

M'CRAY IS OUT FOR M'CLURE ASSPEAKER; REPEAL OF PRIMARY

Governor-Elect's Open Demand Throws Consternation Into Ranks of Aspirants to Leadership of Lower House.

SCHOOL TAX RATE BOOST REQUESTED

Developments in pre-legislature affairs came rapidly today with continued activity on the part of Governor-elect Warren T. McCray. The principal developments are:

Mr. McCray declared definitely and directly for the election of John F. McCleure of Anderson as Speaker of the House.

The Governor-elect let it be known that he will in his message to the legislature ask for the repeal of the direct primary law, at least so far as it applies to candidates for Governor and United States Senators.

A proposal was placed before Mr. McCray by L. N. Hines, State superintendent of public instruction, that the common school tax rate be increased from 5.8 cents to 20 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation.

While it was generally known that the Governor-elect favored the election of Mr. McCleure as Speaker of the House, his open request today that Mr. McCleure be elected as Speaker has thrown consternation into the ranks of the supporters of other candidates for the speakership.

Mr. McCray did not hesitate to confirm the report that he had told Jacob D. Mittenbergh of Muncie, Mr. McCleure's most formidable opponent, that he favored the naming of Mr. McCleure as Speaker.

"The statement that I favor the election of Mr. McCleure is correct," Mr. McCray said when asked as to the truth of the report that he had expressed a preference.

It was generally admitted following this declaration that there would be little chance of electing another man speaker of the House. Members of the Assembly took the attitude that if the Governor takes on himself the power of appointing a speaker there is nothing that a mere legislator can do about it. The declaration of Mr. McCray establishes the fact that he desires to counteract the declaration of Mr. McCleure that the Legislature will do it. It indicates that the Legislature will do it. Mr. McCray's attitude becomes so strong that the sufficient force to defeat his plans can be mustered.

McCRAE SUPPORTERS WISH TO SEE FIGHT. This declaration establishes the fact that he feared the defeat of Mr. McCleure in his speakership contest unless some drastic action was taken. This action took the form of a public announcement that he desired the election of Mr. McCleure. The prospects are that when the members of the House assemble in caucus next Wednesday night his wish will be speedily granted, but even the most ardent McCray supporters hope to see a fight ahead.

Mr. McCray's attitude on the primary law is well known. Having spent more money than any other man in the primary race, he is ready to abolish the primary law.

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GASOLINE WINS OVER WHITE MULE

Man With Conflicting Auto Licenses Overhauled.

"White mule" can't outrun police gasoline, and this being true, Motor Police Dalton and Howerton captured William Calvert, 1044 Elm street, alleged bootlegger, yesterday, after an automobile race.

The police received a call that a man had struck Mrs. Osla Kelly, 829 North Illinois street, and they arrived at that address in time to see a man drive away in an automobile. The police gave chase and captured the man at Capitol avenue and Michigan streets. He was charged with operating a blind tiger and assault and battery.

In his automobile the police found eight gallons of "white mule" whiskey. On the front of the automobile was license 31125, and on the rear was license 16598.

Local Police Asked to Find Young Man

An appeal to help locate Lanson Dickerson, 21, who is thought to have disappeared in Indianapolis some time between Dec. 14 and 20 was received by Mayor Charles W. Jewett today from Charles A. Dickerson, New Athens, Ohio, the boy's father. The letter was turned over to the police.

The father said he received a telegram from the son, then in Indianapolis, on Dec. 14, asking for help with which to come home. Another young man named Walter Anderson, 20, was with him, the father said.

The money was sent, but the telegram company wired back that the boy could not be located. The father fears he has been the victim of foul play.

Booze Terms Dealt in Criminal Court

A number of defendants were sentenced in Criminal Court today on charges of operating a blind tiger. Among them were Paul Timmons, who got thirty days in jail and Emerson Balz, who was given forty days on the Indiana State Farm.

Because of the failure of Earl Sellers to appear for trial on a charge of operating a blind tiger, Judge James A. Collins forfeited a \$1,000 bond of Sellers with Edgar Coffman as surety.

Fred Lewis, who appealed from the City Court on a charge of operating a blind tiger, dismissed his appeal in the Criminal Court and he was remanded to the City Court.

