

Democrats Set For 'Blowout' On Saturday

1700 Tickets Already Sold for Dinner; Barkley to Speak

By ROBERT BLOEM

Saturday will be Hoosier Democrats' day to howl. They will kick off at noon with a county chairmen and vice chairmen's luncheon. The big day will wind up with a bang with the annual Jefferson-Jackson day dinner in the Egyptian Room of the Murat.

With two days yet to go, ticket sales at \$25 a plate for the banquet passed 1700. That's 500 more than ever were sold for any previous Jefferson-Jackson Day affair.

Top speaker for the dinner will be Vice President Alben Barkley. He will be the show will be his recent bride, "Mrs. Veep," who will reign at a reception in her honor Saturday afternoon.

Dorsey to Play

In a spurge to make the party fit the price, program arrangers engaged Tommy Dorsey and his band to furnish music at the banquet. This headline will be backed up by local musical talent, including Miss Victoria Montani, harpist.

Despite the lavishness of the affair, its primary function remained to raise party funds for the coming campaign. After all expenses, state organization officials expect to have a fat sum left over for the party treasury. Other speakers on the program will include Gov. Schricker and National Committeeman Frank McHale. State Chairman Ira Haymaker will officiate. The Rev. G. Alexander Brooks will give the invocation.

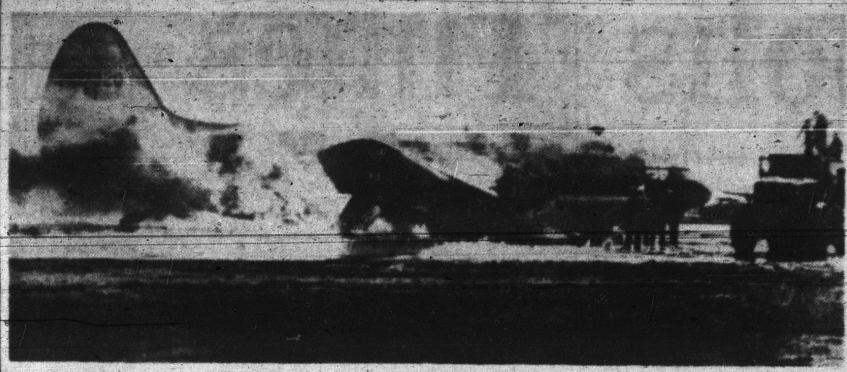
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Air Force Personnel Fight to Save Burning Transport



Army Air Force personnel fight flames enveloping C-46 transport after plane crashed during landing.

8 Members of Family Die As Stove Blast Burns Home

Father of Six Perishes in Fight to Enter Burning Building to Rescue Children

MONSON, Me., Mar. 2 (UP)—Eight members of a family perished and a ninth was critically burned early today when an exploding oil stove turned their home into an inferno. Six of the victims were children.

The dead were Elwood Smith, 35, a teamster; his mother, Mrs. Harriet Smith, 65, and Mr. Smith's children, Patricia, 11; Carolyn, 10; Malcolm, 8; Robert, 6; Judith, 4, and a year-old infant.

Hospitalized with little hope for recovery was Mr. Smith's wife, Norma, whose screams brought neighbors to her aid in this forested village.

Mr. Smith, who fled from the blazing house with his wife, died as he fought his way back into the flames in hope of rescuing his mother and children.

Five of the children and their grandmother were trapped in bedrooms on the upper floor of the story and a half dwelling. The infant died in his crib on the first floor, where it slept with the parents.

A neighbor, Mrs. Earl Jackson, said she was awakened by the sound of Mrs. Smith screaming hysterically in the back yard of her home. Still conscious when aid arrived, Mrs. Smith said she and her husband had escaped the flames and then Mr. Smith had dashed back into the house in a vain effort to save the children.

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Atterbury Plane Crashes; 6 Escape

C-46 Catches Fire in Pennsylvania

Four Air Force crewmen and two passengers leaped to safety when a plane en route from Atterbury Air Force base to a Pennsylvania airfield crashed and burned last night.

The twin-engine plane lost its undercarriage and caught fire in a crash landing at Olmsted Air Base near Middletown, Pa. The 26-passenger C-46 took off from Atterbury, near Columbus, Ind., a short time before.

The plane struck a drainage dyke while landing and ripped its undercarriage. The co-pilot brought the ship down in a belly landing at the tip of the runway and all six men jumped to the ground as the engines caught fire. Seconds later flames swept over one wing and the fuselage. The crewmen and passengers escaped with minor injuries. Olmsted Air Base firemen fought the blaze, but an Air Force spokesman said the plane was a "loss except for salvage."

Board Investigating

An Air Force board of officers is investigating. It plans to interview passengers, crewmen and eye-witnesses before making its report.

The crew members were identified as Capt. Tony P. Gill, 34, Shelbyville, Ind., the pilot; Capt. Thomas E. Layworth, 30, Clinton, Ind., co-pilot; Staff Sgt. Donald J. De Young, 25, Holland, Mich., engineer; and Sgt. Floyd D. Crank, Steelton, Pa., assistant engineer.

