



GYNETH SCHNEPP, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Schnepf, of route one, Monroe, won grand champion honors in the lamb show at the 4-H fair with her prize Hampshire, born in February. Miss Schnepf is a member of the Washington Happy Hustlers 4-H club. There were 35 head of sheep in the show this year.—(Staff Photo)

## Winners Listed In 4-H Rabbit Show

### List Rabbit Show Winners At Fair

Rabbit show winners, judged by Carlton Gaddis, of Winchester, at the county 4-H fair, are:

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**California Breed**  
Senior buck—1st, Melvin Fast, Root Roving Rangers.  
Senior doe—1st, Melvin Fast, Root Roving Rangers; 2nd, Kenneth Reed, Washington Happy Hustlers.

**New Zealand White**  
Senior doe—1st, Stanley Mosser, Limberlost Hustlers; 2nd, Jerry Mosser, Limberlost Hustlers.

Junior doe—1st, Joyce Ann Mosser, Wabash Cloverblossom; 2nd, Jerry Mosser, Limberlost Hustlers; 3rd, Robert McKean, Monroe Boosters; 4th, Robert McKean, Monroe Boosters.

6-8 months doe—1st, Stanley Mosser, Limberlost Hustlers; 2nd, Joyce Ann Mosser, Limberlost Hustlers.

## State Distributes Gasoline Tax Fund

### County And Decatur To Receive Checks

INDIANAPOLIS (UP)—Indiana cities, towns and counties today received their first big chunk of the state's 2-cent increase in the gasoline tax.

The State Auditor's Office sent checks for nearly 12 million dollars as local communities' share of 25 million dollars worth of motor vehicle fund collections for the April-June quarter.

The state tax on motor vehicle fuels went from 4 to 6 cents a gallon last March 15. Tax collections for the first full quarter after the increase totaled \$24,064,576, compared with \$17,618,491 during the same quarter in 1956 when the tax was still 4 cents.

Motor vehicle funds, mostly from the gasoline tax, are divided among the State Highway Department (53 per cent), counties (32 per cent) and cities and towns (15 per cent).

The distribution included \$71,718 to Perry County, where County Treasurer Earl Kieser last week admitted a \$200,000 embezzlement of county funds.

Deputy State Auditor Allen Lindley said that county's share could be used for purposes other than highways to help offset the embezzlement.

Distribution by counties included:

Adams \$70,678, Bartholomew \$8,246, Blackford \$6,513, Cass \$107,248, Elkhart \$155,815, Gibson \$97,645, Greene \$102,076, Huntington \$74,319, Jay \$71,133, Kosciusko \$121,424, Lake \$288,546, LaPorte \$137,212, Madison \$160,855, Marshall \$88,280, Miami \$80,276, Monroe \$96,893, Noble \$83,819, Posey \$74,559, Putnam \$74,754, Shelby \$89,169, Vigo \$131,046, Wabash \$80,495, Wells \$70,156, White \$85,758, Whitley \$65,642.

Distribution by cities and towns included:

Alexandria \$8,190, Auburn \$3,347, Bloomington \$9,987, Bluffton \$8,627, Columbus City \$6,737, Columbus \$26,083, Decatur \$10,324, East Chi-

cago \$7,045, Elkhart \$4,880, Fort Wayne \$205,706, Gary \$239,790, Goshen \$18,462, Greencastle \$11,800, Hammond \$124,370, Hartford City \$10,288, Huntington \$21,410, Kendallville \$8,688, LaPorte \$28,394, Logansport \$29,861, Madison \$14,774, Michigan City \$44,957, Monticello \$4,923, Mount Vernon \$8,732, Peru \$20,929, Plymouth \$10,413, Portland \$10,036, Princeton \$10,894, Shelbyville \$18,130, Terre Haute \$1,174, Wabash \$16,725, Warsaw \$9,889.

Also on the list were Allen County \$231,465, Dekalb \$74,280, Lagrange \$67,091 and Steuben \$61,505, and these cities: Angola \$7,214, Lagrange \$2,686, Linton \$8,480, Elwood \$16,132.

