

STATE MAPPING REPLY TO SUIT ON LIQUOR SALE

Dealer Asks Declaratory Judgment on New Year's Day Rights.

The State Alcoholic Beverage Commission is expected to file in Circuit Court this week an answer to the remaining sections of an injunction suit seeking a declaratory judgment as to rights of liquor dealers to serve beverages on New Year's Day.

Circuit Court Judge Earl R. Cox last Friday refused to enjoin the Commission from barring New Year Day sales, but told the plaintiffs, a Terre Haute tavern owner and a Vigo County Liquor Dealers' Association official, to proceed with the part of the suit asking for a declaratory judgment.

Although the suit failed to lift the 1940 New Year's ban, the plaintiffs, Raymond F. Cassel, tavern owner, and Pierce Calton, executive secretary of the Wabash Valley Retail Liquor Dealers' Association, are looking to Jan. 1, 1941, in seeking the judgment.

Judge Cox denied the injunction on the grounds that the plaintiffs lacked a "capacity to sue" in such a case and no interpretation on the law was handed down.

A hearing on the declaratory judgment plea probably will not be held for another month because of delays through the filing of intermediate motions in the action.

DOUGLAS BEGINS NEW JOB

NEW YORK, Jan. 3 (U.P.)—Lewis W. Douglas, former Federal Director of the Budget, today began his duties as president of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York, succeeding David F. Houston, who became chairman of the board of trustees. Mr. Houston had been president since 1927.

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Farm Board to Reorganize



A. M. Schuh, secretary of Newton County Fair . . . gives attentive ear to Miss Clem Legg of Chicago, WLS show booker.

The State Agriculture Board was scheduled to elect P. L. White of Oxford, Ind., as its new president to succeed Harry F. Caldwell of Connersville, at the annual reorganization meeting in the State House today.

Mr. White is vice president of the Board which operates the annual State Fair and handles other agricultural affairs of the State Government.

F. M. Overstreet of Columbus, and George Stoile of Ft. Wayne, were mentioned for election as vice president.

Board members re-elected were C. H. Taylor, Boonville; Guy Cantwell, Gosport; Charles Morris, Salem; State Senator E. Curtis White, Indianapolis; U. C. Brouse, Kendallville, and F. B. Cummings, Portland. Also elected to the Board were Levi P. Moore, Rochester, and Mr. White.

Meeting at the Claypool Hotel, the Indiana Association of County and District Fairs this afternoon will hold a forum on problems confronting their members. L. B. Clore of Franklin, Ind., will discuss "County Fairs—Then and Now." Mr. Clore was the first national corn king from Indiana.

The association also will elect new officers for the year.

From 4 to 5:30 p.m., the United States Trotting Association will elect Second District representatives to the board of directors.

Governor M. Clifford Townsend will be the principal speaker at a banquet to be held at 7 p.m. A floor show will follow the banquet.

Dates for fairs in the four state circuits were set yesterday and group meetings were held by fair officials. Talks were given by Lieut. Gov. Henry F. Schriener, Hassi Schenck, Indiana Farm Bureau president and B. Scott Johnson County farm agent.

Maurice Samuel, Author, To Address City Zionists

Maurice Samuel, author, lecturer and traveler, will be the principal speaker at the Indianapolis Zionists district meeting at Kirshbaum Community Center at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

He is noted as an interpreter of Jewish life to the English-speaking world. Mr. Samuel, who has traveled extensively, was educated at universities in England and France.

As an author, he has contributed a series of original studies including "You Gentiles," "I, the Jew," "What Happened in Palestine," and "Jews on Approval."

WARREN TWP. QUIZ PLEDGED

Lewis Says Inquiry Will Be
Made Into Alleged Pact
By Trustee Thomas.

The January term Grand Jury which was selected in Criminal Court yesterday will make a thorough probe into an alleged pre-election agreement entered into by the Warren Township Trustee, Prosecutor David M. Lewis said to-day.

Mr. Lewis said, however, that it would be at least a month before the matter could be taken up. It was studied by the previous Grand Jury last August, but no report was made at that time.

Under the alleged agreement, signed in July, 1938, Trustee Henry M. Thomas promised to his friends to abide with the advice of Fred Rubin and H. N. White, jointly, in all matters pertaining to this campaign, and results thereof, as including all appointments and letting of contracts as Trustee of Warren Township.

Mr. White, 5570 E. 10th St., and Mr. Rubin, 5225 Oak Ave., were Mr. Thomas' campaign managers. They have explained that the agreement was merely intended to relieve Mr. Thomas of pressure for patronage in return for votes, and that it was intended to be terminated after he took office. Mr. Thomas has declined to make a statement.

