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Four Accidents In County On Holiday

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Four accidents occurred over the holiday weekend in Adams county. One driver received personal injuries as a result of one mishap, and two drivers were arrested for traffic violations following investigation of two accidents by the city police and sheriff's department.

Helen M. Flueckiger, 49, Berne, received bruises to her left hip, leg, and arm, as a result of a mishap that occurred at the intersection of Water and Sprunger streets Saturday evening at 6 o'clock in Berne.

A car driven by David Blenhe, 25, Plymouth, Wis., was attempting to make a left turn onto Water street from Sprunger street when the accident occurred. The driver

stated that he did not see the stop sign located in the center of the street, and made the turn into the path of the Flueckiger vehicle. Blenhe was arrested by the sheriff's department for failure to yield the right of way, and will appear in the near future to the charge in justice of the peace court in Berne. Damage to the auto driven by Blenhe was estimated at \$300 and damage to the Flueckiger car was estimated at \$200.

An accident occurred Saturday night at 10 o'clock on Monroe street involving three autos. Cars driven by Dale F. Hake, 18, Decatur, and Emil H. Baumgartner, Jr., 20, Monroe, were stepped on Monroe street for traffic, when a car driven by Kathleen K. Schultz, 17, Decatur, failed to see them and struck the Baumgartner vehicle in the rear, causing it to strike the Hake auto. Miss Schultz was arrested by the city police department for reckless driving and appeared on the charge in justice of the peace court Sunday and was given a fine of \$16.75 for the offense.

Damage to the Schultz auto was estimated at \$900, \$150 to the Hake auto, and \$50 to the Baumgartner vehicle.

Two vehicles and a house were involved in a mishap Sunday afternoon at 4:05 p. m. near the intersection of Meibers and Walnut streets. Cars driven by Donald V. Hill, 54, Decatur, and William I. Hall, 78, route two, Ossian, collided at the intersection after failing to see one another. The car driven by Hill was headed north on Walnut and the auto driven by Hall was eastbound at the time of the mishap. The car driven by Hill struck a house owned by James G. Gattshall, 828 Walnut street, as a result of the impact of the accident.

Damage to the Hill vehicle was estimated at \$100, the Hall car was damaged at \$400, and the damage estimated to the Gattshall house at \$200.

An accident occurred at 2:20 a. m. today five and one half miles north of U. S. 224 on highway 101. A car driven by Herman Witte, 18, route three, Decatur, ran off the road and struck a small culvert, causing \$300 damage to the right front of the automobile.

Railroad Sandcar Upsets, One Killed

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — A railroad sandcar upset on a trestle at an industrial plant Saturday, fatally injuring Ernest Lawler, 56, an employee of the plant.

Trade in a good town — Decatur

Pennsylvania Railroad Depot Is Destroyed

CROTHERSVILLE, Ind. (UPI) — The Pennsylvania Railroad depot here was almost totally destroyed Saturday night when part of a combination passenger-freight train left the tracks.

About 50 passengers were aboard the Indianapolis-Louisville train. Three sustained minor cuts and bruises.

At least 300 yards of track were torn up when the first two baggage cars came loose and left the tracks. One of the cars smashed into the depot, which had closed for the night.

12 New Films Now At Library

September List
Released Today

Beginning the 1958-59 film season, twelve 16 mm films are available at the Decatur public library during September.

The twelve, on deposit from the Indiana library film circuit, may be obtained from Miss Bertha Heller, librarian, for showing to clubs, church groups, school classes, etc.; the names of the films and descriptions are:

ADVENTURES OF A BABY FOX: 14 min., black and white—a trip through the woods following the antics of a baby fox as he hunts for food and finds insect, flower, and bird life along the way. Accompanied by narration in verse and original music score. A refreshing film that will be enjoyed by children and adults alike because of the fine photography and originality.

AMERICAN REVOLUTION: 14 min., color—a clear explanation of the strategy, the struggle, the movement of forces and the important military engagements of the war for independence. Stresses geographical, social and political factors which brought victory to the thirteen states.

A CHANCE TO PLAY: 20 min., black and white—this film deals with the problem of the lack of community recreation areas and its resulting impact on the country today. Because of the lack of playgrounds and recreational areas, young children drift into mischief and petty crime, greatly increasing the juvenile delinquency problems. Because of the lack of social centers and recreational areas, old folks have nothing to do to keep them interested in life around them. Ways of getting things done about these problems are indicated.

FISHING THE LAST FRONTIER: 9 min., color—(National Film Board of Canada) pictures a party of fishermen in northern Saskatchewan as they proceed north to explore lakes few anglers have visited. Points out accessibility by air between the lakes of the region.

FROM TEN TO TWELVE: 26 min., black and white—the latest in the "Ages and Stages Series." Once again we see and hear active children in real life situations, hear their noisy shouts, witness their bursts of anger and watch their spirit of cooperation.

HUMAN HEREDITY: 18 min., color—describes roles of heredity and culture in determining characteristics of human beings.

INDIAN CEREMONIALS: 18 min., color—scenes taken at Gallup, New Mexico, site of the Inter-tribal ceremonies held annually in August.