## U. S. Ambassador To Cuba Is Assailed

### Critical Comments By Smith Scored

HAVANA (UP)—Government anger rose today against U.S. Ambassador Earl E. Smith and there were reports he may be asked to leave the country because he visited rebel-held areas in eastern Cuba.

Total news censorship, imposed under a decree suspending civil rights for 45 days, veiled military developments in the area.

But in Havana Smith became the target of an unprecedented campaign of attacks by government spokesmen because of his critical comments Wednesday on police precautions in rebel-infested Santiago.

Informed circles said it was unlikely the administration would go so far as to throw him out of Cuba. A Cuban "white house" spokesman announced, however, that Foreign Minister Gonzalo Guell has been instructed to get hold of Smith "for the purpose of discussing his unfortunate declarations in Santiago."

The pro-government organ Aleria carried a statement by its publisher. Communications Minister Ramon Vasconcelos, accusing the ambassador of "imperialistic meddling" in Cuba's affairs. "Mr. Smith has permitted himself to express opinions on domestic questions about which he knows nothing," Vasconcelos said.

"He acted with less tact than was to be expected from a diplomat just arrived in a country that is not an American colony, that has a legally constituted government and that is faced with an abnormal situation which it is trying to solve."

Unconfirmed reports said rebels operating from hideouts in the mountains had burned a police station in Bueycito and an army barracks in Minas. Guerrillas also were said to have blown up bridges across the Cunela, Yao and Macanac rivers.

Normal activity in Santiago was at a standstill today as a result of a "general strike" called by the opposition to protest the killing of a rebel leader by police.

## Goshen Youth Drowns While Wading In Lake

WARSAW (UP)—Everett Matthews Jr., 16, Goshen, drowned Thursday when he stepped off a ledge into water about 25 feet deep while wading in Lake Wabash. The body was recovered about an hour later.

## Work Force Reduced At Columbus Plant

COLUMBUS (UP)—Only 423 of 4,200 employees of Cummins Engine Co. here were scheduled for work today. The company informed employees through a bulletin board notice Thursday that the diesel engine plant would operate on a four-day week through next Thursday and that large layoffs will come after that. Temporary cutbacks in orders were blamed.

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MAX FUELLING, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fuelling and a member of the Root Roving Rangers, shows his grand champion barrow, which was sold to the First State Bank of Decatur at the annual 4-H sale. The grand champion hog was described as an excellent meat-type animal by the judge of the 4-H show.—(Staff Photo)

## Four-Month Drought In Parts Of East

### Spotty Drought In East States Areas

#### A UNITED PRESS EXTRA By UNITED PRESS

The nation's Middle Atlantic Coast and southern New England, normally an area of good rainfall, today entered the fourth month of a drought which in some sections is the worst in history.

But it is a spotty drought and still a "dryness" compared with the eight-year drought recently broken in the Great Plains states, according to Weather Bureau records.

That will be of slight consolation to farmers in the worst-hit regions. A United Press survey showed the dry weather has been particularly damaging in southeastern Massachusetts, most of Rhode Island, parts of Connecticut and southern New York and in southern New Jersey.

The ground is dry to a depth of 18 to 20 inches in parts of Massachusetts and the Boston weather forecast or says it "would take a hurricane to really soak the ground now."

Rhode Island estimates its crop loss at more than 10 million dollars, or one-third that tiny state's annual output. Southern New Jersey had rainfall in May, June and July of 4.39 inches, compared with a normal 12.

Apples Will Withstand  
Corn has been the crop hardest hit. Farmer Carl Stimers of mid-state New York noted the old saying that the corn should be "knee high by the Fourth of July."

"Well, mine was," he says, "but it hasn't grown a bit since then. It should be up to my shoulders instead of my knees."

Harry Stahlman, an apple grower in New York's Columbia County with an orchard of 48,000 trees, says the drought is the worst he has seen since 1910. "I'm afraid that unless we get rain soon, apples will wither and drop from the trees," he said.

In some of the mountain areas in northeastern Pennsylvania, trees are beginning to die and the countryside is taking on the appearance of autumn with the foliage already turning golden.

