



Politics BY EARL RICHEY

INDIANA DEMOCRATS are finding some rays of hope in the results of Tuesday's state election.

In the first place their state ticket lost by only 45,000, as compared to 125,000 two years ago. They recaptured the industrial counties of Delaware, Madison, Vigo and Vanderburgh which they lost in 1942 and they apparently picked up 13 seats in the house of representatives, giving them 31 seats there—a sizable minority.

They are looking at all this with their eyes on the 1946 election when candidates for United States senator will head the joint state and federal ballots.

They think that with a mayoralty election in Indianapolis in 1946 they will have a good chance to recapture Marion county then, too.

Senate Race Studied

AS FAR AS THE senatorship is concerned, most Democrats think that Governor Schricker, who ran a remarkably strong race in the face of the Dewey landslide, is the man to nominate.

Some Democrats are peevet at the governor for various reasons but all of them agree he has the strongest vote appeal of any man on their side of the fence—as evidenced by the 1940 and 1944 elections.

Chief among the Democratic complaints against the governor

PERMANENT PAC IS GOAL OF CIO

Future Program Will Be Debated at Convention In November.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10 (U. P.)—C. I. P. Political Action Committee spokesmen said today that a program for permanent establishment of the P. A. C. and expansion of its activities to state and municipal elections will be presented to the C. I. O. convention which opens Nov. 20 in Chicago.

Clark Foreman, secretary of the National Citizens P. A. C., said the future of this C. I. O.-P. A. C. off-spring would be decided by an executive board meeting in the next 30 days and that meanwhile its offices would be consolidated with those of the parent C. I. O.-P. A. C. here. Sidney Hillman, chairman of both groups.

C. I. O.-P. A. C. said it had "only scratched the surface" of political action in working for the re-election of President Roosevelt, Senator Robert F. Wagner (D. N. Y.) and other candidates in Tuesday's balloting.

Claims P. A. C. Independent

A spokesman envisioned the P. A. C.'s future role as "similar to that of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States or the National Association of Manufacturers—an educational force."

He said it would serve a "united labor front" in and out of the C. I. O. It would be aligned with no party, he said, but would follow an independent course of supporting for office any candidates favorable to its program. He asserted that neither the Democrats nor the Republican party was powerful enough to win any election without the independent vote.

The method of financing a permanent setup remains one of the big problems to be thrashed out at the C. I. O. convention, P. A. C. headquarters said. The committee now has 13 regional offices in addition to state and local headquarters.

Map State, Local Plans

The P. A. C. spokesman said that one of the reasons for expansion into state elections would be to prevent the passage of measures such as the constitutional amendments adopted Tuesday in Florida and Arkansas prohibiting the closed shop.

He saw political action necessary at the municipal level to assure local government co-operation with federal programs "and to prevent the loss of democracy at the point where it could most likely be lost first."

Hillman, C. I. O. President Philip Murray and P. A. C. Treasurer R. J. Thomas—who also is president of the C. I. O. United Auto Workers—have issued statements favoring continuance of P. A. C. on a permanent basis.

Board Names New President For Indiana Central College

Dr. I. Lynd Esch of Los Angeles, Cal., has been named president of Indiana Central college, Evan R. Kek, administrative committee chairman and college treasurer, announced today.

The board of trustees selected the new president at a called session yesterday. He succeeds Dr. I. J. Good, who retired July 1, 1944, after completing 36 years with the institution.

Dr. Esch, whose appointment will be effective March 1, 1945, is a native of Pennsylvania and studied law early in life. He spent nine years with the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. at Akron, O., as a teacher in the Goodyear university. In 1933 he entered the ministry, becoming pastor of the United Brethren church in Oakland, Cal.

While carrying out his pastoral duties in California, Dr. Esch completed his academic training, receiving his A. B. degree from Chapman college, Los Angeles, and his Ph. D. degree at the University of Southern California.

Dr. and Mrs. Esch and their son will come to Indianapolis about the end of the fiscal year.