NAMES BLUFFTON PROSECUTOR. HARTFORD CITY, Ind., Dec. 30.—Theodore Harsh, Bluffton attorney, has been named deputy prosecutor at Bluffton by W. A. Burns, Hartford City attorney, who becomes prosecutor for Wells and Blackford Counties Jan. 1.

WEATHER Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending 7 p. m. Dec. 31: Fair tonight; Friday cloudy; not much change in temperature. Lowest tonight, slightly above freezing.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE.

GOOVER PLANS FOR INAUGURAL WITH HARDING

Knox, McLean and Daugherty Principal Callers on President-Elect.

ALSO DISCUSS CABINET

MARION, Ohio, Dec. 30.—Senator Harding's principal visitors today flipped over the 1921 calendar to Saturday, March 4. They discussed with the President-elect the program of the momentous day which will climax when the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court administers the oath making him the leader and servant of the American people for four years.

While Senator Philander C. Knox, chairman of the Senate Inaugural Committee, Edward B. McLean, chairman of the Washington Inaugural committee, and Harry M. Daugherty, one of Senator Harding's closest advisers, came, ostensibly to arrange details of the inauguration, the Cabinet situation was by no means overlooked. It is understood, however, that the highest authority that Senator Knox has been and is being considered most seriously for the post of Secretary of the Treasury.

ALREADY SERVED FOR THREE PRESIDENTS. Already he has served in the Cabinet under three Presidents—McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft. It is no secret that he would be averse to adding another service ribbon to his long and honorable record. His ideas on the inauguration are, it is understood, have matched closely with those of the President-elect and it is known that he already has written a peace resolution which meets with approval of Senator Harding. Whether in his place during the inaugural ceremonies will be with the Cabinet or the members of the Senate, it is certain that his counsel and advice will receive the utmost consideration from the next President.

Other Cabinet posts were vigorously discussed by the visitors during the day and the hopes and expectations of many candidates were raised and lowered as often as the President's hat during a ride down Pennsylvania avenue.

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placing it in the car. He said he was fined \$100 costs and sentenced to serve thirty days in jail.

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REPORT SHOWS DOGS IN POUND ARE NEGLECTED

Humane Society Sees Canines Without Food and Suffer From Cold.

CITY TO BE GIVEN FACTS

Another doleful chapter in the tumultuous history of the city dog pound will be written in a report on the state of affairs said to have been discovered by representatives of the Indianapolis Humane Society on Christmas day, which George Williams, executive secretary of the board of public safety, has requested the representatives to prepare. The report will be submitted to the board of public safety and Mayor Charles W. Jewett for action, it is said.

When the representatives of the Humane Society went to the pound on Christmas day to see how the canine prisoners were faring they found that Joseph McGinty, keeper of the pound, had left at noon the day before, and that the water and food were not placed in the pens, but because McGinty and his two assistants had failed to take proper precautions the fires in the stoves which heat the antiquated pound had gone out and both the water and food were frozen. The dogs were suffering from the cold. McGinty did not show up until Monday noon and when the Humane Society workers took him to task he cursed them, it is said.

A. L. Taggart, president of the board of public safety, said that a report of the incident had not reached him, but that if it was shown that the dogs did not have a good Christmas dinner the board "will see to it that they get a double dinner on New Year's."

The New Year's dancing lid will be tilted just a little in Indianapolis. This decision was reached today in a conference between Chief of Police Jerry Kinney and Lieutenant of Police Joseph Moore.

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Coal Office Station Battered—Filling Station Visited—Prisoner, Attempting to Flee, Lets Go at Officer, Who Returns Fire.

MANY HOMES LOOTED

Failed to Search Man

Deputy Sheriff Robert M. McBroom's failure to search a prisoner after he had made an arrest last night resulted in a gun duel in which the prisoner, Cecil E. Hamm, 38, Limestone avenue and New York street, probably was fatally shot, and the deputy sheriff received a bullet wound in his right arm.

The deputy sheriff shot the prisoner, who was shot by the deputy sheriff, in Arthur Darby's drug store, 2301 West Washington street.

McBroom charges that Hamm followed him to the drug store, where he was holding a prisoner, and when they were in the drug store, he shot the prisoner, who was shot by the deputy sheriff, in Arthur Darby's drug store, 2301 West Washington street.