

Court Upholds Three-For-A-Quarter Streetcar Fare Here

Appeal Is Sole Hope of Making Stubs Good

Injunction Order Made Permanent

Hope that the hundreds of thousands of yellow trolley and bus stubs may still be usable faded to practically nothing today.

Their worth hinged upon a formal decision of the state public service commission whether or not to make a second appeal of the trolley rate case to the Indiana supreme court.

This was considered unlikely since the high court already upheld a temporary order for higher fares.

Frank Coughlin, deputy attorney general, said he will confer with the public service commission before the decision on an appeal is reached.

Rules for Corporations

After nine months of litigation, Circuit court ruled yesterday that Indianapolis Railways, Inc., is entitled to collect the higher three-for-a-quarter token fare permanently.

The transit firm has been collecting the higher rate since last August on temporary permission of Circuit court, pending final adjudication.

Riders have been given yellow stubs as a written guarantee of a free ride or cash refund if the higher rate was denied.

Injunction Issued

Special Judge Floyd Burns issued a permanent injunction preventing the public service commission from interfering with the transit firm's increased fare from four tokens for 25 cents to three for a quarter.

However, if no appeal is taken, the S. C. C. can reopen the rate case any time it has sufficient evidence to prove the new rate is too high.

The higher fare was made permanent on the testimony of company officials that its deficit was running more than \$30,000 a month on the old four for a quarter token rate.

Transit officials testified that the firm's financial condition was worse now than it was a year ago and was getting worse because of rising labor and materials costs.

Bookkeeping Questioned

Attorneys for the PSC contended that the transit firm's system of bookkeeping on depreciation of property for rate making purposes was deceptive and incorrect.

However, Judge Burns held that under the evidence the old rate would not provide an adequate return on the investment.

He ordered more than \$1 million collected on the higher fares and held, in escrow, be released from court control and turned over to the company.

Services Set Monday

For Lester Freeman

Services for Lester Leroy Freeman, 1648 Cornell ave., who died Tuesday, will be at 1 p.m. Monday in the Jacobs Brothers East side chapel. Burial will be in New Crown.

Mr. Freeman, who was 30, lived here 26 years and was employed by the International Harvester Co. Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Fannie Freeman; two daughters, Mrs. Thelma Whittred, Mrs. Lillian Upon; two sons, Virgil Freeman, all of Indianapolis, and Henry Freeman, New York City, and two brothers, Sylvester Freeman, Princeton, and Charles Freeman, Indianapolis.

Charles Moore

Services for Charles Moore, who died Tuesday in his home, 809 W. 6th st., will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in Jones' tabernacle. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

Mr. Moore, who was 63, lived here 48 years and was employed as a porter for the Fannie May Homeade Candies Co.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Moore; a son, Sylvester May; two daughters, Mrs. Beatrice Lawson and Miss Ruth Moore, and a brother, William Moore, all of Indianapolis.

Mrs. Marcia Branham

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Flanner & Buchanan mortuary for Mrs. Marcia Ruth Branham, former Indianapolis resident who died Tuesday after an auto accident at Highland, Ill.

Mr. Branham, who was 23, lived at Oakland, Calif. She and her husband, Charles E. Branham, were en route here to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy P. Wischart, when they were involved in the accident.

Born in Union City, Mrs. Branham lived here from 1927 until 1932 and moved back in 1940. She was a graduate of Shortridge high school.

Surviving are her husband and parents, and two brothers, James A. Wischart, Atlanta, Ga., and Paul F. Wischart, in the army at Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

Paul Habig Hodges

Paul Habig Hodges, 1123 W. 18th st., a former employee of the 7-Up Bottling Co., died yesterday in Methodist hospital. He was 41.

He was born in Princeton and had been an Indianapolis resident 35 years.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the home with burial in Glen Haven.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Virginia Hodges, a son, Robert C. Hodges, Tennessee; two sisters, Mrs. Agnes Admiry and Mrs. Ada Mather, Indianapolis, and two brothers, Charles Hodges, Petersburg, and Orville Dutton, Indianapolis.

MacArthur's Son Hurt

TOKYO, May 20 (U.P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur's son, Arthur, 8, fractured his left arm while ice skating indoors yesterday.



NO ADMITTANCE—The garage area at the Speedway track, with its smell of high-powered fuels, fascinates race fans. Here a group hangs on one of the gates to catch fleeting glimpses of the race cars.

