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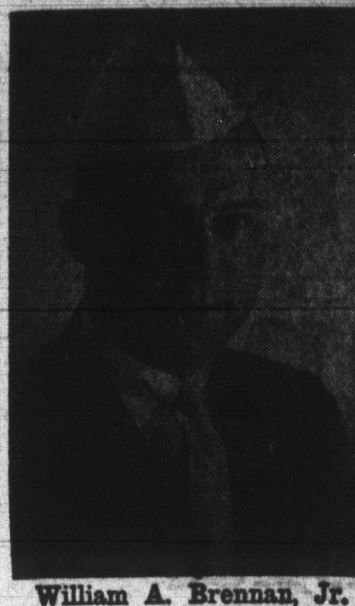
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Legion Commander Here February 19



William A. Brennan, Jr.

Adams Post 43, Decatur, of the American Legion will hear department commander William A. Brennan, Jr., of Indianapolis, speak at a membership banquet February 19 at 6:30 p. m. This banquet is being held to honor the members who have maintained continuous membership in the local post.

Brennan is a native Hoosier and an Army veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict. He is a graduate of Georgetown University and Harvard University graduate school of business administration. Brennan is vice president of the W. A. Brennan, Inc., an industrial and commercial real estate firm of Indianapolis.

Brennan urges all posts to participate in the many fine programs of the American Legion. The one closest to his heart is community service. He is of the opinion that all posts should interest themselves in the welfare of the community and sponsor each year some program which will make the community a better place to live.

Brennan is vice president of the Central Indiana council for Boy Scouts of America, vice president of health and welfare council of Marion county, trustee of Marion county building authority, past vice president of the Indianapolis Junior Chamber of Commerce, a board member of the Indianapolis service men's center, trustee of St. Mary-of-the-Woods College at Terre Haute.

Commander Brennan is married and has four children. He lives at 5732 North Pennsylvania street, Indianapolis.

Charges Against Couple Dismissed

HOUSTON, Tex. (UPI) — Officials were so touched by the troubles of the young couple who sold their 8-year-old twin boys for \$500 that they dropped all charges against them.

Offers of help for the couple were put forward.

Dist. Atty. Dan Walton told Justice of the Peace W. C. Ragan Thursday "I see no purpose to be served in prosecuting these people. What they need is help. I recommend dismissal of the charges."

Ragan did just that. "I've been hoping someone would make such a motion," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark D. Stillion Thursday turned over the twins. Mrs. Stillion's children by a previous marriage, to a policeman and a juvenile officer who posed as a childless couple.

The officer gave Stillion \$300 in marked bills and promised to return in an hour with \$200 more. In return Stillion made out a "bill of sale" for the boys.

The officers arrested the couple and charged them with selling minor children.

Besides the twins, who were born in England before their mother moved to the United States, the Stillions have two girls, Nancy, 4, and Tina, 3. Mrs. Stillion divorced the twins' father in England in 1953, and married Stillion, then stationed in England with the U. S. Air Force.

Walton told city probation officials he had talked with both parents and felt there should be no effort to take the children from them.

An attorney said a client, O. R. Tautehahn, had offered the Stillion family a place to live near Westfield, Tex. He said there was a school nearby and offered to help them find work.

Stillion said he had been unable to get a job and had been trying to feed his family on \$12 a week.

Make Improvements
At Sutton Jewelry

Extensive improvements and changes in Sutton's Jewelry store were started this week. Jesse Sutton, proprietor, said today.

The ceiling will be lowered four feet, and new fixtures installed throughout the building, which suffered smoke and water damage in the January fire. The store will remain open during all of the alterations, Sutton added.

Don Odle To Speak At Monroe Sunday

Coach Don Odle, athletic director and basketball coach at Taylor University, will participate in the Sunday night services at 7:30 at the Monroe Methodist church. He will show slides of some of his experiences during the past six years when he has taken a group of college stars on basketball tours through the Orient and South America. This unprecedented achievement, known as Venture for Victory, was awarded a medal by the Freedoms Foundation of America for its contribution to international good will. The six teams have compiled a record of 466 wins against six losses.

