

PEOPLE SUPPORT BALDWIN IN STAND ON RUHR QUESTION

AUDITOR TERMS EFFORT FOR SUIT POLITICAL MOVE

Labor Leader One of Two Who Petition for Recovery of \$72,243.

Demand that county commissioners sue Leo K. Feiler, county auditor, on his bond, to recover \$72,243 alleged to have been illegally paid from county funds was filed by Charles W. Kern, president of the Central Labor Union, before the election Monday night, Kern said today.

Alleged discrepancies were discovered, Kern said, "while investigating sums paid the Pittsburgh-Des Moines Company," and the petition for suit followed.

The petition, also signed by Charles W. Roberts, demands that "suit be instituted against Leo K. Feiler, his bondsmen and concerns named to recover sums paid out of the county treasury contrary to the provisions of the county council act."

The auditor paid for work done at Julietta from the wrong fund, it is admitted by all concerned.

Feiler Says Politically

"It is a technicality," said Feiler. "The county is out no money. It has had the work done, and value received. I believe this move is merely an attempt by the county council to get me in hot water, and that politics is behind it. All warrants issued were on order by the county commissioners."

He then cited a State law providing exemption for auditors who made mistakes in paying money "in good faith."

The statute under which the petition is filed makes it mandatory on commissioners, on petition of a citizen, to bring the suit if money is believed to have been illegally disbursed. If not done in thirty days the petitioner can bring suit in the county's name.

Cassius L. Hogle, president of the council, with whom Feiler is at war, denied the council inspired the action.

It was not necessary for him to make those appropriations from the Julietta fund, said Hogle. "We would have authorized them. The council is not going to permit laxity in care of county affairs. He has followed the same practice for seven years. Feiler violates the law by using money from an appropriation made for another purpose."

The trouble in a nutshell is this: One hundred and fifty thousand dollars was appropriated last year by the county council to build additions to Julietta, county hospital for insane.

The contracts were let. Then "emergency" work had to be done first, overhauling the heating system, etc. Feiler paid for the emergency work out of the Julietta bond fund, instead of the general county fund, creating a deficit in the Julietta fund.

Non-Union Labor Used

The contractors for whom the money was appropriated demanded pay, and secured a mandate from Superior Judge T. J. Moll to that effect.

Judge Moll ordered Feiler to draw a warrant to himself from the general fund and put it in the Julietta fund, which was done.

The county council is deadlocked with the auditor because councilmen, of opposing Republican faction, felt Feiler had exceeded his power.

"He had twenty-one days in which to call a council meeting to provide an appropriation for the emergency work," said one councilman. "Then all could have been done legally."

The Central Labor Union became interested when a contract for part of the Julietta work was given the Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel and Construction Company, which used non-union labor.

RITES FOR MRS. J. W. FLANDERS WEDNESDAY

Burial of Widow of Former Dupont Physician at Old Home.

Last rites for Mrs. Florence Flanders, 67, who died Monday at the Methodist hospital, following an illness of a month, will be held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at her residence, 2234 Ashland Ave. The body will later be taken to Dupont, Ind., where burial will take place at 1 p. m. Thursday.

Mrs. Flanders was widow of Dr. Jerome W. Flanders of Dupont, Ind. She had lived in Indianapolis seventeen years. She was a member of the Dupont Baptist Church and of the Eastern Star of that city.

Surviving her are two daughters, Mrs. Grace Flood and Miss Dolly Flanders, of Indianapolis.

Harding Honor Badges Received

Ribbons presented by the late President Harding have been received at Boy Scout headquarters and will be distributed to twenty-one Boy Scout troops of the Indianapolis council for a 25 per cent increase in membership.

The ribbons bear the name of the late President, who was Honorary Scout President.

Directory Publisher to Talk.

Rupert L. Burdick of the Associated Business Directory Publishers of New York City will talk to the members of the Advertising Club of Indianapolis at their weekly luncheon Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce on "Merchandising and Media."

Short Day Inaugurated

By United Press

LORAIN, Ohio, Aug. 14.—The National Tube Company announced today it will inaugurate the eight-hour day in its mills Aug. 16. It will be necessary to employ 700 additional men.

Gloria Swanson Improves

By United Press

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Gloria Swanson, film star under treatment in a private hospital, was reported to be "improving" today.

Former Phone Man Named Commissioner



FRANK WAMPLER. Governor McCray today announced appointment of Frank Wampler, former vice president and general manager of the Indiana Bell Telephone Company, to succeed Glenn Van Auker as a public service commissioner Sept. 1.

AUTO RUNS INTO CONCRETE MIXER

Man in Motor Car-Interurban Crash Seriously Hurt.

Dennetta Calhoun, 1854 Peck St., suffered cuts on her right hand from a broken windshield when the car she was driving struck a concrete mixer attached to a truck driven by Clark Kelly, 213 E. Tenth St., at Ft. Wayne Ave. and New Jersey St., today. Both automobile and concrete mixer were damaged.

