

INDIANA LEADERS IN CONGRESS ARE ACTIVE WORKERS

Senator Watson Shies at Job
Bag Which He Will Hold
After March 4.

NEW HEADED FOR CABINET

Lame Ducks Cast About for
Possible Means of Support
From Administration.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—Senator "Jim" Watson isn't crazy about the job he will hold after March 4.

If you were to accept all the traditions of the practical politician, you would not believe this statement. Political habit has dictated that politicians should curse the civil service system. The politicians themselves insist that which deprives them of handling our jobs is all wrong.

But Senator "Jim" Watson knows a thing or two about politics. He knows that every job is a liability instead of an asset, that it is impossible to appoint a postmaster without making ten enemies. He doesn't want the job-giving opportunity. Nevertheless, he will have to have it in all those districts represented by Democrats after March 4. So "Jim" has told every defeated Republican Congressman to take all the appointments in his district and to get rid of them.

Just what the Indiana lame ducks are going to do after March 4 is a question up for discussion here. Senator New, of course, is expected to turn up as Postmaster General. Representative Bland would like an appointment to the Court of Customs Appeals, but he will not get it. Luhning has not decided whether he will return to Evansville or not. The guess is that he will not. Representative Dunbar, not a real lame duck, has planned to go with the Citizens Gas Company at Indianapolis. Representative Benham probably will go back home. Representative Kraus has indicated he will return to business in his home city.

Representative "Dick" Elliott of the Sixth district will not quarrel with the Indiana Legislature if it respects the absent voter law.

"I am against it unless they amend it," said Dick. "I'm against it because I think it gives too much opportunity to the corrupt politician.

"If we go on under this law, the day will come when no one will go to the polls.

"It works out that the best organization wins invariably. I don't think the Democrats got any the best of it in my district last time."

Regardless of all the criticism which has been handed to him, the newspaper fraternity of Washington will miss Senator Harry S. New if he does not remain in Washington. New is popular with the newspapermen because he is not charged with being a gunsmith artist. Washington is loaded with the gunsmith officials who are willing to suggest information for the public but who insist at the same time that they must not be quoted. New is not of that class. He makes a statement and stands for it. When he talks about things, he is ready to have his name attached. The newspaper men admire his courage on that score.

Representative Sanders of Terre Haute is in place to develop considerable power and prestige during the next session of Congress. Sanders has made an effort to grasp the tricks of parliamentary practice. His learning will help him much.

The next house will be very close, politically, and it will be any party's fight. Nick Longworth probably will be floor leader, and although he is well regarded, no one suggests he is another "Jim" Mann. Longworth knows he will need assistance from the younger men, and he will have to depend on men with the training Sanders has bought and obtained.

AFTER ALL THIS HENRY MAY NOT LIKE PARTIES

Three Arrested After (Happy) Birth-
day Celebration.

Henry Madison, 37, colored, 1555 Columbia Ave., was in the detention ward at the city hospital today as the result of a free-for-all at his birthday party Friday night, police said.

The most impressive gift that Madison received was a heavy iron clock that was delivered to him on the forehead, resulting in a scalp wound three inches long. Madison was charged with vagrancy.

Nora Parker, colored, living at the same address, told police that two women and a man, all colored, during a free-for-all fight, during which dishes were hurled. The police found a razor and a knife with blades open on the front porch. They arrested Nora Parker. They said they found six half pints of white mule whisky in the house.

Later Irwin Clark, colored, 2149 Kenwood Ave., was arrested on the charge of assault and battery with intent to kill. Police said she said she hit Madison with a chunk of coal and that some other person hurled the clock.

Young Woman Injured
Miss Ethel Woodall, 25, of 652 N. Jefferson Ave., was taken to the city hospital today, suffering with a lacerated head and bruises about the shoulders, after being struck by an automobile driven by Mike Dimeff, 26, 542 W. Washington St. Witnesses said Miss Woodall walked directly in front of the machine at Washington and Meridian Sts., according to police. Dimeff was not

Passenger Dirigible Line Is Planned to Operate Between New York and Chicago

Line Will Be in Operation in
Spring of 1924.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—An official announcement is soon to be made that a group of American millionaires and industrial leaders have completed plans to put into operation a line of passenger airships of the Schuette-Lanz type between New York and Chicago by the spring of 1924.

