

SOCIAL REFORM HEADS PROGRAM FOR ASSEMBLY

Age Pensions, Relief, Taxation, Liquor and Penology Measures Studied.

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probability of a sharp reduction in taxes on liquor about wind up the major phases of the taxation situation. However, the liquor tax is so indissolubly linked to the liquor problem as a whole that it better can be discussed in relation to liquor reform.

The Governor has a group of advisors at work on liquor recommendations. He has refused to name them with the explanation that it is better that they not be known, thus making it easier for them to be "approached."

He did not actually make the latter part of the statement, but he couched his statement in such a phrasing that no other interpretation was possible.

Liquor Housecleaning Urged

Consequently, on liquor as on other contemplated legislation, there is a great deal of secrecy. The administration realizes that is is open to, and has been the target of, all sorts of accusations because of the present beer and spirituous liquor setup.

There is a genuine public demand for a housecleaning, and the possibilities include:

1. Reducing the whisky tax to around 7 cents a pint to give the retailer a better "break" in the fight for business with the bootlegger.

2. Separation of beer-and-wine sales and spirituous liquor sales. In other words, by-the-drink sales would not be legal in restaurants and other reputable resorts selling beer and wine.

3. Creation of a three-man or a five-man liquor commission, answerable to the Governor, along the lines of the public service commission. Such a liquor commission would have absolute authority over licensing and profiteering. It could make whisky sales in bulk legal and thereby, along with ending profiteering, make it possible for cheaper by-the-drink sales.

Importer System Threatened

4. Taking the present package sale monopoly away from the drug stores and making it possible for other reputable establishments to handle spirituous liquor.

5. Elimination of the importer system of beer handling, which, it is charged, has been used as a political patronage sop and has reflected in some cases to the discredit of the administration.

6. Outlets by out-of-state distilleries, one of the evils of the old saloon system which brought the industry to disrepute and prohibition.

The general trend in the forthcoming liquor legislation, it is indicated, will be toward elimination of monopoly and consumer price reduction, rather than emphasis on revenue raising.

Police Reorganization Looms

The administration policy toward the State Police, it is reported, is in a fairly well rounded form now and is an ambitious undertaking.

A complete reorganization of the department is in prospect and is reported to contain the following possibilities.

1. Divorce of appointments, promotion and tenure from political influence.

2. Establishment of an adequate pension system.

3. Increased appropriations to provide an adequate force which would guarantee the continual presence of at least 100 effective at all times. (The present force is approximately half that large.) Such a force would mean roughly an average of one enlisted man in each county, plus the necessary officers.

4. Establishment of a school for state troopers which also would house State Police headquarters. (Plans started.)

Self-Support Outlined

5. An adequate radio alarm system. (Already under way.)

6. Authority to the Governor to treat with neighboring states with a view to setting up a teletype or other adequate interstate alarm system.

7. Provision whereby the state police could be self-supporting. Two suggested ways in which this could be accompanied are:

(a) A special tax on burglary insurance companies. This idea has worked well in New York, where fire insurance companies pay a special tax for maintenance of the firemen's pension fund and other extraordinary expenses of the fire department.

(b) Mandatory diversion of all or a part of traffic fines collected by the state police, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania on an actual profit-making basis when return of stolen goods is counted.

Penal Reform Studied

Recommendations of the Governor's Commission on Governmental Economy are expected to cover such a wide field as state finance administration, transportation, i.e., the state's responsibility in road building and maintenance and not to be confused with the bus-truck-railroad competition problem, public welfare, education, administration of justice, and local and state governmental structure.

Thus the Governor will have two sets of concrete recommendations on penal reform. When the Michigan City prison breaks made Indiana's name by word in other states, the Governor called in the most accredited prison experts he could obtain. They made a searching investigation and submitted their report. This, in turn, was shown the governmental economy group, which will submit its own recommendations.

Form which the penal legislation is likely to take is establishment of the merit system in state penal institutions; creation of a state department of welfare to centralize control of prisons and reformatory; creation of a central parole board to handle all questions of parole and pardon, the board to be completely non-political and its personnel to include at least one competent psychiatrist, one attorney and one thoroughly experienced social worker.