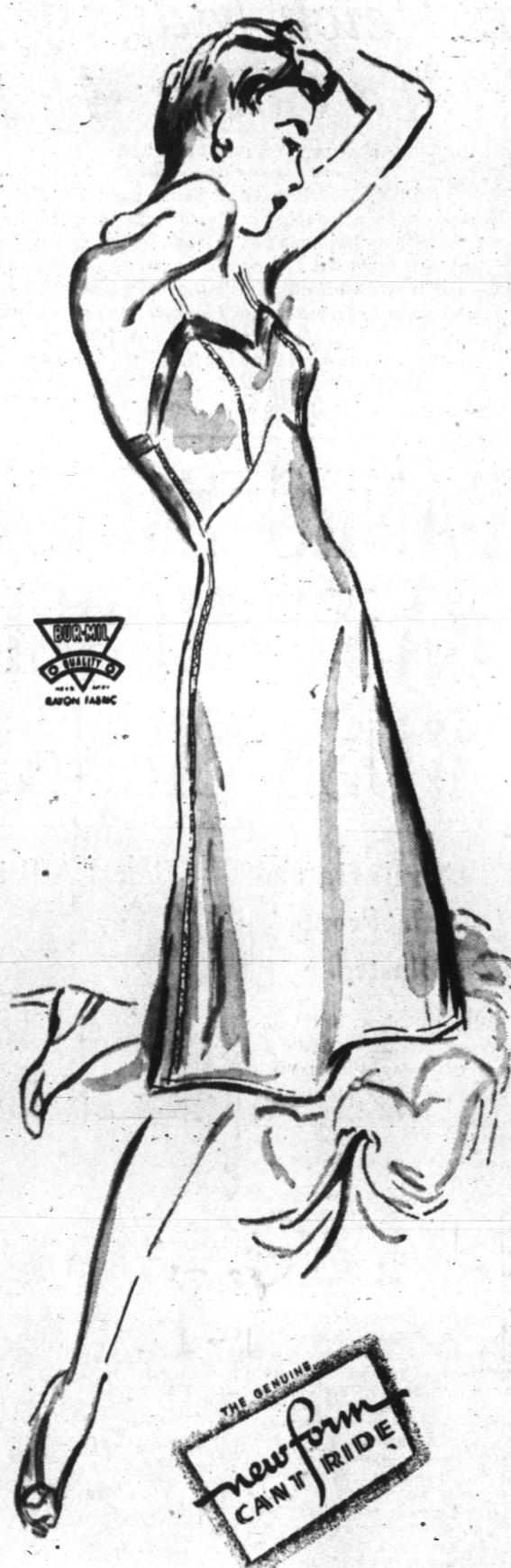


Dr. I. Lynd Esch

March 1 from Los Angeles, where he is pastor of the First United Brethren church.

Indiana Central college, which is one of the six educational institutions of the United Brethren church, has been operating under an administrative committee since July 1. Mr. Kek reported an increase of 50 per cent in the freshman class enrollment this fall and the prospect of total liquidation of the mortgage debt of the college by the end of the fiscal year.

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Future Undecided

THE GOVERNOR SAID today that he "hadn't the slightest idea" of what he would do when leaves the governor's chair Jan. 8, except that he will return to Knox and rest a while.

"I have no plans whatsoever," he said.

Republicans are speculating on whether President Roosevelt will give both Governor Schricker and Senator Jackson important federal posts, but there is no speculation on this point on the Democratic side. And it is a good bet that if the governor does decide to run for the senate again in 1946 that he will take no federal post if one is offered him.

Gates in Seclusion

GOVERNOR-ELECT RALPH GATES, the man under the spotlight now, has started the "resting" period he announced immediately after it was learned that his election was certain.

He and Mrs. Gates will remain "incommunicado" until a week from Monday when the governor-elect will begin work on the tremendous task that is ahead of him.

Friends of Mr. Gates are advising him to proceed cautiously on patronage matters and to make only a gradual change of personnel at the state house, allowing the new appointees to become familiar with the work of the various departments before throwing out all the experienced Democratic personnel.

They say, too, that if no wholesale turnover is made until after the legislative session the governor-elect will have a much better chance of keeping the Republican legislators in line since most of them will have friends who want state jobs.

The state house patronage turnover undoubtedly will be the big political story of the next few months in Indiana.

INDIANA WAR LOAN CHAIRMEN TO MEET

Setting the tempo for state participation in the sixth war loan campaign, Indiana war finance committee chairmen will hold an organization meeting tomorrow at the Claypool hotel.

Principal speaker will be Col. David Shoup, marine corps commanding officer at Tarawa, who is en route to Washington, D. C., to receive the congressional medal of honor. He is a native of Covington and is visiting his home there.

Also in conjunction with the opening of the war loan, Lt. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, commandant of the U. S. marine corps and leader of the first invasion at Guadalcanal, and Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard will speak.

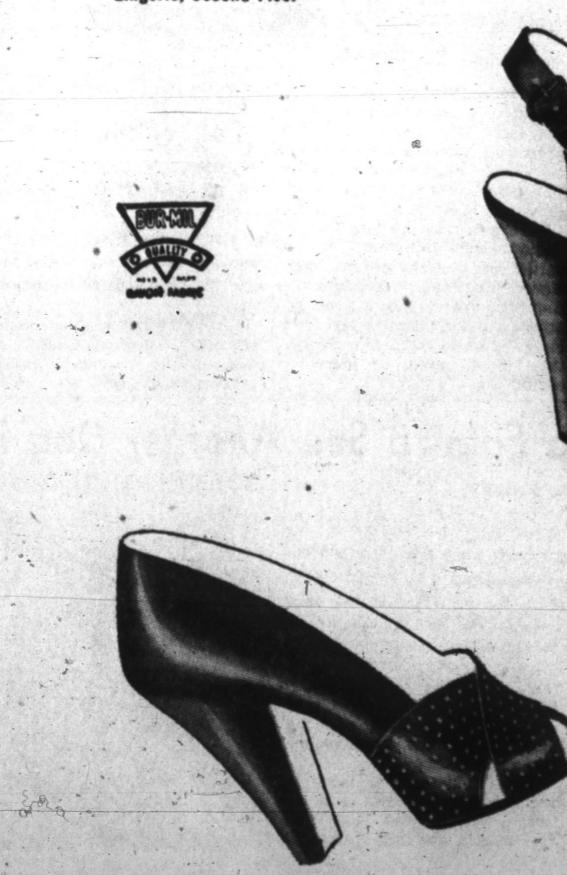
Their addresses will be broadcast by the National Broadcasting Co. from noon to 12:30.

Preceding the broadcast, a program will be presented by the nine times champion LaPorte American Legion drum and bugle corps.

LEGION HEAD TO TALK TO SERVICE CLUBMEN

Edward N. Scheberling, national American Legion commander, will give an "off the record" talk at the Service club luncheon Monday noon at the Claypool hotel.

The club, made up of Indianapolis world war I veterans, annually is addressed by the new national Legion commander.



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