

# Indiana Business Up Slightly In July

## Retail Trade, Farm Income Aid Increase

Bloomington, Ind., Aug. 24.—(UPI)—The Indiana Business Review said today that Indiana business was somewhat higher in July over the previous month, due principally to the expansion of retail trade and farm income.

"Other parts of the index" remained in balance, as small gains were offset in turn by small losses," Indiana University's monthly business review reported. "In more normal times, July is a better month than June, but the fifth war loan drive and increased needs of the armed forces as the invasion got underway prevented the usual let-down in June."

The review added that the conditions also prevented the usual July expansion.

Bank debits were substantially lower than in June, the review

## Appointed Editor



Detroit, Aug. 24.—(Special)—Bernard J. (Pete) Wemhoff has been appointed editor of Automotive News, succeeding the late Chris Sinsabagh, publisher George M. Shocum announces.

Also announced was the appointment of Robert M. Finlay as managing editor of the trade publication. Jack Weed retains the title of editor of the newspaper's truck and service sections. Patricia Cassidy has been added as research and librarian, while Maynard Gordon has joined the news department.

Wemhoff, managing editor of the publication since 1940, joined Automotive News eight years ago after several years with the Detroit Free Press and the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette. Finlay, associate editor prior to his new appointment, joined Automotive News in 1943 after eight years with the Detroit Free Press.

Mr. Wemhoff is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wemhoff, 309 North Eighth street. He is a graduate of Decatur Catholic high school and Detroit University.

said, but debits in June were large because of the fifth war loan drive and the quarterly payment of federal income taxes. Newspaper advertising declined in July, also because of the stimulation provided in June by the war loan campaign. While coal production was less than in May or June, it still was high for a summer month. The review said that the decline in department store sales was only half as large as normally occurs in July and steel production also suffered less than its usual decrease.

For the first time in six months, industrial employment was larger than in the previous month with the expansion in some parts of the war production program offsetting the loss in other parts of the program.

The review said that hog receipts in July were higher than in any month since December of last year but that prices advanced despite the large number. Cattle prices lost some ground. Higher prices for dairy and poultry products offset the drop in most grain prices to make the farm income the best in some months, the review said.

## FRENCH, NAZIS

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accepted at face value as signifying that the Nazis intended to evacuate the city.

Then, even as jubilant crowds throughout the Free French empire and the Allied world were celebrating the liberation of Europe's queen city, the Nazis repudiated the pledge on which they had obtained a brief truce from the patriots and resumed the battle.

Latest reports reaching Allied headquarters from the turbulent city said the French still held parts of Paris but that street fighting still was in progress.

The embattled patriots, facing a garrison estimated at 20,000 or more crack German troops, were fighting desperately with rifles, machine guns, antitank weapons, and light artillery parachuted into them by Allied airmen.

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## Merchants Pay For Price Violations

### Over \$48,000 Paid By State Merchants

Indianapolis, Aug. 24.—Settlements between the Indiana district OPA and merchants charging over-calling prices for items ranging from popcorn to pot cleaners resulted in a total of \$48,894.66 being paid to the United States treasury from February 1 to July 31, 1944, it was announced today.

Largest item settled out of court was food violations, in which a total of \$22,464.65 was paid. Industrial material, including trucks and farm machinery accounted for a total of \$17,271.11 OPA officials stated, while consumer goods other than food totaled \$9,158.90.

Settlements negotiated during June resulted in the greatest monthly payment, \$13,556.99. Next greatest was July, with \$11,371.26, records show.

Poultry, bananas, onions, applesauce, candy, meat, fresh fruits and vegetables, corn and popcorn were included among the items found to have been sold above ceiling prices. Others were honey, farm machinery, tractors, used trucks, pot cleaners and wooden hangers.

## TO ORGANIZE LOCAL

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es found in the community, the aim of all committees being to prevent unnecessary duplication and to extend maximum assistance to veterans.

## LEAGUE FORMATION

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nection with the establishment of such an organization he reiterated his views that all peoples of the United Nations, and not alone the citizens of the major powers, should have a voice in decisions taken by the organization.

In urging full publicity on all proposals made at Dumbarton Oaks, Wilkie was said by Republicans with whom he conferred to have asked also for a recess of division under the desert warrior, Brig. Gen. Jacques Leclerc, were swarming through the streets in tanks and armored cars to support the outmatched patriots.

Scanty information available at headquarters suggested that the French still held the greater part of Paris, with the Germans fighting from street barricades and putting up a desperate "screening" battle against the American armored divisions moving in on them from the west.

partisan politics in discussion of the proposals. Isolationist forces should not, he urged, be allowed to take advantage of a free airing of discussion, and Republicans should refrain from unconsidered attacks on proposals.

## BOMBER CRASHES

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been watching the workers digging by the light of searchlights all night long.

By morning, 54 bodies of children—all of those trapped in the school were five or younger—townspeople, and soldiers had been recovered or accounted for. Rescue authorities estimated 30 still lay in the ruins of the school, snack bar, a pub, a garage, and the school caretaker's home.

The known dead included eight Americans—the pilot and two enlisted men aboard the bomber, and five soldiers trapped in the snack bar. The bomber was on a local flight.

## Hammond Swimming Pools Are Closed

Hammond, Ind., Aug. 24.—(UPI)—Seven municipal swimming pools in Hammond were closed today as the result of a water shortage and a high bacteria count. H. C. Groman, city health officer, advised the park board that it would be best to drain the pools if the water shortage prevented frequent refilling.

## 3 OTHER AMERICAN

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Nazi garrison in the streets of the capital.

Northwest of Paris, two American columns struck down the south bank of the Seine against feeble enemy opposition, and advanced as much as 23½ miles to within less than 40 miles of Le Havre.

One column captured Conches and lunged on 23½ miles to the northeast to capture Elbeuf, where thousands of Germans and huge masses of enemy equipment had been reported jammed along the Seine river bank, trying to cross in small boats and improvised rafts. Le Neuborg, 13 miles north of Conches, also was taken in the American drive.

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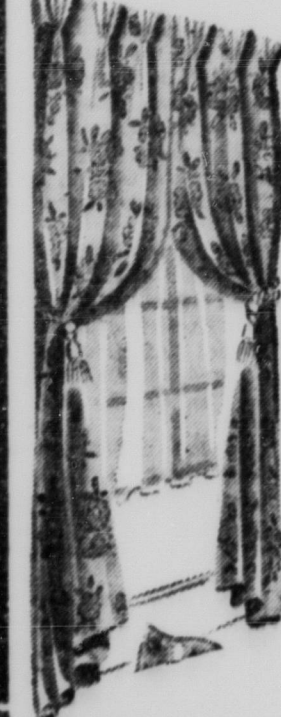


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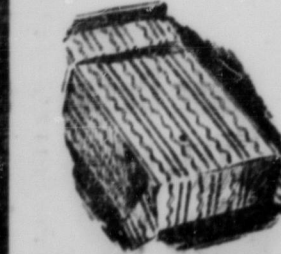
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