# McCrackin Is Jailed In Tennessee For 'Loitering'



Wants Pup To Enjoy It, Too

city commissioners.

The five Newport offi-cials were indicted by a

Campbell County Grand Jury on charges of conspir-

acy to obstruct justice. Mr. Hirschfeld then filed

an intervening motion with

the Kentucky Court of Ap-peals, asking that the five

Confirmation of Mr.

Hirschfeld's withdrawal,

through a petition Monday to the Court of Appeals,

came yesterday from his

law partner, Daniel W. Davies. Mr. Davies said he

understood the five were

obtaining the services of a Frankfort attorney.

On October 19, John B. Breckinridge, Kentucky At-

torney General, suggested to the Court of Appeals that Mr. Hirschfeld should

be disbarred for being in the "completely conflicting

posture" of defending the

five officials against the Commonwealth of Ken-

Mr. Hirschfeld respond-

ed: "The personal attack on me is only a red herr-

the real issues of the case

and further deny my clients a speedy trial.

able by either party upon

be tried quickly.

Vivian Dee Haizman, Withamsville, wants Rogi, a Dalmatian, to enjoy the opening of the Flower Festival at Cincinnati Gar-

Woman Held

By Police As

Abortionist

A Cincinnati woman was

arrested last night, charged

Halbert, 32, 2411 Spring Grove Ave., admitted two

abortions during the last

two years here and seven others in Chicago.

Her latest victim, a 26-

year-old Cleves housewife, is recovering in General Hospital from an infection which induced a miscar-riage, police said.

Mrs. Halbert told police

the woman was taken to her home Saturday by Julius Ferroni, 27, 1924 Hud-

Police said he will be

THE VICTIM told police

she paid \$250 for the opera-tion. Mrs. Halbert said she

The confessed abortionist said she caused the mis-

carriage of a 26-year-old West End woman in 1960. She also admitted perform-

ing four operations in Chicago for other women and

three upon herself.
"I had to do it to get
money to feed my five
kids," she told policemen.

Ridge Is Named COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 1

(A)-Ohio's Arson Bureau

has one of its youngest chiefs ever. Stanley Ridge, 39, of Wellston, was named to the position today. He has been acting chief of the

eight-man staff since last May.

received \$60.

abetting in the abortion.

tinue through Sunday. Besides chrysanthemums above, it features a large dis-play of several varieties of geraniums.— Enquirer (Cochran) Photo.

Thomas D. Hirschfeld, special counsel for the city

of Newport and prosecutor in the George Ratterman case, has withdrawn as counsel for Ralph Mussman, Newport mayor; Oscar Hesch, Newport city manager, and Roland

Vories, Joseph Schaber and Clarence Lehkamp, Newport

Hirschfeld Out As Counsel

For Five Newport Officials

have the duties imposed

solicitor and see nothing inconsistent with my posi-tion of rendering legal

tion of rendering legal services to the city officials

in my private capacity. I'm not prosecutor of the

Police Court and do not

handle cases involving the

Commonwealth. I am a special counsel."

Mr. Breckinridge for what

the Newport attorney termed Mr. Breckinridge's

Prior to Mr. Breckinridge's "suggestion" to the Court of Appeals, Mr. Hirschfeld had filed a \$250,-

"continual

tion of the law."

Mr. Davies then blasted

upon the statutory

BROWNSVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 1 (Special)-Fasting and praying, Maurice McCrackin, 55, suspended Cincinnati Presbyterian minister, created a sensation in General ssions Court here today. He was fined \$50 and costs on a loitering with intention of peeping charge and faces 35 days in the Workhouse for

refusal to pay it.

As he had done once be-fore in Cincinnati, the paci-fist clergyman refused to co-operate in any way and had to be carried from and back to his cell in the Hay-

wood County jail.
When placed before
Judge Sam Lewis, Rev. Mr.
McCrackin slumped face
down on the floor and refused to enter a plea.

From this position he announced, "I cannot co-operate in any way with something I think is wrong. It is not that I hold the court in disrespect."

After the trial many townfolk expressed opin-ions that he is "foolish," "stubborn," "very pathetic," or "a mental case."

**JAIL ATTACHES** reported Rev. Mr. McCrackin has re-fused all food offered him

since he was arrested Sunday night.

tried on a charge of "loiter-ing with intention of peep-ing and spying." commonly

"I am only pleading for Justice in Africa, India, Cincinnati, Brownsville and everywhere," the prisoner declared in court.

