

CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS STICK TO JOBS UNDER FIRE

FOUR DIE IN CHAIR FOLLOWING DRAMATIC STORY

Confession of Brother Fails to Save Pals' Lives at Last Moment.

By United Press
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 2.—F. G. Bullen, murderer, was taken from his coffin and electrocuted at the State penitentiary here today after physicians found the first electrical charge had failed to kill him.

Physicians making an examination found he was still alive. Bullen was taken from the coffin and again placed in the electric chair. He was pronounced dead three minutes later.

Murdered Recluse
Bullen and Ban and Duncan Richardson, brothers, were convicted of murdering Ira H. Culp, an aged recluse, whose body was burned in his home after the killing. The fourth man electrocuted today was Will De-bord, convicted of the hatchet murder of H. N. Slesby and wife.

Duncan Richardson made a dramatic attempt to save his brother and Bullen, his pal, from execution. He called prison officials to his death cell late yesterday and related a graphic story of the murder, taking full responsibility and absolving the other two.

Governor McRae, however, refused to intervene when court records showed the story differed from evidence produced at the trial.

NEW DEFINITELY SLATED FOR POST

By JOHN CARSON,
Times Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Definite information was had today that Postmaster General Work will become Secretary of the Interior, to succeed Secretary Fall.

This is the first step in the changes forecast some time ago by which Senator Harry S. New of Indiana would become Postmaster General.

Although it is still the understanding that New will be appointed, it was impossible to obtain any confirmation of the story as it was related to him.

New refused to discuss the story at all, even after he was informed of the assured appointment of Work as Secretary of the Interior.

WOULD ABOLISH COURT REPORTER

Abolition of the office of reporter of the Supreme Court, and transfer its duties to the clerk of the Supreme Court was asked today in the Senate in a bill introduced by Will Penrod of Logansport.

Senator Adams of Rockville introduced a measure providing for assistant county highway superintendents to every 100 miles of county roads for supervision and maintenance of highways.

A bill Senator Hays would remove the requirements whereby school officials are required to submit plans and specifications of new school houses to the State board of health for approval.

Local voice in school affairs is proposed in a bill introduced by Senator Leonard, which provides that elections may be held by voters of the school unit to decide the question of building schoolhouses.

EFFORT TO AMEND CONSTITUTION FAILS

An effort to amend the constitution so that a majority of voters who vote on a constitutional amendment might adopt it, rather than the majority of all the voters of the State, failed in the Senate today, after a bitter debate. The vote was 23 to 16. Senator English introduced a joint resolution which provided for the change.

Sensors Clem Richards of Terre Haute and Henley of Bloomington attacked the measure as a "rule of the minority" and said the passage of the amendment would mean frequent changes in Indiana's basic law. Senators English, Cann, Nejdil and Daily led the fight for adoption.

COUNTY OWES MILLIONS

Marion county is in debt \$2,829,594 for construction of gravel roads according to a report issued today by Leo K. Fessler, county auditor. Center township has issued the largest total of bonds, valued at \$1,019,290.98. Washington township is second with \$737,964.54. Pike township has the smallest bonded road debt, amounting to \$33,308.60.

Addresses Club
Commander Evans, formerly of the British navy, addressed the Exchange Club at the Hotel Lincoln today. Plans are being made for the dinner and theater party Feb. 16.

New Department Planned
A new grocery department will be opened by Daniels, Inc., at Washington and Delaware Sts., it was announced today.

Friends Declare Emhardt, Gadd and Dr. Haslep Will Fight Chamber of Commerce Committee Recommendation That Board Be Reorganized.

School Board Charges

Principal charges in the Chamber of Commerce sub-committee report against Dr. Marie Haslep, Adolph Emhardt and Bert S. Gadd, school commissioners, were that they allowed politics to enter into school affairs. They entered into a coal contract that cost the taxpayers \$40,000.

Three members of the board of school commissioners, whose resignations were recommended by a sub-committee of the educational committee of the Chamber of Commerce Thursday, will stand by their guns, it was believed Friday. The three, Adolph Emhardt, Dr. Marie Haslep and Bert S. Gadd, today declined to make a public statement until they had read the report. However, persons close to them said they would fight the matter out and would not resign.

Their friends charged that an attempt was made to "railroad" the report through the Chamber of Commerce board of directors, education and civic affairs committees Thursday. That attempt was blocked, they asserted when two members of the education committee insisted that no action be taken until the committee had given full consideration to the report.

