

## HIGHER EXEMPTION FOR TAX IS SUGGESTED BY TOWNSEND; SPRINGER JOINS LANDON HERE

Lafayette Audience Cheers  
Proposal for Levy  
Law Revision.

By TRISTRAM COFFIN  
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LAFAYETTE, Ind., Oct. 24.—Lieut. Gov. M. Clifford Townsend, Democratic nominee for Governor, today suggested higher exemptions as a step toward modifying the gross income tax law.

With both the cost of living and tax collection on the upgrade, Mr. Townsend said he believed the \$100 exemption could be increased to \$1200.

"There is a definite break after \$1200 toward higher incomes representing those who are able to pay taxes without pinching," Mr. Townsend said.

Since the nominee announced Wednesday in Indianapolis that, if elected, he would call a conference of those interested in amending the law, he has been besieged with suggestions.

Yesterday, a representative of northern Indiana merchants conferred with Mr. Townsend on the possibilities of an amendment.

Opposes Sales Tax

Mr. Townsend said he was for the gross income law as a fair means of taxation and that he would veto any proposal for a sales tax or increased property taxes.

"If I am elected," Mr. Townsend said, "between the election and the inauguration I will call a conference of agriculture, labor, business and consumers to work out a suitable solution. I would like to have the matter threshed out before the General Assembly convenes, so the Legislature will not be held up by needless wrangling and delay."

Mr. Townsend proposed the exemptions to a crowd of 4000 visitors, who gave him a tremendous ovation in Warsaw yesterday afternoon.

The Democratic nominee headed a parade of more than 400 cars driving from North Manchester to Warsaw. At Silver Lake, Warsaw and every cross road, cars joined the procession as it entered the town.

Addressing 750 students and townspeople at Manchester College Chapel yesterday, Mr. Townsend said Robert Dale Owen, frame of Indiana's first tax system, predicted in 1931 that the property tax system would have to be altered in 20 years.

Given Rousing Ovation

"The gross income tax was passed in 1933 to take the burden off of the owners of valuable tangible assets. The gross income tax has enabled Indiana to finance its educational program," he said. "When Mr. Townsend walked up the aisle to the platform in the Warsaw gymnasium, the band struck up 'Happy Days Are Here Again' and the audience arose cheering."

The nominee said he believed that local conservation clubs should dictate the conservation policies of the state and praised work of the clubs in Kosciusko County.

Commenting on a sign, "Dunder Employees 200 Per Cent for Roosevelt," Mr. Townsend said that not all employers disliked New Deal policies.

"The thinking labor employer knows that President Roosevelt and his recovery program has started the wheels of industry," he said.

For Congressman George Duran, who backed E. Kirk McKinney as a Democratic candidate for governor, introduced Mr. Townsend to a mixed audience of 3000 farmers and workers in the LaFayette arena last night. Mr. Duran said sentiment was as strong for Mr. Townsend at the state convention that once the vote was called the result was inevitable.

"Today, you may be sure I am one of Mr. Townsend's strongest boosters," Mr. Duran said.

Explains National Debt

Mr. Townsend explained the \$13,000,000 national debt in simple terms. "It is the sum of all the farmers who borrowed \$13."

"The farmer paid \$2 on a long overdue debt representing the soldiers' bonus. Then he loaned a farmer a dollar to save his home, a city friend a dollar to save his home and a dollar to industry to save business. He can collect on the \$3."

"Then he saw his boys desperate and hungry. He was afraid they might steal to get bread. So he bought them food and clothing with the other few dollars. Now he says he has the happiest family in the world and his boys think a world of him."

Mr. Townsend told of a tenant farmer who told him he was not going to vote for President Roosevelt because he was afraid he would have to pay the national debt.

"Where do you think you are going to pay the national debt?" Mr. Townsend said he asked the farmer.

"He told me he would pay it where he paid all his other taxes, at the County Treasurer's office. I explained he would not pay the National debt unless he paid a Federal net income tax, and he said times were getting so good maybe he might be able to pay that in a few years."

The nominee said he believed a net income tax was one of the fairest means to raise revenue from those able to pay, but that a net income tax sufficient to raise necessary state funds would drive industries out of Indiana.

