

# GILLIOM WOULD ABOLISH PRIMARY FOR CONVENTION

## HOOVER LEADER TAKES FIGHT TO WATSON CAMP

Invades Enemy Stronghold, Offering 'Opportunity for Indiana.'

Sponsors of Herbert Hoover's presidential campaign in Indiana today knocked loudly on the very doors of Senator James E. Watson's stronghold—the Republican State organization.

Thirteen Republican district chairmen who recently endorsed Watson's candidacy unanimously, found in their mail boxes a letter from Hoover's State manager, Oscar G. Foellinger of Ft. Wayne, declaring "the selection of a President transcends State 'factional politics' and placing Hoover before them 'as more than a candidate—an opportunity for Indiana.'"

### Shows Campaign Vigor

Others to receive the letter included district vice-chairmen, county chairmen and vice chairmen, district and county secretaries, Republican members of the Legislature and those aspiring to that assembly and Indiana Republican Congressmen.

The daring of Foellinger's latest move was regarded as evidence of the vigor with which Hoover's campaign for Indiana's presidential preference will be waged.

Political observers are agreed that the Republican State organization affords one of the biggest obstacles to Hoover's candidacy in Indiana. Regardless of personal sentiments, the rank and file of organization Republicans display hesitancy of being caught in the Watson organization band wagon, say politicians.

### Bears Acid Test

Foellinger, in his letter, reminded organization members that as publisher of the Republican Ft. Wayne News-Sentinel, he has been "a staunch supporter of Republican principles."

"My support of Mr. Hoover," he told them, "whose candidacy is national in scope, is born of the conviction that it best serves the party. I have also been a supporter of Senator Watson, but I do not feel that there is any inconsistency in my present attitude. The Americanism and Republicanism of Mr. Hoover received the acid test, when all the United States Senators twice voted the confirmation of his appointment as Secretary of Commerce by Harding and Coolidge.

"Mr. Hoover is in no sense a candidate of any group in Indiana or elsewhere," Foellinger continued. "He is an active candidate in practically every State in the Union, and has the support of thousands of the rank and file in Indiana and throughout the Nation."

### Rank and File for Hoover

"That in the past there may have been Roosevelt, Beveridge, Goodrich, Watson, New factions cannot be blamed on Mr. Hoover. He seeks the support of the high and humble, controlled by no group, but wholly responsive to the rank and file of the party."

Foellinger took a rap at the "favorite son idea," which has been a much-used argument by Watson supporters who opposed Hoover's candidacy in Indiana up to that time. "It is not orthodox political gospel," he said.

"No blame," he said, "attached to Mr. Coolidge when he entered the California primaries in 1924 and carried the State against Hiram Johnson, a favorite son. No harm was done in Indiana when Wood, Lowden, Harding and Johnson competed in 1920. Then Wood received 85,776 votes; Harding, 20,819.

### Makes Appeal to All

"There were no presidential factions after that primary. All pitched in and helped Harding roll up the biggest vote that any President ever received in Indiana up to that time. "It is my purpose," Foellinger concluded, "with the sincere cooperation of the regular Republican organization, from the State chairman down to the precinct worker, so to conduct the campaign that when the primary is over the party will be in even a better position to support the successful national, State and county nominees."

"I feel, and you may as we go along, that Hoover is more than a candidate, that he is an opportunity for Indiana."

### Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported stolen to police belong to:

Jack Cohen, 1102 Union St., Pontiac, 25-838, from in front of that address.

Marmion Motor Car Company, 1037 N. Meridian St., Marmion, 621-827, from in front of that address.

### BACK HOME AGAIN

Automobiles reported found by police belong to:

Belle Ballender, 4605 N. Meridian St., Cadillac, found at Tenth St. and Shadeland Ave.

Pontiac coach, license, 636-325, found at 109 W. St. Clair St.

James H. Lowry, 3109 Park Ave., Willys-Knight, found at 135 S. Capitol Ave.

Charles Bandy, 1441 Madison Ave., Ford, found at 322 W. Maryland St.

### Prison Term for Assault

By Times Special

WABASH, Ind., March 15.—William Flew, 49, North Manchester, is under a two to ten-year State prison sentence following conviction by a Circuit Court jury here for assault on a 12-year-old step-

## BEAUTIES 'SHRINK' SINCE VENUS' TIME; MOVIE STARS FAR LIGHTER



Leatrice Joy



Eileen Pringle Pola Negri

## VICE IN COAL REGION BARED AT MINE QUIZ

Reporter Tells of Disorderly Houses, Liquor Sales in Non-Union Camps.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Liquor is sold and disorderly houses are maintained in nonunion mine camps near Pittsburgh, Harry T. Brundage, St. Louis Star reporter, told the Senate coal investigating committee today.

He said he bought three pints of corn liquor on the property of the Pittsburgh Coal Company at Moon Run and visited several disorderly houses there.

