

## Two Auto Accidents Reported In County

### Light Sleet Adds To Hazardous Driving

The sheriff's department and state police reported two automobile accidents in Adams county Monday night as the roads became dangerous after a light coating of sleet.

Deputy James Cochran investigated a mishap south of Decatur on U. S. highway 33. Mrs. Frances Louise Maish, Columbus, O., was driving south on the highway when the auto struck a slick patch of pavement. The accident occurred about 11:30 p. m.

The car skidded and tore down about 50 feet of fence at the Cal Yost farm, which is operated by Ambrose Spangler. Mrs. Maish's husband, Louis Maish, was an occupant of the car at the time of the mishap. There were no personal injuries.

Sheriff Robert Shraluka and state police officers investigated a mishap near Doc's Car Dock, south of Decatur on U. S. highway 27, at about 11:45 o'clock Monday night. A car driven by Paul Zuercher, Berne route 2, skidded on the ice and turned over. Zuercher was uninjured, but the automobile was badly damaged.

No other mishaps were reported and the icy condition of the roads

eased in about an hour and driving became simpler again.

Icy road conditions were reported throughout the night, however, north and west of Decatur.

### Berne Man Suffers Broken Right Leg

Dan Speicher, manager of Moore's store at Berne, sustained a fractured right leg Saturday afternoon when a ladder on which he was climbing to the store roof slipped and threw Speicher a distance of about 10 feet. The large bone was broken about three inches above the ankle. Speicher is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Good in this city.

### John G. Gordon To Speak To Berne PTA

John G. Gordon, local merchant and a former executive with the department of the interior, will give an illustrated lecture at the Berne-Freedom PTA meeting in Berne Jan. 29.

He has moving pictures of a "Trip Through Alaska," where he spent several years with the government and led an expedition for the Smithsonian Institute to the Aleutian Islands to make a study of the early natives of that island area. He is former professor of Wayne University, Detroit.

The English author, H. G. Wells, was son of a professional cricket player.

## Flying Congressman Returns To States

### Illinois Democrat Pleased At Flight

San Francisco, Jan. 22—(UPI)— Flying congressman Peter F. Mack said today his "round-the-world" "goodwill flight" convinced him of a surprising pro-American spirit in several Asiatic spots where Communism is eager for control.

The youthful Illinois Democrat, somewhat tattered out after the long over-ocean jaunt from Honolulu to San Francisco, said that he was amazed to find a spirit of friendship in Saigon, Indo-China, and "also in Viet-Nam."

He said, however, it was in Turkey that American prestige reached its highest point.

But Mack said Iran's attitude toward the United States was the most hostile of any country he visited. He blamed a good portion of this feeling on Premier Mohammed Mossadegh.

"He is unhappy because we didn't give him any money," Mack said.

He said that even the recent loan granted Iran by the United States probably wouldn't make much difference.

"That may make some change," Mack said, "but not much. There's no question about it, if another

premier was to take over our position in Iran would be better."

His long junket proved to him, he said, that the people of Europe "are generally behind us, and appreciate our efforts in the past and today to prevent future wars."

"My trip was to express American friendship to the people of the world and I think it has been very successful."

Shortly after he landed his Beechcraft Bananza at San Francisco's international airport yesterday, Mack laughingly said he might not be the first man to fly a light plane around the world, "but I'm the first congressman to do it."

The 35-year-old Carlinville, Ill., congressman flew the 2,395-mile trip from Honolulu in 16 hours and 26 minutes. His plane touched down on the runway at 3:11 p. m. (CST).

The plane, which Mack borrowed from the Smithsonian Institute, was the same aircraft in which the late Bill Odom set the light plane distance record from Honolulu to Teterboro, N. J., in 1949.

Mack taxied his tiny craft past the line of huge DC-7s and Constellations that ordinarily fly the long trans-Pacific route and stopped where a crowd of newsmen, television cameramen and photographers were waiting.

"If I'd known there were this many photographers here I'd have bailed out," he shouted goodnaturedly.

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## Craig May Aid In Eisenhower Drive

Indianapolis, Jan. 22—(UPI)— George Craig, former national commander of the American Legion, is being considered to head a nation-wide campaign among veterans' organizations to secure support for the Eisenhower presidential movement. It was reported to day.

Rep. Hugh Scott (R-Pa.) a leader in the drive to attract political delegates to the General and speaker at yesterday's "Ike" rally here said Craig is being considered but that no definite announcement can be made at this time.

Craig also has been mentioned as a potential GOP nominee for Governor.

## Three Mentioned As Peters' Successor

Indianapolis, Jan. 22—(UPI)— Three hoosier democrats were mentioned today as possible successors to R. Earl Peters, who was relieved as state director of the federal housing administration several days ago.

Mentioned are Leonard Rauscher, Evansville, former Vanderburgh county democratic chairman; Harry O'Neill, Gary, former Lake county deputy sheriff, and Walter L. Larson, former mayor of Elkhart.

State democratic chairman, Ira L. Haymaker refuted rumors he was in line for the job.

## Dividend Voted By Soya Credit Union

### Annual Meeting Is Held Here By Union

The annual membership meeting of the Central Soya federal credit union was held Tuesday with Edward J. Vian, credit union president, presiding. The assembled members after hearing financial report by Carl Underwood, treasurer voted a dividend of four per cent to all shareholders.

The Soya credit union, chartered in 1941, has grown from an original membership of 129 to a current membership of 319. Membership in the organization is limited to employees of the Decatur plant.

Earnings, from which dividends are distributed, are gained solely from new membership fees and interest charged on loans. Currently the credit union has made loans totaling over \$62,000. "Shares deposited by the employee-members total \$109,801.35" Vian stated.

In reviewing the past activities of the assembled members, Vian pointed out that from assets of \$228,089 at the end of its first year's operation in 1941, the assets have grown to \$116,532.18 at the end of the current year.

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