Action Too Quick

A meeting of the education committee will be held next week, it was announced. One member of the committee, who declined to allow his name to be used, said today that in his opinion the report never should have been made public until it had been acted upon by the education committee and the board of directors. The report recommended that after the three members resigned, Fred Bates Johnson and Charles R. Yoke be appointed to take their places, together with another member to be selected by the new board. Johnson and Yoke were elected to the board at the last city election for four-year terms beginning Jan. 1, 1924. W. D. Allison and Charles L. Barry, other members of the board, would remain, according to the recommendations. Specific charges against the three members were:

Relatives Named

That Emhardt had his brother Julius appointed as clerk in the buildings and grounds department at a salary of \$2,400 a year. That Dr. Haslep obtained an appointment for her sister, Mrs. M. E. Hilton. That Emhardt, Gadd and Dr. Haslep entered into a coal contract which has caused a loss of at least \$40,000. This was the contract with the Sligmon Coal Company, which has been a subject of controversy for several months.

That factional control has been established by the three members. That they awarded a contract for portable buildings to the highest bidder, voted \$6 allow \$50 extra for building for bracing and refused to enforce a penalty of \$275 against the contractor for failure to complete the buildings on time.

"Factionalism" Charged

That they refused to grant a delay of ten days asked by representatives of the citizens' school committee before approving a building program. This committee supported Emhardt and Dr. Haslep during the election campaign.

That formulation of policies have been made impossible through factionalism and personal animosities. That they proposed a resolution which would have affected the salary of the teachers' retirement fund.

That appointments were made in many instances on a political basis. The sub-committee was composed of Fred A. Sims, Philip Zoercher and G. A. Miller.

Zoercher is a member of the State tax board, which refused to approve a bond issued for the erection of four school buildings in 1921. Since then school building operations have been at a standstill. Sims appeared as attorney for ten members of the Taxpayers' League of

Indiana, who protested against the bond issue, at hearings before the tax board.

The report held that Barry, president of the school board during 1921, must assume responsibility for certain appointments. He is commended, however, for "the continuous fight he has made for policies and principles the community voted for." Commissioner Allison "acted with every indication of doing what his best judgment dictated," the report said.

Several days ago the school board adopted a resolution asking all civic bodies to make suggestions on the building program. The report praised this action, but added:

"This does not excuse the apparent betrayal of confidence all through 1922."

Many recommendations were made for the general welfare of the school system.

MINERS RE-ELECT NATIONAL HEADS

The three international officers of the United Mine Workers were re-elected without opposition in recent balloting, it was announced today at headquarters here when tellers counted the vote.

John L. Lewis received 193,824 votes for president; Philip Murray 187,659 for vice president; and William Green 189,697 for secretary-treasurer. The auditing and credentials committee was re-elected. Out of thirteen seeking to become tellers, Thomas Paskeil, William Young and Thomas Holliday were re-elected.

For delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor, eight candidates were elected: John L. Lewis, Philip Murray, William Green, Frank Farrington, Thomas Kennedy, Fred Mooney, John Moore and Lee Hall. Alternates are Walter Nesbit, John Hessler, John Brophy, G. W. Savage, C. J. Golden, Harry Flehwick, William Mich and William Roy. There were fifty-nine candidates.

This was the first election in several years where the three international officers were unopposed.

HUNT FOR BANDIT LEADS TO SUBURB

Following reports that two bandits who Tuesday night held up and robbed an interurban car on the Martinsville division of the T. H. I. & E. Traction Company at Maywood, were seen in West Newton, Sheriff George Snider went to the town early today.

Two suspects arrested by the police and Snider Thursday were released after three passengers who were robbed failed to identify them. Dr. C. E. Conner, Mooreville, and O. O. Aldridge and Miss Lillian Smith, Indianapolis, said the men did not appear to be the bandits. The arrest of Albert Magenheimer, one of the two released, was made on information got at Waverly, Ind., police said, that he had displayed large sums of money and jokingly remarked he had been in a hold-up.

Magenheimer stoutly disclaimed all guilty knowledge of the affair. He said he was supported on the income from an estate left him by his father, who was killed in an interurban accident near Ft. Harrison two years ago. It was conceded by authorities that the trail left by the bandits, who released passengers of some \$1,000 in money and valuables, was cold.

NEW LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE ASKED

Month's Intermission to Study Bills Recommended.

Radical changes in the time and procedure of the Legislature will be asked in a joint resolution now ready for introduction in the Senate. The resolution, written by Senator Beardsley, will be introduced by William E. English of Indianapolis.

