

CHARGES LINK PUBLIC OFFICIAL WITH UTILITY

New Yorker Paid for Work
at Albany, Is Report;
Probe Looms.

By United Press
ALBANY, N. Y., March 30.—New York state's political structure was shaken to the marrow today by disclosures purporting to show that a state senator did "work" in the legislature for a utilities company and accepted "expenses" in return. First repercussions brought prospects of an immediate legislative inquiry and fanned a raging public ownership of utilities versus private ownership controversy to white heat.

Senator W. T. Thayer, upstate Republican, named in sensational correspondence made public at a federal trade commission hearing in Washington, was searching for copies of the letters in his files but said he was "not interested."

The disclosures reacted on public circles like benzine coming into contact with fire. Many legislators were so upset they could not immediately comment. Others recalled the controversy among up-state Republicans several months ago awakened by the charge of Republican State Chairman W. Kingsland Macy that various Republican members of the assembly were subservient to a "power ring."

Lehman Favors Inquiry
Governor H. H. Lehman, waging a campaign for approval of his stringent utilities program to reduce gas and electric rates and permit municipal ownership of power plants, hinted he would not object to a legislative investigation.

Mr. Lehman's forces in the legislature believed the disclosures enhanced the chances for approval of the program, defeated a year ago and which has languished in committees since shortly after the legislature opened Jan. 3.

Members of the Republican "old guard" in the legislature, who bore the brunt of Mr. Macy's attack, which was directed at removal of Assembly Clerk Fred Hammond of Syracuse, on charges he aided utilities legislation, departed the capitol for the week-end recess utterly silent.

Thayer 'Not Interested'
Senator Thayer was formerly chairman of the upper house public service committee and now is a member. The letters were addressed to a vice-president of the Associated Gas and Electric Companies.

Mr. Thayer said he would not seek an inquiry at Albany at which he would have the opportunity to vindicate himself.

"I don't see why I should," he said. "As far as I am concerned I'm not interested. I'm not concerned."

In New York city Senator John J. McCabe, Independent-Democrat, announced he would offer a resolution Monday night calling for an inquiry into the Thayer matter.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported to police as stolen belong to:

J. M. Lavin, 5230 Park avenue, Ford coupe, 85-099 from in front of 5230 Park avenue.

P. G. Freeland, 1611 East Washington street, Oakland sedan, 109-079, from Ohio and New Jersey streets.

Katherine Cox, 902 North LaSalle street, Chevrolet coach, 38-071, from in front of 902 North LaSalle street.

Sam Steinberg, 927 North Chester avenue, Chevrolet coach, 22-336, from in front of 927 North Chester avenue.

BACK HOME AGAIN

Stolen automobiles recovered by police belong to:

Marion Leppin, 622 Cottage avenue, Chevrolet coach, found in rear of 726 Orange street, stripped of five tires, five wheels, and horn.

O. W. Pullen, 1217 North King avenue, Plymouth sedan, found in garage of vacant house on Guyon road.

Katherine McGrath, 202 North Seventeenth street, Newcastle, Ind., Chevrolet coach, found in rear of 609 North LaSalle street, stripped of five tires and five wheels.

