

## COUNTY DEMOCRATS—

Marriage Certificate Sales  
Called 'Legalized Banditry'

Marriage certificate sales in the county clerk's office were described as "legalized banditry" by Emil F. Schaad, president of the Citizens' Good Government committee, in a speech at the Claypool hotel last night.

"The marriage certificate racket is robbing the innocent and unknown victims of an estimated \$40,000 in one term of county clerk, he said. Mr. Schaad referred to the sale by County Clerk A. Jack Tilton of fancy certificates at prices from \$1 to \$5 each.

## Hoosier Politics—

CONFUSION LAID  
TO DEMOCRATSBath Charges Economic  
Disorder Planned.

Although the political spotlight was on Washington last night where President Truman gave his answer to the meat problem, Hoosier politicians plodded steadily along in their campaign for offices.

Here in Indianapolis, Thomas E. Bath, Republican candidate for secretary of state, told a group of Washington township Republicans the "present economic confusion is planned."

Left wing forces within the Democratic party, he charged, are "doing their best to undermine the American way of life and introduce hammer and sickle methods."

Charges Present  
Crisis Very Real

DECATUR, Ind., Oct. 15.—State Treasurer Frank T. Millis, running for re-election on the Republican ticket, charged last night that though many "New Deal" emergencies were imaginary, the "present crisis is very real."

Mr. Millis shared the platform of a Republican meeting here with senatorial candidate William E. Jenner who declared the Democratic New Deal has "betrayed constitutional government for 14 years."

Says Administration  
Avoiding Decisions

WEST LEBANON, Ind., Oct. 15.—Appellate Judge Donald Bowen, seeking re-election, said here last night that "feuds and quarrels within the Democratic administration have left no time for vital issues."

The administration, he charged, "is avoiding crucial decisions and adopting irresponsible policies which have led directly to the present national crisis."

Capehart Addresses  
Osgood Rally

OSGOOD, Ind., Oct. 15.—U. S. Senator Homer Capehart (R., Ind.) said today that Presidential action on the meat situation was better later than never but said belated relief had led to "untold suffering and chaos."

"I am happy to know that he (Mr. Truman) now agrees that we were correct," said Senator Capehart, "and perhaps next time, he will follow the advice of those who believe in the people and not those with the ideology of regimenting the people."

Senator Capehart spoke before a Republican rally here. He said President Truman had been "warned by many of us and the congress of the U. S., that his failure to act would lead to untold suffering and chaos among the people."

FIRECRACKERS FROM  
CHINESE REACH U. S.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 15 (U. P.).—The Chinese are up to their old tricks again, much to the delight of young children and the dismay of parents and firemen.

The first shipment of Chinese firecrackers to reach the United States since the war is awaiting settlement of the maritime strike so they can be unloaded from the American President Lines' Hamilton Victory.

The shipment of more than 5000 cases arrived Saturday. When they are unloaded they will be distributed to local and East coast importers.

ROAD BANDITRY IN  
GREECE REPORTED

ATHENS, Oct. 15 (U. P.).—Greek press dispatches reported today that "bandit" activity had spread to southern Thessaly and that the Athens-Larissa road had been mined for the first time.

A Red Cross truck and four privately-owned vehicles reportedly were hijacked between Athens and Larissa. Reports said the road had been mined near Domokos, between Lamia and Pharsalos on the edge of the territory controlled by Rightist "Bandit" Chieftain Gregori Sourias.

## IN INDIANAPOLIS

## EVENTS TODAY

Indiana Chiropractors association, conference, Lincoln.

Indiana Improved Order of Red Men, convention, Claypool.

## EVENTS TOMORROW

Indiana Degree of Pechonias, convention, Claypool.

## BIRTHS

At St. Francis—Mary Williams, Claudia, Dorothy Jones, Robert, Dorothy Jenkins, and Gerald, Lillian Kemp.

At City—James, Clara Goff.

At Coleman—Lloyd, Violet Miller, and George, Anne Eiler.

At Methodist—Guy, Agnes Miller, Orris, Ruth Johnston, Paul, Odella Walker, Noble, Beulah Shepherd, and Dana, Wilma Chaudron.

At St. Vincent—Richard, Rita Kester, and John, Mary.

At St. Francis—William, Virginia Lindsey, and Clyde, Mary Vermillion.

At City—Lawrence, Lila Chadwick.

