

SCHOOL BOARD IN DILEMMA ON ISSUING BONDS

Undecided When It Will Consider Tax Board Recommendations.

Whether a special meeting of the board of school commissioners will be called within the next week to consider the statement made by the State board of tax commissioners last week or whether the matter will be allowed to go over until the next regular meeting is undecided, according to a statement made yesterday by Mrs. Julia Belle Tutwiler, president of the school board, after a meeting at which a number of minor matters were taken up.

The situation is complicated by the fact that there is considerable doubt as to just in what light the statement of the State board is to be considered. In some quarters it is looked upon as an official ultimatum to the effect that the State board will not approve any further bond issues for school building purposes in Indianapolis unless the school board agrees to surrender its legal powers and agree to outside regulation. Other persons regard the statement merely as a disapproval of the business policy of the school board and the school board as the point of the individual members of the State board.

SCHOOL BOARD HEAD UNDECIDED.

It is better back in the city from Colorado only a few days, Mrs. Tutwiler said, "and although I have read the statement of the tax board I am not yet in a position to say what our board will do in the matter. It is a matter that should be given careful thought before taking action."

The stand of the tax board as set out in its statement is in effect that it will not approve any more bond issues until the board of school commissioners agrees to a radical revision in its building program and to call into consultation representatives of several outside nonofficial bodies.

The Shortridge High School Athletic Association will be given a loan of \$500 by the school board to be used through the month of September for the erection of a small locker and shower bathhouse on the north side high school site, Pennsylvania and Thirty-Four streets, it was decided yesterday.

The money will be repaid from the receipts of high school football games this fall. This will enable Shortridge athletic teams to use the site for practice instead of being forced to go to the city parks.

BOARD REJECTS THREE CONTRACTS.

Three contracts for painting were awarded to the C. A. Wilhelm Company of this city, this sum being the low bidder in each instance. The jobs are as follows: School 47, Ray street and Warren avenue, \$2,572; No. 3, Lincoln and Alabama streets, \$1,500 and No. 67, Walnut and Rochester streets, \$1,750.

Bids for painting other buildings, which exceeded the estimate prepared by the board's employees, were rejected or taken under advisement. Bids on a large amount of school supplies and equipment were referred to the finance committee.

The following appointments were made: D. B. Castle, clerk in the building and grounds department was transferred to the secretary's office to work on pay rolls and accounts. The new clerk was succeeded by Russell H. Johnson. Miss Lucille Elkins was named as bookkeeper in the office of Frank L. Reissner, secretary, at a salary of \$1,200 a month. Miss Helen Stinson was placed in charge of teachers pay rolls at a salary of \$150 a month and Miss L. Louise Adams was named clerk at the same salary.

OFFICER BELCH RETIRED BY BOARD

Served in Police Department Since 1901.

Patrolman John Belch, 54, was placed on the retired list of the police department by the board of public safety today. He was appointed May 3, 1901, and twice had the rank of lieutenant. Other minor changes in the department were made.

On July 6, 1906 Patrolman Belch was promoted to sergeant and advanced to lieutenant on March 20, 1907. He was reappointed lieutenant on Jan. 5, 1910, and reduced to sergeant on Dec. 27, 1911. Reappointment as sergeant came Jan. 5, 1914. He was reduced to patrolman June 15, 1920.

Theodore Vesa, 1223 Bridge street, was ordered to work on the barn on the corner of his lot by next Tuesday on penalty of having the city do the work and charging it to him when he failed to appear in response to the order. The board, Building Commissioner Walter B. Stern reported that the barn was unsafe, unsanitary and a fire hazard.

Charles O. Smyth was appointed patrolman. Fireman Roy C. Fleetwood of Truck Company No. 2 was retired because of physical disability and recommended for a pension.

The building commissioner's report for the week, ending Aug. 13, showed 107 permits for buildings, valued at \$296,807, were issued.

