LIST OF 20 INDICTED IN GRAFT EXPOSE

Political 'Ring' Rules City, Jury Charges Hansell, Saunders,

WALTER TAYLOR,

City Clerk.

HARRY YORK.

City Councilman.

Old City Clerk

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the borough of Atlanta, crossed

clerk's post, Huddleston was elimi-

Saturday, Huddleston, as secretary

taining a scathing criticism of the

lor with bribery in 16 counts.

16 counts against the city clerk.

Vasquez, who is going to Porto Ri-

will not return to Santo Domingo

The accession by Urena is in ac-

Jurors Propose Removal of Duties of Registrar of Voters From Hands of City Clerk.

CONDUCT OF MAYOR PLACED UNDER FIRE

Purchase of Two Park Sites Termed Wanton Extravagance and Wilful Waste of Funds.

Raking with a withering fire activities of City Clerk Walter C. Taylor, Councilman Harry York, of the sixth ward; Jack White, York's business partner, and Raymond R. Ritchie, assistant superintendent of schools, in charge of business administration, the retiring Fulton county grand jury, in its presentments to Judge Virlyn B. Moore, of the superior court, Saturday night bitterly attacked what h termed a "ring" in control of the city

Mayor I. N. Ragsdale himself did not escape, the grand jury criticizing the city's chief executive for various minor infractions which it reported did not consider of enough consenuence to jutsify charges.

Park Purchases Hit.

Purchase of park sites, particularly those of the John A. White and Charles L. Chosewood parks, was assailed as a wanton extravagance and wilful waste of public funds, the purchase price being too high and the parks themselves declared not needed by the city.

Purchase of supplies, letting of contracts, and alleged juggling of various bids for city work were attacked in the 65-page presentment which was handed to Judge Moore as the grand the hands of the city clerk. The school board was advised to "get rid Mr. Ritchie," and other depart-

Presentments in Full. The presentments follow in full:

"Judge Fulton Superior Court, "Fulton County, Georgia. "Honored Sir:

"Judge E. D. Thomas,

"The January - February Fulton county grand jury begs to submit here-

with its report. "We are also transmitting to the

on the work of this grand jury will be interesting and timely.

"For the past two months this body has made an earnest, honest and diligent investigation into the runors and charges of graft, corruption, mismanagement, waste and extravalanta. This grand jury took up this grand jury, which had already begun

Summarized by Jury

Summarizing its presentments, the grand jury made public Saturday night the following highlights of its investigation: Declares that the retention of Walter Taylor, as city clerk will be a violation of the trust reposed in the general council.

Recommends that the duties of the city registrar be transferred to the tax assessor's office. States the sooner the school department gets rid of Business

Manager R. R. Richie the better off the city will be. Flays the general system of elections, both regular and primary, and declares that a modern pure city election law should be passed. Charges that Attorney Paul Carpenter, now a member of the council, has been in collusion with City Clerk Taylor in the past

in handling matters for which large fees have been charged. Declares that practically all businessmen and contractors and dealers in Atlanta either hesitate, or refuse, to seek business from Atlanta because of the condition of graft that exists.

Declares its faith in a number of clean, honest men in the city government, but says they have been dominated by a clique of scheming politicians who have been in power. Criticizes Mayor Ragsdale for the use of tractors, men and material on his private land at "Ragsdale's Bottoms;" also criticizes

him for the manner in which he has made purchases for his own private use from the city. Charges that Councilman W. C. McLendon, of the second ward, after his election in the primary last summer, but before he took his seat in council, demanded \$1,000 but received only \$600 for securing the passage of an ordinance for free paving for some of

his friends. Not only brings an indictment against J. Allen Coch, mayor pro tem, of the city, on a charge of receiving a commission on the sale of automobiles to the city, but comments on some of his past transactions on the school board, and suggests that the name of "J. Allen Couch school" should be changed.

Lays bare the plan of letting bids and the "juggling" that has occurred in the past in letting bids for all sorts of construction

Condemns the policy of the city government in letting so many important contracts to "foreign" contractors. Goes thoroughly into the operations of the Southeastern Broker-

age Company in its connection with city purchases and city contracts, stating that this company is owned and controlled by Jack White and Harry York, a city councieman. Exposes case after case of fees and commissions alleged to have

been demanded and received by Councilman York, City Clerk Walter Taylor and others.

"Pay-Off" Man Charged. Declares there is a secret channel by which City Clerk Taylor is being given large contributions and charges that he is the "payoff" man, making the statement that this grand jury did not have time to go sufficiently into the matter, recommends that the incoming grand jury follow this through.

Exposes many "loans and gifts" made to city officials, citing

Goes deeply into the matter of the purchase of automobile tires, and other supplies, bought through the city purchasing department, declaring that one concern is the favored house because of the connection of the purchasing agent's son with that company. Suggests that the incoming grand jury should look into the mat-

ter of elaborate dinners, and other excesses, practiced at the Grady Reiterates its stand on the illegality of the purchase of the John A. White park and the Chosewood park, stating that there is no need for these parks; that the prices for them were excessive, and

recommends that no more mony be spent by the city for them, or on them. Brings strong criticism upon Councilman Chosewood, declaring that he has made use of much city material, and has been granted many favors which, even if paid for, should not have been allowed,

and returns an indictment against him. Severely condemns the practice of the construction department, or any other department, using city materials, and securing its meats from the city for holding barbecues, and other political

States that much complaint has come before the grand jury about the laying of sewers and the paving of streets under the baby bond plan, declaring that specifications have not been lived up to, and recommends that the incoming grand jury go thoroughly into

Keep Sutton on Job. Goes deeply into the matters touching the school board, and declares that wanton waste and extravagance has characterized the work of this board under the direction of Business Manager Richie, and Superintendent of Schools Sutton. Not only states that Mr. Richie should be dropped from the system but declared that Professor Sutton should be required to "stay on the job," and that through him and the board of education, this department should operate within its apportionment from the city council, believing

Declares its faith in the personnel of the bond commission, but suggests that if its members could have heard, as the grand jury has heard for two months, the extravagance and the waste practiced in the construction of schools, and other contract work, that the members doubt the accuracy of its own statement that "every penny was wisely accounted for." It recommends that the incoming grand jury continue further, and more completely investigate into school matters.

that the budget is sufficient to give to Atlanta a good school

Concludes with the statement that the people must be aroused and made to see their duty in purging the city of graft and that after all the ballot box is the place to remedy many of the sins and evils to which Atlanta has fallen heir.

Ready To Stay in Jail, Assumes Duties Today States Mrs. Andrews Rafael Estrella Urena will assume this representative and democratic States of Government." York said. "At-

Indictment of Mrs. J. E. Andrews, +ing, was correct," said Mrs. Andrews. while President Horacio Vasquez i sometimes running far into civic worker, for writing, and Mrs. J. "I appeared before the grand jury out of the country. printing an alleged libelous article

these matters.

this information will go a long ways ised immunity from any distress which hall affairs) be taken to appoint a

Friday afternoon," said Mrs. Wakegrand jury about two weeks ago. consider it a privileged communication

dictments follows: "BY MRS. J. E. ANDREWS. "The Fulton County Grand Jury,

Fulton County Grand Jury Asseming addressed to Judge John D. Humjudge of the superior court. as well as to your honorable body.

Text of the story which The World was by virtue of this law that Vice carried and which precipitated the in- President Alfonseca resigned and Urena was named secretary of the in-That post under the constitution, Atlanta, Georgia. Chairman Rawson Collier and the gives him the right to executive power

tion (or as promptly as possible to public instruction. He also has been tivities a bona fide broker engaged he had no statement to make. in no wise affect the valuable investigations you are making in city hall affairs) be taken to appoint a Continued on Page 10, Column 2.

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Councilman W. E. Saunders, of the valuable investigations and provided in the block of the valuable in a legal business."

Councilman W. E. Saunders, of the valuable investigations you are making in city is a director of the republican party. William A. Hausell, former chief, or my guilty."

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Councilman W. E. Saunders, of the valuable invited by today's since his illness. Mr. Taft's physical in a legal business."

William A. Hausell, former chief, or my william A. Hausell, former chief, or my slight improvement, did not believe the patient able to receive visitors, so the patient able to receive visitors, so the Bureau.

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Harry York, councilman, and Jack White on six bribery Councilman W. E. Saunders on two bribery counts.

Councilman Harry York on twelve misdemeanor counts, for being interested in city contracts. Roy D. Warren, former member of the board of edu-

cation, for bribery. Alderman J. Allen Couch, mayor pro tem., for misde-

meanor for being interested in city contract. Councilman Harry York for misdemeanor in attempt to

become interested in city contract.

frauding city of Atlanta. W. P. Price, city purchasing agent; Jack White and Councilman Harry York on four counts for defrauding city of

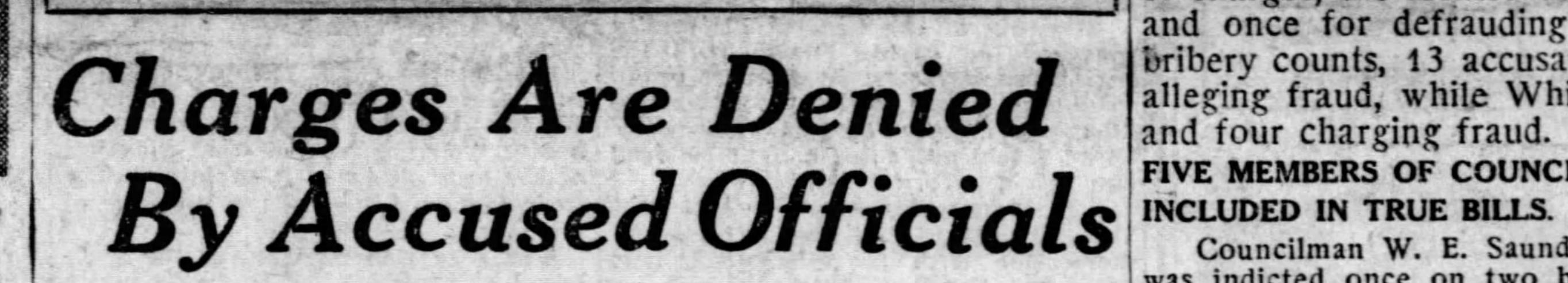
Atlanta. Richard C. Shoup, former real estate agent, for perjury. Ben J. Massell, for perjury. Bruce Baxter, superintendent city garage, for simple

Councilman Dr. J. E. Turner for simple larceny. Councilman Charles L. Chosewood for simple larceny. William A. Hansell, former chief of construction, for simple larceny.

counts on simple larceny.

J. E. "Red" Robinson, former foreman construction department, for simple larceny.

in defrauding the city. Mrs. J. E. Andrews and Mrs. J. R. Wakefield, indicted jointly for misdemeanor in connection with alleged libelous publication concerning John A. Boykin, solicitor-general.



Fulton country grand jury after a | they need be concerned." rignt kecallea laic plans for their defense.

larceny.

clared the complaints were political, directed at the present mayor-council When Press Huddleston, secretary manic form of government. of the retiring Fulton county grand

jury probing municipal affairs, and sixth ward, and Jack White, broker | declared his services have been for Walter C. Taylor, veteran clerk of and editor of the Atlanta Tribune, a | the best interests of the citizens of political publication, are slated to go Atlanta. He is one of the oldest swords about 16 years ago for the on trial March 17 before Judge John | members of council in point of service. D. Humphries, it was announced by Lewis Jones, calendar clerk. They will be the first of the 20 indicted to face the charges filed against him and deof the inquisitorial body, read a summary of grand jury presentments con-

Will Retain Sims. Both will retain former Mayor Wal-

municipal official. The presentment ter A. Sims to represent them Monwas read before a large crowd gathday, it was said Saturday night. ered in Judge Virlyn B. Moore's Councilman York charged the inchambers at the Fulton county courtthe fire of the grand jury as being have been honest, prompted by a de-At the same time, the grand jury actuated by political enemies of the sire to serve." returned indictments charging Tay-

present form of government. Walter C. Taylor, city clerk, who was Another coincidence in connection indicted on 16 counts, issued a statewith the matter is that the first clash ment through his attorney, Sam between Taylor and Huddleston occurred about 16 years ago, the grand Lewlett, prominent Atlanta lawyer, jury took about 16 weeks to bring its in which he entered a blanket denial

first indictments and they contained of all the charges against him. filed against him," Mr. Hewlett said. | not guilty of the charge." "Our other answer will be made in | Councilman Hardy had no state- gated. court. The charges are without foun- ment to make, declaring he would

> Taylor and Councilman Charles L. "I emphatically deny any charge "This is simply another attack on city have been honest."

from today the duties of provisional form of government," York said. "At- Saturday night for St. Louis because lanta, under this system of govern- of the serious illness of his daughter. ment, has grown and prospered in the Mrs. Mary Brown. past, and these attacks are directed Mrs. Ragsdale and Mrs. Brown mo-My record for the past eight years Mrs. J. B. Suttles, the mayor's daugh- Slight Improvement speaks for itself and is progressive, ter, and Mrs. Brown was taken ill sudhonest and untainted."

White Is Surprised.

as a distinct surprise to him inas- of the administration. He will arrive much as the grand jury "declined to at St. Louis about noon today. have me appear before it and submit | Roy D. Warren, former school comall my records and transactions for missioner from the 10th

in any of the charges which might be Ben Massell, real Urena is 40 years of age, a lawyer I made. I felt that no breath of of the dairy farm, charged with three ing comfortably early this evening St. Louis, and has been secretary of justice and suspicion hung around any of my ac- counts of simple larceny, said that when President and Mrs. Hoover paid salt Lake City, clear.

City officials indicted Saturday by friends need feel ashamed or of which four-month probe into alleged graft hit | "My every act has been guarded by

back Saturday night in statements and a desire to be honest with the peopl of Atlanta who elected me to my post On the heels of the indictments and to whom I felt accountable," he No Chosewood Statement.

Councilman Chosewood declined to make any statement other than Councilman Harry York, of the deny his guilt of any wrong doing and

> Alderman J. E. Turner, of the second ward, said he knew nothing of inal libel; Bruce Baxter, superinclared he had never been guilty of an act which was not for the best interests of his constituents and for Atlanta as a whole.

which I am ashamed or which I would gang.

nothing to say concerning the matter. cused. The indictment against the Tom Ball, member of the city demo- two women grew out of an article Sunday; freezing temperature to coast cratic executive committee, indicted signed with Mrs. Andrews' name Sunday night; Monday fair and conjointly with Councilman Jack C. and appearing in the Woman's Hardy, of the sixth ward, declared he knew nothing of the charges against Wakefield, in which Solicitor-Genhim, but added: "I have never done eral Boykin was attacked and a de- Lowest temperature "I wish to say for Mr. Taylor that anything of which I am ashamed or mand made that he be suspended he denies every one of the charges which I would want to hide, and am during the city hall probe and the Normal temperature

make one at the proper time. Reuben R. Arnold will be associated | W. P. Price, city purchasing agent, with Mr. Hewlett in defense of Mr. issued the following statement: against me. All my dealings with the

tored to St. Louis last week to visit Cli_LL denly. The mayor was summoned to her bedside early Saturday, but remained in Atlanta as long as possible. Jack White, who also was indicted He could not be reached for a state-

"I never expected to be implicated had no statement to make.

EDUCATION BOARD Highlights of Probe ANVICEN TO FIRE Summarized by Jury Summarized by Jury Complete List of Indictments Returned By Fulton Jurors Walter C. Taylor, city clerk, on sixteen bribery counts. Couch and Price Returned By Fulton Jurors Walter C. Taylor, city clerk, on sixteen bribery counts.

