

## 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.

Mr. Simon

Recommended for his retirement 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.

Wine 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 in 1911 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 1936 were the quarry of G-men, state and city police.

The gang, headed by Alfred Brady, boasted 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, Raper Commandery, Murray 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 \$2000 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 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 "y'en 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 Muts is state chairman for the Federals.

Nationalist county chairman are Spencer Talley, Betty Lou Smith, Don Whitney, Virginia Scheidt, Angela McCarthy, Bob Schriver, 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 Hermadorfer, Juanita Stultz, Jane Messing, Barbara Baldwin, Oscar Muts and Barbara Sharkey.

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## 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. Nyhar, speaker; Jeanette Mitchell and Donald Bowles, students. Front (left to right) are pupils David Ren and Nita Moyer.

## INSTITUTIONAL PLAN SPURRED

Placed at Top of Democrat  
Program at Opening of  
Legislature.

The state's multi-million dollar institution improvement program today enjoyed top-rating on the Democratic 1945 legislative schedule. Democratic minority members of the general assembly had Governor Schickler's recommendation that the institution renovation program be given the "green light" over all other matters when the general assembly convenes Jan. 4.

Citing the "vital demand" for modernization of Indiana's penal and benevolent agencies, the governor said the legislators probably will find it necessary to appropriate a minimum of \$10,000,000 for this purpose.

Hopes G. O. P. Will Aid  
He said he thought it imperative that institutional improvement should remain "non political" and voiced hope that Republicans would co-operate in "fulfilling this patriotic duty."

The outgoing governor addressed Democratic legislative members at a preliminary caucus in the Claypool hotel. Although there will be but 31 Democrats against 69 Republicans in the house and 13 Democrats to 37 Republicans in the senate, Democratic State Chairman Fred F. Bays said minority members would pursue an "energetic and constructive" legislative policy.

Vermillion Re-elected  
Senator Walter Vermillion of Anderson, 16-year legislative veteran, was re-elected senate minority floor leader and Robert Heller of Decatur, house floor leader.

A joint senate-house steering committee includes Rep. Frank J. O'Rourke, chairman; Rep. Walter Maehling of Terre Haute, Claude Beckel of Muncie, Elmer L. Hoehn of Jeffersonville and Senators Victor E. Aldridge of Terre Haute, Leo J. Stemple of Jasper, Charles F. Fleming of Hammond and John S. Gonas of South Bend.

LABOR GROUP HITS  
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This traveling committee will report to the association's 1945 meeting here next April 20, 21 and 22 if it can complete its work by that time.

The resolution "noted with satisfaction" a recent statement by Edward R. Steinius Jr., newly-appointed secretary of state, that the United States plans "exploratory talks looking toward guarantees against barriers to interchange of information among all nations."

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 peacetime, 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 economic 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, president, who recently returned from Europe where he obtained pledges of freedom of information from the heads of a number of European governments, and Paul Miller, assistant general manager of the Associated Press and Washington bureau chief, assisted the committee in drafting the resolution.

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## Minstrel Cast To Stage Show At Manual High

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 Englert and Richard Harlow, who will dance the "Cake Walk," 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 DeVore will be featured in a number. The band specialties will include Bill Robertson at the piano playing Bob Burke's "Little Rock Get Away."

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

OTHERS in the group are John Alley, Robert Baumer, Joe Bova, Louis Clark, Ardwood Courtney, Earl Cass, Wendell Curtis, Tom Davidson, Charles Ellis, Fred Genier, Richard Gira, Robert Heaton and Robert Johnson.

Wallace Leverenz, Richard McMahon, Sellus Luttrell, Richard Owens, Jackie Perdue, Ronald Plew, Thomas Ressler, James Short, George Stewart, Donald Tucker, Armond Vaughn, Luther Wilson and Clyde Carmen complete the cast.

## IRVINGTON K. OF P. MEETS TOMORROW

The 75th anniversary of one of the oldest fraternal groups in Indiana, the Olive Branch lodge, Knights of Pythias in Irvington, will be observed tomorrow night in the lodge hall.

Included on the program, which is open to the public, will be music and pageantry. K. of P. officials throughout the state are expected to attend.

Judge Chester Davis of Bedford, grand inner guard of the Indiana grand lodge Knights of Pythias, will speak on behalf of the Pythians. Robert Turner, a former grand keeper of records and seal, will dramatize the legend of the friendship of Damon and Pythias.

