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ELKHART, April 27.—A revision of the figures Tuesday of the local option election here Monday cut the wet majority to 108 votes, the total wet vote being 2,598. The dry total was 2,490.

The anti-liquor forces were jubilant over the narrow margin of the wets compared with that of two years ago when the wets won by a margin of 200. Another cut of similar proportions two years hence and the drys predict victory.

Close balloting marked the election, neither side ever having more than a 10 margin in any precinct. The average run was about 75.

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LABOR MEN INDICTED?

Heads of Chicago Organizations May Be in Net.

CHICAGO, April 27.—Rumors about the federal building today were that the grand jury had returned indictments against business agents and other officials of several labor organizations, charging them with violating the Sherman anti-trust law. Combination in restraint of trade is said to be the charge contained in the indictments based on complaints that labor union officials have presented manufactured articles made in other cities from being shipped into Chicago.

South Bend Man Killed in Chicago; Note Reveals His "Affinity" in Harvey, Illinois

CHICAGO, April 27.—Death averted what might have turned out to be a still greater tragedy in the little home of Mrs. George Susan of South Bend, Ind., a tragedy which already had begun but of which she and her two children knew nothing. And but for a crumpled letter found in the torn coat of her husband when he was picked up dying from under the wheels of an Illinois Central train at 75th st. Sunday evening, Mrs. Susan probably would have never known.

Susan was 48. He was an expert mechanic in the employ of the Studebaker Co. Two witnesses at the inquest in Chicago told Deputy Coroner Michael Walsh they could not account for the fact that Susan decided to spend his only night off away from his family or why he changed cars at 75th st.

But some one placed a letter before the deputy coroner which explained why Susan changed cars at 75th st. It was read into the records.

"Well, dear, will answer your dear letter. I don't know what you meant about not being in South Bend.

"Do you intend to go away and leave me? I can't tell you how lonesome I am today. Wish to

Mayor Proclaims Baseball Holiday

Wednesday, April 28 is Baseball Day in South Bend, the opening of the Southern Michigan league season in this city being scheduled for that date. In view of the fact that baseball is one of the greatest advertising mediums South Bend has, it behooves every person with the interest of the city at heart to take part in the demonstration at Springbrook park tomorrow afternoon and give a cordial and enthusiastic greeting to the club which this year will represent South Bend on the diamond. I, therefore, suggest that, so far as possible, all business in the city be suspended between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock, thereby affording the persons an opportunity to show their appreciation for their representatives in the baseball world.

FRED W. KELLER, Mayor of South Bend.

HELD FOR GIRL'S DEATH

Youth of 19 Is Accused of Poisoning His Sweetheart.

LINCOLN, Ill., April 27.—His liberty denied him, Daniel Hurley, 19 years old, was held here on a charge of murdering his 17-year-old sweetheart, Katherine Roller, the girl died Saturday night after convulsions which physicians attributed to poison. Hurley admitted that previous to their starting on a buggy ride, he had purchased strychnine. He insisted, however, the police said, that he bought the drug at the request of the girl.

A formal charge of murder was placed against the youth today, and he was awaiting action by the grand jury. Hurley is the son of a prosperous retired farmer and Miss Roller was the daughter of Jacob Roller, a wealthy farmer near here. The couple had been "keeping company" for more than a year, but it was said Miss Roller's father objected to their marriage.

Her report was expected today from Chicago on a chemical examination of the dead girl's stomach.

COLONEL ADMITS ASKING PLATT'S ADVICE IN 1900

Roosevelt Says He Did Not Accept Nomination for Vice President Until After Consulting the "Boss."

COURT HOUSE, SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 27.—The late Sen. Thomas C. Platt, presiding general of the old Fifth Avenue Amen corner, and republican "boss" of New York, was the political mentor, a sort of guide, philosopher and friend of Theodore Roosevelt, while he was vice president and president of the United States as well as while he was governor of the empire state.

The entire morning session of the sensational political suit was taken up with the reading of more Roosevelt-Platt and Platt-Roosevelt letters, all of them tending to show that the colonel recognized Platt as the boss and consulted with him on that basis.

Some of the letters were written while Roosevelt was vice president and some while he was president.

On cross examination of these letters Mr. Roosevelt grudgingly admitted that he conferred with Mr. Platt while he was in the white house.

"But you misuse the word 'advise,'" said the colonel. "Say rather I was in consultation with Sen. Platt than that I sought his advice."

Col. Roosevelt admitted that he did not accept the republican nomination for vice president of the United States in 1900 until he consulted with T. C. Platt. He gave other testimony to the effect that he considered Platt the boss while he was governor of New York.