Councilmen Chosewood and Hardy Indicted; Jack White, Business Partner of York, Is Included in List; Perjury Charged to Ben Massell and to Richard Shoup; Roy D. Warren Is Accused of Bribery.

Walter C. Taylor, city clerk, and Fred Wilson, for de- BONDS FOR TAYLOR, WHITE AND YORK PLACED BY COURT AT \$10,000 EACH

> York and White Are Scheduled To Go on Trial First Under Bribery Indictment on March 17 Before Jury in Court of Judge Humphries; Libel Is Charged to Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Wakefield.

Smashing its first blow at what it termed a reign of corrup-J. R. Leach, former superintendent of dairy farm, three I tion and intrigue the Fulton grand jury Saturday night climaxed the four-month-old investigation into the conduct of municipal affairs with indictments against 20 persons, of whom 11 were officials and former officials of the city, accompanying them with a 65-page presentment, the longest in the county's history Councilman Jack Hardy and Tom Ball for misdemeanor | -a scathing denunciation of the accused and their methods of serving the people who gave them a public trust.

City Clerk Walter C. Taylor and Councilman Harry York of the sixth ward, together with Jack White, York's business partner, bore the brunt of the grand jury's veritable avalanche of charges, the former being indicted for bribery on 16 counts, and once for defrauding the city, Councilman York on six bribery counts, 13 accusations charging misdemeanors and four alleging fraud, while White is to be held on six bribery counts

and four charging fraud. FIVE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Councilman W. E. Saunders, chairman of the board of firemasters, was indicted once on two bribery counts, while a true bill of indictment was returned against Alderman J. Allen Couch, mayor pro tem., charging him with a misdemeanor—an attempt to become interested in a city contract. Dr. J. E. Turner, a councilman, and a fellow member, Charles L. Chosewood, Sr., were indicted for alleged simple larceny, while Councilman Jack Hardy was indicted jointly with Tom Ball, a painter and political leader, on a misdemeanor charge.

City Purchasing Agent W. P. Price was indicted for alleged fraud on four counts, while William A. Hansell, former city chief of construction, faces one charge of simple larceny. Two charges of bribery were returned, one against Ben Massell, and

the other against Richard C. Shoup, both real estate men, while Fred Wilson, a merchant, was indicted on a charge of fraud and Roy D. Warren, former member of the board of education, for alleged bribery.

TWO WOMEN INDICTED ON CHARGES OF LIBEL. The others indicted included

Mrs. J. E. Andrews and Mrs. James Rogers Wakefield, for alleged crimtendent of the city garage for alleged larceny; J. R. Leach, former charge being returned against J. man; Solicitor-General John A. Boy-E. (Red) Robinson, former foreman "I have never done anything of of a city construction department

In connection with the indictment of Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Wakefield it was pointed out that CLEARING; MUCH COLDER. they are in no way concerned with Fred B. Wilson declared he had the alleged bribers and others acconduct of his office later investi-

Judge Moore after the January grand jury had worked practically every day and almost four months after the in- Wet bulb 45 quiry was launched by the November | Relative humidity .. 98 grand jury following an editorial in The Constitution calling attention of Reports of Weather Bureau Stations. that body to the statement of Alder- STATIONS

Former Chief Justice William Howard Taft lay in a semi-conscious con- Jacksonville, clear dition tonight, his life slowly ebbing charged with bribery, said that he physicians as to how long the faint The physicians spent half an hour

made, because I had offered myself charged with perjury before the grand with him and announced at 11 p. m. and all the records of my office to jury, issued a blanket denial of the there had been no change in his conthe grand jury." White said. "They charge, stating that he told the grand dition. They thought he would sur-

council, that graft and bribery were being practiced openly and that "deals" were being flagrantly arrang-

CROWDED COURTROOM

LISTENS TO REPORT. A well crowded courtroom, with superintendent of the dairy farm Judge Moore presiding, greeted the for alleged larceny, with a similar weary grand jurors as they came in. led by W. Rawson Collier, their fore-

The Weather

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Georgia-Clearing and much colder Local Weather Report.

Washington-Forecast:

Rainfall in past 12 hours, i Deficiency since 1st of month. The indictments were handed to Deficiency since January 1, in.. 3.50

7 a.m. N'n. 7 p m.

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Complete City and Suburban Circulation Largest of Any Daily Paper in Atlanta

'LOANS' TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ATTACKED BY GRAND JURY

and Apparent Worth.

of \$600, have been given their licenses for the total sum of \$400. This grand ury can only surmise where the other

required under the law, to pay have been issued for \$40. Numbers city. and numbers of instances show where icenses granted to any concern that for the Prior Tire Company.

sistently make deposits in his bank far in excess each month of his total the legitimate salary received by the worldly goods could grow so fast and

Money Through Secretive Channels. on the part of City Clerk Taylor, that there is yet a still larger and more secretive channel through which his

purse has been fattened. "This grand jury has not had sufficient time, with all of the many other rumors to run down, to go very far into an investigation as to its ing this big source of supply to City Clerk Taylor, and it will recommend to the incoming grand jury that take up this line of investigation and

off' man in the past for those of his clique-and the names of most those suspected are in these presentments-is the fact that a year or so ago Conncilman York was heard make the complaint that Taylor was 'getting it all' and that he was not dividing up in the right proportion Taylor about this matter.

ness from them-enough to offset what he was failing to get as his share in the division of cold coin.

"Leaus" and Gifts. in which some city officials have slyly demanded and received tributa in cash from contractors and dealers and from citizens who sought only their legitimate rights. This has been which in reality were nothing more in position to aid the witness, or things applied for. whose influence and vote did aid in securing the things applied for.

"One contractor who has performed had made to city officials. He de- council to lower the curb in front made any attempt to collect them- grew uneasy about it, and it be repaid. He took no notes, he upon this attorney. When she he sivly passed out the cash on some | that it would take \$500 to get

in practically every instance. "Other witnesses have told us, un- ing to her sworn evidence, 'Yes, der oath, of similar 'loans,' but per- a pretty large fee, but you know which have been laid away so long when summoned before the some of these notes-papers which he retained \$200. Significantly the holder had no hesitancy in sur- was learned by the grand jury

mocent in city council, we feel it is after the \$500 fee was paid to the

oing work for the city, had loaned for handling the matter of an adir son, which had never been repaid. It the new viaducts, a matter that that his attempt to get a permit for and one or two visits to the city he filling station was held up in Al- Yet this attorney solemnly swears t ime, and that finally the permit was | nection with this work. ranted, Mr. Williamson wiring into the committee withdrawing his objecessee put him off, stating he did not Carpenter. The grand jury has have it, and that soon thereafter he presented to it evidence and sworn came back again and insisted upon a testimony that he represented at on sum of money, stating that he had and the same time three different been of service to him by withdraw- lies who were involved as compe ng his objection to the permit; later in the same transaction before the he called again, and the filling station | council committees and the council. man told him he did not have \$100, receiving a fee of \$2,500 from and Mr. Williamson told him. 'Well, | \$000 from another, and \$750 from an-

during the time when he was doing considerable city work. None of these amounts, the witness testified, have ever been repaid, although it has been

cases has returned indictments, be-Comment cause it believes this form of grafting on citizens is not only petty, contemptible and despicable, but exceedingly dangerous, and will undermine our entire system of government if not exposed and entirely prevented. The Purchase of Tires.

"This body also finds that similar nethods to those practiced by the Southeastern Brokerage Company are found in some degree in the city purchasing department. This is particularly true in the purchase of automo-\$120 per month, Stub books of the bile tires, this equipment making up city clerk's office show that permits an important item of expense to the

"Scores of city tire dealers and carnivals and merry-go-round stands, agents have told this grand jury, unsuch as are seen on vacant lots, have der oath, of their lack of interest in applied for permits and, the price trying to secure any of the city's tire being \$25, the license was issued for business. It was shown that a very only \$15. Even property owners whose small part of it is passed out to vatracts of land are large enough to rious dealers, while the great bulk of accommodate circuses have been an tire purchases are made from the Prior unwilling party to the gratuities show- Tire Company. These witnesses have ered on City Clerk Taylor, some of very positively told the grand jury them swearing to this grand jury that there was little or no chance to they give him a check for \$100 quite secure any tire business from Atlanta frequently in order that their location just so long as the son of City Purmight be favorably remembered and chasing Agent Price was a salesman

"Even though the formality of asking for bids each quarter-or semioccasionally-is gone through with and a low bid on some standard tire the grand jury. This body has failed is made and accepted other than from the Prior Tire Company, that means little to the company or dealer whose

salary. In addition, this grand jury sworn evidence. The successful bidhas knowledge of farms and other real der, happy in the thought that for a estate holdings of City Clerk Taylor. few months-maybe only three-he is would in no wise discourage to supply the city with certain sizes in anyone; it be- of tires, naturally stocks up to be the practice of economy able to meet the requirements of the and of saving of one's earnings is city. Instances were stated to this is difficult for this body where several thousands of dolbody to understand, from the records lars' worth of tires were stocked for

city clerk, how his accumulations of cessful bidder when he learns that a of employment, for a 6 per cent fee big stock of the sizes he has arranged to get the matter through for the bidto supply the city with, was carefully | der. With the 2 per cent charged to stored in the city garage or other put the bidder in touch in the first places, purchased from the Prior Tire place, and with the 6 per cent charge to state that the grand jury firmly Company just a few days prior to added on, making a total of 8 per awarding the contract. Result: Enough tires to last the city through ly see where about \$15,000 was to be thought to be his, and he delivers period when the city would in reality put on its cars and trucks 50 or 100 times that many. There was, and is, naturally, no recourse for the 'outbidder, as these tires 'were on hand' and none were needed from the Son Influences Father.

"Testimony has been sworn to before this body that directly and in-

and where such concerns or dealers passed upon favorably by the general used a few or a fleet of cars and council, that City Clerk Taylor has trucks, that it they would give him advised them to see Attorney Paul orders for tires from the house he Carpenter. The public can draw its represents, that he felt sure he 'could own conclusions about this close tie-

This may not appear of great significance, but it is one of the many favored lawyer with Mr. Taylor, but Grady hospital, and that before the petty forms of favoritism-some may he was the selection quite frequently trade could be closed, according have a personal difficulty with Mr. call it graft—this jury has found of councilmen who wanted certain the sworn testimony, it was stated existed in the city government, and contracts and papers drawn up affect- the sales agent for the ambulance

"It was because of just such con- cil. This grand jury has had brought of Grady hospital would have to have ditions as the above and because of to its attention, under sworn evi- a special commission on the sale. called on the 'powers-that-be' at the a close tie-up with the Southeastern dence, the fact that one proposed bid- though he was a bookkeeper in the source of these large contributions to Brokerage Company, in which scores der on a lease for the old city hall employ of an entirely different con Mr. Taylor and made complaint that upon scores of transactions have been was approached by an individual and cern and had nothing whatever. related to this grand jury, that the told that there was a certain council- shown by the evidence, to do with the name of City Purchasing Agent Price man they thought could get his bid sale. This son-in-law, himself under

Lawyers' Big Fees. "This grand jury finds that there which hovers around the city hall, fice and the contract was drawn, the father-in-law. and which has exacted its tribute in councilman to receive his full share thousands of dollars from those who This grand jury does not, for a mo- fle,' and though, no doubt, strenuous ment, assume to regulate or even suggest the charge or fee that should made by practicing attorneys for their work in representing clients who seek to secure legitimate things from the city government, but it has nor less than gifts. Occasionally it been shown to this grand jury that has been sworn before this grand jury charges in the most excessive amounts by witnesses interested in contract | have been made -so large, in fact, that work, or with an application pending there is a strong suspicion in the city councilman or alderman who was in the city council in securing the hundreds of cases of this kind that more thoroughly into the matter.

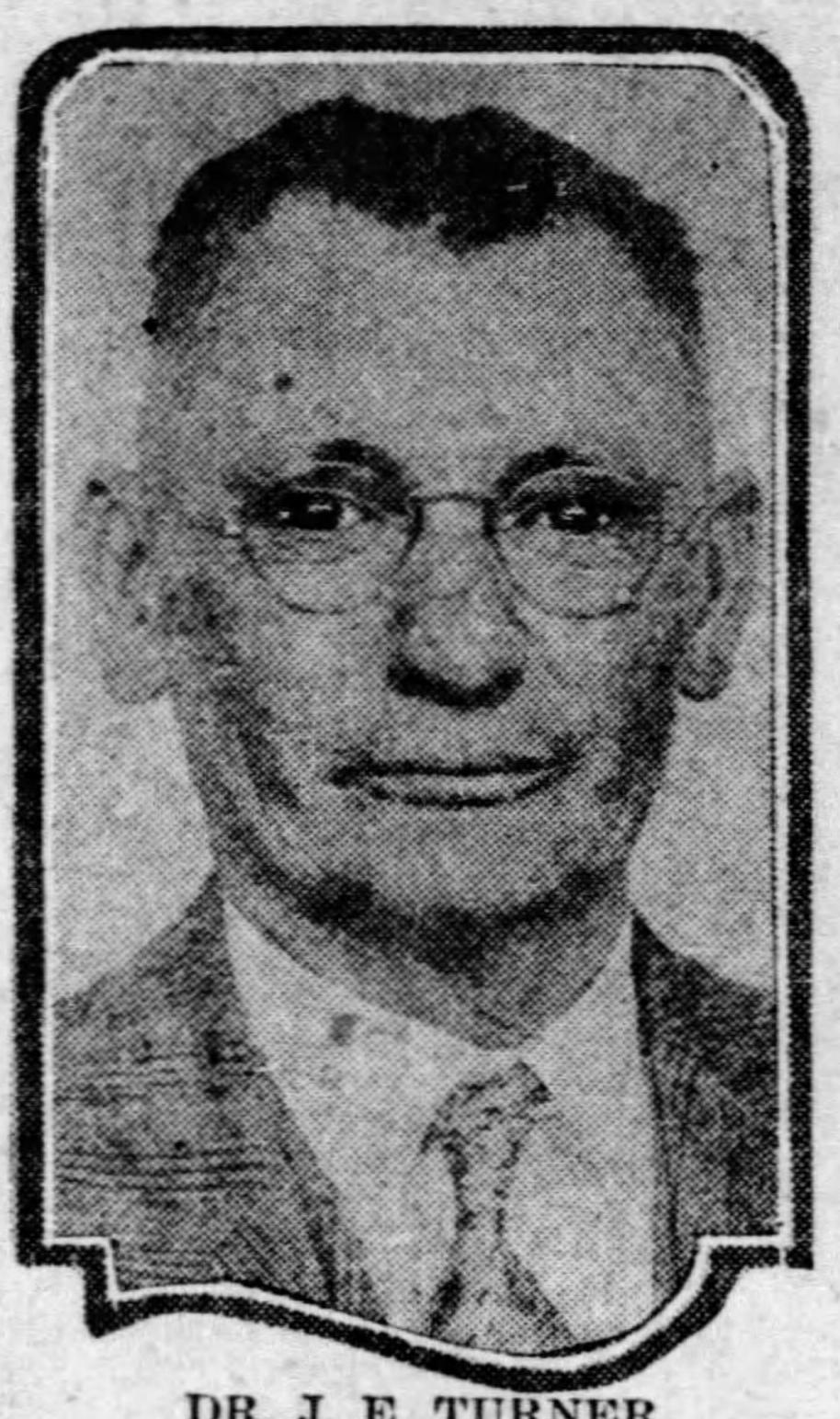
has the sworn evidence and the can- exists for actual indictment, we feel celed check for \$500 paid to an at- that the public is entitled to this ina great deal of work for the city dur- torney-a former city official-for the formation. ing the past five or more years re- simple service of getting permission counted in detail the many 'loans' he through the street committee and these 'loans.' Neither has he ever held the matter up so long that she in fact, has never expected them to finally suggested to her that she call made no entries on his books, and cussed it with him, he informed her street corner or in some drug store through the city council. When sh complained, his statement was, accord hans in some cases 'notes' were given do not get all of it.' This attorner that they were practically forgotten. Jury, made the sworn statement the The grand jury has in its possession he paid \$300 to another attorney and rendering, knowing that they were the street committeeman withdrew his objection and favored the "That we may do no wrong to the simple request of lowering the cu

It was shown, under sworn testi- been existing: Another attorney, mony, that a well-known contractor former city official, received \$1.000 to Alderman Oscar William- ment to property in the building was also sworn by another witness | volved only a small amount of tim derman Williamson's ward for some he paid no one in the city hall in con

Paul Carpenter's Activity. "One attorney who has been exceedingly active in the past-certai ly up until he took his seat as con station | Cilman the first of this year-is

to R. M. Cobb, to Harry Benson, con- cil—and sometimes even without this sale, some of the finance committee city garage and load up with about ings, and yet the city paid around right, he stated \$200, and that amount park, its present owner or those into at the lack of records and business nected with the city department, and suggestion from the petitioner-Mr. having also agreed to the proposition, twenty gallons of gasoline for each of \$12 each for them, nearly one thou- was paid him. to Councilman W. E. Saunders, Taylor would suggest that they see but in ignorance of this special deal the three tractors. It was also shown sand of them being installed from amounts ranging up to \$100 and \$200. Paul Carpenter. In several cases it between the salesman and Messrs. This same witness also testified was shown that he told the petitioner White and York.

