

## BARKER WINS FLOOR FIGHT

Insistence on Minority Report Leads to Undoing of One House Measure.

Charges that the chairman of the House Committee on Judiciary A, Representative Chester A. Davis, Jay County, had refused to submit a minority report on Senate Bill 33, signed alone by Representative R. U. Barker, Democrat, Posey County, and favoring indefinite postponement of the bill, and demanding that the chairman account for the failure to submit the report, were made today by Mr. Barker on the door of the House.

The charge came after the House had accepted a report on the bill favoring passage, and, following reconsideration, the minority report was accepted.

The bill provided a new section to the law prohibiting erection of a schoolhouse within 500 feet of a school, but in Indiana, buildings are required, and that no such industry could be located within 500 feet of a schoolhouse. The bill was introduced by Senator Hartzell of Ft. Wayne, and was designed to correct a situation in Allen County.

### SETS OUT REASONS FOR OBJECTIONS.

Representative Barker declared that the bill was unjust in that it would allow remodeling or erection of a schoolhouse within 500 feet of such a prohibited industry, on condition that the secretary of the State board of health and the State Superintendent of schools determine whether the old law.

Following erection of the new building, however, the old law could be invoked and the prohibited industry, with no recourse, would be required to raze its buildings, he said.

Representative Barker declared that at the meeting of the committee he had signed a minority report, favoring indefinite postponement of the bill, but that the report had disappeared. He charged Representative Davis with dishonest tactics in failing to submit the report being submitted by Mr. Barker.

### DAVIS WON TO MINORITY REPORT.

A motion was then made to reconsider the action on the committee report and Mr. Barker submitted his report. Following explanation of the minority report Representative Davis declared that he was then in favor of the Barker report. He also took occasion to censure Dr. J. N. Hurley, secretary of the health board, for his appearance on the floor of the house at the time the report was being considered.

The House adopted the minority report, in substitution of the majority report, and the bill was killed.

The House only heard reading of committee reports in the morning, much of the time being taken up to reading of Washington's Farewell Address, and singing of songs in observance of the first President's birthday. Representative Charles W. Harlan, Kosciusko County, read the Farewell Address.

### TWELVE BILLS ARE KILLED.

Twelve bills were killed on recommendation of committees and twenty-nine were reported favorable for passage.

The important bills that were killed were:

Morgan bill, providing for the teaching of thrift in the public schools of the State.

Alvans bill, providing that no paper may be hung on a wall in a house unless the walls are in a sanitary condition.

Bill introduced by Representative Johnson of Monroe, providing reward of \$5 to person giving information that motor vehicle is being operated with license number belonging to another person.

Gasser bill, prohibiting issuance of trading stamps.

Osborn bill, fixing salaries of officials in cities of the fourth class.

## CLUBS ATTACK GERMAN STUDY

### Parent-Teacher Organizations Adopt Resolutions.

Mrs. Curtis A. Hodges, president of the Indianapolis Federation of Parent-Teacher Clubs, in a stirring appeal to the members attending the annual meeting of the federation this morning urged members to get back of the movement to keep the teaching of the German language out of the public schools.

E. H. Prell, director of organization, was too soon," she said, "to allow propaganda again in the schools."

The federation adopted a resolution favoring the sending of a letter to the Legislature protesting against the teaching of German in the schools.

Mrs. Henry Heywood spoke on "Public Nursing" and Miss Julia E. Landers on "Women in War Work."

A musical program was given under direction of Mrs. Charles Maxwell, preceding the luncheon, which was served in Hollenbeck Hall.

Miss Sue Blasingham, E. U. Graff and Ellsworth Lowrie spoke in the afternoon. Mrs. Frank Sheehan of Gary was to speak on "The Sand Dunes."

## Lands West of Dallas in Try for Air Record

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 22.—Lieut. W.H. Conley, aviator, attempting a one-stop, forty-four hours' flight from the Pacific to the Atlantic coast, landed 200 miles west of Dallas, today.

Conley left San Diego, Cal., last night on the 2,070-mile flight. He planned to make only one stop during the flight—Dallas. His Atlantic coast landing place was fixed at Jacksonville, Fla.

The scout planes were unable to see the ground for a height of 1,000 feet because of thick clouds.

That Conley had missed the landing field was growing.

## ANGLOPHILE RULE IN PERSIA UPSET

PARIS, Feb. 22.—The Anglophile government of Persia has been overthrown by Persian cossacks, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch.

Charles of Persia is said to be practically a prisoner in his palace.

The Persian cossacks have occupied all of Teheran, the Persian capital, the dispatch added.

The Russian soviet has opened its "offensive" in the Near East, according to indications. The overrunning of the British government of Persia, evidently was effected by the armed forces that took a treaty of alliance between the black and soviet Russia. Georgia has been overrun by Red troops. Russian troops not only have gained control of the rich oil fields in the Caucasus, but have opened the way for a junction of forces with the Turkish nationalists and appear to be making progress in their gigantic effort to "open the road to India."

## NATIONAL RIGHTS INVOLVED IN OIL

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—The principle underlying the world oil situation is whether national power shall be sustained on land and sea by the acquisition and control of oil at home and abroad, according to R. L. Welch, general secre-

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