Col. Roosevelt's consultations with the late Sen. Platt regarding the republican vice-presidential nomination in 1900 were the subject of cross-examination as soon as court convened. Mr. Barnum cross-questioned the colonel at length upon the contents of a letter read late yesterday. In that letter Mr. Roosevelt told Platt he did not care to be vice-president. He wanted to run again for governor, but told Platt he would abide by his advice.

"Didn't consult Platt as boss," "I did not," said the colonel. "Did you consult him upon the matter as a boss?" "I did not."

"Your relations with Boss Platt were most friendly at that time?" queried Barnum.

"Most friendly," affirmed the colonel.

"In your letter you said you had thoroughly enjoyed your term as governor," said Barnum. "Did you enjoy your term?" "Most thoroughly," said the colonel.

"Did Mr. Platt advise you to run for vice-president?" asked Barnum.

"John M. Powers, Roosevelt's chief counsel, objected, and the question was stricken out."

Mr. Barnum then read a letter from Platt to Roosevelt referring to the New York charter commission and the canal investigating commission.

"Did Mr. Platt suggest any names for the charter commission?" asked Barnum.

"I think not," said the colonel slowly; "yes, Mr. Platt suggested the name of Mr. Dewitt, but his name had previously been mentioned to me."

"Did you consult with Mr. Platt about the canal commission?" "I did."

"What was said?" "I don't remember exactly."

"What was the Fox-McFarland report?" asked Barnum.

"I do not remember."

"Was it a report of a canal investigation?" "Yes, I believe it was," admitted the witness.

"Did you take any step to carry out the recommendations of that report?" "I laid it before the legislature," said the colonel.

"Move to strike out," said Barnum. "Stricken out," said Justice Andrews.

The subject was dropped.

PEACE TALK POSTPONED

Arbiters Unable to Agree on Wage for Carpenters.

CHICAGO, April 27.—Peace negotiations in the strike of 16,000 Chicago carpenters were postponed until Thursday. The 10 arbiters selected from the carpenters' union and the contractors' association have been unable to come to an agreement on the wage demand of 70 cents an hour, an increase of five cents over the present scale.

Members of the contracting plasterers' association today met with the union plasterers in an effort to reach an agreement on wages to be effective May 1. The plasterers have been on strike for more than three weeks.

TO ADOPT POLICY FOR ROTARY CLUBS

International Officers and Directors to Confer in South Bend on Thursday.

A specific policy for the future guidance of all International Rotary club activities is to be formulated here Thursday when international officers and directors of the International association of Rotary clubs meet at the Oliver hotel in conference. This policy if adopted when submitted at the international convention in San Francisco next July may become known as the South Bend Policy.

The local Rotary club will be host to the international officers and directors as well as to representatives from surrounding states. Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana cities are to send delegates to the meeting here Thursday. The conference on the policy will, however, be open only to the international officers and directors.

The list of visiting international Rotary celebrities will include the following: Frank L. Hudson, Toledo, O., international president; Glenn C. Meade, Philadelphia, past international president; Russell F. Greiner, Kansas City, past international president; Chesley K. Perry, Chicago, international secretary; William Gettinger, international director and president New York Rotary club; Guy C. Gundaker, international director and president Philadelphia Rotary club; Arch C. Klumph, Cleveland, O., international director.

The international officers will hold their conferences during the afternoon. At noon a luncheon will be tendered by the local club and in the evening a banquet. International Pres't Mulholland will be toastmaster at the banquet.

All local club members are requested to attend and wear their badges.

HIGHWAY BOOSTERS GO TO PLYMOUTH

Nineteen Enthusiasts Attend Rally of Northern Indiana Cities at Noon and Expect to Return Here for Celebration.

Nineteen Dixie highway boosters from South Bend left the city at 8 o'clock this morning for Plymouth, where a big rally of cities of northern Indiana was held at noon. Boosters from Logansport, Ellettsville, South Bend, Logansport, Rochester and Plymouth were present at the meeting. Late this afternoon the South Bend delegation returned, having won the delegation trophy of the cities. A banquet will be served tonight at the Oliver hotel for the highway boosters.

The aim of the Plymouth meeting and of the meeting here tonight is to enlist a concerted pressure on the Indiana commissioners to recognize the South Bend route for the Dixie highway. The Logansport delegation is chiefly concerned at present in attracting the highway to Logansport, where the old Michigan road. Her competitor is Kokomo, who will lay before the commission the advantages of the Range road. Whichever of these two cities lands the route will not make much difference to South Bend, as it will continue north to Rochester and Plymouth and then to South Bend. Logansport is in the fight to enlist these latter cities on her side.