The oldest Pythian group in Indiana, the Olive Branch lodge was founded in 1869 when two Pythian lodges were organized in a hall at 72½ E. Washington st. The suggestion for the lodge came from Supreme Chancellor "Uncle Sam" Read, one of the leaders in early Pythian work. Following the founding of the two lodges that night, it was voted to merge them into the Olive Branch lodge.

Heading the lodge now is Chancellor Cmdr. Frank E. Ienthal. Frank Foley is in charge of the ritualistic work.

## SCIENCE CHURCHES HEARS R. P. VERRALL

Definite suggestions for world peace and peace in the heart of the individual were offered last night by Richard P. Verrall in his lecture, "Christian Science. Its Theory and Practice."

Mr. Verrall of New York is a member of the board of lecture-ship of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston. He said in part:

"We must understand that it is impossible to escape the responsibility of participating in the establishment of peace on earth and in helping to promote goodwill among men. Questions of social justice will have to be more equitably adjusted, better opportunities for self-support and self-government will have to be provided and made use of."

"And above all greater stress will have to be laid on the commandments and golden rule as fundamentals of human government. Universal peace and prosperity can be achieved in no other way."

"We cannot over-estimate the peace, power and tender solicitude of the Christ-spirit when it is permitted to enter the human heart and to dwell there."

## AID TO BIDDLE FIGHTS OUSTER

Littell Accuses Attorney  
General of Favoring  
Tommy Corcoran.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (U. P.).—President Roosevelt was faced with another inter-administration battle today with disclosure that Assistant Attorney General Norman M. Littell has refused the request of his boss, Attorney General Francis Biddle, to hand in his resignation.

Mr. Littell's refusal, it was learned, was stated in a 25-page memorandum to the senate war investigating committee in which he also accused Mr. Biddle of attempting to favor former New Deal brain-truster Thomas (Tommy) the Cork Corcoran in a justice department suit.

Mr. Littell reportedly had asked Mr. Biddle's resignation on grounds of "personal incompatibility."

Mr. Littell, a native of Indianapolis, told the committee in his memo that Mr. Biddle, after conferring with Mr. Corcoran, sought to have him (Mr. Littell) settle a case involving condemnation proceedings at the Savannah, Ga., shipyards.

Cites Corcoran's Interest  
He said that Mr. Corcoran, as a private attorney, had an interest in the case.

Mr. Littell said he had refused to settle on any other than the government's terms, which involved payment of a sum considerably lower than that asked by the firm's representatives.

Voicing lack of confidence in Mr. Biddle, Mr. Littell told the committee he did not consider matters involving principles of government merely "differences of opinion."

He said he considered Mr. Biddle's conduct in the case "contrary to the principles of good government."

Mr. Biddle has also filed a statement with the committee praising Mr. Littell's work in the justice department's land division.

Littell Aided Committee  
The special investigating committee became interested in the case because it wanted to learn whether Mr. Littell's helpfulness to the committee in its investigations had anything to do with the request for his resignation.

Presumably the President will have to take a hand to iron out the dispute since Mr. Littell is a presidential appointee.

Mr. Littell told the committee that because of his lack of confidence in Mr. Biddle he considered it a "public duty" to refuse to comply with the request that he resign.

## \$300,000 WING FOR BROAD RIPPLE URGED

Construction of a \$300,000 wing to Broad Ripple high school has been listed as the Indianapolis school system's No. 2 post-war project, the school commissioners revealed last night.

The disclosure was made at a meeting of school patrons last night. Originally proposed in a citizens' petition last spring, the project would add classrooms and a library to the school.

Removal of the wing to be constructed will be made by the board of school commissioners Dec. 28. Roscoe A. Conkle, chairman of the commissioners' building committee, announced.

Heading the school system's building program is the construction of a new Emmert Manual Training high school.

## \$2000 DIAMOND RING RECOVERED; MAN HELD

A \$2000 diamond ring stolen recently from the car of Carol Krueger, R. R. 17, was discovered by detectives today following the arrest of an employee of a parking lot where the theft occurred.

The parking lot employee sold the ring to a tavern owner who brought it to police when informed it had been stolen.

The suspect, Otis Raford, 33, of 724 Blake st., was held on a vagrancy charge pending the filing of a larceny affidavit in criminal court.

## MAN FATALLY SHOT IN TAVERN QUARREL

William Patterson, 32, of 753 W. New York st., died in City hospital early today from two bullet wounds in his abdomen.