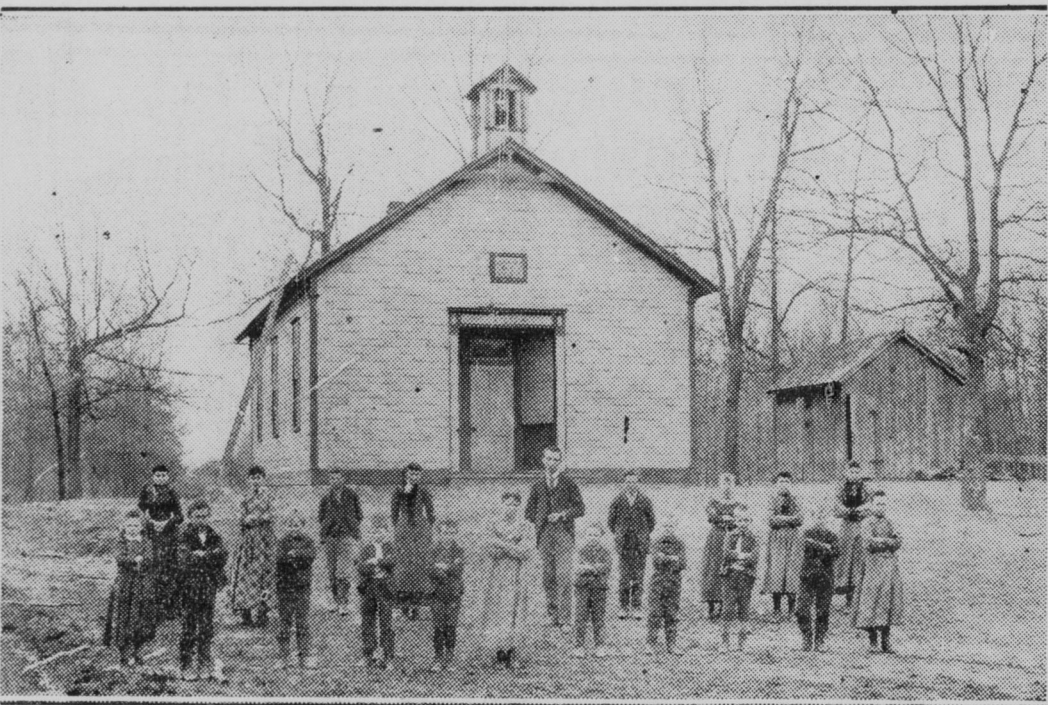
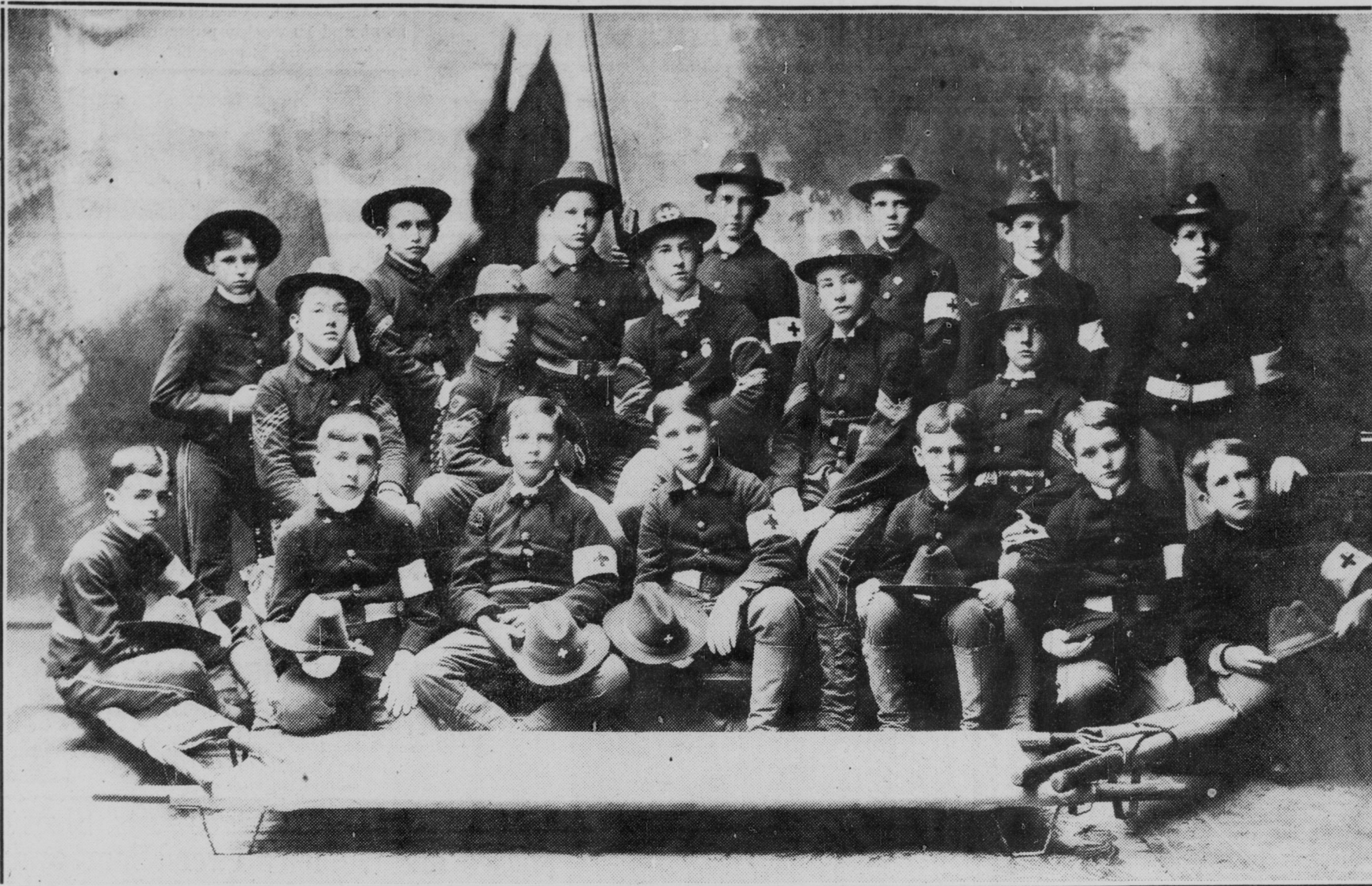
Thomas F. Sath, 2024 College avenue, Chevrolet coach, found in rear of 1118 East Thirtieth street, stripped of four tires and four wheels.

Charles Taylor, 123 North Edge hill road, Ford coupe, found near 42nd and 2nd, yard office near South Harding street, stripped of two tires and two wheels.

Tal Turner, 307 East North street, Chevrolet coupe, found on Indiana avenue near Tenth street.

Way Back in the Days of Long Ago

This is the ninth of a series of pictures of scenes and people depicting "the good old days" in Indianapolis. Others will recall sites and people belonging to the past. The Times will pay readers \$1 for each picture accepted to run in this series.



