

FINISHING TOUCHES PUT ON BILL TO BUY STREET CARS

ENABLING ACT WILL BE ASKED OF LEGISLATURE

Measure Also Would Let Municipality Control Phone System.

PREPARED BY DEERY

Action Ordered by Mayor, Officials as Insull's Plan Is Denied.

Finishing touches today were being put to the amendments to the 1929 act establishing a utilities district in Indianapolis, so as to permit the city to take control and management of the street car and telephone systems.

Although assumption of control of the telephone company is not contemplated, it is felt by Representative John P. White (Dem., Marion), who will introduce the amending bill, that provisions to cover all utilities should be contained in the present statute.

Passed in 1929 to enable the city to manage the Citizens Gas Company, the act provides not only for control of the gas company, but of water works, electric light, power and heating plants.

All Utilities Included
With the insertion of provisions covering transportation systems and telephones, the city would have a legal avenue at any time for control and operation of all or several of its utilities.

Several conferences were held the last few weeks by Mayor Reginald Sullivan, E. Kirk McKinney, president of the city works board, who headed the city committee to hear presentation of the rejected Insull street car plan; Edward H. Knight, corporation counsel; James E. Deery, city attorney, and White.

Scope of the amendments was discussed and it was left to Deery to frame the amending measure, which, it is thought, will be ready for introduction Wednesday.

These amendments, it is expected will provide the following:

Civil Service Provided
1. Removal of the utilities board and any plans and systems it may purchase or acquire under the control of the public service commission and the state tax board.

2. Increasing the bonding limit from the 1 per cent set out in the 1929 act to the constitutional maximum of 2 per cent.

3. Granting of power to issue interest bearing certificates against not more than two-thirds the valuation of the physical property, plus improvements and extensions; bonds to be used for the purchase of the system, betterment and extensions.

4. Self-perpetuation in office for the board of utility trustees, except one member who shall be the mayor's appointee and upon whose expiration of term the mayor may reappoint or name a new member.

5. Institution of a civil service or merit system for all municipally owned utility employees except common laborers.

Bonding Limit Raised
These last two provisions are expected to halt any attempt at political control or domination of city-operated utilities and set up an efficient and expert organization.

If amendments are passed—and it is expected they will—the provisions apply only to Indianapolis—means would be afforded for overtures to the stockholders of the street car company to purchase their system.

The increase of the bonding limit from 1 to 2 per cent would enable the city to raise the millions necessary to complete the deal.

Although issued by the city, the bonds would be a lien against the property to be repaid from the earnings, it was explained.

Profit Anticipated
By removing the utilities board from the control of public service commission and tax board, the city might, if it so chooses, proceed rapidly with its plans for purchase without the delay necessary in having all of the plans and details before those bodies and waiting for their approval.

It is pointed out by White that: "Unlike all other city responsibilities, this sort of enterprise will produce to pay its own costs and yield a profit to the city, while the credit of Indianapolis will make its securities gilt edge. It will not cost the citizens a dollar in additional taxes and in time can be made to produce sufficient revenue to be used in reducing general taxes."

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CLINTON CLINGS TO ITS PRIDE; HOPES TO AVERT RUIN WITHOUT CHARITY



Mrs. B.—of Soupbone Hollow, Clinton, Ind., is the wife of a formerly prosperous miner. Once they had a comfortable home. The children had warm clothes, plenty to eat. Today, in

a dingy shack she washes clothes in a tub which leaks so badly that each two minutes she must empty the pail on the floor back into the tub again.

Mrs. B.—is Scotch; she has the typical Scotch pride. The family doesn't want charity. It badly needs employment of some kind. Even if the father can get a few days of road work, it will help.

Want Stalks Through Mine Center; Fate Hinges on Sale of Coal.

By Times Staff Correspondent

CLINTON, Ind., Jan. 19.—Charity, to this little city suddenly thrown into gaunt relief by the calcium glare of a legislative inquiry, begins at home and stays there.

