

RACKET TESTIMONY HITS TAMMANYITE

Hines Branded by Schultz
Henchman as Protector
of Policy Gang.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—(AP)—A negro expert on numbers, the pinch-penny sport of the poor, returns to the witness stand today in supreme court where Tammany District Leader James J. Hines has been accused of having been a paid political protector of the policy syndicate of the slain racketeer, Dutch Schultz.

A policy or numbers "banker" in Harlem for seven years, Wilfred Brunder had begun a detailed description of the lottery yesterday when his testimony was interrupted by a defense demand some connection be shown between Hines and the racket he is charged with aiding.

Though protesting, Dist. Atty. Thomas E. Dewey promptly produced a confessed henchman of Schultz—George Weinberg, who was indicted with Hines but turned state's evidence—to "put the finger" on the Tammany boss.

Halted at every other sentence by defense objections, Weinberg testified Hines attended a 1932 conference at which arrangements were made to protect the numbers racket from too much official interference.

The Tammany boss received a \$1,000 retainer from Schultz at the racket boss' apartment, the witness added, and Schultz ordered Weinberg to give Hines \$500 to \$1,000 a week.

"Promised to Deliver"

"I was told by Schultz to make my arrangements to get in touch with Hines whenever I needed him," Weinberg said, explaining he had told Hines Schultz and his associates wanted policy cases settled in magistrates' court and not "down town in special sessions," and police raids should be curbed.

"Hines went on the payroll and promised to deliver," Dewey had told the jury in his opening statement, as he sketched the growth of the racket in which, a 13-count indictment charges, Hines shared control and profits.

Policy arrests then dropped one-half, Dewey said. A case against a \$450,000 policy bank was dismissed and—here Dewey brought in the elusive but significant political element in the case—Hines elected William C. Dodge district attorney in 1933 with the aid of "gangster floaters" and Schultz money, the prosecutor charged.

Defense Strikes Back

Already incensed by Dewey's charges, which he told the jury were based on "diabolical falsehoods" and "the roughest perjury," Hines' chief counsel, Lloyd Paul Stryker, first demanded a mistrial because of Weinberg's testimony.

Denied his motion by Justice Peckora, Stryker arose to confront Weinberg. His voice sharp and indignant, he first prompted the witness to admit everything at the alleged 1932 conference, except him and Hines, were dead.

Then, confronting Weinberg with testimony from a federal court trial in which he denied having business relations with Dutch Schultz, Stryker made the uneasy racketeer admit he had lied in that trial—lied to save \$24,000, Weinberg added.

"Would you lie to save your liberty?" Stryker answered. "I don't know whether I would or not," Weinberg answered. "That is all," Stryker told the court. Asked a few minutes later if he was satisfied with the outcome of the city's testimony, he said, "Oh, goah, yes."

Behind the Scenes in Washington By Rodney Dutcher

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Every Washington correspondent expects everyone he meets to ask—or tell him—whether President Roosevelt will seek a third term. He expects this because, for some weeks, no one has failed to do so.

Dependent (this writer) sayeth as follows: 1. Roosevelt may have said something about it to Mrs. Roosevelt. The only other person in whom he might have confided, Louis Howe, is dead. Frequently he has indicated he prefers to quit after two terms. If he has discussed a third term with any living person—from the standpoint of running again—"under certain circumstances"—that person's lips are sealed. And this is a surprisingly loose-tipped town.

2. Republicans, anti-Roosevelt democrats and staunch New Dealers—including F. D. R.'s intimate confidante—believe the President probably will be a third term candidate. This fact is significant and important. It is and will be in the background of many major moves and public utterances.

3. Each of those three groups is sure the best strategy is to ballyhoo the likelihood of a Roosevelt candidacy. G. O. P. Chairman Joseph Hamilton, anti-New Dealers,

The Winnah!



Winning over 40 competitors, Claire James, 19, of Hollywood, was named "Miss California, 1938," in an annual contest at Venice. She'll represent the state in national competition at Atlantic City.

Senator Ed Burke of Nebraska and pro-New Deal senators and governors keep bringing it up.

4. Republicans talk up third term because they believe this will incite antagonism to Roosevelt.

5. Anti-administration democrats talk third term in order to solidify intra-party opposition to Roosevelt—or a hand-picked successor—pending the 1940 democratic national convention.

6. Top-flight New Dealers want everybody to discuss third term, hoping what they call "emotional baloney" will be dissipated by 1940. After a period of whooping and shouting, they hope, the issue will be considered from a "cold, practical" standpoint and those for Roosevelt now—and they see a majority—will want Roosevelt again.

Tracing The Conversion
The last viewpoint is especially interesting because it's that of Roosevelt's own close buddies. Conversion of this group is interesting. Its members are for a third term, not because they want Roosevelt or anyone else to serve a third term, but because "they see no other way out" if New Deal policies are to be carried on. As they see it, no other New Dealer now has a real shot at the presidency.

Contributing to their "conversion" was the gradually demonstrated weakness of Senator Alben Barkley of Kentucky, hand-picked by Roosevelt as his senate majority leader and jammed down the throats of senate democrats who otherwise would have chosen conservative Pat Harrison of Mississippi.

Originally F. D. R. and his pals considered Senator Bob LaFollette as a worthy Roosevelt successor, but resurgent conservatism in the democratic party indicated "no soap." Barkley, briefly, a fair-haired boy with the White House inner circle in its search for a 1940 nominee, showed no strength as a senate leader, preferred compromise to battle (he had few troops) and had to be bailed out by Roosevelt in his Kentucky campaign against the more popular "Happy" Chandler.

Roosevelt told his lieutenants to promote Robert H. Jackson, now solicitor general, for New York's democratic gubernatorial nomination. But when nearly all New York democratic machine politicians—including Jim Farley—balked, Roosevelt failed to demand their support for Jackson. Whether he could have forced New York democracy to nominate Jackson is debatable. If Jackson had become governor of New York he would have become F. D. R.'s outstanding heir-presumptive.

Hopkins Has Friends
Most New Dealers would like to see Roosevelt back WPA Harry Hopkins, former New York state relief director, and himself 150 per cent New Deal, for governor. That would indicate he preferred Hopkins, his closest friend and adviser in administration ranks, to Franklin D. Roosevelt for president in 1940. If he doesn't, you can make your own guess. Perhaps he couldn't force Hopkins' nomination, although Hopkins would be a strong candidate for any elective office.

For that matter, it's impossible to predict now whether Roosevelt could force his own renomination in 1940. Readers interested in further angles of the third term campaign are invited to submit questions to Hamilton, anti-New Dealers,

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