

'THE IMPATIENT' SOON MAY GET PARTY 'GO SIGN'

Signal From Democrats to Bring Out Long Line Of Candidates.

By NOBLE REED
Word has gone out quietly from the higher Democratic caucus chambers that the long-awaited "green light" is about to be switched on for a long lineup of impatient candidates.

More than a dozen prospective candidates for the gubernatorial nomination have been hibernating carefully for the first signs of a "spring thaw" in the frozen reticence of the bosses.

None of them has dared risk his political neck by sticking it out ahead of the official "go sign" for fear of having it chopped off on the ground of disobedience, if nothing else.

All Hope for Blessing

They all hope, by waiting out the signals, that they will get the blessings from the State Administration and the McNutt-for-President boys, which would mean certain nomination.

Although Governor M. Clifford Townsend never has been recognized as an individual power in party politics, he will be in a position to wield a pretty big club in delegate strength because of patronage that extends to every corner of the state.

At the same time the Governor owes a certain allegiance to the McNutt backers and in the final analysis the whole picture hinges on some nod from the McNutt headquarters.

So the first Democratic candidate for Governor to toss his hat in the ring either will have been given the signal or is going on his own after learning that the nod definitely is not for him.

Bays Popularity Grows

Meanwhile, talk is increasing over the state in favor of putting State Chairman Fred F. Bays in the Governor race despite the chairman's protest that he will not be a candidate for anything.

Organization work still is going on to promote Dr. Edward C. Elliott, Purdue University president, for the gubernatorial spot but he says he won't run.

Lieut. Gov. Henry F. Schricker definitely wants to force New Dealers to consent to a preferential primary in Georgia by announcing that he would enter such a contest if it is held.

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As the Democratic National Committee prepared to meet, it was learned that San Francisco has offered the Democrats \$150,000 to hold the convention in that city. Philadelphia has offered the same amount and Chicago, it was understood, has bid an unannounced figure.

Among the Senate Democrats who favor a convention date later than the usual June were Senators Key Pittman (D. Nev.), Claude Pepper (D. Fla.), Alben W. Barkley (D. Ky.) and Pat Harrison (D. Miss.). Mr. Pittman and Mr. Pepper will attend Monday's meeting with proxies.

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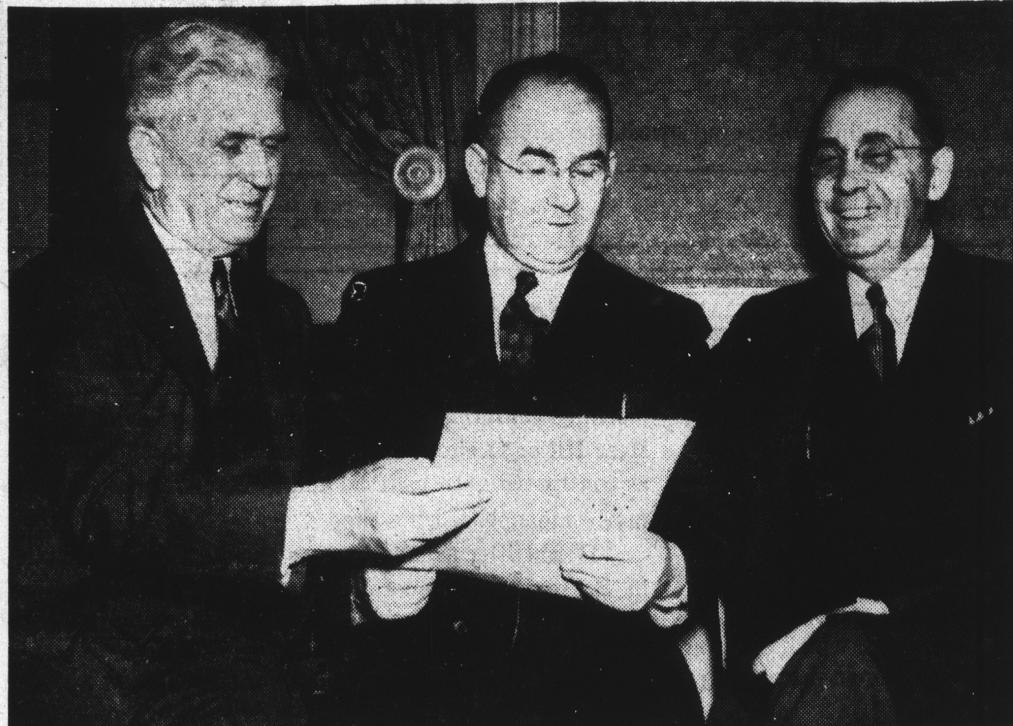
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Key Figures at Meeting of School Leaders



Key figures in the annual convention of the City and Town School Superintendents' Association were (left to right) E. C. Dodson, Connerville, retiring president; DeWitt S. Morgan, Indianapolis, newly elected president, and Dr. William C. Reavis, University of Chicago, principal speaker.

