

## 'MACHINE-MADE' LOYALTY M'NUTT FACTION GOAL

Drastic Rule Changes Are  
Proposed to State  
Committee.

Discipline similar to the "machine-made" loyalty which marks the regime of Governor Paul V. McNutt at the statehouse, will be demanded of the entire Democratic party organization, if proposed new rules are adopted by the state committee tomorrow.

The committee was called into session by Chairman Carleton B. McCulloch for the announced purpose of dealing with the election commission finding that no provision is made under the present election law for city committees.

A set of proposed new rules, which deals with setting up a city committee through the county organization, was sent to each member of the state committee for study.

In the prospectus were other changes, however, including the somewhat revolutionary provision of removal "for cause" of any county, district or state chairman. This could be done after a hearing and by two-thirds vote of the party organization over which the chairman presides.

### "Causes" Are Outlined

"Causes" for removal, as set out in the plans mailed to members by Keith Johns, state committee secretary, are as follows:

Neglect of duty; disloyalty to the party or any of its nominees or regularly elected officials; failure to comply with the rules of the party and the election laws of the state of Indiana; failure to co-operate with other officers of the party and any or all other charges which may result from actions of such county or district chairman or other officer against the best interests of the party.

These are charges largely made by the McNutt men against R. Earl Peters, Ft. Wayne, when he was state chairman. Mr. Peters resigned, but they claim that had he not done so they would have forced him out.

As to "neglect of duty," they charged that he failed to call his committee and report on party progress. They also alleged that he was "disloyal" in that he made state headquarters a haven for critics of the McNutt administration, whom they declare, largely were disgruntled through disappointment in trying to pick patronage plums.

### Greenlee, McNutt Speak

Peas Greenlee, McNutt patronage secretary, constantly charged that Mr. Peters, as chairman, failed to co-operate in patronage matters and tried to capitalize on disappointments for his own personal political advantage.

Mr. Peters, upon resigning, announced his candidacy for the United States senate nomination. He is reported, thus far, to be "leading the field" in rank and file popularity among those who have announced or intend to do so.

At a Ninth district Democratic meeting at Batesville yesterday afternoon, Mr. Greenlee appeared to explain to the administration critics that there really were but 3,000 state jobs for the 50,000 applicants.

Governor McNutt addressed a rally there last night, and again stated that he is not a senatorial candidate. Mr. Peters and other candidates and state officials presented were introduced.

### METALS SOCIETY MEETS

Drop Forging Discussed by Chicago  
Man at Session.

Effects of overheating in drop forging formed the topic of the illustrated address given by Adam M. Steever, Chicago, technical director of the Lindberg Steel Treating Company, at the dinner of the Indianapolis chapter, American Society of Metals, in the Columbia Club last night.

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## THRILLS? BY SCORE

Times Writer Davis Prototype

This is the first of two articles supplementing The Times popular series on its editorial staff members. Today's article is about William F. Collins.

BY TRISTRAM COFFIN  
Times Staff Writer

A SURVEY of the incidents in the life of William F. (Half-Mile) Bill Collins, The Times conservation expert, would give the impression that he is a swash-buckling prototype of Richard Harding Davis. Lured by the fast tempo of adventure, he has engineered in Panama, prospected for gold in South America and flown in the army air service.

Stalwart and ready-witted, he even looks the part. But in reality that part of his life is observed by his enthusiasm and determination to better conservation conditions in Indiana. He admits that his interest in conservation has a personal motivation. He is convinced that the outdoors is the best place for his two girls and one boy.

The unwieldy nickname, "Half-Mile Bill," is the salute of Brown county natives who were astounded by his accuracy with a long-range rifle. Stream pollution, game, hogs, delay tactics, politicians who ride the conservation department for votes and special privilegeists are anathema to him.

Mr. Collins was born five miles from the Kickapoo Indian reservation in Nebraska and was witness to many of the last practices of the red man.

### BREMER RANSOM IS REPORTED FOUND

Bank Bandit-Kidnaper Is  
Nabbed in Florida.

By United Press

AT the time when the country was stirred by the ambitious shouts of the "boy orator from the Plate," William Jennings Bryan, Mr. Collins proudly carried a torch in a Bryan parade, much to the disgust of his Republican parents. The young political standard-bearer was only 8.

With his parents he migrated to Missouri to escape the rigors of frontier during the panic of 1897 and from there to Scotland at the age of 12. The tyranny of land-owners there brought his return to the states, where he studied engineering.

Many men have dreams of seeing the world and satisfying their thirst for adventure, but few realize it. On \$75 borrowed from his father, the young engineer, product of the western frontier, landed in Panama when work on the canal was at its height. An attack of chagres fever brought the need for a change of climate.