The trial, scheduled for 2 p. m., was delayed an hour as police attempted to coax the prisoner to accompany them from the jail, 2½ blocks from the Courth here in the center of town. Three officers finally lifted him bodily and placed him

him bodily and placed him in a waiting car.

It was disclosed in court that Mrs. Verna Harwell, a young widowed grand-mother, and a woman neighbor, were the princi-pal witnesses against the

neighbor testified they were frightened Sunday night when they saw "a strange man get out of a Rev. Mr. McCrackin was

beside Mrs. Harwell's home, where she lives alone. They said he

climbed an embankment nearby and "stood there turning his head like watching and looking." watching and looking."
The arresting of fice r,
patrolman James Sullivan,
testified he had seen the
minister walking about previously and, in response to
Mrs. Harwell's neighbor's
call for police aid, also saw
him observing the complainant's house.

Judge Lewis found the de-fendant guilty as charged and imposed a fine of \$50. plus \$20 costs.

Before court opened, an attorney, Lib Birmingham, of Jackson, told the court he had been engaged by friends of the minister to represent him. However, the lawyer said Rev. Mr. Mc-Crackin had refused his

that when Rev. Mr. Mc-Crackin would not get up from his bunk in the cell, a physician was summoned

to be examined, contending that he did not need a doctor.

After lying face down in

the courtroom for some time, the minister finally arose voluntarily and sat in a chair. He did tell the court that he has been treated courteously in Jail on that score.

SHERIFF HUNTER said the clergyman wil be given two days in which to make an appeal. "After that he will be transferred to the work farm, where he will receive credit for \$2 a day toward paying the penalty," the sheriff added.

Rev. Mr. McCrickin pre-viously said he came here viously said he tame nere as secretary-treasurer of "Operation Freetom," an organization aiding Negro sharecroppers and tenants he claims have been evicted from homes in this area because they registered to vote in Haywood and Fay-ette Counties.

ette Counties. He said he brought a trailer-load of clothing with him to give to the share-

# Furtive, Busy World Of Numbers Racket Faces Lean Times, As 'Feds' Get Busy

BY JACK McDONALD Of The Enquirer Staff

The furtive, busy world of the Greater Cincinnati numbers racket is in for a had time

The first investigative Federal grand jury ever called here is to start delving into local numbers op-erations today.

Yesterday, FBI men and local vice squad officers reportedly were quizzing known numbers figures about the \$25,000-a-week Cincinnati-Newport racket.

Should the grand jury point the finger at anyone,

against formidable new Federal laws that can make things extremely unpleas-ant for convicted numbers

The new laws impose stiff fines and fail sentences for-among other thingscrossing state lines to distribute gambling proceeds: carrying or sending across state lines records, ticket slips or other data used in numbers, and use of communications, such as telephones, telegraph or cables, transmit across state lines information useful to

POSSIBLE penalties are five years in jail and/or a \$10,000 fine.

Seems like a lot of years and/or a lot of money! But the numbers racket is a lot more vicious than it looks.

It preps primarily on the poor and ignorant, often gobbling up a family's welfare money in steady, if small, bites.

odds (often phony), and asks just a little bit at a time from the bettor. He can play for as little as a penny, therefore he wants to play every day. If he's superstitious, all the better. There are prophets and seers and

readers galore, even min-isters, to help him select the magic winning number for the day. And there are tip sheets and "dream books" to guide

him in his betting. Of course, none of these

aids" tell the bettor that certain optimism among he odds against him are numbers figures in the 199 tol. Or that if he wins, wake of the Northern Kenthe odds against him are 999 tol. Or that if he wins, he'll be paid off at consid-

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. . . won't co-operate

referred to here as the "Peeping Tom charge."



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erably lower odds - sometimes only 3 to 1.

THE YEARLY "take" by the Newport-based racket is said to be about \$1.5 mil-lion now, largely collected from low-income areas of Cincinnati.

The "take" was much higher three years ago, but slaying of a local numbers queen and two num-bers-connected bombings brought tougher Cincinnati penalties and cramped the

Police estimate the \$1.5 million is culled from suckers by fewer than 100 numbers employees now. These include writers (sell-ers), clerks, tellers, bookkeepers, payoff men and overseers.

