

FIGHT ON NEW COUNTY SCHOOL HEAD FORESEEN

Coffin Faction Reported to Be Interested in Selection.

His recent shift from municipal political fields into those close to the operation of schools, probably will carry George V. Coffin, Seventh district Republican chairman, and his organization to the battle line of the selection of a county school superintendent.

Reports that the Coffin forces "were highly interested in the situation" were current in political circles today, after June 3, was set as the date when the six Republican and three Democratic township trustees will select a successor to Lee E. Swails (Dem.) who has been county superintendent for eighteen years.

Just who the county Republican group will support is not known. Several candidates are being mentioned. Swails has announced that he will not seek reappointment.

Gladden Mentioned

Coffin's opponents look favorably on the possible candidacy of Fred T. Gladden, former assistant state public instruction superintendent. Gladden now is assistant superintendent of city schools.

C. E. Emmert, former Boone county school official, is said to have the endorsement of Eliza O. Rogers, Republican state chairman.

Others being mentioned are: L.

Own Boss Now

By United Press
NEW YORK, April 3.—Lee Ping Quan, personal chef to Presidents Warren G. Harding and Calvin Coolidge on the presidential yacht Mayflower, is opening a restaurant here.

Quan reached the retirement period of twenty years of naval service when President Herbert Hoover decided to put the Mayflower out of commission.

B. Mann, Beech Grove school superintendent; C. E. Eash, Warren township high school principal; Charles Vance, Ben Davis high school principal, and Paul Anderson, Lawrence high school principal. Eight years ago Republicans controlled the township board, but Swails was retained on a compromise.

With City Majority

Coffin recently is said to have transferred his political prestige to the majority faction of the Indianapolis school board. Whether this will hold, however, is in question and will not be determined fully until next Tuesday when several school officials are to be appointed.

Coffin lost his patronage control in the statehouse when Governor Harry G. Leslie and several department heads fired Coffin backers. Coffin also has a fight ahead in next county election because several county officials now are opposed to him.

Whaling Industry Record High

By United Press
OSLO, Norway, April 3.—The year 1929 opened with phenomenal success in the whaling industry, with the world-wide oil production to date totalling 1,600,000 barrels.

SLAPS MONON MERGER AS LOSS TO STATE TAX

Revenue Will Decrease Many Millions Yearly, Says Official.

Indiana will lose between eight and ten million dollars a year if the interstate commerce commission permits the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to absorb the Monon, John McCordie, public service commissioner, said today.

"The greater part of this loss will be in taxation to the state, McCordie declared.

"Not only will the state taxing income lose, but all of the taxing units in the counties through which the Monon railroad operates.

"Taxation on railroads is fixed on gross revenues divided into millage. In 1927 the Monon railroad paid taxes to the state on a valuation of \$28,832,940."

By transferring the freight to the B. & O. lines, of which there are but a few miles in Indiana, the Monon will lose revenue and so its millage valuation will be reduced, McCordie said.

"In addition it is but natural that Monon shops in this state will be closed and the state will lose this more than \$2,000,000 pay roll. The employees will be forced to seek employment in other states and Indiana will lose that many citizens who spend their earnings here."

"The Monon has also been spending more than \$2,000,000 a year with Indiana concerns for parts

Laughs Last

By United Press
CHICAGO, April 3.—Because ushers escorted him out of a motion picture show when he laughed at the wrong time during the showing of "The Harvester," Thomas Pillion collected \$300 damages from the theater. He had sued for \$25,000, but settled out of court at the lower figure.

and equipment used on the railroad. It has been using Indiana coal and the B. & O. through its eastern purchasing agents will naturally favor the companies close to it.

"In a conference with Governor Harry G. Leslie Monday, which was attended by B. & O. representatives, I set forth these facts and said that shippers would be adverse to change unless the B. & O. could guarantee reduced rates and 100 per cent service."

Last week H. R. Kurrie of Chicago, president of the Monon, conferred with Governor Leslie and asked that the state assist the Monon stockholders in the fight against the merger.

George M. Shriver, senior vice-president of the B. & O.; Morrison R. White, general solicitor, and Samuel D. Miller and Sidney S. Miller were the B. & O. representatives who conferred with Leslie.

Bishop Leete Is Visitor

Bishop Frederick D. Leete of Omaha, Neb., formerly Indianapolis Methodist bishop, visited Indianapolis Tuesday. He was en route to Scranton, Pa., to attend a series of church conferences.

AWARD MEDALS TO PHONE MEN

Three Honored for Life Saving Work.

Three employees of Indiana Bell Telephone Company have been awarded the Theodore N. Vail bronze medals for "outstanding acts of noteworthy public service performed during 1928." In addition, eight operators in the Indianapolis exchange have received honorable mention and letters of commendation from the Indiana area award committee for noteworthy service.