WEAK LINK LETS FRIENDSHIP PART

Damages Inflicted in Fight Held Sufficient.

A weak link in the chain which fettered Nathan Glenn's cow caused Nathan, 63, a negro and who resides at 3106 Stanton street, and his neighbor, Lee Rice, 55, negro, 3108 Stanton street, to land in police court today, both hearing orders of a battle which occurred July 8, and both accompanied by their wives and lawyers.

The weak link permitted Nathan's cow to stray into Lee's corn field. The cow ate 35 ears and trampled down many stalks of corn, the testimony showed. Lee locked the cow up in his barn intending to hold it until Nathan paid him damages. Nathan got into the barn and started to lead the cow out when Lee overtook him and began to belabor him with the chain with the weak link. Nathan retaliated with a few healthy swats himself, it was said, and the fight only ended when Mrs. Glenn arrived. Nathan went to the city hospital for repairs.

Judge Pritchard thought enough damage had been done. Charges against both men were dismissed.

License Receipts Gain Under New Law

July receipts of hunting and fishing licenses sold in Indiana aggregate \$2,036.15 in excess of receipts for the same month in 1920, according to George N. Mannfeld, division chief of the State conservation department.

"It is surprising," Mr. Mannfeld said, "but it only corroborates the opinion of department officials that the public appreciates the efforts being made to improve piscatorial sport in Hoosier waters."

There was some apprehension felt that the new closed season law on bass and bluegills from April 30 to June 16, their nesting period, would cut serious inroads in license sales. Instead the law has stimulated sales in the closed season time because of this protected season Indiana public waters benefited as a splendid crop of baby game fish were reproduced naturally.

WOMEN TO BE ORGANIZED FOR CITY CAMPAIGN

Democratic Organizer to Band Store, Factory and Office Workers.

Appointment of a committee of five prominent women to organize Democratic women in stores, office buildings and factories, was announced today by Mrs. Grace Jackson Bodenmiller, Democratic women's organizer. Mrs. John Corwin is chairman of the committee and Mrs. Philip Zoercher, Mrs. Fred Hoke, Mrs. W. C. Smith and Miss Merica Hoagland are members.

Miss Hoagland will have charge of the committee's activities among factory women. Heads of the store and office building branches will be announced later, Mrs. Bodenmiller said.

The first of a series of meetings to effect liaison between the precinct and ward committees of the Shank-for-Mayor Club and the regular organization was committee meeting will be held at the Shank-for-Mayor Club headquarters, Rooms 225-227 Indiana Trust building, Wednesday evening.

FIRST, SECOND, THIRD WARDS MEET FIRST.

Committee of the club and regular ward chairmen from the First, Second and Third wards will be in the first gathering. Other wards will be called at the rate of about three an evening until all fifteen have met. Grievances which may have arisen among the committees will be ironed out and a closer acquaintance among the committee and chairmen formed. After the ward meetings are completed there will be a general meeting of all Shank-for-Mayor Club committees of the regular precinct and ward committees.

This may be held early next week.

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN TO HEAR TALK.

Albert Stump, attorney, will discuss the machinery of city government at the weekly meeting of Democratic women workers at city headquarters Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Bodenmiller announced. Mrs. Ida Schneider of the Thirtieth ward, will serve as hostess.

Democratic precinct meetings will be held in the First precinct of the Seventh ward at 635 North Noble street, Wednesday evening, and in the Second precinct of the First ward at 1833 Sheldon street, and in the Fifth precinct of the Thirtieth ward, at 2418 New Street, Thursday evening.

Socialist city candidates will speak at an open air meeting at Silver avenue and Bridge street Wednesday evening.

T. H. AND MUNCIE FACE CONTESTS

Legal Action Anticipated in Election of Roberts or Bunch.

Peculiar situations may arise in both Terre Haute and Muncie as a result of the law passed by the 1921 Legislature providing that any person who has been sentenced to six months or more for a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude shall be ineligible for public office in Indiana. This law has been held to mean just what it says by U. S. Lesh, attorney general of Indiana.

