

STATE ACTS TO OUST BAKER; CANCELLA STILL A FUGITIVE; U. S. MAY PROBE COV. ATTACK

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against the bill "because it hits at home rule."

"Last night Senate Bill 173 disappeared," Senator Gottschalk said. "You recall what happened here in the corridor yesterday, considering all these things, we decided the best course was the introduction of a new bill."

New Provisions Inserted

The specific new provision regarding the Marion County Welfare Director post follows:

"The County Director of public welfare in counties having a population of 400,000 or more, according to the last preceding census, shall be appointed by the State Board of Public Welfare."

Majority Leader Thompson declared: "This bill will stop some of the bad making a political playhouse of the state Welfare Bill. This bill does not take away home rule from any county."

"I urge you to pass this bill because of Wayne Coy and social problems connected with the bill and not for political purposes," Rep. James M. Knapp (R. Hagerstown) said. "I pay this tribute to Wayne Coy. He is a gentleman. He is honorable and honest in all his dealings and he is sincere in all his ambitions."

Coy Statement Made

Mr. Coy, in a statement in which he named Cancellia as his assailant, said:

"Cancellia asked me not to put on pressure to get this welfare bill out of committee. He wanted to hold it up. I told him I wouldn't."

It was reported the Senate committee might offer a \$5000 reward for Cancellia and ask for the passage of a bill to provide a special judge to try the case. Provision also would be made for a special prosecuting attorney.

The Washington conference was called upon instructions of Harry L. Hopkins, WPA Administrator.

First information from Mr. Hopkins' office was that Mr. Coy, in acting as State Welfare Director, would not be covered by statutes which might apply to his position as State WPA director.

But the Justice Department has requested WPA attorneys to give them complete details.

Kern Makes Statement

Should some Federal angle be found, the entire force of the Justice Department, including use of G-men and Federal District Attorney's staff, would be directed into the case, it was pointed out.

Mayor Kern said today: "The City is doing everything possible to clear up this unfortunate incident. A City police officer signed the warrant for Cancellia's arrest within an hour after the incident occurred. Every man in the Police Department has been notified to be on the lookout for Cancellia."

"I deplore this incident as a disgrace to the City of Indianapolis," the Senate investigating committee, according to Senator Wade, was to receive information on Cancellia's past police record.

"We'll probably get his past, present and maybe go farther," Senator Wade said.

A report from Mr. Maltice on plans for the investigation was read to the committee this morning. The group was to meet again this afternoon.

Judge Baker Assails Attack

Frank P. Baker, Criminal Court judge, said:

"This trouble Pete Cancellia was involved in yesterday, when I heard about it made me so mad I couldn't talk. Cancellia, so far as I'm concerned, can get out of trouble the best way he can."

"You can say that I will have nothing whatever to do with the trouble," he declined to comment for publication on the proposed Joel A. Baker ouster.

Judge Earl R. Cox, Circuit Court, said:

"This trouble is the straw that broke the camel's back. I have leaned over backward to co-operate in county welfare activities, but I certainly can't condone these tactics. I hope the Legislature passes the bill giving the Governor power to appoint County welfare officials. That would save me a lot of trouble."

"Although I appointed the Welfare Board, there isn't a single appointee of mine in the entire Welfare Department, outside of the Board."

House Warned by Stein

Joel A. Baker could not be reached for comment on the loan of the Public Welfare Bill by Chairman Downey. His office secretary said, "He is not here and we don't know when he'll be in today."

Speaker Stein warned representatives earlier in the session that it was a felony to let bills get out of the hands of the Legislature.

He said today he referred specifically to legislators who took bills home with them and they had not withdrawn from the calendar.

Chief Morrissey said today: "I am going to make a personal investigation of Senator Cleary's charge. I am going to the State House this afternoon and talk to Mr. Cleary and as many other Senators as necessary to get to the bottom of the matter."

Prosecutor Herbert M. Spencer said he and Deputy Hagemeier spent most of the morning in the State House interviewing witnesses to the alleged assault.