THE ROMAN WALL: 11 min., black and white—examination of the Hadrian's great wall in England.

ROOM FOR DISCUSSION: 25 min., black and white—defines discussion and gives examples of its use throughout history. Explains proper discussion techniques and emphasizes the importance of discussion in many groups. Concludes with a summary of the value of discussion in defining and solving problems, enriching life experience and maintaining the essence of democracy.

SUEZ CANAL: 18 min., black and white—the first film in a series entitled "Our times" documents the history, geography, and management of the Suez Canal from Biblical times to the present. Because of the current Middle East crisis the film fills a need for good background and discussion material.

THAT THEY MAY HAVE LIFE: 25 min., color—depicts the operation of Riley Hospital for Children beginning with the out-patient department and showing the activities of the various other departments. Includes sequences of the therapeutic work done at Camp Bradford Woods.

WHY VANDALISM: 16 min., black and white—three boys, from unhappy home situations, share the feeling of being outsiders. Film shows them getting into trouble, the reasons and ways such acts can be avoided.

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Ribbon Awards For County 4-H'ers

County 4-H'ers
Win At State Fair

Seventeen Adams county 4-H'ers and one area 4-H club member received ribbon awards in 4-H judging last week at the Indiana state fair, according to a release received late last week. In an additional statement, three more 4-H'ers were blue ribbon winners. County awards were scattered throughout the ribbon classifications: there were seven blue ribbon winners, six red ribbon winners; and four green, or fourth place ribbon winners in the first group.

In the high school band contest, two county bands competed with 58 Indiana high school marching units. The Adams Central high school band placed 36th, and the Monmouth high school band, 39th. Area bands placing included Lancaster Central, Wells county, in 40th, and East Rockcreek, also Wells county, 47th. First place went to the Anderson high school marching unit, second to Princeton, third to Ben Davis of Indianapolis, and fourth to Manual, of Indianapolis.

Placing in the blue ribbon category in the first division of food preservation was Anita Fenning, Blue Creek Up and At It. Ribbon winners in the food preservation were: first division, Cynthia Prague, Geneva, green; second division, Marsha King, Monmouth Merry Maids, red; and Brenda Roe, Blue Creek Up and At It, green; and Lois Wiedfeldt, Hoagland, green; third division, Nancy Raudenbush, Blue Creek Up and At It, green.

In the baking contest, fourth division, Jane Duff, Hartford Happy Go Lucky, placed in the blue ribbon. Placing in the red ribbon class in the category was Annette Thomas, Washington Happy Hustlers.

In food preservation section 49-93, according to a dispatch from Indianapolis, Lois Jean Gerke, Union Pals, received red ribbon honors.

Two firsts, or blue ribbon placings, were awarded to Adams county 4-H'ers in the electricity project, in addition to awards announced earlier last week. Lois Jean Gerke, Union Pals, received a blue ribbon in division one, Ronnie Chistner, Blue Creek Sodabusters, in division two, also received a blue ribbon. Placing in the green ribbon class in division one Nancy Bailey, St. Mary's Kekiongas.

Three firsts and three seconds went to county 4-H'ers in the craft projects. Blue ribbons winners were Ricky Gerbers, Union Workers; Richard Weiland, Union Workers; and Paula Strickler, Washington Happy Hustlers. Red ribbon winners were Charles McCullough, St. Mary's Sodabusters; Connie Bergman, Monmouth Merry Maids, and Sharon Diehl, Berne Jolly Workers.

Three more blue ribbons went to Adams county 4-H club members in the baking contest: Cynthia Carroll, St. Mary's Kekiongas; Lois Jean Gerke, Union Pals, and Phyllis Meyer, Monroe Boosters. Also receiving ribbon awards in the state fair contest were Rosalind Bauman, Wabash Cloverleaf, red; and Mary Helen Schwaller, Washington Happy Hustlers, white.

In clothing, Rita Norquest, Decatur Peppy Gals, received a blue ribbon in her class; receiving red ribbons were Gail Egly, Jefferson Work and Win, and Cindy Collier, Decatur Peppy Gals, while Lois Jean Gerke, Union Pals, placed in the white ribbon category.

Ty Ballard placed 14th in the 180-210 lb. barrow class in the Berkshire breed. Elden Holsapple showed the reserve grand champion barrow in the Berkshire class.

Joe Kohne received the following placings in the Red Poll calves of the 4-H dual purpose calves, 3rd in senior yearling, 6th in 3-year-old and over cow, 9th in the senior calf class, and 2nd in the light-weight dual purpose steers.

Sara Nell Liechty placed 10th in the senior yearling class in the Holstein 4-H dairy calf classes.

In the forestry classes, Sheldon Bixler, Monroe Boosters, and David Swickard, Decatur City Slickers, received red ribbons, and Lynford Weiland, Union Workers, received a pink ribbon. In the entomology class, Steven Kaye, Decatur City Slickers, received a pink ribbon.

Rose Polytechnic Prexy Dies Monday

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (UPI) — Services will be held here Wednesday for Dr. Ford L. Wilkinson, 63, president of Rose Polytechnic Institute the past 10 years.

