



G. O. P. ADOPTS REPEAL PLANK IN NEW YORK

Political History Made as Party Pledges Itself to Wet Cause.

MOVE CHEERED WILDLY

Roars of Applause Greet Vote of 733 to 258 for New Deal.

BY THOMAS G. FORD
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ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 26.—The New York state Republican convention today adopted a party platform favoring repeal of the prohibition laws.

The prohibition plank was drafted in an all-night session by the committee on rules and resolutions and was passed by the convention by a vote of 733 to 258.

The plan was adopted without debate on the convention floor. After the remainder of the platform had been approved by the delegates former United States William M. Calder moved adoption of the section calling for repeal of the prohibition law. The vote began immediately.

No Minority Report

No attempt was made by drys to present a minority report.

With the adoption of the platform, the convention adjourned until 2 p. m., when it was expected a state ticket to be headed by United States Attorney Charles H. Tuttle of New York for Governor would be nominated.

The nomination of Tuttle following adoption of the anti-prohibition platform plank was the complete transformation of the New York Republican party into a wet party. Senator John Knight, chairman of the resolutions committee, was called upon to read the platform. He was greeted with applause from the wet side, the victors in the long and bitter fight for declaration of repeal.

The prohibition plank was the last. When Knight read the caption "Prohibition," the convention broke into cheers and it was several minutes before he could proceed.

Waves of Applause Break

Waves of applause swept back and forth as the chairman read with emphasis the phrases stating the beliefs of the opposing side.

When he read "we favor repeal of the eighteenth amendment," the delegates rose and cheered wildly. The women's bands added to the din.

The plank stipulated that with repeal of the eighteenth amendment, a new amendment would be adopted outlawing the saloon in the United States forever and pledging co-operation of the federal government in helping the states which adopt prohibition laws, to enforce them.

The convention's action made political history, marking the first actual departure of the Republican party from its stand in support of the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead law.

Drys Call Session

Drys, declaring they would never stand for repealing the prohibition amendment, called a conference today at which it was intended to launch a third party ticket, much the same as in 1926, when a prohibition candidate was credited with having caused the defeat of former Senator James W. Wadsworth, who is leading the wet faction which took control of the convention.

The dry conference was called by Mrs. D. Leola Colvin, state president of the W. C. T. U., who announced she would summon also a state convention of the law enforcement party, which temporarily designated Dr. Robert Paris Carroll of Syracuse university as its candidate for Governor.

EX-PATIENT THROWS BOMB IN HOSPITAL

Lumberjack Confesses Endangering 75 Lives, Causing \$2,000 Loss.

By United Press

IRONWOOD, Mich., Sept. 26.—A bomb tossed into the Gladview hospital, endangering the lives of seventy-five patients and causing \$2,000 damage, was the way a lumberjack vented a grudge against a doctor, police learned today when the woodsman confessed the bombing.

The lumberjack refused to tell his name. He is believed to be mentally deranged. He was a patient in the hospital two years ago.

BOND APPEAL IS MADE

Fair Convicted of Stealing Wheat File Plea With High Court.

Donald J. and Roland D. Wallace, convicted of stealing wheat from the Robert Widmer elevator, Rockport, filed petitions for admission to bail with the supreme court today. They were fined \$2,000 each and sentenced to two years' imprisonment in Spencer circuit court.

Fall Victim Recovering

By United Press
ANDERSON, Ind., Sept. 26.—Paul Conner, 37, Alexandria, is recovering from injuries suffered when he fell two stories to the bottom of an elevator shaft at the Tower hotel which is under construction.

Now is the time to enjoy Eatmor Cranberries—inexpensive—marvelous when made into 10-Minute Cranberry Sauce, or jelly and desserts.—Advertisement.

'First Lady' to Visit City



Mrs. Herbert Hoover

INDIANAPOLIS will be host to the "first lady of the land" when Mrs. Herbert Hoover comes here Tuesday to attend the national convention of Girl Scouts, opening at the Lincoln Wednesday, it was announced today.

Indianapolis Scout leaders will pay honor to the first lady at a dinner in the Woodstock Club Tuesday night, given by Mrs. E. Blake Francis, chairman of the Indianapolis Girl Scout council, for Mrs. Hoover and national Girl Scout directors.

Mrs. Harry G. Leslie will be guest at the dinner, and with Mrs. Hoover, will attend a reception following for delegates, Scout leaders and guests of the convention at the Lincoln at 10 Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Hoover, who is former national president of Girl Scouts and former chairman of the national board of directors, will remain overnight and attend the opening session of the convention at the Lincoln at 10 Wednesday morning.

