

SENATE DODGES, WRIGGLES ITS WAY OUT OF VOTE ON MODIFICATION OF DRY LAW

Bingham Withdraws Beer Rider to Loan Bill When Joe Robinson and Borah Conspire to Block Ballot.

WETS' GOOD FAITH IS QUESTIONED Connecticut Legislator Strikes Back With Charge Democrats Have No Desire to Support Platform.

BY LEO R. SACK
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WASHINGTON, July 9.—The senate has wiggled out of a vote on "immediate" modification of the Volstead act.

It successfully has postponed, probably until after the November election, any affirmative action, either on the forthright platform of the Democratic national convention, or on the straddle plank of the Republican convention.

Democratic senators scoured the opportunity to prove to voters that use of the word "immediate" in their platform meant "right now," while Republicans dodged and evaded, even as they did in Chicago.

Neither party showed courage to face the issue.

Leaders in both parties succeeded in so confusing the question that a straight-out vote not only was made impossible, but was made to appear as disastrous politically.

Bingham Forced to Retreat

Democratic Leader Joseph T. Robinson conspired with Republican Senator William E. Borah, vigorous champion of prohibition, to complicate so the immediate modification amendment of Senator Hiram Bingham (Rep., Conn.) that Bingham withdrew his proposal.

He may resubmit it—he says he will—but if he does, its prompt reference to the judiciary committee is assured by sheer number of Republican and Democratic opposition votes.

It will remain on file in the judiciary committee along with other proposed changes in the eighteenth amendment, until congress reconvenes next winter.

But before Bingham was forced to retreat, his good faith and the good faith of another wet, Senator W. Warren Barbour (Rep., N. J.) was attacked.

When Barbour's motion to discharge the judiciary committee from further consideration of his proposed constitutional amendment repealing the eighteenth amendment was reached, Senator George W. Norris, judiciary chairman, expressed willingness to have the senate vote, but Bingham and Barbour merely talked.

Vitrolic Attack Launched

They did not force the question to a roll call when they had the opportunity, although Norris urged them to do so, and the parliamentary way was open.

Subsequently, Robinson launched a vitrolic attack on Bingham whom he accused of killing time while "more important issues" awaited action. He charged Bingham with seeking to embarrass the Democrats politically.

"I for one grow very suspicious of the effort by the senator from Connecticut to require me to conform to my platform," Robinson said. "This question has been made an issue in the national campaign. The effort now is to defeat the issue before it can be contested or determined."

Borah Enters in Game

"There is not anybody, I do not care how wet or how dry he may be, who expects to authorize the manufacture and sale of beer in connection with a measure (the home loan bill) which is designed to bring relief and assistance to millions of citizens, who are having their homes sold over them, who are threatened with the danger of seeing the small savings of a lifetime of sacrifice and hard labor dissipated, and finding themselves set adrift without help or resources."

After Robinson's tirade, Borah introduced the Glass bill to expand the currency by \$94,000,000 as a substitute for the Bingham bill.

The two questions were not related, but under senate rules one was as germane to the pending measure as the other.

The senate spent several hours debating currency inflation when Bingham appealed to Borah to withdraw his substitute.

The parliamentarian had ruled that Bingham could not offer his plan again, if it once was voted down.

Borah refused, although he realized that if his plan prevailed—thereby enabling the senate to dodge the beer issue without a direct vote—that senators later would strike his inflation proposal from the bill.

Amendment Is Withdrawn

Subsequently, Bingham withdrew his amendment entirely. Borah refused to withdraw his.

This was the situation when the senate reconvened today.

There is the possibility, however, that beer, and Borah's inflation, and the entire home loan bill will be laid aside. If the senate goes ahead with the conference report on the Wagner-Garrett relief bill.

Bingham did not take his licking without striking back. Borah and Robinson drew a red herring across the train, he charged.

"It is quite evident there is no desire on the part of Democrats to vote in accordance with their party platform," he said. "They think they are going to fool the people. An amazing spectacle has been presented here. The cards were stacked against me."

Driven Batty

BY UNITED PRESS
WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., July 9.—Bats went on a \$3,448 bat in the low hills. They kept prisoners awake. This was complained after they killed one with an 18-inch wing spread.

The board of supervisors decided to install screens. And the low bid was \$3,448.

Chatterton to Marry Leading Man, Is Rumor



Famous Actress Plans to Wed George Brent, Says Hollywood Gossip.

By United Press

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Attorney James Gardner Sanders painted a word picture of Mrs. St. Pierre, "sick and broken, starting up from her bed in shocked amazement at a radio broadcast announcing the elopement of Dave Hutton and Aimee Semple McPherson."

