

## LIONS TO ELECT OFFICERS, PUSH HELP FOR BLIND

Shirley Considered Likely Convention Choice for Governor.

Closing their 15th annual convention here, Indiana Lions made plans to carry forward their "White Cane" activities to aid the blind.

Officers were to be elected this afternoon. Walter H. Shirley, Indianapolis, present state secretary-treasurer, was considered the probable choice for Southern District governor. He would succeed J. P. Flint, Crawfordsville, present governor.

A resolution was drawn containing a four-fold program for furthering white cane activities. The Lions plan to continue supplying the braille magazine to all blind children in the state; to present white canes to blind girls in Indiana; and to aid in rehabilitating blind people by finding them jobs for which they are fitted.

A specific plan also was drawn to post signs along the county road leading north of Broad Ripple to the State Blind School at 77th St., warning motorists to "Drive Carefully—Blind Children." This work covering about two miles of road, is expected to begin immediately, according to Edward O. Sneathen, chairman of the committee on state activities for the blind.

President Speaks

The convention last night heard Edwin R. Kingsley, Parkersburg, W. Va., international president.

Speaking at the governor's banquet in the Riley Room of the Claypool Hotel, Mr. Kingsley stressed the value of Lionism in meeting the "radicalism" in international affairs and the building of a better citizenship among the youth of America.

With approximately 600 in attendance, Mr. Kingsley told the meeting that "only rearing men and women of good character, not culture, will stand the tests of time."

He added that "there is not an adequate program of character building in our schools and colleges today. Half of our people have no religious affiliation, whatever.

Throughout this land we are flooded with filthy pulp magazines that print the worst of filth reading matter." He pleaded for aid to underprivileged children.

W. W. French, international director who spoke at the same meeting, praised the recent flood relief work of Lions in southern Indiana. He also discussed the advancement of the organization in Indiana, calling for a membership drive that will increase the number of clubs from the present 100 to more than 200. He said those 200 clubs would include more than 10,000 members—more than double the present number.

Study District Split

Listed as principle business for today was a committee report on a resolution to split the northern district into two districts comprising approximately 31 clubs each. The resolution was introduced by Edward H. Paine, Michigan City, northern district governor. Delegates believed the convention would go on record as favoring the proposal, but would delay action until next year to allow time for a committee to study finances, auditing and boundaries.

A business and breakfast meeting

## Club to Continue 'White Cane' Drive



As Indiana Lions closed their convention here, they made plans to continue their "White Cane" activities to aid the blind.

With them are J. P. Flint (left), Crawfordsville, retiring governor of the southern district, and Edward P. Paine, Michigan City, retiring northern district governor.

## 800 State Telephone Offices Represented at Conference

Representatives from more than 800 telephone exchanges throughout the state were to gather here today and tomorrow for the 18th annual convention of the Indiana Telephone Association at the Claypool Hotel.

Occupying prominent places on the program are Dr. Frank B. Jewett, New York, president of the Bell System Laboratories, who will speak on "Some Recent Results of Telephone Research," and Dr. Guy W. Dyer of Vanderbilt University, speaking on "Conflict in Operating Practices of Bell System."

The objects of the association, according to its officials, are to establish uniformity of construction, maintenance, operation and accounting; provide useful information; protect telephone investments; cultivate cordial relations and to systematize, unify and make efficient the state's telephone interests.

Officers are Frank E. Bohn, Ft. Wayne, president; R. V. Achatz, Aurora, first vice president; J. G. H. Klingler, Brazil, second vice president; and W. H. Beck, Indianapolis, secretary-treasurer and manager.

was held this morning. It was to be followed by a business session at 10:30 a. m. which was to be addressed by Claude Rich, Bloomington, past state governor. A noon session was also scheduled, with the 1:30 business meeting closing the convention's business.

Fun-making activities are to begin this evening, following golf tournament awards.

A move to choose Gary as the 1938 convention city was reported. The selection was to be made at this afternoon's session.

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