ROOSEVELT OFFERED 'PRINTER'S DEVIL' JOB BY BUTLER STAFF

President Roosevelt jestingly, has been offered the honor of being honorary "Collegian Printers' Devil" by the staff of the Butler Collegian.

Staff members sent the following telegram to the chief executive: "Mr. President—Insure your 1936 success in Indiana, Chaparron the Butler university Journalists' Jamboree in Indianapolis, April 2. Complimentary tickets under separate cover."

Sigma Delta Chi members at Butler are sponsoring an April Fool's Frolic, April 2. Titles selected for names of dances are Editor's Night Off, Coydesk Cuddle, Deadline Dirge, Waterfront Wake and Morgue Meander.

Before there were Boy Scouts in Indianapolis, hunting for daily "good turns," local boys were organized under the Y. M. C. A. Hospital Corps, Division of Boys' Brigade. The organization was the forerunner of the Boy Scout movement in Indianapolis.

Upper—A number of these boys, members of the Boys' Brigade, still live in Indianapolis, and are prominent in civic life here. The picture was taken on the second floor of an old building that stood on the site of the State Life building in 1894. At that time the Y. M. C. A. was located where Rink's Clock House now stands.

Those in the "Brigade" picture at the top are:

Front Row (left to right)—Unknown, Della Woods, Charles Craig, Paul Gregory, Walter Pray, local contract bridge expert; Jimmie Chambers.

Middle Row—Ashley Davenport, New York; Roy W. Howard, New York, now chairman of the board of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers; Dr. Frank Wood Williams, New York; Charles Fairchild, Ralph Lane, Detroit.

Rear Row—George Diver, Raymond Kenney, Neil Van Winkle, Andrew Evans, unknown, Fred Schnabel, unknown.

Center—A country school group in Pulaski county, 1892.

Lower—Mrs. Frank Horton (formerly Miss Gertrude Butler), Mrs. William C. Bobbs and Mrs. Walter Pfaff (formerly Miss Eloise Lyman). They are attired in the proper beach costumes for the period.

REPUBLICANS WILL OPPOSE TAXATION THREAT RESULTING FROM OVERRIDING OF VETO

Reckless Emergency Expenses, Rather Than
Veterans' Compensation, Unbalances
Budget, Declares Reed.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, March 30.—Republican opposition to the threat of new taxation as a result of the overriding of President Roosevelt's veterans' veto became manifest today with declarations that any such effort would be resisted strenuously by the minority party.

Minority Leader Charles L. McNary and Senator David A. Reed, ranking Republican on the senate finance committee, said that if the budget did not balance the fault lay in reckless emergency expenditures rather than increased veterans' compensation.

An independent Republican, Senator Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin said that he intended to press for senate adoption of his tax bill amendments providing sharp increases in income and estate taxes.

"We need the money any way," he said. "I had not thought of trying to link it up with the veterans' benefits."

Bill Discussion Monday
The \$330,000,000 tax bill has priority in the senate and will come up for debate when the senate reconvenes Monday. The total of expected revenue fixed by the senate finance committee exceeds by \$72,000,000 the amount set by the house.

Although Chairman Pat Harrison of the senate finance committee said he did not intend to propose additional taxes to care for the increased veterans' compensation, it was learned that President Roosevelt had said he intended to ask that his normal budget be put back into balance by an increase.

Just what method would accomplish this has not been decided. It probably will await the President's return from Florida.

Democratic Support Possible
Some support for the La Follette amendments might develop from Democrats who voted to sustain Mr. Roosevelt's veto on the ground that the veterans' payments and government pay restoration would throw the budget out of balance.

One La Follette amendment would increase the normal income tax rate from 4 to 6 per cent. This has been estimated to raise \$185,000,000 in revenue. The proposal was defeated in committee, but Mr. La Follette believes he has a better chance of success on the floor.

The other La Follette proposal, also rejected by the committee, is estimated to yield \$100,000,000. It would start estate taxes at \$25,000 instead of \$50,000, with sharp increases on the larger inheritances.

Mr. Reed said he thought the senate tax bill would provide ample revenue to take up any increases caused by enactment of the veterans-pay restoration bill.

"We only added \$11,000,000 to what the President was willing to allow for veterans," Mr. Reed said. "This estimate of \$103,000,000 does not take the administration's compromise into consideration."

"The budget is already out of balance. We don't need any more taxation. What we need is a curb on the reckless emergency expenditures that are gong on."

BUSINESS BOOMING ON LAKES, SAY SHIPPERS

Eleven Cities Show First Business Gain in Three Years.
By United Press
TOLEDO, March 30.—Business is booming again in eleven Great Lakes cities for the first time in three years, business leaders and shippers agreed today at the eleventh annual meeting of the Great Lakes regional advisory board.

L. V. Sims, manager of the traffic department of the Detroit board of commerce, presented a report showing improved conditions in the lakes region.

JEWELRY, CASH STOLEN

Thieves Enter Residence While Family Attends Show.
Jewelry valued at \$195 and \$9 in cash were stolen from the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Thompson, 611 East Thirty-fourth street, last night while the family was attending a show. Entrance was effected through a side door.



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