

## EDISTRICTING D.K.D; CHARGE GERRYMANDER

Ashby Can Not Enlighten and  
Antis Refuse to Sign Ordinance Report.

Led by a refusal of Republican City Chairman Irving Lemaux to promise that he will not seek to remove precinct committeemen unfavorable to Thomas C. Howe, former president of Butler College and News-Jewett candidate for the Republican nomination for mayor, and apoint favorable committeemen, the administration failed to believe that the city administration was trying to force through a gerrymander, the fourth and fifth administration members of the city council last night made an unsuccessful, but valiant effort to block passage of the ordinance changing the city precinct boundaries.

The administration forces, despite to put through the ordinance, as written and engineered by them, got Dr. O. B. Pettjohn, the fifth member of the administration wing in the council out of his sick bed, wrapped him in heavy garments, brought him to the City Hall in an automobile and practically carried him in and out of the council chamber. With Dr. Pettjohn, the administration was able to muster the necessary five votes to pass the ordinance.

The ordinance defining the boundaries of the six councilmanic districts was unanimously passed, there being no important change from the lines fixed four years ago.

Until Thursday afternoon Councilmen Louis W. Carnefix, Gustav G. Schmidt and William B. Pease, anti members, were prepared to vote for the redistricting ordinance. Councilman Lee J. Kirchoff, another member opposed to the Jewett crowd, had refused to support the ordinance from the time it was first discussed, stating that he had never been convinced that the administration did not have unfair motives in engineering the changes.

Chairman Schmidt declared on the floor last night that late in the day he was advised by legal counsels that the boundary changes as made in the redistricting ordinance by City Chairman Lemaux are faulty. If so desired, to oust the councilmen in districts in which the boundaries were changed.

On receipt of this information Mr. Ashby said he telephoned Mr. Lemaux and asked him to call him to a council meeting and personally assure the council that he had no intentions of ousting any committee men that the anti members would vote for the ordinance.

"Mr. Lemaux said he had no business engagement and could not come," said Mr. Schmidt. "Then I asked him if he would write a letter to the council pledging that he would not oust any committee men as a result of the passage of this ordinance, and he said he did not do that."

**CLAWS TO GET ONE OFFICIAL.**

"He said he did not feel like writing that kind of a letter because he was going to remove one man and he went so far as to name the ward in which that man resided."

The anti's said that this incident aroused their suspicions and that until they could have some definite assurance that the ordinance was not a gerrymander they would have to vote against it. They asked Corporation Counsel Samuel Ashby, right hand man of Mayor Jewett in affairs of that sort, if he would answer a few questions and, receiving an affirmative reply, drew a long string of inquiries.

Mr. Schmidt stated that he had discovered Thursday that the ordinance changed either the boundaries or the number of practically every precinct in the First ward.

"I want to ask Mr. Ashby if this change of precinct boundaries and numbers will disqualify any precinct committee man elected by the people?" asked Mr. Schmidt.

"No. So far as I know not a single committee man will be disqualified," replied Mr. Ashby.

Mr. Schmidt asked for a definite assurance that the chairman would not have the power to remove committee men, but Mr. Ashby would go no further than to state that it was his "understanding" that that was the case.

Dr. Sumner A. Furdus, negro councilman and chairman of the elections committee, said that it had just occurred to him that the precinct committee men now serving as city committee men were elected by voters in county precincts, the boundaries of which are different from those of the city precincts and that this would indicate that committee men would not be qualified by the changes to be made in the ordinance under consideration.

"I swear, have I your word as chairman of this elections committee that there will be no changes in the precinct committee men of the First ward?" Mr. Schmidt interrogated.

Dr. Furdus said that he did not think it was the intent of the ordinance to disqualify any committee man.

Councilman Carnefix said that Mr. Schmidt had practically stated the objections of the anti's. "I practically agreed to support this ordinance last night and intend to do so until today when these questions came up. If you can clear them up by making a definite promise that there will be no gerrymander I will support the ordinance. I could not sign the committee report because these questions have not been answered."