Six City Officials Accused by Grand Jurors



City Councilman.

legitimate rights in advance just what | the fee would be. "As a finther example of how these manipulations were carried on, the grand jury has had before it, and it is now in the hands of Solicitor Boykin, a contract drawn up with a large concern who had placed a bid with the city for furnishing the new city

The amount of the bid was around \$175,000. A proposition from some one was made to the party making the bid that for 2 per cent of the gross amount they would put who would see that the bid was ac-Anxious to secure the busithis was acceded to, and the parties were taken to see City Clerk

"The city clerk then in turn passed the bidder over to Paul Carpenter, "Imagine the chagrin of the suc- who drew a contract under the claim eent on about \$175,000, you can readiperiod the successful bidder paid for a very simple service. This amount could go a long ways under some of the rules of operation which it has been shown were practiced not infrequently by the general council at this time, and the matter has been held in abeyance.

Taylor Works With Carpenter.

father to give them some city up between City Clerk Taylor and Paul Carpenter.

ing the petitions of citizens in coun- the son-in-law of the superintenden

this grand jury has tried to run down. "As an instance, this grand jury Even where no sufficient evidence

An Ambulance Deal. duty and the salesman had informed stance that was the end of it. car to the city at \$3,500, although it these appointments.

was listed at \$4,250. Messrs. York and White told the salesman to 'forget' that \$3,500 price, and to price it at \$4,250 and they would see that or 100 acres of land lying out the sale was made, and then give them | Cascade road in close proximity the difference between \$3.500 and \$4 .- | Ragsdale park, and owned and pla 250 or \$750. The salesman hesi- in a crop by the mayor some two tated to join in such a deal, but real- three years ago, became, during izing that much of the city's business process of its cultivation that year. was then asked to show the ambulance | city employes, particularly those



City Alderman.



JACK HARDY, City Councilman.

in putting through almost any bid. mated—in fact the day it was to be use. Seed corn and peas for planting However, in this case money was not taken up-newspapers appeared on were also brought along. available to furnish the new city hall the streets with flaring headlines telling of the Perkerson park scandal, there were six or eight of them, were and apparently showing that a big dependable working men whose investigation of some of the city of- dence, given under oath, the grane "In many other instances witnesses ficials was about to be gone into, jury could not discredit. They stated directly the son of the purchasing have testified that where there has Mr. White called the that they did not receive any remuneragent has let it be known to those been the slightest doubt in their salesman over the telephone and told ation from the mayor, but drew their having goods they wished to sell the minds about their bid or permit or him to just 'forget about this am- pay as usual on the city pay rolls. city through the purchasing agent, request of whatever nature being bulance deal until this matter blows "This grand jury has, in justice to of this linoleum, when the Southeast- this body that in giving a name to a the past few years under the direc-

> Commissions on Ambulance Sale. "It might be well. while discussing

the matter of ambulances and Grady hospital supplies, to state that at a later time a new ambulance was pur-"Not only was Mr. Carpenter the chased from another concern for the

accepted for a \$15,000 fee. The bid- subpoena, appeared before the grand der acquiesced in the proposition and jury and admitted that he got a nice expect and to accept similar favors the councilman and the bidder and the little check from the agent who sold man who made the proposition natu- the ambulance, and about all he did seems to be another pestiferous plague rally drifted into Mr. Carpenter's of- was to use his influence with his

out of this \$15,000. This bidder's ment, this grand jury feels that such each, were sent from the city dairy dence connecting the local house have legitimate claims on the city. lease, however, was 'lost in the shuf- transactions should be frowned upon. "This grand jury has also been told effort was made to get it through of many elaborate dinners and sup by the councilman in question, it fail- pers and other forms of entertainof acceptance. This grand jury ment practiced by the superintendent could not, for lack of time, go further of Grady hospital, complimentary to into this particular matter, but it is city officials and others, in which the going to request the incoming grand city is called upon to pay the bills jury to follow it through to the end. and believes this practice is of suffi-"It is the scores of cases similar to cient importance that the incoming this shady transaction that has grand jury should take some notice of for some legitimate permit from the minds of the grand jurymen that the brought about the criticism and the it as well as in the buying of fresh city, that straightout gifts of \$50 to attorneys shared the fee with those graft and corruption fruits and vegetables, this grand jury \$100 or \$500 were passed out to some who could be of most service to them in our city government, and it is not having a sufficient time to go

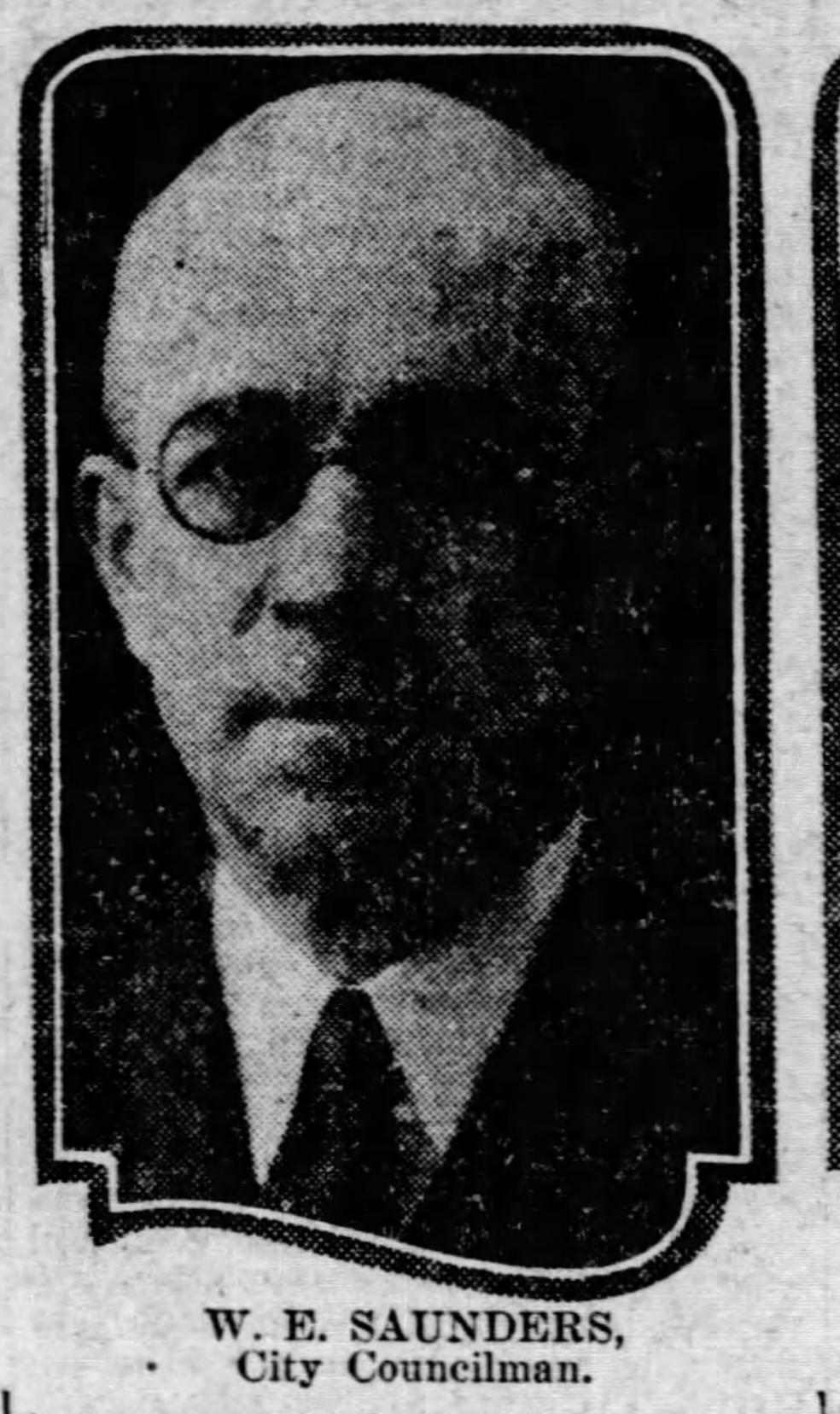
Mayor's Appointment.

grand jury feels are not, perhaps, of for vegetables on July 9, 1927; or sufficient importance to warrant in- July 29, 1926, he turned in \$20.35 dictments, yet which show how the for a mule. Who fixed the price on despicable system of graft permeates | the mule, and whether the animal was many city departments, were brought sold to the highest bidder is not against out before this grand jury in instances shown. This mule was bought for clared these transactions have dated a filling station then being erected. Councilman York and Jack White, and which involve even the head of the the stables in which the mayor is back three or four years, or longer. The lady who was having the sta- to show just how deals were maniputive himself, Mayor I. N. Ragsdale. terested. Other memoranda show his and no suggestions have ever been tion built stated that the street com- lated, or were attempted to be manipu- This jury feels it to be its duty to purchase of \$82.50 for octs and pork; made by the city officials to repay mitteeman from her ward practically lated, this grand jury deems it im- state here that many witnesses testi- and another memoranda portant to tell of the proposed pur- fied before this body that they had turned in by the mayor, which does chase by the Grady hospital of an am- taken complaints in person, and had not even show what it was for, bu bulance about two years ago. The written letters of complaint to Mayor from the best information the grand ambulance equipment of the hospital Ragsdale about some of the things jury can get it was for three young at that time was very defective, and which are mentioned in these present- bulls from the dairy farm. during a period of repairs to its old ments or other matters of equal grav- "The point the grand jury would ambulance the Kissel Company loaned ity. They were usually, according to make is that the mayor himself was to the city a very commodious new their testimony, cordially received, the purchasing, from time to time, things ambulance this company had for sale mayor being thoroughly in accord from the city in the most slipshod at that time. The new ambulance was with their views of the complaints, loose and irregular way, and was with driven for a week or more in regular but so far as they knew in every in- out any compliance with the law that

the driver that while the ambulance "As a matter of fact, this gran was listed at \$4,250 it could be bought jury notes that in the appointment of by the city for \$3.500. In order to committees, now in authority in the start a movement to have the city buy general council, that some of those it at that price the salesman went to whose actions have been referred to in the city hall to talk the matter over these presentments, and whose acts with someone in authority in order have been under suspicion for som to make the sale. Unfortunately for time, occupy the chairmanships him, he chanced upon Councilman some of the most important commit-Harry York, as one of the first to tees in the general council. This grand meet up with, and informed him of jury is slow to believe that the mayor his purpose. Mr. York invited him to arranged these appointments in this come up to the Southeastern Broker- | way by design, but either that conage Company and talk the matter clusion or a conclusion that he was over with him and Mr. White. The not awake to the situation and fails salesman did so, telling Councilman to realize the seriousness of many fork that he was willing to sell the complaints is the only justification for

"Ragsdale Bottoms.

"'Ragsdale Bottoms,' a tract done on this plan, agreed, and by-word in the mouths of many of the and tell its good points to one or two were engaged in work in the construct ther council members who were on tion department and in and around the the hospital committee. The salesman city dairy farm. This was brough did so, but did not mention the deal about because city trucks were used that fertilizer werhaps not a large time to time, by city forces. amount but at least some fertilizer- "A great many castings of one to "It will be remembered, too, that The grand jury firmly believes that of dollars' worth of material which "Before the trade could be spent by came from the more money should be spent by came from the wrecking of these build- was taken out to these build- and another for the new via- Mr. Couch's name figured in a very no more money should be spent by came from the wrecking of these build-





Purchasing Agent.

"The men who did this work, and

tlement to the city in full-and the ing up this note from the bank 30 records ought to show if he did-cer. days after they made it, although tainly it was a bad precedent to set | was a 90-day note. This note, when It was a dangerous policy for the head | put in the bank in order to receive of the city government to make use of city workmen and city machinery and city materials for his private use ever though he recompensed the city for it It set a bad example for other city em ployes and city officials; it caused considerable comment about whether or not it was graft; and it gave encouragement to other city employes to for themselves from the city. to Jack White, of the Southeastern

Other Matters Involving Mayor. "It also was sworn to by those in position to know that at least two chase of linoleum.' a purchase outright was made of these hogs, it was not done, so far as the grand jury can find out, through the and from the city must go.

records are kept in connection with form of commissions on the sale the sale of city materials is shown in number of memoranda found the city hall, the mayor himself being a party to this loose and slipshod the sale. system. For instance there has been submitted to this grand jury a plain memorandum record that the mayor "Many other matters which this turned into the tax collector \$68.50

all things sold by the city must sold through the purchasing agent's

"The grand jury calls further atter tion to the fact that city employes and city officials are forbidden from er tering into the purchase of, or the sale of, commodities to the city during their tenure of office. The gran jury does not charge but what, perhaps, the mayor paid to the city all these goods were worth, but the system under which they were purchased is one for criticism.

Money From Stop Signs. erage Company in the purchase of its such as this. supplies, the transactions being origi-

C. L. CHOSEWOOD, Sr., City Councilman.

ducts were handled through the Sout eastern Brokerage Company, the conoffice and large commissions or its-equaling 100 per cent-were made on their sale to the city.

\$1,500 Commissions on Linoleum. best information this grand jury could appears to this jury that some- pressing needs of the city in other secure, Tile-Tex, as a floor covering, is fered with. more expensive than linoleum-certainly no less in price. In all of the copies of bids so far examined by the of the Southeastern Brokerage Com- with the indictment we herewith repany, paid as commissions for 'ser- ture, and with numerous rumors of vices rendered in connection with the his connection in doubtful city transpurchase of linoleum.'

