

George Stevens Has 3 Sons in Armed Services

George Stevens of Indianapolis is the father of three sons in the armed forces, two of whom are on active duty.

L. G. (Bus) Stevens, 24, has been in the Navy 12 years and he wrote his father that when the Japs struck Pearl Harbor he was in the midst of the attack. Seaman Stevens was stationed aboard a lighter which was tied up alongside the battleship Arizona when a Jap suicide pilot in a torpedo plane crashed into the side of the battleship. Seaman Stevens received severe burns. After the attack ended, Seaman Stevens' ship was detailed to clear the harbor of bodies and wreckage. His wife, Marie, was evacuated from the island a few weeks ago and she spent several days here with her father-in-law before going to live with an aunt in Chicago.

She told Mr. Stevens that little damage was done to Honolulu—the Japs confining their operations to the harbor and military bases. Ercell Stevens, the second son, is 28, and a member of the Army Air Corps. He is stationed on the West Coast, where he is a radio operator in the observation squadron. Radioman Stevens has written his father that he spends most of the day on patrol. Before entering the service two years ago he was employed at the Climax Machinery Co. as an electro-chemist. His squadron is stationed at San Bernardino, Cal.

The youngest son, Paul, is 26. He has just entered the Navy and is now in training at the Great Lakes Naval Training School. Before entering the service two weeks ago he was employed at the Central Motor Parts Co.

All of the sons were born at Ben Davis and attended school there.

New Enlistments

New enlistees announced by the Indianapolis Army recruiting station include 12 Indianapolis men. They are:

Otis C. Logsdon, 630 N. Jefferson Ave.; Leland P. Hilton, 509 N. Illi-

nois St.; Wendell B. Rowe, 945 Middle Drive, Woodruff Place, 2953 D. Maloy, R. R. 18, Box 343; Daniel W. Hood, 538 E. Ohio St.; Wayne H. Oxley, 2147 Central Ave.; Linville A. Baker, 740 S. Alabama St.; Gerald M. Wadleigh, 3330 N. Delaware St.; Dennis A. Ireland, 2953 N. Chester St.; Edgar R. Staples, 110 N. Pennsylvania St.; George E. Whitted, 49 S. LaSalle St.; and Emmert K. Plunkett, 4126 E. Washington St.

Serves in Engineers

Pvt. Robert (Rocky) Abell of Indianapolis is joining the roll of an Army engineer at Vancouver Barracks, Wash. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stone, 24 S. Dearborn St. Seaman Stone holds the rank of coxswain. He entered the service in August, 1940, and was stationed at Pearl Harbor for nine months. He is a graduate of Tech High School.

VANNUYS' SON JOINS CIVILIAN AIR FORCE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Nineteen-year-old "Billy" VanNuy, son of Senator Frederick VanNuy (D. Ind.), has passed all tests and been admitted to the Civilian Air Service at George Washington University.

"He is going to learn to fly, because he feels that good fliers are going to be needed by our country for some time to come," the Senator said.

Hoosiers in Washington— WILSON 'KICKS' IN THE RECORD

Cites Case of Messenger Boy Unassigned for Four Weeks.

By DANIEL M. KIDNEY

Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—All of the fuss kicked up here by Rep. Earl (Curfew) Wilson (R. Ind.) grew out of a proposal for \$50,000 for defense housing in the District of Columbia.

Rep. Wilson was emphatically in favor of the bill, he said. But when the time came to vote for it, he was back home in Indiana making speeches against speech making.

Knowing that such would be the case, the self-styled "Hick from Huron" made the following statement in the Congressional Record:

"Mr. Speaker, due to previous arrangements for speaking engagements out in my district this week, I shall be unable to be present on the floor of the House tomorrow when the bill concerning housing for the District of Columbia is considered."

"I am, of course, in favor of the passage of this bill as one of the 10 points for relieving congestion in the District of Columbia."

"As the members of the House may know, I have introduced a resolution authorizing the Speaker of the House to appoint a select committee to investigate the efficiency of employees in Washington."

"Last Saturday I made an inspection tour of some of the offices in the District. I visited the pool (stenographic) and interviewed 10 people. One of the boys had been here four weeks and four days, having been brought here for messenger-boy service, and he has not yet been assigned."