OFFICIAL KILLS SELF

Safety Director Injects Poison in Veins.

By United Press

CINCINNATI, Sept. 26.—Ill health was blamed today for the suicide of Safety Director Grover C. Smith, 38, who killed himself by injecting poison into his veins.

Smith's body was found in his apartment here late Thursday night. He had been dead since Wednesday, according to the coroner's jury. Near the body was a note dated 12 noon, Sept. 24, which read:

"My health is gone. There seems to be no possibility of ever being well again."

'VISIT' EACH OTHER, BUT STILL CONTINENT APART

Sisters, One in East, Other in West, Decide on Trips at Same Time.

By United Press

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 26.—Early this month, Mrs. John H. Cassens left by motor to pay her sister, Mrs. Chance Sherwood of Los Angeles, a surprise visit.

Almost on the same day, Mrs. Sherwood decided to do the same thing, and left for Hartford.

Both sisters, it was learned today, arrived at their respective destinations on the same day and they still are a continent apart.

ACTOR WAS NOT JAILED

Police Mistaken in Identity of Disorderly Conduct Prisoner.

By United Press

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 26.—The United Press herewith corrects an erroneous report of Aug. 25, that Jack Clifford, divorced husband of Evelyn Nesbit, had been arrested and jailed here on a disorderly conduct charge.

While police said the man arrested was the former husband of Evelyn Nesbit, their identification was in error and the United Press regrets the embarrassment it has caused Jack Clifford, the actor, who in no way was involved in the matter.

His son, the late Colonel Albert L. Hall, commander of a United States

regiment when the United States entered the World war, died in a Texas camp from influenza before the regiment embarked for France. Surviving him are the widow, Mrs. Leonora F. Hall, and a grandson, Lewis Hall of this city. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Methodist hospital authorities intimated an autopsy might be performed, probably to learn the nature of the disease that proved fatal to Mr. Hall.

WALTER E. COX ENDS OWN LIFE

Ill Health Is Blamed by Attorney's Brother.

Concerned about his brother's failing health, Earl R. Cox, prominent Indianapolis attorney, drove several miles out of his way down town this morning to find the brother, Walter E. Cox, 4922 College avenue, dead at his home.

"He had pressed the muzzle of a 16-gauge shotgun against his temple and pushed the trigger. The body lay in the kitchen. Near it was a farewell note. Addressed to the widow, Mrs. Martha Cox, teacher at School 66, Broadway and Thirty-eighth street, it read:

"Dear Martha, I am losing my mind over my health, and I know it. Please forgive me, and God bless you, Walter."

The widow, the brother, his mother, Mrs. Nettie Cox, 61 South Tuxedo street, and a sister, Mrs. Carol Murphy, Evansville, survive him. The widow was in her classroom when the tragedy occurred.

Earl Cox, the attorney, who lives at Fifty-seventh street and Kessler boulevard, was due in federal court today. He conducted the recent Marion county grand jury primary vote probe, and resigned from its leadership when the grand jury refused to return indictments in the quiz.

Coste Lands at Portland

By United Press

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 26.—The French fliers, Coste and Bellonte, landed here from Pasco, Wash., at 9:30 this morning.

OTT'S SON IMPROVES

Officer's Boy Has Chance for Recovery.

Traffic patrolman "Bill" Ott's boy is better today.

In fact, he has a fighting chance to live and to play again with his "daddy" who Thursday stuck to his traffic post at Pennsylvania and Maryland streets until ordered home because he didn't want to slice the man-power of a "short-handed" police department.

"Bill" is by the bedside of his boy, William Albert, 6, at his home, 1435 Lexington avenue.

And somehow, ever since "Bill's" been home, the boy has improved. "His fever's down today," Mrs. Ott told The Times.

NEGROES ARE EXECUTED

Die in Chair As 'Death Row' Inmates Sing 'Swing Low, Sweet Chariot.'

By United Press

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 26.—Aaron Sharp, 22, and Berry Richardson, 20, Negroes, were electrocuted in the state prison here today while other Negro inmates of "death row" sang "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot." Sharp and Richardson were sentenced to death for the murder of Callie Willford, a farmer.

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COUNTY PLAZA CHURCH PLANS FALLING FLAT

'Balk' on Original Promise, Prepare to Ask State to Buy Edifices.

