

Senator Harding Will Speak

East Chicago Chamber of
Commerce to Greet Can-
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Senator W. G. Harding of Ohio and candidate for nomination for president on the Republican ticket, will be in East Chicago next Wednesday and will speak before the Chamber of Commerce. At its luncheon meeting in the Congregational Church at 14th street and Madison avenue. The meeting will be called to order to allow Senator Harding to speak before the meeting is turned over to the Near East Relief Committee.

Although the East Chicago Chamber of Commerce by-laws do not permit of political speeches before the organization it does not prohibit politicians and Senator Harding will therefore be confined in his talk to things of general interest and away from politics. A number of the members are, however, expecting a lively political discussion after the regular meeting has adjourned.

Following Senator Harding's talk, Dr. Philip Yarrow of Chicago, will speak in the interests of the Near East Committee. Dr. Yarrow is a well known minister of Chicago and has an enviable reputation as an orator. Members of the Woman's Club have been specially invited to attend the meeting and officials hope that representatives of the various fraternal organizations of the city may be present.

Reservations for the luncheon may be made by calling Secretary F. L. Evans of the Chamber of Commerce at number 4. A number of Hammond men are also expected to make arrangements to attend the luncheon and reservations are being made with Billy Rose at the Hammond City Hall. Reservations are necessary because of the large number who are expected to attend.

GRAIN MEN STAUNCH FOR M.CRAY

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 19.—The candidacy of Warren T. McCray of Kentland, for the Republican nomination for governor, has received another strong endorsement. This time it is from A. E. Reynolds of Crawfordsville, one of the best known grain men in the country.

Mr. McCray has received hundreds of letters from business men in Indiana encouraging him as a candidate for the nomination and assuring him of their support because they feel confident that with his long and valuable experience as a business man, banker and farmer, he can give Indiana a real business administration.

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I wish to call your attention particularly to the qualifications of Mr. Warren T. McCray, a man of wide experience in many lines whom I have known for more than twenty years. For thirty years he has been engaged in the grain business; was president of the Grain Dealers National Association for three years; has managed both local and terminal grain elevators; is experienced in the banking business; in the live stock business he stands at the head of the breeding of pure bred Hereford cattle; has had a life-long experience as a farmer.

"Where can we lay our hands on a man aspiring to be the next governor of Indiana who has followed so many lines of human activity? He is honest, and American through and through.

"He has the courage to follow his convictions. What more can we ask? I know him. If you are so fortunate, I urge upon you the consideration of the qualifications that I have mentioned and for all of which I can personally stand sponsor."

"Please give the matter careful attention. We only want the best man for all of the people, and I have no hesitancy in saying that I think Warren T. McCray is that man."

NEDJL INDORSES WAR MEMORIAL

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 19.—Two state senators living widely separated in Indiana have endorsed the proposed war memorial project in letters to state officials of the American Legion. They are Senators James J. Nedjl, of Whiting, and Senator C. A. Erskine, of Evansville.

"I am already on record with the various Legion posts of Lake county in favoring the construction of a state memorial in the form of a suitable building," Senator Nedjl wrote. "I believe that if such a building is constructed it should be made so that it will answer the purposes of the Legion and its kindred organizations for many years to come."

"You can rest assured that I will be in favor of any measure proposed that will tend to accomplish this end."

Senator Erskine wrote that he ap-

proved of the proposal to honor Indiana's sons and daughters by erecting a state war memorial building at Indianapolis.

"I am heartily in favor of this movement and have so notified the boys here at Evansville," he said.

In an' Around —GARY—

BIG CHECKER TOURNAMENT

Probably the biggest checker tournament ever pulled off in this part of the country was staged in the Y. M. C. A. in Gary Saturday evening.

The spacious lobby was crowded during the entire evening. No less than thirty-five players participated, the tables being arranged in the form of a big square so that spectators could get a good view of all that went on.

The attraction that brought all this about was the visit of N. W. Banks, the champion of the world, who played all the players present without losing a game. Besides the checkers Mr. Banks played five chess men.

The interest was so great that the "Y" has decided to take advantage of Mr. Banks' presence in this vicinity to hold another meet tomorrow night at which it is expected that even a large crowd will be present. At this time Mr. Banks will play a picked group of twelve checkers and chess men while he is blindfolded.

The success of the meet reflects great credit on C. R. Stewart, president of the Gary Checker Club. Besides the Gary men present, there were men from Indiana Harbor, Hammond and LaPorte. The results Saturday evening were as follows:

Checkers.

C. R. Stewart, two draws.

Lloyd Surver, H. J. Neff, G. S. Herick, D. H. Mitchell, E. J. King, J. E. Lyons, one draw each.

W. C. Brown of Indiana Harbor and Geo. Reader of Hammond, one draw and one loss each.

The following men lost to Mr. Banks: Bert Wheeler, U. V. Averitt, R. E. Field, E. M. Armstrong, J. M. Turner, and L. Quigg of Hammond. Roy McKay of LaPorte, C. N. Palmer, Jas. Harbaugh of Indiana Harbor, A. C. Martin, Ed. Fembethery, R. W. Heaton, Ray White, C. V. Lewis, Bruce Lambert and C. E. Phillips.

Chess.

J. P. Fox, one draw.

W. H. Cogley, Edward Kleft, Max Gold and Arthur Nordquist losing to Mr. Banks.

REPAIRING WEST FIFTH AVENUE

Fifth Avenue, west of Broadway, is also doing her bit to cut down the high cost of living, in fact someone remarked "that Fifth Avenue road is having its pants patched."

Last week a gang of street repairmen were put to work filling up the holes that have been made to accommodate for several years. To complete the entire job, will take the best part of a month. The rain this morning put a halt to the work.

PLAYS CHECKERS BLIND-FOLDED

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