It is difficult, even impossible, to forecast the most important phase

Colorful Cast Sketched at Scene of Hauptmann Drama

BY GEORGE CLARK

A Telling Glimpse of Flemington's Stirring Trial



THE flashing pencil of Artist George Clark, creator of "Side Glances," portrays for NEA Service and The Indianapolis Times the crowded stage on which the drama of the Hauptmann trial is being enacted. Principals, officials, lawyers and privileged spectators jam the enclosure before the judge in the tiny Hunterdon County (N. J.) courtroom. Seated on the elevated bench where he dominates the scene is Supreme Court Justice Thomas W. Trenchard of Trenton. At the far end of the bench, the

witness sits in a raised stand, facing Attorney-General David Wilentz' questioning. The court bailiff, whose duty is to preserve order and guard the jury, stands beside the jury, seated in two rows along the wall in the background. Below the bench at a small table, sits the clerk of the court (second from left) opposite the court stenographers. At the right of the narrow passageway sit the legal talent who wage the bitter battle—from right to left, Edward J. Reilly, chief defense counsel; Lloyd Fisher,

his aid; Attorney Peacock, prosecution aid; Special Prosecutor George K. Large, and Hunterdon County Prosecutor Attorney Hauck. Behind them are principals and officials around whose actions the trial revolves. Starting at right are shown Bruno Hauptmann, the defendant; a state trooper; H. Norman Schwartzkopf, superintendent of New Jersey State Police, and Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, the murderer of whose baby son set in motion the events which the trial climaxes.

MINISTERS TO CONVENE HERE

Christian Pastors to Study Proposed Abandoning of Night Services.

Two theological problems, the proposed abandoning of Sunday night services and the proposed inclusion of a confessional in church activities, will be the paramount issues at the Christian Ministers' Association Jan. 14 and 15 at the Third Christian Church.

The sessions will open Monday afternoon with registration and a devotional period in which a model worship service will be demonstrated by the Rev. Melvyn Thompson.

In his address on "The Psychological Approach to Personal Problems," Prof. Edmund Conklin, Indiana University psychology department dean, will discuss the confessional.

Other speakers will include the Rev. Allen R. Huber, Frankfort; the Rev. Ephraim Low, the Rev. Mark Anthony, the Rev. B. R. Johnson, association president; the Rev. C. M. Yocom, the Rev. E. L. Day, the Rev. G. I. Hoover, the Rev. W. F. Rothbiger, the Rev. James A. Crain, the Rev. J. A. Watson, Newcastle, and the Rev. Charles Mull, Johnson County.

BANDIT SLUGS GROCER, FLEES WITHOUT LOOT

South Side Man Treated at Hospital for Head Injuries.

Benefits of the National Housing Act, under which more than \$500,000 in insured loans have been made in Indiana and more than \$2,000,000 expended for home modernization, will be outlined at a meeting in Tomlinson Hall tonight.

Shortly after he had opened the store, a man entered and asked for a 25-pound sack of flour. As Mr. Silverman stooped to get the flour, the customer struck him on the head with a blunt instrument.

The bandit fled at the sound of Mr. Silverman's cries. The grocer was treated at City Hospital for several gashes on his head.

WORLD WAR ORDER TO MARK ARMY DAY

Hoosier Chapter to Outline Program at Ft. Harrison Meeting.

Plans for the observance of Army Day, April 6, will be discussed at a meeting of Hoosier Chapter, Military Order of the World War, at Ft. Benjamin Harrison tomorrow night. Frank H. Henley, commander, said the meeting will follow a dinner at the mess of Headquarters Company 11th Infantry, Brig. Gen. W. K. Naylor. Ft. Harrison commandant, will be a guest.

FIRST JOHNSON PIECE PUBLISHED BY POST

"Crack Down" Hugh Roars for Balanced Budget in Article.

By United Press

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 8.—Business confidence could be restored in three months by balancing the Federal budget and removing all fear of inflation, Gen. Hugh S. Johnson, retired national recovery administrator, said today in an article in the Saturday Evening Post.

Johnson admitted billions must be spent to relieve distress, but he said two roads were open—one to degrade Federal credit; the other to maintain it and use it. He commented:

"One is to try to scare money out of people by threats to its value; the other is to try to persuade money out of people by creating confidence in its value."

'MERCY' FLIER KILLED

Army Pilot Crashes Into Hill on Return Trip.

By United Press

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 8.—A heap of wreckage on a hillside 20 miles north of here today marked the end of the trial for Lieut. James L. Majors, Army flier, who lost his life on an errand of mercy.

Lieut. Majors, whose home is in Shreveport, La., had flown an enlisted man to the bedside of his sick father at Aliceville, Ala. Flying home back to Maxwell Field, his home port, he crashed against the hillside during a drizzling rain, with fog making visibility zero.

LEG BROKEN IN CRASH

Pedestrian Struck by Martinsville Driver on Way for 1935 Plates.

