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COMMITTEE IN FAVOR OF DRY LAW REPEAL

Wright Act Doom Asked by
Public Morals Group
of House.

BEER BILL IS HELD UP

Amendments Are Expected,
After Hearing of Both
Wets and Opponents.

Repeal of the Wright bone dry law was supported today by the public morals committee of the Indiana house of representatives, but the beer control bill, backed by the administration, was held for amendment.

The committee's action followed the first public hearing on beer Monday afternoon, when both sides of the question were aired, featured by an attack by the legislature's youngest member.

Representative Lenhardt E. Bauer (Dem., Terre Haute), charged that the beer control bill would set up a booze racket in Indiana "that would make Al Capone look like a piker."

Bauer was one of fifteen speakers, evenly divided, who addressed the committee, which had the measures under consideration.

Fear that trade in beer under the proposed control bill would result in racketeering was based by Bauer on provisions limiting the number of breweries in the state to fifteen, controlled by an excise director. These same points led to rumblings of a revolt last week among house members.

Branded as Straddle

Discussing draught beer, Bauer recalled a phrase in the Democratic state platform declaring against return of the saloon and branded it "was for straddling purposes by five politicians."

He quoted from an official letter of the national office of the Brewery, Beverage and Malt Beverage Workers Union, which declared backers of the beer bill "either too ignorant or had ulterior motives" because of elimination of draught beer.

The eleven members of the public morals committee were present for the hearing, at which the chairman, Representative John F. Ryan (Dem., Terre Haute), co-author of both bills, presided.

Craigton Makes Protest

Craigton introduced a motion in the house protesting further consideration of the repeal bill.

"The drys know well that my motion will have no result, but I want it spread on the house record," Craigton said.

Brief verbal exchanges occurred when Ryan inquired of Craigton how he "reconciled his membership in the American Legion with the motion."

"Regardless of my affiliation with the legion, I have a right to my personal opinion," Craigton reported.

Speaker Earl Crawford ordered the protest recorded.

Representative Thomas A. Hendricks (Dem., Indianapolis) acted as secretary of the committee. Reading of the two bills which formed the subject for discussion required about forty minutes.

The committee heard first those whose position was deemed neither wet nor dry, but who would be affected by a tax on malt used by home brewers and by medicinal whisky regulations.

John D. F. Bold, Evansville attorney, representing the Sterling Products Company of that city, and George Duffy, representing the Dextora Company, Indianapolis, objected.

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HUSBAND FINDS RIVAL IN HOUSE, MURDERS HIM

Hammond Man Accuses Slain Victim of "Trifling With His Wife."

By United Press

HAMMOND, Ind., Jan. 24.—Jesse Murvine, 29, today was killed by Carl Boatright, 23, who accused him of trifling with "affections" of the latter's wife.

Boatright said he left for work, but suspecting Murvine, dashed back home and caught him in the house.

Murvine refused to account for his presence and was shot four times.

Boatright is held on a tentative charge of murder.

Living Room Furniture Sold for Cash by Times Ad

ENTIRE LIVING ROOM—Silverstone
radio, odd pieces of furniture.
Cash, leaving city. \$100 N. Gale.

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or you can bring it to Times
Want Ad Headquarters, 214
West Maryland Street.

Roosevelt Prepared to Talk War Debt Revision With All but Defaulters

Stimson Invites Italy to Send Envoys to Washington
After March 4; France Still May Win Hearing by
Paying Up, Observers Believe.

BY JOSEPH H. BAIRD
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The Roosevelt administration, it was learned today, is prepared to discuss debt revision with all countries who paid their Dec. 15 installments.

This became known after State Secretary Henry L. Stimson, acting on authority of the President-elect, invited the Italian government to send envoys here after March 4 to discuss revision of its \$2,000,000,000 debt.

The British already had been invited to discuss modification of their \$4,600,000,000 obligation.

This policy opens the way for revision of the debt of Czechoslovakia, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, and Finland, presumably as they either paid in December, or only deferred what they could legally under their funding agreements.

France, Belgium, Poland, Greece, Hungary and Austria defaulted on either all or part of their payments.

France, owing the United States \$4,025,000,000, was the largest of the defaulters.

Seen Essential to Recovery

Although no definite announcement of policy has been made concerning the defaulters, it is believed here that even the defaulting countries may put themselves in a position to have their debts reviewed by meeting their last Dec. 15 payments.

