

AT LEAST TWO KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

Meatless Tuesday Today

President Truman Leading Nation In Initial Observance

Washington, Oct. 7 — (UP) — President Truman set the pace for the American public today in the first nation-wide observance of a meatless Tuesday since World War I.

It was learned, meanwhile, that "dessertless" and "butterless" days also have been suggested to Mr. Truman's new food committee. The idea has been put aside at least for the time being.

Although offers of voluntary cooperation in the drive to save an extra 100,000,000 bushels of grain for Europe poured into the White House, responsible officials said the first real test of the program is yet to come.

They said the campaign still is too new to expect 100 percent observance. The full effectiveness of the drive can be judged only after every American has been impressed with the importance of his efforts, officials said.

The president set the standard which he expects the nation to follow when the White House scheduled cheese souffle for lunch and broiled salmon steak for dinner today.

For eggless and poultryless "Thursday," the president will have a luncheon of peppers stuffed with rice and mushroom. The dinner will feature baked ham.

It also was learned that the food committee:

1. Was told that the baking industry is moving to stamp out commitment selling. Under this system, bakers — to plug their products — deliver more bread than retailers actually need.

They then take back the day-old loaves which usually are wasted.

2. Debated at length the wisdom of linking any promise of lower prices to the food saving campaign for fear it might "hemmering."

3. Was informed that meatless and poultryless days were recommended after earlier proposals to ask housewives to eat an across-the-board 15 percent cut in the use of wheat was junked.

4. Heard secretary of agriculture Clinton P. Anderson describe how the agriculture department is trying to limit the weight of hogs coming to market. This, he said, would be done through a federal bonus on light-weight hogs.

5. Was informed by Anderson that any return to so-called grey bread by hiking the flour extraction rate would be of doubtful value as far as saving grain is concerned.

Charles Luckman, chairman of the citizens food committee, also said:

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First Of 'Meatless' Tuesdays Has Little Effect Here Today

The first "meatless Tuesday," advocated by President Truman, had little effect in Decatur today, a survey disclosed.

Every restaurant contacted in the survey had at least one meat on the menu for the noon luncheon today and most had a variety from which the customer might choose. Some, however, may not have had ample time to prepare for a meatless meal on such short notice since the president's Sunday night speech.

In the homes, it might well have been a "meatmore," instead of a meatless Tuesday.

A check of several butcher shops disclosed not only that meat sales were up to normal, but in most cases butchers reported heavier buying than usual this morning.

WEATHER
Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, a few scattered light showers and somewhat cooler.

Resigns



Rev. H. J. Bouman Resigns Pastorate

Accepts Offer Of Wisconsin Church

The Rev. Herbert J. A. Bouman has resigned his position as pastor of the St. John's Lutheran church, north of Decatur, to accept a charge in Sheboygan, Wis.

The Rev. H. J. A. Bouman, above, has resigned as pastor of the St. John's Lutheran church, north of Decatur, to accept a charge in Sheboygan, Wis.

Rev. Bouman has accepted a position as pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran church at Sheboygan, Wis., where he will go after concluding his service here the last of this month. He will be installed there Sunday, November 2.

The St. John's congregation voted to ask the Rev. E. T. Schmidtke, pastor of the Zion Lutheran church at Friedheim, to take charge of the meetings to call a successor to Rev. Bouman.

The Rev. W. Vogel, retired, Fort Wayne, will be asked to conduct the services during the vacancy.

Rev. Bouman came to St. John's five years ago from Geneva, O. For the past four years he served the 10 congregations comprising circuit A of the Lutheran church as the official visitor. Rev. Schmidtke has been named his successor in that capacity.

Rev. and Mrs. Bouman have two sons, James, 14, a sophomore at Concordia high school, Fort Wayne, and Thomas, 7, a second grade student at St. John's Lutheran school.

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Democrat Thermometer Is Back Into Action

Annual Parade Here Friday, October 31

Plans for the annual Callithumpian parade to be staged here Halloween night, Friday, October 31, are rapidly being furthered, Chamber of Commerce officials said today.

The parade will be started at 7:30 p.m. that day from the jail yard and will be composed of bands and various costumed participants.

More than \$200 in prize money will be awarded winners in various events, to be announced in detail at a later date.