Charles Rankings, 51, Martinsville, on his way to obtain 1935 license plates, late yesterday became involved in a motor mishap that sent J. E. Wade, 70, Helmsburg, to Methodist Hospital with a fractured left leg and other injuries.

The accident occurred at the intersection of Troy-av and Bluff-rd. Deputies instructed Mr. Rankings to appear at the sheriff's office today to show his new license plates.

39 Die of Bubonic Plague

By United Press

MUKDEN, Jan. 8.—Reports reaching here today said that 39 persons had died from bubonic plague and many others were victims of the dread disease in Manchuria, a town in Fongtien province.

Hot, Dry Rooms Named as Common Cold Cause

Improper Ventilation Blamed, but Medical Association Also Warns Against Overdoing Fresh Air Fad.

There would be fewer common colds if more attention were paid to proper ventilation, the Indiana State Medical Association has pointed out.

Hot, dry rooms, the association declares, are ideal incubating chambers for cold infections, as disease germs thrive in high temperatures.

BARBASOL LEASES SENATE-av BUILDING

National Firm to Start Expansion Program.

The four-story building at the southwest corner of Senate-av and 9th-st has been leased for a 10-year period by the Barbason Co., national manufacturers of shaving preparations and toilet articles, as part of the company's expansion program.

The total rental to be paid is \$100,000 with an option to purchase the property at any time during the lease period. The company will combine its newly leased property with its present location at 814 N. Senate-av, immediately south of the

The transaction was made by Edward Barker & Sons, local realtors with offices at 1308 New City Trust Building. The firm represented both the Barbason Co. and the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., the owners.

UNEQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME ATTACKED

Blamed for Depression, Slow Recovery by Brookings Chief.

By United Press

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 8.—Unequal distribution of income contributed much toward the depression and in like manner retarded recovery efforts, Dr. Harold G. Moulton, president of Brookings Institute, Washington, told a representative group of Pittsburgh's business executives last night.

"Unequal distribution of income among the various classes of society, in so far as it tends to increase savings relatively to consumptive expenditures, thus serves to retard rather than promote economic progress," Dr. Moulton said.

FACES LIQUOR CHARGES

Indian Held After Auto Crash; Pal Also Nabbed.

Police lodged charges of drunkenness, failure to stop after an accident, failure to have a driver's license and operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated against Jack Eaglefeather, an Indian, 2546 Prospect-st, after his car last night collided with the parked auto owned by H. B. Nickell, 40, of 522 E. 56th-st. With Eaglefeather was George Groener, 52, of 427 S. Alabama-st, who was charged with drunkenness.

GRAND JURORS CHOSEN

Judge Baker Selects Four, Two More to Be Picked Thursday.

Criminal Judge Frank P. Baker Thursday will select two more members for the Marion County grand jury which will sit in session during the next six months. Four were selected yesterday.

The four seated are Charles Wittenoff, 2345 N. Delaware-st, former court bailiff; Frank McCready, R. 7, Box 415, farmer; Charles W. Otto, 326 Buckingham-rd, bricklayer, and Sherman Roberts, 32 N. Belmont-av, retired coal dealer.

OLD SUIT IS DISMISSED

Superior Court Judges Take Action in State Case.

Marion County's five Superior Court Judges met in general term yesterday and dismissed the five-year-old suit brought by Philip S. Hawk, a contractor, against the State Highway Department.

The contractor claimed \$1118 was due him in connection with the building of a bridge. Dismissal was because of want of prosecution.

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JOBLESS HELP 'HIDING' MAYOR

Unemployed Electricians at Huntington Serve Without Pay.

By United Press

HUNTINGTON, Ind., Jan. 8.—Undaunted by extension of a restraining order against virtually all regular city employees, Mayor C. W. Bangs continued this afternoon to supervise installation of municipal electric service from a hideout.

The Mayor is hiding to prevent Sheriff O. E. Johnson from serving him with the restraining order. The order was obtained in Circuit Court by the Northern Indiana Power Co. in an effort to prevent extension of city light plant service to residential users.

As the order is extended to additional city linemen, the Mayor organizes new crews to carry on his night work.

Although Wallace Reed, city clerk-treasurer, is restrained from paying the linemen, unemployed electricians are co-operating willingly with the Mayor's campaign.

David Smith, Ft. Wayne, special judge in the case, will hear a motion of Claude Cline, city attorney, to dismiss the restraining order Jan. 11.

Mayor Bangs was inaugurated Jan. 1 after winning the Nov. 6 election on a campaign promising a municipal light plant for the city.

ROOSEVELT'S 'COLD' WINS HIM SLIGHT CAPITAL SYMPATHY

Three Organizations Outline