

\$1,600,000 for State Office Building Gets Approval of Senate

New Appropriation Voted Into Recovery Bill, 24-23, As Hospital and Gadget Repeater Are Passed; Boost Spending to Seven Millions.

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bill as now drafted would require the Budget Committee to proceed with the entire program once it was started. He said his proposal was designed to prevent an amendment to the 1941 budget by 1941.

Senators D. Hardy (D. Evansville) attacked the proposed amendment on the grounds that "the special session was called to provide recovery and relief."

Senator Vermillion said he would resign from the Budget Committee if the Legislature placed on that committee the responsibility of determining whether the State can afford the program.

"That is your responsibility," he shouted.

A proposed amendment to the bill providing for an addition to the St. Joseph County Tuberculosis Hospital also was defeated.

Study Tourist Attractions

The Senate passed a concurrent resolution creating a seven-man commission to study methods used by other states to attract tourists. The commission would serve without expense to the State and would report to the Governor before Jan. 1, 1939.

The resolution was introduced by Senators Alfred H. Randall (D. Ft. Wayne) and Harvey J. Post (D. Hammond).

A motion seeking to secure adjournment of the Senate "to prevent it from plunging the State into debt which our grandfathers can't pay" was introduced by Senator John R. Atkinson (R. Atlanta).

Republicans demanded a roll call vote on the motion but Democrats claimed the motion was out of order on the grounds that it must be presented to both houses.

The chair ruled this was the case and the roll call vote was not held.

Refers Budget Measures

A resolution to memorialize Congress to balance the budget was introduced by Senator Albert Ferris (R. Milford) and was referred to the committee on Banks and Trust Companies.

Senator Ferris said he was not introducing this measure "to embarrass the majority" but was concerned that the national budget had been out of balance for nine years.

The House convened at 10:30 a.m., half an hour late, passed two resolutions and received three new non-Administration bills.

A bill introduced by Rep. Theodore J. Spurgeon (D. Ligonier) to appropriate \$275,000 to match PWA funds for construction of Unit C of the Indiana War Memorial here, was referred to Judiciary B Committee.

Asks Marijuana Ban

A bill introduced by Rep. William J. Black, an Administration supporter, making it illegal to smoke or sell cigarettes, cigars or tobacco containing the marijuana drug, was referred to the Committee on Swamps and Dikes.

A bill introduced by Reps. Ira J. Anderson (D. Cannelton) and Charles H. Bartley (D. Jasper) to create an Indiana State Toll Bridge Commission, would empower it to acquire existing bridges and right-of-way, build new bridges and issue bonds to finance them. It was referred to the Committee on Roads.

Labor Wants Projects

On protests from labor leaders and representatives of individual counties, the Administration has decided to leave in the institutions built the Indiana and Purdue projects and possibly the teacher college improvements, it was learned.

The reduction in the appropriations will be less than \$500,000, if any, leaders said.

At a caucus of Senate Democrats yesterday an amendment was drafted to be written into the welfare bill at second reading today. It was doubtful, however, if the revision would prove satisfactory to the House, Senate leaders said.

Under the new basis decided upon at the caucus the State would return to counties a flat 40 per cent of their welfare costs, excepting those costs paid for by the first 10 cents in the local property tax levies.

Limited to 1939

The proposed amendment would make the bill operative only during 1939. Since the proposal bases the distribution on the 1939 county welfare budgets every unit would receive some reimbursement from the State. State Welfare Director Thurnau said.

As an example of the new reimbursement system, Senator explained that a county having a cent-per-cent rate to pay welfare costs would receive from the State 40 per cent of the amount raised by a 15-cent rate.

The Administration's original "sliding scale" proposal which would have based State payments to counties on the ability of these counties to carry this load, unaided was killed by the House, which also substituted a flat percentage basis for return.

Four Resolutions Offered

Resolutions introduced in the Senate yesterday were to:

- Oppose attempts to secure a third term for President Roosevelt.
- Investigate the present and administration of the gadget law.
- Study the Alcoholic Beverages Act with a view to securing a "model" liquor bill to present to the 1939 session.
- Explain reasons for the introduction of the bill to prohibit Sunday movies and professional baseball and football games. This measure has been killed in committee.

The Senate voted down the resolution dealing with President Roosevelt's future and referred the others to committee.

Resolutions urging the investigation of passage and administration

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Jackson Lays Decline in Claims for Jobless Aid to Gains in Business

Compensation Claims Drop

The decline in applications for unemployment compensation in Indiana and Marion County in the past five weeks is shown by the following figures:

Week Ended	State	County
June 18	7783	753
July 2	7658	697
" 9	6900	569
" 16	5869	567
" 23	5356	530
	4399	499

Continuing a six weeks downward trend, unemployment compensation claims filed in Indiana dropped to a new low of 4399 last week, Division statistics showed today.

Clarence A. Jackson, Division director, attributed the decline to "better business conditions."

Division statisticians said the decline, which began June 18 when 7783 a day claim for compensation, has continued steadily.

While the drop in claims followed the statewide trend, benefits paid out in State and Marion County reached peaks last week.

Record Payment Made

For the week ending July 23, Hoosier unemployed and partially employed received \$708,961. The previous weekly high throughout the state was \$632,735.96, paid during the week ended July 16.

The Indianapolis district, which is virtually Marion County, may go higher than the record \$65,200.82 in benefits paid last week, officials said.

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BLAME JUMP OF PSYCHOPATH ON LOVE PROBLEM

Tied Up 5th Ave. for 11 Hours Before 17-Story Leap to Street.

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me alone; I must think this thing out by myself."