Arrangements for the Italian debt review were made at a conference Monday between Italian ambassador Augusto Rosso and Stimson.

The Roosevelt policy means that the entire later winter and spring probably will be consumed by a series of dramatic and fast moving debt conferences designed to rid the western world of a large part of its \$11,000,000,000 heritage of war debts. Some economists maintain that the sweeping away of this structure is essential to economic recovery.

Sequel to Lausanne

The war debt negotiations will be a sequel to the Lausanne reparations conference of last summer. Then Germany was released from its \$8,000,000,000 reparations burden and required to pay only about \$750,000,000—and that conditionally.

Reduction of the war debt is expected to pave the way for ratification of the Lausanne agreement by the reparations receiving powers. This conditioned their ratification on making a satisfactory adjustment of their war debts to the United States.

Early in March, it is expected, delegations from Europe will be speeding across the Atlantic to Washington. Inasmuch as the more powerful debtors probably will discuss economic questions as well as war debts, the negotiations here will take on the semblance of a preliminary economic conference to prepare for that to be held later in London.

However, the debt discussions here will be with individual debtor nations and they will not meet jointly. President-Elect Roosevelt has made clear that he views debt adjustments should be discussed in this manner, and not at an international conference between all debtors and this country.

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WABASH RUNS OUT JOBLESS ORGANIZER

'Posse' Escorts Chicagoan to Point Far From City.

By United Press

WABASH, Ind., Jan. 24.—A Chicago organizer for the unemployed council was escorted out of town Monday night by an unidentified group of Wabash men.

He was said to have been Roy Larson who delivered a speech at a local meeting hall.

Immediately after he had finished, about fifteen men entered the hall and started heckling Carl Hauff, Wabash, who had followed Larson on the program.

In the confusion Larson ran from the building but was pursued, placed in an automobile and driven about fifteen miles toward Chicago, where he was let out. Police found no violence when they arrived in answer to a riot call.

The automobile was driven by Harley Gillum of Greenwood, Wabash, said Gillum was driving slowly and stopped within ten feet after striking McHugh.

McHugh suffered a fractured skull, a compound fracture of the left leg and a severe laceration over the right eye.

Bloody Gran Chaco Battle Is Raging in Fifth Day

BY A. L. BRADFORD
United Press Staff Correspondent

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 24.—One of the bloodiest battles in modern South American history entered its fifth day today in the Gran Chaco, where Bolivia and Paraguay have been fighting an "undeclared war" for nearly seven months.

The Bolivian losses in the present battle were estimated at approximately 2,000 killed, including many officers. Paraguayan losses were described as "slight."

The latest engagement was in the sector known to the Paraguayans as Nanawa and to the Bolivians as Ayala.

The Bolivians, who had been on the defense in the face of a Paraguayan drive until General Hans Kundt returned from Germany to assume the Bolivian high command, made a desperate attempt to break through the Paraguayan lines. It was believed that General Kundt mapped out the offensive.

The casualties in the Nanawa sector were more than 4,000 killed or wounded, if dispatches from Bolivian and Paraguayan headquarters at the front could be credited.

The latest reports from La Paz, Bolivian capital, claimed that the Paraguayans lost 1,500 killed and 2,000 wounded in the first four days of the battle.

According to testimony given in

TECHNOCRACY IS REPUDIATED BY COLUMBIA

Howard Scott Disavowed by University; Support Is Withdrawn.

CONFLICTS IN THEORIES

School to Go On With Its Research; New Group to Change Name.

BY SIDNEY B. WHIPPLE
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Columbia university has repudiated Howard Scott, disavowing Technocracy, and withdrawn all support for the theories and "laboratory work" under his direction.

In a manifesto signed by four of the one-time "key men" surrounding Scott, headed by Professor Walter Rautenstrauch, announcement was made Monday night that study of some phases of industrial research would be continued, but that "we are withdrawing from association with Technocracy."

Such research as is continued, into natural resources and industrial changes, will be conducted "by a new organization, under another name."

The announcement was signed by Rautenstrauch, hitherto one of Scott's most vigorous supporters, and Bassett Jones, Frederick I. Ackerman, New York architect, and Leon Henderson of the Russell Sage Foundation. It was made in the engineering hall at Columbia, following a meeting of professors at the Engineers' Club.

Relatives said Mrs. Walter Lee, 43, of 12 South

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