

LIQUOR DEAD BUT DIVORCES GO RIGHT ON PILING UP, UP

Was liquor responsible for the large number of divorce decrees granted in Wayne county.

Henry U. Johnson doesn't think so, and neither does Judge W. A. Bond. "I haven't given the matter much thought, but I know divorces are as prevalent now as they were before the state went dry," said Mr. Johnson. "Incompatibility is responsible for most divorces."

Judge Bond cites hasty entrance into the marriage estate, lack of understanding of the significance of the matrimonial union, failure to grasp the importance of the step.

"Petitions for license to wed should be filed publicly six months before the date of marriage," Judge Bond said. "If petitions to obtain a license had to be filed months before the wedding day, some marriages would never take place, and consequently the number of divorces would decrease."

Rush In, Rush Out

"Few give the proposition of marriage solemn thought. They rush hell-mill into it, and think 'Oh, well, I'll try it for awhile, and if I am not satisfied with my mate, I'll sue for divorce.'

The suffering inflicted upon some wives whose husbands used liquor excessively, may have been conducive to divorces, but the judge believes that a hasty entrance into marriage causes more action for a legal separation of the marital ties than liquor ever did.

The law of Indiana providing for limited divorces of two years duration, which time the parties cannot live together and cannot re-marry, and at the end of which, if the case is dropped, if it is not brought up again with sufficient evidence, is as described as admirable by Judge Bond.

Law Isn't Any Good

"And yet the law is of no particular good because a limited divorce cannot be granted unless the suit has been filed asking it, and no couple in the midst of their decision to be divorced will file for this sort of separation. It is too bad it cannot be more effectively used. For a little time—two years of reflection, will bring around many a man and woman to an understanding of the true status of their hearts."

Short News of City

VISITING DAYS END
Winners of the visitors' contest which has been in session at Garfield will be determined following the last visiting day Friday, when patrons of the Valee School have been invited. The attendance of each district has been gauged according to the percentage of children in school from the district. The plan was inaugurated by Mrs. Clara B. Grave, a member of the executive committee of the state Parent-Teacher association.

REV. CRAVEN RECOVERING

The Rev. R. L. Craven, pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church, is recovering from several weeks' illness of neuritis.

DR. BALDWIN TO PLAY

Dr. Minie C. Baldwin, organist, who will play in St. Mary's church Friday night, gave an exhibition of organ playing that probably was never equalled, in New London, Conn., says a New London paper, of March 30.

TOPPIN OPENS BAKERY

O. U. Toppin, who recently went to Connerville from Richmond, has opened a bakery there in partnership with C. O. Fowler, of Muncie.

SCHOOL BONDS AUTHORIZED

The town of Liberty was Thursday authorized to issue \$42,000 worth of bonds to build a school building, by the state board of tax commissioners.

U. B. DRIVE ORGANIZED

Captains for three teams to conduct the United Enlistment drive of the United Brethren church, in connection with the Interchurch World movement, beginning April 25, were named at a meeting of the United Brethren congregation, Thursday night. The Rev. A. H. Backus, of Grace M. E. church, gave a fine address on the Methodist Centenary drive.

TO SPEAK AT MEETING

The Revs. Hill and Woodward of the Reid Memorial and the East Main Street Friends church, respectively, will address a mass meeting at Centerville on the Interchurch World movement, Sunday afternoon.

TO SELL TRUCK HERE

The Hoosier Feed and Feeder company, of South Sixth street, has announced that it has been made local agent for the DeLancey truck.

ARBOR DAY TODAY

By proclamation of the governor, Friday is observed as Arbor Day in Indiana and it is hoped every property owner in town or country will take advantage of the general movement and plant one or more trees. Trees as memorials have been suggested and the plan seems to meet with general favor.

WILLIAMS IS BACK

C. O. Williams, county superintendent of schools, returned to Richmond from Indianapolis Friday following two days spent in conferences.

DIRECTORS TO MEET

A joint meeting of the boards of directors and trustees of the Richmond Y. M. C. A. will be held in the association building at 6 p. m. Friday. This meeting will be preceded by dinner. Association work will be discussed and reports of activities of the past month will read.

