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## UTILITY BILL SEEKS RELIEF FOR MILLION

Draft Completed for New Deal, That May Prove Boon for Jobless.

GOES TO HOUSE FRIDAY

Provides for Commission of Three Members, Extends Municipal Rights.

BY DANIEL M. KIDNEY

Job relief possibilities, as well as utility rate relief for more than a million Indiana patrons are included today in the final draft of the administration's utility bill.

The bill provides a plan for municipal utility plants to be erected as self-liquidating public works, financed from federal Reconstruction Finance Corporation funds.

It embodies all utility reforms urged by Governor Paul V. McNutt in his message to the legislature.

The bill will be presented in the house Friday by Representative John F. White (Dem., Indianapolis), and will carry signatures of other administration leaders.

Expect Prompt Passage

Prompt passage is expected and the law will be effective at once, since the bill carries an emergency clause.

First amendments form a "ripper bill," destroying the present commission set-up of five members and replacing it with a three-member commission, with the present salaries of \$6,000 each.

Although their terms will be four years, commissioners would be appointed by the Governor and may be removed at his pleasure.

Political division, along majority and minority lines, is retained and a new post—that of public counselor—is created, with a salary not to exceed that of a commissioner.

Duties of the counselor will be to represent the public's side in all utility cases.

Appoints Own Staffs

The commission, with consent of the Governor, appoints the engineering and accounting staff and all employees.

Second bill amends the sections applying to municipal ownership and rate control. It will exclude such items as the Indianapolis Water Company's \$1,000,000 "water rights" from all consideration in the rate structure.

Municipal utilities will be empowered to cut into the great power loop, set-ups, such as the "Insull south system" and the like.

In determining valuation for rate-making purposes, it "forbids capitalization of natural resources and going values," defining such values as "the public's property." It also restricts overhead construction to the actual costs.

Under the measure, commission approval must be given all construction.

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BOY, 16, IS SHOT BY UTILITY CO. GUARD

Youth Was Stealing Coal, Is Charge of Watchman at Plant.

When he failed to stop after several warnings, Elzie Thompson, 16, of 170 Bright street, was shot in the right arm and left leg early Wednesday night by a special policeman guarding the plant of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company, Gelsendorff and Washington streets.

Eugene Blanford, 36, of 305 Chester avenue, the watchman, told police he saw the youth stealing coal.

After fleeing to his home, Thompson was taken to city hospital.

YOUNG DON MILLER IS RECOVERING SLOWLY

Injured Indianapolis Boy to Regain Use of Legs, Says Doctor.

HAVERFORD, Pa., Jan. 19.—J. Donald Miller Jr., 19-year-old Indianapolis student who dislocated a vertebra when he slipped from the parallel bars in the Haverford gymnasium Dec. 15, slowly is recovering in the Bryn Mawr hospital.

"I feel confident that Miller will regain use of his legs," Dr. Walter E. Lee, surgeon at the hospital, said today. "He is extremely likely he will recover about 90 per cent from the paraparesis."

He is able to move both legs and his condition is greatly improved. His mother, wife of an Indianapolis physician, has been with him since the accident.

Guests at Party Robbed

Two women guests at a card party in the home of Earl Fansler, 4005 East Washington street, Wednesday night, lost their coats, valued at \$100 each, and \$19 in money, when a burglar entered a bedroom through a widow.

Booze Fatal?

Moderate drinking never appreciably shortened any one's life, declares Dr. Morris Fishbein, noted medical authority, who writes a column on The Times editorial page daily.

Without touching on the social aspects of drinking, or its moral effect, Dr. Fishbein, in The Times Friday, will present the first of two articles on this subject.

They are enlightening and timely, summing up the opinions of noted scientific authorities.

Watch for the first one in The Times Friday.

## Senate Votes Down 'Gag' Rule, Then Ends Filibuster by Pact to Limit Debate

One Hour of Argument to Be Permitted Each Member on Glass Banking Reform Measure; Cloture Move Is Lost by Vote of 58 to 30.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The senate voluntarily ended its own filibuster today by accepting an agreement to limit debate on the Glass bank reform bill. The limitation agreement was offered by Senator William Borah (Rep., Idaho). It binds the senate to operate on a schedule limiting all senators to one hour's debate on the bill and half an hour on any amendment.