Traveling about 750,000 miles, Coach Odle has visited 20 foreign countries and 40 states. The Venture for Victory projects have combined top-flight basketball and Christianity. In addition to playing basketball, the teams held religious services at the close of each game, and also conducted hundreds of meetings in orphanages, schools, churches, and civic clubs, winning many persons to Christianity.

He is listed in "Who's Who Among College and University Professors," and is the author of two books, one of which is "Venture for Victory," an account of experiences in the Orient during basketball tours.

Coach Odle has accepted an invitation from Dr. L. K. Kiang, secretary general of the China national amateur athletic federation, to coach their entry in the 1960 Olympics to be held in Rome. The public is invited to attend.

Two Are Fined For Traffic Violations

Two fines were paid recently by traffic offenders in justice of the peace court, and an additional case was continued indefinitely. Two other cases were scheduled for hearings in mayor's court at a later date.

Carl Lee McKissick, 22, Fort Wayne, arrested Wednesday by the state police for disregarding a stop sign at county road 37 and U. S. 224, will appear in mayor's court February 16 at 9 o'clock.

Donald A. Menter, 19, Preble, was arrested by the state police Sunday in Preble and charged with speeding. Menter will appear in mayor's court February 16 at 10 o'clock to the charge of driving 55 miles per hour in a posted zone of 30 miles per hour.

James L. Plasterer, 20, Decatur, was arrested January 30 on U. S. 224 about four miles west of the city by the state police for violation of restriction. Plasterer appeared in court last night and was taxed a fine of \$175 for the bureau of motor vehicles, and the case was continued indefinitely.

Clarence J. Galloway, 40, route one, Geneva, was arrested by the state police Wednesday for improper passing on U. S. 27 one and one-half miles south of Decatur. Galloway pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$16.75.

Charles N. McNaughton, 26, Bluffton, was arrested by the city police January 31 on 13th street for speeding. He pleaded guilty to the charge of driving 55 miles per hour in a posted zone of 30 miles per hour and was assessed a fine of \$20.75.

The human mind should be like a good hotel—open the year round. — Phelps.

Protest Gas Tax Increase

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Eisenhower is asking Congress for a 50 per cent increase in the federal gasoline tax. Most of the state governors are protesting.

Although the federal government has budgeted more than three billion dollars for federal aid to highways in the next fiscal year, the states are spending even more. The governors object to the federal government moving heavily into a tax field once reserved largely to the states.

Some states are considering further gasoline tax increases this year but most of them are not. Ten have raised their gas taxes in the past two years.

The federal government now collects 3 cents a gallon on gasoline and puts the receipts into a trust fund to pay for the highway program authorized in 1956. Eisenhower has asked that the tax be raised to 4½ cents to keep the fund from going into the red. It is uncertain what Congress will do.

Most states also are levying gasoline taxes of 6 to 7 cents a gallon. Twenty-two states and the District of Columbia have a 6 cent tax. These include New York, where the legislature this year raised the levy from 4 to 6 cents, effective March 1.

Four collect 6½ cents and 10 have a 7 cent tax. Ten states have a 5 cent tax.

The lowest gasoline taxes are in Alaska and Missouri — three cents—but Missouri also lets cities impose a gasoline tax. These city taxes range from half a cent to two cents. Gov. James T. Blair Jr. of Missouri has asked the legislature to raise the state tax to five cents.

In Massachusetts, Gov. Foster Furcolo has asked the legislature to raise the 5½ cent tax to six cents. In California, the present six-cent tax is expected to be extended indefinitely, despite a half-cent reduction scheduled for next Dec. 31 under present law.

In a number of other states, the outlook for a gasoline tax increase is not yet clear. Those in which there may be action this year include Florida, Minnesota, Ohio, West Virginia, Utah and Washington.

There were gasoline tax increases last year in New Jersey and Rhode Island and in 1957 in Indiana, Massachusetts, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah and Vermont. Montana bucked the trend in 1957 by cutting its seven-cent tax to six.

