

## INDIANA PARTY OF SOCIALISTS GIVEN APPROVAL

State Election Board Rules Rogers' Faction Is Official Group.

The Socialist Party of Indiana today received approval of the State Board of Election Commissioners as the official party in Indiana in an opinion given by William W. Spencer, election commissioner.

The opinion was requested by Charles Rogers, chairman of the party group, prior to the selection of a state ticket by the Socialist Party of Indiana, Inc., another faction of the party in the state.

Mr. Spencer in his opinion to Mr. Rogers said: "The board has considered your request and is of the opinion that the nominees of the Socialist Party of which you are chairman is the regularly constituted party of Indiana and as such is the only party that can use the name of the 'Socialist Party of Indiana,' and has the exclusive right to the emblem of the party, which is the globe with clasped hands across it."

The Socialist Party of Indiana, Inc., has been invited to consider aligning itself with the regular party organization.

Plans for uniting the two groups may be made at the state convention of the group headed by Mr. Rogers and Powers Haggood to be held here Friday and Saturday in the Hotel Dearborn.

### Five on Committee

The platform committee of the convention is composed of Mr. Rogers, Ira Eshleman, Elkhart; Herbert Kimmel, Sullivan; John R. Shannon, Terre Haute, and M. B. Tomisch, Gary.

Mr. Tomisch and Mr. Haggood are mentioned as likely gubernatorial nominees of the party.

Tomorrow night the Marion County members of the party are to report on the national convention at Cleveland at a meeting in the English. Merrill Jackson, delegate, is to give the report.

## CONGRESS OPENS RACE TOWARD ADJOURNMENT

Tax Bill Controversy May Blight Hopes of Members.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Congress began a nine-day race toward adjournment today with indications growing stronger almost hourly that tax bill controversy would blight the hope of members to quit in time for the Republican national convention at Cleveland. As usual, the Senate was the spot where the adjournment blockade developed. Senate leaders today were openly pessimistic about the chances of carrying out the plan cherished by both Republicans and Democrats of quitting June 6 so as not to interfere with the Republican convention opening June 9 at Cleveland.

## BOY HURT SERIOUSLY IN GREENFIELD WRECK

Four Other Youths Injured in Automobile Accident.

Gerold Ludwig, 13, of 1205 N. Gale-st., injured in an automobile accident near Greenfield, today was reported in a serious condition at St. Francis Hospital.

He was riding last night in an automobile being driven by Mrs. Joseph Huser, 121 N. Wallace-st. Four other boys whose names were not learned were in the automobile and suffered minor injuries. Cause of the accident was not learned.

Two persons were slightly injured in an automobile collision at Michigan-st. and the Monon Railroad yesterday. Lester Fields, 34, of 1415 College-av. driver of one car, was arrested on charge of reckless driving. Mrs. Margaret Rector, 38, R. R. 11, Box 296, was driver of the other car. Both received lacerations and bruises.

## CROUCH IS HELD TO FEDERAL GRAND JURY

Murder Indictment Is Expected at South Bend.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., May 28.—Federal officials anticipated speedy grand jury action today against Harlan Crouch, alleged rum runner who, police claim, has confessed the killing of John Foster, Federal alcohol investigator, whom he mistook for a hijacker.

Crouch, arrested in Indianapolis yesterday, waived preliminary hearing at Hammond last night and was ordered here pending convening of the Federal Grand Jury.

Federal officials anticipated a murder indictment. Conviction would make a death sentence mandatory unless the jury explicitly recommended mercy.