White. York, Taylor Indorsement. | mony with the protests of the citithis the mayor, tried to find any record of ern Brokerage concern was anticipat- permanent institution-a seat payment to the city for this work, ing its commission on the sale of this learning for the coming generationsbut has failed. It has also tried to linoleum to be purchased from Rich's, that at least a name of some out trace whether or not the crops gath- the National Construction Company standing citizen at whom the finger of ered that year were shared in by the issued a 90-day note for \$750 as ad- suspicion has never been pointed, city, but has failed to find any record vance commission for services in con- should be selected. nection with the purchase of linoleum, "Assuming that the mayor made set- | the construction company itself taktheir advance commission, was indorse by Jack White, Harry York and Walter C. Taylor. This note, with the check which canceled it, together with an additional check of \$250 and statement from the National Construcon Company, show the purpose this payment. An additional check for his additional amount also paid by

Brokerage Company, for services rendered in connection with the puryoung hogs-shoats-worth \$8 to 10 "This grand jury can find no evifarm to Mayor Ragsdale's farm. If Rich's with the payment of this \$1,500 commissions to Jack White, and feels that Rich's bid and its contract was regular channels—through the city this body is concerned over the fact purchasing agent's office, through that Jack White. Councilman York whose department all things bought by and Walter Taylor can and did manipulate things in such a way as to "A further evidence of just how demand and receive tribute in

he National Construction Company

ed as a floor covering, when it is not shown they had anything to do with \$1.500 Demanded for This Deal. time another evidence of the series its way. of graft and holdup schemes eemed to surround most transactions passing through the city hall. While nony of the manufacturer to whom the proposition was made, and ninds of the jurymen that the propo-

been successfully carried out. concern had furnished a few goods city council for these debts. in his line to the city through the city purchasing agent. A keen salesbut who is now absent from the city, cial charter amendment giving them reported to the head of this company this authority—could not, in the gran he (the head) would consent to it, when these park lands are bought use in the departments of the city, ing for same. If this charter an which could be manufactured at a ment is goi; to continue to giv he had arranged to get the order ac- as the present board has been of \$225 and sell it to the city at a it after some member of the price of \$5,000, thus insuring a \$4,775 | board, then Atlanta's finances profit, it was told the head of the doomed. A correction of this concern, would cost \$1.500 in cash to should be made at once. of Atlanta has been made to the grand jury was that he refused parks in question, the grand

Allen Couch Indicted. nated and handled by Councilman "An indictment is returned by this cessive—and that it would be better York, can be found in the purchase ground jury against Alderman J. Al- for the city to lose what it has inof the stop-signal castings which were len Couch, mayor pro tem, of the vested than to p_y the remainder, placed at street intersections a couple city. This jury had a witness to even if it had the money. In the first of years or more ago. This type of appear before it and relate to us place, this park is within a stone stop-signal was not a success, being the payment of \$200 to Allen Couch, throw of Grant park—a park as very heavy piece of casting that then a councilman, in connection with entirely undeveloped—a park in which stood up some eight or ten inches the purchase of a number of automo- a great deal of money can and show from the surface of the street. This biles for the city. This dealer, at yet be spent to make it complete. jury is informed that many the time, was handling Ford cars. He "Chosewood park is only three mobiles passing over them were was acquainted with Alderman (then four blocks beyond Grant park, badly damaged, differentials being Councilman) Couch, who suggested South Boulevard, located on a rough torn out, and that, in addition, light- to him that he put in a bid for a and rugged hillside on which only er cars were frequently upset in mak- number of cars the city was planning flock of billygoats could find pleasure ing a turn by striking one of them. to buy. This dealer put in his bid, in romping. It will take hundreds of between White and York, merely tell- to haul city tractors to plow up this For this reason a number of them and his sworn testimony was that he thousands of dollars to develop this ing these councilmen that his price acreage. For several days, it was test have been taken up and no more of assumed his was the low bid, because into a playground. In addition, this these materials and matters had been can't you let me have \$50." The witness swore that he did not pay this amount, or any amount, but that this amount, or any amount, but that the best amount of these employed on a this type has been installed.

"It seems to have been a well estified before this grand jury, three or this type has been installed.

"The contract for the purchase of the carried and matters had been amount, or any amount, but that the best amount of these employed on a this type has been installed.

"It seems to have been a well esting the received the order for quite a number of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for quite and matters had been amount of the received the order for he was annoyed three or four times by Mr. Williamson for a payment of by Mr. Williamso advised with, or about which he might the salesman, White, York, and others testified that each morning of each Sworn evidence by the manufacturer felt he "ought to get something out of with the idea that in years to come. This same witness—a city contract be asked if it were necessary to set the next day with the purchase to meet the next day with the purchase to meet the next day with the purchase to meet the next day with the purchase of the city has spent hundreds. tor swore that he had loaned money cure a lawyer to get it through countries of the finance committee of fact, the grand jury was amazed

Other Questionable Acts.

Couch school was erected. He was expended returned to the city.
a member of the board of education, White Park Purchase Condemn

tions on a special tract. committee of the city council, and this grand jury does not feel the necessity for the city to lose what it has alof going very deeply into it, thut ready invested in it than to continue enough sworn evidence has been sub- on with the work. mitted to this body to show that Mr. dox, a member of the school board from the fifth ward, was very much concerned in the purchase of the particular tract under option by the Dolvin Realty Company.

Expected Big Commissions. "A reliable witness has sworn to this grand jury that as a member the bond commission contemplating the purchase of this or some similar tract in the fifth ward for a new school, he was called upon by Allen Couch and asked to use his influence it meant several thousand dollars in mmissions to him.

"It has been shown to this jury by park board that an additional golf reliable witnesses that a great num- link was needed and it was presumthe purchase of this tract at a price value. It has been brought grand jury's attention that the boar of education, even at this excessive price, and with the protests of citi-

chase of this tract of land for \$65,000. "A further item that interested this the grand jurymen that the influence grand jury, and which should be of of Allen Couch and James W. Madinterest to the public, was the large dox in urging this purchase had much the grand jury to know what they commission paid to the Southeastern to do with the action of the board. were talking about, are that this tract Brokerage Company through the Mac- "However, before the matter was offered free to the city could have Donald Construction Company (can- finally closed, an option for a similar been developed with no more expense celed checks for the amounts being on tract, but larger, very near the one than the John A. White park tract. file with this grand jury), for the under discussion, was secured by purchase of linoleum which covers a others and offered to the board at large part of the flooring of the new about \$42,000. At the next meeting city hall. The original specifications of the board, or at a joint meeting calling for furnishings for the new of the board and bond commission, or ber of building lots in and around city hall included Tile-Tex or floor perhaps a meeting of the city council, this new park, some of which have coverings, or, as an alternate, line- where this latter option at \$42,000 been given to or are owned by cerleum. In most cases bidders made a was made known, the price of the tain councilmen, and this, no doubt. deduction where linoleum was to be Dolvin Realty tract dropped over- has had an influence in carrying out substituted for Tile-Tex. Based on night from \$65,000 to around \$42,050. this park plan, regardless of the

one's profits were materially inter- departments. Change Name of School.

"It has been also shown to this was illegal and that if it cannot be grand jury it has been hard to deter- jury, in connection with the erection paid for in installments—which is mine just the amount stated in the and the naming of the J. Allen Couch against the law—then to consider its bid for this floor covering, but as a school, that a petition signed by hun- purchase and the payment of around matter of fact linoleum was even- dreds upon hundreds of citizens in \$75,000 to \$80,000 in any one year tually selected, a higher price paid for the fifth ward protested to the board to get rid of this debt would so emit than for Tile-Tex, the purchase be- of education against naming this barrass and cripple other city departing made from Rich's, Inc., and checks school the 'J. Ailen Couch School.' | ments that the idea of its purchase showing \$1,500 from the National "With the finger of suspicion that seems didiculous. Construction Company to Jack White, has been pointed at this councilman, Slipshod Methods in Construction actions, this body is in thorough har-"A further interesting incident is zens of the fifth ward against the eration than in and through the con-

Protest on Parks. "It will be remembered that this grand jury early in its sessions filed with Mayor I. N. Ragsdale its proin connection with the adoption the apportionment sheet carrying with it certain payments of interes on notes covering the purchase of the John A. White park and the Chosewood park. The action of the ci council, following this request to the mayor, in adopting a new apportionment sheet and, as a matter of petty spite, eliminating from it not only the matters the grand jury had requested, but cutting out all appropriations to charity of all kinds, was a mere incident, and in no ruffled or disturbed, or retarded the work of this grand jury, and these turned are our best answer to the vilifying speeches made on the floor

of council at that time. "It was not the intention of this for charitable institutions and worthy proposed to be sold.' causes, such as were contained in the sheet at that time, should be eliminated. This grand jury was, and is, forced, the city would have been richin perfect harmony with a city policy er by many thousands of dollars in that provides for and takes care of the one transaction of wrecking and its unfortunates. We knew at the cleaning off the grounds for the new time, just as the city attorney has city hall. Much of the time of this ruled, that these appropriations were grand jury has been devoted in an legal. This matter, we are glad to attempt to trace the final disposition say, has been taken care of-the city of thousands of dollars' worth of ma-

Park Purchases Illegal.

"The purchase of park lands, man of this company who was mak- any other purchases-even though the ing the calls on the purchasing agent, park committee is acting under a spethat he could get for his concern, if jury's judgment, be sustained in court, an order for 10 drums-500 gallons-| credit, and future councils are burof a coal tar disinfectant for general dened with the responsibility of paycost of 45 cents per gallon, and that the right to future park boards to do cepted through the proper channel for for the past couple of years, giving \$10 per gallon. This opportunity to them the privilege to select land at make up an order of goods at a cost any price, establish it as a park, name 'A further indication of how the get the order. His testimony before "As to the purchase of the two

pay tribute to the Southeastern Brok- to enter into a shady transaction makes the report that in the case of the Chosewood park the purchase price was entirely unreasonable-ex-

big rewards on the sale of these lots, system in connection with thousands

questionable manner in the recent sale the city on this park, and an effort of the land on which the J. Allen made to have what it has unwisely

White Park Purchase Condemned. in that ward, as it had secured op- ready spent quite a large sum of money in grading and developing, that "This matter was investigated by a no further money should be spent upon it, and that it will be better

"Any business or real estate man who has any conception of real estate values knows that a price of around was at least double its value-perhaps more than double. who sold this property admits that he made some \$30,000 or \$40,000 on it, and is holding the city's notes for between \$60,000 and \$70,000, bearing 6 per cent interest. These notes run for a period of 25 years—a perfect

"The John A. White park property to have this tract of land selected, as is located a long way out Cascade avenue, far beyond the end of the car line. The claim was made by the ably bought for an 18-hole golf link. However, only a 9-hole course has been laid out, and it will take hundreds of thousands of dollars in the future to continue the development of this tract of land for park purposes. It can be reached only by automobile, erty and build an 18-hole golf course

"The grand jury has had it brought to its attention that there are a num-

"As in the case of the Chosewood park, the grand jury knows that the manner of the purchase of this park

"In all of its investigations this grand jury has found in no department more slipshod, wasteful, expensive and mismanaged methods of opthe fact that, even before the purchase raming of this school. It appears to struction department, carried on for tion of William Hansell. Some indictments returned with this report cover some of the city officials, including Mr. Hansell, and others, who have been a party to this reckless and wanton waste and loss through the disappearance of much material, to

"It must be remembered that Sec-

tion 2352 of the City Code provides "'When it is deemed advisable to dispose of any personal property belonging to the city of Atlanta and used in the various departments thereof or under the supervision of the mayor and general council, the sale of such property shall be made by the purchasing agent. The purchasing agent shall confer with the head of the department selling the property, with the view of getting the best price possible in making sale. This ordinance is not intended to authorize the sale of such property without a resolution of the general council, but where resolution has, for any reason, provided for the sale of any such property belonging to the city, the sale of such property shall be supervised by the purchasing agent, acting with the proper official of the city familiar grand jury that the appropriations with and in charge of the property

Law Not Complied With. "If this law had been properly en-"This grand jury mentions at this council, no doubt, seeing the error of terial the city possessed in the old Girls' High school building, and the "But this grand jury again reit- other buildings along Mitchell and erates its stand against the purchase Washington streets, prior to the erecof the John A. White park and the tion of the new city hall. Workmen, in this transaction the sworn testi- Chosewood park. With what the park foremen, truck drivers, carpenterscommittee claims is its right under a dozens and dozens of reliable white charter amendment to exercise its own | workmen-have appeared before this refused to enter into it, is our only judgment and authority in the pur- jury, and have told of the hauling evidence, still there is no doubt in the chase of park lands, and saddle these away of the material that came out debts on Atlanta, there will eventual- of these buildings, but in many insition was made to him, and if he had ly be piled up against the city debts stances the grand jury has failed to cared to enter into it, it would have which unquestionably cannot be tak- find where it was removed to and en care of. It is illegal, and has where the city received any material "The witness who gave this testi- been declared so many times by the benefit from its sale or use. Large mony is the head of a large chemical city attorney, for one city council to steam boilers, heating plants, were in and sanitary supply house, whose create debts and bind an incoming some of these buildings, and they seem to have disappeared as if by magicthis grand jury never having been able to discover the disposition of any of

"In the beginning, after this property was acquired by the city, the city council received two bids from two different parties of \$5,000 each for the privilege of wrecking and removing all of these buildings. Instead of accepting either of these bids, the council appropriated \$2,800 to do the work and then the city itself, furnishing a large number of free laborers (for which the city paid), convicts, guards, trucks, and other expensive equipment, spent two or three months in preparing this lot for the new building. This grand jury learned that considerable of this material was hauled to the asphalt plant on Hunter street, but nothing like the bulk of it.

Taking City's Property. "One of the foremen in charge of the working crew-and an indictment herein sustains these facts-was known to have hauled off truckload after truckload of the very best of lumber, heavy building materials. doors, plumbing materials, bath tubs and fixtures of all kinds which were put into houses that he built on his own property. Truckload after truckload, it was shown before this jury, of brick-good, hard building brickcleaned of mortar by city forces-was hauled to a lot on South Boulevard where a councilman used them in building a row of business houses.

"Dozens and dozens of loads of scrap and kindling wood were sold to the various city employes who worked

RITCHIE CALLED 'CZAR' IN ADMINISTERING SCHOOL DUTIES

BY GRAND JURORS

Waste and Extravagance Cited in Scathing Attack on Sutton's Aid.

ings, which should all have been sold -if sold at all-through the channel provided by law. Chosewood Indicted.

"In connection with the brick and other material that was hauled away from the old Girls' High school building, the same councilman has made use of much of city materials and much of city labor on various pieces of property he owns in the third ward. Sewers have been built, retaining walls have been erected from Belgian blocks, streets have been paved-in fact, the city has been very kind to him-and in his attempt to show that he profited nothing from the city he exhibits now all manner of little memorandum receipts and lead pencil statements signed by various and sundry people who might have had charge of the material he admits

attention of the grand jury concern- temporary solicitor general in the son road) could possibly be among "The bill for the extras which the itself has been returned.

private use, even though he can show clear receipts for same.

Barbecues at City's Expense. "In connection with the slipshod methods mentioned above, as practiced by and through the construction department, in years past, the grand jury feels that it should condemn this report the past practices of the city, through its chief of construction, in giving barbecues and other expensive affairs for political purposes and in compliment to a numher of city officials. It has been shown to this grand jury that city cattle and hogs in large numbers, raised and fattened at the expense the taxpayers, and in which the taxpayers have an interest, have been out of the taxpayer's pocket.

Sewers and Street Paving Bad. ferior materials paid for at the price f standard materials.

been laid before it. However, this J. C. Shearer and his brother (then jury." for this slip-shod work.

Graft at the Garage. this grand jury that the garage is except the \$600 payment.

in the garage. ordered by Bruce Baxter, superintend | where Van P. Enloe was allowed to ed and petty grafting which has ocent, to take the car over to the house readjust the curb along Peters street of the mechanic's brother-away from for many blocks at a price of 30 the garage—and there overhaul it and | cents per running foot when the regu-

Learned the Way Quickly.

cials cannot be overlooked. get a block or two of street paved vestigation into this department would alongside his plant, and asked Mr. | be advisable saying that he would get the job hundreds of truck loads of various Warren, a member of the school agree with them if they would take thank the city newspapers for the through for \$1,000. This citizen and supplies as grown at the dairy farm- | board, for demanding and accepting off \$100 or \$500 or \$1,000, or some | conservative and helpful manner they |

Two Women Indicted



Civic Worker.

