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STATE G.O.P. PLEDGES AID FOR LANDON

4 'Instructed' Delegates
Expected to Swing
Others Into Line.

CAUCUS IS SCHEDULED

Raymond Springer Again Is
Named Standard Bearer
by Convention.

BY ARCH STEINEL

With a state ticket headed by Raymond S. Springer, Connersville, for Governor, Indiana Republicans were poised today for an early leap aboard the bandwagon of Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, when the national convention meets Tuesday in Cleveland.

The four delegates—at large, George A. Ball, Muncie; James E. Watson, former United States Senator; Don B. Irwin, former state chairman, and Ralph Gates, Columbus City, were instructed at yesterday's convention to cast their ballots for the Kansan.

The "Big Four" are expected to sway other members of the delegation who might lean toward other candidates. Definitely pledging delegates it seemed, the convention went as far as it could in "requesting" delegates elected in the congressional district to vote for Mr. Landon.

Only Three Contests

While the 1723 state delegates returned to their homes today party leaders said it was certain that at least 12 of the 24 district delegates are Landon men. These coupled with the "Big Four" are expected to caucus and pledge support to the Kansan on the first ballot and as long as his name is before the convention.

The delegates from the Second, Eighth and Seventh Districts definitely pledged to Mr. Landon, while the First and Sixth district delegates, although not pledged, are reported to be Landon adherents.

The state ticket named yesterday by the state convention developed only three contests for the 10 places on the ticket.

Joseph B. Kyle, Gary, former Lake County sheriff, and the 1932 nominee for the post, easily defeated J. Raymond Schutz, North Manchester, by a vote of 1153 to 570 for Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Schutz, it was said, was supported by the Ralph Gates faction.

Norman S. Lasher, Seymour school superintendent, defeated Oscar M. Pettinger, Albany, for superintendent of public instruction.

The vote was 1400 to 323.

Williams for Supreme Court

The third contest resulted in nomination of Travis B. Williams, Evansville, former Probate and Juvenile judge of Vanderburgh County, for Judge of the Supreme Court of the First District. Mr. Williams received a vote of 685. His opponents received the following vote: Thomas B. Coulter, Vincennes, 659; Judge Union W. Youngblood, Evansville, 158.

Other nominees on the state ticket were selected by acclamation, as follows:

Secretary of State, James A. Slane, Lafayette, former president of the Indiana County Commissioners' Association.

Auditor of State, Everett E. Neal, Noblesville, former internal revenue collector, publisher, and also former president of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association.

Treasurer of State, David A. Scott, Linton, former chairman of the Second District, in the mercantile and mining business.

Reporter of Supreme and Appellate Cases, W. A. Sibley, Gary, attorney and treasurer of the Lake County Republican Committee.

Judge of the Supreme Court, Fourth District, Oren W. Dickey, (Turn to Page Three)

SILVER SHARES FIRM IN IRREGULAR MARKET

Gold Fall to Previous Close; Utilities Fractionally Lower.

By United Press

NEW YORK, June 4.—Silver shares were firm in an irregular and dull stock market early this afternoon.

Cerro de Pasco gained 1/4 to 56 and smaller advances were noted in U. S. Smelting and Howe Sound. Gold had been firm but fell to the previous close around the end of the third hour.

Cass gained 1/4 to 161 in the farm shares where prices otherwise were irregular. Utilities were fractionally lower.

**COUNCIL BILL RETURNED
UNSIGNED BY MAYOR**

Claims Measure Transferring Merit Plan Funds Contains Error.

Mayor Kern today returned unsigned to the city clerk the ordinance passed by the Common Council at its last session providing for a transfer of \$450 to the Safety Board for payment of merit commissioners to conduct a police school.

Mayor Kern explained there was a technical error in the ordinance, but he appended a suggestion that the council pass a previous measure that provided for a transfer of \$100 for four schools.

U. S. Checks German Imports
By United Press

WASHINGTON, June 4.—The American government today invoked the anti-dumping clause of the 1930 tariff against a number of articles imported from Germany.

Tragedy Marks Graduation



Stricken in Cadle Tabernacle as he watched his daughter, Miss Karen Rice Osborn (left) receive her diploma from Shortridge High School, Eugene Milton Osborn (right) died early today in Methodist Hospital.

Shortridge Pupil's Father Is Stricken at Exercises

Eugene Milton Osborn Suffers Cerebral Hemorrhage as Daughter Gets Diploma at Cadle Tabernacle.

Today there is sadness in the home of the Eugene Milton Osborns, an Indianapolis family that last night set out in high spirits to celebrate a highlight in the life of one of its members.

A cerebral hemorrhage struck Mr. Osborn as he listened to the exercises at Cadle Tabernacle that meant his daughter, Miss Karen Rice Osborn, was graduating from Shortridge High School.

He was standing in the rear of the auditorium, away from other members of the family, Mrs. Osborn and daughters, Jean, 20, and Priscilla, 15. They had preceded him into the building and had taken seats.

The school orchestra of which the Osborn graduate was a member was playing. A siren blast struck a discord. But no member of the Osborn family knew what had happened.

Told After Ceremony

Only after the ceremony did Mrs. Osborn and her family learn that Mr. Osborn had been stricken and taken to City Hospital. They had him transferred to Methodist Hospital, where he died today.