Versions Similar, Says Spencer

"We interviewed," he said, "four or five witnesses to the assault on Mr. Coy. There are still two others we haven't seen but we expect to see them sometime today."

"The versions of those we interviewed were similar. We will continue our investigation until all available evidence is rounded up."

The Senate members of the Marion County Welfare Board refused to comment on Cancellia's attack or on the Welfare Merit Bill, against which Cancellia was lobbying.

Superior Court Judge L. Ert Slack, P. O. Belzer, the Rev. Linn Tripp, Mrs. Karl R. Ruddle and Mrs. K. K. Woolfing, later, they could not be reached for comment on the proposed Joel Baker ouster.

House leaders of both parties indicated there would be no separate House investigation.

Expects "Strong" Recommendation

Lieut. Gov. Schriener today said he expected the Senate committee to make a "strong recommendation" in the Cancellia investigation.

"I heard more about 'dirty politics' yesterday than I ever did in my life. If things are being run like that, I think it is time something be done about it. The Senate committee has retained an attorney to see that justice is done in this case," he said.

Doctors said Mr. Coy's recovery might require many weeks. Three small bones near his left eye were broken and his teeth punctured his lower lip.

In a statement to police, Mr. Coy named Cancellia as his assailant and said Cancellia had struck him with his bare hand.

"Still in Town," Says Simon

"We think Cancellia still is around town somewhere," City Detective

Gerald Baker, 10 months, at City, bronchitis-pneumonia.

James O. Langen, 55, at 1821 N. Delaware, pneumonia.

Ola Johnson, 41, at City, bronchitis-pneumonia.

Frank L. Selzer, 70, at 1834 E. 10th, pneumonia.

William Michael, 75, at 3264 Ruckel, pneumonia.

Sarah Jane Cooper, 80, at 3629 Birchwood, pneumonia.

Hugh Stephen Foster, 48, at St. Vincent, pneumonia.

Lucile Paulley, 38, at Methodist, intestinal obstruction.

George Ann Smith, 9 days, at 301 N. Doran, pneumonia.

Ondole L. Welch, 72, at Methodist, pneumonia.

Ralph C. McCullough, 55, at Methodist, pneumonia.

Alfred Collins, 38, at 2135 Sheldon, pneumonia.

Marion Irwin, 41, at City, coronary occlusion.

Joseph S. Schenck, 52, at 2705 South-eastern, pneumonia.

Indiana Farm Bureau Co-operative Association, stockholders meeting, Hotel Seville, all day.

Rotary Club, luncheon, Claypool Hotel, noon.

Lanka Tax Omaha, luncheon, Board of Trade Building, noon.

Travel Club, luncheon, Spunk-Arms Hotel, noon.

Director Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.

Universal Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.

Construction League of Indianapolis, luncheon, Architects and Builders Building, noon.

University of Michigan Club, luncheon, Board of Trade Building, noon.

Phi Gamma Delta, dinner, Athenaeum, 8 p. m.

Indianapolis Traffic Club, luncheon, Hotel Seville, noon.

Incorrect addresses frequently are given to the Marriage License Bureau deliberately. The Times in printing the official list assumes no responsibility for such addresses.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Walter E. Book, 20, of 1175 N. Illinois St., to Alicia Alice McConnell, 18, of 2246 N. Alabama St.

Clifford E. Givens, 27, of Monteville, Ind., to Yvonne Sander, 21, of 1310 E. 25th Ave.

Henry Moore Jr., 36, of 738 Indiana Ave., to Gusie Foster, 26, of 617 N. West St.

BIRTHS

April, Rita Skaggs, at 326 Hancock.

Robert, Marie Kellerman, at 533 W. 29th.

Ray, Helen Bessie, at Coleman.

Daniel, Helen Chapman, at Coleman.

John, Donald Dunn, at Coleman.

John, Gladys Gainer, at Coleman.

Walter, Florence Hibbs, at Coleman.

Charles, Harriet Hull, at Coleman.

Ralph, Dorothy Montgomery, at Coleman.

Bernard, Muriel Owen, at Coleman.

Howard, Leona Robertson, at Coleman.

Yvonne, Eleanor Smith, at Coleman.