If his problem had to do with his hopeless love affair, he said nothing about it. Nor did his mother amplify her statement.

Repeatedly, as though speaking from the depths of an overwhelming feeling of inferiority, Ward mumbled something about hating to be a "quitter." Once he said he was "embarrassed by all those people."

But nothing any one could say appeared to solace him in his little cell.

Three hundred policemen, 100 firemen, four physicians, his sister, his mother, a number of his friends and a priest had worked desperately to prevent his killing himself.

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Made Up Mind Weeks Ago

Last week's peak in State and Marion County benefit payments will continue as a plateau for several weeks, Mr. Jackson predicted.

It will be followed, he said, with a general decline in payments reflecting both the decline in claims for June 18 and a gradual increase in the number of beneficiaries who will have exhausted their benefit rights.

Officials explained that the State and county-wide highs resulted from an "abnormal load" of beneficiaries who were thrown out of work in widespread industrial shutdowns in May and the early part of June.

Two Factors Responsible

Statisticians pointed to two factors effecting the drop in claims: They were:

1. July re-employment in State and county.

2. The increase in working hours of part-time workers, whose previous weeks had been below their weekly benefit amount and had thus entitled them to compensation.

Re-employment indications were further substantiated by a drop of 1683 beneficiaries from the compensation rolls during last week. Of these, 382 had exhausted their benefit rights. The remainder either were re-employed or received increased hours of work.

The State Employment Service reported a gain of 267 jobs filled last week in Marion County over the previous nine weeks' average of 205. In the State, the gain was 119 last week over a nine-week average of 1086.

Cut Fund \$500,000

Increased benefit payments in the State caused a drop of about \$500,000 in the unemployment compensation fund balance. It was re-

The balance was 26 millions when compensation benefit payments began in April, rose to \$27,152,641 in the first half of July, and has de-

creased to \$26,500,000. Mr. Jackson indicated that the fund would pick up again in August when benefits are expected to show a decrease.

For 11 hours Ward tied up traffic,

paralyzed the business of the fashionable shops below, engaged the attention of hundreds of policemen, disrupted the routine of the old ultra-conservative Hotel Gotham. His death cost the merchants \$100,000, the city of New York \$30,000, the hotel, several thousand.

Ward, the son of the American Express agent at Southampton, N.Y., was intelligent, well-mannered, but his depressive mania made him seem "strange" and a year ago he lost his job as teller in the Southampton bank.

Neighbors of the family, the Patrick A. Valentines, gave him a job tutoring their children. The changed environment did not improve his outlook, and, after his two attempts at suicide, he was placed in the Central Islip Hospital for the Insane. He was released last month and his depressive mania was said to have been "arrested."

To complete the cure, Mr. Valentine and his wife took him and his sister, Mrs. Catherine Bull, on an outing to Chicago.

Twists Remark Into Indictment

Monday night they returned and spent the night at the Hotel Gotham, where the Valentines maintained a town apartment. Yesterday morning, the four of them were chatting in the Valentine living room. A remark was passed by Mrs. Bull that was so trivial that no one remembered it. But it was not trivial to Ward. He twisted it into an indictment, and, without a word, rushed to the window and stepped out.

Mrs. Bull thought he had jumped

into the street and hysterically telephoned the hotel clerk. But he had merely stepped out onto the ornamental ledge 18 inches wide in front of the window, 12 inches wide between them.

Mrs. Bull leaned out the window, assured him of her love, told him that he had more character than anyone she knew, told him that he was wonderful and she wanted him to live. He looked at her with tear-moistened eyes and said he wanted to work it out for himself.

Police went among the scores

of photographers, urging them not to take flashlight pictures lest they illuminate the net rising slowly up the side of the hotel. But the flashlights went off anyway and Ward sure

ly saw him.

At the 10th floor one side of the net was made fast to the side of the building. The other side was attached to ropes lowered from the 18th floor, one floor above Ward. The plan was to pull up the net and trap Ward between it and the building.

ENTIRE STORE AIR-COOLED!

Wednesday, July 27, 1938

glaucos was busily taking to him, distracting him. A fireman and two policemen had to lower Ward from his chair from the 10th floor, ready to grasp the net when it was pulled within reach. Two seconds more and the life of the psychopath who was determined to kill himself would have been saved for a time. Ward glanced down, saw the net.

"I've made up my mind," he said. Then he dived.

Ward, a baseball fan, brightened a little, said:

"Who's playing?"

"The Cubs (Chicago) and the Dodgers (Brooklyn)."

"I'd rather jump than see the Dodgers."

At last they sent for Patrolman Glascos, a young man with a reputation for eloquence and charm. He took off his coat, his cap, his badge, his gun—everything that marked him as a policeman—leaned out the window, and cried:

"Look at me, man! Have I ever done anything to ruin me. I'm the clerk of this hotel. I have a wife and three children. If you jump, people will say it's my fault and I'll lose my job. Then what'll happen to my children? Come on, man, and let's talk it over."

"I Can't Disappoint Them"

Ward seemed touched. He explained sadly that he had no wish to harm anyone, that he couldn't make up his mind.

"Look up at all those people down there," he said. "I can't disappoint them."

Glascos talked on and on and though he did not overpower Ward with his eloquence, he did those who were in the room behind him. Deputy Mayor Henry Curran, team in his eyes, exclaimed that he had never seen such excellent police work.

The technicians at last devised a scheme. On the sidewalk below they stretched out a cargo net borrowed from a steamship and attached its side to ropes that had been surreptitiously lowered from the floor below Ward's ledge. They worked slowly afraid that Ward would see and be impelled to jump.

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