

NEW'S FAVOR WITH HARDING CREATES STIR

Watsonites See Senior Senator as Chief Dispenser of 'Plums.'

President-elect Warren G. Harding has struck a sore blow to a combination of Republican politicians in Indiana by including Senator Harry S. New among the "best minds in America" called to confer with him at Marion, Ohio.

It is not that they resent the fact that Harding has sought counsel from New, but they feel that the appointment of New does not fit in with the President-elect for the senior Senator gives him an unfair advantage over Senator James E. Watson.

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BRYAN SETS OUT NEEDS OF I. U.

98 Instructors Have Quit, Statement Says.

A statement setting out the need of Indiana University for more and better paid instructors, for more equipment and more buildings was issued today by Dr. William Lowe Bryan, president of the institution.

He points out that ninety-eight men have been taken from the faculty of the university by other schools; that there is no more available space for carrying on instruction and laboratory work and that the institution will be hind its building program.

The power plant is worn out and the school of medicine in Indianapolis should be enlarged as the Robert W. Long Hospital is only half large enough, Dr. Bryan declares. The faith of the State requires that the Long Hospital be adequately maintained and a total of \$3,000,000 is required for new buildings, he adds.

He sets out the needs as follows:

At Bloomington—Power plant, addition to chemistry building, school of commerce, school of education, addition to medical building, science building, observatory, library, science, journalism building, addition to library, addition to science hall, auditorium and administration building, dormitory for girls.

At Indianapolis—Power house, clinical building; immediate additional needs, to cover necessary increases in salaries of permanent construction and administrative staff, \$100,000; needed addition to instructional staff and force of employees, \$200,000; urgent equipment needs to bring up to standard, \$150,000.

Urgent immediate increases in maintenance needs for all departments, \$35,000.

Repairs and upkeep needs due to conservative program of several years past, \$50,000.

Urgent graduate school for scientific research, \$45,000.

Urgent building needs per year until plan is completed \$600,000.

Total, \$1,195,000.

Asks Better Care for Mentally Deficient

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COMMISSION TO STAND BEHIND COMPANY.

In view of all this, the commission desires to emphasize that during the term of its office it will endeavor to stand behind this company to the full extent of the commission's power to maintain the solvency and credit of the company and to protect its property and its shareholders from any extra 1-cent transfer charge; that is, a declaration of the commission will pursue.

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3 More Stores Join in War Against Thieves

Three more Indianapolis stores, the William Laurie Company, the Fair Store, and the S. W. Whitman Company have joined the Stores Mutual Protective Association, which recently was organized to reduce thefts.

The association intends to give thieves to understand they are under surveillance and that they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law if detected. Similar organizations have been successful in other cities.

Road Bond Issue Denied.

A petition for a road issue of \$470,000 for the improvement of the J. D. Sturm road in Marion County has been denied by the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The decision in the case was given by Fred A. Sims, chairman, and Philip Zoercher of the tax board. Commissioner Brown did not participate in the decision, as he was not a member of the board when the petition was heard.

COPS UNCOVER COAL, NO GEMS!

Museum Diamonds Still Missing—'Black' Ones Found.

Several diamonds were stolen from the Statehouse museum several days ago and the police were unable to recover them.

They were more successful, however, in the recovery of two tons of black diamonds which were taken from the Statehouse basement and these "jewels" are again resting in bins adjacent to the engine room.

No one at the Statehouse knew the most recent robbery had taken place until they found two men peddling coal in a State of Indiana truck. Garland Brown, an automobile mechanic employed by the State, admitted he and P. L. Prather, 35, 714½ North Senate avenue had "borrowed" the truck and stolen the coal from the Statehouse in order to obtain money to buy "white" mule.

The police charged them only with petit larceny, despite the "borrowing" of the automobile and the possession of the booze. No one at the Statehouse has been able to explain how the State could be moved away without discovery.

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CITY CAR CO. GETS 1 CENT TRANSFER

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Increases in city passenger traffic in 1921 and that it will do well to maintain 1920 traffic," the commission states. "The commission, however, shares with the other commissioners the view that the expectation that there will be greater readjustments downward in operating costs than presented in petitioner's exhibit."

The commission pointed out that 1 cent transfers probably will greatly reduce their use and that a period of observation is necessary to determine the results of the order.

The commission sets out in detail a forecast of the company's income account for 1921, listing operating expenses at \$4,650,022.15, taxes at \$483,135.55, fixed charges at \$899,361.75, making a total of \$5,329,444. The projected revenues, including approximately \$182,239.87 in fares or charges, are fixed at \$5,530.00, leaving gross earnings of \$175,884.77. From this unadjusted \$180,000 for plant and service improvements, leaving a deficit of \$12,401.23.

The commission admits, however, that there are numerous probabilities of the elimination of this theoretical deficit, because of the fact that the commission concludes that the safest way is to put into effect increased rates only for a short period.

The commission joins with the city in the opinion that petitioner did not concern itself sufficiently with tax assessments in 1919; that its tax rates are still too high, and that failure to do so will result in a loss to the local and State tax authorities.

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