

'Enemies' Aided Judge Niblack's Superior Court Victory

VOTED TO GET HIM OFF JOB IN POLICE COURT

Former Newsman Says He Was 'Kicked Upstairs' By Opponents.

By KENNETH HUFFORD

Most candidates elected to public office receive that honor by the votes of their friends, or the help of a political machine.

One victor in last Tuesday's election, however, feels he was virtually "kicked upstairs." At least he received a lot of votes from persons who wanted to see him out of his present police court post.

"Many people told me frankly they thought I could 'do a better job' in another court," laughed Judge John L. Niblack of municipal court 4. He will become judge of superior court 1 next January.

His stern treatment of law offenders brought him into disfavor with certain attorneys, bondsmen, professional politicians and law enforcement officials who occasionally "arranged" for a client to escape the full penalties under the law.

The colorful Republican judge long has been known for his vigorous application of the law, without respect to individual.

"Wanted Me Elsewhere"

So, he accepts philosophically the "will" of numerous, interested persons who "wanted me elsewhere, even if they had to vote for me to get it." He had a lot of help from his many friends. But he also had much uninvited assistance. In his race to become a four-year superior court judge at \$10,000 annual salary. His present job, an appointive post, pays \$7500 a year.

What will be his attitude as a superior court judge, whose major duties will be settling divorce cases?

"About the same as that of any newspaperman on the bench," he said, shaking his shaggy head and grinning. "I know what you fellows think about a professional politician."

The judge himself was a reporter 20 years ago and will sit in the same courthouse he "covered" on a "beat" in those days.

Less Interesting Job

Specifically, though, he thinks his new public office will be less interesting than the police court job, where he sees "everything under the sun."

"Some of the same old drunks and batters probably will appear before me in divorce cases," he mused.

Judge Niblack confessed that he "almost would favor a law that no one could be a judge without having a wife and children." He feels that the so-called judicial temperament and wisdom of the bench comes easier with some personal knowledge of family life.

His flair for public life is characteristic of the Niblack family. A great-grandfather, for whom the judge was named, plied Dubois county and was appointed the first judge there.

A great-uncle was a Democratic congressman from the 2nd district, now the 7th district represented by Gerald Landis, Republican.

Native of Wheatland

A cousin thrice was speaker of the Indiana house of representatives. A native of Wheatland, near Vincennes, Judge Niblack is a graduate of Indiana university. Upon leaving college, he became a reporter on the Vincennes Commercial, later coming to Indianapolis as a reporter on The Times.

In those days, he "split" his ticket, he admits—a growing practice, the latest results indicate.

While a reporter at the courthouse, Judge Niblack became interested in law and began a night school course. He left the journalistic field in 1926 to become a deputy prosecutor under William Remy, now safety board president.

He and Mr. Remy had become close friends during the trial at Noblesville of D. C. Stephenson, Ku Klux Klan leader now serving a life sentence at the Indiana state prison for a murder conviction.

Elected State Senator

Later, the young deputy prosecutor was elected a state senator, serving from 1929-33.

He recalled that he never has been supported in a Republican primary election by professional politicians—a tribute to his independence. It also gives him a freedom from obligations that often prove embarrassing to many an office-holder.

His entire philosophy of public service may be summarized as: "Represent the people and not the politicians, but be sure and let the people know what you're doing or the politicians may mislead them into voting for someone serve to the party."

Judge Niblack winked: "That's where my training as a newspaperman comes in handy."

2-CAR WRECK SETS OFF FIRE BOX ALARM

Firemen from stations 4, 13 and 19 rushed to Nordyke ave. and York st. this morning in answer to a fire box alarm.

They found not a fire but a two-car accident.

An auto driven by Miley Spear, 301 S. Randolph st., had knocked a taxi cab operated by Richard McGlum, 1918 N. Pennsylvania st., into a utility pole at the corner.

The pole toppled to the street, setting off the alarm.

Firemen gave first aid to Mr. McGlum.



John L. Niblack... elected judge of superior court 2.

Mother, Held for Murder, Says Son, 3, Shot Father

FAIRFIELD, Ill., Nov. 7 (U. P.).

A young mother, tearfully protesting that her 3-year-old son killed her husband, was held in the county jail today on a charge of murder.

A coroner's jury recommended last night that Mrs. Lois Wilson, 24, be held for grand jury action in the death of her husband, Leon, 29, an oil field worker.

Mrs. Wilson claims that her son, Linden, was too young to know what he was saying when he told authorities "mommy shoot him."

She said Linden shot her husband last Monday when a shotgun with which he was playing accidentally discharged.

At the inquest Herschel Carter, rural neighbor of the Wilsons, testified that Mrs. Wilson came to his home after the shooting. He said she led Linden, who was naked, by the hand and carried her 9-month-old baby.

Mr. Carter said she sobbed: "Linden shot his daddy."

He went to the Wilson home, Mr.

Carter said, and found Mr. Wilson lying in bed dying from a bullet wound in the head. Mr. Wilson was clad in pajamas and apparently had been asleep.