DEADLINE PASSES FOR BONUS FILING

1924 Congress passed a law entitling veterans to a bonus and midnight last night, after four extensions, was the deadline for filing applications for adjusted compensation.

Approximately 120 persons filed applications last night at the office at the Veterans' Hospital, according to James C. Fuller of the office.

Those who have not filed applications will not receive compensation unless additional legislation is enacted by Congress. Mr. Fuller said.

WOMAN HELD FOR LETTING BABY DIE

FOWLER, Ind., Jan. 3 (U.P.)—Helen M. Berry, 24, was held today without charge pending a grand jury investigation after her alleged confession to the killing of her fourth child, born Christmas Eve, by lack of care.

Mrs. Berry has two sons and one daughter, the eldest 8. Mr. Elwood said her husband had been dead four years. He said she gave birth to the baby without the aid of a physician.

BETTY PARKER DIVORCED
HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 3 (U.P.)—Screen Actress Betty Parker, who married Charles L. Pope, a business agent, last Aug. 25, had a divorce from him today. She told Superior Judge Rubin Schmidt that during the three months they lived together Mr. Pope habitually came home at 4 a.m. and once slapped her.

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1600 NEW JURY NAMES IN BOX

First Panel From 1940
Group Will Be Selected
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The Circuit Court Jury box was filled with 1600 new names of prospective jurors today as required by law.

Names of prospective jurors, drawn last year and which were unused up to Dec. 31, were dumped out of the box yesterday afternoon and burned on the Court House steps.

The ceremony was performed by the jury commissioners shortly after their reappointment by Circuit Court Judge Earl R. Cox. The commissioners are M. Bert Thurman, Republican, and Alex Vonnegut, Democrat. The third member of the board is County Clerk.

Examinations Planned

In reappointing the commissioners, Judge Cox expressed the hope that plans would be made to carry out his recommendations and those of the Indianapolis Bar Association for selection of so-called "blue-ribbon" juries.

Under this plan prospective jurors will be examined before their selection, as to eligibility to serve and legal qualifications. However, due to exigencies, the names of the 1600 prospective jurors placed in the box yesterday were drawn from the assessor's books without previous examination as to qualifications.

Choose Panel Today

The petit jury of 12 members to serve in Criminal Court for the first six months of 1940 will be selected today. The six-member Grand Jury was chosen yesterday in Criminal Court. Names from which these two juries were selected were taken from the 1939 jury box list, however.

The first jury which will be drawn from the new list in the jury box will be a petit jury for Circuit Court, expected to be named this week.

TWO ARRESTED IN STATION HOLDUP

Two youths, one of whom police have confessed, were held on vagrancy charges under \$500 bond each in connection with the holdup and robbery of a West Side filling station attendant early today.

The men were arrested a few minutes after Keith Simpson, 1847 W. Washington St., attendant at the station at 1707 W. Washington St., was held up and robbed of about \$14.

One man armed with a 22-caliber revolver held him up while the other sat in a car parked nearby. Patrolmen Fred Titus and Willard Hawkins, who halted their car in S. Harding St., 10th block, said one of the men was identified by the victim and confessed.

Lillian Dickerson, 18, of 2082 Dietz St., reported that she was slugged while walking in Glomer Ave., 1400 block last night. She said her assailant ran when she screamed.

Jennett Purdie, 1528 Prospect St., reported that two boys unsuccessfully attempted to grab her pocketbook as she stepped to the porch of her home after alighting from a streetcar last night.

The theft of a \$10 bill from a dresser drawer at her home was reported by Mrs. William Schantz Jr., 5445 E. 10th St.

CAN'T DOWN FINNS, REV. WICKS CLAIMS

Even if Finland is defeated by Russia, she will rise again "and assert her independence," Dr. F. S. C. Wicks, pastor-emeritus of All Souls Unitarian Church, told members of the Indianapolis Rotary Club yesterday.

"The Finnish people are strongly democratic, are proud of the fact that they are independent from Russia, an independence given them in 1918, and that their independence has proved unusually successful," Dr. Wicks said.

In lauding Finland Dr. Wicks said, "they have no slums, no destination, and work as a co-operative position and exert a definite nationalistic feeling."

COMMITTEE PLANS DISCIPLES' PARLEY

Plans for the next international convention of the Disciples of Christ will be held at St. Louis in May, 1941, were discussed today by the convention's program and arrangements committee at the Hotel Severin.

