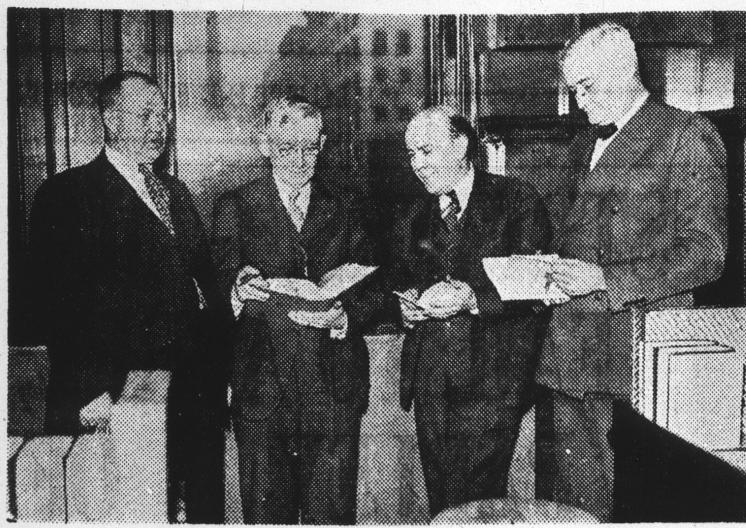
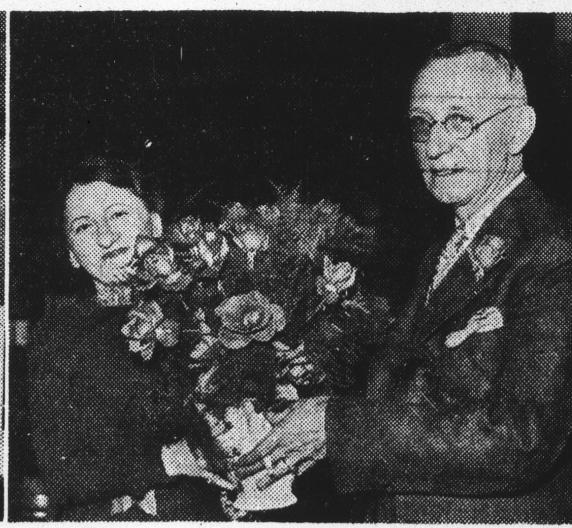


Legislators Prepare for Serious Business of Enacting the State's Laws



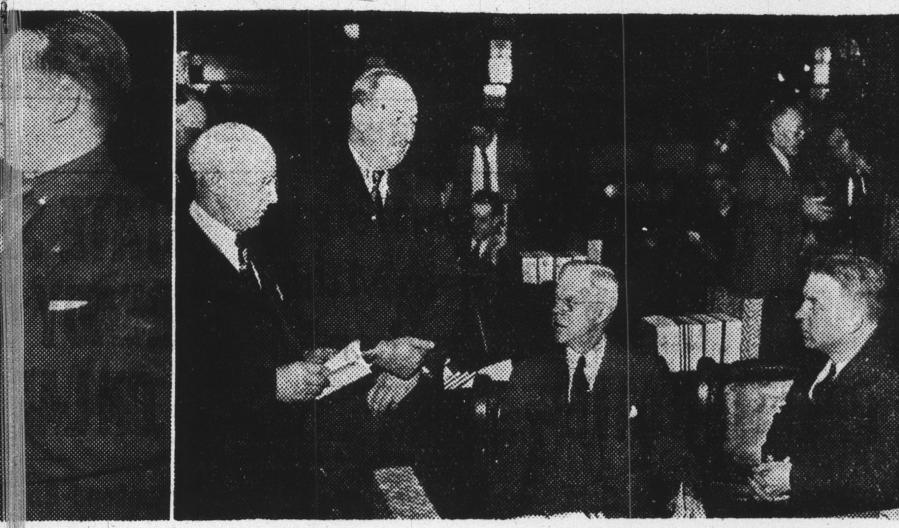
The Labor Bloc members are shown discussing bills before the Legislature. Left to right: Reps. William H. Lee (D. Princeton); Edward P. Barry (D. Indianapolis); Ollie A. Bach, (D. Indianapolis), and Charles Lutz (D. Indianapolis).



Rep. Bess Robbins (D. Indianapolis), only woman member of the House of Representatives, is shown above with a basket of flowers paid for by her 98 male colleagues. Rep. Fred C. Rowley presented them.



Senator Alden Allison (D. Connersville), who is 28 and the baby of the Senate, is shown receiving congratulations. Left to right: Reps. Manford Ferguson (D. Connersville), Carl E. Roell (D. Shelbyville) and Senator Allison.



