

## LINDSEY, MESSENGER BOY, IS QUESTIONED ABOUT LOCAL FIRES

Rayburn Lindsey, 15 years old, messenger boy for the Postal Telegraph company here, was taken into custody by a representative of the state fire marshal's office, Friday afternoon, and questioned concerning the series of fires which have broken out of late in the company rooms, at North Ninth street.

Lindsey was taken to the police station Friday afternoon and questioned by Fire Chief Miller, and Prosecuting Attorney Paul E. Beckett, at 1:30 o'clock. Later they adjourned to the office of the prosecutor.

No charge has been laid against the boy by the Postal Telegraph company, J. P. Randall, head of the local branch said Friday. The state fire marshal's office gave the order to take him into custody, after it was found that he was the only one to have a key to the place Thursday, when the last and most disastrous fire occurred.

**Fifth Fire Thursday**  
The Thursday fire was the fifth of a series which have started in the quarters of the telegraph company within the past few weeks, all apparently of incendiary origin. One which burned itself out before doing any damage, started under the counter among some papers. Later another started in the same place and did some damage before the department put it out.

Lindsey is described by Mr. Randall as one of the best messenger boys the company ever had. He has been with the company since April 1.

**New Key Issued.**  
Lindsey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lindsey, 216 South Thirtieth street. He had not been suspected until Friday when the new key was issued after locks on all doors had been replaced.

According to one theory advanced Friday, he might have started the other fires by slipping the lock on the rear door when the employees locked up for the night. Mr. Randall stated Friday that Lindsey often locked the rear door and it is believed he might have left this door unlocked, come in later in the evening, and left by the front door which is fastened by a spring lock. This would leave the place locked up front and rear.

## MISS LINDA BENNETT FOUND DEAD AT HOME

Miss Linda Bennett, 103 North Seventeenth street, about 56 years old, was found dead at her home about 10 o'clock this morning by Mrs. A. W. Gregg, 2205 East Main street. The cause of her death has not been determined.

According to Mrs. Gregg, Miss Bennett had complained Thursday of being ill, but when asked if she wanted a physician, she told them that she did not believe she would need medical attention, that she thought she would get better. A daughter of Mrs. Gregg, called Miss Bennett over the telephone Friday morning about 10 o'clock, but could get no one to answer. Mrs. Gregg and her daughter went to the home of Miss Bennett immediately and found the aged woman lying on the floor of the dining room. A physician was summoned at once. Dr. J. C. Blossom, acting coroner, said death was due to natural causes. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## Most November Arrests On Intoxication Charge

A total of 92 arrests, with arrests for drunkenness leading, is reported for the month of November by the police department. There were 17 arrests for public intoxication, 12 for violation of the liquor law, 10 for violation of city ordinances, two for vehicle law violations, and eight for pet it larceny. Other violations are: Assault and battery, eight; assault, one; beating board bill, one; concealed weapons, one; speed, three; forgery, one; statutory charges, one; fugitive, one; grand larceny, two; suspicion, two; incorrigibility, three; insane, two; jumping trains, one; provoke, two; runaway girls, four; runaway boys, three; safe keeping, one; wife and child desertion, two; contributing to delinquency, four.

## Bids On Storm Sewer To Be Received Dec. 11

Bids on a storm sewer on South C street, running from South Second to South Fourth street, are to be received Dec. 11, according to a notice posted in the city engineer's office. The sewer is 623 feet long. Bids must be accompanied by a \$100 check.

More than 12 per cent of water and five per cent of salt is adulterating butter.

## Short News of City

**Class Market Saturday**—The girls of Mrs. Jeanne Hartzler's class, the Jolly Twelve, of the Second Presbyterian church, will hold a market at Romey's store, Saturday, beginning at 9 o'clock. Home-made candy, cakes, pies, breads and cookies will be on sale.

**Church Thanks Public**—The Daughters of Jerusalem and Sisters of Mercy of the Church of God and Saints of Christ wish to thank the many friends for their kind hospitality toward the free Thanksgiving dinner. Sixty-two were served at the church and 10 diners were sent out. Psalms: 41 chapter; fifth verse.

**Industrial Band Appears**—Richmond Industrial band played in their new uniforms for the first time Thursday night at Connersville. A large crowd heard the band. It is expected that a concert will be held each month in the K. of P. hall, at the corner of North D street and Fort Wayne avenue.

**Church Bazaar Saturday**—The ladies of the Spartansburg M. E. church will hold a market Saturday, Dec. 2, from 9 to 3 o'clock at the First National bank, Ninth and Main streets. Dressed chickens, country butter, cottage cheese, eggs, home-made cake, pies, bread, and cookies will be among the foods on sale. In the bazaar will be included things suitable for Christmas gifts.

**Rabbit Supper Tonight**—All members of the Red Men's Lodge are invited to attend the rabbit supper to be given in the lodge hall Friday night. Election of officers will be a part of the business of the evening.

**Philatelic Class Meeting**—All members of the Philatelic class of the First Baptist church are requested to be present at the meeting of the class, Tuesday evening, at the home of Mrs. Cavender, 218 1/2 South Sixth street.

**B. Y. P. U. Meeting Tuesday**—All members of the B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist church are requested to be present at the annual business meeting of the club, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 5, at the church. Officers for the coming year will be elected.

**Church Delegates Leave**—Delegates from the First Baptist church, sent to take part in the Older Boy's conference, to be held at Marion Dec. 1 to 3, left early Friday morning. Those selected by the church to attend the conference are: Harry Norton, Arthur Reeg, Taylor Holliday, Robert Powell and Clarence Brookshire.

