

## ASK WOMEN TO BE ACTIVE IN CITY AFFAIRS

Officials Address Local Council at Annual Luncheon.

"Cooperation of the Local Council of Women with the Government of Indianapolis" was the general topic for a group of talks made by city officials at the annual luncheon of the Local Council of Women held yesterday in the Riley room of the Claypool hotel. The speakers included Russell Wilson, president of the city council; Mrs. Julia Belle Tutewiler, of the board of school commissioners; Felix T. McWhirter, of the board of public safety; James H. Lowry of the park board, and Mark Miller of the board of public works.

"Women should remember," said Mr. Wilson in his talk, "that politics is the science of government. Men have been political for years, then remember it a short time before each election and during the rest of the year forget about it. Your place is playing politics all during the four years of municipal government. We made up a budget during this past summer for next winter's expenditures and advertised it around as being an exhibition for inspection by the people, and also announced a public hearing. I think a total of three people inspected the budget and a half dozen or more with the exception of the council itself, attended the hearing. Three of those were reporters and one the janitor.

**INTEREST.**

"That is a sample of the interest that the people take in helping the city officials. You women should appoint a budget committee to investigate these things. You can find time to do this when taken up by the women's cooperation with the city officials. Committees on various lines sent to the council would be of valuable aid."

Mrs. Tutewiler urged the women of the local council to get together and help push the better public school facilities, to lend their united efforts toward helping the school board in their tremendous task of bettering the conditions of the buildings and the various other phases of education.

"During the war we were told to wait," she said, "for betterment of conditions, and now that the war is over we are told to wait, but childhood is short, childhood can not wait and we must educate our children; they can not wait. We have been building but ordinary city buildings and we are called extravagant. School No. 22 was cited as a horrible example of extravagant frills, the 'frills' being an auditorium, a principle's office, indoor toilets and a teacher's rest room."

**McWHIRTER SPEAKS FOR THE HOME.**

Mr. McWhirter laid particular stress on the building up of the home in Indianapolis, it being the most enduring way of building up a city. His opinion was asked that women work with the board of safety, stating that their work lies particularly in bringing to the mothers the responsibility that lies with them in regard to their boys and girls.

Mr. Miller also laid peculiar stress on the influence of the home, saying that "the government of the city was decided largely by decisions made in homes." He asked that the women lend their aid to projects of the board of safety, such as the straightening of the streets, restricting heights of buildings, zoning and keeping residence sections as such.

Mr. Lowry said that the Council of Women had been cooperating with the park board and he hoped that it would continue aiding in every way possible. He also added that he considered the closest cooperation with all other boards as a big factor for betterment of municipal conditions.

The work has been completed with the Governor to landscape the statehouse grounds and make a beauty spot out of the heretofore neglected lawn. He also told of the landscape gardening that has been done in twenty schoolyard's. He asked that the women circulate the information that any one in the city may have their lawns plowed out, free of charge by men calling the park board.

**REFERS TO CIVIC PRIDE.**

"If citizens will only take advantage of their opportunities," he said, "they can help but have a beautiful city. There is no more civic pride anywhere than in Indianapolis. Our city never has taken up anything really essential that it has failed to carry out, and to accomplish great things in any other place must be greater between just such bodies as this and the public service boards."

Mrs. Allen T. Fleming, president of the council, presided, introducing the speakers together with the new officers and the board of directors. A program of community singing was directed by Mrs. James Mong.

## CHILD IN CHURCH SUBJECT OF TALK

Sunday School Association Closes Convention.

Jesse E. Hanft of Indianapolis, was elected president of the Marion County Sunday School Association at the closing session of the forty-second annual convention in the First Baptist Church, last night. Mr. Hanft formerly was vice president of the association. James H. Lowry was chosen vice president, J. E. Stitz, treasurer and Mrs. E. A. McKee general secretary.

The address for the evening was made by Miss Nannie Lee Frazer, children's division superintendent of the State of Kentucky, whose topic was "The Child Challenge to the Church." She urged the parents in the church to build their character in such a way that they might stand as a fine example to their children, as children are naturally imitators, and the bad example of parents are often painfully reflected in their children. She also stressed the point that the church should pay particular heed to the young people, the Sunday school aged children, as the early years of a person's life are the impressionable years.

Sectional conferences also were conducted last evening. Mr. Hanft presided at the general meeting.

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### HOLDS OUT HOPE FOR SIMPLIFIED, DIRECT TAX LAW

#### Penrose to Work for Such Measure After Emergency Legislation.

Special to Indiana Daily Times and Philadelphia Public Ledger.

By ROBERT BARRY.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Senator Penrose holds out to the country a hope that simplification of direct taxation would be undertaken by him immediately after the pending revision bill has become a law and the tariff bill is disposed of.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a charming gown of white taffeta with white lace overskirt and seed pearl trimmings. Her white panne velour picture hat was trimmed in tulie, which fell in long curtains that were fastened to her shower bouquet of bride's roses and violet lilles.

Following the ceremony Dr. and Mrs. White left for a wedding trip and will be home after Oct. 15 at 4:20 P.M. The bride traveled in a suit of navy blue tricotine embroidered in black silk with small black turban hat and white gloves.

Mrs. White, after graduating from Shorridge High School, took up the study of music and is an accomplished pianist, having studied under Mrs. Frank Creger, and is a member of the Matinee Musical, Dr. White is a graduate of the Indiana Dental College and a member of the Psi Phi Fraternity.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. McCammon of the Worthington apartments, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Walter Mendell, will move to Columbus, Ohio, tomorrow to spend a few days.

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Members of chautauqua reading circles of the city will be special guests at the meeting of the Seventh District Federation of Woman's Clubs, Friday morning to be held in the Odd Fellow building.

Reports of the work done in Chautauqua, N. Y., during the summer will be read by Indianapolis women. Mrs. E. C. Rutherford, State federation president, will call the meeting.

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time when promptness of action is the slogan. The President believes Congress could best expedite the business before the remaining in session by agreement of the two houses on an initiative of armament and by passing a minimum of delay in the tax tariff, canal tolls, repeal, railroad financing and war debt funding bills ratification of the peace treaties.

It is proposed to have the Senate meet every day at 11 o'clock, instead of at noon, and to eliminate the "morning hour" by which new business, petitions, memorials and other routine matters are introduced and discussed for two hours. Whenever there are any signs of a filibuster against any legislation the Administration forces will order night sessions and will keep enough Republicans on hand to maintain a quorum.

Sen. Penrose proposed for a simplification of taxation came during a discussion with newspaper men of his views on the Smart manufacturers' tax which is gaining favor.

Penrose insisted he still has an open mind on that proposal. He declared people should not be misled into believing that changes in excise taxes was anything more than a "shuffling of the cards."

If the transportation tax is repealed some other tax must be imposed to make up for the loss in revenue.

It is important to remember," the Senator added, "that this pending bill is to meet an emergency and must be passed speedily. We can hardly avoid following methods with which people are accustomed. It must not be forgotten that for another taxable year or as soon as possible, further revenue revision ought to be considered and enacted. In the meanwhile the effort is being made to reduce taxes in taxes like the excess profit taxes which are admittedly injurious to business.

There is a possibility Senator Penrose will address the Senate in explanation of the things he has in mind, for the present he is to throw his influence behind the administration program for full speed ahead on the pending legislation.

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"Just as soon as this bill becomes a law we will submit for the consideration of the two houses on taxation in and out of Congress, numerous suggestions that may be fruitful. In the meantime we have to get the country out of the depths into which it has been plunged,"—Copyright, 1921, by Public Ledger Company.

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