The Democratic candidates for mayor in Terre Haute are John H. Roberts and John Bunch. The Republican candidates are John H. Roberts and John Bunch. The Democratic candidates for mayor in Muncie are John H. Roberts and John Bunch. The Republican candidates are John H. Roberts and John Bunch.

Indications that both may receive a majority of the votes in the November election are strong.

Should both or either be elected the first step undoubtedly will be the contest to disqualify the law which seeks to disqualify them. By court action they may be permitted to take their offices or they may be enjoined from taking office and required to wait for a court decision.

Should they be prevented from taking office until the courts render a decision the present mayors in both cases would be in all probability continue in office. Under the Indiana law a mayor continues in office until his successor is elected and qualified. The present mayors are W. W. Hunter in Terre Haute and John R. Keller in Muncie.

Should the mayors-elect finally be disqualified and their offices declared to be vacant the city councils would elect the executives.

BUNCH READY FOR LEGAL BATTLE

Special to The Times.

MUNCIE, Ind., Aug. 16.—Relative to the opinion given out Monday by Attorney General Lesh that under the law, Donn Roberts, candidate for mayor of Terre Haute, could not fill the office if elected, Dr. Rollin H. Bunch, Democratic nominee for mayor of Muncie, has issued a statement similar to that of Roberts, gave out the following statement today:

"The Tucker law is an ex post facto and retroactive measure, and is unconstitutional. I shall make it an issue in the coming campaign."

Dr. Bunch declared he had been guided by legal advice and is fully convinced that he is taking the right stand. He believes in letting the majority rule, and insists that if he is elected he will fill the office.

SOCIETY RULED BY IRON HAND

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a membership roster the board of directors is perpetuated through the election by the directors of other directors to fill vacancies.

Another provision of the constitution of the Indianapolis Humane Society reads as follows:

"The board of directors shall appoint an executive committee consisting of six members, who shall, under the direction of the officers and board of directors, be charged with the active work of enforcing the humane laws and ordinances of the State and city, and shall otherwise carry out the work for which the society is created."

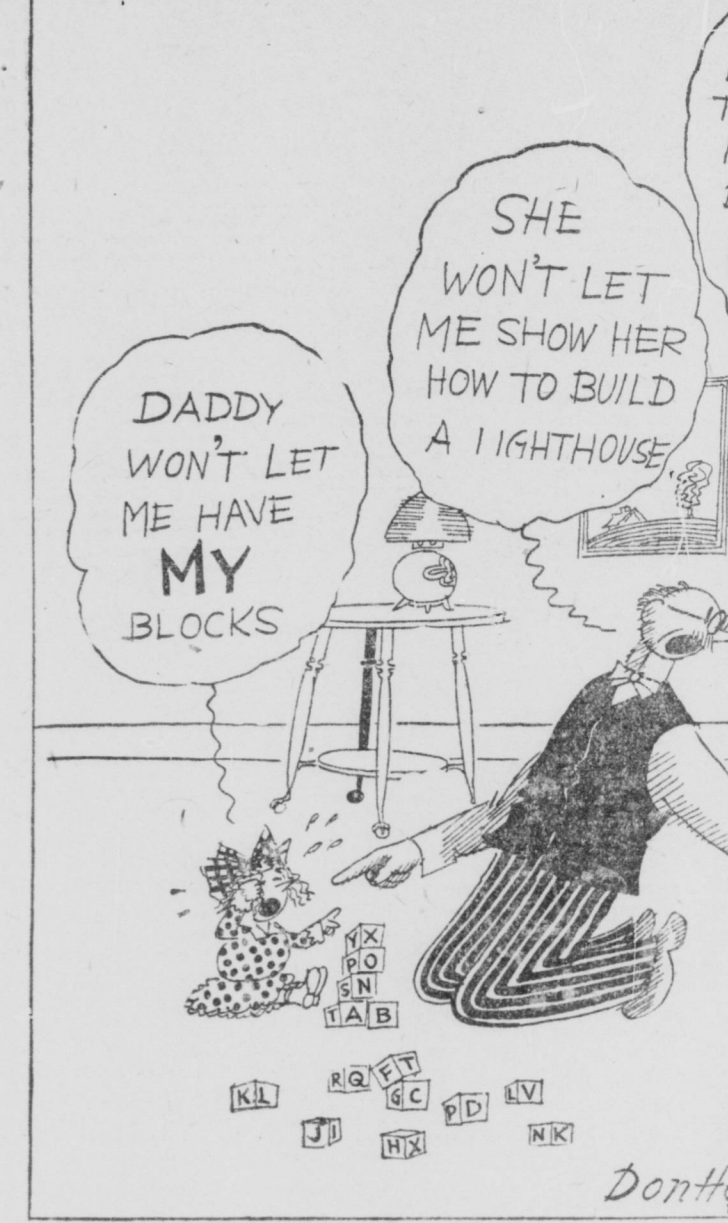
"The executive committee shall make reports at both the monthly and annual meetings, in which reports they shall show what cases have been considered by them, and what steps they have taken in the enforcement of the law. Members of the executive committee who are found to be inactive or neglectful of their duties shall be removed at any time by the board of directors who shall thereupon fill the vacancies thus created."

