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Appears at Hearing



"Little David" Walker... What happened to the \$67,813 collection plate?

Attorneys Nearly Use Fists Again in 'Little David' Case

Judge Sternly Rebukes 'Battling Barristers' After Remark Brings 'Step Outside' Threat

The probate court hearing of child evangelist "Little David" Walker's finances erupted into near fistfights today between opposing attorneys James Dawson and Louis Rosenberg.

The two former law associates who split up over the "Little David" case have been verbally "sniping" at each other since the hearing opened Wednesday. But the near battle came today as Mr. Rosenberg objected to a question put to "Little David" by Mr. Dawson concerning money derived from "faith healing."

Mr. Rosenberg leaped to his feet and voiced his objection. As he sat back down he mumbled something inaudible to the court and spectators, which seemed to catch the ear of the other attorney. Mr. Dawson leaped to his feet and shouted angrily at Mr. Rosenberg.

"We'll have none of that. If you persist in this attitude I will ask you to step outside."

Judge Interrupts

Mr. Rosenberg got to his feet and made a gracious bow toward the angry Mr. Dawson saying: "Oh, are we going in for fistfights again?" With another bow he resumed his seat just as Judge Dan V. White interrupted the crossfire.

"We'll have no further clash of personalities," he further admonished the two attorneys, whose feud has won them the nickname "the battling barristers," to "conduct this trial in a genteel and ethical manner."

The 14-year-old boy evangelist flew back from a revival in Michigan today to answer the questions of his guardian, Mr. Dawson, concerning his finances.

Charges Mismanagement

Mr. Dawson charges that the boy is being mismanaged by the Rev. Raymond G. Hoekstra and demands a court accounting of funds. The accounting has shown so far that in a 15-month period Little David's collections totaled \$67,813.90, and that the boy has only some \$700 cash assets from this sum, plus outstanding debts on properties.

The boy preacher, who has consistently defended his manager from Mr. Dawson's attacks, appeared antagonistic to his guardian on the stand and answered most questions reluctantly or with a show of anger.

Sink Piles for UN

Headquarters in N. Y.

NEW YORK, Mar. 18 (UP)—Steam pile drivers began driving piles into the bedrock beneath the East River site of the permanent United Nations capital today to provide support for headquarters buildings.

Construction engineers said 1700 piles will be driven for the foundations of the General Assembly building and the meeting hall.

4 State Finalists Poised For Showdown Tomorrow

Coaches Honor Guests at Special Kiwanis Club Luncheon in Claypool

By HMMIE ANGELOPOLOUS

The Big Four of Hoosierdom's 1948-49 prep game teams, each containing virtually every ingredient necessary to make a champion, took up temporary residence in Indianapolis today ready for the final flurry of field goals to decide the 1949 state champion at the Butler Fieldhouse tomorrow.

Auburn's Red Devils, regarded by many as the "dark horse" entry of the Fieldhouse foursome, were completing their second day here after arriving yesterday afternoon for a workout on the Bull-dog floor.

Jasper, Madison and South Bend Central were scheduled to arrive in town by noon. The Wildcats and the Bears were slated for workouts in the Fieldhouse this afternoon, but Coach Ray Eddy's Madison Cubs were not eligible for a Fieldhouse practice. Coach Eddy's squad was not due to arrive until 4 p. m. today.

The four finalist coaches were honored guests at the annual Kiwanis Club luncheon in the Claypool Hotel this noon along with the city's high school coaches. Coach Tony Hinkle, leader of Butler's renowned basketball Bulldogs was honored by the Kiwanis Club as its "Coach of the Year."

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Hands Off Europe And Africa, Atlantic Pact Warns Kremlin

18,000 Hoosiers Seek State Jobs, Democrat Headquarters Reveals

Mounting Unemployment Seen as Factor In Growing List of Patronage Seekers

By ROBERT BLOEM

More than 18,000 Hoosiers have suddenly decided in the face of steadily mounting unemployment that state jobs and state salaries aren't so bad after all.

Democrat State Chairman Ira Haymaker said today he had on file the largest list of patronage seekers since the depression days of the mid-1930's. Only a few months ago

Democrats were wondering where they could find enough partisans to fill jobs in the new state administration.

But the sudden upsurge of job applications has added a new headache rather than solving a problem. Although Democrat Headquarters has an average of three applicants for every potential patronage job in state government there remains a serious shortage of specialists and skilled technicians.

Always a Line

Since the close of the General Assembly Mar. 9, the headquarters has looked like a hard-times employment agency. Seldom are there fewer than 30 prospective state employees waiting patiently for an audience with the party powers.

At Republican headquarters, which no longer has any patronage to dish out, State Party Secretary George Edick said that at the corresponding point in the administration of former Governor Gates the headquarters had only around 6000 job applications on file.

Economic Need

Mr. Haymaker commented that the rush of job applications was obviously economic, not political. His contention was backed up by the Employment Security Division, which reported an average of 63,284 applicants for unemployment benefits each week during the past 10 weeks.

For the corresponding period of 1948 the average for the same period was only 39,012 applicants. During January and February the division paid out \$5,102,351 in benefits as compared with \$3,480,955 for the same period a year ago.

