



# This Week in Indiana History:

June 5 - June 11, 1891

## May 23 to Be Cole Porter Holiday Here

### Governor Proclaims Special Day for Opening Of Composer's Play.

Governor Townsend, in an official proclamation, has set aside May 23 as "Cole Porter Day" in Indiana, to honor the Peru boy who became one of the country's most successful musical composers. The date was chosen because of the composer's popular song composed in 1928.

The date was chosen because of the composer's popular song composed in 1928.

Hoosier Song  
"You  
honor  
Other  
Velez,  
Wing.



On this week in Indiana History, Cole Porter was born in Peru, Indiana. He made his career composing popular and successful Broadway musicals, including *Anything Goes* and *Kiss Me, Kate*. Porter was born into a wealthy family and lived lavishly in Paris and Hollywood. His good fortune was tested when he suffered a crippling accident in 1937. The accident effected his health the rest of his life, however he went on to compose several more successful musicals. He died in California in 1964 and is buried in the family plot in Peru, Indiana.

The Indiana State Library has a large collection of biographies on Cole Porter. Check one out today to learn more about this fascinating Hoosier.

## Hoosier Song Writer Flies Home on Visit

One of Indiana's celebrities of the day landed this afternoon at Muncie airport. He is Cole Porter. His lyrics have been sung and heard by almost every one in the state in the last few years, and whose musicals have paraded Broadway. He is now in Los Angeles, where he has supervised the musical part of the picture, "Born to Dance," starring Eleanor Powell, tap-dancer of the films.

Porter was met at the airport by his mother, Mrs. Kate Porter, who came from her home near Peru, where both will return to visit over the week-end.