DEMOCRATS ASK BRIEF CAMPAIGN

Prominent Senators Urge Convention in August; Select Site Monday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (U. P.)—Prominent Senate Democrats urged their Party today to hold its national Presidential nominating convention early in August to avoid a long, expensive campaign.

The Democratic National Committee, which meets here Monday, was said to be ready to choose a convention site—San Francisco, Chicago and Philadelphia have entered bids—but to oppose selection of a date now. A subcommittee probably will be appointed to recommend a date, which Democrats hope will follow the Republican convention.

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INDIANA SEEKS PEACE IN NEW WAR ON TRUCKS

Officials Confer With Iowa And Wisconsin Aids on Armistice.

A civil war between the states, costing the public thousands of dollars annually, has been raging sporadically around Indiana for 15 years.

It all caused by the jealousy of sovereign states over their respective rights to levy any tax they see fit on any kind of vehicle traversing their highways.

Although reciprocity treaties have brought peace to the state-line battle fronts in many instances in the last year or two, Indiana's wars are still raging with some states.

Its current war is with Wisconsin and Iowa, whose officials are conferring with Indiana officials at Chicago today, seeking an armistice to end the wholesale arrests of truck drivers at the state lines.

Public Pays Bills

The public has been paying the bills of these wars because owners of Indiana's 135,000 trucks who have to pay high license fees in other states, pass that extra cost to the consumers via higher freight rates.

It all started back in 1935 when Ohio officials began arresting not only Indiana truck drivers who didn't have Ohio licenses, but passenger car owners as well.

There were no reciprocity commissions at that time and Indiana officials merely retaliated in kind and arrested every Ohio motorist crossing over into Indiana.

The situation finally got so bad that the motoring public of both states rose in open revolt and state officials called a halt to the war to save their faces with the public.

Greedy Behind Each War

Back of each war that breaks out is the governmental greed for more fees to pay roads and save property owners from heavier taxation.

After the Ohio fracas, Indiana had spats with Kentucky and Michigan. The one with Kentucky was worst in 1932 when that state closed its borders to Indiana trucks not having Kentucky licenses. That war raged intensely for 15 months and cost Indiana motorists thousands of dollars in extra fees and court costs.

The McNutt men looked upon the Georgia situation as present as a factional fight between Governor E. D. Rivers and Senator Walter F. George for control of the delegation to the Democratic national convention.

They want to continue friendly relations with both sides, they said.

Prefer to 'Go Along'

"After all, the matter may be ironed out among the party leaders and they may not have any primary in May," Mr. McNutt pointed out.

What primaries Mr. McNutt will enter still remains undetermined. Mr. McHale said.

Commission Created in 1934

The Indiana Legislature created the State Reciprocity Commission in 1934 and that paved the way for true negotiations between states before much damage was done.

Mark Rodenbeck, deputy Motor License Bureau director, and secretary of the Indiana Reciprocity Commission, said that if there no reciprocity pacts in effect now it would cost a truck owner \$24 to send a truck on a route through Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky.

The truck license fees in Indiana total \$50, Illinois, \$250 Michigan, \$135; Ohio, \$233, and Kentucky, \$156.

"Indiana truck owners certainly have nothing to complain about compared to the high fees in other states," Mr. Rodenbeck said.

Reciprocity pacts signed by Indiana during the last year include Kentucky, Florida and Pennsylvania. Treaties were signed with Virginia and West Virginia in 1938, paving the way for a free route for Indiana truckers to the East Coast.

VANDALS PUNCTURE TIRES WITH ICEPICK

When Mrs. Ruby Mercurio, 1108 N. Euclid Ave., started to get in her car in the Rural St. 2000 block last night she discovered two tire flats.

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