Compliment to Halleck

Rep. Charles A. Halleck (R. Ind.) received the following letter from the office of the Superintendent of the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.:

"I am sure you will be glad to know that your appointee, Midshipman Alden Webster Whitney, of the class of 1942, was awarded the following prizes which were presented to him at the prizes and awards ceremony on Dec. 18, 1941:

"(a) The Commander James Edward Palmer wrist watch, for greatest proficiency in practical steam engineering."

"(b) The John Roach sword, for greatest improvement in weighted average mark for first class year over that of second class year."

"The Naval Academy is grateful and indebted to you for the appointment of a young man who has demonstrated so clearly that close application to his studies will result in greatly increased benefits derived from the course at the Naval Academy."

Midshipman Whitney is the son of Maj. C. A. Whitney, who is on the staff at Culver Military Academy.

An Erring Clause

While New Deal largess often has been referred to as coming from Santa Claus, the White House or Postoffice Department staff still doesn't know how to spell it.

For when the name of Oscar L. Phillips was sent to the Senate for approval as postmaster at that famous Indiana town, the place was spelled "Santa Claus."

When the fan-dancing in OGD was under discussion in the House, Hoosier Congressmen received this telegram:

"We urge OGD appointment for Gypsy Rose Lee. Eleanor has her Mayris. Bubbler their Sally. But we back Gypsy Rose Lee to her last stitch."

It was signed:

"Gee String Club of Indianapolis."

WHEELER GIVES NAVY BINOCULARS OF 1918

The Navy today issued a call for civilian binoculars and promptly received a pair of glasses which have had direct dealings with the enemy.

W. O. Wheeler, president of the Wheeler Restaurant chain, gave up the binoculars to the Navy office and announced that he had taken them from a German sniper in World War I. Mr. Wheeler was in the trenches of France with the A. E. F. at the time. He said he hoped the glasses would be used to hunt other German snipers.

The Navy wants only six and seven-power binoculars made by Zeiss or Bausch & Lomb Co. Civilians will receive \$1 for binoculars accepted by the Navy and when the war is over the Navy will resell the glasses to the original owner for the same amount. Persons with binoculars of the type required are asked to ship them to the Navy Observatory, Washington, D. C.

JOHN HANCOCK CO. SETS NEW RECORD

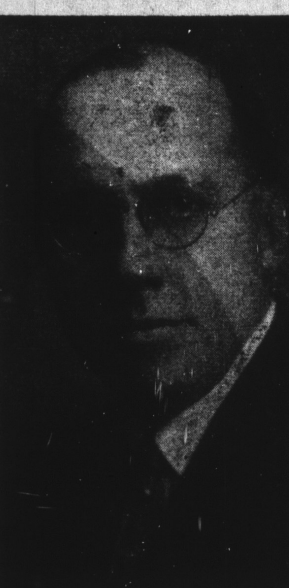
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LARGEST TREE-SNAIL SHELL

QUINCY, Mass. (U. P.).—Mrs. Alexander G. Moberg, North Quincy malacologist, owns one of the world's finest shell collections. Peabody Museum officials say she has the largest tree-snail shell on record, measuring eight inches across.

Masonic Guest



G. Haven Stephens

Past Grand Master Speaks At Calvin Prather Lodge Banquet Thursday.

G. Haven Stephens, Danville, Ill., past grand master of the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., will address the Calvin Prather Lodge at a Washington Birthday Banquet at 6:30 p. m. Thursday, College Ave. and 42d St.

Entertainment will be furnished by the Marvel Trio and the U. S. Naval Training Choir under the direction of L. J. Neville.

The banquet committee includes Oscar Lackey, chairman, Harry W. Boetcher, Dan C. Bradshaw, Harry King, and Alfred C. Sutton.

Reservations may be made with the members of the entertainment committee, its chairman, Fred G. Buskirk, or any officer of the lodge.

At 6:30 p. m. Friday the entered apprentice degree will be conferred on candidates.

David H. Noble is worshipful master, Miles W. Hockett, senior warden, and George A. Kelly, junior warden.

ICEMEN TO SCAN WAR PROBLEMS

State Association to Hold 49th Annual Parley Next Week.

Ice men have their wartime problems, according to members of the Indiana Association of Ice Industries, who are to hold their 49th annual convention in Indianapolis Wednesday and Thursday. Plans for the solution of these problems will be discussed at the session by 250 members and exhibitors.

Miss Nellie McCannan, director of the home economic department of the City Ice Service, Inc., South Bend, will speak on "Consumer Education in Schools" Wednesday to association members, who will meet in the Severin Hotel.