The House Republican minority leaders are shown above in conference. Left to right are Reps. James M. Knapp (R. Hagerstown), minority leader; George W. Henley (R. Bloomington); Joseph A. Andrew (R. Lafayette), and Benjamin F. Harris Jr. (R. Richmond).

GAIN SHOWN IN INDIANA WAGES AND MAN HOURS

December Employment Rise
Of 6.8 Per Cent Is
Reported Here.

Increases in payrolls, employment and man hours in Indiana factories during December were revealed in a report issued today by the Indiana State Employment Service and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The tabulations, based on reports from 2263 manufacturing and non-manufacturing establishments showed a gain over November of 6.1 per cent in weekly payrolls, 2.6 per cent in employment and 2.5 per cent in man hours worked.

The report showed also that during 1936, payroll advances were noted in the State 10 times while employment advanced during nine of the 12 months. Total employment of 255,069 was reported for last month in the 2263 establishments covered in the tabulations.

The survey showed that 553 Indianapolis establishments employed 38,091 persons last month, a gain of 6.8 per cent over the previous month. The same concerns here had a total weekly payroll in December of \$932,091, an advance of 5.2 per cent over November.

Greater increases recorded in payrolls last month were attributed to wage rate increases.

The report showed also that 270 firms paid 59,500 employees more than \$1,750,000 in bonuses and Christmas gifts.

Because of the holiday season, retail trade establishments showed increases in employment of 19.7 per cent and a 13.4 per cent gain in payrolls. Reports from 34 department and general merchandising stores showed a 49.6 per cent advance in employment over November.

Per capita weekly earnings for factory workers in the State increased 4.2 per cent from November to an average of \$26.92 a week in December.

OPPOSES CHANGES IN U.S. HEALTH PLAN

Possibility of putting any Federal health activities under a Social Welfare Bureau in a proposed Government reorganization, was protested by a resolution adopted yesterday by the Council of the Indiana State Medical Association.

The Council, in the Columbia Club, urged that health promotion and disease prevention activities of the Federal Government be consolidated into one department headed by the United States Surgeon General.

Dr. M. A. Austin, Anderson, was elected chairman of the council.

SHRINE WILL ELECT COUNCIL DELEGATES

Officers are to be elected and delegates to the Shrine Imperial Council to be chosen tonight at a smoker-meeting of the Murat Temple in the Shrine mosque.

Dr. C. E. Cox is to conclude a two-year term as potente of the order. A band concert, directed by Raymond C. Noblesville, is scheduled and Murat Temple Association trustees are to be named.

Rabbits, Beer, Money and Jewelry Included in Loot In Week-End Robberies

Burglar Drinks Beverage While in N. Pennsylvania St. Home; Woman Loses Rings Worth \$1300 While Leaving Sunday Church Services.

Holdup men and robbers whose loot included everything from white rabbits to a bottle of beer kept police busy over the week-end.

A burglar who looted the home of Andrew Coyle, 4597 N. Pennsylvania St., left his fingerprints on a bottle of beer which he had consumed during his visit, police said.

Mr. Coyle told police that a diamond ring valued at \$175, two revolvers, and other jewelry valued at \$160 had been taken. The house had been entered through a side window.

Irvin Sudbrock, 2926 N. Dearborn St., reported theft of 10 rabbits from the rear of his home. Sudbrock said he saw three men running away from the pens.

Mrs. Frank Douthitt, 1654 Park Ave., reported loss of her purse containing \$10, a yellow gold ring valued at \$100 and a platinum diamond ring valued at \$1200 yesterday. Mrs. Douthitt said she apparently lost the purse after leaving SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 14th and Meridian Sts.

Clothing Stolen

Thieves who looted the home of Charles Paulus, 133 W. 20th St., took several articles of clothing valued at \$50. Paulus reported to police today.

A wrist watch valued at \$50 was taken from the home of Frank Trost, 3703 Boulevard Place.

Holdups were reported by James Enlow, 21, of 238 W. South St., cab driver, and Sam Steros, of 1244 N. Illinois St. Enlow said two bandits robbed him of \$7. Mr. Steros told police he was walking with his wife in an alley near their home when a gunman held them up and took Mrs. Steros' purse containing \$63.

Mrs. Jenny Lester, 40, of 117 W. 23d St., reported that she was asleep in the bedroom of her home when a man grabbed her purse containing \$25 and jumped out the window.

