

# Seek 'Peaceful' Ouster Of Springer

**Lake Meeting Over Week-end 'Quiet' Affair**

**Alexander Named GOP Policy Leader**

By ROBERT BLOOM

Indiana Republicans continued their search for a "peaceful" way to ease Clark Springer out of the state chairmanship today after a relatively quiet week-end meeting of state ticket candidates.

At Lake Tippicanoe yesterday, the candidates carried out the announced business of the party and elected Rue J. Alexander, candidate for lieutenant governor, as their policy chairman.

They steered the discussion of the state chairmanship controversy into a tightly closed meeting from which Mr. Springer, himself, was excluded. But they came out with nothing but a statement by governor nominee Hobart Creighton that there would be no fight to oust the chairman.

**Two Reasons Apparent**

Two reasons were apparent for the decision to keep the peace with or without the Springer ouster:

**ONE:** Facing a powerful Democrat, Henry Schricker, in the coming election, the candidates wanted to avoid any more open breaks with GOP ranks.

**TWO:** In the face of Mr. Springer's determined desire to stay on as chairman, there wasn't much the candidates could do about it anyway.

Mr. Creighton commented after the meeting that he didn't intend to use the political act to get Mr. Springer out, but added:

"We still hope to work something out with the state committee."

**Committee Has Power**

Actually, only the committee has the power to fire Mr. Springer, who incurred the displeasure of most of the candidates on the ticket with what they called "obvious disappointment" at the failure of Senator William E. Jenner to win the Governor nomination in the recent state convention.

Mr. Creighton continued to hold the best cards in the under-cover struggle for party leadership, however. As governor, if and when he is elected, he'll control state patronage and if the state committee expects to have anything to say about it they will just about have to give Mr. Creighton a satisfactory chairman, at least after election.

As a result of the election of Mr. Alexander yesterday, election strategy will be in the hands of a four-member group consisting of Mr. Alexander, Mr. Springer, Mr. Creighton and Morrison Rockhill.

**Rockhill Mentioned**

Mr. Rockhill was Mr. Creighton's pre-convention campaign manager and expected to act in a similar capacity in the election campaign. He has been mentioned as a possible successor to Mr. Springer but has met opposition from the Jenner faction backing Mr. Springer on grounds that his election would leave the party split into two factions.

Both sides, apparently, would be willing to compromise on a neutral chairman but in the present feud there seem to be no neutrals.

**Furious at Fat? 'Noises' of Jets Pound Off Pounds**

WASHINGTON, July 12 (UPI)—The Navy came up today with what may be a painless way of reducing.

It reported that five of 11 volunteers lost weight while undergoing "noise" tests with jet engines. The men dropped from five to 19 pounds each during the 10-day experiments.

Equipped with ear protectors, each man spent an hour a day for five days listening to the noises. Then each spent two hours daily for another five days. They also got one 15-minute dose without the ear protectors.

**Thieves Splatter Pies Over Bakery**

WASHINGTON, July 12 (UPI)—When thieves broke into Martin's Bakery and found only \$15 in the cash box they apparently got mad.

Henry Hemmerich walked in today to find the crust and fillings of 40 pies splattered all over the walls, the ceiling and the showcases.

"I wish," he said, "that they'd taken the pies, too."

**NEW DIESELS IN SERVICE**

Some 465 new diesel locomotives were put in service on American railroads during 1947.

**Official Weather**

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU

Sunrise ..... 5:58 a.m. Sunset ..... 8:15 p.m.

Precipitation 24 hrs ending 7:30 a.m. 10 Total precipitation since Jan. 1 ..... 21.84

Deity since Jan. 1 ..... 21.84

The following table shows the temperature in other cities:

## Today's Weather Fotocast



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TONIGHT AND TOMORROW—Hot, sultry weather will continue from the Great Plains to the Atlantic. Air mass and air flow arrows show sultry southerly winds to continue over this wide area tonight and tomorrow. Only states bordering on Canada from Maine to Minnesota will be somewhat cooler. The small map at the bottom left shows where skies will be cloudy.

## Hoosiers Lament Party Defeatism

### McNutt Opens War On Convention Gloom

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filled that office with such distinction. All we need do is put on our fighting clothes."

Former U. S. Sen. Jackson followed Mr. McNutt and decried the "creeping paralysis" which infected the Democrats." He is the Indiana candidate for Vice President and was endorsed by the state convention. He said that Chairman Schricker will place his name in nomination, but this plan may be abandoned if he has no chance, which seemed likely at the moment.

"This defeatism didn't start here in Philadelphia," Mr. Jackson told the delegation. "It has been walking into the hearts of many top-ranking Democrats for many months. I say it is a sin and a shame."

Mr. Jackson cited his Jackson-Jefferson Day speech in Little Rock, Ark., this year revealing what was happening to the Democrats there.

He praised President Truman and got nothing but disapproval from Gov. Ben Laney of Arkansas, who is leading the revolting Southerners now.

"The only major Democratic party leader who has been praising Harry Truman and is National Chairman McGrath," Mr. Jackson concluded.

"I say to you that Harry S. Truman can win. That victory must start in our hearts. When I adjourned the Chicago convention the night before Truman was nominated Vice President, I said it was a great day for democracy.

It still is a great day for democracy and especially in Indiana where we are prepared to welcome Gov. Schricker for another four years."

Mrs. Samuel D. Ralston, widow of the former Governor and Senator, who is national committee-woman, was introduced. In her eighties, she still promised to "put on our fighting clothes and win this fall."

**Fattened on Free Ride**

Rep. Ray Madden of Gary advised the Hoosiers and Democrats generally to pitch the campaign on "high Republican prices." These were brought about by failure of the GOP Congress to accept the Truman domestic program he contended.

Among the notables present was Walter Myers, Indianapolis, fourth Assistant Postmaster General of the United States. Ira Haymaker, the new state chairman, closed with a plea to assume the offensive.

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