The drought extends south through Delaware and Maryland to Virginia where six counties now have asked the governor to seek federal disaster relief. Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut have applied to President Eisenhower to declare their states disaster areas eligible for federal aid.

Some Cloud Seeding  
One unusual aspect is that water supplies in the large cities have not been drastically affected. In 1949, New York declared "bathless" and "shaveless" days to hoard water. Since then three new reservoirs have been hooked up and the city's supply is at 70 per cent capacity. Philadelphia has asked users to take it easy but has not banned unnecessary use of water.

Another sideline has been a considerable loss of faith in the technique of artificial rain-making. Massachusetts has spent thousands in seeding clouds with sparse results.

## PUBLIC AUCTION

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## Problems Of Life In India Are Discussed

Problems in Indian life and agriculture were discussed recently by Deane Dorwin, summer editorial writer for the Decatur Daily Democrat, and Dr. A. N. Bhatnagar, professor of agricultural extension work at B. R. college, Agra, India, for a press conference broadcast recently over radio station WOWO.

Dr. Bhatnagar visited for two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Diss, of route 2, Roanoke. Mrs. Diss, the former Florence Martin, daughter of Mrs. Luther Martin, of Geneva, is an active member of the B-Z-B home demonstration club, and a member of the Allen county chorus. Her four children are active in 4-H work.

Dr. Bhatnagar is presently engaged in setting up an agricultural extension program for an area twice the size of Allen county, around Agra, India, the site of the famous Taj Mahal. This area is almost entirely agricultural, but has a population greater than Allen county.

Farmers in this area of northwestern India live in villages, and farm their plots in the neighboring desert country. The extension service is organized on a village basis, rather than by counties. There are ten villages in each county agent's district.

The countryside is quite similar to that in Utah, with very little rain, except in one short season. Good farming there is based on efficient use of irrigation. Dams gather the water in the hills, and this is diverted into channels, some of them 500 miles long, to bring the water to the desert fields.

The farmers have, on the average, the doctor explained, about five acres of land. Two crops a year are harvested. Corn, cotton, millet, sisal, and wheat are raised during the brief rainy season, which lasts two and a half months, and deposits almost the entire year's rainfall of 24 inches during that time.

After the rainy weather crop, another dry crop, that must be irrigated, is planted. This is rape seed, wheat, barley, or other small grains. It is harvested in April. Usually the fields must be irrigated twice during the dry season.

The Indian doctor will travel from the United States to Europe, where he will be honored with an interview by the queen of England. He received his doctorate from Lucknow university, Lucknow, India. He is married and the father of two children, a son 20 years of age who has recently received a degree in civil engineering, and a daughter, 15½ years old, who has just been graduated from high school.

Dr. Bhatnagar is visiting this country on a private travel grant, and has studied county agent work in Utah, Wyoming, Illinois, and Indiana. His position is roughly comparable to that of director Hoffman at Purdue university. His task is somewhat easier, in one respect, than an extension worker's task in the United States, he explained, because basically the Indian farmer has a great respect for a learned man, with a college degree. He is willing to listen to him, at least the first time. If he gives good, usable advice, he will return for more information, but if not, he will have a hard time working with the Indian farmer.

The progress made in India since its independence from Britain was granted in 1947 was stressed by the doctor. He pointed out that in many cases the number of schools in a given area had doubled. The advance of the country was no longer based on just the profit motive, but on service to the people. Before, if a train proved to lose money, it was discontinued, and the Indian people had to walk and carry their produce to market. Now, the government is building railroads and highways to help the Indian, rather than to make a profit.

## Poison Is Found In Crawfordsville Stream

CRAWFORDSVILLE (UP)—Health and sanitation officials here said Thursday laboratory tests showed that waters of a small stream near the city's sewage disposal plant contained potassium cyanide. Dr. Fred N. Daugherty, city and county health officer, and Harold Walters, city and county sanitarian, ordered the tests when they learned several geese and birds had been found dead in the area. They warned parents to keep their children from playing near the stream. The source of the poison has not been determined.

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