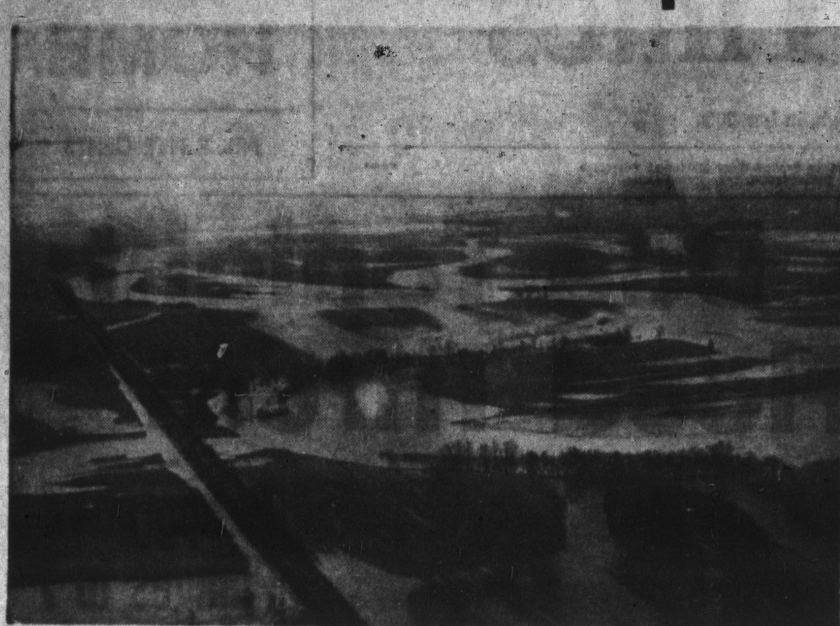
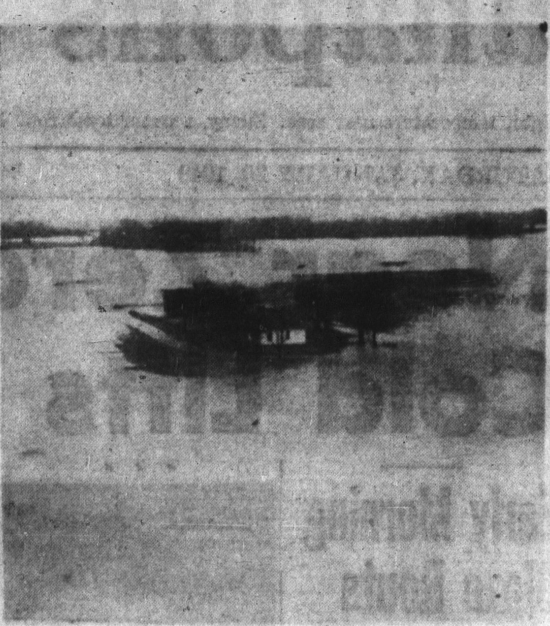


Winter Landscapes In Indiana -- After The Rains Came



Inundated farmlands near Paragon . . . flooded by the worst January rains in many years, the water probably will not recede for a week, according to the Weather Bureau today.



A house by the side of the road . . . completely surrounded by water, this farmhouse is situated between Plainville and Elmer.



A two-arch railroad trestle near Washington . . . the stream beneath the bridge rose over its banks to flood the fields on either side and drive farmers from their homes.

Congress— Truman Asks T-H Act Repeal

**Toughened Up Wagner Law Urged
As a Substitute Measure**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (UP)—The administration today asked Congress to repeal the Republican Taft-Hartley Labor Law and re-enact a toughened-up New Deal Wagner Act with certain injunction powers.

The bill, certain to meet disapproval from some unions, would give the President authority to stop national emergency strikes and to obtain injunctions against certain "unfair labor practices."

The proposal, Mr. Truman's answer to campaign pledges to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, would:

ONE: Class as "unfair labor practices" jurisdictional strikes, secondary boycotts and strikes for recognition in plants where another union already is recognized.

TWO: Authorize the National Labor Relations Board to obtain injunctions against such practices without respect to the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction law.

Given Wide Authority

THREE: Apparently give President Truman authority to seek court injunction to halt strikes which would create a national emergency.