This action was taken after the senate failed to stifle "Kingfish" Long and his cohorts when the cloture rule to limit debate failed of passage. The vote was 58 to 30.

The Democratic leadership was unable to obtain the two-thirds support of the senate necessary for passage of the gag rule. Failure of suffi-

cient Republicans to swing behind the cloture rule caused its defeat.

Senator James Couzens (Rep., Mich.) had charged that "lame duck" Republican leaders were conspiring to aid the filibusters.

Nineteen Republicans joined with one Democrat and one Farmer-Laborite to defeat the gag rule.

## RUTH JUDD TO CONTINUE TALE

Denounces Lumberman as She Tells Story of Killings.

By United Press

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 19.—Haggard from two days of hysteria on the witness stand, Winnie Ruth Judd was recalled today to pursue her charges that John J. (Happy Jack) Halloran played a "responsible" role in the killings of Agnes Ann LeRoi and Hedwig Samelson.

Tears mingled with bitter words of denunciation of the wealthy lumberman as the convicted woman, testifying at his preliminary hearing on accessory charges, described for the first time how she killed her two friends in a purported quarrel.

She is under sentence to hang Feb. 17 on a charge of shooting Mrs. LeRoi.

Mrs. Judd lost her composure as she described how she and her two friends quarreled over the affections of the playboy-lumberman. She said they threatened to expose her romance with Halloran to her husband, Dr. William C. Judd, and that she in turn threatened to expose them.

"He is responsible for the deaths of three girls and I have only three weeks to live for the deaths of two," she suddenly cried to one question.

"You want to hang me for something Jack Halloran did." She apparently meant the deaths of the two women and herself.

Mrs. Judd insisted Halloran knew all the details of the fight before he helped her pack the bodies in the luggage that was shipped to Los Angeles where she was captured. Previously, she had testified that Halloran advised her to dispose of the bodies in this way.

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## LESLIE FACES QUIZ ON BILL

Measure Passed in 1929 Is Missing; Probe Launched by M'Nutt.

By United Press

Conduct of former Governor Harry G. Leslie and his secretary, L. O. Chasey, in causing a bill passed by the 1929 session of the legislature to disappear is being investigated today by the attorney-general's office upon order of Governor Paul V. McNutt.

The bill already has been de-

clared law by Marion superior court and the decision is expected to be affirmed soon in the supreme court.

It provides for separation of Newton and Jasper circuit courts.

Copies of the bill are in file with others that supposedly were "pocket vetoed" in the Governor's office. Nor are records of its passage available in the legislative reference bureau. There a receipt shows that Chasey withdrew it.

Chasey, who now is secretary to the state tax board, explained to Wayne Coy, secretary to McNutt, that he brought the records to his desk in the Governor's office in 1929, and they disappeared from a drawer.

He also said he gave the original bill to Leslie and never has seen it since. Leslie told him that, should any one ask for it, to tell them to "go to hell," Chasey said.

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CONVICTED ATTORNEY'S DELAY PLEA DENIED

Judge Refuses to Stay Judgment in Embazement Case.

By United Press

PETITION for arrest of judgment in the case of Francis T. Boyden, Indianapolis attorney, 417 South Butler avenue, convicted of embezzlement, was denied today by Criminal Judge Frank P. Baker.

Boyden's counsel asked a new trial and indicated the case would be appealed if this is denied.

On Nov. 29, two years after he was indicted by the county grand jury, Boyden was convicted on a charge of collecting \$50 from a client, Miss Irene Ester, of 525 North New Jersey street, a crippled waitress.

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ing imminent in north China between Japanese and Chinese, but the League of Nations is expected shortly to drop its pussyfooting and come down to cases with Japan.

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## JAPANESE AND CHINESE CLASH IN DEEP SNOW

Fight Is Continued Outside Great Wall; Nipponese Trains Halted.