DEBATE CLUB FORMED

The George Washington High School debate club recently has been organized as an extra curricular activity. Arthur W. Shumaker and James Otto, faculty sponsors, are in charge of teams. The first proposed debate is to be with Technical High School the latter part of November.

RELATIVES ARE HUNTED

Local police were asked today by Miami (Fla.) authorities to locate relatives of William S. Catlett, former Indianapolis resident, who died in Miami Thursday.

BEDFORD WOMAN KILLED

BEDFORD, Ind., Oct. 24.—Miss Amanda Cloway, 35, was killed last night when she was struck by an automobile.

### G. O. P. Candidate Faces Busy Week-End on Return From Tour.

By LEO DAUGHERTY  
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Raymond E. Springer, G. O. P. gubernatorial candidate, was back in Indianapolis today for a week-end of activity as strenuous as his whirlwind speaking tour of the last week.

He spoke seven times in Southern Indiana yesterday. He was to spend today with Gov. Alfred M. Landon, presidential nominee, visiting several Republican meetings.

More than 500 voters heard Mr. Springer in his final address yesterday at Aurora, where he blasted the state and national Democratic

chairman.

Hundreds of townspeople were gathered in the public square at Orleans to greet the candidate on his brief visit.

From Orleans, the Springer party of several cars went into Paoli, where Paul Lindley, Orange County chairman, had arranged a rally at the Courthouse.

Following the Paoli visit, Mr. Springer moved into Scottsburg, Paoli, Scott County seat and home of Ivan C. Morris, Republican state chairman. E. M. Ray, the G. O. P. county chairman, had arranged a rally there.

Mr. Springer made other stops at Jeffersonville and at Vevay in Switzerland County.

Tax Increase Scrutinized

In his series of talks yesterday, Mr. Springer stressed declarations that "taxes will not be increased because there will not be any need for such a huge state income. I am going to cut about 6000 people from the state pay roll which is now burdened with something like 16,000 people."

Mr. Springer asserted there "will not be any schools closed in Indiana. I propose to keep them all open and it will not require a gross income tax to keep them open."

He repeated his assertion that "If I have anything to do with the state government of Indiana I will cause the repeal of that unjust and unnecessary law."

The candidate continued to blast the McNut administration for what he termed a "Hitlerism in this good state of Indiana. We do not want that sort of thing in this state. There is no room in it for McNutism or any other kind ofism. All we want is good old Americanism and I propose to give you just that."

Slams in Party

James A. Slane, Republican candidate for Secretary of State, accompanied Mr. Springer when he left Aurora for the return trip to Indianapolis and planned to be in the state capital for Gov. Landon's visit.

Chairman Morgan left the Springer party after the Scott County visit and went to Terre Haute where he was to board the Landon special and ride with the Kansas Governor into Indianapolis.

Mr. Springer planned to spend the week-end in Indianapolis and next week has more than a dozen appointments.

Court Session Opened

The Courthouse was tense with suppressed excitement as Justice Hawke, pink-jowled, clean shaven, benevolent when possible but stern when necessary, opened the session.

It was interesting to those inside the courtroom who knew of Mrs. Simpson's friendship for the King to hear the clerk read the court commission to the non-commissioned officer rank in the first regiment of the University of Cincinnati R. O. T. C. unit.

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The Independent Coalition of American Women is to meet at the home of Mrs. D. E. Painter, 1505 Hillis-av., at 8 p.m. Monday. Russell L. Richardson is to speak, and the meeting is to be open to the public.

Those assisting Mrs. Painter with arrangements are Mrs. Merritt E. Daniels, Mrs. Frank P. Fenell, Mrs. Walter A. Gray, Mrs. Noble A. Dale, Mrs. Wilson A. Gray, Mrs. Max V. Hadley, Mrs. Ethel M. Spillman, Mrs. Mable E. Gray and Mrs. Bessie J. McDonald.

COUNCIL APPROVES INDEMNITY MEASURE

City Council approved an appropriation ordinance for \$2600 to pay industrial indemnities for city employees during the remainder of this year at a special session called late yesterday.

Introduced earlier this month, the ordinance originally included a \$265 appropriation for city dog pound revenue. This section was expunged yesterday by amendment.