The bill, however, would also carry out many of labor's demands. It would:

ONE: Kill all restrictions on union political activities, employer-financed welfare and retirement funds.

TWO: End the necessity for union officials to file non-Communist affidavits in order to use the services of the Labor Board.

THREE: Restore the closed shop and legalize the union shop in those 19 states where state legislatures have restricted this form of union security.

Disaster Funds

President Truman today ordered the Defense Department to use whatever money and other resources are "appropriate" to relieve storm-stricken areas west of the Mississippi.

Mr. Truman directed Secretary of Defense James V. Forrestal to spend any funds of the military establishment that are necessary. The President said that the disaster caused by the unprecedented storms makes it imperative that the full resources of the federal government be mobilized immediately.

Filibusters

Senate Republicans turned thumbs down on a proposed rule that would cut filibusters short if 90 percent of the Senators present voted to halt the talkathons.

The GOP members rejected the proposal on grounds it would not stop a filibuster on such issues as civil rights.

Reorganization

Former President Herbert Hoover, now head of the Government Reorganization Commission, may tell Congress Monday whether he favors removing the Army corps of engineers from the Army.

Mr. Hoover is said to have advocated such a move 20 years ago when he was Secretary of Commerce.

Export Controls

Chairman Burnet R. Maybank of the Senate Banking Committee said he wants export controls on cottonseed oil and soybeans lifted "as soon as possible." The South Carolina Democrat said he is not trying to punch a hole in the administration export control program. But he said supply of these commodities exceeds demand, thus eliminating the need for export restrictions.

Atomic Clearance

The joint congressional Atomic Energy Committee wants to learn the facts about clearance of Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina, for limited access to atomic energy secrets.

So far, the Atomic Energy Commission has refused to comment on reports that it approved Mr. Graham despite objections from its own security officer and Loyalty Review Board.

Dies of Blast Injuries

CHICAGO, Jan. 29 (UP)—John Huchro, 62, died early today of burns received when a gas generating plant exploded and injured 110 persons. The explosion was blamed on an accumulation of gas.

Oppose Federal Aid to Schools

**Hoosier Educators
Draft Resolution**

Hoosier college presidents have turned "thumbs down" on federal aid to education.

A legislative committee of an association of 26 Indiana colleges will present a resolution opposing federal aid to the Indiana General Assembly and Congress, Richard T. James, vice president of Butler University, said today.

Mr. James, chairman of the committee of the Indiana Association of College Presidents, said a meeting of representatives of the association disclosed opposition to federal subsidy to any institution of higher education.

It would stifle free development of American democracy on college campuses, Dr. O. P. Kretzmann, president of the association and Valparaiso University, said today announcing the presentation of the resolution.

Small colleges would be wiped out and larger private schools deprived of freedom if the Federal aid proposal expected to be presented in Congress is established, he said.

**Nab 6 in Seizure
Of Labor Office**

**Face Contempt and
Trespass Charges**

The seizure of the office of Local 103 by six men claiming to be agents of the International Union of Operating Engineers yesterday brought their arrest on charges of trespass and citation for contempt of court.

It was the second such seizure of the local office in less than six months.

In a hearing in Superior Court, Judge Hamill set Feb. 5 for hearing of the contempt charge, the same day four of the men will appear before Superior Court Judge Niblack on another contempt charge.

Freed Without Bail

The men, released by police without bail, were Russell McCoy, Earl Whitehurst, James Ashley, C. J. Shaw, Charles Patrum and Ralph Harrison.

Attorneys Lynn G. Miles and Julian D. Pace said the men acted in contempt of Judge Hamill's Oct. 19 permanent injunction against interference with the Indianapolis local union.

The original injunction, in the bitter 10-year struggle of Local 103 against control of the international union, stated that the local wanted "self government, local autonomy."

Hearing Date Set

Harry Toner, acting treasurer of Local 103, said the six men were occupying the union's office when he arrived there yesterday morning. The men have asserted they are agents of the international union.

Mr. Whitehurst, Mr. Patrum, Mr. Shaw and Mr. Ashley will appear Feb. 5 before Judge Niblack in another hearing for contempt of a restraining order against interference of the union's P. T. Wayne office.