Dr. Johann Schuette, president of the Schuette-Lanz Works of Berlin, who is here attending conferences in New York, Washington and Chicago, confirmed this statement in an exclusive interview with NEA Service. He said:

"It is all settled. One year from now an air service between New York and Chicago will be in operation. Some of the biggest people in America are behind us."

"The first ship will carry fifty passengers. Construction of it will start when we close pending deals for factories."

"Other ships will carry 100. The fare from New York to Chicago will be the same as by railroad—about \$50.

Leave After Theatres

"Flying time will be eight to nine hours. One ship will leave New York at 11:30 at night, after the theater. Another starts from Chicago at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Meals will be served; baths will be available.

"Next the line will be extended to St. Louis. Then to San Francisco. Next, a line connecting Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle. We will fly from New York to the Pacific coast in a day."

PLOT TO DEPORT CLARA REVEALED

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ward was offered for her apprehension.

Fitzgerald today told of confronting the woman in a Jauarez dive, where she admitted her identity.

"I helped Virgil Brown and the other detectives in their efforts to locate her in the Jauarez underworld," he said.

"I was only a few feet away when Brown and Clara met for the first time in Jauarez on the Calle Comerciale. The woman was daintily dressed when Brown came unexpectedly upon her. She wore a light brown coat and in her left-hand pocket clutched what appeared to be a small automatic pistol.

"Hello, Brown," she said. "What in hell are you doing here? Are you following me?"

"No, I'm not an officer any more; I'm just bumming around," said Brown. "I'm glad to see you, Clara. I wouldn't harm you for anything in the world."

The woman jerked his coat open and felt under its lapels for a shield.

Asks About Peggy

"She asked what he had heard from Peggy Caffee. He told her he hadn't heard anything at all from Los Angeles since he left there early in December."

"When Clara went up the street we followed her, attempting to find out where she was staying. In a barroom dance hall called the California on Calle, Diablos attempted to interview her."

"I went over to where she sat and asked if I might buy her a drink."

"You're another of those damn dicks," she said. "You get away from here or you are going to get killed."

"Two men who were afterward identified as the 'Scurvy Kid,' who helped her escape, and Jack Miller, a cousin of hers by marriage, ranged up alongside the table."

"Then you admit you're Clara Phillips," I said.

"You're dead right, I'm Clara Phillips," she said. "And there aren't enough bulls in Mexico and the United States to take me out. That's how I stand."

Fitzgerald said he thereupon backed out of the place.

That afternoon an attempt to arrest her was made, but her friends in the underworld were "tipped off" and the effort came to nothing. Later she was put under surveillance by persons who desired to "trade" her to the United States authorities for the reward or for Mexican prisoners, and finally she slipped away to Chiapas.

MURDERESS FOLLOWED

BY MEXICAN DETECTIVE
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EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 3.—Clara Phillips, the hammer murderer, who escaped from Los Angeles County jail, has been followed to Chihuahua, Mexico, by an agent of the Mexican National Confidence Service. Today this operative, who had Clara under surveillance in Juarez, is close on her trail. He is also in touch with Mexican government officials, who stand ready to deport Mrs. Phillips on a charge of entering the country in violation of immigration laws.

This Mexican secret service agent identified the fugitive when she was in Juarez. Others who identified her are Detectives Joseph Kanius and Phillip Ellis of the El Paso police force; Virgil Brown, former Los Angeles County officer, and John Fitzgerald of the El Paso Post.

Car Raids Traffic Tower

Harry Tavelis, 1811 College Ave., drove his automobile into the traffic tower at Mississipp and Washington Sts. In the auto with were Mr. and Mrs. Orval Smith and baby, 221 W. Vermont St. Mrs. Smith suffered a slight cut over the eye. The car was badly damaged.

To Discuss Smoke

A discussion of the smoke problem in Indianapolis will be held at the meeting of the Science Club at the Chamber of Commerce Monday noon.



DR. JOHANN SCHUETTE (CENTER) AND TWO AMERICAN MILLIONAIRES BACKING HIS NEW YORK-CHICAGO AIRLINE, R. B. MELLON (LEFT) AND MARSHALL FIELD (RIGHT).

SHANK ATTACK ON SANITARY BOARD FACES COLLAPSE

House Committee Favors
Postponement After Bitter
Repartee.

Mayor Shank's coveted abolition of the city sanitary commission faced defeat today. The House Committee on Indianapolis, after a public hearing on the bill to accomplish Shank's purpose, decided on a divided report, the majority favoring indefinite postponement.

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