

THE WEATHER. FOR INDIANA—Cloudy tonight and Thursday; no change in temperature.

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HAMMOND, INDIANA

IND. HARBOR MAN TO HEAD OPERATIONS

Successor As Gen. Supt. Is Wm. Maxwell Of Midvale Steel Co.

John W. Lees, for a number of years, general superintendent of the Indiana Harbor works of the Inland Steel Company...

Announcement of Mr. Lees' election to be Vice-President in charge of operations follows the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Inland Steel Company held on Tuesday afternoon.

Eastern Man Successor Vice-President Lees has appointed as his successor at Indiana Harbor, William A. Maxwell, Jr., an official of the Midvale Steel Company...

The news of Mr. Lees' promotion to be chief executive operating officer of one of the largest steel plants in the United States...

A ROMANCE IN STEEL The story of the rise of the Inland Steel Company at Indiana Harbor from what the skeptics were once wont to designate as the "scrap mill"...

When Mr. Lees came to Indiana Harbor to be superintendent of the Inland Steel Company works, it was little more than an area of steel and kettles...

"Either a good windstorm will blow the plant away or else somebody will pile on a couple of box cars and ship it out of town," scoffers said.

But the Block brothers were determined to win and they did, weathering the ups and downs of poor times and good times and strong competition...

FROM 300 MEN TO 7,000 Mr. Lees took hold of the plant when it employed but a few hundred men. Today the efficiency of the organization of Indiana Harbor works and its 7,000 men is second to none in the entire country.

FONDEST DREAMS OUTDONE Not even the Thompsons, the Blocks, nor Mr. Lees in their most fanciful dreams of the future of the struggling company...

Today the Inland Steel Company, with its subsidiaries, is an industrial principality in itself. Besides its local and Chicago Heights plants, it has huge ore properties in Minnesota, coal mines in Illinois and Pennsylvania...

The largest property of the company is the Indiana Harbor works, with its ore docks, blast furnaces, coke ovens, open hearth furnaces, plate, sheet and rolling mills.

While a busy man from the day he (Continued on page five.)

Inland Steel Operating Official Gets Promotion



JOHN W. LEES.

ANGLO-FRENCH RELATIONS ARE GROWING BADLY STRAINED

JOHN BULL SUSPECTED BY FRENCHMEN

Statesmen Point Out Drift to Estrangement Between Two

[INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE] PARIS, Nov. 24.—Despite re-asserting official statements from both sides, Anglo-French relations are again strained to a degree unequalled since the war...

The three chief issues in the estrangement of the two countries are German indemnity, the allied attitude toward soviet Russia and the disposition of Turkish territory.

FOUR CARE PROTESTS. Former President Poincare, in an open letter, declares that if England continues to urge France to further revisions of the treaty of Versailles...

M. Poincare's letter was addressed to an English editor who had asked him to use his influence to obtain for Germany an amelioration of the treaty terms...

RAYMOND RECOULY, author and friend of Marshal Foch, also indicates England. The gravest fact, he says, is that the divergence between the two leading allied powers has been growing wider during the past few months.

M. Recouly recalls that England, aided by President Wilson, blocked France's plan for a military frontier on the Rhine and substituted the Anglo-Franco-American defensive treaty which proved worthless because the U.S. never ratified it.

DISCARD FRENCH INFLUENCE. "England didn't send a single soldier to maintain order in the plebiscite zone," says M. Recouly. "This task was assumed by a French division aided by a small contingent of Italian."

Both the Matin and Echo de Paris have printed bitter attacks against Premier Lloyd-George. Several prominent French journals have shown a spirit of retaliation by supporting the Sinn Fein cause.

STICK BAN ON LEAPING DOMINOES

The leaping dominoes are under the ban in Gary, along with the all-night cabarets, the pale mule and other manifestations of the sportive gentry. Since the war the hotels have been in great favor in the bessemer and open hearth town...

