

MOORHEAD OUSTER BILL UP THURSDAY

After devoting Tuesday to listening to the merits and demerits of the Cann utility bill and then killing it by a vote of 17 to 30, Indiana Senators faced the Moorhead bill as a matter of special business at 2 p. m. Thursday.

The bill, introduced by Senator Robert L. Moorhead (Rep.), Indianapolis, calls for election of five public service commissioners, one from each Supreme Court judicial district. It also demands ousting of the present commissioners by May 1, and appointment of others until they can be elected next fall.

Senator Moorhead, when the measure came as special business, this morning, moved that the bill be considered Thursday. Several changes are to be made, he said.

Two new utility bills were introduced.

Municipal Plants

A bill offered by Senator J. Francis Lochar (Dem.), Milan, would take the regulation of all municipally owned plants from under the public service commission and provide for rate making and all other control by city councils.

A similar bill was introduced into the House of Representatives by Representative Delph Kesson.

Senator E. R. Inman (Rep.), Danville, introduced a bill to require all municipal plants to create an "extension and improvement fund." The fund shall not exceed 7 per cent of the total property value of the plant.

Amendments that will be offered when the bill comes up on second reading, are designed to eliminate the elective feature and to require Senate approval of appointees.

Senator Howard A. Cann (Rep.), Frankfort, author of the Cann bill, and Senator Anderson Ketchum (Dem.), Greensburg, both have announced that they would amend the Moorhead measure.

The bill may be debated and killed or go to third reading. It is predicted that it may muster a few more supporters than the Cann bill, but not enough to secure a constitutional majority and final passage, without drastic changes.

Pass Table Motion

Cann's bill called for complete repeal of the Spencer-Shively utilities act, which would mean abolition of the Indiana public service commission and all State control.

After its defeat Senator James J. Nejdl (Rep.), Whiting, made sure that it would not be brought up again by securing passage of a motion to reconsider and table.

Despite the protest of Cann that unless the Republicans backed the bill they would be defeated in 1928, only six of the majority party voted for it. Eleven Democrats supported the measure. Four Democrats voted with the twenty-seven Republicans against it.

LACK CLEW TO CHILD

By United Press

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 16.—Although no trace of William Gaffney, 4, missing from his home since Friday, had been found on the sixth day of his absence, detectives in overalls today resumed their search of all out-of-the-way places near the Gaffney home.

Coal bins, storage rooms, ships berthed near the home and scows were searched.

As the days passed with no word of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Gaffney, exhausted by the nervous tension, fear that he is dead. Neither have been able to sleep. The mother is suffering from extreme exhaustion.

The kidnapping has been abandoned by police, except that a mother, crazed with loss of her own child, might have stolen the boy.

YOUTH TAKES POISON

Charles Prather, 22, of 1001 N. Alabama St., is in a serious condition today at the city hospital. Prather took poison. Police were told that he went to the home of a cousin, Mrs. Nellie Dean, 318 E. Tenth St., where he collapsed. Worry over lack of employment was ascribed as the motive.

Sure of Himself Now!

So Clean Inside, No Fear of Perspiration Offense, However Over-Heated



"ANYTHING that gets results, was all the thought I ever gave to laxatives. In those days my perspiration was so acid, it used to rot my clothes. Then a doctor tipped me off to those wonderful little sweeteners—

CASCARETS

Says Dangerous Varicose Veins Can Be Reduced at Home

Rub Gently and Upward Toward the Heart as Blood in Veins Flows That Way.

If you or any relative or friends are worried because of varicose veins, or bunches, the best advice that anyone in this world can give you is to ask your druggist for an

TITLE **BUILDING** **SOLD**
Savings Association Will Open Headquarters.

Sale of the Indiana Title Guaranty and Loan Company building, 118-20 N. Delaware St., to the People's Mutual Savings and Loan Association, was announced Tuesday by W. H. Bockstahler, savings and loan association secretary. The purchasing firm will have headquarters in the building.

Property is a two-story brick structure with a 19½ foot frontage in Delaware St. The consideration involved was not announced.

GRAFT IN LOCAL POLITICS CHARGED AT HOUSE HEARING

Friends and foes of Indiana's primary law took up verbal cudgels in defense of their views at a public hearing on the Bender-Hughes primary bill before the House of Representatives election committee Tuesday.

Charges of Marion County political corruption were made freely. Past and present city officials, women club leaders, farm and labor representatives and reformers asked that "teeth" be put in the present primary law to prevent primary election practices now charged against George V. Coffin's ring in particular.

Shows Statistics

City Clerk William A. Boyce, Jr., exhibited eighteen sworn statements regarding attempts to buy off candidates and other irregularities at the last Marion County primary.

Boyce said he was unable to get indictments against the men accused because the present law is not specific.

