

## Politics

BY EARL RICHERT

FRANK MILLIS, assistant state civilian defense director, will resign that post by the middle of next month to take his hat formally into the race for the G. O. P. nomination for state auditor.

So far, Mr. Millis has the field pretty well to himself. A. V. Burch, Evansville city controller, has been toying with the idea of making the race but has done little about it except attend some party rallies here.

Mr. Millis already has been inducted by his home district, the ninth.

He is in a strong position because of his state-wide contacts. He toured the state in 1940 as manager of William E. Jenner's gubernatorial campaign and in 1941 he served as majority leader in the house of representatives. His present job also has given him the opportunity to visit all counties in the state in setting up local civilian defense programs.

His tieup with Mr. Jenner causes G. O. P. politicians to view his campaign for the auditorship with more than passing interest. If he should be nominated and elected auditor, he will have enough patronage in the store license and oil inspection departments to hold the Jenner forces together until after the war.

Mr. Jenner, now a captain in the army air corps in England, came close to the G. O. P. gubernatorial nomination in 1940 and he wants to try again.

Republican State Auditor Richard T. James cannot seek renomination to the \$7500-a-year job because he has served the two terms permitted by law. He will be a candidate for the lieutenant governorship nomination, a job further up the ladder but paying less, only \$6000-a-year.

### Niblack Forces

MUNICIPAL JUDGE John L. Niblack and his friends are going all-out in their fight to beat Prosecutor Sherwood Blue for renomination.

Announced today was the formation of a Niblack-for-prosecutor club with an imposing list of members, including members of both G. O. P. factions in the county.

President is Audley S. Dunham, owner of a safe and lock company and long active in Republican politics. Mr. Dunham was an active supporter of County Chairman Henry E. Ostrom, the "regular" candidate in the mayoralty fight in 1940.

Head of the women's division is Mrs. J. C. Siegmund of Irvington who had charge of the women's organization which supported Mayor Tyndall in his primary fight.

Other officers are Dr. Sumner A. Furniss, vice president; Frank A. Symmes, treasurer, and Mrs. John W. Carter, secretary. Dr. Furniss is a former member of the city council, the first Negro ever elected to that body; Mr. Symmes is an attorney and former law partner of ex-U. S. Senator Arthur Robinson. Mrs. Carter has long been active in civic affairs, serving in 1942 as head of the women's division of the citizens school committee.

Other club members announced today are Michael E. Abrams, Mrs. C. J. Ancker, Claude H. Anderson, Paul Anderson, Robert D. Armstrong, Thomas G. Batchelor, S. C. Bates, Joe Rand Beckett, Mrs. Hal Beecham, J. Frank Beaugh, Alfred K. Berman, William A. Boyce, Mrs. Louis Bruck, Paul B. Clark, Dr. J. Carlton Daniel, Mrs. Bertha M. Dugan, George L. Denny, Dr. Evanston B. Earp, William P. Evans, Kenneth E. Hoy, J. W. Esterline, William H. Faust, J. Stephen Pullen, Harry Gause, Ralph B. Gregg, Carey D. Jacobs, George R. Jeffrey, Paul R. Jordan, Samuel G. Joseph, Donald F. LaFue, Jessie Levy, Richard J. Lowther.

Raymond F. Mead, Mrs. John C. Muesing, Edward F. New, Lloyd D. Newlin, Howard D. Phillips, Mrs. W. W. Reedy, Charles F. Remy, Alvah J. Rucker, S. K. Ruick, Mrs. Horace A. Shonle, Grier M. Shotwell, William T. Stoops, Paul R. Summers, Dr. R. C. Whitmore, David R. Wilkin-

## Stettinius May Sound Out Chance of New 'Big 3' Meet

WASHINGTON, March 23 (U. P.).—Diplomatic circles believed today that Undersecretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr. may use his impending London visit to sound out the possibility of a Roosevelt-Churchill-Stalin conference on clarification of the Atlantic Charter.

There were no indications of an early new meeting of the three big allied leaders such as they held several months ago in Tehran.

But the fact that such a meeting is in order, especially in relation to questions on post-war territorial adjustments, has been made eminently clear in the past 48 hours by Secretary of State Cordell Hull and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Behind the entire question stand the Atlantic Charter's pledge against territorial aggrandizement and the Soviet Union's decisions to annex sections of Poland and the Baltic states.

There have been charges that the principles of the charter are here being compromised at the expense of the small nations.

### "Time for New Talks"

Possibly with the Russo-Polish issue in mind, Churchill told the house of commons yesterday that the time was near for renewed consultations between the principal allies on the clarification of territorial questions under the charter.

Only a day before, Hull issued a summary of American foreign policy in which he stated U. S. adherence to the principles of the Atlantic Charter. But he said at the same time that he would deliver an early radio address in which he would bear in mind questions relating to possible adjustment of the charter in the interest of international security.

Hull reviewed foreign policy yesterday before a closed meeting of the senate foreign relations com-

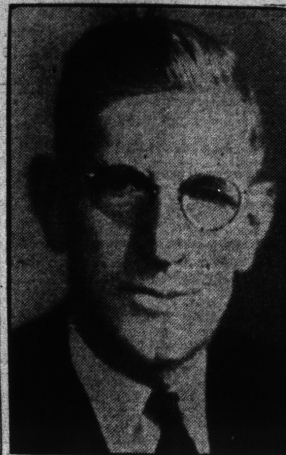
## SERVICES SATURDAY FOR MRS. MAUDE TAPP

Mrs. Maude Tapp, Indianapolis resident 16 years, died yesterday at her home, 761 N. Belmont ave. She was 37 and a member of the Garden Baptist church.

