

## Examiner's Report

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but no payment to the Treasurer appeared to have been made at that time. Loan No. 2065 executed April 13, 1939 in the name of Christian and Clara Bucher in the sum of \$1000.00 was released on April 15, 1941 but no payment to the Treasurer was made at said date.

The first of these items was received into the Treasury on October 16, 1942 on Receipt No. 6613 and included interest to said date in the total sum of \$328.42. The second item was paid into the treasury on October 14, 1942 on Receipt No. 6607 in the sum of \$1077.28 which included interest to date.

"There appears in the Register of School Fund Loans under No. 1856 a loan to a Mr. Brewster in the sum of \$325.00. The original mortgage was foreclosed by the County in the year 1927 and later sold and the balance of the purchase price not having been paid."

The following tabulation shows the detail of all data relative to said county warrants:

## COMMON FUND

Date of Number of Warrants	Warrant Issued to	Amount of Warrant	Interest to Oct. 31, 1942
5-6-1941	5795	Fred T. Liddy	\$500.00 \$37.08
5-22-1941	5910	Samuel E. Johnson	224.00 16.15
8-16-1941	6958	Earl Jones	347.50 21.00
9-27-1941	7302	Ralph Luginbill	725.00 39.57
10-14-1941	7335	Murd Adams	510.00 26.44
10-29-1941	7667	John Bruck	300.00 15.98
11-14-1941	8029	Charles Adams	200.00 9.58
4-18-1942	9968	John Hillman	260.00 6.93
5-8-1942	342	Joseph Shimp	325.00 7.72
5-21-1942	346	John McCune	300.00 6.66
7-17-1942	1123	Ralph Goldner	350.00 5.05
8-12-1942	1489	John J. Schwartz	400.00 4.33

Amounts due Common School Fund \$4,441.50 \$195.78

## CONGRESSIONAL FUND

Date of Number of Warrants	Warrant Issued to	Amount of Warrant	Interest to Oct. 31, 1942
6-16-1941	6263	Charles Todd	\$600.00 \$41.25
11-14-1941	8029	Charles Adams	100.00 4.79
1-23-1942	8849	George Greely	286.00 11.04
2-7-1942	9195	Ralph Strayer	162.59 5.94
3-12-1942	9550	Henry Myers	300.00 9.59
3-29-1942	9968	William Baer	240.00 7.06
8-26-1942	1181	Ralph Roth	500.00 4.51
9-29-1942	1854	John Kaht	300.00 1.75

Amounts due Congressional School Fund \$2,488.59 \$85.84

## PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Date of Number of Warrants	Warrant Issued to	Amount of Warrant	Interest to Oct. 31, 1942
6-5-1941	6066	William Jackson	\$150.00 \$10.42
6-19-1942	718	Ralph Bunner	200.00 3.66

Amounts due Permanent Endowment Fund \$350.00 \$14.18

All the foregoing amounts are due Adams county on account of the various school funds as held in trust as of October 31, 1942.

## SUMMARY

## ITEMS ADJUSTED DURING EXAMINATIONS:

Amount due Common School Fund account of two mortgages having been paid and released and not being paid into treasury See Page 17 \$1390.00

Interest due on said amount to date of payment into treasury See Page 17 195.70

Total \$1405.70 Credit by payment to treasury as listed See Page 17 \$1405.70

ITEMS NOT ADJUSTED AT CLOSE OF EXAMINATION:

Amount due School Funds on account of warrants drawn for which no mortgages were made:

See Page 18:

Common School Fund Principal \$4441.50

Congressional School Principal 2488.59

Permanent Endowment Principal 350.00

Total due School Fund Principal \$7,280.00

Amounts due School Fund Interest Accounts to Oct. 31, 1942 being 5% on each amount from date of Warrant:

Common School Fund Interest \$195.78

Congressional Interest 85.84

Permanent Endowment Interest 14.18

Total interest due 295.80

Total amount due from Victor H. Eicher, County Auditor \$7,575.89

Amounts due from members of County Council account of excess meetings and payment therefore See Page 16 \$140.00