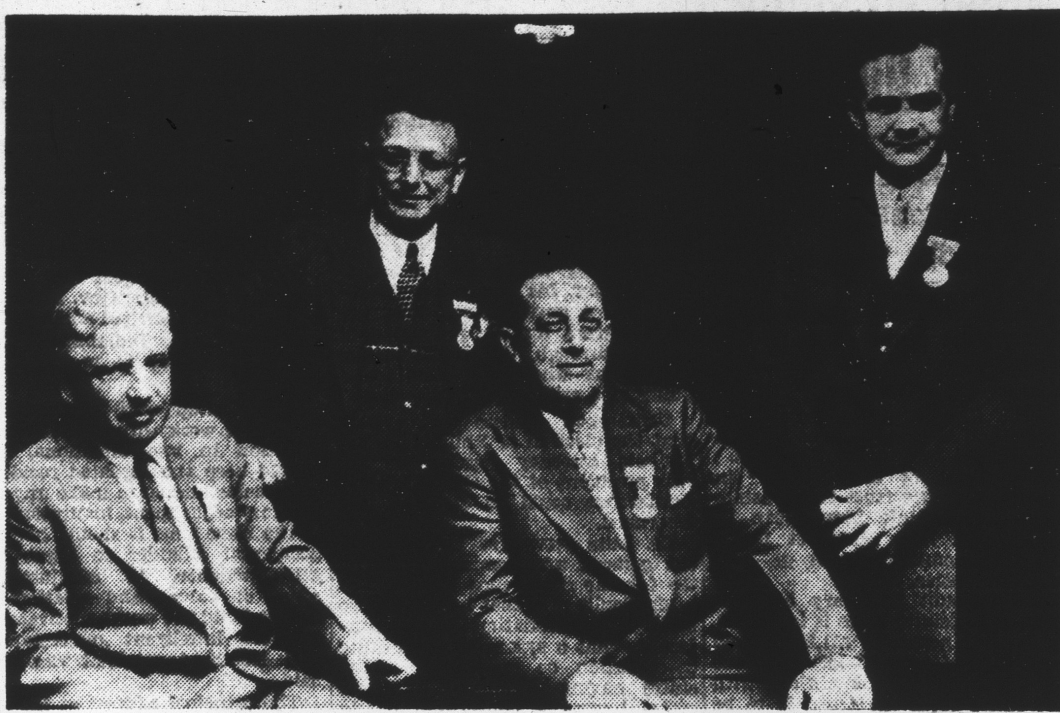
## Two Arrested at Speedway

Floyd Smith, 23, of Jasonville, and Matt Samko, 20, of Gary, were under arrest today charged with vagrancy. Police said they caught the men prowling under the grand stands at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

## Coronation Set Next Year

LONDON, May 28.—The coronation of King Edward VIII will be held May 12, 1937. Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin announced in the House of Commons today.

## SPEAK AT CENTRAL STATES PROBATION AND PAROLE CONFERENCE HERE



The Central States Probation and Parole Conference, in its third-day session in the Claypool, is to close tomorrow. George T. Scully, seated at the right (above), conference president, is to deliver the featured address at today's afternoon meeting. Other

speakers shown are Stanley P. Ashe, seated at the left, Western State Penitentiary warden; Philip Lutz Jr., Indiana Attorney General, standing left; and Justin Miller, chairman of the United States Attorney General's committee on crime.

## Purchase of Kokomo Water Plant Is Opposed in Report

Citizens' Committee Holds Acquisition by City Unprofitable.

KOKOMO, Ind., May 28.—A citizens' committee named by Mayor Olin R. Holt to determine whether Kokomo should purchase its privately owned water works company today had reported adversely on the proposal.

In a brief resolution adopted by 11 of its 12 members, the committee stated that "no apparent gain is to be made by the purchase at the suggested price of \$1,290,000."

Although Mayor Holt, whose favorable attitude toward the purchase led to a bitter controversy, had not commented on the committee's action, it was believed the proposal would be dropped.

### Price Cut Won

The Mayor was said to have stated earlier that the committee's recommendation would be binding so far as he was concerned.

The controversy began several months ago when the American Water Works Co., New York, offered to sell the property for \$1,300,000. When this offer was announced by Mayor Holt several civic organizations protested that the price was unreasonable.

As a result, a survey was undertaken to determine the property's actual value. Upon its completion the Mayor announced that \$1,290,000 would be a reasonable price, and with the council's approval, began preliminary negotiations for the purchase.

### Opposition Forces Grow

Meanwhile opposition to the proposal became more pronounced, labor groups and business organizations joining in the fight to stop the movement.

While the Mayor sought to show that converting the company into a municipal property would mean economy in the long run, the opposition held that the revised price was still exorbitant.

Only one committee member, B. D. Mitchell, was unable to attend the meeting at which the resolution was adopted. Those present were Garland L. Rathel, chairman; Clifford D. Linbeck, Mrs. DeAnna Knepple, Mrs. Ida M. Mix, Thomas L. Kulpe, J. Paul Johnson, Donald P. Strode, Edward T. Hamilton, Howard U. Brown, Dee S. Mohr and James H. Maguire.

## CONVICT KILLER HUNTED IN HILLS OF LOUISIANA

Prison Camp Trusty Slays Guard and Wife Before Fleeing.

ANGOLA, La., May 28.—A posse and a pack of bloodhounds strung out through the Tunica hills early today seeking Wilfred Lindsey, 23, who, while serving a life term for murder in Louisiana state prison camp here, is alleged to have murdered the captain of the prison guard and his wife.

Lindsey abandoned his victim's automobile near the Mississippi River last night. Early today the posse believed it was close on his trail.

Lindsey was a prison trusty assigned to the home of Guard Captain Nelson J. Himel. Yesterday afternoon he fatally stabbed Mrs. Himel while she was in the bathtub, then lay in wait for Himel, killing him from ambush when he returned home.