"What we want to know is, does the new city chairman have the power to remove committee men in such a circumstance?" inquired Mr. Carnefix.

Mr. Ashby said he did not know off hand.

"You ought to know. You are the corporation counsel," said Mr. Schmidt.

"I'll sign that report if you will say so."

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chairman does not have the power to remove committee men this way," repeated Mr. Carnefix.

"I'll say that my judgment," answered Mr. Ashby.

"I'll not sign it and I'll have to vote no," said Mr. Carnefix.

President Wilson, over Mr. Schmidt's vigorous objections, stopped the debate and put the ordinance up for a vote.

The ordinance creates 166 city precincts. This, according to Mr. Ashby, is twenty-five more than the number of city precincts in 1917 and sixteen more than the number of county precincts made by the county commissioners in 1920, and still in force for all elections other than those of the city.

**NUMBER PRECINCTS IN EACH WARD.**

The number of precincts in each ward under the new ordinances is as follows: First ward, fifteen; Second, twelve; Third, four; Fourth, twenty-five; Fifth, seven; Sixth, eight; Seventh, eight; Eighth, eight; Ninth, sixteen; Tenth, thirteen; Eleventh, nine; Twelfth, seven; Thirteenth, ten; Fourteenth, seven, and Fifteenth, twelve.

The four antis refused to sign the report of the committee of the whole, to which the new precinct ordinance had been referred. This report recommended changes involving five precincts agreed upon at a meeting Wednesday evening.

## BAILIWICK OF HOWE ENTHUSES HIS TWO RIVALS

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one in which people would be highly pleased to live.

He spoke at three meetings today, the principal one being at the Young Men's Industrial Club, 1450 Shepard street, and the other two at Michigan and Ogden streets and Merrill street and Capitol avenue. Many prominent Republicans have volunteered to speak in behalf of Mr. Robinson in the meetings to be conducted during the next five days.

Two hundred and twenty organization workers from the Fourth Ward attended meetings at the English Hotel to meet the candidate and to receive instructions from the Shank leader of the fourth, Oscar Quisner, last night.

Mr. Shank was unable to reach the meeting before 10 o'clock but the North Side workers patiently awaited his coming and gave him such an ovation that the hotel management was forced to plead for less noise on account of sleeping guests. Other Shank meetings last night were held at 3326 Prospect street, 1807 College avenue, 434 North West street, and 318 Indiana avenue.

The ex-major continued his earnest advocacy of economic administration of city affairs and reduction of taxation. He also went into the subject of police women.

"I am not going to deny that women police women may serve a good purpose," said Mr. Shank. "It is a fine thing for women to participate in public affairs and to assist with elevating public morals. But the big thing at this time is reformation in government as an important part of the 'normality' program."

"Under the present administration the department of police women has grown

to twenty-four members, including the chief. Chicago has six police women; St. Louis, four; Kansas City, four; Cincinnati, two; and Cleveland, six. New York did away with its woman's division after a long experiment."

Among others who spoke at the meeting were Charles Hutchinson, W. T. Bailey, Taylor Gronninger, Ben Branson, Mrs. Anna Biddinger, Mrs. Charles Rollinson and Robert McBride.

## WILL SOLIDIFY PATRIOTS' VOTE

Concerted Backing of ex-Servicemen Candidates, New Organization's Object.

In an attempt to solidify the war veterans vote of Indianapolis a movement for the formation of a permanent organization of ex-service men and women to endorse and work for candidates who have been in the Army, Navy and Marine corps is under way, a committee of prominent veterans announced today.