ARRANGE FOR MOVEMENT

Preliminary arrangements for the New World Movement of the United Presbyterian church were made at a congregational meeting in the Reid Memorial church Thursday night. Team captains and workers will be appointed at a latter meeting.

REVIVAL IS PLANNED

A revival meeting will begin at the Bethel A. M. E. church Monday evening, in charge of Miss Ida May Miller of Indianapolis. The meeting will continue until Sunday, April 30.

TO HOLD EXAMINATIONS

John Edgerton, county trustee, will preside at the eighth grade diploma examination in room 20 at the high school building Saturday at 8 a. m. and again at the seventh grade geography and physiology examination at 1 p. m.

GROUP FINISHES WORK

Miss Ruthanna Sims, Clarence Pickett, and B. Willis Beede, who have formed a delegation of Friends which has toured the country visiting Friends educational institutions in the interest of the Forward Movement, arrived in Richmond Friday following a College."

conference with the students at Wilmington College, Wilmington, O. This closes the conference work.

PICKETT TO PHILADELPHIA
Clarence Pickett, general executive secretary of the Young Friends board of the Five Years Meeting will leave Friday night for Philadelphia, where he will attend several conferences.

SERVE 3,225 PEOPLE

The Y. M. C. A. cafeteria served 2,225 meals for the seven days of last week. This number was caused by the large number of delegates at the Methodist conference dining at the Y. M. C. A. As but two meals were served a day, an average of 230 persons was served each meal.

WORST APRIL—BAUGHMAN

"The worst April I remember, and while there's some chance of me having a pretty bad attack of spring fever when the warm weather arrives I feel I'll prefer it to winter fever," said Henry H. Baughman, Civil War veteran, Friday morning as he looked out the G. A. R. post windows.

MARINI IS FINED

James Marini, an Italian, arrested on assault and battery charges brought by his wife, was fined \$1 and costs in police court Friday morning.

LITERARY SOCIETY MEETS

The literary meeting of the Dubois Literary Society, composed of colored students, Wednesday evening was featured by a talk on "The Negro in Civilization" by Carlos Walker, and by Mr. Sneed, who gave an original composition. Leroy Brown will talk at the next meeting on April 29.

PLAN FOR CITY SURVEY

Plans for the completion of the city survey for the Inter-Church World Movement, will be made at a meeting of team captains in the Y. M. C. A. at 7:30 p. m. Monday. This meeting will be called by Dr. J. J. Racine.

MARVEL SPEAKS

Josiah Marvel, who spent some time in France with the American Friends' Service committee, talked on "French Music" at the Earhart college chapel exercises, Friday morning.

SPEAK FOR MOVEMENT

Levi T. Pennington, director of the Friends Forward Movement, will go to Fairmount for the weekend to speak before the Friends church. J. Mahlon Harvey, a member of the office staff of the Forward Movement, will take Inter-church World movement films to Carthage for exhibition Sunday.

HIPSKIND GETS CONTRACT

John F. Hipkind, of Richmond, received a \$70,000 sewer contract Thursday from the city of Lafayette, Ind., and will build an extensive system in the north end of the city.

Refusal to Stop Causes Sentry to Shoot Demott

(By Associated Press)

BERLIN, April 15—Paul R. Demott, of Paterson, N. J., who was shot and killed at Wesel by a German sentry recently, was making a deliberate attempt to escape from prison when captured, according to an oral report made by a representative of the American commission who has just completed an investigation of the incident.

A report being prepared for the state department in Washington will give a detailed recital of the physical aspects of the case as a result of an examination of the sentry who shot Demott.

Under a pretext that he wanted temporarily to absent himself from the building in which he was confined, Demott was permitted to go out of doors, but is said to have made straight for the gate leading to freedom. The sentry called upon him to halt, and when he failed to do so, fired.

