

LEGISLATORS VOTE SELVES \$5-A-DAY BONUS

1947 PAY RAISE ALSO APPROVED

Lieutenant Governor's Pay Accidentally Cut; Dawson Gets Apology.

Whether or not Indiana legislators receive their \$5 a day for "expenses" depends on Governor Schricker. The bill to give house and senate members a \$305 bonus for the session was passed by the senate yesterday afternoon, concurred in immediately by the house and sent to the governor for his approval. Proponents of the raise said that Governor Schricker had sent up word he would approve the bill. Members of the legislature now receive \$610 salary per session. The measure passed by the senate yesterday would provide them with a \$5-a-day "cost of living" bonus, or \$305 for the session. An amendment, introduced by Senator Clyde Black (R. Logansport) and adopted by the senate, would raise the pay of all legislature members to a flat \$1200 a year starting in 1947. Senator Black said that Indiana's legislators are among the lowest paid in the nation. He said many qualified men could not afford to leave their businesses to come to Indianapolis for 61 days when they received only \$10 a day.

Apologize to Dawson "Unless we raise the salaries of the legislators the house and senate will become just rich men's clubs," Senator Black declared. The amendment was adopted before it was discovered that it accidentally reduced the salary of the lieutenant governor, presiding officer of the senate from \$12 to \$7 a day while the legislature is in session. Although this does not go into effect for four years, Senator Black apologized to Charles Dawson, the present lieutenant-governor.

As the pay raise bill passed the senate yesterday, the 11 Democrats voted solidly for the bill. The Republican majority divided evenly. The vote was 29 to 18. Senator Thurman Biddinger, Republican floor leader, said, "The action of the legislature in passing this bill to make it apply to us is one of the sneakiest, meanest ways this could be handled."

He said he was in favor of the last-minute amendment which would give the legislators a \$100 a month salary, starting in 1947, but "I'm not in favor of any increase while we are still in office."

Assault House Members More than a dozen members of the house of representatives which had originated the expense money bill lined the walls of the senate chamber while the bitter debate over the measure was taking more than an hour and a half. Senator C. Omer Free (R. Vincennes), who opposed the measure, pointed to the representatives and called them "high-pressure boys."

So many of the representatives had come over to the senate that before the vote was completed, the quorum was broken in the lower chamber and the house doorkeeper came over to "arrest" them. Lieut. Gov. Dawson, presiding officer of the senate, remarked sarcastically: "The senate is happy to extend to members of the house an invitation to spend the rest of the evening."

Defended by Vermillion Two days ago the entire house membership descended on the senate to demand immediate action on the bill, causing a halt in the legislative procedure that afternoon. Senator Walter Vermillion, Democratic floor leader, told Senator Biddinger to ask for his statement against the bill.

"The Republican floor leader's speech was merely political," he said. "The people of Indiana believe this is fair. We who are going to vote for it are as sincere as you are."

Senator Albert Ferris, chairman of the senate finance committee, said before the vote, if the bill passed, "it will look like we are more interested in feathering our own nest than in helping our nation at war."

Here's Roll Call The senate vote was as follows: For: Republicans—Armstrong, Bates, Beveridge, Black, Brokenburt, Coblenz, Funderburg, Higgs, Isler, Johnson (Madison), Maguire, Moore, Pell, Phelps, Thompson (Vanderburg), Thompson (Vermillion), and Wysons.

Against: Democrats—Aldridge, Crook, Elchhorn, Fleming, Gonas, Jewett, Johnson (Morgan), Lucas, Morris, O'Grady, Stemle, Sunderland and Vermillion. Against: Republicans—Atherton, Bala, Batterson, Deaman, Beardsley, Biddinger, Brooks, Chamberlin, Ferris, Free, Johnson (Morgan), Kinder, Lane, Miller, Shull, Somers, Strassweek and Van Ness. Against: Democrats—None.

BRASS CO. WORKER IS FOUND INJURED Clyde W. Copps, 29, of 1556 E. Naomi st., was found unconscious in Holt road last night a short distance from the Bridgeport Brass Co. about a half hour after he left his work there. He was taken to City hospital where the extent of head injuries has not been determined. Authorities have not determined how he was hurt. They said there were no auto skid marks in the snow to indicate that he had been struck by a car.

