

8-YEAR RECORD IN STATE THEME OF DEMOCRATS

Speakers Compare Conditions Today With Those Of G. O. P. Regime.

By NOBLE REED

A political bird's-eye view of Indiana now, compared to conditions in the state eight years ago, comprised the theme of Democratic speakers last night and today.

Lieut. Gov. Henry Schricker, Democratic Governor candidate, speaking at Batesville last night, declared that property tax levies this year were lower in every county in the state than in 1932.

"This tax decrease on property has been brought about through the use of so-called replacement taxes, collected by the state and sent back to local communities to be used in lieu of local property taxes," he said.

Cities Fair Management

Mr. Schricker declared that tax receipts from all sources under the last two Republican administrations totaled more than one billion dollars while collections during the Democratic administrations since 1932 totaled \$962,000,000.

Anderson Ketchum, Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, speaking at Galveston, said the Democratic administration's policies in handling the State Fair "had placed the event on a paying basis."

"This year is the first in the history of the Fair that it has been unnecessary for the Legislature to appropriate money to retire outstanding bonds," he said.

He declared that the net profit for the eight-year period before 1932 was about \$6000 a year while the net profit during the last eight years under the Democratic administration averaged about \$44,000 a year.

Concerns Living Conditions

Mrs. Olive Belden Lewis of Indianapolis, speaking at Lyons last night, compared the "chaos and confusion in which the nation lived prior to 1933 with the prosperity and improved conditions under which we live today."

The people of the United States were more ripe for dictatorship in the winter of 1932 than they have ever been in their history," she said.

"During the last three years of the Hoover Administration there were 1072 bank failures while for six years of the Roosevelt Administration, 1934 through 1939, there were 14 bank failures and in these banks all deposit accounts up to \$5000 were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Mrs. Inez Scholl, Democratic candidate for Supreme Court Reporter, speaking at Winamac, said the New Deal's surplus commodities act saved the nation's farmers from ruin.

Giv. Willkie Example

"The farmer would be unable to continue his work unless some of the surplus was absorbed by restriction of growing or provisions of the surplus commodities act," she said.

She said, "Republican Presidential Nominee Willkie is receiving benefits from the AAA himself. The Government will pay him approximately \$3400 this year. If the farm program is good enough for that 'farmer' it's good enough for all the farmers of America."

Open-Air Rally Set

One of the few open-air rallies planned by Marion County Democrats will be held on the large lawn at the Clarence I. Wheatley residence, 1521 Pleasant St., next Tuesday night.

Principal speakers will be Frank P. Baker, former Criminal Court judge, and Chalmers Schlosser, attorney and Democratic leader. The meeting will be sponsored by Democrats of the 12th Precinct, 16th Ward.

Bays at Maywood

State Democratic Chairman Fred F. Bays will be the principal speaker at a rally meeting in Maywood tomorrow night.

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CAMPAIGN KITS GIVEN TO 7500 G. O. P. LEADERS

Precinct Drive Intensified As Bradford Predicts Victory at Polls.

By LOWELL B. NUSSBAUM

The Republican campaign in the precincts was intensified today with the mailing of "campaign kits" to 7500 precinct executive board members.

The kits included a message from County Chairman James L. Bradford praising the workers for their part in the heavy registration and predicting a Republican victory Nov. 5.

Also included in each kit was a Willkie or Hills auto tag, suggestions on what to talk about to the voters, and a big assortment of windshield stickers. Some of the stickers read "No Third Term," or "Happy Days Are Near."

A pamphlet, entitled the "Trumpeter," gave the precinct workers "department dope from headquarters." This "dope" informed them that 8000 are carrying Young Republican membership cards; the war veterans are 85 to 90 per cent for Willkie; that more women will vote on Nov. 5 than ever before "because they don't want war and they distrust F. D. R."

Enlists More Speakers

It also advised them not to worry about "New Deal lies being circulated about Willkie's labor record."

At the same time, the county headquarters was lining up more and more speakers for the numerous precinct campaign meetings being held nightly.

Teams of speakers, headed by Charles M. Dawson, nominee for lieutenant governor, will converge on the Third and Fifth Wards tonight, with a total of 29 meetings scheduled.

The third Ward meetings are to be at 3054 Sutherland Ave., where Mr. Dawson will speak at 2756 Gulf Ford Ave., 921 E. 19th St., 2238 Carrollton Ave., 1811 Central Ave., 204 Park Ave., 2052 Central Ave., 2111 Broadway, 2314 College Ave., 2516 Park Ave., 2324 N. New Jersey St. and at 1628 Central Ave.

Other Meetings Listed

Fifth Ward meetings are to be at 646 W. 30th St., 927 N. Capitol Ave., 2516 Salem St., 3490 Salem St., 3240 Kenwood Ave., 620 W. 29th St., 2914 N. Illinois St., 446 W. 25th St., 131 W. 27th St. and at Shriver and 25th Sts.

Other meetings scheduled are to be at the Decatur Township Central High School, and at the 16th Ward Norwood Colored Club, 3801 Prospect St.

Another battery of speakers lashed the New Deal at meetings last night in the Sixth and Nineteenth Wards. Sherwood Blue, Republican nominee for Prosecutor, hinted at a "whitewash" in the handling of indictments in the Center Township poor relief cases, in an address before the Marion Council of Republican Women at the Columbia Club.

Refers to Quinn Case

Mr. Blue said former Trustee Thomas M. Quinn Sr. has not been sentenced on his plea of guilty to official neglect and has not even entered a plea on a charge of bribery. The record, he says, shows no arraignment of another defendant in the case.

He promised that if he is elected he will make a full investigation of the poor relief scandal and bring to trial various pending cases.

The charge that WPA has been used unscrupulously by the New Deal as a political footfall was made by Henry B. Krug, attorney at a party meeting at 3347 W. Ninth St.

Maurice G. Robinson, 11th District congressional nominee, told a Lawrence Township audience at Oakandon that "bumping" is like a horse being ridden in the New Deal.

"Biting, like the horse," he said, "is being whipped forward with scorns and slurs while it is so reined by restrictions, regulations and socialist experiments that it cannot see the ground on which it is to take a step."

Henry M. Dowling, attorney, told the Warren Township Republican Club that "it is perilous to continue vast power in the hands of any one man year after year, especially in one who grasps for more and more authority."

The rank and file of labor is "trending to the Republican party," William L. Yeager, president of the Republican Wage Earners League, said at a league meeting last night.

REPUBLICANS

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