CHILD SWallows NAIL

By United Press

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 24.—Surgeons prepared today to remove a nail from the throat of 4-year-old John Oliver, brought here last night in an airplane from Chicago. The child swallowed the inch-long nail yesterday, trying to distract his mind from a long car ride to the hospital for treatment.

### ARE THEY HOLDING HANDS?



### SPIKES RUMORS LANDON AGAINST RELIEF SYSTEM

#### Homer Elliott Says Voters Misinformed About Issues.

Condemning a whispering campaign against Gov. Alfred M. Landon, which he claimed was being carried on among the unemployed, Homer Elliott, Republican candidate for Congress from the Twelfth District, said, "The people who tell these things do not belong to our party."

"It is to be hoped that they do not have the approval of the other party. No responsible New Dealer would stand for the contemptible practice now going on in many of the Negro camps."

Mr. Elliott spoke last night at an Eighth Ward Republican rally at Shank Warehouse, 1430 N. Illinois.

"Mr. Landon's position ought to be made clear to these people," he said. "They ought to know that he has declared, time and again, that those in need of relief will get it, and that those who vote with one party will be dealt with just as fairly as those who vote with the other party."

"Another story, more contemptible than the first, is that if one is on relief or PWA, it is a criminal offense to display a London picture in his window. This strikes terror to the hearts of many of our uneducated citizens."

New Deal Would Re-enact NRA, Is Claim

A forecast that the NRA would be re-enacted if the New Deal wins the election was made last night at a meeting of the Delta Gamma Club.

Opposing with their traditional sophomore class scrap at 10 a.m., the program is to continue throughout the day and close with the annual home-coming dance in the fieldhouse from 8:30 until midnight.

Fraternities and sororities are to meet their alumni with luncheons at noon, after which the graduates and former students are to assemble at the Bowl for the main feature of the day, the Butler-Franklin football game. The kickoff is set for 2 p.m.

Following the game a special program will be presented in the fieldhouse. It will include a short play, "The Marriage Proposal," by Theopis, dramatic society; a swimming exhibition by 12 co-eds, and a showing of university motion pictures, "Butler Day by Day."

J. I. Holcomb, board of trustees member, is to speak at the annual alumni banquet in the fieldhouse at 6:30 p.m. Members of the committee expect several hundred persons to attend the celebration.

LIBERTY VANISHING FROM EARTH, BELIEF

Channing Pollock, playwright, told the Indiana State Teachers Association last night that America is playing bridge, golf and dances while "liberty disappears from the face of the earth and civilization shrinks about our ears."

Assizes opened, as they have in generations, in the traditional manner.

First of all there was a short service at the parish church, St. Mary's in the Tower. From the church Justice Hawke, in his red robes and his full bottomed wig, carrying a posy of flowers; the mayor, local judges and other dignitaries drove to the court.

The mayor, members of the city corporation and the others made the judge farewell at the court door. Two trumpeters in khaki from Colchester garrison sounded a fanfare.

Divorce Suit Listed

Everybody in the court room rose when the judge entered and sat down in his high-backed chair beneath the red canopy, and everybody sat down again.

The judge laid down his flowers and settled himself back. The clerk announced that his gracious majesty was presiding over the court, as represented by his honorable and trustworthy judge.

The clerk bowed thrice to the judge. The judge touched his head thrice with his black cap, which he uses when he sentences anyone to death, and the ceremonial was over.

There were seven divorce suits on the court list. They were expected to come up after all crime cases had been disposed of.

6 INDIANA STUDENTS ADVANCE IN R. O. T. C.

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A placard sent to Washington by Gov. Earle as a sample of Manufacturers Association propaganda is headed, in large letters, "The New Federal Tax on Wages."

Although the placard goes on to print in detail portions of the Social Security Act relating to the machinery of collecting funds, nowhere does it contain one word explaining that the "taxes" to which it refers are collections for the new Federal old-age annuity plan under which workers contribute a small percentage of their wages and receive two and three times as much back in pensions and the like.

Nowhere in the placard is there a reference to the fact that the employer is required to contribute as much to the fund as the workers.

Gov. Earle took particular exception to the statement that funds so collected will be "used for the general purposes of the government."

In his letter to the Social Security Board he labeled this a "deliberate falsehood."

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