

## PREDICTS EXTRA SESSION DUE TO BUDGET BATTLE

Evans Declares House G. O. P. Won't Accept Figures in Present Form.

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purchase now is prohibited in the marketing areas established by the Milk Control Board.

"There would be no regulation if this amendment was written into the bill," Rep. C. Y. Foster (R. Carmel) said. "Any amendment should be thrown this system back into litigation. This amendment should be killed."

On a roll call vote on a motion to lay this amendment on the table, the amendment was killed, 48 to 42.

### fers Surplus Provision

An amendment to require that no members of the dairy business would have to pay into the "equalization fund," by which premiums are paid to persons having a surplus, was introduced by Rep. Charles Z. Bond (R. Ft. Wayne).

"This is to remove that provision from the present system which places premium on inefficient dairies at the expense of efficient dairies," Rep. Bond said.

Rep. Foster attacked this amendment as an attempt to destroy the effect of the bill. He said the pool-equalization worked to the equal benefit of large and small producers. This amendment was laid on the table, 43 to 39.

Rep. Russell N. Gavit (D. Hammond) then introduced a motion to indefinitely postpone this bill and kill the subject matter. "This is nothing more than a price-fixing measure," he declared.

This Senate bill is identical to a House bill which is still pending in this chamber.

The motion to indefinitely postpone the Senate Milk Control Bill lost 30 to 57 and the measure was advanced to third reading without amendment.

### City Manager Measure Received by Senate

The Senate today received the House concurrent resolution to obtain a city manager form of government.

With the transfer of the measure, which passed the House 67 to 1 Saturday, the Senate received full responsibility for a decision on the city manager issue.

An identical resolution was passed by the Senate, but was withheld from the House, one senator said, for the purpose of recalling it to change the reporting date of the commission. A bill setting up machinery for Indiana cities to establish the city manager plan apparently had died in committee.

The House resolution, introduced by Rep. Howard T. Batman (D. Terre Haute), would set up a seven-member commission to serve without pay.

The commission would be charged with studying the possible methods for enabling cities to establish the city manager plan and to report back Oct. 1, 1940.

### Dies in Traffic



### PENSION VOTE IN 1940 IS SOUGHT

Weiss Preparing Referendum Proposal; Labor to Fight Ban on Sitdowns.

A measure to provide for a referendum in the 1940 primary election on the old-age pension system was being prepared for introduction today by Senator Jacob Weiss (D. Indianapolis).

Meanwhile, labor groups prepared to fight a bill introduced in the House Saturday by Rep. Benjamin F. Harris (R. Richmond), which would ban sitdown strikes in labor.

Under this bill, a strike called without first giving the employer seven days' notice of alleged grievances would be outlawed, and employers would be given the right of action against the strikers for damages resulting from the calling or carrying on of an illegal strike.

An announcement was made by Governor Townsend that he was undecided as to what action he will take on the bill to exempt municipally-owned utilities from payment of property taxes. This measure has passed both houses and now awaits his signature.

### Three Measures Signed

The Governor signed the bill which requires standard serological tests for syphilis to be made of expectant mothers. Effective date of this measure is Jan. 1, 1940.

Two other measures also were signed. One authorizes salaried court reporters to administer oaths, certify affidavits and acknowledge instruments, and the other amends the law relating to changes of venue from the county.

Governor Townsend informed the House today he had allowed to become a law without his signature the House measure to provide a pension for the widow of State Policeman Paul Minneman, who was slain by a Brady gang.

Among new bills introduced in the Senate were ones to amend taxation laws to prohibit persons from out of state receiving any mortgage exemptions and to increase small

loan licenses to a sliding scale of from \$100 to \$1000, according to the number of offices.

### House Bills Progress

Four House Bills to recondit the State's safety laws were advanced to third reading as were bills to prevent diversion of gasoline tax money to other than highway uses.

Rep. Chester J. Allard (D. Goshen) seconded the unanimous consent of the House to introduce a new bill. It would provide occupational disease benefits similar to those now paid for occupational injuries.

When the House bill to give the Supreme Court the right to admit graduates of accredited law schools to the bar without further examination was called down on second reading an amendment agreed to by proponents of the measure was introduced by Rep. Guy W. Dausman (R. Goshen).

This amendment, which in effect rewrites the entire bill, was adopted.

A public hearing is to be held at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow on the House bill to provide for the restoration of the town of New Harmony, members of the House Ways and Means Committee.

The circuit judge then would appoint a committee of five to give the applicant an examination which would have to be given in a law library where the applicant would have access to reference books.

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Under the old-age pension referendum bill, a separate ballot would be presented to the voters in the next primary election asking them to decide various pension policies, including maximum payments, age limit for recipients and the retention of the pension for need system.

### Marott Urges Veto

George J. Marott, Indianapolis business and civic leader, urged the Governor to veto the bill to exempt municipally-owned utilities from taxation. Other groups have urged the Governor to support this measure.

Mr. Marott's letter to the Governor said in part:

"I am of the opinion that this utility bill prepares the way for the City of Indianapolis to purchase the Indianapolis Water Co. at a price beyond its value. In other words, to capitalize on the amount of taxes that the water company

now pays, allowing millions of dollars of overcapitalization to take

the place of taxes, thus shifting profitable and agitating to the public hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes on the property owners.

"Besides a public-owned utility is

subject to political management which experience has proven non-

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LIONS TO HEAR ANDREWS  
Dr. D. Lee Andrews of Indianapolis is to speak at the Lions Club Wednesday noon meeting in Hotel Washington. His subject will be, "Death in the Pot."

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### SUIT TO BE DROPPED IF RAIL BILL PASSES

Counsel Confident It Would Clear Way for Elevation.

The City will withdraw its suit to compel the Indianapolis Union (Belt) Railroad to participate in the track elevation program if the elevation bill pending in the House is passed, Edward H. Knight, City Corporation Counsel, said today.

The bill would reduce the railroads' share of elevation costs from 50 per cent, as at present, to 20 per cent.

Mr. Knight said he was confident that the Belt Railroad would remove its objections to participating in the track elevation if its share of the cost is reduced.

The suit, which was filed by the City in Superior Court last year to enforce a contract entered into between the Belt and the Works Board in 1925, might drag on for four or five more years before being settled finally, he said.

Mr. Knight also said he believed that if the bill is passed, the Pennsylvania Railroad will withdraw its pending suit appealing from a Works Board order to elevate its switches where they join the Belt tracks.

UTILITY LEADER DIES  
MACON, Ga., Feb. 20 (U. P.)—Major Clinton B. Wilcox, 70, Sandusky, O., utility executive, died today of complications which followed pneumonia.

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