At Coleman—Asher, Bernice Gray, John, Barbara, and David, Lloyd.

At Lawrence—Edna Brown, Robert, Norma, and Clarence, Marjorie Jones; Norman, Maxine Long, Henry, Charmine; Parliat, John, Beverly Carson; Harold, Emily Kelly; Dale, Robert; and George, Earl, Jeanette, Ringer; Evelyn, Evelyn Kennedy; Robert, Mary Grant, and Harry, Jennie Burgess.

At St. Vincent—William, Norma Chaplain, John, Frances Betty, and Russell, Geraldine Smith.

## DEATHS

Harry O. Bickel, 66, at St. Vincent's, coronary.

Corda Isabel Core, 75, at 530 Division st., decompensated heart.

James Cunningham, 82, at 520 E. Vermont st., cerebral hemorrhage.

Dorothy Bee Evans, 6, at Riley, endocarditis.

Edith Bertha Moore, 46, at City, pulmonary congestion.

John T. Breese, 74, at Methodist, carcinoma.

Cyrus Adams Briles, 57, at Circle Coal Co., coronary occlusion.

Maria Helen Popovich, 7, at 1105 W. New York, pneumonia.

Lee Ester Watta, 49, at City, cerebral hemorrhage.

Omer C. Barger, 72, at 2304 Woodlawn ave., myocardia.

Samuel F. Dunman, 70, at 441 S. Gray st., coronary occlusion.

Jennie Kester, 73, at Methodist, congestive heart failure.

Sylvester Harvey, 44, at 2605 Eastern ave., carcinoma.

Minnie E. Robertson, 71, at City, pulmonary embolism.

Thomas Tyler, 66, at 2028 Columbia ave., cerebral hemorrhage.

Bernice Bracey, 64, at 1043 S. Capitol, cerebral hemorrhage.

Elia A. Perrier, 70, in ambulance, coronary thrombosis.

Mabel C. Fredenburg, 50, at Methodist, carcinoma.

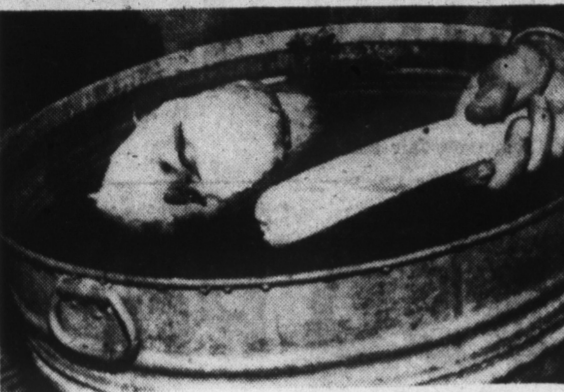
Mary Sharkey, 52, at St. Vincent's, cardiac decompensation.

Margaretha Melrath, 66, at 3555 Brewerton, cerebral hemorrhage.

Frederick George Hilt, 19, at Riley, cerebral accident.

Margaret Cronin Hurley, 92, at 1642 Cornell, coronary occlusion.

## Duck or Hen?—Proves Quite a Puzzle



"Duck-Hen," owned by Stanley Gowran of Minneapolis looks like a chicken, but swims like a duck. Nobody seems to be sure which it is.

## COUNTY REPUBLICANS—

Stark Pledges 'No Politics' if  
Elected County Prosecutor

Judson L. Stark, Republican candidate for prosecutor, pledged to take the operation of the prosecutor's office entirely out of politics if elected Nov. 5 in a speech before the Irvington G. O. P. club last night.

"I expect to select my deputies on a basis of ability and merit without regard to politics," he said.

"The prosecutor's office is the office of the people and must not be run on a political basis. When it comes to law enforcement, justice and facts should control without interference from those who gain influence through party service."

Mr. Stark denounced any policy of leniency for second offenders in criminal cases.

"If an offender is old enough to handle a gun and snatch a purse and club a woman over the head, he is old enough to go to the penitentiary where he belongs," he said.

GOP Candidates to Be  
Guests at Fish Fry

Republican candidates will be guests at a fish fry to be held Oct. 25 in the club headquarters at 34th and Illinois sts.

Ernest C. Amnuth, club president, will preside.

