

BILL PROPOSES COMMISSION FOR CITY GOVERNMENT

INDIANA'S 69TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM THE NEWS-TIMES INDIANAPOLIS BUREAU

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 29.—Sen. George C. Wood was to introduce in the senate Friday a bill under which cities of any size in Indiana may change their form of government to a commission or commission manager form.

This is the first proposal of the kind that an Indiana legislature ever has had opportunity to pass on. The details of the bill were worked out by Frank G. Bates, professor of political science at Indiana university.

Under the commission manager plan the commission would be selected largely as in the other form, but would name a city manager, who would appoint all officers. Practically all the officers, however, would be under a civil service board. The result is provided for.

Both plans provide for a budget. Under the commission plan the administration is divided into five departments as follows: Public safety, finance, treasury and utilities, public work and health. The commissioner of public safety would act as mayor, who acts as official head of the city but has no vote power.

House Against Nepotism. The house of representatives, led by Rep. Branaman, floor leader of the democrats, who was supported, it was understood, by all the republicans in the house, this afternoon went on record against nepotism in state offices and refused to accept the report of the committee which had sent the Cleary anti-nepotism bill out with an unfavorable report.

It was apparent from the temper of the house expressed during the argument over the bill that the house, unless a sudden change of heart takes place, will pass a bill which will sweep the state house from stem to stern of the host of relatives of public office holders, who now infest the offices there. Whether the measure will be murdered in the senate, of course is not apparent, but had the house will create a fence which the senate will have a hard time evading was evident from the expressions of approval for the bill, which were heard.

Hogs Office "Hogs." Rep. Branaman in moving that the report of the committee on the bill be not adopted, said: "I am in full sympathy with the spirit of this bill. We have seen in public offices for years a disposition to hog the whole thing. It seems that there is not an office holder succeeds in getting in office that does not immediately believe he has to fill up his office with all the brothers, fathers, fathers-in-law and brothers and sisters-in-law that he can find. This bill is of the right sort. It simply strikes at these office hogs. Be you democrat, republican or progressive, the one thing you have had to excuse when you were successful in electing a ticket to office was this system of hogging the whole thing with the relatives of those elected. The only thing that is the matter with this bill that I can see is that it doesn't go far enough. I'm in favor of seeing it go on down the line and apply to every county and township office in this state."

Rep. Branaman was roundly applauded for his remarks from both sides of the house. Rep. Parrish, a democrat, then arose and declared that there has arisen in Indiana a universal conviction that a public office is a public trust. "I am against this loading of a state office or any other office with inefficient and incompetent officials, because they are uncles, or aunts or mother-in-laws of the head of the department in which they are employed," he said.

Against Efficiency. He spoke against the system of nepotism and said it had been apparent for a long time that the system made against all efficiency or competency. Rep. Mason J. Niblack then supported the bill in a speech for which he received applause from both sides of the house.

"Gentlemen, I am heartily in favor of the motion of the gentlemen from Jackson," he said. "This is a republican bill, drafted by a republican member of this house, but I am for it and I do not believe any member of this house will be against it, be he democrat or republican. When I

came to this session of the legislature I came with the firm intention that I wanted my vote cast on the right side of everything. The right side of this question is to vote for this law. And I esteem it the duty of the democrats on this side of the house to vote in favor of this bill.

Calls it Disgusting. "There is nothing so disgusting as for any party, republican or democratic, to come up here and have a state house crowd, composed of relatives of the heads of departments, here to dictate to this legislature or any legislature, and there is nothing so disgusting as a state house full of relatives. This bill should pass and the practice should be stopped."

Rep. Strange of Marion then spoke briefly, saying he heartily endorsed the bill, but that he believed it did not go far enough. He said its provisions against relatives being appointed to offices should go on down through the counties and townships.

Rep. Fulton of Wabash county, then made his "maiden" speech before the house, in support of the bill. He said that for 59 long years my county has gone republican, but in the last few years it has changed and a democratic administration has begun to come in. Yet, in Wabash county, while we are now in the offices, we have a sickening sight, where one officer, who when he was elected first went outside his family to get help, began to stock up his office on relatives as soon as he was elected a second time.

KAISER PRAISES HIS BOYS FROM COLOGNE

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Star telegraphed his paper that on Tuesday, the kaiser reviewed the reserve infantry of the Twenty-Eighth Rhineand regiment, the soldiers of which come mainly from Cologne, and made the following speech during the exercises which took place near great headquarters in France: "I ordered this regiment here to receive my thanks for its fearless bravery. When infantry is attacking with the bayonet and driving the enemy in front of them this is a fine deed, but to endure heavy artillery fire for months require especial courage and endurance. You have proved that your bravery has not suffered and I am happy that the Cologne boys have thus justified the high military reputation the Rhine army corps enjoyed in olden times. If old Goeben had had this experience it would have been the greatest joy to him. I expect you always to continue to behave as you have up to the present. I am confident that the Cologne boys will do their best to dash the enemy finally to the ground, when our dear God has helped us to victory as I believe and hope He will. I expect you boys of Cologne to march into your famous old city with your heads high so that your girls can be proud of you. Farewell, comrades."