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place of John A. Boykin, in order those who were parties to the crime courts had disallowed him was sub-

paid in full for every favor and for discourtesy and brutal negligence and men were delivering the machines daily he had previously claimed and which every accommodation received from a willful disregard of the welfare of and he refused to investigate them the courts had denied. the city, which ought to be properly the people whom he is paid and sworn and their deliveries. He, Mr. Boykin, entered on city records, he has, never- to faithfully represent and protect. was seen in their company a sufficient "However, the chief complaint theless, laid himself open to much Also that one who, during the past number of times to reach the conclu- which the grand jury has had precriticism, because this grand jury be- ten years, has been actively engaged sion that he and they were of the sented to it, coming from principals "This grand jury honestly believes, lieves that no member of the city gov- in social welfare work in the city of same stripe and birds of a feather, of schools, teachers, members of the from the evidence submitted to it, that ernment should take advantage of his Atlanta and the county of Fulton "It is understood that J. C. Shearer board of education, ex-members of if many of the frills and furbelows committee to give instruction to working forces and to authorize expendition as character of some, possibly the board of education, and leading the board of education, and leading this offense, but at the time I mention the facts were as stated above been the wanton waste of money. position as chairman of an important has failed to note in all the appeals was indicted later for some, possibly the board of education, and leading —many of the unnecessary things ture of the taxpayers' money for his of one single effort to relieve distress Mr. Boykin positively and insultingly or to protect the innocent and helpless. Rather, we would unhesitatingly state has his sympathy and protection been given to the criminal eral letters from residents of a certain class instead of to the better ele- section, pointing out the terrible lawment of society.

"It is the writer's belief that Mr. | weekly. Cars of policemen, the letters Boykin, aided by Judge Howard, has stated, visited the place and participatsent many innocent victims of crimi- ed in the criminal practices. These nals to the chain gang on the evi- letters were shown me to make me undence of crooks and criminals. We derstand that he could do nothing believe that even if the two named about the appeal for protection for a officials are well intentioned that they certain group who had appealed to me are entirely too lacking in discern- for help. I carried several women ment to be permitted to have the pow- with me one night at the risk of our er and control over human affairs lives and verified the reports that which they possess.

bursts of the solicitor, but we reslaughtered and used to court political spectfully call your attention to the result of our effort. He never made favor and to make and hold political repeated opening of prison doors to any effort to follow up or relieve the riends that could be of service. This these criminals after fiery tirades body feels that no department of the against them, and ask that a full incity, or the city government itself, vestigation of such cases be made-for has the legal or moral right to give the past 10 years. We would especial- Mr. Boykin that Mrs. Stallings was barbecues and affairs of this kind, ly like to know the facts concerning employed by him and that the only taken up his criminal career right of the organization which Mrs. Stalwhere he left off, and rides the Cres- lings claimed to represent that Mr. cent Limited and other trains out of Boykin was haranguing that ignorant grand jury about the laying of sew- Atlanta daily, taking tolls of hundreds group of women in a way which would of dollars each trip from unsuspect- promote anything but liberty, fairness. same court room-a Mr. Patterson- newspaper report. to Mr. Patterson is carrying on in represent the interest of all the people. them would be a few cents for junk- commission and on various contact

suspicion of graft. The same charge the same way at the same place. has been made in connection with was really true that Mr. Boykin put Boykin with an honorable representative of sewers. This was really true that Mr. Boykin put by the construction of sewers. This the class of the law shiding people. the construction of sewers. This the slot machines, or was instrumental tive of the law-abiding people. We Thomas clocks, which have been invested. They, no doubt, honestly grand jury has had no opportunity in the slot machines, or was instrumental tive of the law-abiding people. grand jury has had no opportunity in putting them in the stores of At- feel that if he is temporarily replaced thrown out from the schools, although believe this. They are busy men and to go into the matter of specifica- lanta before he had them more light can be the more light can be to go into the matter of specific and lanta before he had them removed. at once that more light can be thrown apparently in good condition, to make had to leave many things to the of the sewers laid, but it has been The writer saw sufficient evidence to on the city hall investigation and that way for different type of clocks; win- honesty of subordinates and sub-consworn before this grand jury that, believe that Mr. Boykin was a party there are those who will testify, who dow shades by the thousands, some of tractors. the opinion of men who have to having them placed, and that his would be afraid to do so while he is them discarded without any apparent "However, if the bond commission, un the opinion of them redeemable at or any other group of citizens, could watched the work, if a test were made agents carried the same machines to there. There are some things which reason, many of them redeemable at or any other group of citizens, could would be found that many of our Anniston and other places in Ala- we especially wish to know, one in a small cost for repairs, but thousands hear, as we have heard for days and sewers are constructed with a thick- bama and Florida for placement after particular—why Mr. Boykin and Gra- of them absolutely new, are stored days, the intimations, the insinuations, ness of only about four inches of con- the storm about them died down in ham West held a confidential confer- away in this warehouse. crete, when the specifications called Atlanta. Mr. Boykin was certainly ence in the home of --- durfor six inches in thickness. This on most friendly terms with some of ing the absence of his wife just at grand jury is only reciting the sworn those who placed the machines in the the time when a probe of West's complaints and evidence that have stores, and who carried them, that books was made to the former grand

hat the incoming grand jury make same short street, could raise only sent complimentary to homes of coun further and full investigation into \$600 and so reported to Mr. McLen- cilmen and to the heads of city dethe matter of all kinds of street, don. He took that as his reward and partments, and much of the produce by visiting the street committeemen raised on the farm peddled and sold in the ward in which the work was throughout the city by peddlers. The a other 'friendly' visits to the city hall, for these supplies was just as the suffice to show some of his foolish jury has had opportunity to go in serious condition will be found, and \$1,300 was appropriated by the city peddler, or the superintendent, might that hundreds of thousands of dol-trs can be collected from some one county joined in the proposition and farm prisoners were fed at the stockdid the work.

which could only be paved after pay- because it was shown to this grant records will show or ought to show and not had an oversupply. -this transaction just as here related.

Just Another Instance.

withstanding a contract was held by late the city council on waking up Our indictments recite one or a legally accepted contractor for the to the loss the city has been sustaincity for the setting of all curb prepar- ing. This is shown by the evidence this jury, showing that the private atory to the laying of sidewalks, yet of a statistician at the city hall, who occasionally, where a good amount of has sworn to this grand jury that were overhauled at the expense of the this work was to be done on some the cost of producing milk at the farm particular street, this work was let to was 77 cents per gallon. It was so the son-in-law of the then chief of con- | to the Grady hospital and Battle Hill struction. Hansell, at a price of about at a price of 55 cents per gallon. of the municipal garage 15 cents per running foot more than | "There has been brought before this was sworn by reputable the regular contractor's price. This grand jury much evidence and great cial patterns cost the city something drove his car up to the was noticeably true on the widening criticism on the general loose and like \$23 each more than the standard one of the mechanics was and improvement of Peters street, slipshod bookkeeping methods employ- drinking fountain. Effiable complaints of graft in the city

Graft at City Dairy Farm.



MRS. J. R. WAKEFIELD, Managing Editor Woman's Paper.

on Pulliam street, now of 228 Rum- was not 'their boss.'

refused to investigate. "Once Mr. Boykin showed me sey lessness occurring there several nights had been made of conditions and the policemen (that was when Chief Jett

held office) and told Mr. Boykin the situation, which was terrible. At the time we appeared before Governor Hardman I charged in the presence of

A probe would bring out all the in- ing the metal parts.

ade during the vegetable season-or in smaller quantities as needed. "Thus we have shown a street at least partly fed from the farm-

"We notice that there is now a movement to sell off the cows, and perhaps the hogs, which have been "This grand jury finds that, not- raised at the farm, and we congrate

curred as part of the operations

Actions of School Board.

"One of the most interesting, and we believe one of the most alarming. anditions which this grand jury found in its investigating work city departments, has been iscoveries made, even without a full nvestigation, of the school board and

school department. This grand jury does not desire to east any reflections upon the individual members of the Atlanta there are many good, clean, but this grand jury does feel that busy businessmen, have allowed many

the work of this department.
"It has been difficult for this board

Roy Warren Indicted.

"Before we go into any detail we one or two others interested in the vegetables of all kinds-have been a part of the commissions in the sale other arbitrary sum, from the con- have shown in this investigation. There

of land for enlarging the Ragsdale tract price, he would let the work go through. When this was acceded to, "This grand jury does not think for he insisted upon the city giving them a moment that this petty graft, or a check for their full amount and the

board could authorize payment of any amount to members of the board for

any services rendered the department for which the courts had already decided no payment was due. "It has been sworn to this grand the school department, teachers and jury that James W. Maddox, just others, who are in position to know, prior to becoming a member of the certainly cannot see the need of a board submitted a statement to the man of the type of Mr. Richey in board for certain extras in grading charge of the Atlanta school departwork at the Samuel Inman school, ment, as business manager, and is tion of the calculation of extra yard- the city is rid of his services the age of dirt moved. The engineer representing the city disapproved the

The claim was denied through council and Mr. Maddox carried the upon him, or his personal character. matter into court to secure the amount he claimed he was entitled to as 'extras.' The court decided in favor of Atlanta, but that did not friends in this city—in the south—and Maddox Was 'Boss.' "Soon after that Mr. Maddox was

elected to the board of education, and soon after his election a story appeared in one of the daily papers which he had given some sort of interview declaring to Manager Richey next door neighbors of the writer and Superintendent Sutton that he

Maddox's Claim Paid.

the indictment.

wood, were unauthorized, and for that that his acts during the past few which he was so vigorously prose- mitted to the board of education, and wood, were unauthorized, and for the board of education, and reason an indictment which explains years may be rigidly probed and exhis indifference and attitude when the but about \$500 interest was paid, "Assuming that this councilman The writer charges indifference. report was made to him that these thus giving to him some \$2,600 which

> Wanton Waste of Money. Manager Richey's administration and through the city council for the supacquiesced in, apparently, by the su- port of the department is amply sufperintendent of schools. Professor Sut- ficient to run the department. Th on. This body can only recite some grand jury believes that this can few of the things which has impressed done, and that the teachers can

any testimony to offer concerning the have grown tired of this almost building of schools and the buying monthly complaint from year of supplies has told an amazing and year that unless more money is proan alarming story of the great ex- vided, the schools will have to close travagances practiced by the manager down, or the teachers will not get of the school system. So impressed their salaries. We believe that the was this jury with these statements money provided under the law that a special committee from the ample to take care of the needs grand jury was appointed to visit the this department, and unless Professor warehouse, at the old stockade site, Sutton can be made to realize that and see for itself and report to this there are other departments in the body the things their visit revealed. | city government whose needs must l Storehouse Full of Goods.

"Stored in this warehouse, which is a supply place for the school de- the job' and to work out a budget partment is thousands and thousands keeping with the city's appropriation of dollars worth of books and desks, -then some one else should be the release of Jack Lance, who has time I had ever attended a meeting clocks, window shades, chairs, tables charged with this responsibility. and other equipment which could have; "In this respect this same argument remained in service, or if new, will applies to the school board. We beremain in the warehouse a long time lieve that the school board, like any before there will be a need for it. "In the matter of books, Manager should take their allotment of the der baby bonds. Scores of property ing people with whom he plays his justice, and God-fearing, law-abiding Richey may not be entirely to blame, city's money and hold their expenses

owners have complained that streets games—and who has been arrested on citizenship. I charged that the or- as the board of education, through its to it, and we believe that it can be paved one, two or three years ago, the streets of Atlanta several times ganization of women represented by committees. has changed books fre- done-and done properly-and the under the baby bond plan, are now since his release for drunk and dis- the petition did not ever have a mem- quently, and has discarded thousands with given a good school department. of holes—gone practically to orderly conditions. We also would bership of thirty. The list was never of dollars worth of books, which are we, at least, are hopeful that they pieces. This condition could not ex- like to know what authorized the re- furnished upon demand. I also claimed now banked away in great tiers in this will attempt to do this during the had there been proper inspection, lease of the bailiff who was sentenced that the organization was anything but warehouse, and which could have been coming year and in the years to come. for black-mailing in the College Park representative Protestants, since the used to good service, this grand jury courtroom for five years and served real church-going missionary women of believes. Literally thousands of desks less than one year. And just why all denominations knew nothing of its thrown out of school rooms—good mends that the incoming grand jury his successor at blackmailing in the existence except from an occasional desks—are banked ceiling high in the go into a careful scrutiny of many of warehouse, and we have reliable in- the details of the school building pro-one year and a \$300 fine-which he brought out, many names that I could good, usable condition have been mu- recently finished under the bond ispavement on streets has may or may not have paid. We also give who have been deeply distressed tilated and made into kindling wood, sues. would like to find out if a successor by Mr. Boykin's failure to properly and all the city could get out of "Good, honest men on the bond

"We wish also to find out if it formation necessary to replace Mr. The walls in the warehouse are was wisely expended—that the tax-

Richey a "Czar." "The evidence before this grand

his arrogance, his czar-like methods in all kinds of contracts—then the in his position as the business man- commission might have some doubt of ager of schools, is only equalled by his the accuracy of its statement that wild and reckless extravagance in the every penny was wisely accounted purchase of supplies. One instance of for.' a purchase of a thousand dollars'. worth of soap, and paying the freight incoming grand jury can, and will, into Atlanta from Kansas City, will proceed much further than this grand extravagances. Soap equally as good, its investigation along these lines, the

"During the building of the new Richey dominated the board, the bond here stated about suspicious and necommission, the architects, contractors farious transactions in the city govand the sub-contractors is a mystery ernment brought to its attention. It to this grand jury. His word seemed to have been law with all of them. fountains alone at the various new schools the city has paid out thousands of dollars of its bond money to understand why so many rumors of satisfy a whim of Mr. Richey's to in- graft and corruption have arisen. stall one of his own design. Competent witnesses have told us that instead of in the beginning, that there is much going into the open market and buying work yet to do. There are other destandard price, that Mr. Richey had be passed on to the incoming grand special fountain designed, certainly jury in the hope that they will con-

Elaborate Bathrooms.

given to this jury concerning the bath- them that they will find Solicitor rooms and bath tubs, and bathroom John A. Boykin patient, persistent. fixtures in the new schools. Whether fearless, and earnest in his endeavor bathrooms are needed in the schools to bring the facts before them, and at all is a question with this jury. that he does it with a memory and an But the installation of these conven- intelligence that is almost amazing. iences are in the new schools, and the This grand jury wants to commend 'sky' seemed to be the limit in equip- Mr. Boykin for his painstaking and ping them! Handsome marble slabs diligent work in this investigation, and were used in them, shower baths were again beg of the people of this city installed, which the jury understands that they give to him and to the inhave never been used, and numbers of coming grand jury the assistance and expensive rubber curtains, with beau- co-operation which this very serious tiful nickel rings, were purchased as situation demands. We wish to coma shield for the shower baths, and are pliment, too, his closest assistants, still stored away in the warehouse. Messrs. Ed Stephens and William "The purchase of special bath pipe Schley Howard, and all the other emmembers of this board, being fixtures, which bring the water from ployes in his far too small force for the hot water tank into the shower their patience and energy in this things to occur, and have failed to bath, were demanded by Mr. Richey work. gant manner in which the manager it was testified before this body that intendent of schools have carried on or public building was only \$3 to \$4. committee for their very splendid costances his criticisms of the contrac- citizens' committee, and we feel sure wish to call attention to the indict- tor's, or the sub-contractor's work. they will. under sworn evidence, that ment herewith returned against Roy would reach the point where he would "This grand jury ! lso desires to

ment. Thus it was that bond money was being paid unnecessarily and the "It has been hard also for this rebates coming back into the regular grand jury to understand how the school department.