Plymouth is Azog.

Plymouth was all agog today over the meeting. Merchants decorated the town with flags and bunting, while a band was out to escort the incoming motorists. All along the route from Logansport to Plymouth enthusiasm has been aroused among the farmers and not a few arose on the occasion and decorated their homes with flags.

After the arrival in Plymouth the delegations from each town fell into line and paraded the city. A noon luncheon was served to the visitors, and the delegations were made out of the Dixie highway pointed out. After the luncheon and speeches the South Bend delegation took the lead and piloted the crowd to South Bend for the meeting tonight.

Those who attended the Plymouth meeting from South Bend were as follows: E. Louis Kuhns, L. P. Hardy, William H. W. D. O'Brien, Abe Frank, J. P. Johnson, H. G. Spaulding, S. Walters, C. N. Chubb, H. A. Engman, Jr., W. W. Ridenour, Archibald G. Graham, E. E. Manzold, C. K. Kirkpatrick, H. W. Armstrong, Robert Snyder, E. P. Johnson, Ward L. Mack, and C. J. Harris. Four autos carried the party.

SEVEN MEN KILLED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

Premature Discharge in Trench of New Dam in New York State Mangles Laborers.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., April 27.—Seven men were killed and 11 others injured when a dozen sticks of dynamite were prematurely discharged in the cutoff trench at the eastern end of the New Kenosia dam at Valhalla today.

The explosion occurred 100 feet below the surface and few people in Valhalla knew that an accident had happened until the families of the workmen began knocking to the scene. Two of those killed were blown 20 feet under a pile of rocks and mangled beyond recognition.

The injured were working in another part of the excavation and escaped the full force of the explosion. All of the dead are Italians.

The trench was being excavated for the extension of the base of the new dam at Ashokan, which when completed will cost over \$10,000,000.

WANT HIGHWAY JOB.

Tavis Smith filed a petition with the county commissioners Tuesday morning asking that he be appointed chief inspector for the Lincoln highway.

Latest Bulletins From War Zone

LONDON, April 27.—A state of siege in a Copenhagen dispatch is said to have been declared at Budapest, the capital of Hungary.

STOCKHOLM, April 27.—The Swedish steamer Centric, 290 tons, has been sunk by mine near the Aland Islands. All members of the crew were saved.

GRIMSBY, England, April 27.—The trawler Recolo was blown up in the North sea Monday. Several of the crew are missing. It is believed the Recolo struck a mine.

LONDON, April 27.—British authorities today permitted the liner Noordam to continue its voyage to Rotterdam, thus insuring the arrival at The Hague of the 4 American peace delegates and the women's peace congress. The Noordam is the first vessel in several days allowed to go to Holland from English waters. It had been detained off Ramsgate. The American delegates is Miss Jane Addams of Chicago.

ATHENS, April 27.—Bombardment of the Dardanelles forts is proceeding with favorable results for the allies, according to a dispatch from Mitylene. Turkish forts on the Asiatic coast near Smyrna are also being bombarded.

PETROGRAD, April 27.—The following report from trans-Caucasus headquarters was issued today:

"During April 23-24 engagements with the Turks of secondary importance took place in the direction of Artvin and the Caucasus front. The situation is unchanged."

BERLIN (by wireless), April 27.—Lizerna, head of the German wedge on the west bank of the Ypres canal and half a mile from the German troops. This is admitted in today's report from the general staff.

PETROGRAD, April 27.—Turkish forts only 13 miles from Constantinople were bombarded by the Russian fleet Sunday. Several of the five forts shelled are believed to have been badly damaged. The Ottoman battleship Torgut Reis, which was bought by Turkey from Germany in 1910, replied from the Bosphorus to the Russian fire, but without effect. The Torgut Reis is a vessel of 9,000 tons.

MAY END COAL STRIKE

Ohio Fields Idle for More Than Year. Likely to See Resumption.

CLEVELAND, O., April 27.—Peace in the Ohio coal field, idle for more than a year due to a strike, loomed up as almost a certainty as the operators and miners constituting the joint scale committee began their deliberations in the Hollenden hotel today. Both sides expressed confidence that they would be able to reach an agreement.

The operators appeared willing to concede the rate of 47 cents a ton for run of mine coal which the miners have been insisting upon and the miners seemed perfectly agreeable to making concessions which would enable them to reach a decision.

CITY MAY NOT GIVE MONEY FOR MEETINGS

State Accounts Board Warns Against Grant "Subsidies" for Conventions.