Will Bowers is general chairman of the event. Gregg McFarland, Dr. H. V. DeVor, Robert Helm and Clyde Butler have been named parade marshals.

Thurman I. Drew will serve as announcer for the event. Other committee members appointed by the Chamber of Commerce board of directors:

Prizes: R. C. Ehinger, R. W. Pruden, Herman H. Krueckeberg and John Halterman; publicity: Clarence Ziser, Ernest Karlen.

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UN Rejects Russ Proposal To Curb Press

Reject Proposal To Force World Press Expose Warmongers

Lake Success, N. Y., Oct. 7 — (UP) — The United Nations overwhelmingly rejected today a Soviet proposal which would have imposed on the world press an obligation to expose "warmongers" and to campaign for eradication of Fascism under threat of punishment.

It was the first of several anticipated efforts by Russia at the UN general assembly to accuse the United States of warmongering and to get the world to take action against alleged "instigators" of a new world war against Russia.

The defeat came in the UN general assembly's social, cultural and humanitarian committee. The only vote was 34 to 6 with abstentions.

The Soviet proposal would have required a maximum of government control of the press. It called for legislative action in each country to punish owners of newspapers who disseminate "untrue and libelous" statements about other nations and would deprive persons engaging in "warmongering" of the rights of freedom of the press.

Pakistan, the world's newest nation, today denounced proposals to divide Palestine between the Jews and Arabs and said that large, rich and prosperous states like the United States could, if they wished, solve the Jewish problem by accepting immigrants.

Sir Zafarullah Khan of Pakistan spoke for two hours in the UN general assembly's special Palestine commission.

The delegate of Pakistan was the only speaker in the Palestine commission. His lengthy dissertation in defense of the Arabs prevented the first spokesmen for the Soviet bloc from declaring their position.

There have been indications that the Soviet bloc, after three weeks of silence, will support the general principle of partition of Palestine between the Jews and Arabs despite Arab threats to start a middle east civil war.

Sir Zafarullah indirectly and sarcastically criticized the United States for its previous stands on the Jewish question and on Palestine. The U. S. delegation here still maintains silence on the par-

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\$10,000 Suit Filed For Death Of Girl

Damage Suit Filed In Circuit Court

A \$10,000 damage suit was filed in Adams circuit court today as an aftermath in the death of Judith Ann Baker, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Baker of 803 North Thirteenth street.

The suit was filed by the father of the little girl, who died September 5, 1946, the day after she was struck by a car driven by Leo H. Roe, who is named defendant in the action.

The suit, filed by D. Burdette Custer as attorney for the plaintiff, charges that she was struck with such speed and violence that her body was thrown a distance of 80 feet.

It charges that she was severely, critically and horribly injured, suffering broken bones, contusions and loss of blood, and that she died in the local hospital early the morning after the crash.

The suit avers that the defendant could have avoided hitting the child had he been proceeding at the lawful rate of 30 miles per hour or under, but that he was negligent in not keeping a proper lookout and in not yielding the right of way, the child having arrived at the point of impact at the crossing first; that he was negligent in not swerving his car to the west; that with reasonable diligence he could have saved her life; that he was driving

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Asks Brewers' Support In 'Diet'



CITIZENS' FOOD CONSERVATION Chairman Charles Luckman (left), and Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson (seated center), seek support of brewers John A. Berghoff (right), Fort Wayne, Ind., and E. V. Lahey, New Bedford, Mass., in backing up pledge to cut down on use of grain by distillers.

Heavy Food Waste In Restaurants Related

Four-Eight Ounces Of Food Per Person

Chicago, Oct. 7 — (UP) — Enough food for more than a million persons is wasted in the nation's public eating houses every day, restaurant operators said today.

The restaurants serve about 62,000,000 meals a day, and the national restaurant association estimates that from four to eight ounces of food are wasted daily on each person patronizing America's 157,000 eating houses.

Through President Truman's food saving program and a campaign of their own to supplement the government plan, the cafe operators hope to cut that waste by more than 75 percent to less than an ounce per person.

The restaurant men expect that the two conservation plans will save about 3,000,000 pounds of food a day.

Each person eats about three pounds of food daily, so the savings would feed around a million people.

A spokesman for the restaurant association said that by following Mr. Truman's request to save a slice of bread the people who dine out could save 4,000,000 pounds of bread every day.