Under this provision of the constitution of the society, an executive committee has been appointed by the board of directors and Dr. C. A. Pfafflin has been made chairman of the committee.

As the head of the committee charged with the enforcement of the laws of the State and city, Dr. Pfafflin passes on all complaints that are made by citizens of Indianapolis to the police department relative to cruelty to children, dogs and animals. If he desires investigations to be made or prosecutions started he directs the four sergeants of the police department to act. If he does not desire this done he has only to say the word and the only agency for the enforcement of the humane laws of the State is estopped from action.

We Mothers Know How Hard It Is to Keep the Children From Fighting Over Toys

By DON HEROLD



R. K. DEVRICKS FILES SUIT TO OUST SWAILS

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Washington Township. No mention was made of Trustee Swails' suit to oust Swails. The suit was filed in the county court at Washington Township. The suit was filed in the county court at Washington Township. The suit was filed in the county court at Washington Township.

Mr. Devricks was elected chairman of the meeting of the county board of education and that Trustee Swails, Evans, Hecker and Hillman voted for Devricks and that Trustee Wright, Hamilton, Burk and Wheatly voted to vote. Then it is contended that County Auditor Leo K. Feiler, as clerk of the board, voted in favor of Mr. Devricks and that Mr. Devricks was declared elected.

The complaint sets up that Mr. Swails only holds a two years' State high school license and so did not possess the necessary qualifications to be a candidate for the office on June 6, last.

It also is contended that the trustees were informed that Swails was not qualified to be a candidate and is not entitled to hold a professional or life license granted upon examination by the State board of education.

OBJECT TO TEST TITLE TO OFFICE.

The object of Mr. Devricks' suit is to test the title of the office, or in other words to determine who is entitled to hold the office.

The suit was filed in the same court that Mr. Swails filed a mandatory action and for \$5,000 damages against Auditor Feiler. In Swails' suit, the plaintiff asks that Auditor Feiler be compelled to correct the alleged fraud in the election of Devricks.

The written demand of Mr. Devricks upon Swails to vacate the office is as follows:

"I hereby make demand upon you that you forthwith cease to act as superintendent of Marion County, and that you forthwith vacate and abandon the premises appurtenant to said office, and that you forthwith surrender and account to me for all books, records, documents and other property of any kind whatsoever appurtenant to said office."