Hotels Filled Up At 'Boom' Rates

Race Fans Take It On Financial Chin

Hotel rooms were as scarce as hens teeth and as costly as gold ones in Indianapolis today, one day before the big race.

Leading downtown hotels were charging \$12.50 to \$15 a night with an additional requirement that guests take the room for three nights.

Price increases also prevailed at hotels commonly rated as second class. Some of these were asking \$15 for a double with bath or \$12.50 without bath with a two-day registration requirement.

Despite high rates, almost every hotel in town was filled up.

Clerks 'Making Hay'

As rooms became scarcer, some enterprising room clerks were reported to be demanding a little "palm greasing" before giving out rooms. One visitor slipped a clerk a \$15 "tip" for a double room. The room, incidentally, cost \$15 a night and was rented with the two-day stipulation.

One irate visitor who checked in at a hotel early this week to be sure to get a room complained bitterly to the Better Business Bureau when the management asked him for an extra \$25 to keep the room over night.

Girl Reports Assault

A 15-year-old girl told police she was raped last night at 10th and Missouri st. by a middle-aged man who approached her in an automobile.

Burglaries overnight were reported by Harry Oliver, owner of the Oliver grocery, 502 S. Keystone ave., which was entered after the closing hours by thieves who stole \$30.

Emilie Hesitates

First down in the first round was Mary Conley, the champion from the Charleston Daily Mail. She spelled "desperately" with two a's.

Emilie hesitated on the first round. But she finally made up her mind that "roommate" is spelled with two m's. From then on until she ran into "granary" she was the sharpest speller in the lot.

The election board also announced that it will dismantle all voting machines used in the May primary next Monday unless there is a court order in the meantime ordering the totals preserved for some legal matter.

The deadline for filing suits to contest any election in the primary was May 21. Board members said that if there is no court order to impound the machines by Monday they will be dismantled in preparation for the November election.

Local Briefs

Edwin Gels, owner of the Two Way Tavern, 358 Massachusetts ave., reported to police today that burglars broke into his establishment last night and stole 35 bottles of whisky valued at \$100.

More than 100 persons representing co-operating agencies yesterday attended the 10th anniversary party of the cerebral palsy clinic in Riley hospital. In charge were Mrs. Doris Wheeler Toumey, therapy supervisor, and Mrs. Winifred Kahnmann, physical and occupational therapy director. The clinic is maintained by the state department of public welfare and the Indiana university medical center.

Harold W. Sturgis, 43, of 1548 W. Washington st., was in fair condition today at City hospital after he was struck by an automobile in the 1300 block of W. Washington st. Cecil Brakett, 36, of R. R. 3, Box 505, driver of the vehicle, was not hurt.

Mrs. Emily Kindel

Mrs. Emily Kindel, an Indianapolis resident 63 years, died today in the 1300 block of W. Washington st. Cecil Brakett, 36, of R. R. 3, Box 505, driver of the vehicle, was not hurt.

M. Carlton Smith has been elected president of the Fathers' association of Broad Ripple high school.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Josephine Stine, Indianapolis; a son, James, Pasadena, Cal., and four grandchildren.

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DUTCH NAME U. S. ENVOY

THE HAGUE, May 29 (U.P.)—Dr. Elco N. Van Kleefens, former Netherlands foreign minister and representative to the United Nations, has been appointed ambassador to Washington.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Shirley Brothers' central chapel. Burial will be in Riverview cemetery at Seymour.



PIT BULL—Maybe this pit bulldog realized someone would make a pun about him being tied up by the pit and showed his teeth a little more than usual. He watched pre-race activities yesterday from a vantage spot below the grandstand, just in back of Speedway pits.

Adopt New System Of Listing Voters

Change Is Designed To Eliminate Error

A new system designed to reduce the chances of error in balloting here was adopted today by the Marion county election board.

The board ruled that all poll books for each of the 380 voting precincts shall bear the typewritten names of all registered voters.

The ruling further provides that the voters must sign their names opposite the printed name and address. This is designed to eliminate chances of mistaken identity.

In the past only the voters signatures appeared on the poll books and many of those were illegible, leading to confusion over the identity of the voter.

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Butler to Offer Course In Camp Counseling

Butler university will offer "on the spot" counselor training this summer with students to train at Camp Kosciusko, Winona Lake. The course will include class study, observation and training in camp activities and administration.

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