Survivors are her husband, John Tapp; two daughters, Nancy and Mary Ann Tapp; four sons, Ansel, Carl, Ray and William Earl Tapp, all of Indianapolis.

Services will be conducted at 10:30 a. m. Saturday at the Conkle funeral home, 1934 W. Michigan st., by the Rev. Charles Patterson of the West Michigan Street Methodist church. Interment will be in Floral Park.

## Gillie in Race



REP. GEORGE W. GILLIE (above), Ft. Wayne Republican, today filed for renomination to congress from the fourth district.

Congressman Gillie was first elected in 1938 and has been twice re-elected, each time with majorities of over 20,000 votes.

In his announcement statement, Congressman Gillie said that "congress stands today as the bulwark against a tide of executive usurpation of power which threatens the very existence of our republic."

"We hope and pray that during the next two years congress will have a real part in the writing of a just and lasting peace. I am convinced that our influence at the peace table would be immeasurably strengthened through the election in November of a president who would work with, rather than against, his own leaders in congress."

### GROTTO PARTY SET

Sahara Grotto auxiliary will have a card party at 8:30 p. m. today in the lodge hall, 4107 E. Washington st. Mrs. Albert J. Ammon and William Pacey are in charge.

## Pay Ceiling Hearings Seen As Face-Saving WLB Move

By FRED W. PERKINS  
Scripture-Howard Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Controversy about whether the war labor board is able to handle wartime labor disputes points in one direction—toward President Roosevelt.

The President set up this board as a tripartite agency, with equal representation from the public, management and organized labor. Only the President, under the war labor disputes act, could make a change.

The tripartite plan has just emerged from a five-day strain in which the war labor board was tied up tight by its labor members, two representing the A. F. of L. and two the C. I. O.

The A. F. of L. and C. I. O. men argued as to whether their respective organizations were to get the "credit" in union ranks for leading the labor attack against the little steel formula of wartime wage controls.

### Extricates Itself

The board finally extricated itself yesterday through a compromise under which (A) the C. I. O. steel workers can begin tomorrow their arguments for a wage boost of 17 cents an hour above the formula; (B) the A. F. of L. may present its arguments against the formula before a board panel distinct from the C. I. O. panel; (C) the board denies that receipt of any of this testimony indicates any board intention to change the formula.

Despite this compromise, WLB Chairman William H. Davis said, "You don't have a tripartite board unless you expect the labor members to represent the views of labor, and the industry members to represent the views of industry. Representing these views, we expect them to vote in the public interest."

Meanwhile Philip Murray, presi-

dent of the C. I. O. and the steelworkers, both of which are represented on the war labor board, charged that both the A. F. of L. and employer members of the board had made "desperate efforts to prevent the steelworkers from getting their case" before a board panel.

### Didn't Castigate C. I. O.

Mr. Murray apparently took the view that the employer members and the A. F. of L. members of the board were acting in the interests of the groups from which they were named to board membership. He did not castigate the board's C. I. O. members who have been looking out for the interests of the steelworkers.

After the board had reached its compromise on the A. F. of L.-C. I. O. dispute, Chairman Davis and public members Lloyd Garrison and Edwin Witte met with a delegation of 60 representatives of independent unions, not affiliated with either A. F. of L. or C. I. O., that want equal representation on the board with the major labor organizations.

"It's a question," said Mr. Garrison later, "of whether we should make recommendations to the President. In the absence of any evidence that the independent unions have been dealt with unfairly, we could not make such recommendations, in view of certain other considerations. If we had evidence of unfairness, we would be the first to go to the President."

The "certain other considerations" mentioned by Mr. Garrison were believed to include opposition by the board's C. I. O. and A. F. of L. members to any official recognition of independent labor groups, with which the major organizations are competing in the organizing field.

## PRIORITIES SOUGHT FOR NEW GYMNASIUM

KOKOMO, Ind., March 23 (U. P.).—An investigation into the \$150,000 fire at Hawthorn gymnasium Wednesday has been started as school officials made plans to apply for priorities to build a new combination gymnasium and classroom.

Fire Chief Edgar Weaver said the fire resulted from an explosion of acetylene tanks in the basement of the structure, but school heads said the tanks were intact and suggested that some other cause started the blaze.

Supt. C. V. Hawthorn, for whom the building was named, said priorities would be sought from the WPB for a structure, plans for which were drawn three years ago, but shelved because of the war.

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- 1 Pictured U. S.
  - 3 Most secure military leader. Lt.-Gen.
  - 5 Diminutive of Margaret
  - 6 Hour (abbr.)
  - 7 Negative
  - 8 Malt drink
  - 9 Erect
  - 10 Fleets
  - 11 Summer (Fr.)
  - 12 Affirmative
  - 13 Sprinkle, as in drops
  - 17 Stains
  - 20 Suo loco (abbr.)
  - 21 Symbol for iridium
  - 23 Pair (abbr.)
  - 24 Rough lava
  - 25 Man's name
  - 26 Avoids
  - 28 Right (abbr.)
  - 29 Always
  - 31 Ever (contr.)
  - 34 Friend (Fr.)
  - 36 Therefore
  - 37 Palm lily
  - 38 Nearly
  - 41 Antics
  - 42 Symbol for erbium
  - 43 Of the thing
  - 47 Handle
  - 48 Buffet
  - 49 April (abbr.)
  - 50 New Guinea port
  - 51 Proselyte to Judaism
  - 52 Constellation
  - 53 Arikara
  - 54 Transposes (abbr.)
- VERTICAL**
- 1 Book of the Bible
  - 2 Single
  - 3 Most secure military leader. Lt.-Gen.
  - 5 Diminutive of Margaret
  - 6 Hour (abbr.)
  - 7 Negative
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