Last fall at the peak of 1948 employment the Employment Security Division had only about 15,000 job applications on file, fewer than Democratic headquarters had today. Not all the political applicants, of course, are unemployed at the moment, but the 15,000 applications made it obvious that state jobs, despite low salaries, look better today than for many years.

18,000 in All

All told the state of Indiana only hires about 18,000 employees. However, more than 7000 of these are under the merit system and not available for political headquarters to use in rewarding the party faithful.

Of the 11,000 potential patronage jobs, fewer than half would be available right now to Democrats. The rest are either already filled by partisans or too technical or specialized for the bulk of the applicants seeking jobs by the patronage route.

Four years ago when Republicans were "rounding out" their administration, Employment Security was servicing only about 10,000 to 15,000 jobless. Because the war was still on, many of those were simply between jobs and not in serious financial straits—certainly not serious enough to warrant putting in an application for one of the "low paid" state jobs.

Stronger Enforcement

It was indicated the officials would base their new campaign to eliminate smoke on stronger enforcement than in the past. They blamed failure of the old smoke ordinance on laxity of enforcement on the part of Robert Wolf, combustion engineer.

The new ordinance will most likely disband the air pollution board and organize administration under one of the present boards, either Safety Board or Works Board. Councilmen said today there will also be some provisions for regulating the use of high volatile coal despite the state law prohibiting discrimination against Indiana coal.

After-Gaff

DETROIT, Mar. 18 (UP)—Bernard O'Grady, 26, fireman, died just about the last thing a laddie of his occupation should do while on his way home early today from a St. Patrick's Day celebration. Police said he pulled two false alarms.

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Frank N. Widner Named News Editor of The Times

Indianapolis Native Worked Every Beat

Promotion of Frank N. Widner to the position of news editor of The Indianapolis Times, was announced today.

Mr. Widner, who had been assistant news editor, succeeds the late Charles F. Weddle.

He has been associated with The Times since 1929, after taking undergraduate work at Indiana University. Starting as a copy-boy, Mr. Widner advanced to the city desk.

A resident of the city all his life, Mr. Widner's familiarity with the city led him to every beat on the newspaper. From the city desk he went to the sports desk.

Two Years in Army

In April, 1944, he joined the Army and was discharged in 1946. He served as cryptographer in the Signal Corps and overseas in the Persian Gulf area. After the Army, Mr. Widner returned to the city desk, became telegraph editor, then assistant news editor under Mr. Weddle.

He was graduated from St. Philip Neri School and Cathedral

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Honeymoon Off



Fatima Hussan... Left home in search of happiness.



Earl Coner... A grandfather with a 14-year-old bride.

Romance Ended For Child Bride

Fatima and Husband Returned to Detroit

The honeymoon of a 42-year-old grandfather and his child bride of 14 ended here today.

The couple, in custody of officials, was on its unromantic way back to Detroit, Mich. There will be a rose-covered cottage awaiting them.

Instead the husband, Earl Coner, will face charges of enticing a minor and possibility of a 10-year jail sentence.

The bride, Fatima Hussan, must answer to her Turkish parents.

It was possible the marriage might be annulled. Detroit officials said Coner had previously served 82 days after being convicted of marrying another minor girl. That marriage was annulled. His first marriage ended in divorce.

Thus came to an end the romance.

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Pact Defines U. S. Duties, Says Acheson

State Secretary Voices Faith in Honesty of Congress

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (UP)—Secretary of State Dean Acheson today made clear his belief that if a Western European member of the North Atlantic Treaty undergoes a major attack, the United States should go to war.

Mr. Acheson gave a news conference his views on the obligations contained in the treaty. He emphasized that the treaty leaves to Congress the final decision to determine how far the United States would carry out its commitments.

He observed that in event of an all-out attack, such as those suffered by France in 1914 and 1940, treaty members would apply their honest judgment as to what action is necessary to restore peace and security.

Mr. Acheson said in his opinion there was only one answer—each nation must take whatever action it honestly believes is necessary.

If in this honest judgment armed force is necessary, then that is the treaty obligation.

Key Provision

Under the treaty, Mr. Acheson said, this government has an international legal commitment to do certain things. He said that while nobody can force this government to take action, he is sure we will do what we contract to do in the pact.

Mr. Acheson pointed out that the key provision of the treaty provides that an attack against one or more of the treaty powers in Europe or North America shall be considered an attack on all.

He observed, too, that the treaty also provides that each party individually and in concert with the others will take "such action as it deems necessary," including the use of armed force, to restore and maintain security in the North Atlantic area.

The final decision, he said, will be made under American constitutional procedures. Congress knows our obligation to restore peace and security, he added, and it would use its best and honest judgment to do that.

Draws Distinction

Mr. Acheson drew a clear distinction between major attacks on treaty members and what he described as border incidents. You don't use a sledge hammer to kill flies, he remarked.

In his view, Mr. Acheson said, purely internal revolution should not be regarded as an armed attack. He added that if the internal revolt were assisted from the outside.

