

proved later, was to prevent the resolution from being pushed through.

Fur-Lined Overshoes

"They got out from under me, not going to introduce anything," Bartholomew said, following the caucus. Another council member tried to console Bartholomew with the observation that "some of these fellows need fur-lined overshoes."

Between the time the resolution was voted out of the committee and again, Robert F. McNey, former exalted cyclops of the Ku-Klux Klan, Negley's political mentor and unregistered lobbyist during the last Indiana Legislature, circulated among council members. During the recess, McNey was seen in conference with Todd, whose motion to reconsider immediately following the recess, erred the resolution to be placed in committee.

Johnson May Take Place

Before administration members obtained control of the situation, the rumor was circulated that Buser was to resign as city controller and that Police Chief Claude Johnson would be appointed in his place.

Johnson, his brother, Police Major Louis Johnson; the chief's secretary, John Ambuhl, and safety board members were in the council chamber and interested spectators throughout the session. Before the meeting, safety board members hurried into an anteroom, apparently for the purpose of holding a special meeting.

O. D. Haskett, safety board president, and Chief Johnson, sat at Negley's side during the meeting. Duvall and Buser, who had said that they would attend, were not in the council chamber. Administration factionists crowded the chamber, however, to lend heart to opponents of the impeachment proceedings.

Virgil Vandagriff and Frank Cones, works board members; M. E. Foley, John E. Milnor and Mrs. J. D. Foss, park board members; John J. Collins, city purchasing agent, who is under indictment as are Duvall and Buser, also were present.

City Clerk William A. Boyce, Jr., was not at the meeting. Negley announced that he was in Methodist Hospital suffering from an eye infection.

Some attorneys contend that Boyce succeeds to the Mayor's chair in the event the city controller's office, next in line, is also vacated, others that the council names one of its members mayor pro tem, until a special meeting can be called to elect a new executive.

A two-thirds council vote is necessary to impeach. Committee to which is referred the impeachment resolution investigates the charges and if prosecution is decided upon a summons is issued for the defendants, to appear for trial in not less than ten days from the date of the summons. An amendment introduced at Monday night's meeting and referred to committee seeks to change this and make it possible to receive the committee's report at the same meeting the resolution is introduced. After a finding of guilt the accused could be removed from office within three days.

When impeachment charges were filed late Monday afternoon in the county clerk's office, Negley and McNey were in the office on con-

Principals In City Bout



Above: Mayor Duvall (left) and City Controller William C. Buser. Below: Councilman Otis E. Bartholomew (left), who introduced the resolution asking impeachment of Duvall and Buser, and Council President Claude E. Negley who referred the resolution to a special committee headed by himself.

Silent

Mayor Duvall and City Controller William C. Buser made no answer today to the council impeachment charges against them.

Asked for a statement as he was walking through city hall, Duvall quickened his pace and replied:

"On what? Alvah Rucker's joke? No."

Buser also refused to comment on the impeachment attempt.

ference with Buser. When handed the thirty-four typewritten pages of charges, Negley glanced through them and discounted their seriousness.

THE CITY IN BRIEF

WEDNESDAY EVENTS

Kiwanis Club luncheon, Claypool. Junior Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Chamber of Commerce.

Alpha Eta Pi meeting, Lincoln, 7:30 p.m. Purdue Alumni Association luncheon.

American Athletic Association swimming.

Indianapolis Credit Men's Association (iron, steel and builders group), meeting.

Master Barber's Association meeting, 8 p.m.

Severin's 8 p.m. Bakers picnic, Riverside Park.

Clarence Wilder, 30, 352 Lyons St. Indianapolis Power and Light Company employee, received serious burns and a badly injured back when he fell thirty feet after touching a high tension wire while trimming limbs in front of 1037 W. Thirty-Seventh St. today. Wilder was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital.

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy has been filed by creditors of the Richmond Casket Company of Richmond, Ind., in Federal Court, listing outstanding debts of \$37,291.48 and averring that it is insolvent. Creditors filing suit were Gott B. Freeman, Isaac S. Lanning and Richmond Electric Company.

Universal Club members heard Barton P. Pogue, school of expression head, Taylor University, at a luncheon today at the Columbia Club. Pogue spoke on "Fortunes in Friendship." John Hardy, club president, introduced Pogue.

Seventy-five citizens of small towns bordering the Monon Railroad appeared before the public service commission at a hearing in the House of Representatives this morning to argue for better local, express and mail service. Among the communities represented were Bainbridge, Cloverdale, Rossville, Stinesville and Ellettsville.

Mrs. Nellie C. Jackson, 39, of 107 Concordia St., is nursing a badly sprained ankle and hip today the result of fall while crossing the street near her home late Monday.

Four Negroes deserted an auto which they were riding late Monday night, after it crashed into a traffic signal at Sixteenth and Pennsylvania Sts. Police were told by witnesses that three men and one woman were in the auto.

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