Harry Stevenson of Greenwood, employed in the Indianapolis division; Charles L. Stanley of Anderson, and C. L. Quinn of Muncie are the recipients of the medals. Presentation will be made later.

Stanley was given the medal for prolonging the life of a man who had been hurled to the ground by a heavy cable being used in moving a house.

Quinn receives his second medal. The first award was made in 1923 for saving the life of a fellow workman; and the new medal is for saving the life of a man who received two severed arteries in an arm as a result of a collision of his truck with a street car.

Stevenson resuscitated an employee of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company who was made unconscious by an electric shock.

Those receiving honorable citation

are: Lola Hackney, night chief operator, Tabbot exchange; Marie Mooney, supervisor, Drexel exchange; Alice Cole, evening chief operator, Drexel exchange; Velma Fultz, supervisor, Drexel exchange; Margaret Bryant, night chief operator, Drexel exchange; Mary Harbison, operator, Drexel exchange; Leona Herschberger, supervisor, Irvington exchange; Della Carlyle, operator, Drexel exchange.

SCHEDULE MEETINGS

Manager League to Hold Weekly Sessions.

Weekly meetings of the Indianapolis City Manager League executive committee will be started next Wednesday night.

The league executive committee will take up preliminary plans for the fall election of seven commissioners under the new form of government. Sessions will be held at the league headquarters, 711 Illinois building.

Mrs. George C. Finck was named chairman of a committee to select additional members on the executive committee. The executive board will be enlarged to include all civic organization representatives.

Henry Dowling, attorney, will speak Friday night at a dinner for legislators who supported the manager amendments in the general assembly. Henry L. Dithmer, Sherman Inn owner, will be host at the dinner.

MANUFACTURERS URGE 'AMERICAN VALUATION'

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By Times Special
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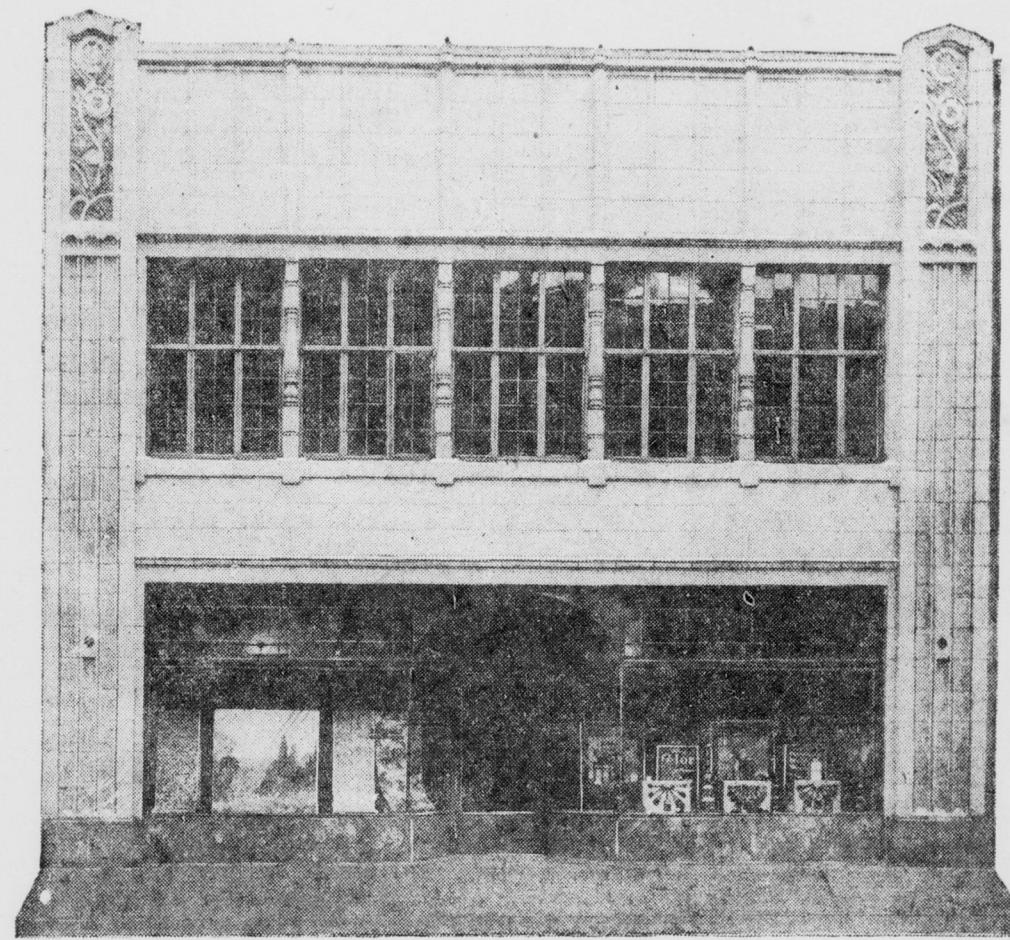
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