The resolution, which provides a constitutional amendment, specifies that the General Assembly shall meet thirty days to introduce bills, adjourn thirty days to consider them and ascertain public opinion, and then shall reconvene for thirty days to pass bills.

California and West Virginia already have such a plan, and find it makes legislation more responsive to public opinion, sponsors of the amendment say.

SENATORS HIT AT TEACHERS' FUND

Another educational fight was expected to be brought about as the result of introduction in the Senate today of a bill to repeal the teachers' pension law. The bill was introduced jointly by Senators King, Hartzell, Holmes and Harmon.

The measure provides money paid into the pension fund by teachers shall be returned and if there is a deficit it shall be taken care of by a tax levy. It provides teachers now drawing pensions may continue the money to be obtained by a tax levy.

The pension board would be abolished and in its place would be appointed a teachers' refund secretary, who would receive a salary of \$3,000 a year.

GEN. HARRY SMITH ADJUTANTS' LEADER

Adjutant General Harry B. Smith of Indiana today was elected president of the Adjutant Generals Association, in convention at the Claypool Hotel. General F. D. Barry of Pennsylvania was named vice president and General C. E. Black of Illinois, secretary-treasurer. Closer cooperation between the association, "father" of the National Guard movement, and the National Guard Association, was discussed.

On invitation of Major J. E. Moorhead, official in the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company, the National Guard Association decided to hold the next annual convention in Denver, Colo.

EDITOR WILL BE BURIED SATURDAY

Funeral services for Ernest Bros, managing editor of the Indianapolis Star, who died Wednesday, will be held at the Second Presbyterian Church, Pennsylvania and Vermont Sts., Saturday at 2 p. m. The Rev. Matthew F. Smith, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Bros was a member, will deliver the sermon. Ex-Senator Albert J. Beveridge, one of Mr. Bros' most devoted friends, will speak. Burial will be at Crown Hill cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers will be Hilton U. Brown, Frank R. Peters, Carroll Shaffer, C. A. Sogner, Charles E. Coffin, B. F. Lawrence, W. H. Coleman, Charles Wood, Harvey Bates, William B. Cooley, Charles N. Williams and John N. Carey. Active pallbearers will be E. C. McIlvain, O. E. Moss, Robert G. Tucker, Merle S. Denner, Dave Eaglesfield and Irving Williams.

OHIO VALLEY FLOODED

By United Press
EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 2.—Flood of large proportions was sweeping down the lower Ohio valley today, following a week of heavy rainfall.

A stage of forty feet Sunday at Evansville was forecast by the weather station here. The river will continue rising beyond that stage. Meteorologist Brand predicted today. Farmers were fleeing to high ground.

EVANSVILLE LABOR FAVORS PEACE PARLEY

By United Press
EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 2.—Resolutions asking President Harding to immediately call a conference of world diplomats in an effort to settle European troubles will be sent by the Evansville Central Labor Union, Roscoe Baker, president, said today.

GARY OFFICIALS FILE DEMURRERS

Indicted Men Face Judge Anderson.

All Lake County officials under indictment in Federal Court under charges of conspiracy to violate Federal prohibition laws, filed demurrers when arraigned before Judge Albert B. Anderson today. Roswell O. Johnson, mayor of Gary; Lewis E. Branes, chairman of the board of public works and former sheriff; Dwight M. Kinder, prosecutor; Clyde Hunter, former prosecutor; William M. Dunn, city judge, and William H. Olds, sheriff, were among those to file demurrers.

Of the seventy-five defendants, sixty-seven were present. Thirty-three entered pleas of not guilty, thirty-three filed demurrers, eight were not arrested or are serving terms in jail and prisons, and one, Mike Drakulich, entered a plea of guilty.

Attorneys for the defense centered their attacks on the fifth count of the indictment.

This count charged conspiracy to defraud the United States Government. James M. Noel and Moses B. Lairy argued that the specific allegations of the count showed a conspiracy to violate the laws of the United States, but not to defraud it. Judge Anderson probably will rule on the demurrers today.

In case he overrules the demurrers pleas of not guilty will be entered by defendants affected. It was rumored a change of venue from Judge Anderson to another judge will be asked by some defendants.

BORAH PRESSES ACTION ON PARLEY

Will Seek to Bring Measure Up Early Next Week.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Senator Borah will press for action on his resolution calling for a universal economic and a disarmament conference in the Senate early next week, it was learned today.

This would bring discussion of the resolution to the floor to the time the Army appropriation bill is being considered.

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