Illegal Loan No. 2127 made 4-11-1942 Common Principal See Page 17 125.00

## Lost Leg in Philippines



ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Lieut. Bartholomew Passanante, who lost a leg in the Battle of the Philippines, and Irene Dunn, motion picture star, discuss the urgency of buying War Bonds to help our fighting men, during a War Bond rally held here recently at the Eastman Theatre. Price of admission to the rally was paid in War Bonds, and \$200,000 was taken for the "performance," the biggest "one night box office" in the history of the city. U. S. Treasury Department

## Sea Blockade May

## Bring Dakar Fall

## Belief Is Expressed By Military Experts

Washington, Nov. 11 — (UP) — Military observers believe that Dakar—bypassed in the invasion of French Africa—can be brought to terms by sea blockade.

They say that the big base on the western bulge of Africa already is suffering an economic blight. For months, speculation on an invasion of French Africa has centered on that belief that the Allies would strike first for Dakar, but, the experts say, the actual form of the invasion largely has nullified the strategical usefulness of the base.

Once Morocco is occupied, Allied forces will possess strongholds on both sides of Dakar. The British have the ports of Bathurst and Freetown south of the French naval base. And Europeans reports declare that American troops are in Liberia, also south of Dakar.

All these, the military men declare, probably were reasons for by-passing Dakar. But there were others. For one thing, Dakar, containing powerful French fleet units, would be a tough nut to crack. And that's more, with French North Africa in Allied control, it is hoped that West Africa may give up voluntarily.

## ROMMEL REARGUARD

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ful condition after wandering for days in the desert, bear mute testimony to the state of at least part of the Axis African forces.

Britain, rejoicing over the desert triumph, has not spared the honors for the victorious commanders. Lieutenant-General Montgomery, who delivered the smashing blow at Alamein is now a full general and knight commander of the Bath. And the middle east commander, General Sir Harold Alexander, has been named knight of the grand cross of the order of the Bath.

## BITTER WEATHER

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destruction of enemy troops and equipment in heavy fighting.

To the east, along the Black sea sector, Red army forces have successfully wiped out a German infiltration of their mountain positions.

## BIG SHORTAGE

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without their knowledge, are listed in the official copy of the examiner's report, printed in another part of this newspaper.

In the summary of the examiner's report, an adjustment, covering \$1,405.70, which Eicher paid into the county treasury, is listed. This is in addition to the \$7,575.89 which the examiner's state Eicher owes to the county. The items included in the credit are \$300 received from Susie F. Ward for release of mortgage and \$1,000 from Christian and Clara Bucher. The report states that Eicher did not pay these amounts, plus interest of \$105.70, until later. On October 24, 1942, he paid the treasurer \$328.42 and on October 14, 1942, he got a receipt for \$1,077.28 from the treasurer.

Explaining the uncovering of the discrepancy, the examiners state, "In making the examination of the school funds a number of warrants had been issued on the several funds for which no mortgages could be found in the office of the auditor, nor could a record of any such mortgages be found in the records of the recorder."

Their report was sworn to November 9, 1942, presumably in Indianapolis.

It was understood that a copy of the report, together with photographic copies of the warrants and the endorsements thereon, had been mailed to Judge J. Fred Fruchte of the Adams circuit court.

Probably the first act in the matter will be a demand on Eicher to pay the deficit. It was stated that the casualty company having his bond had already been notified and a representative was expected here momentarily.

**Other Accounts in Balance**  
The examiner's report shows that funds are in balance and that prescribed records are kept with the notation, that "the prescribed forms and records are in use and are properly kept and in balance except as noted in the discussion of the school funds herein."

Under the law, the county auditor is responsible for the school funds, maintaining the proper control records and granting of loans to those who wish to borrow money on real estate mortgage.