Get Rid of Richey.

"This grand jury, under the sworn evidence of a great number of good substantial citizens and employes of of the firm conviction that the sooner better off Atlanta will be.

As to Prof. W. A. Sutton. "As to Professor Sutton, this grand jury hesitates to make any reflection the His very pleasing personality has he is gradually increasing his circle of friends throughout the entire country, spending much of his time away from Atlanta-off of his job-in or- Assistant superintendent of schools, in der to further his political ambitions charge of business affairs, who the in the National Educational Associa- grand jury asks be removed because

"At the risk of bringing criticism purchase of supplies. upon this grand jury for this statement, we are of the conviction that has been no attempt on the part of unless, and until, Professor Sutton newspapermen to pry into an affair spends more of his time in Atlanta which they realized should be shroudlooking after the work which he has ed in secrecy, and while they have been elected to do, and less in travel- published news stories from day to ing over the states exploiting his day, they have carefully avoided pleasing mannerisms, the school sys- printing any matter that might prove tem of Atlanta will always be handi- hindering in any way to the investicapped, and demands will continue to gation. grow for more and more money to carry on this work.

Believes Budget Sufficient. been so conspicuous under School ed, that the money allowed by law most seriously, touching this sit- paid their full salaries provided for by law. It desires to see this done. "Practically every witness who had "The members of this grand jury

cared for—that until he is made realize that he is required to stay on

other board or department of the city.

The Bond Commission.

boards have said that every penny

the reports—but more frequently the actual sworn evidence—of waste and extravagance, of over-charges, of thoujury is that Mr. Richey's dominance, sands of dollars for 'extras' allowed

"This body feels sure that if the

"This grand jury could recite instance after instance more than are cannot recite them all, though it has gone at length into the things brought before this body in order that the public may get a clearer idea of what has been going on, and might better

"This grand jury realizes, as stated standard drinking fountain at a partments and other leads which will tinue this work and push it forward as patiently and as diligently as has

> Thanks Solicitor Boykin. "We want to assure the incoming

grand jury of the assistance and cooperation of this jury in carrying on "The same sort of testimony was this work. We want, also, to assure

Thanks Citizens' Committee.

"We wish to thank the citizens' schools Mr. Richey sistance in helping this grand jury

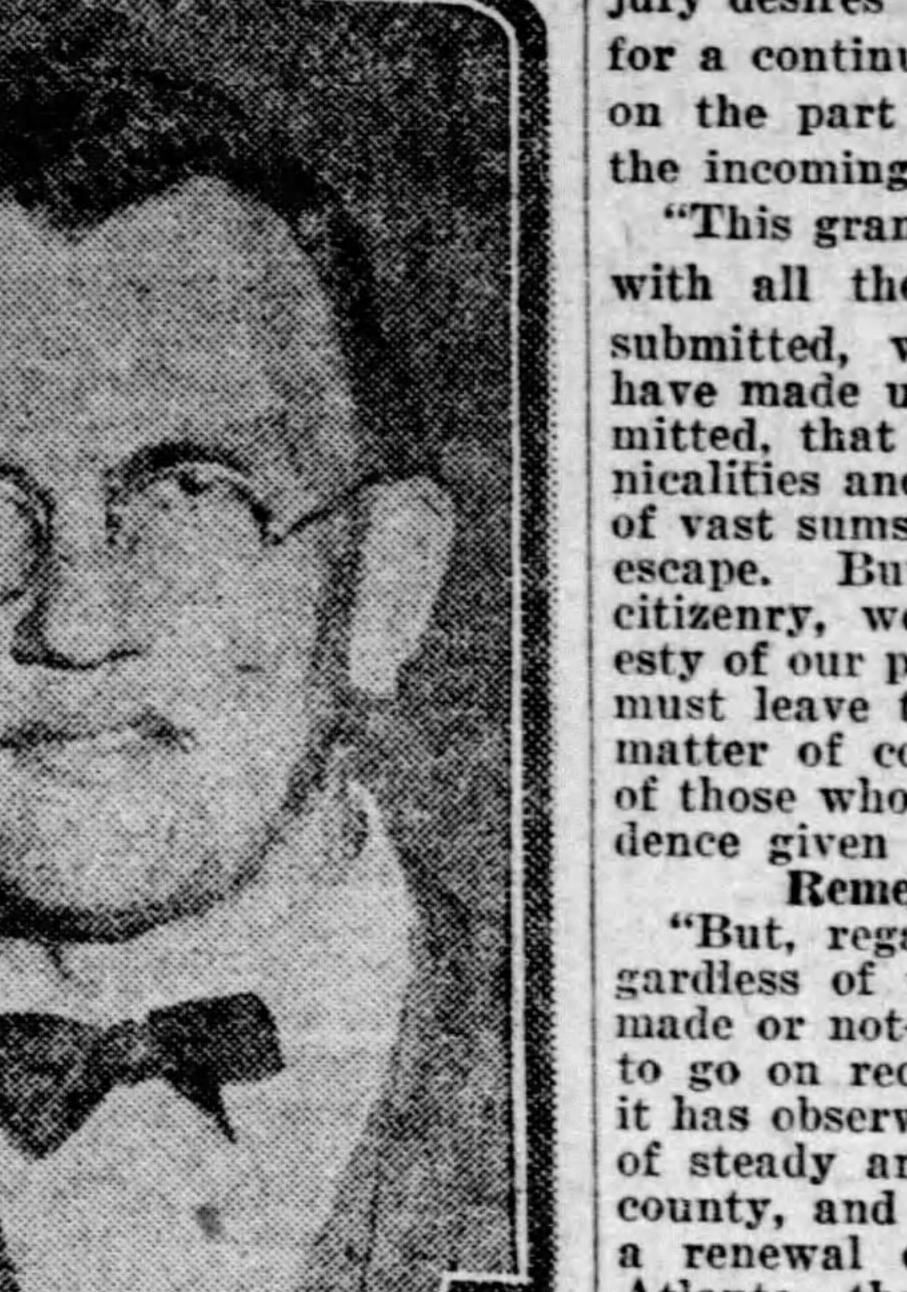
Under Fire



of his alleged extravagances in the

Good Men in City Government. clique that has brought about deplorable condition and in an inestigation no grand jury can divide "This body admits that it is much

to the credit of many council members and other city officials that they kin; his assistant, Ed A. Stephens, have remained true to the trust re- and Special Prosecutor William Sch- pieces of city property. posed in them, while all around-per- lev Howard. haps unknown to them—there has ex- Mr. Collier at once walked up to "JUST GETTING STARTED" pool into which they have not fallen. indictments and presentments. Judge "The investigation is by no means We hope before long every innocent Moore gave the thanks of the coun- over," Mr. Boykin said Saturday name can be made known, but that ty to the jury's membership and dis- night. "In fact we are just getting will be only after the guilty are missed them, turning immediately to started and although we are schedul-



"This grand jury cannot close this report without reiterating its firm belief that there are many clean, honest men in the general council and in city departments. With clean hands and clear consciences they have nothbeen the wanton waste of money— eliminated, and that if a close, eco- this investigation by the incoming ing to fear from a continuation of the reckless extravagance—that has nomical administration is inaugurat- grand jury. It ought to be their pleasure and privilege to give all the aid possible. It is just unfortunate that they are closely associated with the sheep from the wolves until the investigation is thoroughly completed.

sted a contaminated political cess- the judge's bench and handed in the SAYS SOLICITOR BOYKIN.

"Many voluntary witnesses have those indicted, ready for the judge progress of the inquiry. We have

with all the evidence we have had courts. dence given under oath, to be guilty. ed Saturday night, with Dr. O. E.

Remedy at Ballot Box. "But, regardless of the future-re- ren appeared and posted \$500 to guargardless of whether convictions are antee his appearance in court when made or not—this grand jury desires his case is called for trial. of steady and diligent service to this eral Boykin at \$1,000 each: county, and state that there must be Atlanta, that the people must be would post bail Monday; Ball, Dr. aroused from their lethargy, and that, after all, the ballot box is the place Mrs. Wakefield. to remedy many of the sins and evils to which our city government has

"People of Atlanta, wake up! "Respectfully submitted, "RAWSON COLLIER,

"PRESS HUDDLESTON,

"S. W. MANGHAM, "Assistant Secretary. "BYRON SOUDERS, "M. S. RANKIN. "THOS. S. KENAN. JR.. "GADSDEN E. RUSSELL. "ROGERS B. TOY. "M. L. THROWER, "S. S. SHEPARD. "CHAS. F. WHITNER. "J. D. COLLINS. "W. L. RANDALL, "WILL MAULDIN. "ALVIN B. CATES.

"CHAS. J. WACHENDORFF "M. W. STALLINGS, "MANSON WILSON, "P. E. GLENN. "J. P. ALLEN. "HOWARD OLIVER. "C. E. FLOWERS."

TAYLOR AND YORK HEAD INDICTED LIST

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also appeared before this grand jury to sign. The warrants then were and have given testimony that has taken to the sheriff's office and later been very valuable and this grand to the Fulton Tower, where they will jury desires to thank them and to ask be kept until Monday and served on for a continuance of this co-operation all of the accused who have not volon the part of citizens generally for the incoming grand jury.

The indictments were placed in the custody of Fletcher J. Spratling, dep-

"This grand jury realizes that, even uty clerk in charge in the criminal submitted, with the indictments we Bond for City Clerk Taylor was have made under sworn evidence sub- fixed at \$10,000, while Councilman mitted, that sometimes, through tech- York and Jack White, who is York's nicalities and through the expenditure friend and business associate, and not of vast sums of money, the guilty can to be confused with Councilman John escape. But we have faith in our A. White, who is in no way involved citizenry, we have faith in the hon- in the accusations, were fixed at \$10,esty of our people, and this grand jury 000 each. Bond for Wilson was set must leave to future court juries the at \$6,000, which was signed late Satmatter of conviction and punishment urday night by Major John S. Cohen. of those whom we have shown, by evi- Price's bond for \$5,000 also was sign-Collum as the surety. Roy D. War-

to go on record, in the light of what | Bonds of all others save the folit has observed during the two months lowing were fixed by Solicitor Gen-Councilman Hardy, who appeared a renewal of the old-time spirit in at the courthouse and announced he

FACE TRIAL FIRST.

Mr. Boykin announced that the first trial, that of Councilman York and Jack White on the bribery indictment would be begun on March 17, before a jury in Judge John D. Humphries' division of the Fulton superior court, the others to follow as soon thereafter as possible. The prosecution of this case probably will be in the hands of Mr. Boykin and Mr. Stephens, leaving to Special Prosecutor Howard continuance of the investigation before the grand jury which is to take office Monday. Various methods of procuring grafted funds were alleged in the true bills, one of the accounts against Taylor charging that he collected certain sums to assist in having street car service abandoned on a number of streets, other counts in the bribery indictment accusing him of paying councilmen for their efforts in obtaining the passage or the defeat of

certain councilmanic measures. Against York and White the chief causes for indictments are their alleged collection of "brokerage" fees which they are said to have charged persons who sought and obtained their "influence" regarding measures before council and other "favors." The indictments against the others for bribery are on similar cases while the larceny charges returned include alleged theft of various funds and

Deputy Sheriff J. Gordon Hardy, who ing the trials of the first accused Thanks Citizens for Co-operation. had prepared bench warrants for early it will not interfere with the

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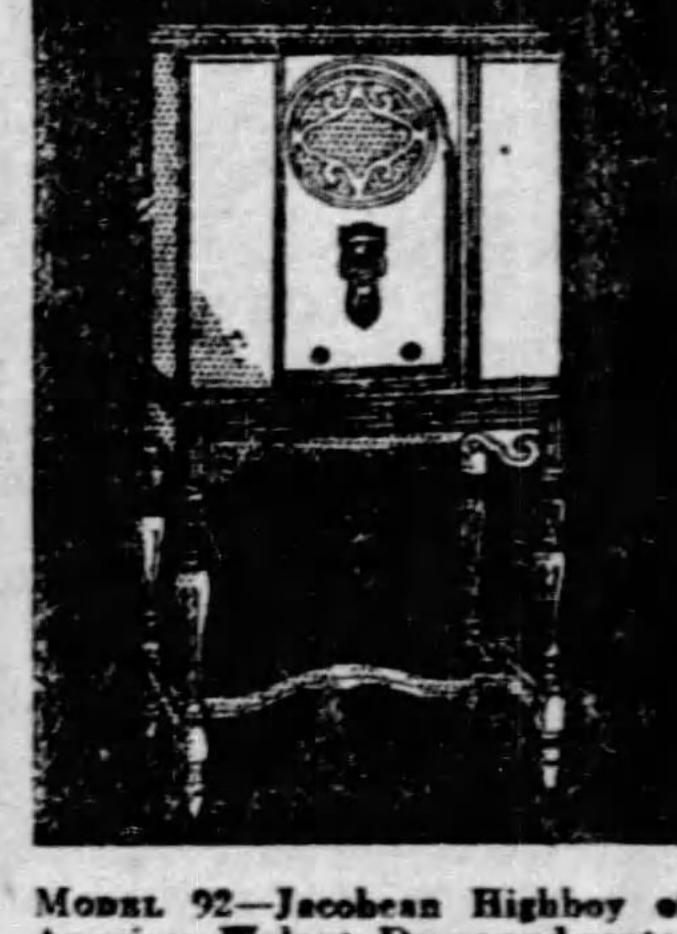
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Claim for Services.

entire matter."

freely during the first four months of the investigation were not indicted Saturday does not mean that they are to escape trial, Mr. Boykin said.

already gone over by the grand jury," on. I am sorry that we still are no TAYLOR INDICTED

ON BRIBERY COUNTS. Walter C. Taylor, city clerk, was

indicted in 16 counts for bribery, a misdemeanor. Count one alleges that on Decem ber 7, 1925, he did unlawfully "offer to give and did give to A. G. Allen, a legally qualified councilman of the city of Atlanta, a municipal corand Power Company for permission

nue, Dodd avenue, Bass street, Pul-1925, he gave to Allen the sum of \$100 "as a present and reward to in- that event. fluence the behavior of the said councilman in the matter of awarding contracts for paying of Capitol avenue."

Count three alleges that on March 5, 1923, Taylor "did unlawfully regeneral council.

\$200 Accepted, Charge.

the city of Atlanta' regulating the

which is unknown, "said sum of letting of contracts for general con- was willing to accept. money being something less than \$200, struction work on Ragsdale, Commer- The accused are charged in the inand being part of the sum of \$200 cial High, Highland, W. F. Slaton, dictment with getting and obtaining

1927, Taylor received of Fred C. property known as the Thomas J. citizens to obtain the property at he for R. L. York, the sum of two hun- Witnesses listed on the York and dred dollars (\$200) in money, as a White indictment are: C. L. Dink- though in a position of public trust cused to influence the official be- F. A. Pittman, H. R. Wagar and C. est of the city and people and worked of fixing the license tax upon billiard YORK INDICTMENT tables and pool tables," for the year CONTAINS 12 COUNTS. from July 1, 1927 to June 30, 1928. 15, 1927, Taylor gave Harry York, dividual indictment of 12 counts is Wilson indictment are: J. B. Wight. money, "part of the sum of \$200 coming unlawfully and corruptly" in- Trust Company, under duces tecum. which the said Taylor received from terested in contracts for public im- and B. Graham West, city comptroller, Fred C. Woodall," Taylor giving the provement and the expenditure of under duces tecum. The date of the money to Harry York "to influence funds by the city of Atlanta. the official behavior of said Harry

Jacobs, acting for and in behalf of streets for widening West Peachtree lanta out of the sum of \$1,222.50, a Solomon Piha, who sent said money to street, the property now being owned misdemeanor."
said Taylor, the sum of three hun- by Richardson.

