

\$600,000 Fire Sweeps Climax Machinery Co. Plant on E. Morris St.



Twisted girders, machines and metal stock are all that remain today of the Climax Machinery Co. shops, 121-153 E. Morris st.

STEPHENSON IN NEW PLEADING

Fights Attempt to Move Him to Michigan City.

NOBLESVILLE, July 27 (U. P.).—D. C. Stephenson, former Ku Klux Klan grand dragon and "The Law in Indiana," today branded the state's attempt to return him to the Michigan City prison as a "brutal hoax."

Stephenson, held in the Noblesville jail since Feb. 23, filed a second pleading for a new trial yesterday before Hamilton Circuit Judge Cassius M. Gentry. Atty. Gen. James A. Emmert seeks to have him returned to prison.

The former Klansman is acting as his own attorney in his 12th attempt to gain freedom from a life sentence imposed in 1925 for the murder of Madge Oberholzer of Indianapolis. He was held here pending a court decision.

Testimony "Lost"

He charged in his new pleadings that Emmert had no authority to act as a prosecuting attorney in the case. Emmert previously had charged that the former Klan dragon was being allowed undue privileges at the Noblesville jail.

Stephenson also alleged that a "political murder" of a 25-year-old woman in 1925 had prevented certain testimony in his original trial. He said that the death of Edith Irene Dean, whose body was found near the railroad tracks in Castleton in July, 1925, showed evidence of "foul play." He cited a verdict of the Hamilton county coroner, C. M. Coaltrin, to that effect.

Stephenson said that Miss Dean was en route to Noblesville to talk with him at the time of her death.

REPORTS ROBBERY; 3 SUSPECTS HELD

Three women and a man got out of a car early today at Senate ave. and North st. to rob James Reis, Anderson, of \$175, his billfold and driver's license, he told police.

Police later arrested two women and two men as suspects on charges of vagrancy.

War Production Here Crippled

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other material. The output of civilian material includes meat slicing machines. Firemen poured water from 15 lines and nine pumps into the flaming buildings. Heavy smoke which blanketed the area hampered fire fighters, and a strong wind carried flames over the acre of buildings.

Train Is Grandstand

Six squads of police were called out to control spectators and aid firemen. Hundreds of watchers climbed the Pennsylvania railroad elevated tracks which overlook the plant and used a section train parked there as a grandstand.

An entire section crew was asleep in approximately 18 railroad bunk cars parked on the elevated section. At one time it was feared the intense heat might set the train afire before it could be moved.

The moving of the train was slowed up by the spectators who were perched all over the cars by the time a locomotive had arrived to pull the train away.

To Continue Production

In addition to the loss of machinery owned by the company, machinists employed there lost hundreds of dollars worth of their own tools in the blaze. The buildings which were listed as totally destroyed included the inspection, engineering, assembly room and ovens, packing, screw machine, and sheet metal divisions.

The president of the firm said the plant will continue production by utilizing other units to which many of its government contracts are subleased.

SCHEDULE BALL GAME

The Junior Old Fellows of Beech Grove are planning to play an exhibition baseball game for the residents of the I. O. O. F. home at Greensburg. Boys interested will practice at 6 p. m. Monday. Boys over 12, who are not members of the order, may play.

PATROL PLANS PARTY

The Ladies Shrine Patrol will sponsor its annual card party at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday at the Food Craft shop.

ASKS CHARTER VOTE SATURDAY

Barkley Calls for Speed in Ratification.

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mous consent I shall object," Morse told Barkley. "This senate must remain an open forum. I shall object to any limitation on debate."

Morse recalled that he had difficulty getting the floor late yesterday to make a speech against the OPA in regard to prices and points on Oregon lamb. At that time he was balked temporarily by Chairman Tom Connally (D. Tex.), of the senate foreign relations committee who objected to taking the senate's time with matters not related to Charter consideration.

Charges "Treason"

Senator James M. Tunnell (D. Del.), opened the fifth day of Charter debate by accusing some Charter opponents of treason. He said he has received "antagonistic propaganda" in his mail on the Charter.

It included, he said, a printed document containing this language: "Any appropriation made by congress to finance an unconstitutional act (one passed by our representatives in the senate in violation of their oaths of office) is equally unconstitutional, and it is the privilege of the people to refuse to contribute to the support of such legislation."

Such language, Tunnell told the senate, "is clearly treasonable and intended to incite rebellion against the acts of congress."