"The average restaurant patron eats a slice and a half of bread with each meal," the restaurant spokesman said. "By just giving up that extra half slice he would, in effect, be saving a slice."

Directors of the national restaurant association voted in a meeting at San Francisco to cooperate with the president who had asked:

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Geoffrey F. Morgan Speaks To Students

Special Assembly Held This Morning

Geoffrey F. Morgan, nationally known speaker and assistant to the president of the Aircraft Industries Association, was the speaker this morning at a special assembly in the Decatur junior-senior high school.

Students of that school and the Decatur Catholic high school heard the address in a program in charge of principal W. Guy Brown.

"What's The Use?" was the topic of Mr. Morgan's address, dealing with the importance of education in building character, courage, courtesy and culture.

Mr. Morgan is well known for his work in the fields of education, having served as a school superintendent; in writing since he has written numerous magazine articles; in government since he served in the California state legislature, and business by virtue of his association with the aircraft industry.

He has addressed hundreds of Chamber of Commerce groups, service clubs, universities and high schools.

Pennsylvania Passenger Train Hits Road Grader Near Fort Wayne Today

Leading Grain Marts Bow To Truman Demand

Increase Margin Requirements To Curb Speculation

Chicago, Oct. 7 — (UP) — The nation's leading grain exchanges increased their margin requirements on grains sold for future delivery to 33-1/2 percent today, but spokesmen said the action was taken "with great reluctance."

The officials of the Chicago exchange yielded to President Truman's demand for increased margins yesterday and the Minneapolis and Kansas City exchanges soon followed suit. It was expected that other exchanges would take identical action.

A joint statement issued by the Chicago and Minneapolis exchanges said that the move would "neither alleviate nor correct" current high prices of grain, however.

Margin requirements are initial payments for grain which is to be delivered at some future date. The purpose of marginal payments is to provide a guarantee that the buyer or seller will carry out his commitments.

The President asked that the margins be increased so that speculative buying would be curbed.

In his radio speech to the nation Sunday, Mr. Truman said that the amount of wheat bought and sold on the grain exchanges during the month of September alone was equal to nearly half the total crop this year.

He said that much of that trading was "just plain gambling."

The boards of directors of the Chicago and Minneapolis exchanges (Turn To Page 6, Column 6)

Ex-GI Brings Babe Home By Airplane

Says Wife Refused To Come To U. S.

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 7 — (UP) — Curtis Elmer Vincent cast a father's anxious glance at his 10-month old son lying squalling in an oversized hotel bed here today and then declared bringing the baby 4,000 miles by plane and train from London "wasn't much trouble."

The 24-year-old shoe clerk for a local department store arrived by train from New York with the infant early today after taking the baby from his British bride "for a walk" in London Sunday.

"I gave Van a soother to chew on and his ears weren't bothered at all by the altitude on the flight to New York over the ocean," Vincent said. "I took milk and dried foods with me when I left the state and he had plenty to eat."

Told that Scotland Yard had started a search for him when his wife charged he had kidnapped the child, Vincent shouted:

"There was no kidnapping about it. My passport stated I was going to England to get my wife and child and return them to this country."

"I arrived in London two weeks ago and found my wife had left the baby in someone else's care. When she returned, I offered her a home in Greensboro or Talladega County, Ala., where I originally made my home. But she refused to come to America."

The ex-GI, who married his wife Marjorie before the army sent him home for discharge, indicated his wife's absence when he arrived in London was the thing that made him decide to bring the baby across the Taft-Hartley law.

Favor Reinstatement Of Service Officer

John Moore Named Justice Of Peace

In answer to a delegation from veterans' groups and a lodge organization, the Adams county commissioners late Monday asserted that they would recommend the reinstatement of the county service officer's post here at the next meeting of the county council.

Representatives of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts, the local Moose lodge and the Berne Legion post appeared before the commissioners during the regular meeting Monday.

They asked that the \$2,800 fund for the salary and operating expense of the service officer be included in next year's operating costs of the county.

John L. DeVoss of the Legion committee acted as spokesman. The organizations protested against the council's recent action in slashing the fund from the 1948 budget and circulated petitions asking for reinstatement of the office.

The demonstrators declared that duties of the service officer cannot be adequately handled by any other individual or organization in the county.