One business man conducted a quiet little game in the basement of his store and serving numerous and sundry libations of hard liquor at the prevalent unpopular prices.

Craps have become more or less accepted in the city. A favorite topic among the young bloods at dinner in the restaurants is the winnings and losses. Employees of the mills have lost entire pay checks in a few passes of the dice.

While the majority of the games begin with 10 passes, it is not uncommon to see \$20 and \$30 faded by an individual. This is expensive pastime and Chief of Police Forbis has called a halt.

KAISERIN TAKES TURN FOR WORSE Special Dispatch to the International News Service and the London Daily Express. AMSTERDAM, Nov. 24.—The former kaiserin of Germany, who is ill of a heart ailment at Doorn, took a turn for the worse today and was reported much weaker.

FIRE DEPT. COMPLETELY MOTORIZED

Today's Hammond fire fighting equipment is completely motorized. The new Ahrens-Fox hose truck and pumper was given its tryout this morning and city officials gave it their approval.

The big truck, which is the largest owned by the Hammond Fire Department was first taken to the bridge on Lake George blvd. for a demonstration. Water was taken from the lake for the first test.

Next the pumper was hooked to two separate lines with smaller sized nozzles. The same range was demonstrated although more water was being thrown than from the single large pipe.

John P. Ahrens, vice president of the Ahrens-Fox Fire Engine Co., was present and supervised the demonstration. Chief Mill, Mayor Brown, members of the Board of Safety and other city officials were present and were delighted with the exhibition.

The new truck will be kept at the Central Station to answer all fire calls while the older ones of smaller capacity will be transferred to the No. 4 station on South Calumet avenue to replace the old steam engine.

NIGHT THIEVES STEAL 80 HENS ON EAST SIDE

Chicken thieves brought sadness into four homes in one neighborhood of Hammond last night. Early this morning in rapid succession four tales of woe came over the telephone to the police station.

The first call came from Joe Trinkl, 245 Calumet avenue. He had just visited his coop and found thirty of his barred and white Plymouth Rocks and Rhode Island Reds gone.

Officer Carlson was sent to investigate and while he was gone two more calls were received and referred to him as they were all in the same neighborhood.

William Cardwell of 2961 E. 91st st., South Chicago, was electrocuted this morning at the plant of the Mark Manufacturing company, Indiana Harbor.

The accident happened shortly after 8 o'clock, about one hour after Cardwell had started to work. From statements made by officials of the company, the dead man had been working on some switches at the power house and it is believed that his hand came in contact with a hot wire.

The accident had been employed at the plant for nearly four years and he was considered a very careful worker. He was married about a year ago, and his widow and one child survive.

SHOCKING CONDITIONS APPEAR IN CHINA

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—One million Chinese in the famine ridden province of Northern China are doomed to death before organized relief can reach them, according to advices received from Shanghai today by the board of foreign missions of the Methodist Episcopal church. Capitalism has broken out. The Chinese government has decreed the death penalty for any official guilty of graft during the famine period.

REFORMERS INSTITUTE NEW MOVE

Nation-wide Campaign Begun to Make Country Dead Still on Sundays

[INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE] NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Having made the U.S. bone dry—theoretically at least—reformers are now busy planning to make the country dead on Sundays, according to an article in the New York Sun, conspicuously displayed on its first page this afternoon.

STOP SPORTS AND PICTURES. The paper claims to have information that organizations similar to the Anti-Saloon League have set afoot a nationwide campaign to put over another constitutional amendment that would make Sunday a day exclusively devoted to rest, thought, worship and prayer.

Outdoor sports, moving pictures, business of any description, newspapers, train service, sale of gasoline. The movers of this plan, according to the Sun, already have organized the country into districts, and are energetically pushing legislation, starting with the ban on movies and sports on Sundays.