Many Seek Hearing

"The fact that some person or organization is willing to expend money for the purpose of inciting treason is worthy of some investigation," he said.

"If each person is to determine for himself what acts of congress are constitutional, and what are unconstitutional, and each person shall be permitted to ignore the acts of congress and resist the collection of taxes, then we shall have no government indeed."

The likelihood of night sessions if the senate is to ratify the Charter by the end of the week was raised by the growing number of senators who desire to speak on it.

SEVEN LOCAL MEN GIVEN DISCHARGES

Seven Indianapolis men have been discharged from Camp Atterbury under the army's plan of releasing men with 85 or more points. One local officer has reverted to inactive service.

The men discharged under the point system are: S. Sgt. Allen F. Kashner, 936 Pleasant Run pkwy.; S. Sgt. Harold B. Mills, 24 Jenny lane; Sgt. Verlie H. Crays, 1241 S. Belmont st.; Pfc. Clarence A. Litzler, 230 N. Oxford st.; T. 4th Gr. Oral L. Sowders, 703 Dorman st.; T. 3d Gr. Robert F. Buergelein, 919 Elm st., and M. Sgt. George N. Norman, 1117 Olive st.

Maj. Edwin J. Haerle, 2049 N. Capitol ave., has reverted to inactive status, subject to recall.

SUB SHELLING REPORTED

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27 (U. P.).—An allied submarine shelled Kinkazan Island off Honshu, some 200 miles north of Tokyo, the Japanese radio reported today in a broadcast heard by United Press.

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Blast Jap Hope For Soft Peace

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America and Britain. Or of fundamental differences between China, America and Britain over the peace to be imposed upon Japan after victory.

At this crucial turning point in the Pacific war, Japan's military inferiority is evident. Her political position is no less vulnerable.

Prime Minister Attlee's first statement reiterated that Britain is in the war until Japan gives up or is whipped.

Adm. William F. Halsey's attacks on the remnants of the imperial fleet at Kobe leaves Japan without a fighting navy. Hence she is cut off from her overseas sources of oil, rice and iron.

There are a few warships left for suicidal attacks. But there is no longer enough naval strength to fairly challenge the 3d fleet.

The Japanese air-force "shot the works" at Okinawa and lost. In that 86-day campaign, Japan lost 4072 planes. Qualified American observers estimate her total air strength now at from 5000 to 10,000 planes.

Against her we have 7500 bombers poised to strike and innumerable fighters to support them. Japan's wartime economic order is being destroyed by inflation, by admission of her own financial minister, Toyosaku Hirose. He has announced a steady drain of capital by an increase of interest amounting to one billion yen a month.

Japan has been at war now for nine years and her losses in manpower have been nearly 3,000,000. The last official estimates, some months behind the bleeding of Okinawa set Japan's war losses at 2,700,000.

The longer the war goes on, the weaker Japan's potential becomes. Japan could, however, go on for a year or more on the army and the war factories and stocks of supplies left to her.

Hoosier Heroes— MARINE FROM HERE KILLED

Fatality Occurs in Action on Okinawa.

Today's casualties include another Hoosier marine as killed in action on Okinawa.

KILLED—Marine Pfc. James (Buddy) Morgan, nephew of Mrs. Everett Gallo-way, 16 Plum st., lost his life June 3, on Okinawa.

Pvt. Morgan was fighting with the 7th marine division, and had been in service a year and one-half. Surviving besides the aunt, are three uncles, Sam Perkins and Moses Perkins, Washington, and Pvt. Louis Perkins, with the army in France, and another aunt, Mrs. Omar Edwards, Washington.

STATE

The names of the following Indiana men appear on today's official casualty lists:

ARMY DEAD—PACIFIC REGIONS
Pvt. Garnet Dockery, Evansville; Pvt. Edward J. Jablonski, East Chicago.

ARMY WOUNDED—PACIFIC REGIONS
T. Sgt. Ugo G. Frisoni, Mishawaka.

LEGION HONORS FDR AND PYLE

High Awards to Be Received By Their Widows.

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the case of Ernie Pyle and Franklin Roosevelt—their widows. The executive committee today also authorized establishment of an American Legion college at national headquarters here when the war ends.

Three Terms Annually

With Americanism and Legion ideals the basis of the curricula, the school would enroll 100 students each term, three terms annually.