Teeners Draft Beer

FOND DU LAC, Wis., Jan. 29 (UP)—Local teen-agers have developed a new but risky way to prove they are old enough to buy beer, police said today. They simply register for the draft.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

EVENTS TODAY

Shadown vs. Clara (Baker) Shadown, 10:30 a.m. at the Indianapolis Convention Center. Shadown vs. Clara (Baker) Shadown, 10:30 a.m. at the Indianapolis Convention Center.

EVENTS TOMORROW

Indiana State Medical Association Convention—Claypool Hotel, Chicago. Symposium—2:30 p.m. at the Indianapolis Convention Center.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Elmer Arthur Hunt, 46, 1635 Winton; Dorothy Helen Rogers, 29, 925 N. Arlington. Both 16, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

BIRTHS

At Home—Plymouth Baptist Church, 2915 Boyd. At St. Vincent's—John, Mary, Douglas, 10:30 a.m. at the Indianapolis Convention Center.

DEATHS

Edward Jones, 55, at 2528 Columbia. At St. Francis—Michael, Rita, 10:30 a.m. at the Indianapolis Convention Center.

Sales of Times Ice-O-Rama Ducats Ahead of Record

**No Choice Seats Still Available;
Mail Orders Still Being Filled**

By ART WRIGHT

A survey of the record advance ticket sale for The Times Ice-O-Rama Feb. 24 in the Fairgrounds Coliseum today revealed these seats still available:

Box chairs—On the east end circle. Parquet chairs—On the north and south sides and east end circle.

Mezzanine—North and south sides reserved; east end not reserved.

Persons desiring choice locations should get their orders in by mail now. Send orders to: Ice-O-Rama Tickets, Indianapolis Times 214 W. Maryland St. Enclose check or money order and stamped, addressed envelope for return of tickets.

The remaining tickets after mail orders will go on sale the second week in February at a downtown location.

Ticket prices are: Box and parquet chairs, \$1.20; side mezzanine, 85 cents; and mezzanine, 60 cents. Prices include tax.

The Times Ice-O-Rama, presented each year by The Times with the co-operation of the City Park and Recreation Department, will raise funds for the Indianapolis Paralysis Fund. More than 500 amateur skaters will take part in the two-hour extravaganza.

Tryouts tomorrow at the Coliseum will be for high school students seeking solo and pair numbers and rehearsals for high school groups.

**Truth Serum 'Story'
Ruled Out by Judge**

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29 (UP)—A murder suspect's "truth serum" retraction of his confession, is illegal and cannot be presented to a jury, Superior Judge Stanley Barnes ruled today.

Attorneys for James F. Blasingame, 23, a former Texas cowboy, sought to introduce his denial of two asserted confessions at his trial yesterday.

Blasingame is charged with stopping to death Otto Mueller, a Hollywood hush-hush, for \$53,000. Judge Barnes ruled that the truth serum evidence could not be sustained by a legal foundation to make it admissible.

**Willkie Co-Author
Of Assembly Bill**

Rep. Philip H. Willkie, Rushville, Republican, yesterday co-authored a bill in the 86th General Assembly which would raise the annual pay of the Henry County prosecuting attorney.

This was the first bill since the opening of the Legislature to bear Mr. Willkie's name. He is joint representative from Rush and Henry counties.

In effect, the measure amends a section of the March 1945 Acts, raising the prosecutor's salary from \$3000 to \$4000 and permits the appointment of a deputy at a \$1800 annual salary.

He Couldn't Lie—

NEW YORK, Jan. 29 (UP)—When George Washington appeared in gamblers court yesterday charged with operating a policy racket, he pleaded he was a poor straight shooter. The magistrate suspended sentence, saying:

"I believe you, George Washington. Go and play no more."

**Trucker Pays \$97
Fine at Bloomington**

BLOOMINGTON, Jan. 29—Roy Dudley, Bloomington trucker, paid one of the heaviest fines ever levied in city court here yesterday.

Charged with driving an overloaded truck onto the state highway, Mr. Dudley was fined \$97 following his plea of guilty.

Queen Thanks Actress

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 29 (UP)—Film Star Jane Wyman said today she received a "thank you" note from Queen Elizabeth for turning over a \$1000 acting award to the English Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts.