The South is said to have already organized under the direction of L. Cochran, leader of the Lord's Day Alliance, whose headquarters are in New York. In South Carolina the Alliance is working in close co-operation with the Anti-Saloon League, headed by Supt. R. L. Davis.

Dr. Harry L. Bowley, national secretary of the alliance, is quoted by the Sun as confirming the organization's reported plans.

PARKHURST ASKS WHERE IS THE HOME?

[INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE] NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—"The nation ought to realize it is slipping off the old foundations—the individual home and homestead such as we had in New England—upon which our civilization and greatness has been built," said Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, New York's foremost minister, in a Thanksgiving message obtained today by the International News Service.

"Originally Thanksgiving Day was a domestic affair, a celebration in the home," Dr. Parkhurst said. "I look back 60 years—I am 78—and I realize that the greatest influence upon my life has been that of my boyhood home—a house where we all ought to be thankful for it. It is still a power in America. It constitutes an ideal based on the home."

"But in our massing of people in cities where individual homes in the old sense have become an impossibility, where people live stacked on top of one another in apartments or cramped side beside one another in houses which all look alike, where children have only pavements to play upon, where the young are influenced by flashy dressed and heavily freckled women—it is impossible to have the kind of homes upon which we have drawn for the best that has come in our national life."

"Why, in Philadelphia, there are rows of houses which look so much alike even the dogs seek the wrong doorsteps. This congestion of life, artificiality and lack of nature is beginning to have its influence upon the country's morale—the thing is spreading."

"Shoals of women are seen on the streets unfit to be mothers. Yet they do become mothers, and what are their children like? I recently asked a woman how her daughter was progressing. She replied, 'Oh, I am too busy to bother about her.' Her business consisted in social affairs."

"We cannot develop the right kind of young manhood or young womanhood under congested conditions."

TWO GIRLS ARE KILLED

SUMMITVILLE, Ind., Nov. 23.—Edna Hollingsworth, 21, and Flossie Russell, 16, were almost instantly killed here today when they were run down by a freight car making a "flying" switch. The girls, walking across the Big Four right of way, apparently did not hear the approaching car.

STEAL \$50,000 WORTH OF BOOZE

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Whiskey and wine valued at \$50,000 was stolen by liquor thieves who overpowered the watchman of Harder's warehouse, on the south side early today. Five truck loads of liquor were taken.

DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY DENOUNCED

Widespread Criticism of Dictation That Presumes to Coerce Patrons of Stores in Their Shopping Freedom.

Enlightened as to the fact that there is no strike in Hammond as far as the department stores are concerned because many of the clerks involved did not go out and because fully 75% of the store employees have been back at work for some time and because many of the pickets now patrolling the streets were never employed in the stores has convinced the general public that the situation is vastly different to what they had been led to expect.

Sharp condemnation, condemnation that is almost city wide is voiced at the tactics employed to intimidate the department stores in the destruction brought about in the smashing of plate glass windows in one of the affected stores. The stones hurled through the windows went wide of their mark because the owner of the property will have to repair the damages and not the department store.

Every business man and lover of Hammond no matter in what station of life who has been interviewed by Times reporters on the window-smashing has been unsparring in denouncing the wanton and unlawful act. "Such cowardly and uncalled for acts," declared one man "do more than anything else to lessen the faith of law abiding people in unyielding property."

Other acts of violence and coercion have been committed. The affected laborers have been placarded with stickers announcing what it is asserted a wholly untrue statement, namely, that the stores are unfair to organized labor. The obnoxious and vile stink bomb, another infernal weapon of strike sympathy, has been used against one of the stores.

HOW FAR WILL THEY GO? Another solid and substantial citizen only interested in the welfare of Hammond bitterly criticized the smashing of the windows and asked, "Here is it to end, this destruction of property, how far will these miscreants go in their attacks, what may we not expect next and will they stop at the destruction of property?"

