

## PERSONS DIE IN FIRE-SWEPT MOVIE THEATRE Detectives Question Jeff. Woman

### 1930 Ford Is Motor Car Of Lovely Lines

Detroit, Dec. 31.—New Ford bodies will make their appearance for the first time Tuesday in dealers' showrooms throughout the United States.

Added beauty of lines constitutes the outstanding feature of these new bodies. Mechanically, the Ford retains the same chassis and engine that have established the performance records of the Model A with such changes as have been built in since its introduction.

The new lines of the Ford are most readily apparent in a deeper and narrower radiator, a higher and longer hood and streamline mouldings that sweep gracefully rearward without a break.

The instant impression of a car that sits and rides lower results from a lowered top, smaller wheels, larger tires and new fenders, while increased riding space has been provided through greater interior dimensions. Fenders of new design add a great deal to the flowing sweep of the car, while the running board and side dust shield or valance fit snugly to the body. Also, the fenders flare up from the chassis frame in a pleasing line to a higher elevation than formerly. Rear fenders also sweep down gracefully over the wheels to a point two inches lower than previously.

One of the distinctive changes is found in the new sturdier 19-inch wheels, a reduction in dimensions of the earlier wheels. This change, when coupled with larger tires, brings the car closer to the ground, thereby obtaining a still snuggier adherence to the road-bed and permitting of increased riding comfort and safety.

While an effect of new length and lowness results from the lowering of roof-lines, there is no curtailment of head-room inside. The interior reflects improvements as much as the exterior. Throughout the line, greater leg-room and riding space have been achieved. Adjustable seats have been added to all closed types to permit increased ease of riding, entrance and exit.

Another of the innovations of the new Ford bodies is the use of rustless steel for exposed metal parts. This is found in the radiator shell, head-lamps, hub caps, cowl finish strip and tail-lamp. It is said that the new steel does not corrode, tarnish or rust in any kind of weather and that it cannot wear off, cracks or scale because it is the same metal throughout.

Bodies will be available in a variety of new colors. Among these on the cars to be seen for the first time Tuesday are Kewanee green, chiclet and copra drab, thorne brown, Bronson yellow, moleskin, Andalusite blue, maroon and black.

**Kepler Barnes In Race For County Engineer**  
Kepler W. Barnes, former county engineer, announces that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination to that position in the May primary.



### The Last Of The Twenties

It's the last of the Twenties. The Thirties are soon to begin.  
Old Pop 1929 will die at midnight, bequeathing everything to his beloved daughter, Whoopee, and his son, Jazz Junior.  
Now 1930 prepares to paint a vivid picture with plentiful red as the saxophones toot and the country staggers under an overload of prohibition booze.  
Under the surfaces there will be more modest shades and perhaps they are what really count

### Car Identified In Mysterious Bridge Death

After five days of ferreting, members of the Homicide Squad believed Tuesday that they had definitely established ownership of the automobile from which James Connaughton, private detective of the Bank of Kentucky, was thrown to the roadway of the Louisville Municipal Bridge, suffering injuries on December 26 that proved fatal the following afternoon.

Louisville detectives Tuesday questioned Miss Jennie Curry, 620 Mission avenue, friend of the victim with whom he spent several hours just before he was fatally injured.

Miss Curry said she and Connaughton became friends while they worked for the Louisville bank where he was a guard. She told the detectives that he came over about 7:30 o'clock Christmas night, bringing presents, and stayed with her until after midnight.

He missed the last bus, Miss Curry said she believed. She said she thought he met with the accident as he attempted to catch a ride over the bridge on the running board of a passing motor.

Miss Curry said that he was drinking and that he carried a considerable sum of money. When Connaughton's clothes were searched at the hospital they contained only a few cents.

Sergts. Henry Reibel and Charles Hazel started out to locate a coupe of widespread vintage. When they find this car, they believe, they will be well on the way to determination of the facts underlying Connaughton's death.

The license plate carried by the car from which Connaughton was seen to fall by two Jeffersonville men proved on investigation to have been lost by a prominent North Side resident. It then became a task of discovering the true license numbers issued to the car from which Connaughton fell.

This proved a tedious job, but the problem has been solved to the point where the police know the identity of the car and its owner. It is owned in Kentucky and not Indiana.

At first police were undecided whether Connaughton fell while being given a lift or was thrown from the car by assailants. The fact that no one voluntarily reported it as an accident, after its publication convinced them that it was an act of violence. Another confirmatory piece of evidence was lack of money in Connaughton's pocket when he was known to have had \$40 on leaving home.

Connaughton was picked up by H. D. Mitchell and Wilbur Lancaster of Jeffersonville, who were driving behind the coupe. They gave the police the license numbers that later were identified as having been on lost plates. They took the injured man to the City Hospital where he died Friday afternoon from a skull fracture at the base of the brain.