Concurrently with the foregoing demand I notify you that I have been duly elected superintendent of schools of Marion County for the lawful term beginning on the 1st day of September, 1921, and that I assume the duties thereof, and that I will assume the duties thereof unless prevented by failure upon your part to comply with the foregoing demand."

Swails was administered his oath of office by A. C. Sogenevsky deputy county clerk and Mr. Devricks received his oath of office from Mr. Feiler.

MANY EXPECTED SENSATIONAL AFFAIR.

Many who lingered in the vicinity of the superintendent's office expected to see as a sensational affair as when the Feiler-Devricks faction of the county school board elected Mr. Devricks superintendent. It is now expected that the two factions will meet in a sensational affair.

It is understood that Mr. Devricks will make no further effort to obtain possession of the office until Judge Hay decides the case.

The Swails-Devricks controversy is the result of a desire of the members of the Marion County board of commissioners to replace Superintendent Swails, who is a Democrat, with a Republican. In attempting to carry out the theory that the victor belong the spoils, the commissioners sought to dominate the township trustees who compose the Marion County board of education.

WORLD COUNCILSHIP IS ABOLISHED.

Failing to obtain the required number of votes to put Mr. Devricks in office, the commissioners, on the day of the election of the board of education, for the purpose of electing a county school superintendent, passed a resolution abolishing Pike Township and making it a part of Wayne Township.

This resolution was presented to County Auditor Leo K. Feiler who read the resolution at the board meeting. Feiler then refused to recognize Clements Purdy as trustee of Pike Township.

This arbitrary action of Mr. Feiler and the commissioners resulted in Trustee

FINES 20 OUT OF 35 NEGROES HALED TO COURT

Judge Pritchard Passes on Week-end Clean-up Cases.

Thirty-five negroes appeared in city court yesterday afternoon answering to charges of gaming following their arrest during the week-end clean-up made by police. Twenty of that number were fined by Judge Walter Pritchard, nine cases were continued indefinitely, two were dismissed and four were committed to jail.

Henry Nance, negro, proprietor of a "pressing parlor" in the rear of the dry beer saloon at 1442 North Senate avenue, arrested Saturday by Lieutenant Winkler and Sergeant Chitwood with eight other negroes on a charge of keeping a gambling house, was fined \$10 and costs and sentenced to fifteen days in jail. Four others were each fined \$5 and costs on gambling charges, two discharged, and two cases were continued indefinitely.

The police also arrested a crowd around a table, and Nance was sitting in a chair with a leather bag containing \$4 in money, in front of him. Just before the officers got into the room the lights went out. When the lights were again lighted, the officers found only nine men in the place, and the dice and money bag, were gone.

SERGEANT HULSE KILLED IN PLACE.

Nance was arrested several months ago on a charge of \$1000 in gambling house. It was in his place and at that time that Sergeant Wade Hulse was killed by one of the gamblers.

Other arrests made at his home, 728 Leach street, with twelve other men on charges of keeping a gambling house, pleaded guilty and was fined \$10 and costs and sentenced to ten days in jail. The other eleven were each fined \$10, excepting one man who was dismissed, and were each fined \$5 and costs on gambling charges.

The officers said they found a leather bag containing \$100 in money, by Sergeant Hulse, who was the keeper of the game and said he took 5 cents "at each throw."

John Hines, 313 Chesapeake street, negro, arrested in a barn with eight other negroes in the rear of 435 Indiana avenue, was fined \$10 and costs and sentenced to ten days in jail on a charge of keeping a gambling house.

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According to the police who arrested the negroes late Sunday night, a large table covered with canvas was found and around the table were several men, including Hines with the money bag in front of him. The money was all played out.

CHARGES AGAINST FOUR CONTINUED.

Gambling charges against Will Brown, 914 North Senate avenue, Joe Malloy, 124 North 14th street, Walter Wharton, 615 East Court street and Carl Johnson, 615 North California street, all negroes, were continued indefinitely, and they were held to return to court next week as a place to shoot rap.

