

GOVERNOR HITS BAR REPORT ON NAMING JUDGES

Terms Committee Proposal
Departure From Customs
Of Democracy.

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was elected association president. Roscoe C. O'Byrne, Brookville, was elected vice president. Both were named to the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association.

Elected to the Board of Managers for two years were Maurice E. Crites, East Chicago; Harry P. Schultz, Lafayette; Charles R. McNabb, Ft. Wayne; William H. Dobains, Columbus; Ray W. Clark, Muncie; Charles E. Smith, Anderson, and Henry M. Dowling. All nominees were unopposed.

In closing the convention, Samuel Pottenger of South Bend, former Hoosier Congressman, said that "If free institutions in the United States are lost, it will be because America is no longer willing to make the sacrifice our forefathers made."

"The real issue today is not between fascism and capitalism but between freedom and compulsion," he said.

Capacity for Government

"The real question is whether free men today have the will and the determination to defend free institutions. If they are lost, it will be not because of any inescapable necessity, but because we have become so fat in freedom that we are no longer willing to make any sacrifice of time or effort to preserve what our fathers bought with their very blood."

"The real question is whether we have preserved the capacity for self-government."

"The world today is balancing on the apex of one-man rule. To satisfy a lust for power millions of helpless men may go to their doom. We must fight on two fronts. We must repel these alien doctrines. On the other hand we must make our institutions work so well for the happiness of all our people that they will have 'no time' for a Hitler or Stalin."

Independent Judiciary Goal

The committee report on Judicial Selection and Tenure calling for the change of method in choosing judges said a means was being sought "by which the judiciary can be made more independent."

"The people rebel against coercion, intimidation or control of the judiciary from political direction," the report continued, "whether it be in aid of a legislative program or continuation of a political party in power. Also there is a distinct duty owing to any man on the bench that he be relieved from the necessity to resist improper influences."

At the session of the Young Lawyer's Section of the Association yesterday, Philip Byron Jr. of Peru was named chairman. The Section voted to affiliate with the Junior Bar Conference of the American Bar Association and to co-operate in the American Bar Association's public information program.

Judge Emmert Reports

In reporting on the 43d annual meeting of the Academy of Political and Social Science held at Philadelphia last March, Judge James A. Emmert of the Shelby Circuit Court said:

"An attempt on the part of the have-nots nations to meet deficiencies in an offensive warfare by using armaments would be certainly costly and inadequate."

"Unless the totalitarian nations could command the seas it would only be a question of time until their exhaustion in coal, iron, copper and oil would bring about their defeat once they were engaged in another general war. The democracies have the mineral resources. If they can successfully defend these they can fight a victorious war against the totalitarian states."

To strengthen our relationships with South America, the Judge advocated an interchange of newspapermen, professors and students.

"The Monroe Doctrine has now become multi-lateral," he said, "and if we Americans, either South or North, are threatened by foreign intervention or activity, it becomes an attack upon our collective security."

"We of the Americas will settle our own affairs here. Our frontier is not in Europe but in the Americas. We can and will preserve democracy in America."

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County Council to Cut Proposed 1940 Budget 13 Cents, to 51-Cent Tax Rate

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tion from the total proposed rate, will mean a saving of \$788,255 from the threatened increases in expenditures next year.

How Budget Stacks Up

On the basis of the new reduced budget estimates set unofficially by the Council, and which, according to present plans, will be submitted to the Adjustment Board, the county tax rate picture appears as follows:

	1939	1940	1941
Rate	Requested	Proposed	by Council
General Fund	\$.226	\$.18	
Welfare bonds	.004	.004	
Health	.14	.28	.18
Sinking	.121	.11	.108
Tuberculosis			
Hospital	.025	.035	.03
Flood control	.01	.01	.01
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