**Baptist Bazaar Dec. 12**—A bazaar will be given by the ladies of the First Baptist church from Dec. 12 to 16, inclusive, afternoon and evening. Many articles that can be used as Christmas gifts can be found at the different booths which will make up the bazaar.

**Whitewater Quarterly Meeting**—Whitewater quarterly meeting will be held Saturday at the East Main street Friends church, beginning at 10 o'clock.

## Deaths and Funerals

**H. F. WARREN**  
The body of H. F. Warren, a former resident of Richmond, will arrive here at 9:20 o'clock, Saturday morning. Friends who wish to accompany the body to Cincinnati, where burial will take place, may join the funeral party at the Pennsylvania station. Funeral services were held Friday in Decatur, Ill.

**RUTH K. MILLER TITTLE**  
Ruth K. Miller Tittle, age 19, died Friday morning, at Reid hospital. Death was due to complications of diseases. She was born in Richmond and had been a resident of this city all her life. Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the home, 219 Richmond Ave. Interment will be in Earlham. Friends may call at any time.

**SOLOMON MILLER**  
Solomon Miller, age 72, died Friday morning at his home, 908 North Eighth street. He is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Collie Britton, Mrs. Cora Wiggins, Mrs. Sibbie Furrow, Mrs. Mabel Osborn, and Mrs. Flossie Smith, two sons, Ross and Bert Miller, 22 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home, 908 North Eighth street, the Rev. Irvin Stegall officiating. Burial will be in Earlham. Friends may call at any time.

**MALINDA A. BENNETT**  
Malinda A. Bennett, 56 years old, died Friday morning at her home, 103 North Seventeenth street, of heart disease. She had been a resident of Richmond all her life.

She is survived by one brother, T. J. Bennett, and one sister, Mrs. Nancy Hazeltine. The body was taken to the home of Albert Gregg, 2205 East Main street. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

**MRS. MARY W. HUNT**  
Funeral services for Mrs. Mary W. Hunt will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the residence, 46 South Ninth street. The Rev. J. J. Rae will officiate. Interment will be in Earlham cemetery. Friends may call at any time.

## NO RECOMMENDATION MADE AFTER INQUEST INTO WOMAN'S DEATH

Death from fracture of the skull, resulting from a fall, after having been struck by a truck driven by Harry Brokamp, was the verdict rendered by Deputy Coroner J. C. Blossom after an inquest into the death of Mrs. Mary W. Hunt Wednesday evening. The inquest was held at noon Friday.

No recommendation was made in the coroner's report in regard to prosecution or release of Brokamp, who is now out on \$1,500 bond.

When questioned Friday, Prosecutor Beckett said he had no idea as to whether charges would be preferred. "From the police report, I judge the death was entirely the result of an accident," he said. "However, I am awaiting the coroner's report."

**Brokamp Testifies.**  
Testimony of Brokamp was that he first saw Mrs. Hunt when she was standing in the middle of the street looking toward him. He put on the brakes and stopped as soon as possible but the car struck her and knocked her down. When she fell her feet were about a foot from the front axle. He helped carry her into the Foster Drug store, and then went out to shut off the motor of his car. Later acting on the advice of a police officer he presented himself at the police station, he said.

Frank Slade, 40 years old, an employee of the Starr Piano company, was an eye witness to the accident. He said Mrs. Hunt was about half way across the street and turned to go back when she saw the truck. This brought her in front of the machine. Another woman had stepped off the curb and was only a short distance out at the time.

## CLEMENCEAU, FATHER OF VICTORY, WILL SPEAK HERE SUNDAY

George Clemenceau, "Father of the Victory" will be greeted by an immense crowd when he makes a short stop here Sunday morning to thank members of the Society of Friends for the work that they have done in helping reconstruct devastated portions of France.

The French Tiger will arrive in Richmond at 9:20 o'clock Sunday morning at the Pennsylvania station. Although he will stay but five minutes he expressed a desire to deliver a brief message to the Friends.

The former premier will come here from St. Louis where he is to deliver the fourth of a series of American addresses Saturday.

Hundreds of persons of this city and vicinity are expected to avail themselves of the opportunity of catching a glimpse of the famous war figure whose relentless will exerted at the Versailles peace conference helped so largely to shape the affairs of the world.

## BASKETBALL TOURNEY CHANGES CONSIDERED

(By United Press)  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 1.—High school basketball fans today were keenly interested in plans to hold 64 instead of 32 sectional basketball tournaments and four instead of two regional tournaments in the state high school meet, announced by Secretary A. L. Trester, of the Indiana High School Athletic association. The changes are being planned, Secretary Trester said, to relieve congestion. Wabash and DePauw are the colleges being considered for the two regional tournaments.

## Knapp, Harold, Jones To Address Transfer Men

Representative James M. Knapp of Hagerstown, Dr. Isaac Harold, of Indianapolis, and County Superintendent of Roads W. O. Jones, are among those to address the Eastern Indiana Transfer association when it meets at the city restaurant Friday night. The meeting will be opened at 7:30 o'clock with a supper.

## Joseph H. Mills Is Home; Health Greatly Improved

Joseph H. Mills, head of the Richmond Casket company, who has been at the Presbyterian hospital at Chicago, since Aug. 15, has returned to Richmond greatly improved in health. Mrs. Mills was with Mr. Mills throughout the period he was away from the city.

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