New Yorkers Learn Lost Art of Walking Up Stairs

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, April 16.—Revival of the lost art of walking up stairs was forced upon thousands of reluctant persons in New York today by a strike of union elevators. The union claims a membership of more than 17,000.

The operators, who voted last night to strike for increased pay and shorter hours, did not show up for work this morning. The great office buildings in the downtown skyscraper district, some of which house more than 10,000 persons each work day, were hard hit. Hundreds stormed the elevator entrances overcrowding the few cars that were operated by engineers, electricians and hastily gathered volunteers.

They Danced on Dynamite But Angels Guarded Them

(By Associated Press)

BREST, April 16—Young people of this city have been greatly enjoying dances at one of the large American barracks near town and have just been apprised of the fact they were literally "dancing upon a volcano".

The building was deserted after American forces departed for home, but they left behind them a large number of cases which were piled along the walls by those who found the floor was admirably adapted to dancing.

On these boxes were words in English, but the dancers, not understanding that language did not know the words were "dynamite", "lyddite", "gunction", and "detonators".

Police officials who entered the building recently found the floor covered with cigarette butts, stubs of cigars and empty bottles.

ANOTHER HUNGER STRIKE REPORTED FROM IRELAND

DUBLIN, April 16—Another hunger strike is reported to have begun in Mount Joy prison. Two political prisoners, both convicted and unconvicted, who are still detained there, refused to take food last night.

Earham Asks Alumni To Help Raise Money

Four thousand former Earham students received notices from the college this week stating that if Earham is to maintain her position as a first class college a larger endowment must be obtained.

"Earham's goal is for \$800,000 by May 2," says the notice. "This will increase her endowment from \$575,000 to \$1,375,000 and her income from \$28,750 to \$68,750, which will make it possible to pay the professors better salaries, and retain the best men and women on the faculty. It will allow an increase of the number on the faculty, making possible smaller classes and more individual attention. It will start Earham on the road from 'the Minimum College' to the 'Efficient College'."

\$2,504 IS LACKING TO COMPLETE FUND

A total of \$7,566, pledged for the Wayne county quota of \$10,080 for the Near East Relief in 1920, was reported today by Mrs. A. W. Roach, county chairman.

Of the total amount reported, \$6,022.73 came through the churches of Wayne county, \$4,622.00 coming from the churches of Richmond alone. Individual pledges amounted to \$695.00 and pledges from shops and other organizations besides the churches, amount to \$849.13.

C. D. Royce of the state offices of the Near East Relief organization was in Richmond today in conference with Mrs. Roach and reported that about 40 counties in Indiana are already "over the top" on their quotas. The counties having reached their goal include Rush, Fayette and Union counties.

Plans are under way to complete the raising of Wayne's full quota, of which \$2,504.00 still is needed. Friends of the Armenian sufferers, who have not made their pledges are urged to inform Mrs. Roach at once.

RULES AGAINST OUTSIDERS

INDIANAPOLIS, April 16.—It is unlawful for any labor agency or representatives of industries from other states to recruit labor in Indiana without the approval of the director of the employment commission of Indiana. Eli Stansbury, attorney general, has today in an opinion submitted to Fred Kleinsmith, director of the commission. Such agencies must obtain a permit under the 1919 law or subject themselves to prosecution, the opinion said.

MAGAZINES MAY SUSPEND IF STRIKE IS CONTINUED

NEW YORK, April 16.—Publishers of several periodicals of national circulation have decided to combine two issues in one to reduce the number of pages in each because of paper shortage due to the railroad strike, it was announced tonight. Many of the leading magazines may have to suspend publication temporarily if conditions do not improve, the announcement said.

P. O. CROWDED AS RESULT OF STRIKE

Thirty-six cases of butter from the Western Ohio Creamery company, thousands of phonograph records from the Starr Piano company, and every other imaginable piece of produce and manufactured article has been passing through the Richmond post-office via parcel post, the last three days, as a result of the strike tie-up of express and freight transportation.

Thursday night 15 trucks stood in the postoffice alley, and on North Ninth street waiting to give up their parcels sent up from factories of the city.

