

Moral of Election Hearings: State Laws Need Going-Over

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ory. The hearing failed to unearth any sensational charges that hadn't already been flung at each other by Republicans and Democrats. The formal quiz itself was an anti-climax.

There were few exciting moments.

Show Over?

Although it appeared that the big top had been dismantled, there was no certainty that the show was completely over.

U. S. District Attorney Howard Vaughan said he would await conclusions of the senate campaign expenditures committee before deciding whether any formal prosecution is warranted.

He still has in his possession scores of complaints from persons charging that they were prevented from voting because their names were not on official registration lists.

Emmert Is Candid

One of the highlights of the senate hearing came when a politician displayed rare candor by admitting that he actually had played politics.

This was State Atty. Gen. James Emmert, who conceded that his telegraphic instructions to county election boards on Nov. 6 were "purely political — just like Governor Schricker's."

Mr. Emmert offered a scorching reply to Senator Tom Stewart's previous reference to him as "an ominous ass."

Core of Examination

With an icy glare, Mr. Emmert, on the witness stand, told Senator Stewart that he wouldn't stand by and permit any state or federal official to mistreat Hoosiers.

Much of the examination conducted by Senators Stewart (D-Tenn.) and Joseph Ball (R. Minn.) revolved around whether challenged voters should have been allowed to cast ballots by submitting affidavits.

Governor Schricker and the Democratic-controlled state election board contended that this was permissible. Mr. Emmert said no. He said voters should be made to obtain certificates of error from county clerks.

Aims at "Bulseye"

"When I get in a political fight, I generally aim for the bulseye," the attorney general told the senatorial sub-committee. "I got a late start in this one, but I finished fast."

For 30 minutes he and Senator Stewart duelled verbally over the Indiana election laws. Mr. Emmert said his telegrams to each of the 92 counties telling authorities to "ignore" the election board's approval of affidavit voting was "an unofficial opinion."

"How in the world can a little



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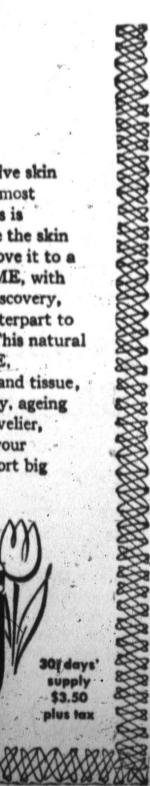
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78TH CONGRESS CALLS IT A DAY

Work Not Quite Completed, Vacation-Struck Senate Adjourns.

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With Edwin Steers, Republican member of the Democratic-controlled state election board, Senator Stewart was "confused," the senator reddened with indignation.

"Rabbit Tracks"

"Well, let's follow your little rabbit tracks for a while, and we'll see who's confused," he blurted.

Eleventh District G. O. P. Chairman James L. Bradford also stepped out of a tight spot with the greatest of ease.

Mr. Bradford was asked what he meant by pre-election statement that "the Republicans won the election when we put Carroll Kramer and George Johnson in charge of the election machinery."

Mr. Kramer is Republican fourth ward chairman and Mr. Johnson secretary of the Republican county committee.

"I simply meant that we would have an honest election, and that, consequently the Republicans would win," countered Mr. Bradford. "The Democrats have been stealing elections around here for years."

The "Brushoff"

One feature of the senate election investigation was given the "brushoff" at the public hearing. This was the much-publicized probe of Senator-elect Homer Capehart's campaign expenses. Mr. Capehart wasn't mentioned, even indirectly.

Senators Stewart and Ball returned to Washington yesterday. Harold Buckles, chief of the senate investigative staff, will remain in Indianapolis for a few days.

The huge stack of transcribed testimony and certified statements accumulated during the investigation will be examined by the senate campaign expenditures committee to determine whether a full committee hearing is advisable.

It appeared doubtful whether a decision on this matter would be announced soon. By resolution, the current campaign expenditures committee's tenure has been extended for two months, Mr. Buckles said today.

Senator Stewart yesterday requested Marion county attorneys representing involved parties to submit their ideas on "affidavit voting" and conflicting election laws.