Officers and directors are to precede the convention with a dinner tomorrow evening. A. C. Lemons, South Bend, is association president. Other officers are: Benno Scheidler, Attica, first vice president; William H. Jonson, Brazil, second vice president, and A. C. Goll and O. P. Fauchier, both of Indianapolis, treasurer and executive secretary, respectively.

The organization's annual banquet will be held at 7 p. m. Thursday, followed by a dance. Exhibits of ice equipment and accessories will be held.

FRENCH DOCKS BOMBED
LONDON, Feb. 16 (U. P.).—British bombers attacked the docks at St. Nazaire on the French Atlantic coast and bombed Axis supply ships off Norway last night. The air ministry said no planes are missing.

GOES A. W. O. L., JOINS U. S. MARINE CORPS

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 16 (U. P.).—The U. S. Marine Corps recruiting station here announced today the enlistment of a Canadian soldier from Fremont, Neb., who went A. W. O. L. at the suggestion of his commanding officer to join his own country's armed forces.



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Business and Industry

POSTAL STUDY OPENS TONIGHT

Mailing Problems. Caused By War Discussed In Series.

The first of a series of meetings to discuss problems of business mail will begin here tonight under the auspices of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce.

The special short course for mailing department employees will be held at the Board of Trade Building from 6:30 to 8:30 p. m. tonight, Wednesday, Friday and Tuesday and Thursday nights next week.

Subject to be covered will be classification of mail, first-class mail, third-class mail, fourth-class mail and special postal service.

Representatives of business firms and officials from the Indianapolis postoffice will lead the discussion. The course will be conducted on the basis of a lecture with a question and answer period following.

"Operations of the Selective Service Act plus the generally higher wage scale found in the factory or production field have combined to reduce the number of capable people available for the important work of dispatching business mail," Leo J. Martin, chairman of the postal service committee, pointed out in explaining the purpose of the meetings.

"The possibilities for both savings and increased efficiency through a better understanding of postal laws and regulations are staggering when viewed on the basis of a year's operation of a business," he said.

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Gray, Gribben & Gray Started Their Business Selling Rings From a String

Indiana's Oldest Credit Jewelers Opened in 1884 Here.

Back in 1884 two young men started going from door to door selling rings on credit.

That was the beginning of Indiana's oldest credit jewelers, Gray, Gribben and Gray.

Albert Ross Gray and the late David S. Gribben had come from their father's farms near Madison to work in Indianapolis at the Kingman meat packing plant. They obtained 100 rings on credit from a trusting wholesaler, put them on a string (50 apiece) and started making the rounds in the young city.

For three years they used their rooms in boarding houses as their "store." Then they opened a store at 90 N. Illinois St. in a building that is still standing.

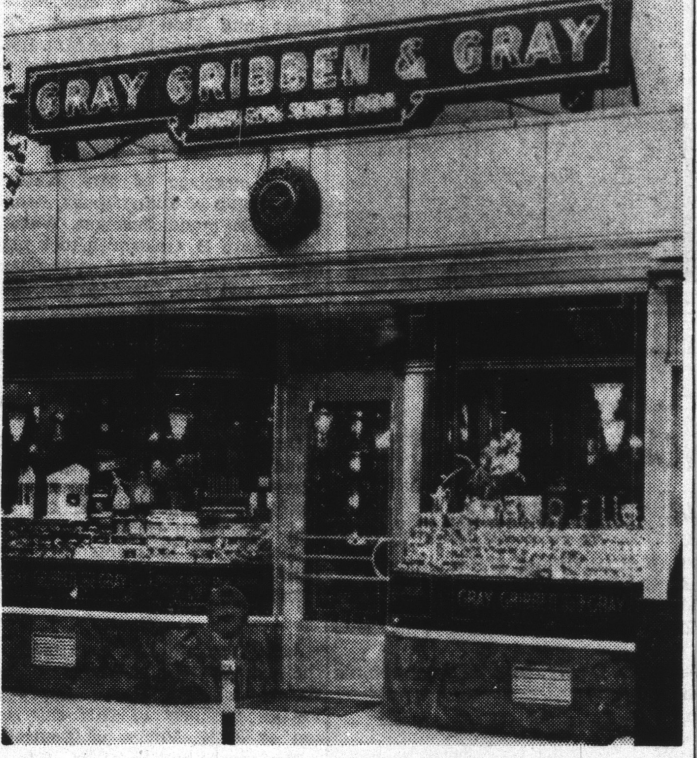
As business prospered they moved to 92 N. Illinois St., which was later changed to 154 N. Illinois. In 1904 the two merchants moved into the old Y. M. C. A. building at 37-39 N. Illinois. Later they moved to the "point" at Ohio, Illinois and Indiana Ave. where they were for 14 years.