The shooting occurred during a quarrel in a tavern at 334 Blake st. with William Powell, 29, of 2119 Highland pl., who is in City hospital with knife wounds in his back.

Witnesses said Patterson was shot by Powell after the latter had been stabbed.

THIEVES HAUL SAFE  
IN VICTIM'S TRUCK  
PITTSBURGH, Nov. 30 (U. P.).—Police found a "hot" safe which thieves had carried away from a vending machine warehouse by "borrowing" the firm's truck.

When the small safe resisted their attempts to unlock it, the thieves used the firm's light delivery truck to haul the strong box to a vacant lot where they pried it open and took \$325 in nickels.

2 GIRLS HERE WITH  
ARMY OFFICERS HELD  
Acting on a request from Denver, Colo., police, detectives took into custody two 16-year-old girls found here in a downtown hotel with two army lieutenants.

The girls were held at the juvenile detention home here pending their removal to Denver and the army officers were ordered to report to Ft. Harrison authorities.

# SAVE FROM

## END OF MONTH SALE

★ Ayres' E. O. M. sale is the regular clean up of odd lots, broken sizes and soiled merchandise. November E. O. M. is especially value-ful, bringing you many values for yourself, your family and your home. Come early, stay late. Look for a great many unadvertised values on every floor and in every department.

### MEN'S FURNISHINGS

- (8) FILE LINED COTTON GABARDINE JACKETS — Broken sizes, brown only, originally 17.50, now...10.95
- (13) MEN'S FITTED CASES — Were originally 12.50, now...4.95
- (102) MEN'S BILFOLDS — Were originally 2.50, now...59c
- (28) MEN'S BILFOLDS — Now...1.49
- (21) MEN'S WASHABLE SLACK SUITS—Were originally 8.50, now...3.95

MEN'S FURNISHINGS—STREET FLOOR.

### SHOES

- (150 Pcs.) DE LISO DER DARK SHOES — Originally 8.95 and 9.95, now...4.45
- (180 Pcs.) NON-RATIONED DEBONAYRE SHOES — Originally 6.95 pr., now 3.85
- (250 Pcs.) NON-RATIONED PLAY SHOES — Originally 3.95, now...1.89
- (200 Pcs.) LEATHER MULES — Leather lined. Dark and bright colors. Originally 4.75 to 5.95, now...1.95

—SHOES, SECOND FLOOR.

### CORSETS

- (123) BRAS—Originally much more, now...59c to 1.29
- (114) GARTER BELTS — Originally much more, now...49c
- (230) GIRDLES—Originally much more, now 49c to 6.89
- (33) PANTY GIRDLES — Originally much more, now...69c to 2.89

—CORSETS, SECOND FLOOR.

### SPORTSWEAR ACCESSORIES

- RAYON BLOUSES — Originally 3.98 to 5.98, now 1.99
- BLOUSES AND SWEATERS — Originally 5.98 to 6.50, now...2.99
- ALL - WOOL FLANNEL VEST — Originally 8.98, now...2.99
- JUMPERS — Originally 8.98, now...3.99
- TWO-PIECE LUMBER JACKET DRESSES — Originally 12.95, now...3.99
- ROLER JACKET AND SKIRTS — Originally 10.95 and 8.98, now...3.99 each

—SPORTSWEAR, THIRD FLOOR.

### SPORTSWEAR

- (11) SPORTSWEAR DRESSES — Originally 49.95, 45.00 and 39.95, now...27.00
- (70) SPORTSWEAR DRESSES — Originally 39.95, 35.00 and 29.95, now...19.90
- (16) SPORTSWEAR DRESSES — Originally 25.00, 22.95 and 19.95, now...12.00
- (30) SPORTSWEAR DRESSES — Originally 14.95, 12.95 and 10.95, now...6.00

—SPORTSWEAR, THIRD FLOOR.

### INFANTS' DEPARTMENT

- (273) BOOTEES — Originally 1.00, now...69c
- (278) WATERPROOF SHEETS — Originally 50c, now...39c
- (144) WATERPROOF SHEETS — Originally 89c, now...79c
- (40) WATERPROOF SHEETS — Originally 1.17, now...79c
- (34) PASTEL CHAIRS — Painted with nursery figures. Originally 4.00, now...3.00
- (12) U P FOLSTERED CHAIRS — Originally 8.98, now...5.98

—LINGERIE, SECOND FLOOR.

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