**JAP RESISTANCE ON
LEYTE FADING FAST**

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of Manila, American and Australian combat engineers were rushing airdrops to completion.

No ground opposition yet had developed on Mindoro. Thirteen Japanese planes which ventured over the area were shot down Sunday and Monday.

From Adm. Chester W. Nimitz came word that another 14 Japanese ships had been added to the list of those sunk in the first three days and nights of carrier-based attacks on Luzon, site of Manila.

Nimitz' communiqué covered attacks Thursday, Friday and Saturday. A Pearl Harbor dispatch yesterday described the offensive as "continuing."

The revised total showed 41 ships sunk, all of them merchant ships with the exception of a mine-layer, and 61 damaged, including four destroyers, two destroyer escorts and a coastal defense vessel.

The number of Japanese planes destroyed in the three-day assault remained at 269 and those damaged at 192. American losses were revised upward from 20 to 27 aircraft.

**RABBIS ASK TRIALS
FOR WAR CRIMINALS**

CHICAGO, Dec. 20 (U. P.)—The commission for peace and justice of the central conference of American rabbis yesterday recommended an "immediate and speedy" trial of the Germans "responsible for crimes against civilian populations."

In a statement released by Rabbi F. M. Iserman, chairman, the commission said the allies in making the peace to be "guided by justice rather than vengeance" but to make "such spiritual and physical changes" in Germany as would prevent her from "building up a military machine to threaten the peace of the rest of the world."

**Eleanor Sleeth,
Rushville, Dead**

Times Special

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Dec. 20.—Miss Eleanor Sleeth, sister of Miss Mary Sleeth, manager of the farm interests of the late Wendell L. Wilkie, died here last night. She was 72.

A lifelong resident of Rushville, Miss Sleeth helped her sister keep the books on the Wilkie interests. She was a member of the United Presbyterian church and held offices in the Sunday school of the church for many years. She also was church organist for some time.

Miss Sleeth was the first woman in Rush county to be elected to public office when she assumed the duties of recorder more than 20 years ago. She was treasurer of the Rush county Red Cross until a year ago when she resigned because of ill health.

Funeral services will be held in Rushville.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau

(All Data in Central War Time)

Sunrise 8:05 Sunset 5:22

Precipitation 24 hrs. end 7:30 a. m. trace

Total precipitation since Jan. 1 32.93

Deficiency since Jan. 1 5.89

The following table shows the temperature yesterday.

High 44

Boston 19

Chicago 25

Cincinnati 7

Cleveland 19

Detroit 57

Evansville 21

Fort Wayne 21

Indianapolis (city) 25

Des Moines, Ia. 21

Miami, Fla. 74

Minneapolis-St. Paul 50

St. Paul 54

New York 20

Okla. City 63

Omaha 41

Pittsburgh 20

St. Louis 13

San Antonio, Tex. 64

St. Louis 36

Washington, D. C. 31

'Messiah' to Be Given Tonight



William Hahn

Maria Koussevitzky

HANDEL'S "MESSIAH"—well-received upon its first presentation by the Indianapolis Symphony orchestra here last Christmas—will be given at 8 o'clock tonight at Cadle tabernacle.

For this year's program, Maria Koussevitzky, soprano, William Hahn, tenor, Edna Meffert, contralto, and John MacDonald, baritone, will be the soloists with the

orchestra under the baton of Fabien Sevitzky.

A chorus of approximately 300 voices will support the soloists. They will include the Indianapolis Symphonic choir, the Indianapolis Maennerchor of the Athenaeum Turners and the choral section of the Indianapolis Matinee Musicals.

Doors at the tabernacle will open at 7 p. m. Tickets are priced at 50 cents and \$1, including tax.

TOKYO ADMITS B-29 RAID STARTED FIRES

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13. The first night bombardment of the capital was on Nov. 29.

Berlin-relayed Tokyo reports also said that of about 40 Superfortresses which attacked Omura yesterday, three were damaged.

The Japanese complained that bad weather impeded their defenses of Omura. They claimed that the damage was on a small scale.

"For 24 hours?" echoed the correspondents incredulously.

George Lyons, OWI representative at S. H. A. E. F., backed up the correspondents.

