

# Orr pledges to alter federal-state setup

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Gov. Robert D. Orr, sworn in today as Indiana's 45th chief executive, began his four-year term with a sense of optimism and a pledge to establish a new relationship with the federal government.

"What the nation's governors propose is reactivation of the original relationship between the states and the federal government, that of a partnership in creating policy and in achieving end results in areas of national concern," Orr said. "We want to see an end to an ever-burgeoning bureaucracy which continues to prescribe evermore explicit administrative requirements."

Orr, 63, was given the oath by his brother, Samuel Orr of Evansville, and his sister, Mrs. Kendrick Trostel of Milwaukee. On the platform with Orr was the man he replaces and with whom he served as lieutenant governor the past eight years, Otis R. Bowen.

Also sworn in today were Lt. Gov. John M. Mutz, Attorney General Linley Pearson, Superintendent of Public Instruction Harold Negley and State Court Reporter Marilou Wertzler.

Orr noted that some of his friends have told him this is not the best time to become governor.

"Given my druthers, I might prefer to assume this office in better times. That is true not because I expect or want the governor's job to be easy, but because I know that our faltering economy works hardships on every

Hoosier and most drastically affects those who can least afford to bear another burden," he said.

The new governor said he is an optimist who doesn't believe in "doom and gloom prophesies."

"As one who was a youth when the Great Depression struck, I know how bad economic conditions can actually become," Orr said. "Hoosiers and Americans survived those times and lived to see much better days. We will do so again."

Orr said he comes into the office of governor "somewhat overwhelmed," with a respect for institutions of government and gratitude toward the people who worked for him.

"I owe a special debt of gratitude to the man I succeed, Gov. Otis R. Bowen. He leaves office secure in the knowledge that he has done his best and that his best has been better than any governor in Indiana history," Orr said. "To me, he leaves a legacy of good government and a challenge to measure up to his high standards of performance."

In brief remarks following his swearing-in, Mutz praised Orr's record as lieutenant governor.

"No lieutenant governor worked harder or with more loyalty than Bob Orr for Otis Bowen," Mutz said. "I pledge to work just as hard for Bob Orr as he did for Otis Bowen."