There is no question but that the real sentiment of the people has been brought out by the smashing of the windows. The boycott with its placards are not slow in fixing the blame for the situation. Reporters who have traveled beats over the city have not found a single person to approve of this latest phase of the boycott and some of them go a long way in advising the laborers to desist. There is no further recurrence of such acts or any other deeds of violence that might follow them.

PEOPLE ARE TIRED OF IT. In fact citizens are joining in a protest against a continuance of the striking labor. If the boycott was its attendant evils. People are tired of being hindered in their desire to shop where they want, they are tired of being molested on the streets and jostled by pickets. Employees of the affected stores are tired of being met with foul language and abuse. There is a widespread protest against the dictation that presumes to coerce the patrons of the store, and it is reported that the unions are threatening others than union families if they patronize the stores. When their rights are infringed upon and their freedom of action assailed it does not take a people long to rise up.

"HIPPO" VANGHN CUB PITCHER STABBED

KENOSHA, Wis., Nov. 24.—James "Hippo" Vaughn, star left hander of the Chicago Cubs, is in a hospital here today suffering from severe knife wounds said to have been inflicted by his father-in-law during a quarrel in his home. Dr. George D. Thompson, city physician, said today Vaughn's wounds are serious, but probably will not be fatal.

The stabbing, it is said, was the outcome of recent domestic troubles in the Vaughn family. A suit for divorce filed by Mrs. Vaughn recently, in which she charges the pitcher with cruelty and false accusations of receiving attentions of other men, was withdrawn yesterday.

Vaughn's father-in-law, Harry DeBold, escaped and is being sought by the police today. He is believed to have fled to Chicago.

Injuries May Be Fatal

A Michigan Central passenger train struck an auto truck at the Clark road crossing last night, throwing the driver, Nick Slade, a distance of 50 feet. His injuries are believed to be fatal.

\$28,000 is Spent in Lake Co.

CROWN POINT, Ind., Nov. 24.—The Lake County Republican central committee spent \$28,000 in the county for the general election, a report filed by Thomas F. Roberts, one of the organization's treasurers, with the clerk of the circuit court here, shows. Republicans who contributed \$1,000 or more to the committee's campaign fund include: James A. Hemenway, Bonnaville, \$1,500; Walter J. Riley, East Chicago, \$1,500; Albert Park, East Chicago, \$2,500; P. Richard Schaaf, Whiting, \$1,000, and R. P. Lamont and C. A. Westberg, both of East Chicago, \$1,000 each.

RED CROSS DRIVE TIME IS EXTENDED

Good results are being attained in Hammond's Red Cross membership drive. However, the canvass will not be completed tonight as scheduled by a wide margin. The time has been extended to Tuesday evening, November 30th.

The drive has lagged in the residential districts owing to the fact that many of the women appointed as solicitors could not devote sufficient time to the work this week. They were too busy with Thanksgiving preparations and Red Cross work had to be neglected.

Solicitors in factories, and the stores and offices of the business district have met with gratifying results. This part of the work has been practically cleaned up as is evidenced by the number of buttons seen on the street. There is still some work to be done but donations already have been more than the expectations of the committee for these districts.

Friday the aldermen who are acting as captains in their respective wards, will try to have all of their solicitors out making the rounds of the homes, and it is believed the work will be completed easily before Tuesday.

REDUCTION CO. OFFICIAL SUED

Suits for damages were filed today in the Hammond superior court by two young men of Hammond, Peter and James F. Deasy against Henry Lendenbier, an official of the U. S. Reduction company of East Chicago.

The brothers were riding a motorcycle to work on May 15. As they were turning into the gate of the Sinclair refinery, where they were employed they were struck by the Lendenbier car, which was coming south on Fourth avenue. Peter suffered a broken leg and other injuries while James had an ankle broken. Both men were in the hospital for some time after the accident.

Each man asks for \$25,000 damages. Both claim to have been permanently crippled. Meyer & Green of Whiting are attorneys for the plaintiffs.