Connaughton, who was a member of the Fire Department for six years, had a good record, leaving the service as captain. He lived at 727 East Jacob Avenue with his sister, Miss Mary Connaughton.

### SCARED CHILDREN JAM THE EXITS AS FLAMES RAGE

Paisley, Scotland, Dec. 31.—Twenty six and eighty persons, of them children, were official estimated to have perished in a fire which swept through a motion picture theatre here, crowded with young people on a holiday matinee.

The panic of the children jammed the exits in a wild effort to flee the raging flames within minutes of the death roll up until official figures showed that the number of victims was over sixty and probably would reach nearer eighty.

More than 150 children were taken to a nearby infirmary suffering from burns and injuries.

A constant stream of transport wagons pressed into service arrived at the infirmary bearing little victims, many dead and in a comatose condition. All gency measures were taken to care for the injured.

So great was the crush of struggling boys and girls, who only moments before had been watching a programme which featured a "crowd," that firemen had the greatest difficulty in dragging them through the doorways.

Outside stood many parents, stricken and helpless as firemen, stables and civilians repeatedly tried the flames to bring the young to safety.

The dense clouds of smoke came from the structure and were necessary to use gas masks, a measure which was improvised.

The fire started in the open box and spread with terrifying rapidity through the crowded auditorium.

Paisley is a town of 84,000 inhabitants on the White Cart River, about seven miles above its junction with the Clyde. It is only seven miles from Glasgow.

The place became internationally famous for Paisley shawls, a textile industry which flourished from 1800 to the early eighties of the last century. These shawls were woven on looms with a pattern in imitation of cashmere products.

### Jeff Yuletide Displays Arranged

The gorgeous display of electric lights at the beautiful home of Mrs. Walter L. Cisco, 1201 West street, won the first prize offered for Christmas decorations in Jeffersonville by the Louisville Electric Light Association was announced Tuesday.

Globes of iridescent hues over the house and the shrubbery on the lawn at the Cisco's produced the most striking electric display ever has been attempted in Jeffersonville.

The second prize went to Mrs. Maude Craig, 318 West Market street, whose exhibit won praise from the committee for its artistic arrangement on the front porch. Miss Craig's home and depict the life of the late Senator Charles S. Dyer, about to descend a child. The design is flanked on either side by candles.

A colonial doorway at the home of Mrs. Allen Voiers, 121 Walnut street, won the third prize. The high school is planned to bring out the finest lines of the architecture

### All Three Of Commissioners To Be Elected

The record at the courthouse disclosed that all three of the offices of the present county commissioners will be voted for at the election in November, 1930.

The present term of Frank Bortoff expires January 1, 1932. The term of Edward Robison expires January 1, 1931. John Dellinger's term, in the event that he was elected to serve out the unexpired term of Otis Grayes, deceased, will expire January 1, 1930, and holds over until the election in November 1930, by reason of the hold over provision in the law.

If, however, he was elected for a full, three year term, his office will expire January 1, 1932, which necessitates an election for this office in the fall of 1930.

This is rather peculiar, being possibly the first time in the history of the County, where all three of the Commissioners are to be elected at the same election.

### Editorial Comment

#### OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE

The passing of the Falls Cities Ferry and Transportation Company is not due to any lack of goodwill on the part of the travelling public.

In a time when it is the fashion to berate public service corporations, none ever spoke of the river concern but to praise it.

It was formed by public spirited citizens on both sides of the river who gave freely of their money, their time and efforts to supply a service that was greatly needed. For eight years they carried on with extraordinary devotion to the public good, facing always the discouraging prospect that they might lose all they had put into the enterprise and gaining only what they might have had without risk or worry from safer investments.

In its ninth year the company paid a good dividend and the tenth gave the stockholders the full return of their investment, just it was superseded by newer and better transportation. The physical assets remain to be liquidated.

### Old Year To Leave Quietly In 1930 Dawn

The passing of 1929 and the birth of 1930 will be observed quietly in Jeffersonville.

Watch parties will be held in most homes of the city. No public gatherings or demonstrations are planned for midnight Tuesday.

A number of young persons from Jeffersonville will welcome the new year attending dances or celebrations in Louisville or New Albany.

Wednesday will be observed as a legal holiday. The banks and public offices of the city will be closed all day. Most retail houses of the city will be closed for at least a part of the day.

A New Year's service is planned at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, under the direction of Rector Reginald Crickeimer. Holy communion, a sermon and special music are being arranged, it was announced.

### Mrs. Minnie G. Smith Dies At Her Home

Mrs. Minnie G. Smith, 65 years old, died at her home in Jeffersonville, Ind., Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1929.

### Mr. and Mrs. Ariens Hurt In Crash

Mr. and Mrs. Ariens were injured in a car crash on Tuesday night in Jeffersonville.

### Mr. Carlin Dies

Funeral services for John Carlin, 85, who died of paralysis at noon Monday at his home in Utica, where he lived alone, were held at 2 o'clock Tuesday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary Carlin.