Here is how state gasoline taxes compare:

State	Cents
Alabama	3
Alaska	3
Arizona	6
Arkansas	6
California	6
Colorado	6
Connecticut	6
Delaware	5
D.C.	7
Florida	7
Georgia	6½
Idaho	6
Illinois	5
Indiana	6
Iowa	6
Kansas	7
Kentucky	7
Louisiana	7
Maine	6
Maryland	5½
Massachusetts	6
Michigan	5
Minnesota	7
Mississippi	3
Missouri	6
Montana	6
Nebraska	7
Nevada	6
New Hampshire	6
New Jersey	5
New Mexico	6
New York	6
(Beginning March 1)	
North Carolina	7
North Dakota	6

Public Sale

As I have quit farming and rented my farm, I will sell at Public Auction all equipment on my farm—Located 1 mile north of Willshire, Ohio, on State Road No. 49, on

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

— SALE STARTING AT 1:00 P.M. —
— THREE TRACTORS —

1954 Minneapolis Moline "U" tractor—a 3-plow tractor with hydraulic control and nonshock steering.
1945 Minneapolis Moline "U" tractor, in good condition.
1949 John Deere tractor, hydraulic and Roll-o-matic.

— MINNEAPOLIS MOLINE UNI-TRACTOR —
1955 Minneapolis Moline UNI-TRACTOR with picker, combine, pick-up for combine and 10' windrower, all in extra good condition.

— FARM IMPLEMENTS —
1957 Minneapolis Moline 12 ft. wheel disc, 40-20" blades; Minneapolis Moline 9 ft. disc, 32-18" blades; John Deere off-set tractor disc, roller bearings, 20-24" blades; 1950 John Deere 15-horse fertilizer grain drill; John Deere 4-row fertilizer corn planter; New Idea 12A manure spreader; John Deere 7 ft. tractor mower; New Idea side delivery 4-bar hay rake on rubber; Minneapolis Moline hydraulic control 3-bottom tractor plow; Case 3-bottom tractor plow; four spike tooth harrows, from 10 ft. to 13½ ft.; John Deere spring tooth harrow; Minneapolis Moline 4-row rotary hoe; Soil Surgeon 8 ft.; Dunham 8 ft. cultipacker; New Idea stock cutter; Universal 32' elevator with drag and gasoline engine; New Idea 10' lime spreader; Ottawa 6 H.P. tree saw, self propelled; FORD EQUIPMENT: Ford cultivators; Ford 7 shank tiller; 3-point hook-up; Ford manure loader with booster cylinder; Ford buzz saw, 3-point hook-up; Ford belt pulley; electric air compressor on wheels; portable air tank; two-wheel rubber tired trailer; John Deere Sub-Soller; many hand tools and miscellaneous articles not mentioned.

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Ohio	5
Oklahoma	6½
Oregon	6
Pennsylvania	5
Rhode Island	6
South Carolina	7
South Dakota	6
Tennessee	7
Texas	3
Utah	6
Vermont	6½
Virginia	6
Washington	6½
West Virginia	6
Wisconsin	6
Wyoming	5

charges of delinquency. Johnson, Carpenter, and Lovellette, are being held in the Allen county jail on bonds of \$2,000 each. The five-man ring recently admitted to authorities in Allen county and Adams county to nearly 150 burglaries in the surrounding area. It was reported that about 75 burglaries were committed by the gang in this county.

The five-man ring was broken when Johnson was picked up in Fort Wayne January 28 on a tip, and booked on investigation of burglary. Lovellette was picked up the following day, and Carpenter was picked up by the law officers in Fort Wayne Monday.

Burglary Charge Filed On Johnson

A formal charge of second degree burglary has been filed in the Allen circuit court against Charles R. Johnson, 26, formerly of this city and presently a resident of Fort Wayne, in connection with the five-man burglary ring which operated in this area for over two years.

Johnson will be arraigned in the Allen circuit court Monday on the charge of breaking into the premises owned by Grant Woodward, on the Paulding road, near Fort Wayne on January 27.

Melvin Lovellette, 21, also of Fort Wayne and a former person from Decatur, has not formally been charged with second degree burglary, but is being held on charges of suspicion of burglary. Richard Carpenter, 21, of Decatur is also being held on the suspicion charge. Two youths, 16 years old and 17 years old, are being held in the Adams county jail on

Fire Department Answers Rural Call

The city fire department was called to the scene of a small fire this morning on route three near Clem's Lake.