Another \$200 Deal Alleged.

19, 1929, Taylor received "from A. million dollars. in money, as a present and reward that York became "unlawfully and Atlanta) or elsewhere." given accused by the said Pizanti to corruptly" interested in a contract It then specifically says that from influence the official behavior of said having for its object the expenditure April 20, 1928, to September 24, 1929, accused in the matter of the said of \$3,146.85 and being paid to C. A. Price entered into an unlawful con-

7. 1923, Taylor received of Carl Witt construction of the Pryor street via- "when in truth and in fact" these i at and under the sidewalk on East their object the expenditure of the

Count twelve charges that on May 7, 1923, Taylor gave Harry York the permission sought by Witt as mentioned in Count Eleven.

Zoning Ordinance. Count thirteen alleges that on May 16, 1929, Taylor received of C. C. McGehee \$200 'as a present and re-

sum of \$500 from M. P. Ronne, as in a contract with the same firm for "a present and reward given accused the purchase of a Whippet delivery by said Roane to influence the offithe laying of sidewalks on the east | unlawfully and corruptly become Count fifteen alleges that on March of land in lots 103 and 104, known SAUNDERS INDICTED 18, 1927. Taylor gave "part of said as the Thomas J. Perkerson estate ON BRIBERY CHARGE. money" to Harry York to influence his property.

and White Grow Out of the Thomas J. Perkerson Estate prop- amount is specified.

dictment are C. G. Allen, A. P. Cal- terested in a contract with the Nilate houn, Fred C. Woodall, R. L. York, Manufacturing Company for the pur-Jake Jacobs, Solomon Piha, A. Pi- chase of soaps, cleaning materials and zanti, James L. Prattes, Carl Witt. other supplies. Eleven orders are The fact that certain persons whose C. C. McGehee, W. P. Roane and set out, the allegation being that they

YORK, WHITE NAMED IN BRIBERY BILL.

with, directly and indirectly, receiv- amount is specified. of and from Carling L. Dinkler | Witnesses named are Hugh Richupright and by all means not guilty. Company for a lease for 65 years of H. Alexander. patiently await the conclusion which the old city hall property, at Forsyth A second separate indictment charges and Marietta streets. Payment and Harry York, councilman, with atreceiving of the money was done in tempting on July 15, 1929, to become pursuance of an agreement whereby unlawfully and corruptly interested in Dinkler offered to give to the ac- a contract with the Atlanta Kissell cused the sum of money to procure Company. The indictment specifical of bribery. The first count in the the acceptance by council of the pro- ly charges him with trying to get R. true bill charges that, on August 13, posal, the purpose including as a part J. Donaldson, representative of the 1927, Saunders received from E. B. the influencing of the official behavior company, to raise the price of an am- Respess the sum of \$100 in the mat-

Count two charges York and White with unlawfully receiving, from Hugh Richardson, \$1,500 on April 9, 1929, ev (\$400) as a present and a reward as a reward to procure an appropriation by council of \$10,000 for "cutting off or tearing down the building at the southeastern corner a petition from the Georgia Railway North avenue and West Peachtree, now owned by Hugh Richardson, for in connection with the purchase by. to abandon street car service and take the purpose of widening West Peachup street car tracks on Central ave- tree, in full settlement of all claims, past, present and future." The indictment alleges that \$300 Count two alleges that on May 4, \$1,500 was given before the appropriation was made, and \$1,200 after

Courtland Street Paving. Count three charges York and ington and Mitchell streets, and by COUCH INDICTMENT White with receiving from C. A. reason of this advance information en- AIRS MOTOR DEAL. Pittman \$1,000 on October 26, 1927, tered into an agreement and conspir- Alderman J. Allen Coch, of the fifth as a reward for procuring a council acy with Fred Wilson and Richard ward, was indicted on a misdemeanor sum of two hundred and fifty dolment of Pittman's claim for that taining of options on various parcels city contract. The true bill alleges appropriation of \$3,146.85, in pay- C. Shoup, the purpose being the ob- charge of becoming interested in a lars (\$250) in money, as a present amount to cover the cost of vibrating of land which would make up the that on February 16, 1924, while a and reward given accused by the said

19,425 square yards of concrete pave—
ment on Courtland street from Edge—
obtaining of an agreement from the and corruptly interested in a contract

of land which would make up the site and location of the new city hall, councilman, Couch became unlawfully obtaining of an agreement from the and corruptly interested in a contract wood avenue to Forrest avenue, the owners of the parcels to accept certain between the city and the D. P. But-

effect 'that the general assembly of from F. A. Pittman a check of the ers were willing to accept, dividing Witnesses listed on the indictment Georgia be and is hereby requested Pittman Construction Company, sign- the profits between Taylor, Wilson are: D. P. Butler and Mr. Forrester, ed by F. A. Pittman as secretary and and Shoup. Atlanta whereby the city shall be autreasurer, and by Rhodes Perdue as In pursuance of the agreement, the TURNER IS ACCUSED thorized to prohibit the maintenance vice president, in the sum of \$425, indictment charges, Shoup obtained OF SIMPLE LARCENY. of billiard, pool, and bagatelle tables, drawn on the Fourth National Bank from J. B. Wight and his agent, Ward Dr. J. E. Turner, councilman, on the property at 79, 81 and 85 ing 99.6 feet by 89.5 feet. Hunter street, S. W., growing out of

which the said Taylor received from S. M. Inman, Kirkwood, Home Park, for themselves \$5,000 of the money A. P. Calhoun . . . to influence the official behavior of said Couch in the Count six charges York and White getting the amount from Ward Wight matter of action by general council of with receiving, on March 21, 1928, as agent for J. B. Wight out of money the city of Atlanta upon" the ordi- \$800 from Charles M. Ford in the paid by the city. The true bill alleges

Harry York, conneilman, in an in-

Count one in this bill charges that 1927.

of the accused in the matter meanor in that on October 24, 1929, and that his duty and responsibility obtaining a license from the York became "unlawfully and corrupt- was "to secure prices for all supplies city of Atlanta to operate pool and ly" interested in a contract between of every kind and character required billiard tables at 60 Walton street. | the city and the Carling hotel by by the various departments of said which the latter company was to ac- city and to inspect the same and see quire the old city hall and construct that they are what they are repre-Count nine charges that on August a new building to cost not less than a sented to be and that the prices of

Pryor Street Viaduct.

Count four charges that he attemptfollowing amounts:

Ragsdale school \$23,375.14 Highland school 39,944.80 Kirkwood school 31,912.38 Home Park school ... 26,595.24 Commercial High 66,589.26 W. F. Slaton school .. 28,448.42 S. M. Inman school . . . 47,631.92 Peeples Street school.. 38,950.74 Moreland school 46,991.78

Purchase of Sedan, Count six charges York with atapting on January 29, 1929, to be-Roux Motor Company for the purchase of a Whippet sedan at a price

Count seven charges him with at- an automobile trade with the LeRoux Count fourteen charges that on tempting on July 10, 1928, to become Motor Company and of \$82.81 in a 18, 1927. Taylor received the unlawfully and corruptly interested

truck at a price of \$630.05. place and Peachtree street. | object the purchase of 429.877 acres of the LeRoux Motor Company.

council in the matter referred to in 20, 1928, he attempted to become un-Count fifteen.

Perkerson Park.

Count sixteen charges that on March 21, 1928, Taylor received "of the purchase of nine separate orders and from Charles M. Ford the sum of of insecticides ranging from 35 gal-

Purchase of Insecticides. cused in the matter of purchase by the 1929, he attempted to become unlawcity of Atlanta of 429.877 acres of fully and corruptly interested in a land in land lots 103 and 104 of the certain contract with the Puritan York fourteenth district of said county, Chemical Company for the purchase from Dan Perkerson et al., known as of insecticides and other supplies. No

Count eleven charges that on April Witnesses summoned under the in- 16, 1928, he attempted to become inwould amount to "thousands of dol-

Count twelve charges that he at-Councilman Harry York, of the tempted to unlawfully and corruptly sixth ward, and Jack White, broker, become interested in a contract with were indicted jointly on six counts the Selig Company for the purchase bribery, a misdemeanor charge. of polish, disinfectants and other sup-Count one charges York and White plies. Twenty-four orders but no

\$6,500 on October 24, 1929, as a re- ardson, Carling Dinkler, C. A. Pittward for procuring and taking part man, F. A. Pittman, H. R. Wagar, in acceptance by the general council N. B. Levy, A. L. Feldman, E. S. Mor-of a proposal by the Carling Hotel ris, S. Selig, R. J. Donaldson and W.

of York, a member of council, in the bulance for Grady hospital from \$3,- ter of procuring the adoption of a matter of accepting or not accepting 500 to \$4,250 and give him the \$750. resolution by council to remit assess-Donaldson is named as the witness. TAYLOR AND WILSON

CHARGED WITH FRAUD. Walter C. Taylor, city clerk. Fred Wilson were indicted jointly a misdemeanor charge of defrauding a municipal corporation. The true bill of charges that the defendants defrau ed the city of Atlanta out of \$5,00 city of the new city hall site at Washington and Mitchell streets.

obtained advance information, by virtue of his position of confidence and to be turned into Ragsdale park. trust, as to the fact that the new city hall would be located on the property at the southwest corner of Wash- Pearl C. Respess. claim growing out of a contract. amounts of money for the parcels, and ler Motor Company for the expendiin and was pending before the general Count four charges York and to then sell the parcels to the city ture of \$10,175.93 for 26 Ford autocouncil of the city of Atlanta to the White with, on July 2, 1929, receiving at an amount greater than the own- mobiles,

Offered for \$53,000.

Count four alleges the receipt by and Central avenue viaducts, and the in the indictment, the accused caused nesses against him. Taylor of \$200 from Calboun "to in- raising of the grade of Hunter street the property to be offered to the CHOSEWOOD INDICTED fluence the official behavior of said between Pryor and Central, the rais- city at \$53,000, the tender being FOR SIMPLE LARCENY. issuance of licenses to billiard and Count five charges York and er was willing to sell for \$48,000 and The first count charges that Chose-J. Allen Couch, on March 1, 1925, a pany as a present and reward to insum of money the exact amount of fluence the behavior of York in the in the \$5,000 that the city was to pay with intent to steal, 3,251 pieces of paving, dale school to be used for additions George Parr, 725 DeKalb avenue; paid the fine himself.

nance mentioned in count four.

Count six charges that on June 15, from Dan Perkerson, et al., of the interest of the city and public and lowest possible price the real owner against the interest of the city and people, and instead worked to his

own private and selfish interest. Witnesses listed on the Taylor and of charged with misdemeanors for "be- Ward Wight, the Atlanta Title and alleged offense is given as August 26,

York in the matter of fixing the li- on April 9, 1929, he became interest- W. P. Price, city purchasing agent, cense tax upon billiard tables and pool tables" for the fiscal year 1927 the appropriation of \$10,000 to Hugh and 1928.

ed in a certain contract arising from the latter's associate in business, are charged in one bill with Count eight alleges that on March ing down the southeast corner of "using deceitful means and artful 1924, Taylor received of "Jake North avenue and West Peachtree practices to defraud the city of At-

The indictment of the three sets Count two charges another misde- out that Price was purchasing agent two hundred dollars (\$200) | Count three in the same bill charges tained in the local market (city of

Pizanti obtaining a renewal of his li- Pittman for concrete paving on Court- spiracy with Harry York and Jack cense to operate six pool tables at 31 land between Edgewood and Forrest White to defraud the city, in that Price placed orders for 815 gallons of insecticide with N. B. Levy, doing business under the trade name of the to become unlawfully and corruptly | Southern Sanitary Company, such orders being for "Fly-Gon," "Gly-Gon having as the object the expenditure | Spray," and "La Sanco Fly Gon," of \$8,500 to A. G. Rhodes in settle- chemical compounds of pyrethrum and May ment of damages growing out of the oils, at a price of \$2.50 per gallon of \$50 "to influence the of- duct and the grading of Hunter street, secticides were worth only \$1 per galbehavior of said accused in the Count five charges him with at- lon as a market price in large quanthe said Witt obtaining per- tempting to become unlawfully and tities. It is charged by the grand Atlanta to make excavation the Wagar & Company, having for sold to Fulton county, in quantities city, at \$1 per gallon and to other

Rebating Is Charged. Price approved the bill, the grand

jury charges, at \$2.50 and the plan

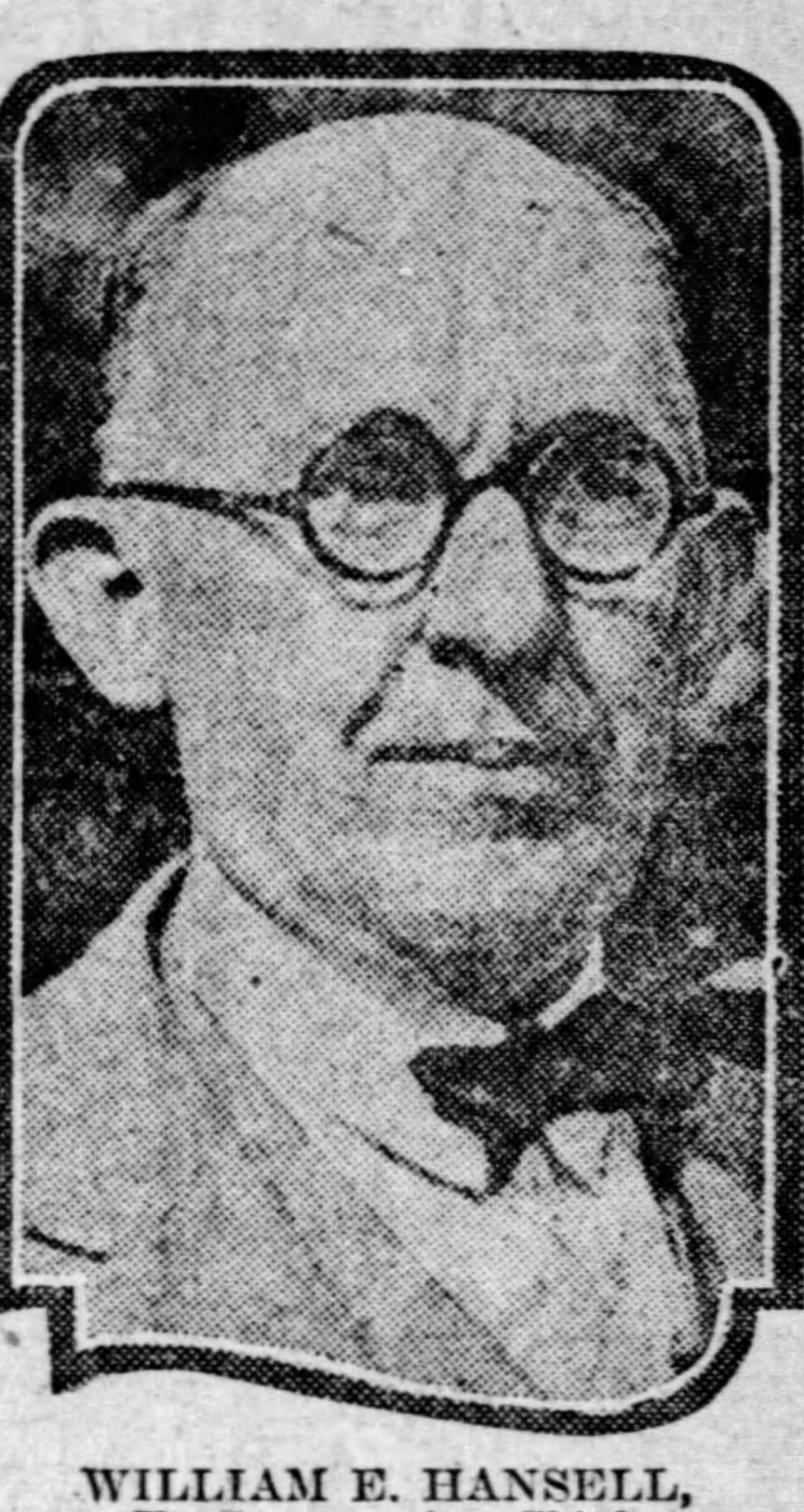
by which the trio profited was that

the Southern Sanitary Company issued rebate checks signed by N. B. Levy payable to Jack White. dictment charges that Price. and White, on September 24, 1929. checks being made to White by the