CHARGE 'DOUBLE-CROSS'

John Shearer Is Accused by Legion Officials for Failure.

Plan of Marion county commissioners to purchase two churches on the Indiana War Memorial plaza has been abandoned and the purchase burden eventually may fall entirely on the state, board members indicated today.

With a price of \$1,285,190 fixed on the two edifices—the First Baptist and the Second Presbyterian churches—board members have "balked" in their original plan and are preparing to ask the state legislature to make the purchase a state wide proposition, it was learned.

Since an appraisal board fixed the price more than three months ago, the board has received a deluge of "remonstrances" carried in personal letters of some of the city's most prominent figures.

Legion Hopes Are Blasted

Hopes of the American Legion to have the edifices removed by 1933 in time for the national convention, probably in the city, will be blasted. Charge of "double cross" has been hurled at Commissioner John E. Shearer by high legion officials.

Shearer made the purchase question a plank in his successful race for re-election, publicly announcing purchase would be made "immediately."

Today Shearer said, "I haven't said I was going to buy them, have I?"

George Snider, veteran member of the board, said he will refuse to place the burden of purchase on Marion county taxpayers.

Will Not Sign Bonds

"The legislature should make every county pay its share of the expense," Snider declared.

He added further he will not sign purchase bonds. Before bonds are offered for sale they must be signed by each member of the board.

Snider fixed a "fair" estimate price as \$900,000. Board members of each church have expressed willingness to sell at the \$1,285,000 figure.

The Baptist church site, on the southwest corner of the Plaza, comprises 24,082 square feet of ground, was valued at \$689,815, and that of the Second Presbyterian, at the southeast corner, includes 18,694 square feet at an appraised valuation of \$595,375.

MAN PICKED UP FOR DEAD MENACES COPS

Draws Gun in Ambulance, Confesses Postoffice Robbery.

By United Press

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 26.—Picked up for dead after he had leaped from a freight train today, James Ryan, 28, of Pittsburgh, was suddenly taken to life in an ambulance and threatened two police officers with a revolver. After he had been subdued, he said his name was James Ryan, 28, of Pittsburgh, and confessed that he robbed the Plymouth (Wis.) postoffice Thursday night.

He is a lawyer, having been admitted to the Indiana bar in 1931. He was prosecuting attorney of the Sixth judicial circuit from 1894 to 1897, member of the Democratic state committee from 1897 to 1904, and congressman from the Fourth Indiana district in the fifty-ninth to sixty-fifth congresses.

In 1924, Dixon had charge of Democratic campaign headquarters for the west, in Chicago.

BOBBY FOUR AHEAD

Leads Jess Sweetser in Golf Semi-Finals.

(Early Details on Sports Page)

By United Press
ARDMORE, Pa., Sept. 26.—Bobby Jones of Atlanta was four up on Jess Sweetser of New York at the end of twenty-two holes of their thirty-six-hole semi-final match of the national amateur golf championship here this afternoon.

Bobby was four up at eighteen and increased his lead to five up at the start of the afternoon round, but Sweetser came back to level out Bobby's advantage.

ATTEND AIRPORT RITES

Three From City in Cincinnati for Dedication Services.

Dedication of the new Lunden airport at Cincinnati today and Saturday is being attended by E. Kirk McKinney, president of the works board; H. Gene Haynes, local airport publicity director, and M. G. Johnson, airport engineer.

City officials are attending the ceremonies to aid in laying plans for dedication of the city's airport near Ben Davis next month.

See This Show

The Indianapolis home furnishings style show opens today, with twenty-three city firms participating in the week's display. These firms have gone to large expense in presenting fine displays in their windows, so that the public may see all the latest offerings in home furnishings. It will pay every one to visit these stores and view the displays.

In connection with the style show, The Times is offering more than twenty valuable prizes, supplied by furniture firms, for Times readers who can identify the show windows which will be pictured in this paper during the next five days. Read this list of prizes and rules of the contest on Page 14.

'Dora' Is Not So Dumb



Pert Kelton

By Times Special

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Sept. 26.—All the dumb Doras are not dumb Doras.

Pert Kelton, who usually gets the dumb parts in film plays, can prove this to any one's satisfaction.

Pert now has the pleasure of seeing her name in flaming letters across one of Hollywood's biggest hotels, the Warner-Kelton, and it's there because Pert is half owner of this lavish hostelry.