Packages weighing from half a pound to 70 pounds passed through the office during the night and morning.

Friday postoffice employees, worn and tired, were still on the job attempting the mammoth task of caring for Richmond's daily shipments to every corner of the country.

The postoffice presented a picture of 25 Christmases Friday morning, when the day's incoming shipments stood waiting for delivery.

Monroe School

Miss Leatha Pegg visited Opal Eyler Thursday night. The first and second grades gave an arbor day program Friday afternoon, April 9. On account of other activities demanding the attention of the agricultural department, the work in corn testing will be discontinued after Friday April 16. Samples being prepared prepared should be in before April 16.

The fifth and sixth grade observed Arbor day by giving a program Friday afternoon. The last week of a big spring opening which has been on for two weeks in the Domestic Science department. Many beautiful vole, organdie and gingham dresses, blouses and silk skirts were shown. New garments in every day, all the latest patterns shown. The last district Literary and Music contest was held at Verona Friday, April 9, where Monroe won three out of five contests. Those who received medals from Monroe were Lowell Penland, impromptu Bible reading; Ruth Crane, piano solo, and Katharine Penland, vocal solo.

These three will compete in the county contest to be held at West Alexandria Friday, April 23. The movies for Thursday, April 15, will feature William S. Hart in "The Silent Man."

Also a Ford educational reel and a Bray pictograph picture. Show starts at 8 p. m. Monroe's seventh and eighth grade played their first baseball game of the season with Campbellstown's seventh and eighth grade on the latter's field Friday evening, April 9.

The game resulted in a victory for Campbellstown by a score of 12 to 2. If the weather permits Monroe high school will journey to Lewisburg Friday, April 16, to play a return baseball game.

TO CHECK IMPORTS

(By Associated Press)

PARIS, April 16—Action with a view to the reduction of importations into France was taken by the cabinet this morning. The ministerial body drew up certain measures intended to effect this result.

Centerville, Ind.

CENTERVILLE, Ind.—School here will close April 29 and commencement exercises will follow on the same evening at the M. E. church. The Rev. Charles Whitman of Seymour, Ind., will deliver the commencement address. Mr. Whitman is a great and very able speaker. The baccalaureate address will be given on the preceding Sunday although the one to deliver this sermon has not been decided. The following are members of this year's graduating class: Edith Branner, Lena Capilar, Ethel Garrett, Kathryn George, Anna Harris, Neva Kellum, Myrie Terry, Forest Staats, Edward Neff, Esther Langley, Ira Kent and Roy Harris... Miss Anna Harris entertained the members of this class Sunday to a dinner party, also Mr. and Mrs. Howard Harris were present. An excellent dinner was served and greatly enjoyed by all. The afternoon was spent in a long auto party.... The play, "The Arrival of Polly", given by the members of the high school Saturday evening was a decided success, and the door receipts were about 65 dollars. Misses Hassler and Quackenbush staged the play and all were well pleased with this entertainment. The proceeds will be used to buy something useful for the school which will be presented as a memento of this class... Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mathews and Mr. Gennett of Richmond were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ryan Sunday... Roy Stanley moved his household goods from Indianapolis last week.... Mrs. Lashley had her sale of personal property Saturday afternoon and will move into a part of the Taylor Muncie district, delivered a very impressive sermon at the M. E. church Sunday morning on the subject of "Living Water". He presented his thoughts in an interesting and vital way, and all were pleased at the opportunity of hearing him. The members of the Friends church dismissed from their services, attended in a body, and helped to make the meeting a very helpful union meeting.... Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dunbar will again occupy their home, as Professor and Mrs. Bell have had charge of the Dunbar residence during the absence of the Dunbars in Florida, have moved to the Hatt property north part of town.... The Misses Ford came home from Hamilton where they are teaching, and spent over Sunday with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. Ford.

LIBERTY, Ind., Route 2.—Will Tee garden and family spent one evening last week with Joe McMahan and family.... Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brookbank and daughter Ruth spent Sunday with Thomas Dawson and family in Connersville.... Mr. and Mrs. Dan Schuster and son Howard