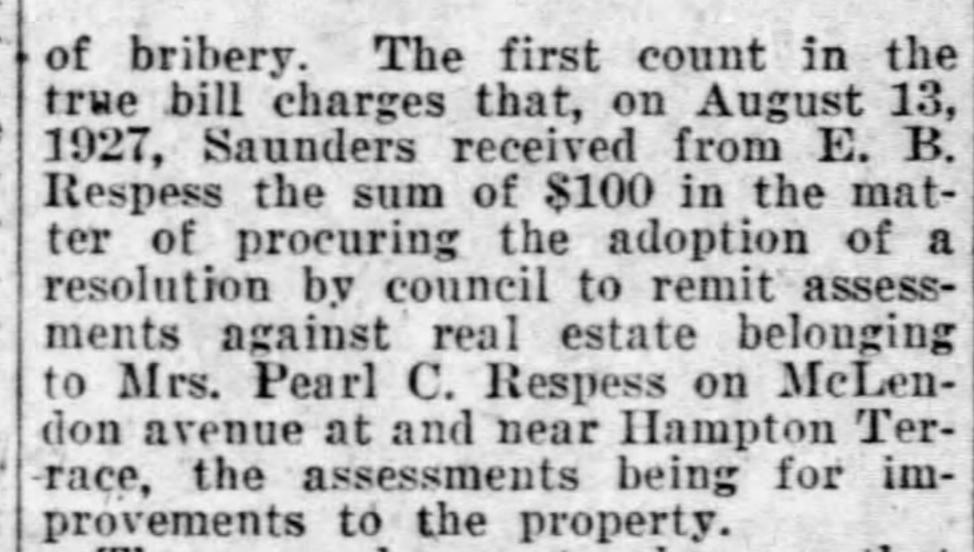
Other counts charge the trio with delivery truck trade with the same

Witnesses named in the bill against York, White and Price are N. B.

Councilman W. El. Saunders, of the official behavior in the action of the Count nine charges that on April twelfth ward, was indicted on a charge



Ex-Construction Chief.



The second count charges that Saunders, on March 21, 1928, received \$500 from Charles M. Ford luence behavior of Saunders in the matter of the purchase by the city from Dan Perkerson, et al., of the Thomas J. Perkerson estate property, the property being bought by the city Witnesses listed are E. B. Respess, of 2109 Mc Lendon avenue, and Mrs.

for hire, in said city, or for playing of Atlanta, and payable to Jack Wight, an agreement to accept \$48. Charged with simple larceny, it being then and there clerk of appropriation of \$8,500 to the country of the said with simple larceny, it being appropriation of \$8,500 to the country of the said with simple larceny, it being appropriation of \$8,500 to the country of the said with simple larceny, it being the said with simple larceny. appropriation of \$8,500 to the estate erty then owned by J. B. Wight at the grand jury against him that he council of the city of Atlanta of A. G. Rhodes in settlement of the southwest corner of Washington stole lumber valued at \$57.22 from damages to the building of the estate and Mitchell streets, the frontage be- the city. Another count charges him with stealing plumbing supplies and electrical fixtures valued at \$25. the construction of the Pryor street Then, according to the charges George Parr and C. E. Miller are wit-

ordinance which was then and there ing of the roof and other alterations an option from J. B. Wight. The of the third ward, was named defendindictment charges that the accused ant in two counts of a simple larceny



ROY D. WARREN, Ex-Member of School Board.



BEN J. MASSELL.

White with receiving \$500 on Janthat Taylor was financially interested wood wrongfully, fraudulently and granite block curb, valued at \$325.10, the matter of the purchase of Avon dictment are: Bob Holley, Candler Justice Corcoran drew forth a wal-J. Allen Couch, on March 1, 1925, a pany as a present and reward to in-



Chosewood, on July 1, 1928, stole 100 | nied such a split. feet of two by four-inch lumber, 100 PERJURY CHARGED feet of two by six-inch lumber, and TO BEN J. MASSELL. two 21-2-ton truckloads of grooved ceiling lumber belonging to the city indicted on a charge of perjury. The third floor of the courthouse Saturand valued at \$200. Witnesses listed on the Chosewood indictment follow: I. M. Goodman, H. A. Knapp, A. H. Hutcheson, Law-

rence Kaufman and G. A. Parr. HARDY AND BALL INDICTED JOINTLY.

Hardy and Ball with simple larceny of was being erected. \$76 from the city. The other count charges the accused are M. L. Thrower and J. P. Allen, with defrauding the city out of \$76, members of the grand jury. the indictment alleging that, while SIMPLE LARCENY Hardy was chairman of the cemetery LAID TO BAXTER. committee of council, he and Ball rep- Bruce Baxter was indicted on a shal for the sheriff's office Saturday. resented to John Henning, superin- charge of simple larceny. The true owing to the absence of Sheriff James tendent of the cemetery, that Ball was bill charges Baxter with stealing 150 I. Lowry. Hardy said that he had entitled to pay at the rate of \$4 a day feet of 6-inch terra cotta and two no fear that any of the men indicted for 19 days that Ball did no work for truckloads of mixed lumber, including would run away, and that arrangethe city. The true bill alleges that 2,000 feet of ceiling, flooring, weather- ments for calling up and notifying the Henning was instructed by Hardy to boarding and framing, valued at \$150, defendants of their indictment had hand over the \$76 to Ball. Witnesses listed on this indictment 1, 1927.

are: Monroe Waters, -- Spain, Witnesses were listed as follows: and post their bonds. WILLIAM A. HANSELL

ACCUSED OF LARCENY. William A. Hansell, former city chief of construction, is charged with counts of simple larceny. Leach is simple larceny in an indictment which | charged in count one with taking one truckload of rock and sand, 20 1925.

TO ROY D. WARREN.

missioner, is charged with bribery, it \$74.50, from the city of Atlanta on . "Make it as low as you will, your being alleged that he received \$125 May 30, 1928.

WOMEN ACCUSED

OF LIBELING BOYKIN. licitor-General John A. Boykin through J. E. Robinson, alias "Red" Robinthe publication, on February 15, of son, is charged with simple larceny "a false and malicious defamation in it being alleged that on September 15 the form of a letter addressed to the he stole lumber, light and plumbing Fulton county grand jury and Rawson fixtures amounting to \$100 from the Collier, foreman, captioned: 'Tem- city, Witnesses against him are Ben porary Solicitor Demanded in Place of Krugman, W. R. Taylor, teamster for Boykin During Probe." The letter, the city; H. L. Crockett, construction the indictment charges, was intended department teamster, and James F to blacken the honesty, virtue, integ- Gunter, carpenter for the school derity and reputation of Solicitor-Gen- parent. A separate count charges eral Boykin, and was intended to ex- him with stealing cement, rock and pose him to public hatred, contempt sand valued at \$50 and a third count and ridicule. The true bill alleges charges him with the theft of plumbthat the letter falsely and maliciously ing and electric fixtures valued at imputed to Boykin the commission of \$110. The same witnesses are named

an indictable offense. The true bill was presented to the grand jury by Assistant Solicitor-General Ed A. Stephens. It lists as Jury Secretary witnesses Cicero Kendrick, of Kendick and Williams, printers and publishers, and Press Huddleston, retary of the grand jury.

PERJURY CHARGED TO RICHARD C. SHOUP. dealer, is charged with perjury, it being alleged that on February 20, 1930, he testified before the investigating grand jury in the matter of grand jury, was the hardest working the state of Georgia against Walter man in the courthouse Saturday. Sev-Taylor and Fred Wilson that he did eral times during the morning Mr. not receive \$5,000 out of a gross Huddleston was seen dashing in and profit to himself, Taylor and Wilson out of the grand jury room, in his covered a space 32 feet wide and in a deal involving the purchase of shirt sleeves, with his hands full of 1,000 feet long, valued at \$500 and the present site of the new city hall, legal-cap sheets of paper. Mr. Hudthe property of the city, on February it being alleged that the profits were dleston is the one on whose head a divided between the three and that large portion of the grand jury work that Shoup testified falsely when he de- fell during the term, a grand jury

Ben J. Massell, real estate man, was gentlemen of the fourth estate to the indictment alleges that Massell, on day. The three daily papers had their February 25, in the grand jury's in- men on the job, and in addition to vestigation of a bribery case against the routine newsgatherers of the Harry York, testified that he did not courthouse and the feature writers, pay York \$250, directly or indirectly, there appeared a staff man from the as a reward to influence behavior of Associated Press and a capitol corre-York. The true bill alleges that the spondent of out-of-town papers. The truth was that Massell paid the money | main steps outside of the grand jury the to York to induce York to obtain per- room did yoeman service as a press sixth ward and Tom Ball, employe at mission to allow the Massell Realty gallery during the day, while the Oakland cemetery, were indicted on Company to excavate under the side- courthouse pressroom was populated two charges. One count charges walks when the Robert Fulton hotel by news hounds eager for the race

Witnesses listed on the indictment news" was available.

from the city of Atlanta on August been made, in order that the defend-

Merritt Dickerson, Lee Tetter and W. C. Andrews, 654 Flat Shoals avenue, and D. T. Murdock, 352 Berean. LEACH INDICTED ON LARCENY COUNTS. J. R. Leach was indicted on three

Taylor.

Count three charges Leach with western University.

BRIBERY CHARGED taking 290 pounds of dressed pork, 75 "I'll make it a low fine," said the

to that school. O. W. Settle and Mrs. Fannie Mae Weston are named Puckett, 453 Waldo; Guy C. Berry as witnesses against Warren. Hapeville; "Red" Robinson, 1229 Oct Grove avenue; G. G. Meeks, Lithonia

Is Busiest Man

Press Huddleston, secretary of the

secretaryship being something more than just a mere honorary position. Like eagles scenting food came the

Gordon Hardy, veteran deputy sheriff, who has been in charge of the courtroom staff during many sensational trials, was the grand field marants could go down to Fulton Tower

which was to begin when the "big

Loyalty to School

alleges that Hansell stole, on Janu- 1,000 Belgian blocks, valued at \$100, EVANSTON, Ill., March 1.-(AP) ary 15, 1924, two sacks of cement, the property of the city, on July 1, Good old Alma Mater is a weakness with James M. Corcoran, justice of squares of corrugated galvanized iron | Count two charges Leach with tak- the peace. When Miss Virginia Fling and 750 feet of lumber framing, val- ing 2,000 pounds of cement, 12 1-2 was arraigned yesterday for speeding ued at \$200, from the city. The wit- tons of crushed rock and 5 tons of she told Justice Corcoran she was ness listed on the true bill is W. R. sand, valued at \$75, on July 1, 1927. hurrying home from classes at North-

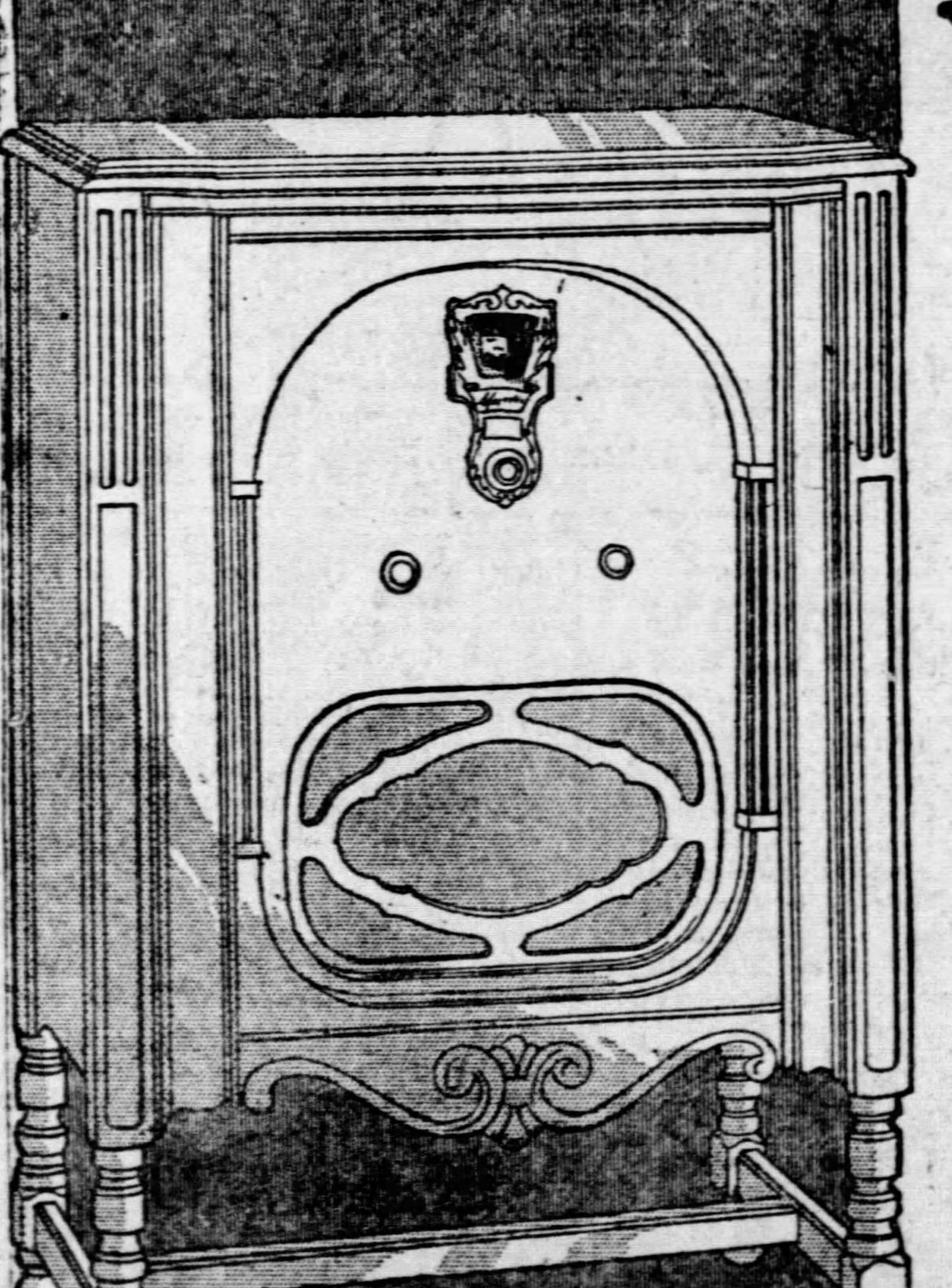
pounds of dressed hens, four pounds court, for here was a student of the Roy D. Warren, former school com- of butter and 12 hog livers, valued at good old Alma Mater. "Two dollars." honor, and I still can't pay it," said

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