F. M. Gross, Kathlamet Apts., Morris and Meridian Sts., was still in a serious condition today at St. Francis hospital, where he was taken Sunday afternoon after the car in which he was riding was struck by an Indianapolis and Shelbyville Interurban car at the Acton (Ind.) crossing. His wife also was seriously injured and was taken to the home of her mother, Mrs. Sofia Gerhardt, 240 S. Walcott St. It is believed both will recover. Another passenger in the automobile, whose name was not learned, jumped to safety.

According to friends of the Grosses, the occupants of the car were unable to see the approaching Interurban. Mr. Gross is a salesman at the Oakley garage in Meridian St.

Friends Miss Little

Girl Killed in Street

Playmates missed Irene Barton, 5, the daughter of E. W. Barton of Beech Grove, today.

Monday evening Irene was playing in the sand in a street near her home. She started to run across the street. An automobile driven by W. R. Hankins, 706 N. Bancroft St., struck her. She died in St. Francis hospital a short time later.

IRENE BARTON

LUTENS ASK INJUNCTION

Dismissed Protest Appealed to Superior Court.

Erection of a \$150,000 Jewish temple at Thirty-Fourth and Ruckle Sts. is opposed by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Lutens, 3367 Ruckle St., whose property adjoins the church site. The Lutens have appealed to Superior Court from dismissal of a protest by the board of zoning appeals.

A temporary injunction to halt work until the appeal is heard is asked. Violation of the city zoning ordinance is charged. The district involved is reserved for the erection of exclusive dwellings, it is claimed.

The Beth El Congregation is building the temple.

United Mechanics to Meet

Members of the State Council of the Junior Order of United Mechanics and the Daughters of America will hold their State meeting at the Denison, Aug. 23 and 24, it was announced today. Indianapolis members will entertain visiting delegates. A. E. Rettig of Indianapolis is chairman.

An acre of tobacco plants yields about 700 tons of tobacco.

Steam vessels are usually six times as long as they are wide.

Asparagus is believed to be the oldest known plant used for food.

A normal man's heart beats 92,160 times a day.

There are 2,174 different characters in the works of Dickens.

The first typewriter was made in 1867.

There are about 556,000 seeds in a bushel of wheat.

It would take 5,000 bees to weigh a pound.

MARTIAL LAW IS PUT INTO EFFECT AT TULSA, OKLA.

Governor Walton Declares Floggings in State Must End at Once.

By United Press

TULSA, Okla., Aug. 14.—Tulsa, oil capital of the Southwest, was placed under martial law at 6 a. m. today.

Two companies of crack National Guards took over the enforcement of military law under orders of Governor J. C. Walton, who suspended the operation of civil procedure due to failure of local authorities to prosecute masked bands, who whipped many victims.

Three hundred militiamen from Oklahoma City, Muskogee, Okmulgee and Tulsa, armed with automatic rifles, set up camp within the city limits. Guards patrolled the streets. All civilians were ordered indoors between 11 p. m. and 6 a. m.

The insurrection against civil law, declared by the Governor to exist here, has resulted in great numbers of alleged bootleggers and dope peddlers being kidnapped and whipped. Floggings have been weekly events. At one time five men and one woman were kidnapped, and all were whipped except the woman, who escaped by crawling through under brush. Another woman was kidnapped, her hair cut off and forced to submit to other indignities.

The climax was reached when Nathan Hantman was seized on the streets, within one block of the police station. He had just been released by police, after being questioned regarding sales of liquor and dope. Yelling and screaming, he was taken through the streets to the outskirts of the city, where he was stripped, tied up to the limb of a tree by his arms and flogged until great gashes were cut on his body.

Hantman accused the police of having turned him over to his abductors. The experience was related personally by Hantman at the Governor's office.

In promulgating martial law, the Governor reiterated his determination to stop floggings, 2,000 of which are alleged to have occurred in Oklahoma within a year, even if he has to place the entire State under martial law.

TABERNACLE CHOIR NEAR COMPLETE DISRUPTION

Customary Meeting Not Arranged By Cadet Management.

Failure of the Cadet Tabernacle management to arrange for a rehearsal of the choir tonight, as has been customary during the two years the organization has existed, together with announcement of the choir's advisory board that "no meetings will be held until further notice" has been taken by many persons as significant of the early termination of activities.

Fewer than 200 members of the 1,200-voice chorus were at the meeting last Sunday. It is reported. Factionalism, which developed during the Bulgian evangelistic meetings early this year, coupled with efforts of one faction to incorporate under the name of "Gypsy Smith Choir, Inc., are believed to have been precursors to the break.

LEGION CARDS FOUND

Americans Held in Bergdoll Affair Brought to Soldiers' Organization

BERLIN, Aug. 14.—Press despatches from Eberbach today said police had discovered membership cards of the American Legion on the Americans arrested in connection with the attack on Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, notorious draft evader, on Friday night.

Two Bellhops Arrested

Two Denison Hotel bellhops today were under arrest on charges of operating a blind tiger. Lieut. Jones and a squad of Federal officers allege the bellhops smashed a quart bottle of gin in the lobby when they entered the hotel. The bellhops gave their names as Owen Pender, 526 W. Twelfth St., and General Bell, 352 W. Pratt St.

