chairman; Tom Wrigley, national publicity director, and Don F. Silver, state chairman, confer on infantile paralysis drive in Indiana.

National Leader Calls for Help From 'Every Individual'

Nearly 200 county chairmen and their assistants, yesterday received final instructions in the 1941 campaign to fight infantile paralysis.

Speaking at a dinner in the Indianapolis Athletic Club, Keith Morgan, national chairman of the committee for the celebration of the President's birthday, called the battle "the people's fight" and appealed to "each and every individual to offer his or her services to the cause."

Mr. Morgan stopped here during a country-wide tour of state chapters. Following yesterday's meeting, he left immediately for Columbus, O. "The infantile paralysis epidemic has been very serious this year," Mr. Morgan said, "but some rays of light give us hope that it may some day be eliminated."

the prevention of the disease today to "pioneers."

Mr. Morgan was introduced by Don F. Silver, state chairman of the foundation, who termed the meeting the "final conference to strengthen determination and enthusiasm in the fight against the disease."

According to Mr. Morgan, the disease was spread universally in 1940, with 28 states showing an increase in the number of cases reported. He said that the disease runs in cycles, and that it was impossible to predict whether 1941 would bring an increase or decrease.

Fight Gains Strength

"The fight against it is more widespread than ever," he said, "because these epidemics focus the attention of the people on the need for a solution and because, in the national defense program, health is essential."

Among those at the speakers' table were Judge J. J. Kavanagh, state chairman of the Kentucky committee; A. R. Anderson, columnist of the Louisville (Ky.) Courier-Journal and Times; Sam Murbarger, chief inspector for the State Athletic Commission; Dr. Oliver W. Greer, director of the Division for Services for Crippled Children of the Indiana Department of Welfare; William Storen, treasurer of the Indiana committee; Mrs. George W. Jaqua, director of the women's division of the Indiana committee and president of the Indiana Federation of Clubs; Dr. Matthew Winters, director of the Department of Pediatrics at the Riley Hospital and chairman of the Indiana advisory committee.

Others at Table

Thomas A. Hendrick, secretary of the Indiana State Medical Association; Mrs. James L. Murray, vice chairman of the Indiana committee and president of the Indiana Congress of Parents and Teachers; Dr. John W. Ferree, director of the Indiana State Board of Health; Mrs. W. D. Keenan, women's director of the Marion County chapter and assistant director of the women's division of the Indiana committee; and Eugene C. Pulliam Sr., owner of radio station WIRE.

AUTO INJURIES FATAL

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 8 (U. P.).—Miss Maxine Dhoore, 17, living near South Bend, died yesterday in a local hospital of injuries suffered in an auto crash Jan. 7. Her death was the first traffic fatality of the year in St. Joseph County.

School News—

SPEEDWAY CITY IS PROUD OF ITS SCHOOL SYSTEM

Grade and High Grow With Community; Both Have Same Principal.

By EARL HOFF

The sign on the Speedway City Grade School depicts the spirit of this school tucked between the Allison Engineering Division and the Speedway Race Track.

It says: "Speedway City School No. 1." Right now there is only one grade school there and has been since 1918.

But another is planned in a couple of years north of the Crawfordville Road.

The City also has a high school, whose enrollment figures display the remarkable rate of growth of the City whose life used to pivot around the famous race track and now hinges on the ever expanding Allison plant.

Enrollment Grows

When the high school was built, in 1937, the enrollment was 44. It rose to 73 in 1938, to 90 in 1939 and this year there are 113 pupils. The grade school has an enrollment of 220 this year.

It is hard to separate the grade school from the high school, since N. D. Cory is Superintendent of Schools and principal of both the grade and high schools. He also teaches one class in government in the high school.

Howard Wilson has been president of the three-man School Board since the school city was organized in 1928, and Thomas B. Keogh has been treasurer for the same length of time. Oscar W. Lyons is secretary of the Board.

Has Shop Course

No high school could be as close to Allison's as is that of Speedway City and remain apart. The Speedway City school isn't. Despite its relatively small size, it has a very complete general shop course, including instruction in metal lathe work.

On a percentage basis, perhaps more Speedway High School graduates are working at Allison's than of any of the Indianapolis schools, Mr. Cory said.

The school is most proud of the accomplishments of its basketball team and at least as proud of its pack team and its football team. A surprisingly large number take to the road with the team, Mr. Cory said.

The school also boasts of a 60-piece band, which was outfitted with uniforms last year by funds raised by the P-T-A.

Play 6-Man Football

And after only one year, the school is so proud of its six-man football team that there's a campaign under way to raise funds to purchase lights for the football field.

The team learned the game last year by losing its opener to New Augusta, 40 to 33, but didn't lose any of five other games, beating New Augusta later in the season, 41 to 6.

For the first time this year the school will have a senior annual honoring the 26 who will graduate in June. It will have the same name as the mimeographed school paper, The Speedette.

The school year is always planned to close several days before the annual May 30th race at the Speedway, because that is still the City's biggest day of the year.

In the spring of nearly every year, several children of race drivers enroll in school and automatically take over the niches reserved for school heroes.