## Successor Talk Starts

The political angle to Eicher's probable resignation before the end of this year, and the appointment of a successor, not only for the next 40 days, but until a successor is elected, loomed as a major point of interest today.

If Eicher resigns now, there is

## Accepted Men Of November 3 Contingent Leave November 17



—All photos by Harold Melchi here November 3 to take final army exams at Toledo, Ohio under selective service orders. Accepted men from the group will leave November 17.

Men in the upper photo are: First row: Max Moser, Wilbert Hoffman, Willis Taylor, Charles Timmons, William Felton, Roger Arnold and Dale Grandinhard. Second row: Paul Hendricks, Amos Moore, Otto Baker, Harry Heuer, Donavin Sprunger, Roger Augsburger and David Habegger. Third row: Carl Schamerloh, Loyal Geyer, Merle Burkhead, Simon Schwartz, Elmer Harshman and Eugene Gase. Back row: Earl McCagg, Robert Braden, Floyd Hitchcock, Raymond Fuelling, Loren Wartman and Dale Stauffer.



## Accepted Men Already In Service With U. S. Forces



In the above photo occupied the second bus in the November 3 contingent. First row: Joe Steele, Norbert Hess, Russell Watkins, Gerald Lengerich, Loyal Geyer (who through an error appeared in both photos), David Smith and Buddie Johnson. Second row: George Andrews, Norbert Lose, Herman Franz, Leo Hackman, Robert Lord, Floyd Andress. Back row: Elmer Nusbaum, Arnold Ostermeyer, Robert Butler, Allen Kistler, Benjamin Miller and Arnold Martin. Of the two above groups Burkhead, Hitchcock, Heuer, Hoffman, Lose and Lord were rejected.

Men in the above photo occupied the second bus in the November 3 contingent. First row: Doyt Miller, Parry McRae, Amos Sommer, Charles Ross, Dwight Felt, Ralph Vanette, DeWitt Williamson. Second row: Floyd Engle, William Habegger, Harry Young, Herb Braun, Melvin Miller, Bob Bangerdner, Donald Gage. Third row: Charles Feasel, Ralph Spade, John Kruse, Vaughn Liechty, James Bier, Carl Sheets, John Everett. Back row: Walter Garwood, Homer Langner, Arthur Moeschberger, William Coffey, Harry Suman, Charles Taylor and Al Gelmer. All but Kruse, Sheets, Gage, Doyt Miller, Ross, Taylor and Habegger were accepted.

no question about the county commissioners' authority to name a successor for the balance of the present term, which expires December 31, 1942. Then, if Eicher does not qualify for the term to which he has been elected, a four-year vacancy may exist.

A legal point arises in the discussion of a successor for a longer period. Attorneys differ on the interpretation of the law, which gives the county commissioners authority to name a person for an indefinite term. Some contend that a successor can be named only until the next election, which will be in 1944.

Another political aspect is that a new board of county commissioners takes office January 1, 1943. The majority of the members will

## Berne Company Fined For Wage Violation

## Federal Judge Fines Smith Furniture Co.

Mammoth, Ind., Nov. 11 — (Special) — Smith Bros. Furniture Mfg. Co., Berne, Ind., was fined \$500 plus costs by Federal Judge Thomas W. Slick in the U. S. District Court here Tuesday. It was announced by Thomas O'Malley, regional director of the wage and hour and public contracts division of the U. S. department of labor.

The firm was indicted by the federal grand jury at South Bend on Oct. 9, after Alexander M. Campbell, U. S. district attorney, presented an 18-count indictment charging violations of the fair labor standards act.

The company was charged with falsification of wage and hour records and failure to pay employees at the rate of time and one-half for hours worked in excess of 40 in each week.

During yesterday's hearing the defendant's attorney, Samuel Jackson of Fort Wayne, Ind., presented the court with the corporation's plan of noise contending, whereupon Judge Slick assessed the fine.

The corporation employs about 100 workers and is engaged in the manufacture of upholstered furniture.

## WIN FULL CONTROL

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talking with Petain. Apparently, he