Girl Hurt in Fall Downstairs

Selma Cherner, 18, 1029 Dawson St., suffered dislocation of her right shoulder today when she fell downstairs at her home. She was taken to the city

FROM FAR AND NEAR

Four persons are dead from drinking poisoned water a Cuyahoga Falls today believed polluted by sewage.

Two blocks in the business district of De Quincy, La., was destroyed by fire Monday at a loss estimated at \$75,000.

Twenty-three persons were killed Monday in a motor-bus accident at St-Sauveur, a resort in the French Pyrenees Mountains.

Meteors of unusual brilliance were seen at St. Louis Monday night.

Minnie Woodward, 13, living near Farmington, La., died Monday from effects of a rattlesnake bite.

Oscar Rutledge, El Dorado, Ill., was kidnapped and flogged Saturday night by masked and robed men.

Olga Petrova and her husband, Dr. John D. Stewart, have booked passage on the Majestic for Europe.

Mayor Hyland, New York, is seriously ill from a cold contracted while attending the funeral rites of President Harding at Washington.

Col. W. B. Haskell sails from London on the Homeric Wednesday, United States relief work in Europe having come to an end.

Sixteen thousand grocery clerks in Chicago are threatening to strike

Child Playing 'Little Mother' Is Injured



HARRIET DIXON AND LUELLA STONE (INSET.)

Harriet Dixon, 10, of 1525 S. Belmont Ave., was playing "little mother," when she got hurt.

She was carrying Luella Stone, eighteen months, of 1535 S. Belmont Ave., across the pavement at Belmont Ave. and Miller St.

As usual, it was an automobile that did it.

The baby was injured only slightly when she was hurled out of Harriet's arms to the pavement, but Harriet received serious cuts about the head.

COURT UPHOLDS SEIZURE OF SHIPS

Federal Judge Interprets U.S. Power Outside 3-Mile Limit.

By United Press

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Seizure of British ships which hover outside the three-mile limit to add in surreptitious landing of liquor cargoes in the United States, either directly or in cooperation with small boat craft, was upheld today by Judge W. Woodruff in United States District Court, Brooklyn.

The ship was seized off Fire Island while landing liquor from small craft. The decision is regarded as an important interpretation of power of the federal government as to the seizure of foreign ships engaged in the liquor trade, although outside of the three-mile limit.

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Britain Already Has Determined on 'Separate Action' Towards Germany Which Will Be Taken Following French Negative Reply.

By ED L. KEEN, General European Manager of the United Press (Copyright, 1923, by United Press Associations.)

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The extreme gravity of the Anglo-French situation, which long had been growing more intense and was brought to a head by the British reparations note, is emphasized by a growing solidarity of public opinion in each country, as well as by the record low level of the franc.

Here in England, popular home support for the British government, is comparable to those days of August, 1914, when the great war was getting under way. Support for the French now is almost as scarce as it was for the pacifists in those days.

Premier Baldwin, of course, has one advantage not enjoyed by Herbert Asquith in 1914—the cabinet is not divided regarding a policy towards France, whereas at the start of the war there were several resignations.

British public opinion has been steadily solidifying against France since the invasion of the Ruhr began. There is, however, no question but that Premier Poincare has even stronger backing in France.

French Refusal Expected

The British government frankly does not expect the Curzon note, the latest communication to the allies, to affect the slightest change in France's position. Consequently, the government already has determined upon the first steps of "separate action" towards Germany, which will be taken shortly after reception of France's negative reply.

It is understood that this "separate action" will include not only an independent note to Germany, but also the summoning of an international conference for the purpose of determining Germany's actual capacity to pay and the best methods of insuring collection.

The question of when British troops shall be withdrawn from the Rhine has not yet been determined but it is inconceivable they would remain after separate action had been initiated.

Further steps probably will not be decided upon without the sanction of Parliament, which will probably be summoned to a special session.

Britain Serve Entente

The general European crisis now has two centers. The first is among the presumable victors of the war. Great Britain, tired of acting the role of banker, with no securities, while paying her own debts, has now practically severed the thread by which she was tied to the entente by demanding what she believes to be means of stabilizing matters in Europe.

The second center is in Germany, where they have signed on a new crew to take over the ship in the midst of the storm.

Everywhere in the continent, Fascist and radicals are combating for power, physically and politically. Italy alone has successfully passed the crisis with the Fascist stemming the tide of communism.

Tires Worth \$40 Stolen

Claude F. Cain, 133 N. New Jersey St., told police today that two spare tires were stolen from his machine while it was parked in front of his home. They were valued at \$20 each, he said.

Alcohol Report Investigated.

Coroner Paul F. Robinson today was investigating reports that a gang that beat Rob Buchanan, night watchman at the Eli Lilly Co. plant, Friday night, was hunting grain alcohol. Buchanan shot and killed Homer Dearf, 320 S. Alabama St., one of the gang alleged to have attacked him. John N. Wright, 2718 N. Pennsylvania St., and Walter B. Henderson, 3663 N. Capitol Ave., testified they saw the gang drive up to the plant in two automobiles and a few minutes later heard four shots.

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