WASHINGTON Calling

A Weekly Sizeup by the Washington Staff of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers

(Continued from Page One) ganda technique is to convince the world that the "bourgeois" democracies are impotent and that communism is the only hope of tomorrow.

DONT BE TOO SURPRISED if meat rationing comes before the end of the month. And when the small ration hits you in the belt, note the smaller British ration: 14 ounces a week.

NAVY DEPARTMENT says those stories about women pilots in Jap planes aren't so. It's investigated, hasn't been able to confirm rumors.

Willkie to Have It Hard WENDELL WILLKIE will find rough going if he tries for the Republican nomination by the state primary route. Only 16 states have presidential primaries and in most of these the bosses have erected various "keep out" devices (favorite sons, unregistered delegations) so they can retain control.

Watch for the stop-Willkie movement to center around Governor Bricker of Ohio, whose handlers are also studying primary prospects. Willkie's stock goes up—unexpectedly—in Indiana.

Republicans Show a Crack First rift in Republican unity in the house cheers the downcast Democrats. Republican Leader Joe Martin put the heat on for the new standing committee on aviation but lost resoundingly. Many of his party members deserted him—and they are still smarting from the pressure he used. It will be a while before they recover.

Real cause of Joe's defeat was unpopularity of Rep. Jack Nichols, who sponsored the proposal and who probably would have been committee chairman despite his disavowal of candidacy.

ADD POLITICS: In the South, at least, Farley's anti-fourth-term tour made little impression. It wasn't devotion to Roosevelt that kept the South cool, but a feeling that Farley expected to cut himself in either as top man or second man on the Democratic ticket.

ITEM SUPPORTING Secretary Knox's warning of 10 per cent casualties: Navy is ordering 123,000 purple heart medals. They go to men wounded in action.

Trouble Ahead for OWI HONEYMOON'S OVER for OWI. It faces congressional investigation, trouble getting new appropriations. Recriminations from its "Victory magazine" and pamphlet on F. D. R. probably will bring congressional attack that hereafter one copy of every document printed at government expense shall go to congress—first.

SOME MANUFACTURERS try to halt clothes-buying panic by refusing to fill rush orders. Retailers selling out too fast would have to wait awhile before getting new stocks.

ARMY NURSES don't get a fair break, their friends say. Government doesn't furnish their summer uniforms—though it does furnish them to the WAACs. Nurses may get a congressional champion.

Healing Wounds in WPB UNITY PROGRAM goes into effect at WPB. New strong man, Charles Wilson, uses Eberstadt methods, Eberstadt appointees; heals old wounds. Credit for quieting down army, navy anger at the change, getting concessions for them at WPB, goes to valuable, behind-the-scenes diplomacy of Baruch.

DIFFERENCES DEVELOP among officials over need for buying up 850,000 used typewriters. Budget bureau says it's too many; points to 200 unused machines on its shelves. WPB says requirements of armed forces, war agencies call for that many. Growing scarcity of older machines for civilian needs prompts OPA to revise price control schedules.

SUPREME COURT helps raise the cost of living. It has upped fee for admitting lawyers to practice before it from \$15 to \$25.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION is divided on whether it should require competitive bidding on railroad securities, as the SEC now requires in financings by registered utilities. It side-stepped the issue in current fight over \$14,000,000 refunding by Erie railroad, in which the investment banking "monopoly" is under fire.

Snow at Atterbury Greets WAACs Trained in Florida CAMP ATTERBURY, March 6.—In brief ceremonies cut short because of the cold weather and a snowstorm, 140 WAACs dressed in khaki were welcomed here today. They came from Daytona Beach, Fla., where they were trained. They are members of the 44th WAAC headquarters company, and will take over routine jobs to relieve men for fighting service. Col. Walton M. Modisette, post commander, welcomed them. "We are proud of our camp and hope you will live up to our standards," he said. The group was led by Second Officer Helen Grote, commandant. With her were executive officer, Third Officer Mary L. Porter, and the supply and mess officer, Third Officer Mildred Peterson. Included in the company are a clerical platoon, a service club platoon, theater ushers, motor transport drivers, cooks, bakers and basics.