He also said there were gambling houses and houses of ill fame at Horning No. 4, another Pittsburgh Coal Company. In one of the latter establishments, where he said no color line was drawn, he claimed to have seen a girl only 14 years old.

Brundage contended immorality was uncondoned and must have been known to company officials.

### Reveals Clean-Up Note

He gave the committee the following note, on stationery of the Pittsburgh Coal Company, to mine superintendents:

"The United States Senate investigating committee is now visiting the Pittsburgh district. Clean up all unsightly conditions.

"Keep our police in the background. Avoid all arrests. "Instruct our men so that they can be depended upon to give the right kind of answers. If you are examined by the committee, do not answer any questions you think might be harmful to our interests. The company will protect you.

"The company has mailed a spirited letter to each individual employee. "If you know of any unsatisfactory conditions in company camps or barracks see that it is eliminated at once."

### Denies Pre-Arranged Visit

Brundage was the reporter who led the coal investigating subcommittee to the home of John Barr, Pricedale miner, whose children were found to be without shoes or adequate clothing.

He denied the charge made by a previous witness that the Barr incident was "staged" for the benefit of the visiting Senators.

"I talked with striking miners while the subcommittee was visiting the mine offices and learned of conditions at the Barr home," Brundage said. "After a visit to the Barr home I led the committee there. Nothing was prearranged."

## HEARS APPLICATION FOR CAR CO. RECEIVER

Indianapolis-Cincinnati Firm Files Petition in U. S. Court.

Application for appointment of a receiver for the Indianapolis-Cincinnati Car Trust Equipment Company, Indianapolis, filed by Fred H. Kelley, Mattoon, Ill., stockholder, was heard by Federal Judge Robert C. Baltzell today. The petition was taken under advisement.

At the hearing it was revealed negotiations are under way by Charles T. De Hore, Cincinnati, and Leroy E. Eastman, Toledo, Ohio, for purchase of the equipment company, and also the Indianapolis & Cincinnati Traction Company, of which Will M. Frazer, Rushville, is receiver, appointed by the Rush Circuit Court.

## P. T. A. PICKS WORKERS

Loomis School Society Names Committees.

Mrs. James H. Butler, president of the newly organized Parent-Teacher Association of the George B. Loomis School No. 85, has announced the following standing committee members:

Mrs. Clarence D. Croan, music; Mrs. E. J. Herschman, ways and means; Mrs. H. B. Ponda, social; Mrs. Robert Drun, program; Mrs. Otto Woodward, art; Mrs. Ray Holland, membership; and Mrs. William Kleifgen, publicity.

## NAVAL BILL DELAY SEEN

Butler May Ask More Time on Building Proposal.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Debate on the new naval building bill may be completed by the House late today.

Chairman Butler has indicated he may ask for additional time beyond the six hours provided however, which would continue the general discussion to Friday. The measure authorizes fifteen new cruisers and one aircraft carrier.

## Miss Hazel Meadows, Democrat, of 577 N. Tacoma St., has been named secretary to Municipal Garage Superintendent Fabian Beimer by the board of trustees. She replaces Mrs. Charles Pettigrew, a Republican.



Joan Crawford

By United Press

NEW YORK, March 15.—America's "perfect woman" weighs twenty-three pounds less than Venus di Milo.

The composite physical statistics on seventy-two selected motion picture actresses is the new criterion.

The screen stars, probably the most perfectly proportioned group of women in America today, have an average weight of 112 pounds. The weight of Venus when computed in the flesh instead of stone would be about 135 pounds.

Joan Crawford, the magazine Photoplay says, is the most perfectly proportioned of the film actresses, according to modern standards of beauty.

She is 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 110 pounds. Eight others of the actresses were found to be exactly the same height as Venus. They are: Leatrice Joy, Elmer Fair, Billie Dove, Pola Negri, Colleen Moore, Pola Negri, Thelma Todd and Eileen Pringle.

The tallest of those who make up the composite beauty is Gertrude Astor, 5 feet 7 1/2 inches. Barbara Kent, 4 feet 11 inches, is the shortest. The heaviest actress in the list is Gwen Lee, 135 pounds, while Mary Philbin, 99 pounds, weighs the least.

Apparently the "perfect 36" is nearing extinction. Aileen Pringle is the only movie star who measures exactly thirty-six inches around bust and hips.

## MINISTER DESCRIBES POWER OF ADVERTISING

Dr. Frank S. C. Wicks Is Speaker at Advertising Club.

Effect of advertising on the layman was outlined before the Indianapolis Advertising Club luncheon at the Spink-Arms today by a clergyman. Dr. Frank S. C. Wicks, pastor of All Souls Unitarian Church, talked on "A Reader of Advertisements."