William A. Pickens, State Bar Association president, opposed the primary system. "A man needs too much money to run for office via the primary," Pickens said. Turning to the hundred or more women who attended the hearing, Pickens said, "Women do not know what is good for Governor."

Lew Shank, former mayor, shook the skeletons of old time party conventions before the assembly, and said, "I spent \$7,500 in the primary for Governor."

Pickens asked Shank if it was true that "George V. Coffin controlled the last Marion County primary."

"Absolutely," replied Shank.

Edward S. Shumaker, Anti-Saloon League superintendent, said he was speaking unofficially for the league in advocating the primary.

Dry Forces in Battle

"If the primary law is repealed the dry forces will be broken," he said.

Einsley Johnson, former park board president; Alva J. Rucker, former city corporation counsel; J. Kirby Risk, Lafayette; Elizabeth T. Stanley, State president W. C. T. U.; Mrs. Allen T. Fleming, president Legislative Forum of Indianapolis women; Mrs. O. L. Leukele; Mrs. Alma Slicker, Indiana League of Women Voters; Mrs. Frank Lahr; Edward P. Barry, Indiana Federation of Labor vice president, and Edgar Bush, Indiana Farm Bureau Federation, spoke in favor of the primary.

The elections committee was not expected to report today. Discussion at the public hearing was designed to throw light on the Bender-Hughes plan of safeguarding the primary, but it took a general turn and little definite action was taken.

Mental Telepathy to Get Radio Test

By United Press

LONDON, Feb. 16.—For the second time in six months radio will be used tonight as a link in a mental telepathy test reaching millions of owners of radio receiving sets in England. At exactly 11 p. m., radio fans will be asked by Sir Oliver Lodge, famous exponent of spiritualism, to try to learn by telegraphic communication the nature of a series of objects which commencing at that moment will be shown one at a time to a group of students of psychic phenomena closeted in the offices of the Psychological Research Society in London.

HAYS CITES VAST BURDENS HEAPED UPON MINISTERS

"It is not wise, nor is it Christian, to add financial cares to a minister's other burdens," Will H. Hays, president of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, asserted Tuesday night at the first report dinner of the Indianapolis presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, which is attempting to raise \$15,000,000 in a national drive to pension aged ministers and missionaries.

Hays is general chairman of the laymen's committee and is directing the Nation-wide drive. "We look with scorn on people who do not prepare for old age and become a public charge, but those who fulfill what is the highest office in a community we give a pittance without hope of provision for the future," he said.

500 Attend

Approximately 500 clergymen and laymen from the six districts in the Indianapolis presbytery attended. They reported a total of \$54,522.50 raised since the opening of the drive last Friday. The quota of the presbytery, which includes forty-six churches in and around Indianapolis, is \$102,000. Another report dinner will be held at the Indianapolis Athletic Club Monday evening.

"The thinning of the ranks of prospective ministers should make us pause," Hays asserted. "We are expecting too much of human nature when we ask a man to dedicate himself to present need and future hardships."

Need Ministers

"We are not men of strong character, reconciled to devoting their lives to the service of God and their fellowmen, at immeasurable personal sacrifice, the attractions to them in commercial life, where intellectuality is bound to find its place, would already have demoralized the effective preaching of the gospel."

The police drive on motorists who fail to stop "stop and go" signals and preferential streets resulted in fourteen men and one woman being slated at city prison. Nine alleged speeders were charged. They were: A. C. Linn, 33, of 631 W. Thirtieth St.; Charles Cummings, 23, of 1915 Ingram Ave.; Harold L. Krause, 30, of 3330 Central Ave.; Clifford Ward, 27, of 216 Shiel Apt., 220 N. Illinois St.; Roy Oakes, 26, of 2105 Barth Ave.; Eddie Hill, 22, of 2274 S. Pennsylvania St.; Gelo Esty, 28, of 409 E. Forty-Third St.; Noble Landreth, 23, of 945 Bradley Ave., and George Check, 18, of 2721 Cornell Ave.

BACK HOME AGAIN

Automobiles reported found by police belong to:

Paul J. Meredith, English Hotel, Ford, found at Delaware and Market Sts.

George Heise, 4061 Broadway, Ford, found at 740 W. New York St.

Leo Pundsack, 1705 S. Delaware St., Ford, found at Thirtieth St. and Sangster Ave.

The Leo Ehrich Malarky Company, Leo, found at Meridian and Clair St.

TAX COURSE DEFENDED

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The Government today presented evidence in the \$36,000,000 Ford stock sale tax hearing designed to combat intimations of counsel for Senator James Couzens and associates that the internal revenue bureau discriminated by levying additional assessments long after the original tax had been paid.

Albert Lewis, chief of the audit section of the bureau, testified the action in making two different assessments against Couzens and associates was not unusual. There is no limit to the assessments the bureau may make, and no tax case is finally closed until the statute of limitations outlaws it, Lewis declared.

