

# Penal Legislation Revisions Foreseen

## New Setup May Follow Conference

### Rehabilitation Also Studied

By LOUIS ARMSTRONG  
New state legislation governing crime punishment and the rehabilitation of juvenile delinquents and adult criminals may come out of a meeting of Indianapolis ministers and law enforcement officers here last night.

Approximately 25 representatives of the two groups met at a dinner conference in the Athletic Club sponsored by the legislative and public morals committee of the Indianapolis Church Federation.

The Rev. E. Arnold Clegg, committee chairman, and Dr. Howard Baumgartel, federation executive secretary, said the meeting was called to promote better "understanding and fellowship" between the two groups.

The conferees tentatively planned another meeting for this fall at which may be drawn up proposed legislation covering their study of juvenile problems and crimes committed by adults.

Charles Boswell of Juvenile Court charged churches with a portion of the problem of crime reduction when he said it is necessary for the church people to lift the moral standards of the public in order to stop crime.

"We need to rebuild family life which has degenerated," he declared. "Stricter law enforcement will not solve the problem as long as we keep growing our own criminals."

Public Must Pay

The Rev. R. H. Kirchhofer, bishop of the Episcopal Church, contended the public must be assured it will pay for law infringement.

"We are dealing with a sinful world," he said, "in which people are not sorry for their sins but sorry for the penalty. The public thinks it can break laws and get away with it. We must raise the level of public intelligence to the place where we all know that if we run a red light we will pay the penalty."

Carl Schmidt, representing the Indianapolis police force, asked the ministers to urge people from the pulpit to remove many of the temptations for crime.

"Tell people to close and lock their garages and see that their homes are secure at night," he said.

Ask for Support

Both he and Sheriff Al Magenheimer asked for support of the public at budget making time to assure sufficient funds to provide crime detection equipment and additional personnel.

"There is a general lack of interest in crime enforcement until individuals are directly affected. Then we get criticized by persons who have no idea of our problems," Sheriff Magenheimer said.

Judge J. E. McManaman of Speedway Magistrates Court declared there is an urgent need for additional state institutions for the rehabilitation of criminals.

Judge Saul I. Rabb of Marion Criminal Court, invited the federation to appoint one pastor a week to sit with him on the bench in order to promote better understanding of court problems.

Other speakers included: Judge Joseph O. Hoffmann, Juvenile Court; John Barton, state police, the Rev. R. H. Peoples and the Rev. C. W. Atwater.

### Appoints Denny To Police Board

George L. Denny, former Indianapolis Mayor, today was appointed by Gov. Gates to the State Police Board, replacing Eugene Pulliam, Indianapolis publisher, whose term on the board expired last Saturday. The term is for four years.

Gov. Gates did not comment upon the reasons for the change in membership.

At the same time, the Governor reappointed Arthur Campbell, 152 W. 52d St., treasurer of the Book-walter Malling Co., to the State Personnel Board for a second four-year term.

### Ship Movements

By United Press  
New York Arrivals—Jutlandia, Copenhagen; Santa Isabel, Valparaiso; Santa Barbara, Barranquilla, Veracruz, Puerto Barrios.

New York Departures—Banana, Panama; Matanzas, Havana, Havana; Copenhagen; Zebulon B. Vance, Bremerhaven; Triton, Maracaibo.

Rep. A. L. Miller (R. Neb.), the original MacArthur for President.

**IN INDIANAPOLIS**

EVENTS TODAY  
American Association of University Women—open 4:30 p. m., Broadway Methodist Church.  
Scottish Rite Ladies' Luncheon—Cathedral of Indiana Club—Claypool Hotel.  
Indiana State Board for the Advancement of Management—8 p. m., Marion Hotel.

Wittenberg College A Cappella Choir Concert—8:15 p. m., St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Branch Offices open for registration of voters—2 to 9 p. m., Fire Stations 30 and 13, and School 12 and 13.

**EVENTS TOMORROW**  
Schools for Home Planners, second session, YMCA—F. Rithmiller address—afternoon.  
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**DEATHS**  
At St. Francis—Clyde, Eva Spaulding; Richard, Andrew; William, Rev. Agnes Sandlin; Warder, Opal Ruthford.

At College—Garrison, Gladys Ransom; Grace Shoemaker.

At Methodist—Lee, Grace Taylor; Max, May; McRae, Robert; McRae, Margaret; Fort; Dewey, Lulu Brock; Albert, Nelle Hartman.

At St. Vincent—Clemon, Stanger; C. Raymond, Rosemary McDowell; Sol, John; Dunes, Emil Hazel Klim; Orval, William; Johnson, John; McRae, Ridge; Paul, Martha Callahan; Harry.



CRIME DISCUSSION—Members of the Indianapolis clergy and local law enforcement officers meet to discuss the commission of crime and law enforcement. Taking part in an informal talk before the dinner meeting are (left to right) Roy Combs, Center Township assessor; the Rev. E. Arnold Clegg, Indianapolis Church Federation; Judge Saul I. Rabb, Marion Criminal Court, and Judge Joseph Hoffmann, Juvenile Court.

### Truman and M'Arthur Face Party 'Freeze' in Election

By LYLE C. WILSON  
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WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—Republi-  
can regulars and rebellious  
southern Democrats maneuvered  
today to put the freeze on the  
presidential candidacies of Gen.  
Douglas MacArthur and Presi-  
dent Truman.

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A few Democrats uttered half-  
hopes that Gen. MacArthur would  
turn out to be a Democrat and  
maybe run for them if they  
could block Mr. Truman. But  
the general is a Republican.

GOP party leaders shied away  
from challenging Gen. MacAr-  
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vinced now they have the No-  
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Some observers thought as sig-  
nificant as any was the response  
of former speaker and present  
House Democratic leader Sam  
Rayburn of Texas to the news  
that Mr. Truman's candidacy had  
been announced at the White  
House. Mr. Rayburn replied:

"No comment."

Some Republicans cheered the  
Truman announcement. Others  
shared the reaction of GOP Na-  
tional Chairman Carroll Reece:

"So what?"

Chairman J. Howard McGrath  
of the Democratic National Com-  
mittee announced Mr. Truman's  
candidacy after a conference with  
the President.

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