A mass meeting of ex-service men and women will be held at the Chamber of Commerce at 8 o'clock next Tuesday evening for the purpose of organizing a club. Hyatt C. Young, president; C. P. Lacey, treasurer; C. E. Binion, secretary, and Paul W. Fechtmann, Paul Ragdale, Humphrey C. Harrington, Russell Ryan and C. P. L. M. Hines Company, and the American Railway Express Company.

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**TO LOUISVILLE,**

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## WICKED HEART IS AFFLICITION TO HUMANITY

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joy to the heart of Gipsy Smith. There were mysterious, promising looking packages, of all shapes, sizes and descriptions, that suggested everything from books to pictures. As Gipsy Smith expressed it when he turned to a delegation from the American Railway Express Company that was in the tabernacle, "It is lucky you are here, for I may need your services to get all these presents to my home."

In the event the Orloff trio, which has been playing at the Sevier Hotel, which is the evangelist's headquarters, came to the platform and played the "Barcarolle" from "Tales From Hoffmann."

**OTHER MEMBERS OF  
PARTY REMEMBERED.**

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While the announcement indicated that the club will only endorse and work for candidates, it was understood that some of its influential backers are in favor of bringing out an ex-service candidate for mayor.

**Jury Awards \$8,000 in  
Suit Over Fire Loss**

**Home Run Drives  
by Gipsy Smith**

"There can be no freedom in your heart until some one delivers you from sin."

"Where sin is, there will be guilt, remorse and unhappiness."

"One definite talk with Jesus will open a new world to you and will create an anthem to which the world will listen."

"You can not hide love."

"You can make more of the man than of the Master."

"Love gives all and longs for more to give."

"An honest talk with Jesus means an honest talk with some one else very soon."

scribed on the inside, "From the Indianapolis choir to Eddie Young, the 'some' of the world."

The sermon was based on the fourth chapter of St. John, which tells the story of the first announcement made by Jesus that He was the Messiah, the announcement made to the woman of Samaria beside Jacob's well.

**MATERIAL FOR  
1920 SERMONS.**

"There is enough in that story for 1,000 sermons," Gipsy Smith said. "This was the first time Jesus had said that he was the Messiah, and it took a woman to get it out of Him. Now, if you will seek what that woman found out without any seeking, the entire world will change for you, the skies will become a different color, a brighter hue, the birds will sing a new song, and life will be different and far better."

"What you need is a definite interview with your Lord Jesus. Until you have had that talk with him your heart will be troubled and sorrowful because your sin is with you and there can be no free from your sin. Where sin is there will be guilt, remorse and unhappiness."

"When you are this way what you need is to go to Jesus and you don't do it. That is the reason you come with yourself, try to reason with yourself and slip in with the crowd. Life is powerless, useless and joyless until you get away from habitual criminal. W. D. Durbin of Lima, Ohio, his brother-in-law, is defending him."

**KELLEY TRIAL OPENS.**

**WINCHESTER**, Ind., April 11.—The trial of Eddie Kelley, accused of robbing the First National Bank here, opened in the city circuit court today with Judge A. L. Bates on the bench. Kelley is charged with grand larceny and with being an habitual criminal. W. D. Durbin of Lima, Ohio, his brother-in-law, is defending him.

Mr. Steely is survived by his widow, two daughters, Mrs. W. D. Hough and Miss Fay Steely, and a son, John R. Steely, all of Indianapolis.

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church member, the professing Christian who has not done his duty with God. Many of you hundreds of you have shirked from dealing with Jesus directly. You have dealt with your preachers, with your churches, with denominations, but you have not had the courage to go over the heads of all these and deal with Jesus himself. You have been unwilling to have him remove the cancer of sin with a knife.

Delegations were sent from Manila and University Heights and from the following organizations: Indianapolis Postoffice Heywood Tire and Equipment Company, teacher's training class of the Central Christian Church, Lake Erie & Western railroad, state advisory committee of the Salvation Army, Central States Envelope Company, Woolworth store, C. B. Cones & Co., L. M. Hines Company, and the American Railway Express Company.

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