## Hindenburg Reaches Brazil

PERNAMBUCO, Brazil, May 28.—The German dirigible Hindenburg, carrying mail, passengers and express, arrived at 10:25 a. m. today after an uneventful crossing from Frankfurt-on-Main.

## Machinery Theft Reported

Machinery valued at \$375 was stolen from the Central Boiler and Sheet Iron Co., 1002 S. Harding-st., police were informed today. Entrance was gained through a rear window.

## M'NUTT TO JOIN CONFERENCE ON ANTI-POLLUTION

Ohio Valley Governors Are Scheduled to Meet in Washington.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Gov. McNutt is expected here tomorrow for a conference with other Ohio River valley Governors and members of Congress on possible legislation to curb stream pollution.

From here he will go to Gettysburg, Pa., for the Memorial Day services at which he is to be the principal speaker. While here he is expected to discuss the National Democratic Convention program with Postmaster General James A. Farley, national Democratic chairman.

Senators and congressmen from Indiana were invited to attend the stream pollution meeting by Rep. Arthur P. Lamneck (D., O.). In his invitation he pointed out that the purpose is to draft some program for stream pollution legislation upon which they can all agree and perhaps even push this session.

Several bills are pending in both the House and Senate. Among them is a bill providing for authorization of state action to combat stream pollution in the Ohio valley. It would permit the states of Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois or any state included in the drainage basin of the Ohio to make compact with each other.

Other bills provide for a stream pollution division in the United States Public Health Service, giving Federal aid to both governmental units and industrial plants (the latter through loans) engaged in establishing disposal plants to keep waste from polluting streams.

Reappointment to Health Board Made

Dr. L. A. Ensminger Selected to Serve Another 4-Year Term.

Dr. L. A. Ensminger, member of the Public Health Board since 1932, was reappointed for a second four-year term by Mayor Kern today.

Dr. Ensminger, who has practiced medicine here since 1903, is chairman of the orthopedic surgery department of the Indiana University School of Medicine and has been chief surgeon of the Big Four Railroad for 30 years.

Dr. M. Joseph Barry is board president, and Dr. Clarke Rogers, president, and Dr. G. Laird are other members. Dr. Ensminger resides at 2301 N. Meridian-st.

## HOME GROUNDS TOUR ARRANGED

Use of Native Shrubs and Plants in Landscaping to Be Shown.

A home grounds improvement tour throughout Marion County is to be conducted June 8 by R. B. Hull, landscape architect, Purdue University extension department, according to Horace E. Abbott, county agricultural agent.

The tour is sponsored by several rural women's clubs, and may be joined by county residents interested. Mr. Abbott said. There are now about 75 or 80 families studying farm home grounds improvements in the county, he declared.

The tour is designed to show the arrangement and use of native shrubs and trees in beautifying farm homes, according to Mr. Hull.

The itinerary has been planned to show arranging and planning of driveways, identification of native shrubs and trees by a tour through the woods, and preparation and maintenance of the rural lawn.

A basket lunch is to be served, and an identification contest is to be held, Mr. Abbott said.

## GIRL BURNED SERIOUSLY

Child, 4, Ignites Clothing While Playing With Matches.

Effie Yeakie, Negro, 4, was burned severely today when she ignited her clothing while playing with a box of matches at her home, 1218 S. West-st. Her mother, Mrs. James Yeakie, and a neighbor, Mrs. Esther Smith, Negro, 1214 S. West-st., extinguished the flames by pouring water on the child. She was taken to City Hospital.

## HOPKINS CALLED ARTFUL DODGER

Missourian Plays WPA Head When He Denies Charge of Prejudice.

(Editorial on Page 18)

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Arthur Curtis, Missouri Republican national committeeman, today characterized WPA Administrator Harry L. Hopkins as "a playboy of politics" and an "artful dodger" in a stinging rebuke to Hopkins' denial of party prejudice in administering the Missouri WPA.

Curtis' attack came after Hopkins yesterday dismissed charges made by the Missouriian as politically inspired. "I compliment you," Curtis said in a letter to Hopkins, "on your foresight in keeping on hand a large supply of whitewash."

"This acknowledges receipt of your evasive letter with reference to Missouri WPA, in which, as anticipated, you loudly proclaim the purity of your associates and gently spread a fresh coat of whitewash over the official fence behind which you are trying unsuccessfully to conceal the political cesspool that has been built up in WPA."

Hopkins' letter to Curtis said: "Apart from the political billingsgate, which occupies most of your letter, the specific charges you make are in each and every instance untrue, and I am sure from reading your note that you made no effort to check up on the truth of the charges you make, which must indicate that they were made solely for political purposes."