The fire department stated that a fire occurring at Otto Boerger's home, located two and one half miles northwest of Clem's Lake, damaged a wood roof from sparks blowing from the chimney. Damage was considered only slight, as the damage caused was concentrated around the chimney stack.

The department was called to the scene at 10:12 o'clock this morning. Damage to the building was not estimated by the department officials.

When we pray for rain, we must be prepared to put up with some mud.

MASONIC LODGE
SAUSAGE-PANCAKE BREAKFAST, 50c
All You Can Eat
6:00 A. M. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7
Fellowcraft Degree 7:30 A. M.
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Farm, Home and Personal Property

AUCTION

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21
at 9:30 A.M. DST

REAL ESTATE NO. 1

LOCATED 5 miles east and ¾ mile south of Berne, Ind., on 3 miles west and ¼ mile north of Chattanooga, Ohio.

IMPROVEMENTS—2 frame houses, barn and corn crib. 79 acres of productive farm land, all under cultivation. Tenant's share of 15 acres of wheat are reserved.

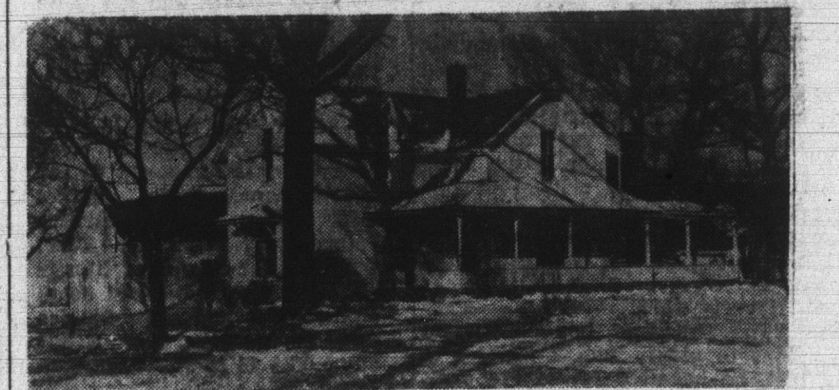
Possession—On or before March 1st, 1959.
TERMS—20% on day of sale, balance upon delivery of abstract of title and Executor's Deed.

For inspection of farm or loan information call or see Mel Liechty, Auctioneer, Berne 2-8430 or Decatur 6-6354.

REAL ESTATE NO. 2

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Personal Property at 1:00 P. M.
Real Estate at 1:30 P. M.



Located in Monroe, Indiana, one square south of Adams Central school, then ½ square east.

Attractive home with living room, dining room, bedroom, kitchen, utility room on first floor, 3 bedrooms on second floor, enclosed back porch, spacious front porch, garage, soft water cistern, city water, shade trees, extra building lot sold with home. Don't miss this sale if you are interested in a comfortable home located close to school and business district.

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PERSONAL PROPERTY

Kimball piano and bench; library table; 2 pc. mohair upholstered living room suite; 12x14 rug; 9x12 rug; end table; old clock; 2 magazine racks; large bevel plate mirror; small stand; 2 extension tables with chairs; buffet; platform rocker; Duo Therm oil burning circulating heater with blower; high chair; antique kitchen cabinet; bottled gas stove; walnut drop-leaf table; 2 glass door cupboards; round end drop-leaf table; metal bed with spring and innerspring mattress; metal bed with spring and Beautyrest mattress; chest of drawers; 2 walnut dressers; walnut chest of drawers; treadle sewing machine; Hoover sweeper; table and floor lamps; walnut fruit cupboard; porch swing; lard press; meat grinder; electric iron; ironing board; step ladder; dishes; pots and pans; clothes hamper; hand sweeper; picture frames; old school books; corn dryer; corn sheller; oats sprouter; bee supplies; lawn mower; shot gun; shoe cobbler's set; 2 model A Ford wheels; etc.

TERMS—CASH
BRICE BAUSERMAN, Executor of the
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