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Federal officers said several suitcases were captured by officers. It was reported that they were filled with plunder and one way said to hold part of the money paid for the release of Edward G. Bremer, son of the wealthy St. Paul brewer, who recently was released by kidnappers after payment of \$200,000 ransom.

**M'MURRAY DISCUSSES  
TRAVEL EXPERIENCES**

State School Head Speaks at Sahara  
Grotto Luncheon.

By United Press

SHORTLY before an intended departure for South America, farewell well-wishers gave him a party that prevented him from catching his boat. Three days later the ship went down with all aboard. Out of sheer gratitude, he stayed another year in Panama.

Mr. Collins grew restless and joined a party for the Coppermine river railroad project in Alaska. While waiting for passage the party made an extended trip through South and Central America prospecting for gold.

All set for the long journey into Alaska, he met his future wife on the eve of departure and decided that the far away frozen north was no place from which to carry on a courtship.

Mr. Collins came to Indianapolis in 1917 to enlist in the army air service. He cracked up while training in Ft. Omaha, Neb., and after the war drifted back into Indiana and entered law.

Long a zealous enthusiast for conservation, he interested the Times in his articles last year. His hobbies are multiple. In his "engineering department," a machine shop in the basement of his home, he repairs the one hundred odd Kentucky rifles he has collected from old farmhouses. Each firearm in his abundant collection will shoot.

**ROBINSON WOULD END  
FINGERTIP MUTILATION**

Bill to Make Practice Felony  
Introduced by Senator.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Mutilation of the fingertips, to prevent identification by fingerprinting, would be a felony by terms of a bill introduced yesterday by Senator Arthur R. Robinson.

The senator said his bill, which would provide a penalty of from five to twenty-five years in prison based on extensive studies made by William W. Reichard, Gary (Ind.) police criminal identification chief. He said the practice now is "jeopardizing the value of present fingerprint system of identification." The bill also would impose penalties on the plastic surgeon or other person performing the operation.



"Half-Mile Bill" Collins

## BUCK' SUMNER DROPS HAT IN MAYOR 'RING'

Sheriff Puts Himself Down  
as Seeking Nomination  
of Democrats.

Tacitly assuring his supporters he still is a Democrat and not a political free lance, Sheriff Charles (Buck) Sumner last night put himself on record as seeking the Democratic nomination for mayor.

The genial sheriff's bid for office was made at a rally at the Paramount Club in old Germania park, and 1,000 to 1,200 adherents launched the Sumner political ship on a sea of foamy beer.

Sheriff Sumner's assurance that he still is a Democrat was due, it was indicated, to reports that he might run for mayor as an independent and might be rewarded for this blow at party disarray by a Republican appointment as police chief, if the Coffin-Armistead faction of the G. O. P. succeeded in putting over its candidate as a result of a Democratic split.

Sheriff Sumner's talk was short and to the point. He said he was a candidate and that he "would be an ingrate if he did not run, in view of the many pledges of support he had received."

Pledge cards were passed out at the meeting and many of them were signed.

Tom Riley, who was a safety board member under the Bell regime, presided at the rally and short talks were made by Miss Julia Landers, county safety director, and L. K. Murchie, deputy sheriff.

Among those who attended, but who did not address the crowd, were Probate Judge Smiley Chambers, Gar Davis, reported candidate for sheriff; City Clerk Henry O. Goett; Joe Baker, criminal court investigator; Russell Dean, deputy prosecutor; and many precinct committeemen.

**CHILD LABOR MEASURE  
FACES FIGHT IN EAST**

Massachusetts Legislators Group  
Opposes Ratification.

By United Press

BOSTON, Feb. 16.—A Massachusetts legislative committee has voted seven to three against ratification of the proposed child labor amendment to the federal Constitution, making it a practical certainty that the present legislature will refuse to ratify.

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**VISIT EASTERN SCHOOL**

Dr. Dunkel and Wife See Son Embark on Tour.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Ambrose Dunkel have returned from a visit to Princeton university, of which Dr. Dunkel is a trustee.

While in the east, they went to New York to see their son, Wilbur Dunkel, sail for England. Mr. Dunkel will spend several months abroad while completing a book on Sir Arthur Wing Pinero, English dramatist. The title of the book will be "Sir Arthur Pinero and the Modern Theater."

**Indiana Democratic Editorial  
Association, Midwinter Meeting,**

Claypool.

**Hoosier State Press Association,  
Convention, Spink-Arms,**

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, luncheon,

Columbia Club.

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