Believe MacArthur 'Hatching' Land-Air Drive Toward Lae MACARTHUR'S HEAD-QUARTERS, Australia, March 6 (U. P.).—Allied planes have renewed their trip-hammer blows on Lae, Japan's biggest remaining base in New Guinea, after wiping out the last enemy survivors of the battle of the Bismarck sea as they sought to escape in lifeboats, barges and rafts, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today. The allies were believed hatching a co-ordinated land and air offensive against Lae and the adjacent Salamaua area along the northern coast of New Guinea. Allied patrols pushing northward from the airbase at Wau already have driven Japanese advance forces back to Mubo, within 10 miles of Salamaua, 20 miles south of Lae. Wave after wave of allied planes drawn from all categories of Gen. MacArthur's air arm blasted and strafed the Japanese airbases and adjacent installations yesterday and killed five visible 40 miles. Weak enemy forces attempted to intercept the raiders, the communiqué said, but were dispersed and three of their number shot down. Allied long-range fighters completed the final annihilation of the few Japanese who escaped alive after MacArthur's air force sank 10 warships and 12 transports in the Bismarck sea. "Reports of escape were largely

SCHRIKKER OK'S HOSPITAL BILL

Provides Board Named by Mayor; Other Measures Also Signed.

Governor Schricker today signed the Indianapolis Symphony orchestra bill which permits local authorities to levy taxes to bring in revenues not to exceed \$50,000 annually for support of the orchestra.

If city and school authorities decided to levy the taxes, the orchestra, under terms of the law, is to provide entertainment at low prices to both school children and the general public.

The city civil may levy one-half cent and the school city one-half cent for support of the orchestra.

Radically Revised The governor also signed the Indianapolis City Hospital bill which places management of the hospital in the hands of a five-member board of directors to be appointed by Mayor Tyndall.

It creates a hospital division within the departments of health and charities. As the hospital bill emerged from the legislature, it was changed drastically from the original draft which was designed to eliminate the City hospital from politics altogether.

The provisions in the new law, leaving control of the City hospital in the hands of the mayor, were a result of a compromise between factions.

Other Bills Signed Among 18 other bills signed today by the governor were measures providing for: An increase in maximum weekly benefits paid under the workmen's compensation law from \$16.50 to \$18.70 and total benefits from \$5000 to \$5500. (This was a G. O. P. platform measure.)

A salary increase of from \$4000 to \$5000 annually for state industrial board members. Bi-partisan control of the state civilian defense setup and an appropriation of \$310,000 for the next two years.

Flood Board Change O. K.'d Elimination of \$2400 annual salaries being paid Marion county flood control board members and fixing compensation of board members at \$10 a day.

The governor permitted to become a law without his signature a bill repealing the 1939 law which requires candidates for judgeships to be members of the bar and to have had at least three years' practice. Also allowed to become law without the governor's signature was a measure which exempts from the intangibles tax law money held in banks as security for loans.

CIO TO ASK RUNOFF POLL AT ALLISON'S The C. I. O. will request the national labor relations board to conduct a run-off election at Allison's to select a bargaining agent because neither the C. I. O. nor an independent union at the plant obtained a necessary majority in Thursday's balloting.

The request will be filed within five days, according to Arnold J. Atwood, regional director of the United Automobile Workers, C. I. O. which polled 45.3 per cent of the vote.

The present bargaining union, the Aircraft Engine Workers, Inc., independent, polled 49.3 per cent. Neither union was favored by 4.76 per cent and .5 per cent of the votes were challenged.

This was the second employees' election at the plant. The first resulted in a majority vote for the independent union.

Communiqués EISENHOWER COMMUNIQUE (Issued Saturday, March 6) Allied command forces yesterday advanced farther eastward and entered Fiechen, 30 miles west of Kairuan. In the north, German forces were active on a reduced scale, but our vigorous patrol activity continued in all sectors and all local gains were made. Thirty enemy tanks have been destroyed since the enemy started the attack in the north.

In the south on the eighth army front, patrol activity continued and enemy working parties were successfully engaged. French patrols continued their activity in the area of the Chott Djerid still held without loss.

Bad weather over Tunisia restricted air operations yesterday. Patrols were flown without loss.

NAVY COMMUNIQUE 361 (Issued March 6, 1943) SOUTH PACIFIC. (All dates east longitude) On March 5: (a) U. S. aircraft bombed Japanese positions at Munda on the island of New Guinea and at Buin on the southeast coast of Bougainville island. (b) During the night of March 5-6, a U. S. task force composed of light surface units bombed Japanese installations at Vila and Munda in the central Solomon islands. Light Japanese surface forces attempted to drive off our bombardment group and two large enemy destroyers were sunk during the engagement. No U. S. vessels were lost.