With more than a year of unemployment, business depression, starvation, with its mines—sole source of livelihood—closed, and with little hope for the future, Clinton feels that it can speak from experience.

The majority of the citizens of this community of 8,000 are Scotch. They are the proverbial, typical, thrifty Scotch. They welcome charity like they would welcome a long visit of a particularly pestiferous relative—with a dozen more pestiferous kids.

Charity Is Necessary
But charity, here, is a necessity, the necessity of preserving human life, of providing children with necessary food, clothing, school books, of keeping them warm and comfortable is a necessity, also, in some form or other, if this city is to be rehabilitated.

And that form of necessity entails the sale of Clinton coal to the point where the mines can reopen.

The question is, where it will come from.

Heretofore, charity has been a local proposition. The American Red Cross, the state unemployment commission, and all other agencies are merely, as far as Clinton is concerned, newspaper items, which tell of a happy utopia somewhere, with jobs for everyone, plenty of money, food, warm clothing and decent living conditions.

Thousands Spent
The great part of the local relief has been provided by the township trustees, who spent approximately \$25,000 from an already depleted treasury in the last year. Now there isn't any more money, because the citizens haven't been working and consequently couldn't pay any rent to the landlords, who consequently couldn't pay taxes into the township that the money might be spent for relief.

Last October a local chapter of the Red Cross was organized with about a dozen members. They have done what they can, but have reported no receipts from the national organization. The local chapter of the American Legion has spent every dollar in its treasury. Churches have given up their resources; there isn't a minister in town who has collected his salary in full for some time.

Immediate Action Needed
And now there isn't any more. "What is essential here now is immediate action whereby state funds will be released so our people may be employed at road work or anything else which will retain their self-respect, afford them employment and allow them to get back on their feet through their own efforts."

Upset Not Serious If System Gets This Help
When you're out-of-sorts, head-achy, dizzy, bilious, with coated tongue, bad breath, no appetite or energy—don't worry. It's probably constipation.

Take a candy Cascaret tonight and see how quickly your trouble clears up. No more headache; no gas on stomach or bowels. Appetite improves; digestion is encouraged. Take another tomorrow night and the next night. Get every bit of the souring waste out of your system. Then see how bowel action is regular and how pleasant.

Cascarets are made from cascara, which doctors agree actually strengthens bowel muscles. Ten cents at all drug stores.—Advertisement.

own labor," Judge G. E. Bingham, one of the city's leading attorneys, says.

"We don't want pauperism. We don't want handouts.

"Why, if Indiana people just would start buying Indiana coal exclusively, all our troubles would be ended. And our coal is good coal. The trouble has been that we haven't had enough money to spend on advertising."

Down in Soupbone hollow this morning, this correspondent entered one of the homes of the unemployed. Two children, shabbily dressed, were playing around the dingy floor. The mother was slaving

ing over a washtub, a metal washtub; she was using an old-fashioned, worn-out scrubbing board.

And in the bottom of that washtub was a hole from which trickled a steady stream of water into a pail on the floor. Every two minutes that pail filled and she was forced to reach down and empty it again in the tub. There was 8 cents—a nickel and three pennies—in the house.

In the windows were strips of cardboard replacing glass. The bare laths stared forth from the broken plaster on the walls.

"What can we do?" this mother asked. "There is no work!"

DEMOCRATS TO HOLD CAUCUS

House Majority to Discuss Platform Pledges.

Probability that a caucus of the Democratic house majority will be held late today, following the adjournment, loomed as Speaker Walter Myers and State Chairman R. Earl Peters attempted to get in touch with Representative Delph McKesson (Dem., Marshall), majority floor leader.

Originally, it had been planned to hold the conference tonight, but due to prior engagements contracted by the speaker, an attempt will be made to convene late today.

Democratic platform pledges and the manner in which they will be fulfilled are to be discussed, Myers said.