LAST WEEK, a Federal grand jury at Lexington noted in a report on Northern Kentucky vice it had information that a \$300,000 building was being con-structed in Newport to house the area's numbers headquarters.

Aside from reflecting a tucky reform movement, this is indicative of stepped-up police effort against known numbers centers.

On August 22, U. S. Internal Revenue agents raided the Sportsman's Club, 330 Central Ave., Newport. Two days later, Newport police raided a numbers headquarters at 140 W. Third St., Newport. Another raid was staged there September 21. Both buildings have

buildings Both buildings have figured prominently in numbers activities over the last decade, as have certain

A sort of "Who's Who" of local numbers fame would

Albert Louis (White Smitty) Schmidt, 59, Mt. Healthy, known for years as numbers "kingpin" in the area, and reportedly one of the "Big Three"

since February, 1959. Claims he now isout of the business. Gus (Whisky Gts) Postell,

42, Avondale, also reputedly one of the "Big Three."
Willard J. Whitley, 54,
Avondale, said to be the
third member of the tri-

umverate. Frank (Screw) Andrews, 49, Ft. Thomas, former numbers rival of White Smitty, and former head of

numbers center at Sportsman's Club. Peter Anthony (Junior)
Andrews Jr., 32 Monfort
Heights, nephew of Screw,
and reportedly his successor in area numbers oper-

ations since 1957. These and others are expected to figure in testimony before the Federal grand jury. Some 20 witnesses have been sub-poenaed.

## Quarrel Fatal To Groesbeck Mother

A domestic quarrel ended in the death of a Grosebeck mother late last night.

County Police said Mrs. Shirley Fox, 36, 2900 Jonrose Ave., was wounded fatally when struck by one or more bullets from a small-caliber automatic pistol fired by her husband. It was reported five shots were fired. The husband, Stevan, 38,

taken to County Police headquarters for question-

ported that Fox had been drinking.

Mrs. Fox's two sons by a previous marriage, Steve, 12, and Kenny, 8, were rein the kitchen of their first. floor apartment.

### Nighty-Night

HULL, England, Nov. 1 dren in Hull can dial a telephone number and be told bed time stories.

### Dynamic Valley News

## Community Shelter **Proposed In Kenton**

combination com munity bomb-fallout shelter and "My employment with the city is by a contract not requiring exclusive services, which is termincivic auditorium will be put before about 100 householders in Summit Hills Heights, Ky. (Kenton County), at a meeting Sunday, it was reported. Constructed of reinforced concrete un-derground, the shelter would provide facilities for about 1000 persons. Tennis courts would be built on top of the structure. It could serve as a community meeting center. Hills sur-rounding the hollow in which the shelter would be built would provide addi-tional protection against heat penetration in the shelter, it was suggested. Families would pay for the facility through sanitation

### Candidacy Is Questioned

Whether or not a Franklin. Ohio, city council can-didate is a legal voter in that city and, thus a quali-fied candidate, will have to be decided by Ted Brown, secretary of state, it was reported yesterday. The question was submitted to Mr. Brown after the Warren County Board of Elec-tions could not decide the issue. Candidate Michael Einhorn maintains homes both in Franklin and Ambusiness in Franklin. "I am a Jew and must live near

a synagogue," Mr. Einhorn told the board of elections. He added, however, that although his wife and son live in Amberley Village, he spends more nights in Franklin than he does in his Hamilton County home.

Thomas D. Hirschfeld

... steps out of case

000 libel suit and a \$100,000

slander suit against Mr.

Breckinridge.

### **Dust Explosion** Wrecks Elevator

A grain dust explosion ripped through a huge elevator yesterday in Decatur. Ind., injuring nine men and inflicting heavy damage. None of the workers, all employees of the Central Scha Co., was injured seriously, but the blast left the 100-foot-tall elevator in shreds and scattered countless bushels of soybeans and corn. A piece of metal may have been accidentally dumped into the 14-mil-lion bushel elevator and caused a spark to set off the highly explosive grain dust, company officials the-

### Seminar Set

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 1 University campuses to ex-plain state finances to newsmen and broadcasters. The seminar will begin

AP-Gov. Disalle has an nounced a third seminar of the type held earlier on the Bowling Green and Miami

the evening of November 12 at Ohlo State University and will end the morning of November 14, when the general assembly returns for a financial session.