The successful completion of the convoy mission of a U. S. task force in the South Pacific now makes possible the following announcement: 2. The successful completion of seven Japanese torpedo planes launched and launched against the task force. Five of the enemy planes were shot down and no damage to U. S. vessels was suffered.

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Schuman Professor of Politics To End Kirshbaum Forum Series.

The 1942-43 season of the Indianapolis Open Forum will end at 8:15 p. m. tomorrow with Frederick L. Schuman, lecturer on international politics, speaking on "Can We Win the Peace?" The lecture will be at Kirshbaum center.

A professor of politics at Williams college and a student of work performed by the League of Nations, Dr. Schuman is regarded as an authority on problems of international politics and post-war reconstruction.

A member of the American Phi Beta Kappa, the American Political Science Association and the American Society of International Law, Dr. Schuman has written several books on European politics. He last appeared before the forum during the 1938-39 season.

Theodore R. Dann, president of the Jewish Community Center association, will preside at the lecture, after which there will be a question and answer period.

CHALLENGE TAX DEDUCTION PLAN Three Congressmen Demand Ruml Plan Vote by Full Committee.

WASHINGTON, March 6 (U. P.).—The authority of a house ways and means subcommittee was challenged today after it adopted a 20 per cent withholding tax covering all taxpayers except men in the armed forces, domestics, farmers and a few other special classes.

Rep. Thomas Jenkins (R. O.) insisted that any fundamental change in the tax system requires action by the full ways and means committee.

"In view of the fact that the subcommittee now studying this subject has no power to make a final decision, it is now apparent that further consideration by that subcommittee is futile," Rep. Jenkins said.

Rep. Jenkins followed Rep. Daniel A. Reed (R. N. Y.) and Rep. Carl T. Curtis (R. Neb.) in asking speedy action on the pay-as-you-go plan advanced by Beardsley Ruml, New York banker, which would by-pass an entire year's tax obligations.

Under the subcommittee's proposal men in the armed forces and domestics would be required to pay quarterly installments.

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UNEMPLOYMENT BILL IS SNARLED

Labor Bloc Unfavorable to Penalty for Quitting Jobs.

BY ROBERT BLOEM Status of the Republican platform measure to liberalize unemployment compensation was uncertain today after labor factions in the senate, objecting to proposed heavy penalties on workers who leave their jobs voluntarily, blocked passage of the bill under suspension of the rules.

Hub of the controversy which now threatens to throw the bill into a last minute legislative jam before the close of the session was a group of amendments tacked onto the bill in the lower house by Rep. William Connors (R. Marion), under which "voluntary quits" would lose all wage credits accumulated in the job which they left.

Senate Republicans held a caucus during a brief recess in an effort to thrust the controversy out yesterday but apparently a proposed compromise to soften the penalties somewhat still did not meet the approval of the labor bloc.

Suggest 6-Week Penalty Shortly after the caucus a majority of the senate labor committee recommended that the bill be passed without the Connors amendments. The senate rejected the report, however, in favor of a minority labor committee group, led by committee chairman Edward Beardsley (R. Elkhart), which advocated a compromise between the present light penalties and the stringent Connors proposal.

The Beardsley modification would penalize any worker who left his job without cause or refused to accept suitable work when unemployed by jopping off six weeks of the benefits for which he otherwise would be eligible. Under the present law employees who leave their jobs voluntarily are penalized only an extra three weeks waiting period before they can receive payments.

There was no debate as the minority committee amendments were gavelled through by Lieut. Gov. Charles Dawson but when majority leaders sought to suspend the rules for immediate passage of the bill, the labor bloc, composed of both Democrats and Republicans, balked.

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Stout Fellow 'Sergt.' Tug Ketcherside, Aged 3, Pride Of Local Field.

(Continued from Page One) his son by one stripe and \$12 at least, theoretically.

TUG HAD enlisted in the air corps Dec. 8. He was sworn in at noon, and 15 minutes later he became a technical sergeant. It took that long to sew on the stripes, he explained.

"Tug is in love with airplanes and wakes up to listen when pass over his house. His pet plane now is the Culver cadet, which probably is the world's smallest and certainly is just the right size for the tech sergeant. "It would almost take off in the hangar," he said seriously.