Legion spokesmen emphasized that the college is in no way intended to be a complete "university" with an A to Z educational program. Its function, they pointed out, would be strictly supplemental and facilities would be open to students selected by the various Legion departments.

The executive committee also adopted a resolution urging that future federal grants to public school systems have "no strings attached," and advocated legislation "which adequately protects the schools from federal domination."

Favors Conscription

The national defense sub-committee today was still trying to frame a suitable universal military training resolution, acceptable to all factions.

There appeared no doubt that the executive committee would definitely go on record as advocating a peacetime conscription bill. Only wording of the resolution was in doubt. Debate on the subject again was delayed this morning.

BOY BREAKS ARM

Charles Senteny, 6, of 1020 Spann ave., fell today from a slide in the Fitch park at State and Fletcher sts. and broke his left arm. He was taken to City hospital for treatment.

HOB0 EDITOR DECORATED

NEW YORK, July 27 (U. P.).—The Hobo News, journal for the footloose, proudly announced today that editor-on-leave Pvt. Jack Kennedy had won the bronze star for action in North Africa, Sicily, France and Germany.

Italian POW's Permitted to Send Food Back to Families

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Italian prisoners of war in this country—some 45,000 of them—are to be invited to send postage-free food packages once a month to their families in Italy. Sugar is among the commodities in the packages.

The war department says the POW's will get the sugar from government-held stocks through an arrangement between the War Department and the Foreign Economic Administration. This is necessary because sugar has disappeared from the stores in many localities.

Other items from government sources in the POW food packages are cheese, chocolate bars, coffee, condensed milk and soap. The rationed items are to be point-free in this food package deal.

Saves Money for U. S.

One official advanced this justification for the system: The Italian prisoners earn money on government job assignments. Uncle Sam is going to have to help Italy. If POW's are willing to spend their money for food packages, this country will be saved that much money.

The plan, suggested by the Italian ambassador, has the approval of Secretary of War Stimson. It will be handled by the International Red Cross.

Circulars offering nine choices of food and clothing packages have been distributed by the war department to the Italian POW's. The clothing packages offer five choices: the food package four. Clothing selections are for men, women, boys, girls and infants. Some scarce clothing items are included, although used articles also are offered.

Sounds Like a Gyp

Samples, as described by the war department:

For \$2.65—One pound of coffee; one tin of condensed milk; half pound of cheese; pound of rice; one 3½-ounce chocolate bar; two bars of soap.

For \$3.55—One pound of sugar; one pound of rice; two ounces grated cheese; two 1½-ounce chocolate bars; two cakes of soap; one sewing kit; one pair men's hose; two white handkerchiefs; 20 razor blades; two pairs of shoe laces.

Top price for food packages is \$5.10.

For \$7.45—One white shirt; one pair civilian trousers; one civilian

FACE KIDNAP CHARGE IN OHIO

Couple Brought Orphan Here, Police Say.

A former Columbus, O., couple who allegedly abducted and brought a 17-year-old girl to Indianapolis were to face kidnapping charges in Columbus municipal court today.

The couple, James Fox, 37, and Marie Fox, 28, were arrested at their home, 835 Parkway ave., by Indianapolis and Columbus police July 22. They were arrested for grand larceny by the Ohio officers, who filed kidnapping charges after returning the couple to Columbus.

The couple is accused of taking Nora Fisher from the Franklin county, Ohio, children's home March 1. Mr. Fox was formerly a handyman and Mrs. Fox was an instructor at the home. They were discharged Feb. 28.

They allegedly told the orphan that they had adopted her and arranged for her to meet them in Columbus March 1. They then are said to have brought her to Indianapolis.

Adoption Denied

Columbus officers said no adoption arrangements had been made. They also said the couple was charged with contributing to the delinquency of Miss Fisher.

The orphan girl told police she was afraid of both Mr. and Mrs. Fox, charging that Fox had made advances and that Mrs. Fox was jealous. She worked in a downtown cafe here and later took a job caring for three children. She also said she had given Fox \$50 at one time.

Miss Fisher, who had been at the home 14 years and who attended Columbus East Side high school, is being held in the juvenile detention center in Columbus.

GET CASH, GAS STAMPS

A cash register containing \$25 and 800 gallons worth of gas coupons was stolen and a pin-ball machine was damaged last night when the Gulf Service Station at 5302 E. Washington st., was entered after closing hours. Manager Charles Merrick reported today.

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