The passengers were 1st Lt. Robert W. Wilson, 28, Columbus, Ind., and Sgt. James Cotner, 21, Silver City, N. C.

The plane was en route to Olmsted from Atterbury to bring a crew of two men here to pick up a T-11 aircraft brought to Olmsted for repairs. The Olmsted base is repair center for a 15-state area.

He was a superintendent for the Bedford Stone Construction Co. when it built the Coliseum at the Fairgrounds and several of the larger downtown office buildings.

Mr. Warren, active in GOP politics for many years, said he decided to become a candidate for assessor at the insistence of several Republican leaders in order to continue the assessment projects started during the present administration.

He lives at 2613 Broadway.

POLIO VICTIMS BETTER

The State Board of Health reported today that half of the 1014 polio victims in Indiana last year were making "good recoveries."

Icy Weather Blamed for Accidents

Many Injured in Falls, Fires, Auto Crashes

Fires, falls and automobile accidents caused by sub-zero weather and icy streets and sidewalks were reported all over Indianapolis last night and early today.

Joseph Dickens, 35, of 1737 Union St., fell and broke his left arm at the elbow while walking in the 1800 block Bluff Rd. He was taken to General Hospital.

James Johnson, 29, of 1829 E. Ohio St., gashed his forearm when he fell as he walked across a vacant lot in the 1000 block E. Market St. He was given first aid by police.

Knocked Unconscious

Mrs. Ardlyn Mitchell, 20, of 424 E. 33d St., slipped as she got out of an automobile in front of her home and was knocked unconscious by the fall. She was reported in fair condition in St. Vincent's Hospital today with a head injury.

Oil stoves overheated and caused slight fire damage in 1128 Carter St., 2207 Duke St., 3339 W. Washington St., and 125 Emmet St.

12 Persons Injured

Twelve persons were injured in four accidents at slippery intersections late yesterday and today.

A car driven by Donald L. Rose, 27, of 1519 W. New York St., struck an Indiana Railways bus parked at the curb of Patterson and New York Sts. yesterday afternoon, police said. His car bounced off the bus and hit another vehicle which in turn skidded into two parked vehicles at the intersection.

Treated for slight injuries were Mr. Rose's wife, Mary Rose, 23, and four bus passengers, Evelyn Williams, 33, of 1242 Rochester Ave.; Helen Hargitt, 31, of 1828 Fischer St.; Mamie Cunningham, 42, of 1802 Berwick Ave.; and Myrtle Rice, 54, of 833 Centennial St.

Two Cabs Collide

Shortly before dawn a Red Cab skidded into a United Cab at the intersection of College and Massachusetts Ave., police said.

The Red Cab driver, Carl Clouse, 24, of 2830 Burton Ave., suffered a cut on his forehead. A passenger, William A. McCord, 55, of 4836 E. 21st St., suffered a bruised knee and injured hand.

In the United Cab, the driver, Albert Thompson, 30, of 444 W. Washington St., suffered cuts on both knees and a passenger, David W. Walter, 33, of Columbia City, was shaken up and received a cut on his forehead.

A three-way accident at 16th St. and White River Pkwy., West

GOP Impeachment Talk Called 'Strictly Horseradish'

Four Hoosier Republican House Members Surprised to Hear They Planned Truman Ouster

By DAN KIDNEY, Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2—Most surprised persons in Washington today are the four Hoosier Republican House members who were informed by Indiana GOP headquarters that they have been "seriously" considering introduction of a resolution to impeach President Truman.

According to Indianapolis dispatches the Indiana Republican delegation would base the impeachment proceedings upon the President's delay in invoking the Taft-Hartley Law in the coal strike crisis.

They were told of this publicity stunt by long distance telephone late yesterday. But so far as the Congressmen are concerned this is strictly home grown horseradish. They have no intention of taking any such action.

In an effort to protect State Chairman, Cate Holder they agreed to say "no comment" when reporters asked them about the matter.

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Truman Holds Li Acting President of China

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2 (UP)—President Truman resolved a problem in international protocol today by receiving Gen. Li Tsung-jen as the acting president of China.

Gen. Li's name appeared on the presidential calling list as Mr. Truman's guest at a Blair House luncheon.

Reporters reminded Mr. Truman that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Gen. Li both claim to be president of the Chinese Nationalist government. They asked Mr. Truman in what capacity he was receiving Gen. Li.

The chief executive replied that he was receiving Gen. Li as the acting president of China.

Rep. Cecil Harden, Covington, Republican national committee chairman from Indiana, gave the "no comment" business on the impeachment story.

"I do think President Truman should have enforced the law sooner," she added. Rep. Ralph Harvey, New Castle, joined the "no comment" chorus and Rep. Earl Wilson, Republican, Bedford, was unavailable.

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Here's the story of a daring climber who tells how he plans to tackle Mt. Everest, the world's highest peak, for the second time—alone.

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Are these cap hairdos really necessary? This hairstyle has been with American women for about six months now. See these hairdos in Parade and decide for yourself — with photos of before and after shots to help you make your decision.

RESCUED KIDS

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Betty Skelton, ace trick flier, does the impossible with a 568-pound plane. Here's a lesson on how to cut a ribbon in half, without using a scissors.

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