Born in Plainfield, Mr. Osborn, who was 56, had lived here most of his life. He had been employed for 23 years as an American Railway Express Co. clerk. The Osborns live at 534 Berwick-av.

Funeral services are to be held at 1:30 Saturday in Shirley Brothers Chapel. Burial is to be in Floral Park.

FIRST LADY TO TALK AT MURAT TEMPLE

Mrs. Roosevelt to Speak
Here June 16.

Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt is to speak at the Murat Temple under the auspices of the Indianapolis Town Hall the evening of the Indiana Democratic convention here, June 16.

Mrs. Roosevelt will go with the President to Vincennes June 14, when the President is to dedicate a memorial to George Rogers Clark.

They are to come to Indianapolis June 16 as the house guests of Gov. McNutt and Mrs. McNutt.

Major Beecher and Police Chief James C. Yates said they had not heard of the alleged beating and did not know Mr. Kaufman and Mr. Wilson.

Both warned, however, that "outside agitators" will not be tolerated in Terre Haute.

Chief Yates admitted he had ordered R. H. Lowman, business agent of the Retail Clerks International Association, and Warren G. Despée, president of the clerks' union, to meet with Mr. Kaufman and Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Lowman and Mr. Despée complained to Gov. McNutt the following day with a statement that they were attempting to organize Terre Haute retail clerks and had not violated any law.

The police chief said he ordered them out of the city because they were "outside agitators."

Mr. Kaufman and Mr. Wilson charged in notarized affidavits they were stopped by a man in a police uniform and forced to accompany him and two other men in civilian clothes to a lonely lane, where the alleged beating took place.

Major Beecher said the attack charged had not been reported to civil authorities, but that he would investigate.

Bedford Publisher Dies at 72
By United Press

BEDFORD, Ind., June 4.—Charles P. Butler, editor and publisher of the Bedford Daily Times, died last night after a five month's illness. He was 72.

TAX EVASION CHARGED

18 Men Indicted in Probe of Liquor Syndicate in East
By United Press

BOSTON, June 4.—Indictment of 18 men, comprising a syndicate which Federal authorities charged had deprived the government of \$1,000,000 in liquor taxes during the last 20 months, was revealed today.

Sidney Sherwood, New England supervisor of the alcoholic tax unit, described it as the biggest round-up of its kind since repeal.

"Pressure" Is Suggested

In another letter in 1920 to P. C. Kuhn, president of the Michigan State Telephone Co., Detroit, Mr. Wilson said:

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STRIKE CLOSES PLANT
275 Iron Molders in Kokomo Demand Increase in Wages
Times Special

KOKOMO, Ind., June 4.—A strike of 275 members of the International Molders Union closed the Hoosier Iron Works here today.

The workers walked out after demands for wage increases had been refused.

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A.T. & T. FIGHT TO LIFT STATE RATES BARED

\$86,000 Paid to Indiana
Press Agent, Company
Official Reveals.

'PRESSURE' WAS URGED

Wanted Business Men Told
Tolls Were Too Low,
FCC Advised.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, June 4.—The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. used "every possible method" to obtain higher telephone rates in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan during the 1920s, Vice President E. S. Wilson told the Federal Communications Commission today.

Testing before the F. C. C. inquiry into the huge corporation, Mr. Wilson said the company paid an Indiana press agent \$86,000, and urged its employees to use "pressure" on state utility commissions in the Middle West.

The evidence was in the form of photostatic copies of letters, direct testimony and testimony under vigorous cross-examination by Special Attorney Samuel Rosen, conducting the commission's inquiry into the business of the A. T. & T.

"The situation was very desperate in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan and we wanted the business men to know that we were not making a living," Mr. Wilson testified.

He said that the Western Electric Co., A. T. & T. subsidiary, bought millions of dollars worth of supplies from hundreds of Middle West manufacturing companies annually. When asked whether he threatened to take away business from the firms if they did not cooperate, he replied:

Press Agent Engaged

"I can't imagine anybody in the Bell System making a threat like that."

In 1920, he said, he engaged Thomas R. Shipp as public relations counsel in Indiana.

"Mr. Shipp was retained to investigate the telephone situation and report to me," Mr. Wilson said. "The telephone was poor, earnings were low and we had not been able to get any satisfactory orders from the state commission."

"Mr. Shipp's reports concerned interviews with newspaper men, of the commission, of our own employees, the Governor of the state, and the chairmen of the Democratic and Republican National Committees."

"Why did he interview these public officials and politicians?" Mr. Becker asked.

Indiana "Most Political" State

"I didn't control whom he saw," Mr. Wilson retorted. "Indiana is the most political state in the country and I assume he talked with everybody to find out why the telephone company was in such ill-repute."

He said the A. T. & T. paid Mr. Shipp \$86,000 from 1920 to 1925, and that when he felt he had finished his work, his retainer was reduced to \$100 a month.

Mr. Becker then introduced numerous letters from Mr. Wilson to state telephone company officials concerning their efforts to obtain higher rates. In one letter, Mr. Wilson congratulated W. B. T. Beitz, president of the Northwestern group of the Bell Telephone System, Omaha, in 1920 on "the impression made upon the commission by the bankers."

"If the other utilities can unite with the investors and bankers in keeping public sentiment right in your territory, it will accomplish a great deal," Mr. Wilson wrote.

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