Mrs. Wilson told State's Attorney Virgil E. Mills who jailed her after talking with her son, that she was in the farm yard doing chores when a shot rang out. She ran inside, she said, and found Linden dragging a shotgun across the floor. She said the child once before had fired the gun while her husband watched.

J. A. D. INVESTIGATOR HAS HEART ATTACK

William F. Kurrash, 52, of 3109 E. Michigan st., was taken to Veterans hospital today after he collapsed with a heart attack in an E. Market st. office building.

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Burglary Suspect, Fleeing Police, Drops Loot of \$3750

In his haste to escape police, a burglary suspect dropped \$78 in bills and \$3675 in government bonds and fled with two rolls of nickels early today.

Patrolmen Martin Kruse and Ed Clark were cruising in the 100 block on W. Maryland st. when they spotted the thief in the alley behind the Illinois tavern, 90 N. Illinois st.

The man ran east on Maryland st. to Illinois st., sprinted north on Illinois st. to Pearl st., raced

through Pearl st. to Pennsylvania st. He was nabbed by the officers as he rounded the corner and started north on Pennsylvania st.

Bonds in Alley

After searching him and finding only the nickels, the patrolmen loaded him in their squad car and returned to the alley behind the tavern.

There they found that the place had been entered. Lying in the alley were the bills and the bonds.

Identified as Leo Grant Kissinger, 29, Indiana hotel, the man admitted he burglarized the tavern, according to police. He was charged with vagrancy.

Police said Kissinger had served a term at the state reformatory for second-degree burglary in 1935.

State Methodists to Spend \$4 Million on Building Plan

Methodist churches in Indiana announced today that they will spend approximately \$4 million on church building during the next five years.

This building program of the Methodist church in the state, known as the Indianapolis area, is part of a \$100 million nationwide expansion of the denomination.

The building survey which included more than two-thirds of the 560 districts of the church indicates that American Methodists will build 2148 new churches and 1438 new parsonages and make 6000 extensive renovations during this period.

These figures include 48 new churches in Indiana to cost \$2,303,200. Congregations of the state indicated that they also will invest \$1,306,890 in renovations.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Thomas Francis Craban Jr., 1906 N. King; Margaret Frances Whittingham, 33 S. Mount.

James J. Vestal, 230 N. Rural st.; Mary Alice Redenbaugh, 1712 Central ave.

Justin A. Wilde, 2101 Park ave., No. 4; Elizabeth Joan Ramsey, 939 Forest Lane.

Paul L. West, R. R. 20, Box 729; Emma Loraine Storms, 522 Coffey st.

Charles E. Cummings, 817 Laurel st.; Doris Pauline Coy, 17 Frank st.

Harold Fick, 1431 Holmes st.; Edna May Loge, 1750 Morgan st.

Kenneth L. Watson, 122 Wright st.; Lillian M. DeBoer, 117 Sanders st.

John Manlove, St. Louis, Mo.; Mabel L. Overton, 703 Fayette st.

Roger E. Reed, 1905 Luther st.; Martha F. Reed, 2126 Fayette st.

Paul Eugene Umbreit, 1906 E. Washington; Betty Westfield, 24 S. Summit st.

Hilbert F. Fehrbach, Fire Dept. King and Co.; Mary Lou Bowman, 709 N. Davidson st.

Richard Gentry, R. R. 3, Box 468; Irene Cox, R. R. 3, Box 468.

Patrick Joseph Taylor, 502 N. DeQuincy st.; Eunice C. Wharton, 1621 N. Delaware st.

Robert L. Eubanks, R. R. 1, Monrovia; Norma Jean Day, R. R. 1, Canby.

Paul Ivan Kennedy, 1121 Villa ave.; Juanita H. Kirkhoff, 2334 S. Randolph st.

Earl James Myers, 1413 Blaine; Carrie Mae Smith, 202 N. Traub.

William Eugene Robinson, 2911 E. Moore ave.; Ruby E. Catron, 114 S. Rural.

Harold Goodwin, 634 City; Mildred Drabentrot, 1510 Jefferson ave.; Marion Catherine Alvin, 242 N. Oriental.

Walter P. Kelly, 520 N. Audubon rd.; Ella Margaret Nevins, 222 S. Butler.

James Eugene Lacey, 297 Beaton ave.; Guldreva Truesdell, 1713 College.

Charles D. Sams, 212 Columbia; Doris Wood, 408 W. Walnut.

Walter G. Porter, P. O. Knox, Kentucky; Martha Lou Goodhart, Danville.

James Luther Miller, 34 W. New York st.; Louise Virginia Whitlock, 1622 Sheldon.

Dale Lowell Russell, Linden hotel; Norma Mae Ashley, 2228 Broadway.

BIRTHS

Twins

At Methodist—Dr. John, Arvilla Great, boys.

At St. Francis—Emmer, Mary Smith.

At Coleman—Harold, Jane Bell and Don.

At Methodist—John, Sylvia Hooper; Carl, Jean Summitt; William, Alfaret.

