

NEW HIGHWAY PROBE STARTED

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last summer. Others facing trial under the same indictment are John D. Williams, director of the commission and George Bartley, former superintendent of equipment.

Moses and Victor Goldberg, local junk dealers, and C. William Whaley, were indicted March 4, at the same time on charges of grand larceny in connection with the alleged theft of war materials which had been turned over to the commission.

During the last few weeks William P. Cosgrove, another field examiner, has been at work in the office of the way commission's revolving fund.

In connection with the audit at the highway garage, one of the principal matters which is to receive attention is the question of the legality of Crawford's present employment. Some State officials say the law creating the highway board did not contemplate full-time employment of a commissioner. The only provision of the law, they say, is for a \$10 per diem allowance for commissioners when they are meeting in full board.

Crawford is drawing \$10 a day for every week day, and in addition, is collecting hotel expenses. Commission employees who reside at the place of their assignment are not allowed to collect expenses.

Per Diem Probed

Another matter which has been noted is the increasing number of days each month on which certain commissioners charge per diem allowance. Although the commission meets on an average of about two days a month, one commissioner, it is said, has been charging from twelve to fifteen days a month. He recently made a per diem charge for a Sunday and the pay warrant for that day was withheld by the State auditor, it was reported.

The field examiners also will investigate the report that some attaches of the commission have sent their privately-owned automobiles to the garage and had them equipped with tires and so far have made no settlement. Automobile accessories, including motors, have been disposed of in the same way, it is charged.

Locomotives in Pasture

Two narrow-gauge locomotives, which cost the Government approximately \$15,000, and which are standing in a woods-pasture near Putnamville, have never been reclaimed by the commission, it is said. The board of accounts will investigate the charge that the locomotives were ordered from the Government on the

Indianapolis Larks to Play Dance Music Over Air



Left to right, George Jaeger, Harry Duncan, Charles Haug, Lawrence Koesters and Dallas Lunday, the Indianapolis larks.

The Indianapolis Times over WPEL Friday night will introduce radio fans to the Indianapolis

Larks, one of the most unique dance orchestras in the city. They have prepared a warm dance program.

gram. It is bound to be "hot" because three of its members are on the city fire department.

plea that they were needed badly in Indiana highway work. It is alleged they were "farmed out" by the commission to an independent road contractor and dumped in the woods, without ever being salvaged by the commission. Although the engines were new when received by the commission, they are useless now, a former employee of the commission declared after viewing them.

In the meantime a frenzied effort is being made by friends of the commission to have the indictments against Williams and Crawford quashed. Considerable pressure has been brought to bear against Prosecutor William H. Remy. Remy has announced the two will not be brought to trial this year, because of a crowded court docket. If the indictments remain dormant until Jan. 1, 1927, they will become invalid through the statute of limitations.

Gilligan Hires Lesh

Attorney General Arthur L. Gilligan said that he will not be able to participate in the prosecution, since the field examiners' report on which the indictments were based has been impounded by court order. He announced, however, that he has retained U. S. Lesh, former attorney general, to represent the State in the suit of Otto F. Schlesinger to recover a \$50,000 check he gave the board of accounts. Schlesinger gave

the check as a "good faith" deposit, he said, when the board charged him with overcharging the highway commission on automobile parts. The check was cashed and used by the State.

Meanwhile, it became known that Indianapolis representatives in the last Legislature have been meeting with Representatives from over the State to formulate plans for a special session to clear up the tangled affairs of the commission.

"Governor Jackson, Warren T. McCrary and Jim Watson, put together, can't stop us," a legislator declared.

The Procedure

While members decline to announce their procedure, it is thought Governor Jackson will receive a formal request from a majority of the House of Representatives to proclaim a special session of the General Assembly to delve into the affairs of the commission, a process halted only by Speaker Harry Leslie's dramatic plea on the floor of the House last March.

"We were determined to clear up this nasty mess during the session because we believed the people demanded it," a Marion County representative said. "However, with the assurance that the courts would proceed with the matter, we side-tracked the subject. Now we find there is reluctance on the part of court officials to continue and are determined to push the matter."

"Both Governor Jackson and Speaker Harry L. Leslie assured me proper steps would be taken to investigate the commission, if I withdrew the resolution," said Representative De Haven. He said he had been ill for some time and was not in current touch with other Marion County Representatives.

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U. S. Too Busy

United States District Attorney Albert Ward today said the Government was "too busy" to investigate the highway commission. It was learned several months ago, through the United States Attorney General's office, that the highway commission was to be investigated by the Indiana District Federal Court. No action has been taken.

DON'T WANT SESSION

Representative Says Investigation Is Marion County Men's Business

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Ind., Dec. 3.—"That's their business—the Legislature might just as well let them fight it out," said Ira Mendenhall, representative from Daviess County when informed of the move by Marion County legislators to call an extra session of the State assembly to investigate the highway commission.

"We passed on that business almost a year ago because we didn't have enough facts. I can't see where a special session would do much good now."

"DIRTY POLITICAL TRICK"

Representative Says Farm Bureau Is Back of Highway Men

By United Press

LA PORTE, Ind., Dec. 3.—"Just a dirty political trick," said I. H. Hull, of Hanna, joint representative of La Porte and Starke Counties and director of the Indiana farm bureau, in speaking of the move of the Marion County delegation to get a special session of the State Legislature to investigate the State highway commission.

"The farm bureau is back of Earl Crawford and John Williams," he said.

CHAVENS AGAINST IT

Senator Says Highway Commission Is Best in Statehouse

By United Press

MADISON, Ind., Dec. 3.—State Senator Joseph M. Cravens, Madison, is opposed to a special session of the Legislature to investigate the high-

'MA' MAY IGNORE SESSION DEMAND

Refusal Would Sidetrack Her Critics.

By United Press

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 3.—It is probable Governor "Ma" Ferguson will ignore the demand for a special session of the Texas Legislature.

That Dec. 10 may pass without the woman Governor having issued an official proclamation was seen to-day as an effective method to sidetrack administration critics and check the proposition of assembling the lower House to Speaker Lee Saturday.

Additional credence was given this report when it was recalled that the representative charged with delivering the demand signed by about fifty House members to the executive sanctuary was refused admittance.

WOMAN'S DEATH PROBED

Vital Organs Analyzed—Man Held on Serious Charge.

By United Press

FT. WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 4.—Vital organs of Mrs. Mary Palmer, 28, were in a chemist's laboratory when police held Edward Chaple, 21, Warren, Pa., charged with assisting in an illegal operation.

An autopsy performed by Dr. Harry Erwin, coroner, failed to reveal the cause of death, but Dr. Erwin announced an attempt had been made to perform an illegal operation upon the woman.

REPRESENTATIVE OPPOSED

Brown and Monroe County Man Does Not Want Session.

By United Press

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Dec. 3.—W. D. Harris, representative from Brown and Monroe Counties, today went on record as opposed to any special session of the Legislature to investigate the State highway commission.

"I think our highway commission is moving along nicely," Harris said.

His Catarrh Disappeared

Nose and Throat Perfectly Clear Now—Simple, Inexpensive Treatment.

By United Press

BRAZIL, Ind., Dec. 3.—If facts warrant calling of a special session of the Legislature and the people want it, Representative Frank Wright informed the United Press today he would not oppose such action.

Wright refused to go into details until he becomes more familiar with the merits of the controversy.

ADMINISTRATION PLAN GIVEN

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WHEN KIDNEYS HURT DRINK MORE WATER

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, sometimes get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, also we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

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