

Three-Car Accident Reported By Police

No One Injured In Wreck Last Night

A three-car accident in the 600 block of West Monroe street about 8:15 o'clock last night was reported today by city police as the only activity overnight.

A car driven by Kenneth Lough, 43, route five, Decatur, and another driven by Leo Hackman, 25, 1103 North Second street, sideswiped when the former turned out to avoid hitting a bicycle carrying Dan Burdette Custer, Jr., and Dan Hott.

The Lough car then struck a parked car, owned by Harold Thompson, Decatur. Damage was

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To Enforce State Truck Weight Laws

State Troopers To Use Portable Scales

Detroit, Mich., May 11—(UP)—The superintendent of the Indiana state police said today that his department was organizing 20 "flying squadrons" of troopers equipped with portable scales to improve enforcement of the state truck weight laws.

Col. Robert Rossow of Indianapolis made the statement in an address before the American Trucking Association, Inc., regional meeting here.

Rossow also disclosed for the first time that state police furnish the Indiana motor truck association with carbon copies of all arrest tickets involving truck drivers, and the tickets are in turn sent to the truck owners.

"The joint action has exceeded expectations," Rossow said. "Violations are diminishing."

He said there were now three permanent weighing stations in Indiana, three others to be constructed, and that he planned to ask for six more permanent stations.

Rossow said the "flying squadrons" would operate in addition to permanent weighing stations. They will be set up without advance notice, day or night, to nab truckers who have "excessively heavy loads" on their trucks.

Rossow said it was "contemplated" that troopers would order violators into higher courts where they might be fined up to \$500, instead of in peace courts where most present violators may be fined no more than \$25.

"The public service commission of Indiana is investigating the possibility of revoking the permits of flagrant violators," he added.

He said the state did not want to "inflict hardship" on truckers. "Enforcement against overweight vehicles is one of our more troublesome problems," Rossow said. "I can tell you that most companies operate within the law and that it is the minority which makes it difficult for the majority."

Rossow said that operators of overloaded trucks paid \$14,000 in 521 fines in the first two months of 1948 in Indiana.

Southern Democrats Plan Own Conclave

Fight President's Civil Rights Plan

Jackson, Miss., May 11—(UP)—Southern Democrats today were ready to hold their own Dixie convention in Birmingham, Ala., on July 17 if the national party convention adopts a civil rights platform plank.

In a states' rights conference here yesterday, some 1,500 southern party leaders resolved to urge every state below the Mason-Dixon line to choose convention delegates and electors pledged to "publicly repudiate" President Truman's civil rights program.

The resolution, passed with apparent unanimity amid shouting and stamping of feet, included provision for the Birmingham convention in case the national party nominates Mr. Truman or any other candidate with similar civil rights views.

The date for the provisional Dixie meeting was set for just one week after the national convention begins at Philadelphia July 12.

Eleven states were represented at the one-day meeting here. But most delegations were unofficial and it was questionable exactly how many of the states actually would walk out on the party if it chooses a civil rights nominee.

South Carolina, Mississippi, Arkansas and Alabama appeared definitely committed to the split



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Reserves (if members before bill becomes law)

RALPH CONRAD HURT

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thought his plan should be considered because it would permit use of injunctions without government seizure and operation.

Taft and Ball also were considering a bill providing specific authority for an anti-strike injunction, although the government obtained a temporary restraining order last night without action by congress.

The two senators began working on a bill last night. They conferred with Donald R. Richberg, attorney who helped draft the railway labor act.

They told reporters the big problem is to provide machinery for settling the dispute once a strike is enjoined. Taft said the choice apparently lies between continued mediation and compulsory arbitration. He prefers mediation, he said, but wonders whether it would work now.

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