Reviewing Curtis' specific allegations and denying them one by one, the WPA chief concluded: "I assume that as one of the paid political agents of the G. O. P. it is part of your duties to write inaccurate, misleading and false statements to public officials. It is only on such an assumption that I believe you would deliberately misstate the facts."

## BORAH TO BROADCAST

Republican Presidential Aspirant to Talk at 6:30 Tonight.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Senator William E. Borah (R., Idaho) is to discuss economics and politics in a nationwide radio broadcast over the Columbia network at 6:30 (Indianapolis time) tonight.

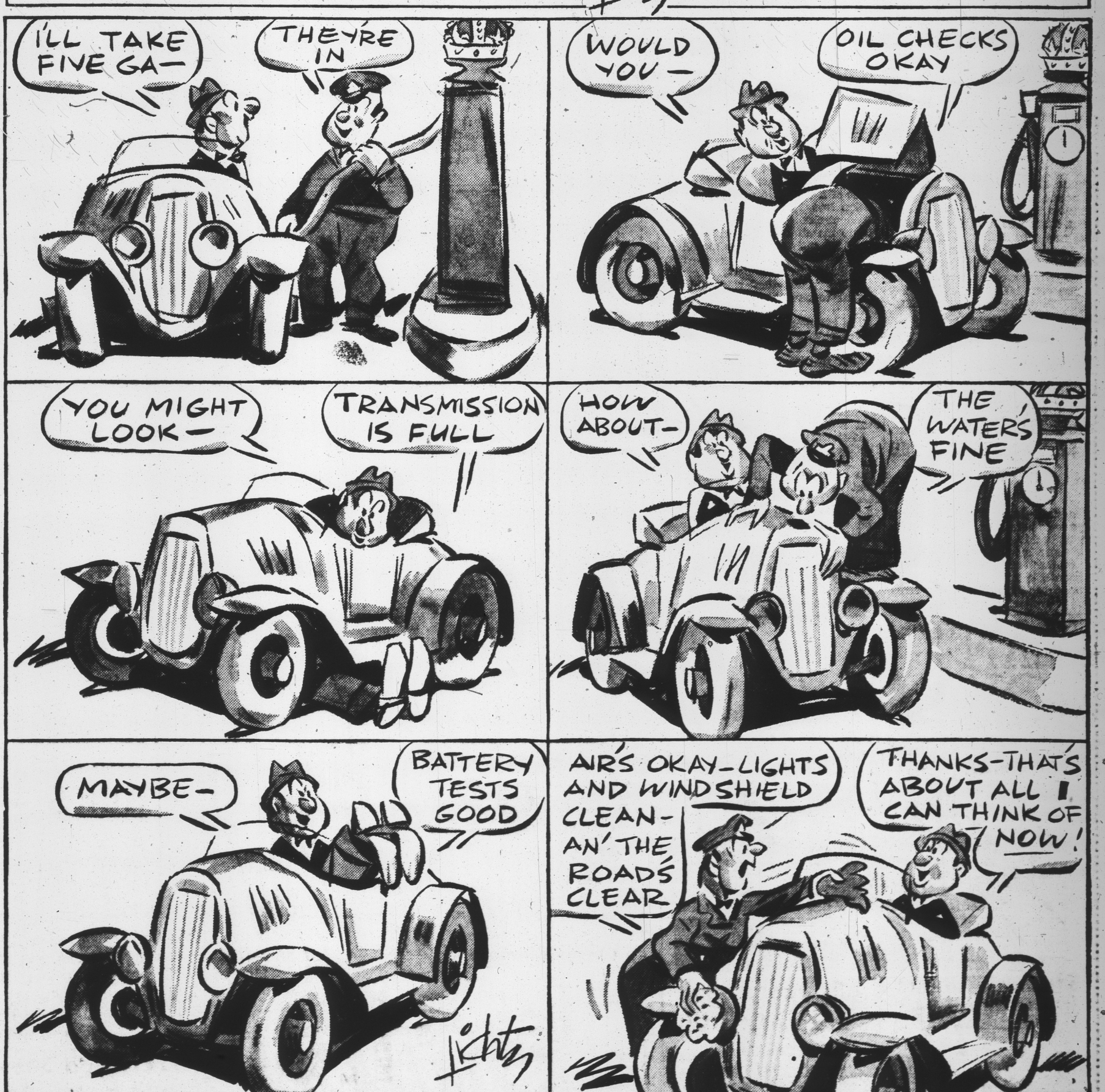
Political observers were particularly interested in the speech because of Borah's prominence as a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination and because it is his last scheduled pronouncement before the Republican national convention at Cleveland June 9.

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