STRICKEN U. S. SHIP  
AWAITS NAVAL AID

HONOLULU, Oct. 15 (U. P.).—The American Liberty ship Chief Osceola, drifting helplessly in heavy seas 800 miles northwest of Hawaii, today awaited the arrival of a navy tug which has been sent to her aid.

A radio message received from the Chief Osceola last night said her propeller was gone and her rudder jammed, but that she was not in immediate danger. Maritime commission authorities said the navy tug had been dispatched to take the crippled vessel in tow.

HOOSIER IS NAMED  
OFFICIAL OF CLUB

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 15 (U. P.).—William P. Spear, Middletown, Conn., today assumed the presidency of the National Exchange club. He succeeds Dr. Stewart W. McClelland, Harrogate, Tenn.

One of the regional vice presidents elected at the closing session of the club's 28th annual convention yesterday was D. Russell Bontrager, Elkhart, Ind.

He Hopes They  
Set Sail Soon

NEW YORK, Oct. 15 (U. P.).—Frank H. Haas, 47, Mobile, Ala., skipper of the globe-girdling Liberty ship Ada Rehan, hoped today the three Iranian women he transported to this country illegally would be able to find passage home soon.

He was ordered to pay their upkeep at Ellis Island until passage is secured.

He was placed on probation for a year. He pleaded guilty to illegally importing the women.

The Ada Rehan last July 3 steamed into New York harbor with the women and the story of a vodka-drinking baboon which was shot after it bit the captain.

G. O. P. CHAIRMAN TO  
ANSWER PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (U. P.).—Republican National Chairman Carroll Reece will reply tonight to President Truman's meat decontrol speech in a coast-to-coast broadcast (CBS) on the subject of "meat and politics."

Mr. Reece had characterized the President's address in advance as a "political speech" and demanded radio time for an answer. Republican national headquarters said the Columbia Broadcasting System offered time for the reply.

The G. O. P. chief will talk from 9 to 9:15 p. m. (Indianapolis time).

23,000 STUDENTS  
TO GET FLU SHOTS

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Oct. 15 (U. P.).—The University of Michigan health service announced today that 23,000 students and faculty members will be inoculated against influenza in what officials believe will be the largest mass civilian immunization in medical history.

Dr. Margaret Bell said the program will get underway Oct. 28.

OFFICE SEEKERS  
DIVIDE ON MERITMore Democrats Support  
Personnel Proposal.

Hoosier legislative candidates today appeared closely divided on the question of placing the state personnel director and institution superintendents under the merit system.

In a poll conducted by the Indiana League of Women Voters approximately half the candidates filed replies to the two questions—whether the personnel setup would be improved with the director under merit, and whether administration in state institutions would be more efficient if superintendents were included.

## 26 Persons Affected

Should both the personnel director and the superintendents questions win approval in the 1947 legislature, only 26 persons would be affected in the entire state. These persons would be the state personnel director and the heads of 25 state institutions, including one hospital not yet built or staffed.

On the question of the personnel director, 73 candidates expressed themselves in favor, 12 opposed, 16 offered no comment and 26 polled an utter blank. Party-wise, however, the split showed only 23 Republicans definitely in favor of placing the personnel director under his own merit system with 34 hedging or outright opposed.

## 50 Democrats For

Democrats polled 50 candidates for the move, and only 20 hedged or opposed. The outright opposition among the Democrats answering the poll was by only two members.

While the bulk of support for the measure came from Democrats, that party currently holds only 29 per cent of the voting power in the legislature, while Republicans, with 71 per cent of the legislative power at present, put the proposal on the short end of the 23-24 split.

On the question of placing institution superintendents under the merit system, only 51 per cent of the total number voting favored the idea, while again the bulk of this support came from minority Democrats. The breakdown showed 20 Republicans for the move, 35 opposed, hedging or blank.

Democrats polled 44 in favor, 26 hedged, opposed or without opinion.

MISSIONARY USES  
MAGIC TO GET FUNDS

ST. LOUIS (U. P.).—The Rev. Paul Lloyd, C. M., director of the Vincentian Foreign Mission Society here, uses his abilities as a magician to raise funds for rebuilding Chinese missions destroyed during the war.

Chaplain of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring No. 1, the priest occasionally takes jobs as a prestidigitator and turns the receipts over to the society. Its funds also have been augmented by magic shows, staged here annually by him for the past three years, with the aid of fellow magicians who contribute their services.

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