3 INDIANA AIRPORTS TO BE USED BY AAF

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 7 (U. P.).—The eleventh air force said today that three Indiana airports will be designated as auxiliary units in the current flying refresher training program of the air defense command.

Former army air force pilots now can receive flying training at reserve training detachment sites in Indianapolis and Ft. Wayne. Under the proposed plan, auxiliary stations for actual flying training only would be located at Terre Haute and Richmond municipal airports and the Bendix airport at South Bend.

"This scheme has been evolved to provide immediate air reserve training for thousands of our former A. A. F. people who would otherwise not be able to take part," said Maj. Gen. Thomas J. Hanley.

He said several of the auxiliary fields named throughout the eleventh air force area would eventually be activated as air reserve training detachments, when funds were available.

MOST FIRES PREVENTABLE

WASHINGTON—Approximately 90 per cent of the fires that destroy millions of American property each year are preventable.

National Council of Catholic Women Meet

The eighth annual convention of the Indianapolis Archdiocesan council, National Council of Catholic Women, was held here today.

The Most Rev. Paul Schulte, archbishop of Indianapolis, was the principal convention speaker.

In his talk, following a noon luncheon in the Claypool hotel Riley room, Archbishop Schulte said the women of the world have the opportunity to effect and maintain peace and order worthy of the intelligence and dignity of the human race.

"If womanhood," he said, "were everywhere alive to its dignity and power, and at the same time imbued with the proper religious and moral concept, it would—through the influence it exerts in the home alone—be able to transform the world."

Attend High Mass

The archbishop pontificated this morning at the high mass in St. John's church which opened the convention. The Rev. Albert Busald delivered the sermon.

Before the luncheon, 10 archdiocesan committees sponsored panel discussions at the Claypool.

Mrs. A. C. Weidner, archdiocesan

METHODISTS PLAN OPTION LAW MEETING

Methodist lay leaders and ministers of Indiana will meet Tuesday to map a course of action toward securing a local option law for the state.

The conference will be held at 12:30 p. m. in the North Methodist church, 38th and Meridian. It has been arranged by the Indiana chapter of the Methodist Federation for Social Service of which E. J. Fricke of Indianapolis is president.

The Rev. Jack R. McMichael of New York, national executive secretary of the Methodist Federation for Social Service, will speak and also conduct seminars from 4 to 5:30 p. m. and from 7 to 9 p. m.

Officers of the Indiana chapter in addition to Mr. Fricke are Dr. Dallas L. Browning, North church pastor; the Rev. E. R. Garrison, Dr. Blaine E. Kirkpatrick and the Rev. Estel I. Odle.

A pontifical high mass at St. John's Catholic church this morning preceded the opening of the annual convention of the Indianapolis Archdiocesan council, National Council of Catholic Women. Shown here entering the church are (left to right) Mrs. Hugh J. O'Connell, Indianapolis Deanery council president-elect; Mrs. Edward Van Ulsen Jr., Terre Haute Deanery council president-elect, and Mrs. A. C. Weidner, Archdiocesan council president.

President, and Mrs. Leo Shay, Indianapolis Deanery president, also were speakers.

Miss Ruth Cravens, Washington, executive secretary of the national headquarters, had as her topic "The Spheres of Your Influence."

Deanery presidents reporting for

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Homemaking Gifts Play a Leading Part in Your Christmas Planning

Housewares, Seventh Floor

POTATO MASHER—A flint stainless steel kitchen tool, new in design, 1.75

CAKE BREAKER—New type that breaks cake free from crumbs, without spoiling frosting, 1.25

COASTER SETS each set of eight in assorted colors, in transparent plastic box, 89c set

A. GLASS COFFEEMAKER—All-glass with silver trim, heatproof plastic handles. 8-cup size, 3.95

B. PANCAKE TURNER—Made of flint stainless steel. Welcome gift for any kitchen, 1.25

C. DECORATED SERVING TRAY—16 inches in diameter, prettily decorated with flowers, 2.00

D. DECORATED WASTEBASKET in colors with flowers in a hand-painted look, 1.35 each

E. CARVING SET, stainless steel with handsome plastic handles. 3-piece set, 5.00

F. NU-TONE DOOR CHIMES—Something every house should have, 6.95

G. ALL-ALUMINUM MOLDS for making waff-l-ettes and appetizers. For the hostess who likes to entertain. Three molds to a set, four sets... Bridge Set, Appetizer Set, Rose-Bud Set, and Luncheon Set, 1.39 set

H. BEST EGGBEATER—Streamlined accessory any housewife would welcome, 3.25

I. KITCHEN CUTLERY—24-piece set, service for six. With plastic handles in Christmas red. Knives are stainless steel. 9.95 set

SERVING OVEN with all-aluminum basket gogs from stove right to the table, 2.75

SMORGASBORD KNIFE with Swedish steel blade. Perfect for thin slicing of breads, cakes, boneless meats, etc., 2.00

DAZEY SUPER JUICER, easy to use. Just turn, pour, rinse, 3.25

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