RIVAL ARMIES MASSED

Smash at Jehol Province

Feared Near; Chang Gives Orders.

BY H. R. EKINS  
United Press Staff Correspondent

PEIPING, Jan. 19.—Manchukuo and Japanese troops were concentrated outside the Great Wall to-day while Chinese regulars and irregulars received orders from Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang to prepare to repel the invaders along the border of Jehol province.

Fighting continued outside the wall, despite a heavy snow which filled passes and covered North China. Japanese artillery failed to dislodge Chinese at Chaoyang, where the Chinese commander reported he had halted two Japanese armored trains.

Chinese officials here demanded the arrest, on grounds of treason, of Chinese militarists commanding Manchukuo troops.

The activity of the Manchukuo troops, and the concentration of heavy Japanese forces east of Shanhaikuan indicated that when Japan resumes the drive on Jehol province, the southern route, via Lingyuan, will be chosen.

On the north, Japanese columns could move simultaneously into Jehol through Kailu and Chaoyang.

Chinese feared that the Japanese advance would be accompanied by disturbances here and at Tientsin, precipitated to draw Chinese troops away from the Great Wall.

The Chinese military continued

plans to resist the Japanese under orders of Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang, young generalissimo of the North China zone, who instructed all Chinese generals in the field to prepare for a bitter struggle.

General Wan Fu-Lin, former governor of Keilungkang province, was named commander in chief of forces in the field.

U.S. Prestige at Stake

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS  
Scripps-Howard Foreign Editor

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The open powder kegs of the far east and what to do in case they cause an explosion, the writer has reason to believe, will form the chief topic of conversation between President Hoover and President-Elect Roosevelt at their second White House meeting Friday.

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ing imminent in north China between Japanese and Chinese, but the League of Nations is expected shortly to drop its pussyfooting and come down to cases with Japan.

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PENNSYLVANIAN TO BE DRY HEAD HERE

Basil H. Minnich Named to Succeed Morrill.

Appointment of Basil H. Minnich, Harrisburg, Pa., as deputy prohibition administrator for southern Indiana district, succeeding John W. Morrill, was announced at Washington yesterday by the prohibition bureau.

Morrill was transferred to the post of administrator of the middle Pennsylvania district, leaving here Wednesday night. The post here is being filled at present by Harold H. Jenkins, Evansville, as acting deputy administrator.

Minnich is being promoted from an investigator.

BANKRUPTCY SUIT FILED

Theater Firm Owes \$400,000 in Charge of Creditors.

Suit to declare Public-Fitzpatrick-McElroy, Inc., in bankruptcy was filed in federal court today by a number of creditors. The suit al-

leges that the firm, a Delaware corporation, owes approximately \$400,000, contracted during its operation of theaters in Crawfordsville, Muncie, Richmond and other Indiana cities.

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MOOR IN DEATH HOUSE

Eats Hearty Meal Soon After Arrival at Illinois Prison.

By Times Special

CHESTER, Ill., Jan. 19.—At 3:15 Wednesday afternoon, Hubert C. Moor of Robinson, Ill., convicted slayer of his wife Marjorie, crossed the threshold of the death house here, where he will be confined to await his execution Feb. 24.

After the customary prison routine of admission, Moor was as-

signed No. 10774 on the records. He ate a hearty meal shortly after his arrival.

Plane Line's Business Gains

By United Press

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—United Aircraft and Transport unit of the United Aircraft and Transport Corporation carried 107 per cent more passengers in 1932 than in 1931, it was reported.

Business sessions and displays of lumber and building materials con-

tinued today in the Claypool, during the final session of the forty-ninth annual Indiana lumbermen's convention.

Electron of officers was to be held

this afternoon and the convention

will close tonight following the annual banquet. O. E. Haley, chaplain of the Indiana reformatory at Pendleton, will be the principal speaker.

Senate Committee to Complete Work on Allotment Friday.

By UNITED PRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Members of the senate agriculture com-

mittee planned today to complete work on the farm allotment bill at another session Friday.

It was believed that in one more

session the committee would be able

to hear final explanations of details