The prize was given the actress by the London Daily Express for her performance in "Johnny Belinda."

Hospital Television

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Jan. 29 (UP)—New Rochelle Hospital officials said today there is the first hospital in the country to offer television entertainment to private room patients. Patients may rent a set for \$2 a day or \$10 a week.

Bank Shortage Arraign Dyer Cashier; Depositor Sought

William J. Gettler, a 45-year-old Dyer, Ind., bank cashier, was charged today with conspiring to violate the Federal Reserve Act by manipulating records to cover up a \$125,000 fund shortage.

Harvey G. Foster, special agent in charge of the Indianapolis FBI office, said Gettler was arrested after a South Bend bank reported receiving bad checks for large amounts from the First National Bank at Dyer. Mr. Foster said the shortage amounted to \$125,533.34 and that bad checks dated back to last September.

Meanwhile, efforts were made to find a depositor who reportedly wrote the checks. Mr. Foster said a dragnet for the depositor was set up last night. Gettler was accused of manipulating bank records to cover up shortages when the checks came back marked "insufficient funds."

The FBI said Gettler, an employee of the bank for 30 years, admitted the manipulations. Gettler waived a preliminary hearing before a U. S. commissioner and was released on a \$15,000 bond.

**Group Opposes
Gross Tax Boost**

Time State Service

NORTH MANCHESTER, Jan. 29—The North Manchester Chamber of Commerce has adopted a resolution opposing any increase of the levy under the gross income tax act for the purpose of raising funds to pay the soldiers' bonus, or for any other purpose.

The group suggests that a sales tax law "as mandated by a majority of the voters on the question" be enacted to pay the bonus.

Two generations of the group is opposed to removal of the lien on real estate for old age assistance; to any regulation by the Indiana General Assembly concerning the daylight saving time proposal "unless it places Indiana in the eastern standard time belt," and to any change in the Indiana utilities arbitration act of 1947.

**Watts 'Nurses'
Hopes for Stay**

Time was running out today for Robert Austin Watts, but the 27-year-old man refused to concede that he would die in the electric chair for murder next Tuesday.

Watts made a last-ditch appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court yesterday to postpone his execution from Feb. 1 in the sex slaying of Mrs. Mary Lou Burney of Indianapolis in 1947.

Last night, he followed up the high court appeal with a letter to the Indiana State Supreme Court, which previously had stayed execution but eventually refused to intercede further in behalf of Watts.

The letter was a last-minute plea that his case be reconsidered.

**Would Break Habit
Before Going Broke**

LONDON, Jan. 29 (UP)—The Times today carried this advertisement:

"Can anyone recommend cure for smoking for gentlemen who are being impoverished by cost of tobacco? No suggestions calling for will power, please."

Cigarettes in Britain sell at three shillings six pence (about 70 cents) for a package of 20.

**First Woman Flies
Over North Pole**

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Jan. 29 (UP)—First Lt. Margaret C. Flynn, a pretty Philadelphia nurse, today was acknowledged as the first woman to cross the North Pole.

Elison Air Force Base officers said she passed over the pole Jan. 28 as a passenger in a B-50 bomber piloted by 1st Lt. Raymond A. Day of Guilman, Ill.

**Heir Cuts Off Wife
From Big Estate Slice**

NEW YORK, Jan. 29 (UP)—In a will written a month before his mysterious death in Florida, Grenville Kane Baker, 27-year-old heir to a multi-million dollar banking fortune, cut off his Mexican wife from any share in the principal of his estate, it was revealed today.

The socialite's will, filed for probate yesterday, left Mrs. Alicia Grajales Corral Baker \$2500 outright and a life interest in approximately one half his personal estate, the minimum legacy for a widow under New York law.

Mr. Baker was shot mysteriously on his plantation while on a jeep ride with a Tallahassee divorcee, Thelma Griffin, Jan. 17. Police were unable to solve the mystery of the shooting and the investigation into the case has been closed.

Legislative Calendar Today

Amends Cumulative Building Fund Act by reducing amount of tax allowed to be levied for cumulative building funds to 50 cents on each \$100 of taxable real and personal property in school unit.

HB 251 (Bennett)—PUBLIC WELFARE: Increase amount of assistance granted to destitute children from \$20 a month to \$25 a month.

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