Appointed J. P.
John H. Moore, well known Geneva resident will be the new justice of peace of Wabash township. It was announced by the commissioners.

The commissioners approved his application for the post and will recommend his appointment by Governor Ralph Gates.

Moore will succeed James Barr, who resigned recently after many years in the office.

The Berne IGA store was awarded the contract for furnishing groceries for the county home for three months and the Geneva Hatchery the contract for furnishing bottle gas for the new storage tank at the same place.

The commissioners approved including the Stratton Place addition in precinct 2-A for voting purposes, the first time to be in the city election next month.

Observe Father-Son Communion Sunday

The annual father and son Communion Sunday will be observed at St. Mary's Catholic church next Sunday. The fathers and sons of the parish will attend the 7:30 o'clock mass and receive Holy Communion during the service.

Vote Registration Heavy On Last Day

Last Minute Rush Jams County Office

The customary last minute rush of registrants at the office of county clerk Clyde O. Troutner was "far beyond fondest expectations."

Shortly before 1 p.m. Monday when the office was reopened after the noon lunch hour, prospective registrants jammed the courthouse corridor and a steady stream trekked into the office during the balance of the afternoon.

At various intervals, several were forced to wait in the corridor when the outer offices became jammed with persons either registering or transferring their registrations.

Although no figures were available yet today, Mr. Troutner said that a final check will show scores of voters, registered yesterday—the final day to qualify for voting this fall.

Attaches of the office immediately began the task of placing the registrations in the proper poll books in preparations for the city election, November 4.

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Early Reports Say Three Others Still Missing In Wreck On G. R. & I. Division

Fort Wayne, Ind., Oct. 7 — (UP) — A Pennsylvania railroad passenger train smashed into a piece of highway machinery at a grade crossing near here today, killing at least two persons and injuring at least 13 others.

The Allen county sheriff's office said that two bodies had been found and identified as those of the train's engineer and fireman.

Eight injured including passengers and crew members were in St. Joseph hospital and five others in Lutheran hospital here, the sheriff's office reported.

The hospitals said names of the injured were not yet available.

Reports differed on the number of dead. State police said four were known dead and several train crew members missing and believed to be beneath the wreckage.

They said six cars were derailed from the train.

The accident occurred at 12:17 p.m. at the intersection of the railroad and the California road. The train was southbound.

The driver of the highway equipment, which state police said was a dirt conveyor loaded with 10 or 15 yards of gravel, was uninjured. He jumped before the crash. Police identified him as Gene Fmoleke.

The dead were Charles A. Perry, engineer, and L. M. Martin, the fireman, both of Fort Wayne, the Pennsylvania superintendent's office said.

The injured fireman was Dennis Gerlock, also of Fort Wayne.

The Ligonier, Ind., office of the Indiana state police said that the locomotive and six cars of the 11-car passenger train were derailed.

"We know of four dead and one injured seriously," an officer said. "The firemen, engineer and a trainmaster are believed to be in the wreckage."

The accident occurred three miles north and two miles west of Fort Wayne on the Grand Rapids and Indiana branch of the railroad.

Police said the heavy road grader was crossing the tracks (Turn To Page 3, Column 4)

Highway Accidents Kill Two In State

Five-Year-Old Boy Is Killed By Train

By United Press
Highway accidents killed two Hoosiers Monday, three more died in Indiana hospitals of injuries received earlier, a five-year-old boy was killed when he ran in front of a train, and a seventh Hoosier died when a cellar wall collapsed on him.

Both of the highway wrecks involved farm vehicles. On S. R. 56, near Brazil, Frampton Rockhill, 57, of Brazil, was killed when his automobile crashed into a tractor driven by Wayne Parkins of Prairie City. Near Anderson, on S. R. 32, Thomas Burke, 21, rode his motorcycle into a wagon, and died shortly after he was taken to an Anderson hospital.

Donald Ray Fair, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Fair, ran in front of a train near Markle. He was killed instantly.

Louis C. Gifford, 35, died in Warsaw of injuries received when a cellar wall collapsed on him. He was helping Edward Davidson dig the basement for the new Davidson home in Inwood.

At Indianapolis, a traffic accident on Saturday night claimed its second school girl victim. Miss Estelaine Barkdull, 15, of Anderson, died of injuries received in the two-car collision which killed Diana Hale, 13, also of Anderson.

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