Among the pledges are an income tax bill, framed of old age pensions, bills for which have been introduced in both houses, and voters registration in which the measure is that drafted by the Indiana League of Women's Voters.

MEXICAN PURCHASE OF U. S. LAND SUGGESTED

BY United Press
MEXICO CITY, Jan. 19.—Mexico is not interested in selling any part of Lower California or Sonora to the United States, but might be willing to purchase the states of Arizona, California, New Mexico and Texas, and the city of New Orleans, if any international real estate deals are contemplated.

A group of deputies headed by General Rafael Melgar of the state of Oaxaca announced that a resolution recommending that Mexico purchase the territory named will be presented to a permanent committee which functions during congressional recesses. The land would be paid for by national public subscription.

Thirty-seven Fight Charges
BY United Press
MUNCIE, Ind., Jan. 19.—Counsel for Vernon Walburn, proprietor of the Club cigar store, arrested with thirty-six other men in a gambling raid on the place, has filed a motion in the court of Judge J. Frank Mann seeking dismissal of charges on the ground that search was "without warrant or justification." Walburn and employee, Bert Duffy, are charged with operating a gambling establishment and the other thirty-five accused of visiting it.

Two in Auto Killed
BY United Press
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 19.—An automobile accident claimed its second life here Sunday when Joseph K. B. died. His companion, Miss Martha Aulenbach, 18, was killed instantly when his car skidded off an icy road into a ditch Saturday night.

Free Dancing Lessons
I wish to take advantage of the opportunity given by The Times and the Stockman Studios for free dancing lessons two nights this week. I understand that this coupon entitles me to one free lesson if presented at the door of the studio Tuesday or Thursday night.

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LEGISLATORS RUSH HELP FOR JOBLESS

Resolution Asks Gas Tax Distribution at Once, to Make Work.

To make possible immediate distribution to cities, counties and towns of Indiana approximately \$3,000,000 in gasoline tax collections, a bill was being drafted by the legislative bureau today for immediate introduction in the general assembly.

Efforts to win prompt passage of the measure under suspension of the rules were promised by Senator Almon H. Lindsey (Rep., Fountain, Vermilion and Warren), leader in the movement for unemployment relief.

Both houses of the legislature reconvened at 2 this afternoon. The local units share one-fourth of the 4-cent tax, but distribution normally is not made until March 1. Reason for making money available now is to provide jobs for the unemployed by road work in different communities.

The state highway department, which gets the other 3 cents of the gas tax and still owes the cities, counties and towns \$600,000, is scheduled to increase its maintenance work as a relief measure and the budget committee is to act on a request to transfer more funds to maintenance, now listed for construction.

Tax Bill, to Be Introduced
Lindsey plans introduction of three bills on taxation which will tie in with the program.

One would prevent real estate tax sales by the sheriffs, scheduled for Feb. 9, and declare a moratorium for one year. Another bill would provide for amortization of tax payments over a four-year period and a third would call for real estate reappraisal this year instead of the regular time in 1932.

The bills were drafted in conference Sunday. Sumner Clancy, former Indianapolis state senator; Louis Seegar, local real estate dealer, and Lewis Taylor of the Indiana Farm Bureau.

It is estimated by this group that between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 in tax sales would be halted by the moratorium.

Opposed by Treasurers
Clyde E. Robinson, Marion county treasurer, declared it will cost Marion county alone \$300,000 in delinquent taxes to attempt to halt the Indiana County Treasurers' Association, he states he and his organization will oppose the moratorium and amortization measures.

One reason is that many of these treasurers will retire before the amortization plan becomes available under this plan.

Since taxation has become the keynote of the present session, the joint bi-partisan committee of house and senate is scheduled to hold its first meeting Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock for discussion of raising revenues and reducing governmental expense.

The committee is composed of five Republicans and five Democrats, with Lieutenant-Governor Edgar D. Bush (Rep., Salem) and Speaker Walter Myers (Dem., Marion) as ex-officio members.