Wilkinson died Monday night in Union Hospital. He came here from the U. S. Naval Academy where he served as a civilian dean. He was a graduate of Annapolis in 1917 and also held degrees from Columbia and Louisville Universities.

The Caribbean island of Trinidad includes among its population Chinese, Hindus, Moslems, Parsees, French, Dutch, Madrasis, Bengalese, Brahmans, Spanish, Portuguese, Africans and Near Easterners.

Schools Of America Face Many Problems

Editor's Note: This is the first of three special reports on the problems facing America's schools when they reopen for the fall term.

By LOUIS CASSELS
United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI) — America's schools and colleges will open their doors next month to nearly 45 million students — the largest number that any nation has ever attempted to educate.

The bells that summon one-quarter of the nation's total population back to school also will assign the renewal of a perennial debate on the shortages and shortcomings in the U. S. education system.

An urgent new note was injected into the debate last year—the "beep-beep" of Russia's Sputnik I. The fear of falling behind Russia in the race for technological supremacy prompted many Americans, including President Eisenhower, to pin an emergency label on the long-recognized need for strengthened schools.

Responding belatedly to a special message which the President submitted seven months ago, Congress enacted a \$887,400,000 measure which has been described as a "federal aid to education" bill. Actually, it provides federal funds for very limited sectors of education — loans to needy students who want to attend college, matching grants to states to buy science equipment and improve the teaching of science, languages and counseling services in high school; fellowships for teachers taking postgraduate study to qualify for college faculty jobs.

The most ardent supporters of this bill acknowledge that it will not solve all, or even most, of the fundamental problems confronting U. S. schools as they begin their new term.

Here are some facts, figures and conflicting opinions about the fundamental problems and what is being done:

OVERCROWDING
Lack of space is the most immediate and obvious problem of many school districts. Nationwide, more than 70,000 new classrooms have been built in the past year in an effort to relieve overcrowding. But school enrollment continues to grow at a rate more than twice that of the general population. New schools are opened only to be swamped with new students.

The U. S. Office of Education estimates that the classroom shortage this fall will total 132,900, compared with 142,300 in 1957. Thus parents can look for a slight improvement in the overcrowding which last year had 800,000 students on double-shifts and nearly 7 million in classes of more than 30 pupils each. But no major relief is in sight.

President Eisenhower asked Congress three times — in 1955, 1956 and 1957 — to authorize a multi-billion dollar "emergency" program of federal aid for classroom construction. The proposal got entangled with the school integration issue and no action was taken. The President abandoned it this year.

The outlook for stepped up construction with state and local financing is not bright. Local property taxes, which carry the main burden of school costs, already have reached the level in many school districts at which further increases encounter serves resistance. Voters rejected nearly one-third of the school bond issues submitted for their approval last year.

TEACHERS
Nearly everyone agrees that there aren't enough good teachers to go around. But the scope and cause of the teacher shortage are matters of sharp dispute.

The National Education Association (NEA) says the public schools will have a deficit of 355,000 "qualified teachers" this fall. It blames the shortage primarily on teaching salaries which now average about \$4,650 nationally, with wide variations among the states.

Critics of the NEA question both the figure and the explanation. They charge that the NEA (which has 600,000 teachers as dues-paying members) is a "teachers' trade union" and that it has insisted on certification standards which tend to make the teaching profession a "closed shop" for graduates of teachers' colleges.

Each state has its own standards for granting teaching certificates. The extremes vary widely,

but the typical requirement is a college degree with a specified number of courses in educational theory and technique. Those required courses are usually offered only by teachers' colleges or the education departments of universities.

Critics assert that this system has two bad effects: (1) Teachers spend so much of their college time learning how to teach that they neglect learning what to teach; and (2) many able people who might be attracted into teaching are ruled unqualified because they merely have a college degree in science, math, English, history, etc.

The NEA replies that some training in teaching methods is urgently needed by anyone who is called on to manage a class of 30 or more children.

In any event, the trend seems to be toward making it easier for liberal arts graduates to get teaching jobs. Virginia drastically reduced its requirements for professional education training this year and New York state cancelled a scheduled increase in its requirements. Many other states

Overheated Stoves Bring Out Firemen

The city fire department was summoned twice Labor Day in answer to calls of overheated stoves. The first call was received at 7:50 a. m. from Mrs. Joseph Kaehr, Sr., at 410 Line street. A thermostat became overheated and the fire department was called to the scene.

The second call was also from Line street. A call from Kenneth Shell, of 510 Line street, at 8:15 p. m. brought the fire department again in answer to an overheated oil burner. Damage to both of the houses was considered very slight with the exception of a little smoke damage.

Hammond Man Drowns At Kokomo Saturday

HAMMOND, Ind. (UPI) — Richard Schaller, 36, Hammond, drowned late Sunday in Hamlin Lake near Ludington, Mich.

have liberalized the rules for granting temporary or provisional teaching licenses to college graduates who lack pedagogical courses.

(Next: Frills and "snap courses" in the curriculum)

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