MABEL SERIOUSLY ILL

By United Press

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Feb. 15.—Mabel Normand, motion picture comedienne, was reported in a serious condition with pneumonia at a Santa Monica hospital last night. She was removed from her Beverly Hills home late yesterday.

CITY FOREMEN TO MEET SATURDAY

By United Press

Sleeve Valve Engine Works of East Moline, Ill.; Homer D. Sayre, commissioner of the National Metal Trades Association, and W. E. Odom, director of the association's industrial relations department, both of Chicago, will also talk on "Foremanship Courses."

Arrangements are in charge of a committee composed of D. C. McRoberts, G. and J. Tire Company; Guy E. Street, American Foundry Company; W. K. Swigert, Stutz Motor Car Company; James H. Wechsler, Robbins Body Corporation, and Ferris T. Taylor, Dean Brothers Company.

Friday evening Mr. Tingley also will speak on the work and activities of the National Association of Foremen, at the twenty-third annual meeting and dinner of the Associated Employers of Indianapolis at 6:30 in the Riley room, Claypool Hotel.

Ladies are invited, and musical entertainment will be furnished by Harry Dickerson's Elks Club orchestra. The dinner is informal.

TO DEDICATE SURGERY

The city hospital new surgical unit will be turned over to the city to-night by Dr. F. E. Jackson, health board president. Mayor Duvall will accept the unit.

The unit, completed at a cost of \$355,000, is as complete as any surgery in the United States, according to Dr. W. A. Doepers, superintendent.

The hospital was open today for public inspection.

PAY INCREASE HELD UP

Ben S. Pierce, State buildings and grounds superintendent, will not receive an increase in salary for the next two years.

The Indiana House of Representatives fees and salaries committee, did not agree with Representative Russell V. Duncan, who introduced a bill raising Pierce's salary from \$2,500 to \$3,600 a year.

REDUCE SALARY BILL

The Marion and Lake County commissioners salary increase bill was cut from \$5,000 to \$4,000 a year on recommendation of the committee in the Indiana House of Representatives. The measure provides for increase from \$2,800.

The bill affects only Marion and Lake counties.

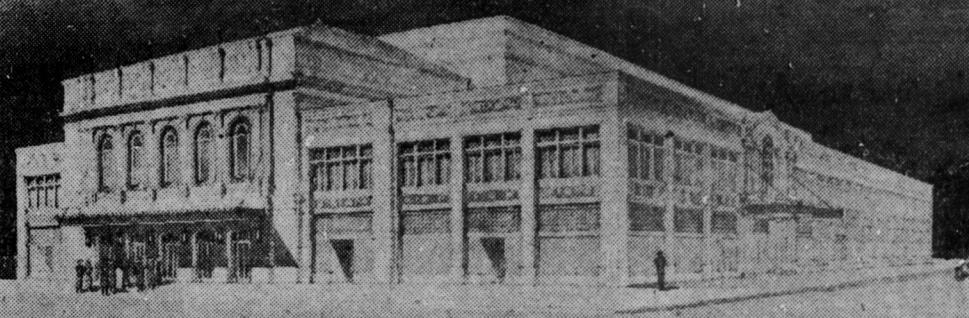
"That's easy," said the man, when through. "Now see if you can do it, too." And then he handed Scoutry one that still was very flat. "All right, said Scoutry, "Here go." He blew as hard as he could blow, and the big balloon went, till it knocked off Scoutry's hat.

"Ha, ha," the others laughed, in glee. "Why, you're as clumsy as

the next story."

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

Proposed North Side Theater Sketch



This is a sketch of the \$1,250,000 vaudeville and picture house which M. Margolis, representatives of a Chicago concern, proposes to erect at the southwest corner of Thirty-Eighth and Meridian Sts. Board of zoning appeals set March 1 for a public hearing on a petition for a building permit, after a group of Methodist Church leaders opposed the proposed building Tuesday. The proposed theater will be modern, with store-rooms on the street floor. A. Katzow, 1124 S. Illinois St., handled the real estate transactions. No announcement has been made of a lease.

AUTO ACCIDENTS LAND 2 DRIVERS IN POLICE COURT

Automobiles reported stolen by police belong to:

Louis Lucas, 859 W. Thirtieth St., Chevrolet, from Meridian and New York Sts.

James Seiberling, Marion, Ind., Nash, from 125 N. East St.

Henry Vaf Bank, 1465 N. New York St., was arrested today by Sgt.

Frank Owens of the police accident prevention bureau, who charged assault and battery and failure to stop after an accident. Owens said Ensley was driving a taxicab Monday that struck George Freeman, 65, of 271½ E. Ohio St., at Ohio and Meridian Sts., knocking him to the pavement and injuring his right arm and shoulder.

City of Indianapolis, Electrical Department, Ford, City 63, from rear of city hall.

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Ray Jackson, 5142 Eilenberger Dr., Chevrolet, 535-282, from above address.

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