Special to The News-Times.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 27.—Street fairs, conventions and the meetings of various associations, in which cities of Indiana may be deeply interested, may no more expect contributions from state treasuries. A letter to all city controllers of Indiana has just been issued by the state board of accounts, citing the fact that there is no authorization in the statutes for contributions to any such purpose and pointing out the penalties that exist for violations of certain sections of the statutes that provide against the payment by city officers of claims against the city that are not valid. In the list of such claims are street fairs, conventions, associations, etc.

The letter, in brief, follows:

"It has been the practice of many cities of the state to make contributions to conventions, associations, street fairs, etc. There is no statute authorizing such appropriations. It is the duty of the controller to examine the claims and warrants presented to him and if the same are not valid claims against the city, to reject and disapprove them. He is chargeable on his bond with any amount paid out of the city treasury that is not a lawful claim against the city. See section 8590, Burns' revised statutes, 1914.

"This department will expect a strict compliance with the provisions of the above section."

The state board also has issued a note of warning to all township trustees of the state with regard to the forwarding of all classified notices to bidders for township supplies. An order of the board makes it mandatory with every township trustee in the state to send the state board a copy of all notices to bidders sent out from his office, and to also forward notice that the contract in question has been let, when such action is taken. The letter on this subject follows: The failure of more than one-half of the trustees in the state to forward such notices to the state board last spring and summer.

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MAYOR'S ADVISORS TO TALK TRACK ELEVATION

Will Discuss Raising of New York Central Tracks at Wednesday Meeting.

Track elevation in South Bend seems a possibility in the near future, according to Mayor Keller, who Tuesday morning announced that his advisory committee of which J. H. Swygart is chairman, would meet Wednesday night to discuss the elevation of the New York Central tracks through South Bend.

According to the mayor, the New York Central company is agreeable in the matter, and when the city's reserve fund for the purpose of track elevation is large enough, the mayor said the work would begin. The total cost of elevating the New York Central tracks through the city will approximate \$250,000. Of this amount the city has about \$85,000 on hand.

Supt. Wilson of the New York Central lines, will be in the city shortly and will meet with the advisory board. The railroad company by the law enacted by the state legislature four years ago, will be compelled to pay 75 per cent of the total cost of the elevation.

The advisory board will discuss the question from a financial standpoint and from an economical standpoint. Where it is feasible for a street to be closed permanently so that the elevated tracks may be built across it, the board will suggest to the board of works and to the street department that it declares the street closed. For every viaduct and trestle built across a street, according to the mayor, there will be an expense aggregating \$50,000.

It was originally planned to hold the meeting Tuesday night, but press of other business compelled a postponement.

The New York Central tracks are the only ones that will be elevated at present, according to the mayor.

FINDS HUSBAND DEAD

Plymouth Man Asphyxiated While Wife Is Away on Visit.

PLYMOUTH, Ind., April 27.—Returning from a visit to Toledo and Fort Wayne, Mrs. Philip A. Conway, formerly of Fort Wayne, found her husband dead in bed at their home here the victim of asphyxiation. A leak in a rubber tube which serves as a gas connection explained the cause of his death which is thought to have been accidental. Conway was a tailor. Surviving are his wife, his father and two sisters. The body will be buried in Fort Wayne, his former home.

CUTS BURGLAR'S THROAT

Wealthy Man 78 Years Old Fells Men Who Lured Him to Hotel.

DANBURY, Conn., April 27.—Lured to a hotel by two strangers who claimed that they had met him before, Joseph B. Hill, 78 years old, and one of the wealthiest residents of Redding, early today, killed an intruder in his room.

The old man was suspicious of the place and went to bed with an open knife under his pillow. He secured this when a burglar entered his room and during the battle that followed cut the burglar's throat. The dead man was one of the two who had lured him to the hotel. The third man escaped.

AFTERNOON EDITION OUT AT 1:30 WEDNESDAY

The Wednesday afternoon edition of The News-Times will be issued at 1:30 o'clock in observance of the holiday which is planned to inaugurate the Southern Michigan league season in this city. The automobile parade is to form in line at this hour and will start at 2 o'clock, proceeding to Springbrook after traversing the principal streets of the city.

The game is to be called at 3 o'clock and Smith's promising bunch of Hoosiers will meet the Saginaw team, winners of last year's pennant in the Southich league.

SAYS NOTHING CAN STOP ROCKEFELLER OUT FOR 'KILLING'

Frank P. Walsh, Chairman of Industrial Relations Committee, Makes Hot Reply to Oil King's Son.

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