James, John Stewart, at Coleman.

Christian, Irene Wampler, at Coleman.

Charles, Marc Darrin, at 1512 Belmont.

Robert, Ada Wright, at 1863 Orleans.

George, Helen Deller, at Methodist.

Raymond, Anna Brinsline, at Methodist.

Russell, Sally Telev, at Methodist.

Jay, LaGrange Hoiser, at Methodist.

Robert, Irma Kinnendick, at Methodist.

Louis, Ann Schure, at Methodist.

Egar, Fannie Rolter, at Methodist.

Lawrence, Edna Givens, at Methodist.

Fredrick, Edna Hoffman, at Methodist.

Edward, Helen Bishop, at Methodist.

Percy, Thelma Laon, at Methodist.

Virgil, Bessie Jones, at Methodist.

DEATHS

Rosalyn Mae Wade, 8 months, at Riley, Indiana.

Thomas William Daniels, 67, at 2838 Boulevard Place, diabetes mellitus.

Charles E. Underwood, 71, at 2033 Singleton, cardiovascular renal disease.

Curis Lewis, 61, at 1310 E. 25th, coronary thrombosis.

Antonette Ziegler, 61, at 117 S. New Jersey, coronary thrombosis.

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Some of the 50 or more autos that were damaged in a garage fire at the E. C. Atkins & Co., Inc., in the 500 block of S. Illinois St., today are shown above lining along the street.

Jerry Oliver, 42, of 1645 Bellefontaine St., head garageman, was burned badly in the gasoline explosion that started the fire. It was not determined how the gasoline was set off.

He was described as in "fair" condition at City Hospital. Company officials estimated damage to the cars at approximately \$50,000, and damage to the building at \$3000.

Indiana League legislative director, said:

"Government is for the people a scheme of services. A part of the heritage of the race is the lingering suspicion that government is evil. Our job is to see that the manpower which operates it is able to do so."

Following the request of Majority Leader Frank G. Thompson, House Democrats defeated this move, Rep. Thompson said.

"The Judiciary Committee has a perfect right to study this bill and report it out when it so desires."

Welcome Investigation—Sexton

Rep. Thompson claimed the Democratic party had done more to advance the merit system than the Republican party. Rep. Knapp, minority leader, in speaking on this State-wide merit bill which is sponsored by the Indiana League of Women Voters, said:

"Mr. Speaker, this bill has been in committee since early in February, Feb. 12, I believe. It has been long enough to have received some kind of a report. This bill is not a political measure. Platforms of both parties endorsed the bill."

State welfare officials said Federal authorities desired changes in the present State Public Welfare Act to give more control to the State. A threat to hold up Federal matching funds was said to have resulted in this revision bill. It would:

1. Place county welfare departments under provisions of a merit system for the State Public Welfare Department.

2. Establish minimum qualifications for county welfare employees, based on education and experience, classification of positions and salary ranges. Allow the State Department to establish eligible applicants to whom which employees would be chosen.

3. Strengthen the control of the State Department over county boards. Provide that county welfare directors be appointed "on the basis of merit from eligible lists established by the State Department."

Permit State to Fix Pay

4. Permit the State Department to fix county director's salaries.

5. Abolish the Board of County Charities and Corrections, clarify placement of crippled children, establish regulations for payments to destitute children, and give the State Department the right of review over county boards' actions.

If passed, the bill would become effective on July 1, 1937.

Mrs. Clarence F. Maxwell, Indianapolis League of Women Voters, in discussing the bill today, said:

"The extension of the merit principle to county public welfare departments is in line with the recommendations of the President's Committee on Administrative Management which recently advocated an extension of the merit system upward, outward and downward in Federal service."

The merit system in administration of social security legislation was one of the emphasized items of the Indiana League of Women Voters program adopted at the organization's convention last May, according to Mrs. S. N. Campbell, Indiana League president.

Mrs. Campbell said:

"Every country has its patronage evil, but we have a patronage system. The patronage evil tends to destroy and corrode the party which is burdened with it. The spoils system creates a cynicism which is fatal to democracy. It is only through efficient administration by qualified employees that we can be assured that the millions of money being spent for social security are being used to the advantage of the greatest number. It is by insisting upon skill in government that the demand for essential services, which the people want, can be fully realized."

