

ASSEMBLY HEARS OF GOVERNOR'S COAL DEALING

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and launched another attack on the bill, declaring, as did Senator Craven, that the methods asked would not help out the serious coal situation.

"In the time of the late war," he stated, "the people cried with alarm at the taking over of the telephone systems, the railroads and other vital services, and yet too much centralization of power."

"If it was too much one-man power then, the same is true at the present time. This is not the way to remedy this situation."

"In my opinion the real way to go at the thing is to have an investigation made by the attorney-general against the coal barons of the state."

"If he has not the power now to make this investigation, then let him come before this body, and I am sure that he will have no trouble in getting the power."

READY WITH NEEDED LEGISLATION.

"We will give him all the legislation he needs for the investigation. It is my idea that this is what should be done, instead of seizing coal mines and coal cars and centralizing all this power in the hands of one man or one body."

At this point Senator Wolfson of Marion county rose to a point of order, declaring that Senator Elmer should give his remarks to an explanation of his vote on the bill.

Senator Elmer was allowed to continue his talk, however.

"Let this legislature enact laws against the coal barons of the state," the speaker continued.

"Instead of legislating to help merely a few state institutions by appropriating \$100,000 for this place and \$100,000 for that place, we should legislate to protect the people of Indiana."

"I say let the attorney general appear before us at once and advise us if there is a law by which he can proceed with an investigation, and if there is none, then let us get busy and make a law."

In a short address Senator Beardsley of Elkhart declared the bill as it comes from the house is "vicious."

"As my colleagues have said, this is only a temporary measure, and will do little to alleviate the situation."

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"In my mind the bill is vicious, as it gives too much power to one body and gives opportunity for profiteering."

"Every man here who will profit in his own business, if he gets but half a chance."

This statement of the senator again threw the speaker into a corner.

Speaking for the second time in defense of the measure, Senator McKinley declared that the bill had a vicious tendency.

By this bill, cars can be furnished only for shipments in Indiana.

"All viciousness has been removed from it," he declared.

Stopping the argument on the measure, the speaker called for a roll call on the passage of the bill.

Lacking a majority, supporters of the bill failed to round up enough absentees to insure its passage, and upon motion to adjourn, the measure was made a special order of business for Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Upon appeal from the members who opposed the passage of the measure, the chair announced that the roll call would be resumed at exactly the place where it had been left off this morning.

Queries at the office of the Big Four railroad, revealed that Mr. Austin is in Cincinnati.

Gov. Goodrich left this morning for Decatur to attend the wedding of his son, Pierre.

ADMINISTRATION PLAN TO KILL WAR MEMORIAL

Due to strong opposition on the part of the administration, the bill making provision for a war memorial to be constructed by the state, Marion county and the city of Indianapolis will not be reported out of committee in the legislature in their original form and it will be due only to pressure brought by American legion officials and members if the bills are reported out at all.

The present proposition, in case the committee on the memorial is forced to report the bill, is that it shall carry a proviso for a referendum at the next general election whereby the proposal must have a majority of all votes cast.

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