

CARTER ENTRY SETS POLITICAL POT TO BOILING

Senator Robinson Is Forced to Build Organization and Take Stump.

BY ROBERT BEARD
More fuel was thrown under the bubbling political pot when Solon J. Carter, Indianapolis attorney, entered the Republican race for the nomination for United States Senator, shattering Senator Arthur R. Robinson's hopes of walking off with the nomination unopposed.

The changed aspect of the Senatorship race was the significant development of the week. Robinson, whose announcement Wednesday indicated he would not excite himself about the primary unless opposition appeared, got it promptly and now is faced with the necessity of naming a manager, building an organization and taking the stump.

Opponents In
He has had the experience before. He had four opponents for the nomination in the 1926 primaries. With the Klan and Anti-Saloon League as aids he amassed 236,091 votes, as against 62,297 for Archie Graham of South Bend; 53,314 for Oswald Ryan of Anderson; 30,842 for Ward B. Hiner of Indianapolis, and 16,155 for James R. Norrell, Negro, of Indianapolis.

However, effective Robinson's campaign management may have proved in 1926, one material change is conceded certain for 1928—the post of campaign manager.

Democrats Are Active
While Robinson and Carter were silent, the two Democratic candidates for the nomination have been campaigning loudly all over the State. Walter Myers and Albert Stump, both local attorneys, are out to succeed Robinson.

With six candidates in the field for the Democratic nomination for Governor, and five announced and Frederick E. Schortemeier's promised on the Republican side, the gubernatorial jumble continues to hold first interest in the gossip. Schortemeier's projected delay in making his announcement has been encouraging his rivals to believe that a chance remains of his staying out. Schortemeier has smiled at the report and indicated in positive terms his name will be on the lists when March 8, the last day for filing for the office, rolls around.

Political Eye on Kokomo
The political eye, always attentive when D. C. Stephenson is escorted beyond the bounds of the Indiana State Prison, centers on Kokomo, where the Howard County grand jury is investigating affairs of the defunct American Trust Company Bank.

Rumors emanating to the effect that a "high State official" was under scrutiny set speculation agog for the political effect the outcome might have.

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SUMMON MUNCIE MEN

Gilliom to Take Depositions for Use Against Klan.

Depositions for use in ousting the Ku-Klux Klan from Indiana will be taken next Tuesday, Attorney General Arthur L. Gilliom announced today.

Orion Norcross and Sam Bemenderfer, both of Muncie, will be called. Norcross is secretary of the Protestant Knights of America, and Bemenderfer is president. This organization used the name Independent Ku-Klux Klan, until stopped by the national Klan organization.

BOY EXECUTES HIMSELF

High School Youth Found Dead in Home-Made Electric Chair.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 2.—An investigation was opened today to determine whether Kenneth F. Brooks, 16-year-old high school boy, used electricity as a suicide means or whether his interest in electric chairs claimed his life.

Brooks' seared body was found late last night in a home-made electric chair on the second floor of his home here.



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M'ANDREW ASKS \$250,000 LIBEL FROM 'BIG BILL'

Ex-School Superintendent Seeks Hearing Before 'Honest Court.'

By United Press
CHICAGO, March 2.—William McAndrew, suspended superintendent of schools, struck back at Mayor William Hale Thompson today with a libel suit asking \$250,000 damages.

Praecipe in the suit was filed by Francis X. Busch, attorney for McAndrew, in Superior Court.

McAndrew's dispute with the board of education, led to his five-month trial on charges of unpatriotic conduct and insubordination, and Mayor Thompson's "America First" campaign.

"We'll give an honest court and an honest jury a chance to decide whether a man who has done his duty can be defamed by a demagogic politician," Busch said.

The "honest court and honest jury" reference was interpreted as a slap at the board of education, which sat as a court to hear the insubordination charges against McAndrew. Attorneys for the suspended superintendent walked out of the hearing room after all the evidence was in, contending that the personnel of the school board made a verdict against McAndrew a certainty.

MISSING FLIERS FOUND

Three Lost in Arctic Circle Feb. 17 Reported Safe.

By United Press
WINNIPEG, Manitoba, March 2.—Flying Officer A. A. Lewis of Winnipeg and Sergeant Terry today were reported safe at Port Burwell on Hudson Straits after being lost in the arctic circle since Feb. 17.

Word of the safety of the missing men came in a radiogram from Flight Lieutenant A. A. Litch, at Port Burwell.

On the morning of Feb. 17, Lewis, Sergeant Terry and a native left Port Burwell on a regular patrol and observation trip. At 3:15 p. m. Lewis reported from an unknown position that he was landing on the ice. No trace of the three men had been found until today.

WIDER ROAD SOUGHT

Scouts Petition Improvement of Millersville Highway.

Widening of Millersville Rd. from Millersville to Baker's Bridge will be asked by Indianapolis Boy Scout council of the county commissioners. The road leads to the Scout reservation.

Widening and improvement of the thoroughfare already is on the county's road program. Commissioner Cassius L. Hogle said when informed of the project. Petitions signed by property owners along land affected have been prepared. They were approved Thursday by the Scout executive board.

REAL ESTATE BOOMS

Week's Residential Sales Total \$227,000.

Increased activity in the sale of local real estate was noted this week when realtors announced sales reached \$227,000. The deals were residential properties.

Officials of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board predicted further increase of sales following a recent period of slack business. Sales aggregating \$42,350 have been made by the Schloss Bros. Investment Company. Many of the deals included properties in the company's subdivision at Speedway City.

E. J. Viehman of the E. F. Viehman Company announced that recent transactions totaled \$45,000. The Klee & Schreiber Company announced sales totaling \$54,300.

