

# INDIANA DRIES GAIN VOTES; KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS LEAD; RETURNS PLEASE ROOSEVELT

'Happy' Chandler Far Ahead in Blue Grass State; Laffoon Forces Crushed; Tammany Revival Is Important.

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and Swope 157,422, a majority of 44,573 for Chandler.

Thus with more than one-fourth of the precincts heard from, the New Deal candidate had obtained a lead that will be almost impossible to overcome when final votes are tabulated.

## Predict 100,000 Majority

Republicans had counted upon a split in Democratic ranks to offset the support of Chandler by the national Administration. Gov. Ruby Laffoon, Democratic national committeeman, had asked Kentucky voters to defeat the Democratic candidate.

Democratic headquarters here predicted Chandler's final majority would reach nearly 100,000, more than 20,000 more votes than Laffoon's majority over the Republican nominee four years ago. The record-breaking vote cast Tuesday will aid this prediction. It was believed that 200,000 more voters went to the polls than in any previous Kentucky election.

Left State at Wrong Time

Lieut. Gov. A. B. (Happy) Chandler, son of Laffoon, friend of Bingham and himself an aspirant for Governor, had called the Legislature into special session. Laffoon scurried back to 'bloc'; this procedure by court action, but failed, and the Legislature at Chandler's bidding abolished the convention nominating system. It enacted a law requiring nomination by two primaries—a preliminary and a runoff.

In the first primary, Tom Rhea, the machine candidate, led a field of seven, with Chandler second. In the run-off Chandler won.

Now the breach was so wide that, despite all attempts of Washington to restore harmony, Laffoon and Rhea and many others of the old Statehouse crowd went over to the enemy.

## Too Much Weight

But the "enemy" was led by Judge King Swope, who had won the Republican gubernatorial nomination by assaulting the Laffoon record. Like Chandler, he had denounced Laffoon's state sales tax. And while Chandler declared himself to be Roosevelt's choice, Swope refrained from attacking the President. Instead, Swope heeded to state issues and insisted that Laffoon and Rhea and Chandler and the old machine crowd were all of a kind.

When Laffoon and Rhea and others of the machine clambered on to the saddle of Swope, the latter found himself carrying too much weight. That, at least, is the way the story is told here.

And "Happy" Chandler, traveling light and flying the New Deal colors, swept across the finish line.

## Roosevelt Is Pleased

By United Press

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Nov. 7.—President Roosevelt prepared to return to Washington today well satisfied.

This was the Republicans' year to win, but President Roosevelt up-

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## DISCUSS 2-CENT RATE REDUCTION IN COUNTY LEVY

Taxpayer Groups Contend Road Repair, General Funds Too High.

Possibilities of reducing the 39-cent Marion County tax rate 2 cents were discussed yesterday at a conference between county officials, State Tax Board members and representatives of the Indiana Taxpayers Association and the Indiana Electric Association, opening here today.

Arthur Waterman, Melott, vice president of the state-wide rural electric membership corporation, is to outline the co-operative power distribution project which is planned for Boone County at Saturday's session.

E. G. Galston, Indianapolis, pres-

ided at today's session.

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doors." He also took Gov. McNutt to task for allowing a sign advertising a cocktail party to be placed opposite the Governor's office.

"Then it's time for the people to begin a defense for themselves," he declared.

## Sign Advertises Party

The sign Mr. York referred to advertises a party to be given by Statehouse employees.

Normal reactions came from political leaders.

Don Irwin, Republican state chairman, was jubilant since the return showed an unmistakable Republican trend. Analysis of the vote reveals the Republicans gained control in 76 towns and Democrats held the advantage in 45. The two major parties split evenly in 14.

Democrats failed to win at least 13 normally Democratic towns and Republicans lost in 8 G. O. P. strongholds.

Omer S. Jackson, Democratic state chairman, minimized the returns.

He declared local issues and local candidates were the chief factors in the election and that the New Deal's popularity was not involved.

"The elections had nothing to do with the New Deal," he asserted. "I'm satisfied it is as popular as ever and that Indiana, like the rest of the country, still is for President Roosevelt."