"May I say that S. H. A. E. F.'s policy is stupid," he said. "That's no reflection on you sir. But everybody across hell and 40 acres knows what's going on."

The U. S. war department permitted disclosure that the system of giant bases used by the Superfortresses in Western China were centered around Chengtu, capital of Szechuan province. The bases were built with the aid of 400,000 Chinese coolies.

Allies Slightly Ease News Blackout on Nazi Offensive

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diers and they certainly know what happened then."

"You complain about complicity on the home front, but when there is bad news you won't release it," said Joe Evans of Newsweek.

A British correspondent asked:

"Why should the American and British peoples have to depend on the German radio for news of what is happening?"

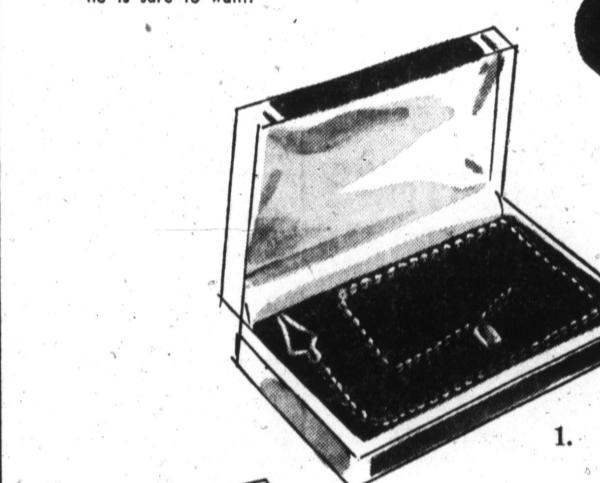
Allen said the decision to initiate and continue the news blackout was not of his or his staff's doing. It was a step taken by the 1st army and the 12th army group headquarters, he declared, with the full support of G-2 (the intelligence division) at S. H. A. E. F.

The correspondents acknowledged that Allen had endeavored in their behalf to have the restrictions lifted, but without success. Information also has been released direct from the 1st army front that still cannot be sent from S. H. A. E. F.

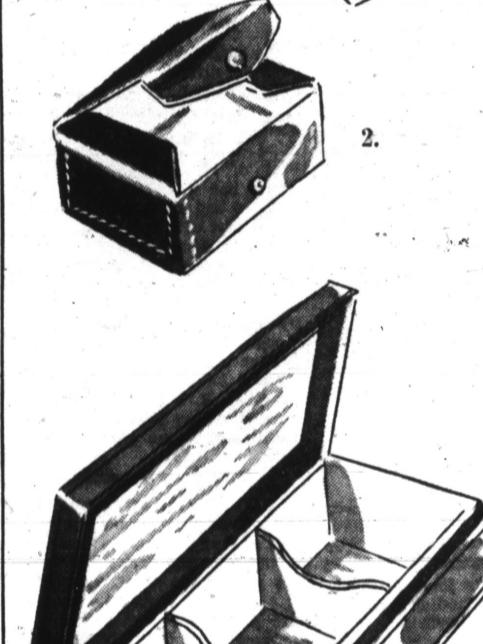
IF HE'S A MAN WHO HAS

"Just Everything..."

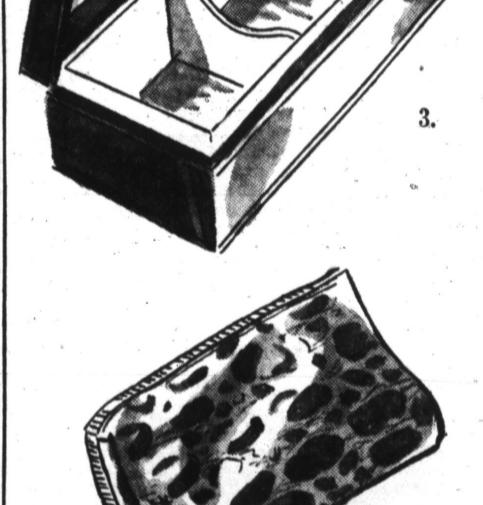
These aren't everything—but a selection of some things he may not have, and all things he is sure to want.



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