

POLICE PIONEER SIMON RETIRES

Detective Chief Scored Two
Major Gang Smashes
In 38 Years.

Quiet, efficient and scholarly Fred A. Simon, who spent 38 years in the Indianapolis police department and who had been chief of detectives for 12 years before he became ill six months ago was retired on pension yesterday.

Recommendations for his retirement were approved by both Dr. John J. Boaz, police surgeon, and Police Chief Clifford Becker.

Joining the forces in 1906, Capt. Simon began his colorful career as a bicycle patrolman and later became widely known for his part in tracking down the notorious Brady and Mason gangs.

One of his first investigations resulted in the capture of a stabbing suspect along Fulton st.

Wins National Fame

To accomplish this he enlisted the enthusiastic aid of a group of youngsters on bicycles who helped him comb the area until the suspect was located.

For many years after his transfer to the detective bureau Capt. Simon patrolled the South side. Appointed chief of detectives in 1931, he gained wide-spread recognition for his work in the capture of the Brady gang members who in 1934 were the quarry of G-men state and city police.

The gang, headed by Alfred Brady, boasted that it would "put John Dillinger in the shade," and led law enforcement officers through five states before the gang's capture.

Capt. Simon also broke up the Mason gang, directed by Frankie Mason, safe cracker sought by police of many states.

Capt. Simon is a member of the Marion Masonic Lodge, Rapier Commandery, Murat Shrine and St. Mark's Lutheran church. He is married and has a son, Philip.

TELFORD WILL LEAVE FOR CAPITAL MONDAY

Fred Telford, city job surveyor whose presence here has been the cause of considerable bickering among councilmen and city officials will leave Monday for Washington, D. C.

Councilmen finally "paid him off" this week by appropriating \$2900 for his services from Aug. 1 through tomorrow. He previously had been employed by the J. L. Jacobs Co., Chicago, in making his survey here.

The big, good-natured \$500-a-month municipal consultant who became an "expert" last March when he left his Washington restaurant he and his wife operate frankly admitted nostalgia for his "little business."

A graduate of the University of Chicago, Mr. Telford also attended the University of Illinois. He entered city job surveying recently as a result of a "yen to do something of the sort."

Supported strongly by women's groups here, Mr. Telford was said to have been selected by William H. Book, executive vice-president of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.

CONVENTIONS SIGNAL 'ELECTION' AT HOWE

State conventions preceding the mock election of state, county and city officials at Howe high school are being held today and tomorrow. Nationalist state chairman is Jim Cook and Oscar Mutz is state chairman for the Federalists.

Nationalist county chairmen are Spencer Tally, Betty Lou Smith, Don Whitney, Virginia Scheidt, Angela McCarthy, Bob Schwier, Fred Dietz, Gladys Ferguson, James Hill, Jim Cook and Carol Simmons.

Federalist county chairmen are Tony George, Violet Matthews, Glenn Shepard, Bill Tomlinson, Josephine Justice, Mary Jane Hill, Virgil Hermendorfer, Juanita Stultz, Jessie Messing, Barbara Baldwin, Oscar Mutz and Barbara Sharkey.

U. S. Press Calls on Nations To Protect Fact Freedoms

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (U. P.) — The American Society of Newspaper Editors, seeking removal of all political, economic and military obstacles to the free exchange of world information during peace-time, has invited the United States and all other governments to join in reciprocal declarations embracing the right of the people to read and hear news without hindrance.

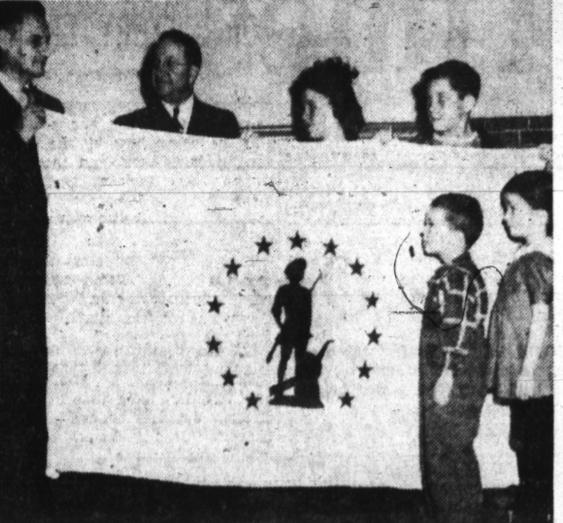
Press, radio and other media of information were asked to join the campaign which the society said will not be relaxed "until freedom of information becomes a living reality everywhere in the world."

In a resolution adopted by its board of directors at close of a two-day meeting here, the society declared its belief that "most Americans and their newspapers will support government policies and action toward removal of all political, legal and economic barriers to the media of information and that our government should make this abundantly clear to other nations."

The directors acted on a recommendation of a special committee on freedom of information, under chairmanship of Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution.

Huge Baillie, United Press, presi-

Wayne Twp. School 13 Wins 'T' Flag



Wayne township school 13, Raymond st. and Lyndhurst dr., yesterday proudly raised the treasury flag over their building for over 95 per cent of the students had bought war bonds and stamps. Inspecting the flag are (left to right, back) Claude Tyndall, principal; Howard E. Nykhar, speaker; Jeanette Mitchell and Donald Bowles, students. Front (left to right) are pupils David Ren and Nitia Moyer.

INSTITUTIONAL PLAN SPURRED

Placed at Top of Democrat Program at Opening of Legislature.

AN OLD-TIME-minstrel show will be given at Manual high school at 8 p. m. tomorrow. The boys' glee club and dance band will offer hit tunes and dances of the gay 90s.

The group will use such old favorites as "Dinah" and "Alexander's Rag Time Band" in addition to the more popular tunes.

"A Fellow on a Furlough" and "Trolley Song."

SPECIALTIES will be performed by Rosemary Engle and Richard Harlow, who will dance the "Cakewalk," and Pauline Sauter, who will do a Negro dance. Donald Lawrence in the guise of a Negro preacher will deliver the sermon and a background of spirituals will be provided by the glee club.

Dressed as a horse, Robert Devereux will be featured in a number.

The band specialties will include Bill Robertson at the piano playing Bob Zurke's "Little Rock Get Away."

William Donahue as interlocutor will be assisted by William Smock, Richard Mascoe, Ray Schnitzer and Henry Mertz, end men.

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