The quartette was arrested by Sergeant Marren and squad at Liberty and Court streets and were, the police alleged, shooting craps with numerous other negroes, all of whom escaped but the four when the officers raided the game. A pair of dice and 51 cents was found on the ground.

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Plenty Room Now in Illinois River

PEORIA, Ill., Aug. 16.—Hair-raising panic prevails at all the bathing beaches for 100 miles along the Illinois River. Fourteen alligators have cancelled their engagements as attractions at the Peoria Park here by breaking their wire barriers and escaping into the river.

ASK USE OF NAVY DESTROYERS TO END SMUGGLING

Officers Find It Difficult to Stop Border Whisky Runners With Present Force.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Whisky and beer smugglers, attempting to enter the United States by land and sea, were matching wits with Federal and State guards on the Atlantic coast and the Canadian border today.

Raid, seizures and arrests marked the engagements in the border battle between bootleggers and United States authorities near Detroit, where the smugglers are trying to bring their contraband in from Canada. The prohibition enforcement forces took the offensive all along the line, throwing more troops into action along the river districts and running down the smugglers' boats.

Boats came puffing over from the Canadian border with their cargoes of 9 per cent beer.

Prohibition enforcement authorities, reeling at the hugeness of their task along the coast were reported to be considering a request for a loan of several destroyers from the Navy. It is possible, too, the Army may be asked to assist the border guards.

The Government has been warned that a veritable armada of schooners is sailing northward from the Bahamas Islands, bound for secret destinations along the middle Atlantic coast. Elaborate preparations are being made to round up the fleet.

QUIZ CAUSE OF WOMAN'S DEATH

Beauty Winner Believed a Suicide Following Attacks by Small Magazine.

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—A complete investigation into the death of Mrs. Mary De Brito, former wife of a distinguished Brazilian, and victim of several beauty contests, will be asked of Coroner Peter M. Hoffman and the police, Mrs. De Brito's father, Mr. De Brito, announced today. Mrs. De Brito, 34, was found dead in her room at the Hotel Weller, her home by turning on the gas.

It is believed Mrs. De Brito ended her life because threats made against her by the editor of a small magazine.

Several weeks ago Mrs. De Brito obtained a copy of the magazine while traveling on a train. She was so shocked by its contents that she wrote the Governor of North Dakota, where the magazine is published, expressing the opinion that the publication should be suppressed.

Mrs. De Brito's letter to the Governor was forwarded by his secretary. It is said, to the editor of the magazine.

Soon after her return to Chicago, it is declared, Mrs. De Brito received an unsolicited letter from the editor. Later a roughly dressed man called at the Weller home and made inquiries concerning Mrs. De Brito.

Mrs. Weller believes the letter and the man so frightened Mrs. De Brito, who was of a highly nervous temperament, that she took her own life.

TRACE SHOT TO BLACKMAILERS

Muncie Police Believe Parish's Death Outcome of Plot.

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.

MUNCIE, Ind., Aug. 16.—The belief that a gang of blackmailers had been working in the vicinity of Muncie for some time and that they were responsible for the death of Irvin O. Parish, Fort Wayne traveling salesman who was fatally wounded on a country road near Muncie Saturday night, was expressed by the police today. They assert they are now working on definite clues, but will make no arrest until after the coroner's verdict is announced, which probably will be tomorrow.

The officers said they had learned of several motorists who had been stopped on roads near Muncie recently by men who seem to have been making a practice of holding up clandestine lovers and demanding payment of them on threats of blackmail. The police are working on the theory that this was the purpose of the three masked men who had held up the Parish car, but it is thought the shooting was not premeditated and that no "hold-up" money which would assure Parish not hopped from the machine and given chase to the men.

Miss Lee Vaughn Cunningham, the pretty milliner who was with Parish at the time of the shooting, was out of the machine until after the shots were fired.

PROFIT SHARING LAW IN EFFECT

Vera Cruz Statute Gives Workers Half Profits.