They were at 151 N. Illinois for 18 years and moved to the present location, 103 N. Illinois, just over a year ago.

The first credit sale recorded in Gray, Gribben and Gray's old leather-bound ledger was on Nov. 25, 1884. It was a chair, \$1 down and 50 cents a week. They also sold bedsteads, carpets, stoves, safes. "Why, we even sold a load of coal one time," Mr. Albert Gray recalls.

Mr. Gray remembers that he pawned his own watch in those early days in order to buy two cheaper watches to sell.

In the fancy writing of that first ledger are many names now prominent in Indianapolis business and civic life. "And now," Mr. Gray says, "the grandchildren and sometimes even the great-



The new store is a far cry from that first one.

grandchildren of our first customers come to trade with us. We have great satisfaction in serving the third and fourth generation of our first customers."

The store, too, has changed greatly from those early days. There was a time when they placed the safe in the window because they had very little else to show. Now, the windows of the new store gleam with diamonds, fine watches and clocks. Display cases are filled with many beautiful patterns of silverware and chinaware.

The Grays and Gribbens still are in the store. Mr. Albert Gray is president, his son Paul A. Gray is secretary and manager, and his younger brother, Asher W. Gray, is vice president. James C. Gribben, son of David S. Gribben, maintains an interest in the store.

Accountants Plan Tax Quiz
Indianapolis accountants will hold an "Information, Please" program at 6:30 p. m. Wednesday in the Indianapolis Athletic Club.

Tax men, who will attempt to answer questions on the Federal Income Tax Act of 1941, include Troy G. Thurston, Carlton N. Carter, James L. Rose and Charles Murray.

CONNECTICUT LIFE HAS LARGEST GAIN
The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co. made the largest gain in insurance in force last year than during the past 11 years, George K. Jones, general agent here, said today.

Insurance in force reached the all-time high of \$1,135,915,272, a gain of \$51,079,479 for the year. New life insurance protection was \$108,238,955, a gain of \$6,290,648 over 1940. Assets increased to \$423,993,718.

Library Offers Defense Service
A new defense and contract service, published by Prentice-Hall, is now available at the Indianapolis Public Library's Business Branch, Meridian and Ohio Sts.

Miss Ethel Cleland, branch head, said the service is a guide on problems arising from priorities, price-fixing, pools, allocations and other defense measures. The publication, which is in loose-leaf form, will be kept up to date with bi-weekly report bulletins.

WHEELER TO ADDRESS SALES STUDY GROUP
C. T. Burg, general sales manager of the Iron Fireman Manufacturing Co., Cleveland, will speak on "Three Bogeymen" at the Indianapolis Athletic Club ballroom at 8 o'clock tonight.

Mr. Burg's address is the third to be given by outstanding sales executives in the course being conducted under the Indianapolis Public Evening Schools distributive education program in co-operation with the Executive Sales Council of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.

More than 250 are expected to hear the address which will follow a dinner meeting of the council.

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EDITORS TO STUDY TASKS DURING WAR

The difficulties of publishing a newspaper under war-time conditions will be discussed when members of the Hoosier State Press Association hold their ninth annual convention here Friday and Saturday.

The keynote speaker will be Branch Rickey, vice president and general manager of the St. Louis Cardinals and executive chairman of the Missouri Defense Saving Staff. Experts in various phases of the newspaper business will speak at the Hotel Lincoln Friday, after the convention is opened by the association's president, J. Frank McDermott Jr., Attica.

Walter Fuller, Philadelphia, president of the Curtis Publishing Co., is to address the Hoosier publishers Saturday.

Following the convention, members of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association will hold their annual banquet. The Democratic association's meeting and noon luncheon will be held Friday noon.

M'ARTHUR RESCUE URGED IN BATAVIA
BATAVIA, Feb. 16 (C. D. N.).—The immediate need for withdrawal, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, the most successful Allied leader in the eastern war theater, from the Philippines before it falls into Japanese hands, is emphasized in military circles here.

Gen. MacArthur can be rescued as other indispensable American officers have been from Bataan and, although reluctant to leave his troops, he would doubtless accede to such a command if emanating from Washington, these circles say.

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