Mrs. Virginia Moorhead Mannon, Indianapolis League of Women Voters, said today:

"I think," the Senator said, "that I can get him a one-way ticket. Conditions are getting pretty bad in Indianapolis when things like this can happen."

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BILL TO PROVIDE SECURITY COSTS SENT TO SENATE

Measure Would Appropriate \$13,985,316; Townsend Signs Labor Act.

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measure is termed a "fee-grabbing bill" by opponents.

A majority of the Senate Finance Committee was to recommend that the House-approved Pari-Mutuel Bill be killed.

If a minority report also is presented, the Senate will decide whether it wants to keep the bill alive.

Senators Frederick F. Eichhorn (D. Gary) and William D. Hardy (D. Evansville) did not sign the unfavorable report agreed to by seven other committee members.

Some Senate leaders predicted the bill would be killed even if a divided committee report is made. They pointed out that many horse racing enthusiasts have given this measure, which would legalize gambling on all types of racing, a cool reception.

Hearing Not Called

No public hearing was held by the committee on the bill although religious, civic and commercial groups asked to be heard. The measure passed the House last week by a bare constitutional majority after Speaker Edward H. Stein (D. Bloomfield) cast the deciding vote.

Amendments to the State Alcoholic Beverages Act today awaited House action following approval by the Senate under suspension of the rules. Principals changes in the present law would:

1. Make the Sunday morning closing hour 1 a. m. instead of 2 a. m. as at present.

2. Permit package liquor stores to sell the ingredients used in mixed drinks.

3. Authorize the sale of package liquor by drug stores in townships outside cities or incorporated towns.

4. Reduce the Lake County license permit ratio from one to each 1000 population to one for each 500.

5. Extend the resort hotel licenses to a six-month period and reduce the room requirement from 25 to 15 rooms. The license fee would be 25 per cent less than that charged in county seat towns.

6. Permit a rectifier in cities not in excess of 10,000 population to sell directly to retailers.

Leaders said that rules were suspended on this bill to give the House adequate time to consider it before sine die adjournment next week.

The measure may be defeated in the House since many members of the strong Farm Bloc are known to oppose any liberalization of the present liquor statute, it was said.

Rep. Joseph A. Andrew (R. Lafayette) announced that the House minority today will attempt to force the bill to extend the merit system to most State employees out of Judiciary Committee.

This measure, with the Senate-approved County welfare merit bill, has been held up in committee several days.

Rep. Martin Downey (D. Hammond) is committee chairman. An hour after its introduction, the Senate yesterday afternoon unanimously passed under suspension of the rules a bill to enable the

State to receive an estimated \$100,000 in Federal flood control funds. This measure would co-ordinate State and Federal flood control activities. State levee committees, under the bill, would qualify for Federal grants.

It was explained that most of the money is to be used in the Wabash Valley.

Following its passage by the House, retailers' representatives urged Senators to defeat the so-called "Price Fixing" Bill. They claim the measure would allow a businessman to charge a rival with unfair competition, have him brought into court and expose his books to public record.

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Passed the Property Tax Limitation Bill. Maximum levies would be \$125 for rural areas and \$2 for cities exclusive of rates to pay off bonded indebtedness.

Amended on second reading a Senate bill to take out what opponents said were "objectionable county treasurers' fee grabbing provisions."

Advanced to third reading a Senate bill to take out what opponents said were "objectionable county treasurers' fee grabbing provisions."

Passed a Senate bill to set up a State Police pension fund.

Passed a Senate bill to provide private charitable institution inmates with the same social security benefits they would receive if they were living outside.

Passed a bill to require rotation of candidates on primary ballots where two or more are running for the same office. The present law requires rotation where four or more are entered.

CONFESSES TO BURGLARIES

Lowell Harmon, 23, 6332 Broadway, was ordered returned to the Indiana Reformatory as a parole violator after the youth confessed in Municipal Court today to 15 burglaries from parked automobiles.

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