NEW MANAGER NAMED

Joseph Goldsmith Takes Charge of Liberty Store.

Joseph Goldsmith has been named new manager of the Liberty Store, clothing store for men, women and children located at 30 N. Pennsylvania St.

Goldsmith comes here from New York City. The policy of the store under his management will be courtesy, fairness and service, he announced.

LONDON TOLL BILL \$48

Indianapolis citizens now can talk to London in three minutes for only \$48, as a result of a 40 per cent reduction in the basic rate announced by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. The rate for each succeeding minute is \$16. Rates from Indianapolis to Belgian cities will be \$51, Dutch cities \$51.75, Swedish cities \$54.75 and German cities \$55.50.

HONEST SCHOOL HEATING PLANT BIDS ORDERED

Tax Board Ready to Fight Law Suit Threatened by Manufacturer.

Adamant in its demand for competitive bidding on city school heating and ventilating systems, the State tax board today girded itself for any legal action which C. C. Shipp, heating and ventilator equipment manufacturer, might bring to force his systems into the schools.

Shipp hurled his law suit threat Thursday afternoon at a conference with the board.

At a hearing Tuesday on a proposed \$600,000 city school bond issue, the tax board announced that the Indianapolis school building program was brought to a halt until specifications calling for competitive bidding are prepared.

Calls for Showdown
"What's this attack on me all about," asked Shipp after the board had convened Thursday.

"All that we want is that specifications provide for open, competitive, free and honest bidding. We have no inclination to discriminate for or against anyone," answered John Brown, chairman of the board.

"You can't show any specification or a set of specifications issued by the Indianapolis school board for the schools in which my name is mentioned," said Shipp.

"That may be true, but the specifications are so framed that they can use only the Shipp system," Philip Zoercher, board member, contended.

Competitors Blamed

"The whole argument against me is caused by disgruntled competitors," said Shipp.

"There must be something wrong when heating and ventilating costs from 25 to 50 per cent more in the Indianapolis schools than elsewhere," remarked Will Hough, another board member.

Jumping up and brandishing his finger under Hough's nose, Shipp at once shouted: "Do you object to my price because some money passes through my hands?"

Hough answered: "Not a bit, providing there isn't too much passing through your hands."

From then on the meeting was replete with verbal fireworks, lent color by Shipp's stalking to the head

DOROTHY MACKAYE IS CONVICT NO. 44960

One-Time Stage Favorite Begins Prison Sentence.

By United Press
SAN QUENTIN, Cal., March 2.—Dorothy Mackaye, one-time stage favorite, began today the monotonous routine of convict life in San Quentin penitentiary.

The name which once was blazoned forth from theater signs was replaced by the convict number, 44,960.



Under the law she will serve her sentence of from one to three years for concealing the facts in connection with the death of Ray Raymond, her actor-husband.

Reaction was setting in from the nonchalant air which she entered the prison. She went dejectedly about her temporary duties in the women's building and at times seemed on the point of tears.

of the table where sat Brown and then back to the other end of the table, where sat interested taxpayers who had gathered for the conference.

"Why are you opposed to competitive bidding between heating companies?" Zoercher asked. "Is it because you have a patented product and the specifications are so written that it applies only to your product?"

"If there is something wrong with the way I do business why don't you have me indicted?" said Shipp.

"We are not here to get you indicted, we are here to see that costs go down," answered Hough.

"Again I say that the bidding must be open and competitive," warned Brown. "If we are wrong then the courts can mandate us to do what you think is right."

"You must recognize my position as a taxpayer and I'll drag you to law about it," shouted Shipp, shaking his finger under Brown's nose.

U. P. Employee Dies
LOS ANGELES, March 2.—Funeral services for Edward T. Conkle, veteran employee of the United Press Association, will be held here tomorrow. Conkle, who had been failing in health for several years, died at his home here Thursday.

HOOSIERS MAY LOSE 2 SEATS IN CONGRESS

Bill Reported Favorably for Reapportioning House Members; Shift 24.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, March 2.—Indiana would lose two members of Congress out of its present delegation of thirteen under the reapportionment bill reported favorably by the House Census Committee today. The bill provides for holding the House at its present number, 435, but stipulates that its membership must be redistributed according to Census Bureau estimates of the 1930 census.

Under the measure the House would be required to reapportion by 1931, increasing its membership by 415 if it thought necessary. If it failed to act by that time, reapportionment would become effective automatically, with a total of 435 members retained but shifted among the States on the basis of census population figures.

Shift 24 Seats

The compromise giving the House a chance to reapportion according to its own ideas was adopted to meet objections from States which would lose by a reapportionment based on 435 members. The automatic provision is a club to force reapportionment, which has not been undertaken since 1910. Twenty-four seats would be shifted from certain States to others under a reapportionment based on the present membership.

State to Lose Two

The States that would gain the twenty-four seats under the measure, on the basis of 1930 population estimates made by the Census Bureau and on major fraction method, are: Arizona, 1; California, 6; Connecticut, 1; Michigan, 4; Montana, 1; North Carolina, 1; New Jersey, 2; Ohio, 3; Oklahoma, 1; Texas, 2; Washington, 1, and Florida, 1. Those that would lose are: Alabama, 1; Indiana, 2; Iowa, 2; Kansas, 1; Kentucky, 2; Louisiana, 1; Maine, 1; Massachusetts, 1; Mississippi, 2; Missouri, 4; Nebraska, 1; New York, 2; North Dakota, 1; Tennessee, 1; Vermont, 1, and Virginia, 1.



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