NEWS OF INTEREST TO POLISH CITIZENS

SOCIAL EVENTS. The members of the Children of Mary were delightfully entertained on Thursday evening at the home of Miss Clementine Strauss, 223 S. Chapin st. Games of various kinds and music were thoroughly enjoyed. Tomorrow the close of the evening's dainty luncheon was served. The society will meet next week with Miss Hedwige Sledzikowska, 1143 W. Division st.

The afternoon fancy work class of the Polish Women's Alliance of America will meet Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the St. Hedwige school building.

The choir of Falcons M. Romanowski will hold its rehearsal Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at Kosciuszko hall.

The amateurs taking part in the "vandalism" of Z. Balicki Falcons will meet Saturday evening at 8 o'clock for their general rehearsal at Z. B. hall.

PERSONALS. Mrs. Josephine Antkowiak has returned to South Chicago after a week's visit with relatives here.

Martin Gajczak has returned to Chicago following a brief business visit here.

Peter J. Lowal left Thursday for his home in Whiting after a short visit here.

Alfred Kreft of Chicago arrived here for a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Schrawkowski, 540 Wayne st.

Mrs. Martha Porloch has arrived here from East Chicago to spend a few days with relatives and friends. She is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schmidt, 1127 W. Sample st.

Miss Clara Waikowiak, W. Division st., left for Buffalo, to spend a few days with her brother, Adelbert Walk.

Rev. Michael Swiatkowski of Michigan City, who has been here for a few days visiting friends, has returned to Chicago. While here he was the

guest of Rev. Anthony Zubowicz, C. S. C., pastor of St. Hedwige parish.

Miss Stella Zielinska has left for Michigan after a brief visit with friends here.

Joseph Koszewski, who has been here on business for a few days, returned Thursday to Chicago.

Paul Labiszewski of Chicago, who has been here on business, left today for Fort Wayne.

Joseph Werwinski, 405 S. Chapin st., and Marlon Gorski, 122 S. Cassnut st., returned today from a business trip to Chicago.

Stanley Knitlewski has returned from a brief visit in Gary.

Rev. John Hosinski of Hammond is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

He is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hosinski, 1815 W. Washington av.

T. Brzezinski, Mr. and Mrs. Stanislaus Kolkowski, Joseph Fish of Chicago, and John Dombek of Elkhart, who have been here for the funeral of Mrs. Chelminiak, have returned to their homes.

Miss Bernice Kwilinska, 497 S. Scott st., has left for Michigan City to spend several days with relatives and friends.

POLISH DAY AT ST. HEDWIGES. A Polish day was celebrated Thursday afternoon by the seventh and eighth grade pupils of St. Hedwige's.

The class room was beautifully and artistically decorated in the national colors, over which the stars and stripes waved gracefully.

Now! The Finish!

Tomorrow we begin the sale that takes the town by storm and turns this store into a busy beehive of Bargain activity---our semi-annual clean sweep of Hart Schaffner & Marx \$22.50, \$25, \$27.50 and \$30 Suits and Overcoats at

- Stripe Suits
Tartan Plaid Suits
Blue Serge Suits
English Suits
Conservative Suits
Men's Suits
Young Men's Suits



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- Dress Overcoats
Black Overcoats
Storm Overcoats
Balmacaans
Double Breasted Overcoats
Form-tracing Overcoats
Chinchilla Overcoats

All go now at . . .

NOTE:

We want every man to have a chance to share in this sale---no matter when he begins or leaves his work for the day. To make this possible we are starting this sale on a Saturday when we will be open from 7 A. M. until 10:30 P. M. From past experience we know that even our already large force will be inadequate to serve you, so we have engaged extra salesmen and tailors in order to insure prompt and satisfying service.

Mere comparison of prices says nothing for the wonderful values this sale affords. It's a quality sale of quality clothes with high quality values. Every smart, correct and admired Hart Schaffner & Marx suit or overcoat model of the season is included. There's a size for every man and young and, in conclusion, we want to say that these values are the best and greatest we ever offered in any sale of

\$22.50, \$25, \$27.50 and \$30 Suits and Overcoats at \$15

SAM'L SPIRO & CO.

Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes, Knox Hats, Sampeck Boys' Clothes.

FRUIT LAXATIVE FOR SICK CHILD GIVE "CALIFORNIA SYRUP OF FIGS"

Cleanses tender little stomach liver, bowels without injury.

Every mother realizes that this is the children's ideal laxative and physic, because they love its pleasant taste and it never fails to effect a thorough "inside cleansing" without scripping.