Mrs. M. J. Duggan of 651 May street has gone to Cleveland, O. to spend Thanksgiving.

SHRINERS BIG TIME ON MONDAY

Monday is the next big date for the Shriners of Orak Temple. It will be the annual fall ceremonial rounding up the busiest year in the history of Orak.

Long ago Potentate Andrew J. Smith of Hobart announced that the goal for new members for 1920 was 500. The number has been whittled down steadily until it now looks as though his ambition would be realized. It is necessary to land 182 candidates to put through the mill Monday.

Already the petitions which have presented have neared the 100 mark and it is known that many of the distant parts of the territory have been signing candidates this fall have not made their reports. Whether the mark has been made will not be known until Monday afternoon when the last petition is in.

The big banquet at this ceremonial has been turned over to a committee composed of Jim Armstrong, Mel Monnett and Fred Hickok. They claim to have made a lucky purchase of sufficient Alaska reindeer meat for the occasion. Says Mr. Monnett, "We will have wild meat, a wild supper and a wild ceremonial."

Much regret had been expressed since the camel went up in smoke when someone let the desert get too hot. Jake Kasper has a new one though which he is trying to break in this week. "I'm doing my best with the old rascal," says Jake, "but a week is too short a time to train a camel. The camel is going to be pretty wild and rough and we will have a tough time handling him, I'm afraid."

Weather interfered with the parade at the last ceremonial and it is hoped that Old Sol will shine his prettiest Monday for the Drum and Bugle Corp and Patrol are aching to show off some of their new stunts in public. The candidates are praying for rain.

Following is the day's program: 7:00 p. m.—Report of Candidates. 7:30 p. m.—Business Session. 8:30 p. m.—Street Parade. 9:00 p. m.—First Section. 9:30 p. m.—Usual Banquet. 10:00 p. m.—Second Section. 10:30 p. m.—Third Section. 11:30 p. m.—Good night.

IN THE COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT

[SPECIAL TO THE TIMES] CROWN POINT, Ind., Nov. 24.—Mat Borich of Gary for violating the liquor law got a \$100 fine and a 30 day jail sentence and Mike Nagdos of the same place for the same offense was fined \$150 and a 30 days sentence. Both sentences were suspended during good behavior by Judge Martin Smith.

Tony J. Dubanowick on a charge of grand larceny for stealing caskets and cigars valued at \$220.00, got a one to fourteen year sentence and \$25.00 fine. They were stolen from the Indiana Harbor Hotel railroad. Such was a day's work in the criminal court on Tuesday.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—Greek troops that were sent into Asia Minor to fight the Turkish Nationalists, have revolted, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Smyrna today.

Greek mutineers attempted to seize the commander of the third Greek regiment, but he escaped by hiding in a tender.

31 INDICTED IN CHICAGO WHISKEY RING

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—A blanket indictment charging 31 persons, including members of the Chicago police force and two Kentucky distillers with conspiracy to defeat federal enforcement of prohibition was returned by the federal grand jury today in the \$1,000,000 whiskey ring case unearthed a month ago.

The specific charge in the indictment is conspiracy to defeat the Volstead act and the enforcement act in the transportation recently of 1,000 cases of whiskey from the Old Granddad distillery at Louisville, Ky., to Chicago.

Among the 31 men indicted are O. H. Wallen, Louisville, Ky., president of the Old Granddad distillery; H. D. Knebelman, also connected with the Old Granddad distillery; Jim O'Leary, the widely known Chicago saloon keeper and gambler; Michael (Mike De Pike) Heitler and Edward Small, Geo. Hans, Eugene McCaffery and Timothy Judge, Chicago detective sergeants.

TURKEYS JUMP IN PRICE

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Although turkeys in the New York market are more plentiful than they have been since 1919, the price jumped to 52 cents a pound today which is 15 per cent higher than last Thanksgiving. Food experts declare the public is responsible because of the willingness to pay, any price the dealers ask.