Sales Tax Plan Advanced
The senate committee consists of three Republicans and two Democrats, while the makeup of the house committee is the reverse.

Representative H. Curtis Bennett (Dem., Dearborn and Ohio) reported today that he is prepared to introduce a new tax plan designed to levy on gross retail sales in a progressive manner to increase payments from chain stores.

A so-called chain store tax bill, introduced by Bennett, was passed by the 1929 legislature and is awaiting decision of the United States supreme court, having been declared unconstitutional in the Federal district court here.

The new Bennett bill would charge 1 1/2 cents for all stores and provide a graduated levy on gross sales starting at one-twentieth of 1 per cent on gross sales under \$400,000 and expanding to 1 per cent on \$1,000,000 or more.

Levy to Be Fought
The author says it is based on the Kentucky law and would produce about \$3,000,000 in revenues.

Proposed tax on tobacco sales will be fought by the tobacco interests, who are preparing to appear before the house committee with figures to show that the tobacco tax has been abandoned in other states where tried.

INDIANAPOLIS TO BE HOST TO RADIO MEN

Fifth Annual Convention Will Be Held Feb. 16-17.

The fifth annual convention of the National Federation of Radio Associations and the Radio Wholesale Association will be held in Indianapolis Feb. 16-17.

This gathering annually brings together some five hundred of the leaders of the radio industry for a serious discussion of their joint problems.

H. G. Ernst of Chicago, executive vice-president of the two associations, in commenting on the coming convention today, said: "The annual gathering of the leading radio men this year will come at a very opportune time, when every industry is confronted with the problems of resuming their normal production and creating a normal demand for their product."

"It is anticipated that the radio business will resume its normal operations within the next ninety to one hundred twenty days, with the gathering of the foremost radio executives will do much toward stimulating resumption of normal conditions within our industry."

Auto Firm in New Quarters
New quarters of the Smith Motor Company, distributors of De Soto cars at South and Main streets, Beech Grove, were opened today.

W. T. Smith is head of the company, which formerly was the Beech Groves Sales Company.

GAMING DISMISSALS REVIVE COPS' ANGER

Verbal War Flares Anew Between Judge Cameron and Chief Kinney.

Verbal war flared again today between police heads and Municipal Judge Clifton R. Cameron after the latter discharged twenty-eight Negroes, who were charged with gambling.

The men and Mrs. Willa McMurray, Negro, 35, of 612 North California street, were arrested Saturday night by Lieutenant John Sheehan and squad after police claimed they found the men and seven other women shooting craps in Mrs. McMurray's three-room house.

Today Cameron held police had no authority to enter the place and make arrests on an affidavit issued Jan. 15, two days before the raid. This affidavit named Mrs. McMurray with operating a gambling house.

Cameron took her case under advisement after discharging the others. He will rule Saturday. When informed of the courts act, Police Chief Jerry Kinney declared:

"I don't think the public and the city editors of the newspapers realize what a man is up against down here. It's just that type of game where these purse snatchers that have been operating all over town go to blow their money. They don't go to found games, but to these little places. What's a man going to do?"

Sheehan said he had attempted to get a search warrant for the place from Cameron but the latter refused to issue it last week. Cameron denied this.

According to the police, they were armed with the affidavit for Mrs. McMurray's arrest when they entered the house and claim they saw the law violation. Sheehan said he confiscated dice and 65 cents in the scramble that followed their entrance.

GATHER TO TALK ON INSURANCE

Eighth Annual Day Will Be Observed Here Tuesday.

Indiana insurance men will gather here Tuesday for the state's eighth annual insurance day.

Two sections will convene in the morning at the Hotel Lincoln, joining at luncheon.

In the afternoon a sales congress will be held at which all varieties of insurance men—fire, casualty, life, automobile, theft, hail, tornado and others—will attend.

In the evening, group dinners will be held, one of the principal ones being that sponsored by the Indianapolis Fire Insurance Agents' Association.