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 16.—Many industrial plants throughout the State of Vera Cruz are threatened with shutdown because of the State profit sharing law, which goes into effect today. The law, if enforced, will compel the companies to give one-half of their profits to the workers.

A number of mineral and oil companies are affected. An agreed was made to the State Government to reduce the taxes, but it was rejected. The government informed the owners of mineral companies that Germany and Russia would soon be leasing silver mines which would assure higher prices for the metal and also a greater demand.

The teachers at Puebla went on strike against a reduction of wages and a stormy night meeting was held in protest to the Governor of the State of Puebla.

VETERANS' SONS MEET WITH DADS

Hold National Convention With the G. A. R.

It is announced officially through the Banner, the national organ of the Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., that the commandery-in-chief of the order will meet in Indianapolis the week of Sept. 23, at the time of the national convention of the G. A. R. The approach of the great meeting of the Sons of Veterans has given a tremendous stimulus to the membership campaign of Ben Harrison camp of the Sons of Veterans, a campaign which at last reports had obtained 338 applications for the camp.

Eligibles to the Sons of Veterans are showing a lively interest in the near approach of the national meeting and are enlisting for the purpose of assisting in making the gathering a success from the point of view of hospitality. New plans have been announced for an initiation to be held the evening of Aug. 21, on the parlor floor of the Denison Hotel.

The initiation ceremony will be between noon and that date, according to the revised schedule, but on that occasion it is expected a large number of applicants will be obligated. Plans also are making for a notable initiation ceremony of Ben Harrison camp the night of Sept. 20, at the time of the opening of the commandery-in-chief encampment.

Civil War Prospects Dying Out in Italy

ROME, Aug. 16.—The threat of civil war in Italy between the Fascist on one side and the Socialists and Communists on the other, is rapidly dying out, according to indications today.

During the last two weeks one man has been killed and five wounded in clashes between the hostile factions.

The government has brought to bear every possible agency to restore peace and to bring about an amicable agreement between the rival parties.

Are You Still Going Strong at 50? Full of Life and Energy—No?

Then Eat More Spinach and Carrots with Organic Iron to Help Give You Rich, Red Blood and Revitalize Your Wornout Exhausted Nerves

YOU CANNOT BE STRONG AND WELL WITHOUT PLENTY OF IRON IN YOUR BLOOD. Without iron your blood loses its power to change food into living tissue and therefore nothing you eat does you the proper amount of good—you do not get sufficient strength and energy out of it.

Thousands of people suffer from iron-starvation of the blood and are weak, nervous and ailing all the while WITHOUT SUSPECTING THE REAL CAUSE OF THEIR TROUBLE.

THERE ARE 30,000,000,000 RED BLOOD CORPUSCLES IN YOUR BLOOD AND EACH ONE MUST HAVE IRON.

If you are not willing to eat the peels of fruits and vegetables and the husks of grain so as to get sufficient quantity of organic iron for your blood, as nature intended, you must take iron in some other way. The highway department holds the company paid for the use of the trucks in repair. He said most of them were torn-down parts missing when they were replaced. He said one truck had a broken crank shaft and this was replaced. According to Mr. Purdy the trucks were in actual use only about two weeks.

Attorney General U. S. Lesh has before him for consideration the claim of the State highway commission against the Nordyke & Marmon Company for \$5,630 for the use of ten State trucks by the company during the switchmen's strike last year. The highway department holds the trucks were loaned to the automobile company, which was to pay \$10 a day for their use.

In commenting on the claim of the State, H. L. Purdy, treasurer of the Nordyke & Marmon Company, declared the company paid for the use of the trucks in repair. He said most of them were torn-down parts missing when they were replaced. He said one truck had a broken crank shaft and this was replaced. According to Mr. Purdy the trucks were in actual use only about two weeks.

CONSIDER "GOOD ROADS" BILL.

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