"The diminutive Troop Carrier Commando hasn't earned his wings yet and so doesn't wear them. Tug is usually with Sergt. Tony Arno's shoestrings. "Tug" admitted he has requested transfer to foreign service several times.

"But mama won't let me out of the yard till I'm an officer," he explained.

TECHNICAL SERGT. Ketcherside posed with professional nonchalance for the photographer, glancing good naturedly over the crowd of lower ranking noncoms and unfortunate civilians who were watching open-mouthed. He turned to the king-size Ketcherside and began: "Now can I..."

But the master sergeant cut him off abruptly and asked him to sit still and smile. "Tug" did, of course, recognizing that the command came from a superior noncommissioned officer.

When all the pictures finally had been taken and the crowd was beginning to depart, Technical Sergt. Ketcherside briskly approached Master Sergt. and asked in his best military manner: "Now, can I have my piece of candy?"

U.S. SPEEDING UP NEW SUB CHASER 60 Junior Destroyers for Convoy Duty Launched; 240 More Building.

WASHINGTON, March 6 (U. P.).—A great fleet of destroyer escorts, the navy's newest submarine fighters, is in the making today. Sixty of the sleek, sturdy little warships, whose job it will be to protect convoys against undersea, surface and air raiders, have been launched. Some already are in service.

These ships, which are really junior destroyers, may prove an important factor in bringing victory to the united nations. Virtually all navy yards and a dozen privately owned shipyards are approaching mass production of these special purpose craft which will relieve many destroyers for combat duty with the fleet.

More Than 300 Ordered More than 300 DE's—the navy's designation for destroyer escorts—have been ordered. Navy Secretary Frank Knox, who revealed details of the ship for the first time, said that the "DE" building program was beginning to show real progress.

Larger than a corvette and smaller than present day destroyers, the "DE" weighs 1300 tons, is about 300 feet long, with a beam of about 36 feet. Armament includes guns heavy enough to deal with submarines on the surface, anti-aircraft guns of various caliber, depth charges, and torpedo tubes.

HOLD BUSINESS MEETING Members of the Progressive Spiritualist church, Park ave. and St. Clair st., will hold a business meeting at 2 p. m. tomorrow at the church. Supper will be at 5:30 p. m. and the Rev. Edith Stillwell of New Castle will speak at the evening service.

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STRATEGY SHIFT URGED BY NYE

Demands Farm Deferments Even at the Risk of Prolonging War.

WASHINGTON, March 6 (U. P.).—The senate farm bloc today prepared for debate next week on a bill to defer farmers by demanding revision of military strategy—even if it means a longer war—to assure production of enough food.

Senator John H. Bankhead (D. Ala.), unofficial leader of the coalition disputing the need for armed forces totaling 11,000,000 men, was confident that his devised bill would get senate approval next week. It would let local draft boards defer a farmer if the board thinks he produces enough food.

The demand for strategy revision came from Senator Gerald P. Nye (R. N. D.), who said that the military strategists will be gambling with "threatened hunger and even thin supply lines of food to our men and our allies" if they continue plans for 11,000,000 men. He urged a downward revision of that figure "even though it means possibility of a longer war but surer victory."

Farm Union Offers Plan Nye's statement came amid growing official conviction the United States will not be able to produce as much food this year as last, regardless of higher goals.

A 48-man committee of congressmen—one from each state—the last night and called for government officials in charge of manpower and allocation of farm machinery to meet the group next week for discussion of the farm problem.

The National Farmers union also presented a plan to Economic Stabilization Director James F. Byrnes. It asserts that large and rapid increases of food production could be obtained by the investment of \$1,000,000,000 among the 1,390,000 farmers who are producing at less than capacity. The union said that only 2,000,000 farms have a real labor shortage and that on 4,000,000 others there is sufficient supply and even under-employment of labor.

Labor Draft Studied The union proposed supplying the unproductive farmers with credits and supplies needed to produce more under a system of war contracts, "similar to those granted industry."

Meanwhile, Chairman Robert R. Reynolds (D. N. C.) of the senate military affairs committee, which is holding hearings on the "draft-labor" bill, said he has not made up his mind "whether it is good or bad," but added:

"For one thing, I don't see how we can draft labor and not draft capital, too. If we need the services of men and women badly enough to take them from one occupation and put them in another, we certainly should not let wealthy corporations go scot-free."

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