But he noted that under Article 5 the treaty powers are obligated only to resist, not necessarily act, if one of them feels its political independence or security is threatened.

In response to a question Mr. Acheson said in his opinion an attack on an airlift plane flying over the Soviet Zone of Germany would be regarded as an armed attack under the treaty.

He said it would be, in his judgment, an attack on the occupation forces of one of the pact members.

Judge Drops Count Of Vehicle Taking

Youth Pays \$5 Fine For Resisting Arrest

Vehicle taking charges against two Indianapolis brothers and a companion were dismissed today by Judge Pro Tem. Thomas F. Quinn in Municipal Court.

Principals were Clyde Decker, 24, and Albert Decker, 21, of 1129 Deloss St., and Leonard Goff, 18, of 857 N. New Jersey St. Goff was fined \$5 and costs on a charge of resisting arrest.

An assault and battery charge still is pending against the elder Decker brother.

The three were charged with taking a vehicle owned by Charles Shambaugh, 720 E. North St., from a garage south of Beech Grove on Mar. 8.

Charge Officer Slugged

Two detectives, armed with warrants sworn out by Mr. Shambaugh against the trio, went to the Deloss St. address to issue them. On confronting the Decker brothers, the officers said, Detective Jack Alkire was slugged over the head with a beer bottle.

In the melee, the two Deckers escaped, but later surrendered. Goff also was arrested later.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 a. m. ... 27 10 a. m. ... 34
7 a. m. ... 27 11 a. m. ... 34
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Treaty Runs 20 Years, But Leaves Congress Judge of 'Showdown'

Nations to Sign Agreement April 4; Senate Expected to Approve It

Text of Atlantic Pact, Estimate of Armed Might, Page 11

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18—The United States put up "no trespassing" signs on two more continents Friday—Europe and Africa.

This is the basic significance of the North Atlantic Security pact.

With "keep out" signs already posted in the Western Hemisphere under the Monroe Doctrine, the United States is now in the position of explicitly warning trespassers off three continents.

Moreover, chances are this country would go to the aid of Australia if it should be attacked. So the United States is really in the position of serving as night watchman for four of the five continents.

The closest thing there is to an American policy for Asia is the open door for China plus the defense of the United States occupation in Japan plus independence for the Philippines and other former colonial areas.

Covered Up to Iron Curtain

The North Atlantic pact is to be signed here on or about Apr. 4.

It will then be sent to the Senate for ratification. The treaty very likely will get the two-thirds vote needed to make it binding.

The treaty would pledge the United States in general to help Western Europe repel any Russian attack for 20 years.

But at a showdown, it would bind this country to take only "such action as it deems necessary, including the use of armed force."

The text was published here and in Western European capitals after months of negotiating on the basic points and weeks of final polishing of the language.

It would be a 20-year "collective defensive" alliance of the United States, Canada and Western Europe against Soviet Russia, although Russia is not mentioned by name.

Italy's Reds Lose Atlantic Pact Vote

It would cover territory right up to the iron curtain, including the Allied zones of Berlin inside the Soviet zone of Germany.

An armed attack against any pact member "shall be considered an attack against them all."

"Consequently," the key article of the treaty continues, "they agree that, if such an armed attack occurs, each of them... will assist the party or parties so attacked by taking forthwith, individually and in concert with the other parties, such action as it deems necessary, including the use of armed force, to restore and maintain the security of the North Atlantic area."

Worked Out by U. S.

The wording of that section—Article 5 of the thousand-word pact—was worked out by Secretary of State Dean Acheson after consultation with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

American officials believed that the phrase "such action as it deems necessary" would fully preserve this country's freedom of action and especially the constitutional right of Congress to declare war.

They hoped for speedy ratification by the Senate after the treaty.

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Senators Strongly Hint Pact Will Receive OK

Appropriations Chief Insists Upon More Data on Arms Costs

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (UP)—Leading Democratic and Republican Senators strongly indicated today that the North Atlantic treaty will be ratified by the Senate.

The Senate often has heeded historic warnings against "entangling alliances." But the outlook appeared favorable for ratification of the treaty which represents this nation's most sweeping peace-time commitment.

At the same time leaders of the Foreign Relations and Appropriations Committees said they would want to know first just how much it is going to cost.

Chairman Tom Connally (D. Tex.) of the Senate Foreign Relations committee said the pact would be "promptly ratified" after thorough hearings and debate.

Members of Mr. Connally's committee saw the treaty draft before its publication today. The treaty must be approved by two-thirds of the Senate to become effective.

Chairman Kenneth McKellar (D. Tenn.) of the Senate Appropriations Committee said he would insist on full information on how much it will cost the United States as the arsenal of military aid for treaty signers.

Sen. Elbert D. Thomas (D. Utah)—The pact is "wholly satisfactory" and will contribute to world unity.

Sen. Pat McCarran (D. Nev.) said a ranking appropriations committee member—"I'm for the pact. I'm convinced that as soon as the Office, Washington, D. C.,

copy of it for five cents, to the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.,

Another 5c Bargain

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (UP)—The North Atlantic Treaty may become, in time, one of the world's most significant documents.

But right now you can get a copy of it for five cents, to the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.,