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SUE ON TRUCK LAW

Injunction Is Sought by Michigan Company.

By United Press

Fight against act of the 1931 legislature regulating truck and trailer operation was begun Friday when the Michigan Inter-State Motor Freight, Inc., filed suit in federal court asking a restraining order and injunction prohibiting state police from enforcing provisions of the law relative to weight and length of trucks and trailers.

Defendants named are Governor Harold G. Leslie, Frank May Jr., secretary of state; Attorney-General James M. Ogden, and highway commissioners.

Judge Robert C. Baltzell said a hearing on the suit will be held July 21.

The petition, filed by Clinton H. Givan, local attorney, attacks the law as "unconstitutional," in that property is confiscated without due process of law. State police have arrested drivers for the company, forcing them to leave the vehicles by the roadside, the petition says.

SEEK TO HALT WILD DRIVING BY CITY AIDS

Works Board Adopts Plan of Penalties for Employees.

In an attempt to check carelessness of automobiles and trucks owned by the city, the works board today adopted a plan of penalties for city employees involved in accidents.

The driver of a city vehicle involved in an accident will be forced to lay off from his work for at least a length of time equal to the period required for repairing the car, according to the plan, at discretion of the board.

More than one man is assigned to the vehicle, the entire crew will receive the punishment.

It is the opinion of the board this method will result in the entire crew assuming responsibility for the discouragement of carelessness operation.

GIVES HOSPITAL FUNDS

Kahn Underwriters Headquarters at Scout Reservation.

Funds to erect and equip a modern hospital headquarters at the Boy Scout reservation are to be given by Edward A. Kahn, Indianapolis and Central Indiana scout council president, it was announced today.

Members of the Marion County Medical Society will have charge of the hospital. Swimming pool and drinking water at the camp has been examined by the state health board and reported in excellent condition.

They're Youngest Graduates



Left to Right—Bobby White, 3, of 1511 Olive street; Loranne Helm, 4, of 1543 Cottage avenue; Emma May Mullery, 4, of 1153 Olive street; Marian Mullenbrook, 4, of 1027 Dawson street, and Benny Parsley, 4, of 1520 Draper street.

'DAVY' GETS GUARD AFTER TRIAL ENDS

Aimee's Mate Threatened as Judge Prepares to Instruct Jury.

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, July 9.—A police guard was placed about the homes of David L. Hutton, husband of Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, and Willard Andrews, his chief legal counsel, early today following receipt of telephone threats by both, and discovery of prowlers near their residences.

As the latest sensation came, only the instructions of Judge Lester W. Roth remained to be given today before a jury of seven men and five women, all middle aged, will begin deliberation upon Myrtle H. St. Pierre's \$200,000 breach of promise suit against David L. Hutton.

The pretty, brunet nurse's attorneys took turns in oratorically blasting "Big Dave," husband of Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, the evangelist, in final arguments.

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Big Mis—Steak

Butcher Can't Pound Wife Like He Can Steak, Judge Says.

By Times Special

LEBANON, Ind., July 9.—As the trial of Louis E. Hamilton, charged with murder of Lafayette A. Jackson, Indianapolis chain store head, recessed today, Prosecutor Herbert E. Wilson announced the state will complete evidence Monday, closing with testimony of Miss Sue Sawyer, Hamilton's invalid neighbor in Iola, Kan.

Testimony of eye witnesses of the shooting, coupled with that of Milo Stockberger at whose home Hamilton and his companion, Charles Vernon Witt, roomed while in Indianapolis, was turned upon the defense alibi Friday. Hamilton contends he was in Iola, Kan., when the shooting occurred.

Miss Sawyer, will testify Monday that Hamilton arrived at his home, across the street from her residence in Iola, two days after the shooting.

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By United Press

A BUTCHER may pound beefsteaks, and cut the squeals out of pigs, but when he quarrels with his wife and she sustains a few scratches on the arm they're in for a lecture from Municipal Judge Clifton R. Cameron.

Howard Krumrine, 1348 Burdick parkway, butcher, and his wife, Sabina, were in the judge's court Friday afternoon trying to settle their matrimonial difficulties.

According to testimony, the Krumrine household became overheated as an A-No-1 sunstroke. Sabina charged Howard struck her and that her arm was scratched in the melee.

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Dr. Charles E. Myers, city hospital superintendent, pointed out to the board that the pesthouse, an old dwelling near the main hospital, costs \$2,000 annually to maintain and is not needed, as the hospital contagious wards are equipped to care for cases of smallpox.

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