"I confess myself a reader of advertisements," Dr. Wicks declared. "I know what it is to be moved by an alluring slogan. I do not consciously buy an article that is advertised, but the impulse sinks into my subconscious mind and I find floating in my morning bath the Ivory soap and become purer and purer; I brush my teeth with a wash that will prevent the dreaded pyorrhea; I shave myself with a safety razor worth a quarter, for which I paid \$5; I am almost tempted to smoke the cigaret which hasn't a cough in it."

"I am sure that The Times always tells the truth and I subscribe; if my beauty fails I know I can restore it with Ponds double cream; I can even recover that school girl complexion, all the time unconscious that I've been moved by advertisements."

Dr. Wicks also told the advertising men something about the Children's Museum and urged them to take an interest in it.

## FORDS LOSE COURT TILT

Judge Refuses to Dismiss Leland \$6,000,000 Suit.

PONTIAC, Mich., March 15.—Judge Frank L. Covert today dismissed the motion of Henry and Edsel Ford seeking dismissal of the \$6,000,000 breach of faith suit brought against them by Henry and Wilfred Leland.

The ruling in effect held that there was a prima facie case against the Fords, charged with repudiating an agreement to reimburse stockholders of the Old Lincoln Motor Car Company, which they bought at a Federal Court sale. The Fords must file an answer to the Leland allegations within fifteen days.

## G. O. P. OPENS OFFICES

Coffin Establishes Headquarters in K. of P. Bldg.

George V. Coffin, city and county Republican chairman, and many years G. O. P. "political boss," today opened political headquarters on the fourth floor of the K. of P. Bldg., Pennsylvania St. and Massachusetts Ave.

Coffin said the office was opened for "party organization work" and would not be used for the advancement of any candidate.

The city and county chairman is under indictment, having been charged with Governor Ed Jackson and Robert L. Marsh, Jackson's former law partner, with having conspired to offer a bribe to former Governor Warren T. McCray.

## LANDS IN MALTA

Lady Bailey Arrives on Solo Hop to Africa.

MALTA, March 15.—Lady Bailey, wife of Sir Abe Bailey, mining multimillionaire, arrived here today on her solo flight from England to South Africa.

## Refinance your auto payments

now on easier terms. Confidential and quick. CAPITOL LOAN CO., 1114 E. Wash St.—Advertisement.



Thelma Todd Billie Dove

## Film Stars and Venus

How Hollywood stacks up against ancient Greece:

Venus	Movie Beauty
5-4	5-3 1/2
135	112
34 1/2 in.	32 1/2 in.
37 1/2 in.	35 in.
13 1/2 in.	12 1/2 in.
8 in.	7 1/2 in.

## APPOINT MANAGERS

Watson, Hoover Forces Named for Campaign.

Watson and Hoover campaign camps continued busy today in preparation to fight for Indiana's presidential preference vote in the primary May 8.

At Watson headquarters in the English, David Hoover, mayor of Elkhart, was named Thirteenth district manager. John Miliken, Newcastle, was made Sixth district manager, and Elmer Egge-meyer, Richmond, Wayne County manager. Charles E. Darling of Elkhart was announced as Elkhart County manager.

M. Bert Thurman, Watson's national manager, announced a switch in managers for the First district.



Yola D'Avril

Hull Gould being named in place of Charles B. Enlow, who was named to the post Monday. Both are of Evansville.

At Hoover headquarters at the Clayport, Oscar G. Foellinger, State manager, named Fred Keller, former South Bend mayor, Thirteenth district manager; Lloyd Crouch, Columbia City banker, Whitley County manager, and Harry M. Shull, Auburn farmer, De Kalb County manager.

Keller with Eli Seebirt, another former South Bend mayor, now a vice president in the Indiana Hoover-for-President Club, filed petitions Friday for delegates to the State Republican convention while Thurman was in South Bend recruiting Watson forces.

## WOMEN VOTERS HEAR OPINIONS OF CANDIDATES

Attorney General Gives Views in Letter; Says Test Failure.

## DALE FAVORS METHOD

Muncie Editor Asserts Right Is Cherished; Has Cleaned Politics.

Attorney General Arthur L. Gilliom, candidate for Republican nomination for United States Senator, favored modification of the direct primary law to make Governors, Senators and presidential electors nominated by party State conventions, in a letter read at the convention of the League of Women Voters at the Marott this afternoon. The league invited all Democratic and Republican candidates for high state offices to speak upon their primary views. Gilliom, unable to attend, sent the letter.

Among others to respond was George Dale, Muncie editor, candidate for Democratic nomination for Governor, who, being ill, sent Mrs. Dale to read a statement in favor of the direct primary.

Gilliom declared he was convinced the long trial of the direct primary had proven it does not result in selection of the best men for office, and concluded:

"While, as I said, a United States Senator has no official voice in this matter, I say unequivocally that if I am nominated and elected a United States Senator, I shall use such party influence as that position brings toward a consummation of the views I have herein expressed.

Answering some of the stock arguments against the primary, Dale declared: "Those who do not vote at the primaries prize the privilege. Just try to disfranchise them and see what you get."

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