The nifty little actress plunged the limit to put the deal over. During construction of the hotel she signed over her entire salary, and now she's garnering profits as a result of her business judgment.

DIXON RETAINS POST

President Appoints Hoosier on Tariff Commission.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 26.—President Hoover completed organization of his new tariff commission today by reappointing Lincoln Dixon (Dem.), of Indiana, as the sixth member.

Dixon, a native of Vernon, Ind., where he maintains his home, first was appointed a member of the tariff commission by President Calvin Coolidge in 1927.

He is a lawyer, having been admitted to the Indiana bar in 1931. He was prosecuting attorney of the Sixth judicial circuit from 1894 to 1897, member of the Democratic state committee from 1897 to 1904, and congressman from the Fourth Indiana district in the fifty-ninth to sixty-fifth congresses.

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CAPONE AID HELD FOR INCOME TAX EVASION

Sam Gusick Charged by Government With Not Listing \$300,000.

By United Press

CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—Sam Gusick, worker in the underworld syndicate headed by "Scarface" Al Capone, evaded paying taxes on an income of \$300,000 for 1927 and 1928, the government charged today when Gusick was arraigned before Edwin K. Walker, United States commissioner, on charges of failure to file an income report for those years.

Gusick pleaded not guilty and Commissioner Walker set his bond at \$25,000.

COLD WAVE COMING

Mercury May Drop as Low as 50 Degrees, Is Warning.

Sharp drop in temperature will be due in Indianapolis following thunderstorms this afternoon or tonight, according to forecast of the United States weather bureau this morning.

Saturday morning may see the mercury as low as 50 degrees, J. H. Armstrong, senior meteorologist at the bureau, said. Saturday will be fair, and continued cool.

LETTER STRAYS; STUDENT

JAILED FOR AUTO THEFT

"It's a cinch to nab buggies up here, for these wealthy students have plenty of big ones, and they seldom bother to remove the keys."

This and similar paragraphs from a letter which went astray caused Arthur Thompson, 18, of 914 North Hancock street, to land in jail here today, and Leon Whitling, 21, of 2937 North Delaware street, to be sought with a woman on vehicle taking charges.

Charges were brought by Lieutenant Charles Bridges of the state police.

Whiting is a senior electrical en-

gineering student at Purdue university and Thompson an employee of the American Legion auxiliary national headquarters, Bridges said.

The letter was typewritten by Whitling on Legion stationery, secured from Thompson, and mailed from Lafayette. The "buggies" referred to are Purdue students' cars. The letter told of plans to steal several, but arrest was made for theft of the machine of Dr. Alf S. Jaegers, 2935 Washington boulevard.

An alleged confession, signed by Thompson, sets out that this car was stolen by both young men for joy riding on several occasions.

EIGHTEEN POLICEMEN PLEAD NOT GUILTY IN U. S. COURT ON FEDERAL BOOZE CHARGES

Indicted Officers Stand Before Judge Baltzell, Deny Complicity in Plot Accusations of Government Authorities.

DELAY OF CITY RAIDS PROBED

Difficulty in Obtaining Search Warrants Said to Be Target of Secret Investigators; Grand Jury Issues Subpenas.

Probe of alleged difficulty and delay said to have confronted members of the police department in obtaining search warrants for places where the law is alleged to have been violated was under way today by federal authorities, it was learned.

Policemen, who, it is reported, have been confronted by search warrants problems, were in conference with undercover federal agents, who now are operating in this city.

It was reported reliably that federal operatives still are at work and will continue to be active in connection with alleged police graft and crime in Indianapolis until several pending matters are cleared.

Witnesses Subpenaed

Simultaneously with the new federal activity, the Marion county grand jury secretly issued several subpoenas for witnesses to appear today in the survey Judson L. Stark, prosecutor, says he is conducting. His "probe" does not include the county outside of the city, he has explained.

City officials were noncommittal today on their plans in the cleanup of Indianapolis and ridding the police department of alleged corruption.

Police launched ten raids Thursday afternoon and night, seven of which were conducted as a smash on alleged gambling and booze selling joints.

Staying Under Cover

Results of the raids were meager and police said they believed the city's underworld had stopped functioning after eighty-two persons were nabbed Wednesday afternoon. However, one operator of a joint told The Times that he had information of the forthcoming raids early Thursday.

Information on which the search warrants were obtained from Municipal Judge Paul C. Wetter was supplied by the city's investigator, who still is operating.