Registration at the hotel began this morning.

Speakers at Tuesday's sessions will include Paul W. Simpson, state president; E. J. Schofield, vice-president of the Globe Indemnity Company of Newark, N. J., and George E. Lackey of New York, president of the National Association of Life Underwriters.

NEW PLANT TO OPEN

Mechanical Devices to Be Manufactured Here.

An assembly plant with 30,000 feet of floor space will be opened in Indianapolis by the Universal Gear Corporation of Chicago for development and manufacture of heliocentric fixed speed reducers, transmissions and clutches.

The corporation was organized in 1929 to manufacture mechanical devices based on English patents unknown in American markets. Since January, 1930, the company has maintained an office in Indianapolis and now has twenty-five men with sufficient business to operate at capacity.

Devices manufactured here been adopted as part of standard equipment on certain machines made by the Allis-Chalmers, Curtiss Airplane, F. X. Hopper, Partition Machinery and Macy Conveyors companies.

J. E. HOLLETT HURT

Relative of Mayor Hit by Car; Injured Critically.

John E. Hollett, 56, of 4001 North Meridian street, brother-in-law of Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan, was injured critically this morning when struck by an auto as he crossed Meridian street in front of his home.

The car was driven by Miss Mary Hardesty, 22, of 542 Central court, who was arrested on charges of assault and battery and reckless driving. Miss Lotys Steaming, 3460 North Pennsylvania street, was riding with her. The young women were en route to Butler university when the accident occurred.

They told police Hollett became confused and ran into the side of the car. Miss Hardesty was released on her own recognizance.

Such rumors as Robert Montgomery, hospital after examination of his home by three physicians, including Dr. Thomas Sullivan, brother of the mayor.

Hollett is an attorney with offices at 200 Indiana Trust building.

Land Owners Get \$3,175
BY Times Special
PERU, Ind., Jan. 19.—A Miami circuit court jury deliberated nine hours in determining that \$3,175 is adequate recompense for damage done to a fourteen-acre tract of land through which State Road 24 is routed. The case was a condemnation proceeding brought by Attorney-General James M. Ogden against owners of the land, Mrs. Cassius B. Averill and Mrs. Emma B. Wasson. At the time the road was routed the state highway commission's offer to pay \$2,000 as damages was refused.

2 HURT WHEN KEYSTONE BUS GOES IN DITCH

Locked Steering Apparatus Is Given as Cause of Accident.

Two of fourteen passengers were injured early today when a north-bound Keystone bus crashed into a four-foot ditch off Keystone avenue, a block south of Fifty-second street.

Locked steering apparatus was given as the cause for the accident. Miss Mary Rogers, 18, South Arsenal avenue near English avenue, was cut and bruised on the arms and chest. Charles Brown, 818 Coffey street, was cut on the hand.

Loren Rogers, 407 East Twenty-third street, was driver of the bus.

Two Persons Are Killed
Two persons were dead today from injuries suffered in accidents. Attracted across Indiana avenue Sunday afternoon by a street brawl in which two Negroes were injured slightly, Landers Humphrey, 42, Negro, 823 Camp street, was struck and injured fatally by an auto, driven by Earl Wire, 38, of 329 South Rural street. Wire was charged with drunken driving and assault and battery. Humphrey died several hours later in city hospital.

John Kent, 43, of 1305 West Thirty-second street, died in city hospital Saturday night from injuries suffered in an accident Jan. 17.

Chalmers King, Muncie, was charged with drunken driving after he drove a sedan into a traffic signal at Sixteenth and Meridian streets early Sunday, injuring himself and two young women.

Girls Bruised In Wreck
Miss Marjorie Hatcher, 18, Muncie, and Miss Thelma Alton, 22, of 4132 Byron avenue, were severely and severely, and Dale Wright, 23, Selma, escaped injury. Others injured include:

Mr. and Mrs. James Turner of Brazil, Miss Mary Turner, 18, and Mrs. Catherine Maroney, 334 Wilcox street, all of Brazil, were injured in a collision, National road and Washington streets.