CLAIM CONFESSION IN GROCERY HOLDUP

Youth Prefers Penalty to
Fugitive Status.

Lowell Parrish, 23, of Cumberland, alleged member of a gang which, police charge, held up a grocery on Jan. 9 and took \$100, has surrendered and signed a statement, authorities said today.

Parrish surrendered at police headquarters yesterday after deciding to take the consequences for the robbery rather than to remain a fugitive, police said.

Two other youths, Myron Brown, 227 Hendricks Place, and William Thixton, 614 S. State Ave., were arrested shortly after the robbery. Thixton was wounded in the leg when a sawed-off shotgun accidentally discharged as they fled from the store, police said.

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ASK INCREASED LEVY TO FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS

Flower Mission Proposes
Measure to Advance
Rate 2 Cents.

Flower Mission Hospital committee members were to urge increasing the civil tuberculosi prevention levy from 1 cent to 3 at a meeting today in City Hospital.

Such a measure, expected to be introduced at this session of the Legislature, would provide the estimated \$73,000 needed for maintenance each year.

The proposed increase is backed by Mayor Kern and is part of the City Administration legislative program.

The hospital, expected to open with 50 beds next month, should double this capacity if funds are available from next year's budget, committee members said.

The statute amendment would authorize the City Council to make the budget increase.

Mission Urged United

Flower Mission urged building the unit and helped finance the City share.

Members of the Flower Mission steering committee are Mrs. David Ross, Mrs. James D. Eerdmans and Mrs. Edward Ferger.

More than 300 advanced tuberculosi cases are exposing 700 children to the disease, the committee said in urging the increase.

Equipment is being installed and the interior finished at the hospital in preparation for opening.

SLEEPER SERVICE STARTED

A coast-to-coast sleeper service has been inaugurated by the All-American Bus Lines, L. D. Glasgow, local agent, announced today. The buses, which operate between New York and Los Angeles, are of the latest type construction and accommodate 24 persons, he said.

The principal speaker at the banquet at 6:30 p. m. in the Claypool Hotel will be President Clyde E. Wildman, DePauw University, Dr. James W. Putnam, president of Butler, is to be toastmaster.

Speakers for Butler University's annual Founders' Day celebration Feb. 5 have been announced by Prof. Bruce L. Kershner, chairman of the faculty committee in charge.

Program for the traditional Founders' Day convocation, which will be held at 10 a. m. in the Fieldhouse, is to include talks by Judge John A. Titsworth, Rushville, representing the board of directors; Dean William L. Richardson, representing the faculty; William T. Peary, alumni president, representing the graduates, and Joseph Calderon, a senior, representing the students.

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Arrest Parents On Charges They Abandoned Child

Charles Jordan, 21, and his wife, Gladys, 21, today were held by police on charges of vagrancy and child neglect after they allegedly abandoned their 5-months-old child, Barbara, in a N. Illinois St. rooming house.

Police said they learned from the rooming house operator that the couple departed last Wednesday, leaving the child behind. They told him they had no place to go, he told police.

Authorities took the girl to the Indianapolis Orphans' Home, at 4107 E. Washington St.

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BIG FOUR HEAD SAYS PAY GAINS OUTWEIGH LOSS

Claims Removal of Accountants Offset by Increase
In Employment.

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will be lost by the move, Mr. Williamson said.

Increased employment at Beech Grove outweighed personnel loss, the rail official said. The accounting division payroll represents about 3 per cent of the Indianapolis Big Four employees, whose annual payroll totals \$8,750,000.

As business gains, increasing employment in the Indianapolis Big Four offices and shops is anticipated, according to Mr. Williamson.

Other cities affected by the Detroit move are co-operating to induce the rail to revise its plans, Mr. Oliver said.

Mayor Kern has appealed to executives to retain the local office, he said today.

William H. Book, Chamber of Commerce executive vice president, also has made efforts to have the decision reconsidered. The transfer is to be made April 1, railroad officials said.

Mr. Williamson explained the removal in a telegram to George S. Olive, Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce president.

More employees have been brought into Indianapolis during the last year through reorganization than

DINNER TO LAUNCH HOME SHOW DRIVE

Exhibit in April to Close
Housing Campaign.

Housing authorities, City officials and manufacturers are to attend the opening Home Show dinner tonight in the Indianapolis Athletic Club.

The meeting is sponsored by the Indianapolis Home Show, Inc. The 90-day campaign plan, originated by the Manufacturers' Housing Promotion Council, is to end with the 16th annual Indianapolis Home Show, to be held April 15 to 25 in the Manufacturers' Building at the State Fair Grounds.

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