When your child is cross, irritable, feverish, or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue, mother! If costed, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs" and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste sour bile and undigested food passes

out of the bowels and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic, remember a good liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are plainly on each bottle.

Ask your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs." Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made in California by the California Fig Syrup Company. Refuse any other fig syrup with contempt.---Adv.

The pupils of the above mentioned grades were deeply touched with sympathy for their suffering fellow men in Europe, recited the rosary, praying that God shower His consolation on the suffering.

Then followed the program: Chorus, "Boze Cos Polskie" Class Essay, "Ostatnie Dni Polsk,"

Recitation, Miss J. Wrobel Violin solo, W. Prawat Essay, "Mlosc Ojczyzny"

Recitation, Miss M. Mincinski Essay, "Polska" Recitation, Miss K. Strauss Chorus, "Powstanie Stycznolowe"

Recitation, Miss K. Hazineska Chorus, "Mlosc Ojczyzny" Violin solo, W. Chelminiak Essay, "Mlosc Ojczyzny"

Recitation, Miss R. Kotlinska Essay, "Mlosc Ojczyzny" Chorus, "Mlosc Ojczyzny"

The closing remarks were made by Rev. M. Swiatkowski of Chicago. He congratulated the pupils on their well rendered program. But the principal thought in his address was the idea "That no one can be true to his country unless he is a truly religious man."

DEATHS. Mrs. Anastasia Chran, 80 years old, died early this morning at the county infirmary after an illness of several

months. She is survived by one son, Maximilian, living in Grand Rapids, and a daughter, Mrs. Anna Jozwiak, living in Chicago.

The body has been removed to Mr. Kaniewski's undertaking parlors. The funeral arrangements have not been completed. The funeral may be held on Sunday although definite arrangements will not be made until word is received from her son.

FUNERALS. The funeral of John Nowakowski, 70 years old, who died Wednesday morning at 5:30 o'clock at the county infirmary following an illness of a few weeks, was held this morning from the residence, 505 S. Lincoln st., at 8 o'clock to St. Adelbert's Catholic church. Rev. John Kubacki officiated. Burial was in Cedar Grove cemetery.

Z. B. NO. 1 FALCONS TO PAY RESPECT TO DEAD MEMBERS. The unveiling of the memorial tablet of the 11 members who died during the past few years will take place Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by the Polish Falcons Z. B. No. 1 at their armory hall.

The meeting will be opened by John Rozplocowski, president of the nest, and John Zaremba will act as secretary.

The anniversary will be observed by patriotic addresses and selections by Lady Falcons Z. B. No. 1 choir. Following is the list of the dead

members: Roch Kujawa, soldier, died March 23, 1904; Wawrzyniec Romecki, soldier, died May 17, 1906; John Kaniewski, soldier, died Nov. 14, 1906; Jacob Kujawski, soldier, died May 31, 1911; Stefan Kowalski, soldier, died Feb. 6, 1912; Stanislaw Witucki, choir director and bugler of the military rank, died Aug. 9, 1912; Konstanty Wiatrowski, soldier, died Sept. 19, 1912; Stanislaw Urbanski, soldier, died Nov. 8, 1913; Stanislaw Prawat, innkeeper of the Z. B. hall, died June 14, 1914; Thaddeus Kaminski, financial secretary of the nest, died Aug. 17, 1914, and Martin Ognieszak, soldier, died Sept. 21, 1914.

A mass on Saturday morning at 7:30 o'clock at St. Hedwige's Catholic church will be held by Rev. Anthony Zubowicz, C. S. C., in the memory of the dead members.

WILL DISBAND MILITIA Company L of Goshen to be Mustered Out by Capt. Calvert.

GOSHEN, Ind., Jan. 29.—Unable to find a suitable successor to Capt. George Honert, who recently moved his family from Goshen to Ligonier, officers of the Indiana National Guard have given orders for the mustering out of Co. L, I. N. G.

Capt. Charles B. Calvert of South

Bend has been ordered to take charge of the mustering out.

The Goshen company has not been recruited up to the required strength for some time, and has been steadily deteriorating it is stated, due to lack of interest.

POSTMASTER RECOMMENDS AEROPLANE MAIL SERVICE Fort Wayne Man Submits Bid For Round Trip to Indianapolis Daily With 400 Pounds of Mail.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Jan. 29.—Aeroplane mail service between Fort Wayne and Indianapolis, with stops for the discharge and collection of sacks at Bluffton and Muncie, have just been recommended to the Washington department by Robert E. Hanna, postmaster of this city. Action was taken when Hubert J. Gladbach, 35 years old, an aviator of this city, suggested the plan and submitted a bid for covering the route by aeroplane.

Gladbach is building a large airship of the Curtiss type, and he guarantees to make a round trip between Fort Wayne and Indianapolis daily, covering the total distance of 280 miles in this six hours and carrying a maximum load of 400 pounds of mail each way.