Present were H. B. McCormick, Cleveland, O., convention president; Graham Frank, Dallas, Tex., convention general secretary; Robert M. Hopkins and Mrs. Orr L. Shepherd of the United Christian Missionary Society; H. B. Holloway, convention transportation secretary; C. O. Hawley, director of union promotion; John H. Booth, secretary of the Board of Church Extension of the Disciples of Christ, and Paul Preston, a secretary of the church's pension fund, all of Indianapolis.

The Disciples of Christ Church held its last annual convention in Richmond, Va., in October. At that time it was voted to postpone the meeting from this coming October, the customary date, until May, 1941.

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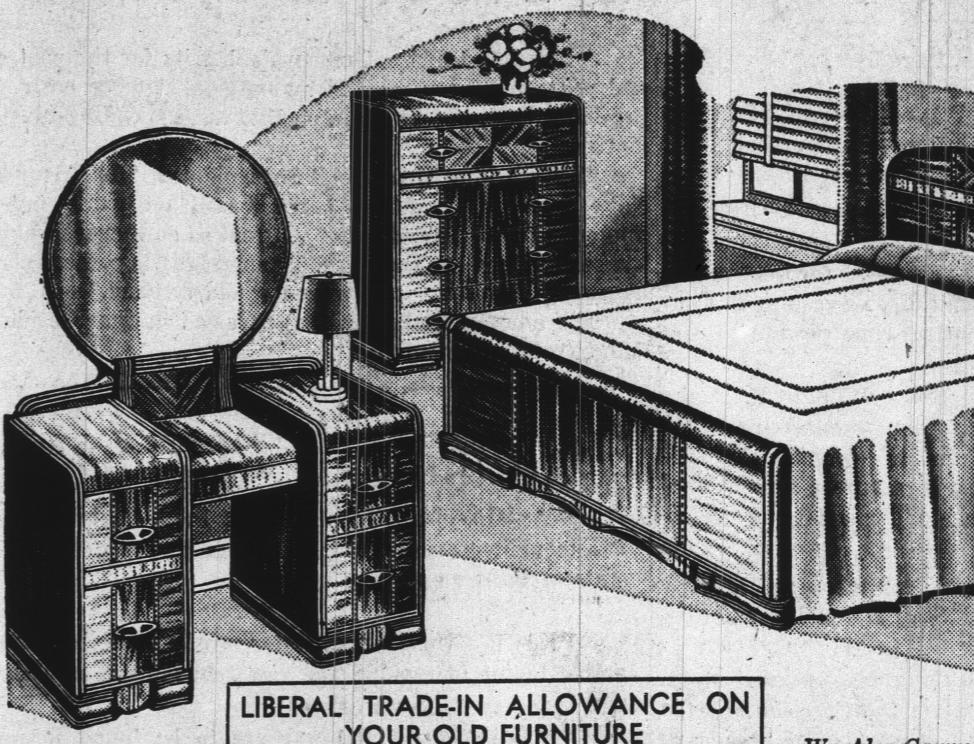
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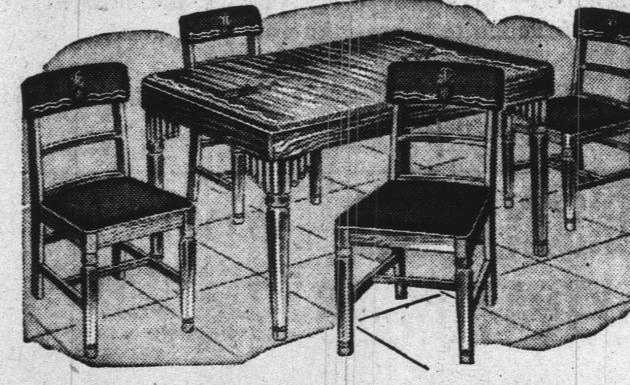
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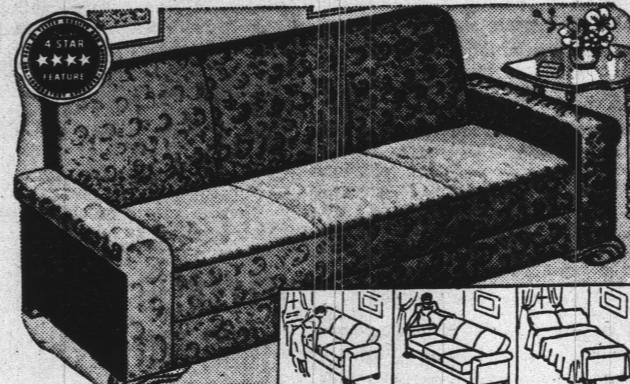
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