Those arrested Thursday and the charges: Earl Sears, 206 Indiana avenue, keeping a gaming device; Wallace Humphrey, Negro, 231 West Thirteenth street, operating a blind tiger; Mrs. Blanch Connors, 435 East Pratt street, operating a blind tiger; Sam Bell, 43, and Angeline Beard, Negroes, 318 Minerva street, operating a blind tiger; Gus Foster, 26, of 345 West Fourteenth street, operating a blind tiger, and Hitalensark Marco, 43 South West street, operating a blind tiger.

No Arrests Made

Sears this morning obtained a continuance in municipal court until Oct. 7.

In raids on the following places no arrests were made: William Crist, 1627 Howard street; Harry Russe's smokeshop, 238 Indiana avenue; Speedway inn, 254 Indiana avenue, and A. J. Bruce, 136 West Maryland street.

Refusal of Clifton R. Cameron, municipal judge, to issue search warrants to the city's investigation for Wednesday's raids, was admitted by him. He said the investigator refused to answer questions necessary to swearing out the warrants and the affidavits had been locked in a drawer in his office.

Efforts to obtain the warrants were made Tuesday, but due to Cameron's refusal, it was necessary to wait until Wednesday to get the warrants from Judge Wetter, police said.

Wetter, shortly before Cameron warranted having refused the writs, charged there had been a "leak" before the raids were staged and expressed amazement that the squads did not obtain more.

Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan and other city officials refused to discuss possibility of a shakeup in the police force, although in a statement Thursday the mayor and safety board declared efficient and honest men on the force would be placed in responsible positions.

PARALYSIS CASES RISE

Infantile Disease Hits Nine During September, Dr. Morgan Reports.

Two additional cases of infantile paralysis have been reported, Dr. Herman G. Morgan, city health board secretary, said today. The additional cases bring the total for September to nine. Dr. Morgan last week warned against a possible epidemic of the disease this fall.

FLIERS AT CINCINNATI

Ford Reliability Tour in Ohio After Hop From Terre Haute.

By United Press

CINCINNATI, Sept. 26.—The eighteen Ford reliability tour planes landed at Lunken airport here at 12:20 p. m. They flew here from Terre Haute.

On common footing with criminals — they formerly stalked down, eighteen Indianapolis policemen stood before Federal Judge Robert C. Baltzell today, and each with a catch in his voice, pleaded not guilty to charge of conspiracy to violate national liquor laws.

They were among 222 persons named in 167 indictments by the federal grand jury Saturday. They will be tried Nov. 12. Several of those indicted, including five named in connection with the alleged police conspiracy, have not been apprehended.

Judge Baltzell also heard nine not guilty and two guilty pleas from eleven of seventeen persons indicted in the airplane liquor conspiracy. Two of the six missing are en route here from the federal penitentiary at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., and another, Nelson Gibson, is in a hospital.

Arraignments were adjourned at 12:30 p. m., when 200 of those indicted had been arraigned. The afternoon will be devoted to passing sentence on persons who entered guilty pleas, Judge Baltzell declared.

Charged With Taking Booze

Policemen arraigned on the first of two indictments returned by the grand jury were charged with having demanded and accepted money and liquor at a poolroom at 1213 East Twenty-second street.

They were: Sergeant Martin O'Brien, and Patrolmen Martin O'Brien, Claude Ridenbaugh, Ralph Lambert, Otis Tyner, David J. Curran, and Thomas Gray, all of whom pleaded not guilty.

George Spinks, Negro, alleged to have delivered liquor at the poolroom, and named in the same indictment, pleaded guilty to conspiracy charges.

Liquor Demanded Is Charged

In the second indictment, which charged police demanded and obtained liquor at a speakeasy at 843 East Washington street, the following were named:

Chris Schischoff and Chris Vilaschoff, proprietors, who entered not guilty pleas; Lieutenant Marion VanSickle, Sergeants John Volderauer and James O'Brien and Patrolmen Clifford Brown, Orville Quinette, George Stricker, Ned Hoagland, Noel Stark, Fred Hague, Harry Bridwell and Thomas Sullivan, all of whom pleaded not guilty.

All the policemen are under \$3,500 bond.

Dell Barker, 909 North Sherman drive, alleged owner of a rum-running ring used to smuggle liquor into Indianapolis from Canada, pleaded not guilty to conspiracy charges.

Lee Barker, his brother, also under indictment, was to be returned today from Leavenworth for arraignment.