Expansion Brings Problems

The expansion of the Allison plant has brought a special problem for the Speedway schools, Mr. Cory said. Hardly a week passes during the school year that at least one new school pupil doesn't enter, and nearly as often pupils withdraw as their parents go to another General Motors Corp. plant.

Also, Mr. Cory said, it is sometimes difficult for pupils who come from larger schools in cities like Toledo, or Detroit to fit into the smaller school.

But if they stay, they learn to love the school, Mr. Cory said. Strangers enter the school so often that there are no barriers for newcomers to hurdle.

PLAN LEGAL ACTION FOR MISSING FUNDS

KOKOMO, Ind., Jan. 8 (U. P.).—George B. Shenk, Howard County Attorney, said today that County officials were considering legal action to recover \$24,693 allegedly embezzled by former Deputy County Treasurer Hanley C. Golding last year.

Mr. Shenk said he had been advised by the Attorney General's office that action against two bonding companies might be necessary.

The shortage was revealed six months ago. The bonding companies, Standard Accident & Insurance Co. of Detroit, and the New Amsterdam Casualty Co. of Baltimore, Md., have been engaged in a controversy over Golding's assets, Mr. Shenk asserted.

Although County Treasurer Clifton L. Small was not involved, the Detroit company which carried his bond is partially responsible, according to Mr. Shenk. The company has agreed to pay \$17,193, provided the Baltimore concern will pay \$7,500, the full amount of its bond on Golding, Mr. Shenk said.

ROBBER TOO FAST

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8 (U. P.).—George McVicker, hotel clerk, complied with a robber's demand to empty the hotel's cash sack into a market bag. Then the thief pushed McVicker in the elevator, locked the door and departed, leaving the clerk behind—also \$400 in the open safe.

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Republican Caucus Grows From Phone Booth to Courtroom

By WILLIAM CRABB

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They will might publish a sequel "A Group of One-Act Plays" or "Drama in the Indiana Legislature."

When the Legislature opens Thursday, the young Representative who answered every roll call with an ear-splitting shout and a short speech will be missing. Missing, too, will be the old Representative who hardly could hear his name called.

But present will be the mild-mannered man who two sessions ago arose from his seat and said seriously:

"Republican members of this House will adjourn to the nearest telephone booth for caucus."

He's the Speaker of the House now and the Supreme Court chambers will be needed to hold his party's caucuses.

Also present will be the promising young attorney who came for his first session two years ago when the House was divided 51 to 49 and she-

manigans were plentiful. On the third day of the session he remarked after the invocation:

"The chaplain shouldn't waste his time praying for this outfit—what he'd better do is pray for the people of the State of Indiana."

That young representative is now Democratic caucus chairman of the House.

Although the veteran auctioneer from Peru won't be back this session, present will be the man whose father lost the closest State election in history—missed the Supreme

Court bench by one vote. The son will be the Democratic floor leader.

The Calumet duet of Klein and Klen will be a solo by the latter this time—

And in the farthest left-hand corner of the House will be the Frankfort merchant who has seen the youngsters come and go for two decades—

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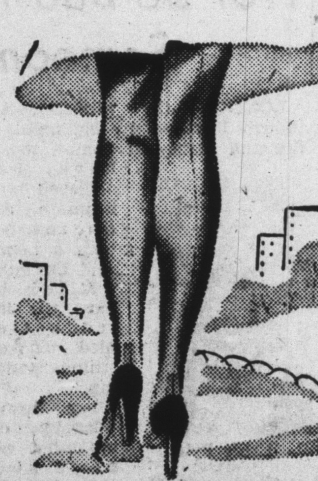
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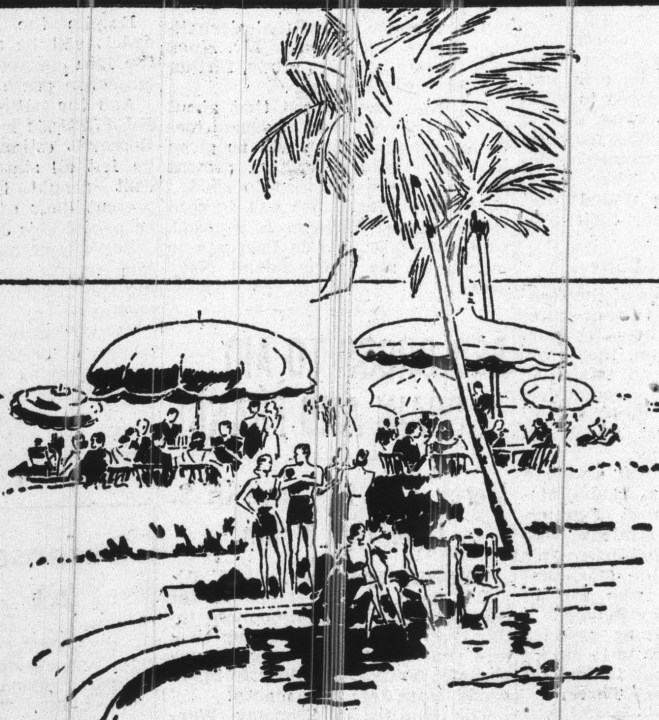
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