## BLIND BOY IS SKATER

Connecticut Youth Depends on Hearing to Avoid Accidents.

By United Press

WEST HARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 7.—The handicap of blindness does not prevent Reece Harcourt, 20, enjoying himself like other youth. He roller-skates, using skates with wooden wheels and depends upon his keen sense of hearing to avoid danger.

## Rabbit Season Not Postponed

Responding to queries, the State Conservation Department announced today that there would be no postponement of the rabbit season scheduled to open Monday and to continue until Jan. 10.

## TAXI OWNERS TO FIGHT BILL LIMITING CABS

Drivers Join in Protest; Measure in Council Is Termed Unfair.

Most taxicab owners and drivers, though they watched in silence Monday night when a new licensing ordinance was introduced in the City Council, are opposed to the measure, survey by The Indianapolis Times revealed today.

They fear the identity of their organizations may be destroyed, and all object to those sections seeking to limit the number of vehicles. Owners have prepared lengthy objections and are ready to fight the bill at ensuing meetings, it was learned.

## Urge Convenience Clause

Opposed to the limitation provisions, Thomas Ruckelhaus, Red Cab Co. president, wants a "convenience and necessity" clause substituted.

"Many large cities have such clauses," he declared, "and have found them satisfactory. The number would still be limited, but in cases of emergency, such as large conventions, it would be possible to appear before a board and get more cabs on the street. This substitution would make the ordinance more elastic."

## PLAN WAYNE MEMORIAL

Five Ft. Wayne Residents Named by Gov. McNutt.

Times Special

FT. WAYNE, Nov. 7.—Five residents have been appointed by Gov. McNutt to plan a memorial to Gen. Anthony Wayne, Revolutionary War hero after whom this city was named. Those appointed are Mrs. Frank Roberts, Ray Bronson, G. Irving Latz, Forest Kain and Mrs. J. N. Crankshaw.

## FT. WAYNE Man Dies in Crash

By United Press

AUBURN, Nov. 7.—J. E. Beerman, 60, Ft. Wayne, was fatally injured last night when an automobile he rode driving crashed into the rear of a parked truck on U. S. Highway 27 near here.

could not operate," Mr. Daniel said.

Similar objections were voiced by Howard Sellers, taxi driver, and owner of 20 United Cabs.

"I don't believe in increasing the license fee, and I don't see any necessity for trying to limit the number," he said. "When it rains, there isn't a company in town that can take care of all its calls."

He said drivers in his organization made between \$12 and \$15 a week not counting tips.

## CITY MEN AT MEETING

Sumner Mills, Guy Williams Attend Convention in Louisville.

Sumner A. Mills and Guy H. Williams, vice president and secretary-treasurer, respectively of the Marion County National Farm Loan Association, are in Louisville today attending the first annual convention of farm loan and production credit associations of presidents and secretaries of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee.

## BOARD ACTS TO HALT WALKOUT AT CITY PLANT

Works Unit Agrees to Hire Union Men on Plant Installations.

Fearing work would be tied up by a walkout threat, the Works Board has agreed to employ union pipe fitters on garbage digester installations at the city sanitary plant. Hubert S. Riley, board president, announced today.

The decision was made after Mr. Riley conferred yesterday with Charles Lutz, state representative, and other officials of the Marion County Building Trades Council.

Mr. Riley hoped the settlement finally would end the labor trouble that has been retarding construction work at the plant for over two months.

"Sufficient funds are available in the sanitary budget for union men," Mr. Riley said.

Labor leaders claimed that the pipe fitting work was being done by regular maintenance men at the plant. The board at first doubted that the budget would permit expenditure to meet the union wage scale.

## BUTLER REPRESENTED ON SCIENCE PROGRAM

Event Will Be Staged at Wabash College Starting Thursday.

Butler University will be represented on the program of the Indiana Academy of Science at Wabash College tomorrow and Saturday by four faculty members and two students.

They are Dr. Ray C. Friesner, head of the botany department; Dr. J. E. Potzger and Prof. C. M. Palmer, botany instructors; Dr. J. H. Bushart, mathematics instructor; Miss Eva Fay Kenoyer and Arnold Kleine, secretaries.

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