### Community Project

### Sharonville In Shelter Race

SHARONVILLE has entered the fallout shelter race Mayor James N. Head was authorized Tuesday to get cost estimates of including the proposed shelter in a \$262,000 recreation center already planned.

The mayor hopes a shelter also could be used as an emergency hospital. It would be built in a basement not included in original plans for the recreation center. The idea is similar to one in Indian Hil, where a citizens committee is investigating the use of base-ments not included in the design of proposed school

Terrace Park, believed to be the first municipality in the country to consider a community fallout shelter. will vote on a \$250,000 shelter bond issue proposal next

Springdale has asked for citizen opinion on whether it should build a community shelter or leave the decision to the individual.

In other Sharonville action, Council authorized a new census to recheck the 1960 Federal census. Mayor Head believes the population exceeds 6000 persons, but

the official census counted only 4300.

The mayor makes the prediction on the basis of a known count of 1760 homes. He added that corporate land area has multiplied 10 times; population five times and tax duplicate 30 times during his seven-year ad-

Primarily, a new census is desirable to establish that

Sharonville has reached 5000 population, which would give it city status. A survey will cost \$1000 to \$1200.

Council also awarded a \$23,000 contract to John R. Jurgensen Co.. Newtown, to blacktop a mile stretch of Cornell Road inside the village limits.

### Asks Sanitary Dump Check

COMMISSIONER Vincent H. Beckman has asked the county prosecutor's office for an opinion of who's authority it is — if there is an authority — to eliminate open dumps in the county.

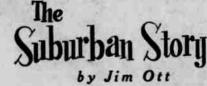
His request followed announcement that Thomas Clark, Kemper Road, Sharonville, soon will open an incinerator with a 250-ton-a-day capacity

Now that proper facilities will be available, it may be that landfill operators will have to abide by a 1½-year-old Board of Health order to shut down. But the Commission is not certain who has the authority.

### Springdale Seeks Names

BOB SIEFERT, clerk of Springdale, is examining village archives for names of original founders and settlers in order to name streets after them in future

As a result of the study, a street in the new Village Orchard Subdivision will be named Baldwin, after one of the original planners. Springdale was established in 1809.





### Shopping Center Plan Rejected ROBERT WIGOR'S revised plans for the Village

Square Shopping Center, Princeton Pk. and Kemper Rd., Springdale, were rejected Monday night by Springdale Council. Mr. Wigor wanted to erect a gas station and drive-in bank and a restaurant at the main entrance, where only one building, the restaurant, was to be located in original plans.

He made the request at last Thursday's meeting. oping that approval would come that night because of deadline for contractural obligations November 1.

Council voted 4-2 in favor of rejection. The revised plans also were opposed by other shopping center

#### Colerain Zoning Plan Endorsed GEORGE THOMPSON, chairman of the Citizens Committee for Colerain Township Zoning, says the new zoning, which will be voted upon Tuesday, has received en-

thusiastic approval.

Supporting the issue are the Homebuilders Association, Skyline Acres Civic Club, Northbrook Civic Club, the Northern Hills Jaycees, Democratic and Republication

The Citizens Committee for County Zoning in the

township is composed of those who fought for and against township-administered zoning, which lost in the May, 1960 election, he said. Mr. Thompson and his committee have worked 112 years in cooperation with J. Minard Stevens, county

### Bid Deadline Is Extended

master planner, to devise the new plan

SPRINGDALE has extended the deadline to November 10 for bids on an addition of a second floor to the Incehouse. The lowest bid opened at a recent meeting wai 12% higher than the architect's estimate and the highest bid was 25% over the estimate

### Madeira O.K.'s Sewer Project

MADEIRA Council receintly approved a \$25,000 project for a relief sanitary sewer at the end of Thomas Drive, connecting Iuka, Oceola and Longfield Avenues Council also sold \$19,000 worth of bonds to add parking capacity



Dad And Daughter, Students Both

Raymond Cornelius watches his daughter, Sue, use a computer at the University of Cincinnati. The two are

students in UC digital computer classes this year. Mr. Corneifus, a Ford Motor Co. toolmaker, is taking the

course in the UC Evening College. His daughter is a funior at UC McMicken College of Arts and Sciences. He gets no help from her, Mr. Cornelius explains. "She's so busy on campus this year we hardly see her," he says. Enquirer (Straub) Photo.