Sam Tully, 39, of 237 North Keystone avenue, was injured in a collision, Noble and Washington streets.

Allen Houchins, Arcadia, cut on head, collision, Twenty-first street and Capitol avenue.

Alfred McGuire, 59, Lawrence, leg broken, hit by a truck, collision, Noble and Washington streets.

Mrs. Rachel Thornton, 30, Bloomington, was injured in a collision, Indiana avenue and Rembrandt street.

Samuel Purdy, 12, Greenwood, face cut, collision, Meridian street, two miles south of the city.

BOY, 15, ACCUSED OF HOLDUPS WITH KNIFE

Juvenile Bandit Suspect Robbed Three Youths, Police Assert.

A 15-year-old boy was arrested by police today, charged with the robbery of three boys Sunday after he threatened them with a knife.

The boy's first victim was James Sullivan, 13, of 1460 Bates street, who told police the boy held a knife at his throat while he robbed him of \$3.

Robert Crago, 13, of 4315 East Michigan street, was robbed of \$1.20 and Alvin Niemeyer, 15, of 518 North Oakland avenue, of 80 cents by the boy, police said.

The boy, identified by his victims, is held in the detention house.

FOUR CHICKEN DINNERS, THEN REFUSES TO PAY

Police Called as Cafe Proprietor Holds Diner's Coat to Get Money.

Police were called to the restaurant of James Taylor, 442 West North street, Sunday afternoon to halt a fight between two men.

When they got there Taylor assured them all was well and the man had paid for his food.

"He came in here and ate," Taylor told police. "I held his overcoat. He came back with the money."

"How much was the bill?" police asked.

"Plenty," Taylor said. "He ate four chicken dinners."

Noblesville Bank Elects
BY Times Special
NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Jan. 19.—The American National bank of this city, at the annual meeting of the stockholders, selected as directors, W. E. Axline, John C. Craig, Omar Lake, Charles E. Johns, A. R. Haas, B. F. McLaughlin, M. L. White and George C. Claverhouse. Officers are: President, John C. Craig; Vice-presidents, Charles Johns and A. R. Haas; cashier, B. F. McLaughlin.

—Advertisement—

TALKIE STARS END COLDS BY METHOD POPULAR HERE

Must Stop Cough and Other Effects of Colds to Avoid Spoiling Sound Films

Colds always make one feel miserable and may bring risk of pneumonia. And in the "talkies" a cough, sneeze or hoarseness will spoil the sound film. At the first sign of a cold, leading stars are now given a few pleasant doses of Ayer's Pectoral. It has been certified by leading doctors as the best of different remedies tested.

Such stars as Robert Montgomery, Betty Compson, Marion Nixon, June Collyer, Glenn Tryon, Alec Francis, Robert Armstrong, Alice White, James Gleason, etc., have found how pleasant Pectoral is to take—how quickly it ends a cold.

Roland Drew, for example, felt a cold coming on while making "Evangeline." Instead of ending the cold promptly, he kept on working in the hope it would clear up without treatment. Instead, congestion started spreading so fast that he became alarmed.

Acting on the advice of physicians, then, Mr. Drew began taking a pleasant spoonful of Cherry Pectoral every 15 minutes. Relief began almost immediately and by late afternoon congestion was clearing up rapidly. A complete examination showed that in just a day or so Ayer's Cherry Pectoral had removed all trace of the cold.

ROLAND DREW
Starring in "The Love Trail," "Lady Raffles," "The Racketeer," etc., threatening cold.

In Indianapolis homes, as in Hollywood, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the first thought for colds. Ayer's Pectoral is safer than hot lemonade, "cold" tablets, etc., which cause one to perspire freely. They are dangerous to use unless one stays in bed while the sweat pores are open. Ayer's Pectoral does not cause sweating and can be used with absolute safety—even if one has to be out of doors.

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