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FRIENDLY PERSUASION—Llewellyn Thompson (center), U. S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, and Khrushchev's daughter (left) partake of refreshments aboard the Boeing 707 jet airliner in which Vice President Richard Nixon flew to Russia. After inspecting the plane the Soviet Premier was asked if he would like to fly to the United States in the plane, and jokingly replied, "This one or some other one."

Ike, Nikita Plan Dramatic Visit Exchange

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A dramatic exchange of visits between President Eisenhower and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev to "further the cause of peace" was announced today.

Khrushchev will come to the United States in September. Eisenhower will go to Russia later in the fall, probably in October.

Announcement of the major cold war development was made simultaneously by the President himself in Washington and by the Soviet Foreign Ministry in Moscow.

Khrushchev's trip—two or three days in Washington and a 10-day tour of other parts of the United States—will be his first visit to this country. The President may accompany him on part of his trip outside of Washington.

Ike to Visit Allies
Eisenhower told a suddenly summoned news conference his stay in Russia may be a little shorter than Khrushchev's here.

Before these visits take place, the President will go to Europe late this month to confer with the heads of the three Allied governments. British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, French President Charles de Gaulle and West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

Eisenhower said he and Khrushchev during their visits will "exchange views about problems of mutual interest" but on a non-official basis.

In a formal statement which the President read to reporters, he said both governments hope the visits "will help create better understanding . . . and will promote the cause of peace."

However, he stressed that he and Khrushchev will confine themselves to "informal talks" and will not enter into any formal negotiations on East-West disputes. He emphasized that during his meetings with Khrushchev, he has no intention to speak for the other Western powers.

"I can be a spokesman only for America and its government," he said.

"At First Hand"
Eisenhower disclosed that he had suggested the possibility of such a visit to the State Department as an "effort to melt a little

bit of the ice that seems to freeze our relationships . . . with the Soviets."

He reported that "in early July I initiated the correspondence that finally brought about an agreement."

The President said Khrushchev's visit here will give him opportunity "at first hand" to see the country, its people and to acquaint himself with their life."

He added that during his own tour of the Soviet Union, he likewise will be able to see "first hand" the Russian country, its people and their way of life.

Eisenhower said Khrushchev had accepted his invitation to come to the United States "with pleasure." He said the other Western leaders had agreed to the exchange of visits and informed him it should produce results on the plus rather than the minus side of the cold war ledger.

Eisenhower said the exchange trips will have "no direct connection" with a possible summit meeting. But he expressed hope that "the mere announcement would inspire the foreign ministers to greater activity." The Big Four foreign ministers have become deadlocked at their Geneva talks, which are to end this Wednesday.

Monroe Township Rate Is Reduced

The Monroe township tax rate will be reduced two cents from eight to six cents, Silvan Sprunger, trustee, said today.

The two-cent cut was pared from the township fund, where the amount allowed for maintenance of cemeteries was cut in half, and the "other township expenses" reduced from \$1,670 to \$570, while the printing costs and other JP costs were slightly raised, making the overall township fund \$4,600 as compared with \$5,585 this year. The library rate of one cent, outside of Berne, will continue.

Poor relief costs are up considerably, from \$6,180 to \$10,180, or \$4,000, according to the budget submitted by Sprunger. All poor relief rates will be released by the auditor's office.

The total collection for the township next year will be \$4,241, as compared with \$5,737 this year; \$5,000 in 1958; \$2,556 in 1957; \$3,208 in 1956, and \$3,137 in 1955.

Youth Is Drowned In Ohio River Saturday

VEVAY, Ind. (UPI) — David Guinn, 21, Madison, drowned in the Ohio River near the small Switzerland County town of Lamb Saturday night. Authorities said Guinn was swimming with a companion when he apparently became tired and failed to make it back to shore.

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Monroe Community Days Aug. 26-29

The second Miss Adams county contest, a parade of high school bands, and two tractor pulling contests are on schedule for Monroe's community days, August 26 through 29.

Community days will open the evening of Wednesday, August 26, with a parade, which all county high school bands may march in, general chairman Howard Habegger and secretary Gene Hike have announced.

After the parade, the midway and the food concessions will open. There will be amusement rides for both children and adults, and the food will be sold in the Monroe fire hall, at the end of the main street where the midway will be.

This will be Monroe's third annual community days festival sponsored by the Monroe Lions club. Thursday evening will be free entertainment on the festival stage, the variety show, with four acts, beginning about 8 o'clock.

Queen Contest Two Nights
Miss Adams county contest entrants will begin two nights of competition Friday evening, when a talent show will begin about 8 o'clock.

The Monroe festival committee has invited each school in the county to enter two girls for this contest, to be chosen by two faculty members.

Adams county merchants will sponsor the girls in the contest, as in last year's Miss Monroe Days contest. The winners this year will have a chance to go on to the national Junior Miss America festival in Mobile, Ala., and to compete for national honors. Miss Adams county will be entered in the Bluffton free street fair. The Bluffton winner will be automatically entered in the national Junior Miss contest at Mobile next spring.

The rules will be the same as the rules for the Bluffton contest, and the entrant must be between the ages of 16 and 19.

Bob Baxter, Mrs. Rene Brandt, and Mrs. Helen Ehrman are in charge of the talent and queen contests, and have announced that coronation of the new Miss Adams county will be Saturday night, when Miss Adams county, 1959, will receive a wrist watch and the right to go on to Bluffton and possibly Mobile. She will receive the crown from Miss Nancy Raudenbush, last year's Miss Monroe Days. The runner-up this year will receive a transistor radio, and all other entrants will receive a record album.

Tractor Pulls Stated
Two tractor pulling contests are also on schedule. Friday morning will be the lightweight tractor pull, and Saturday morning, the heavy-weight contest. Louis Steffen and Ellis Converse are in charge of those contests this year.

Throughout the festival days, food will be sold at the fire hall. Mrs. Osval Neuschwander, Mrs. Dan Striker, Mrs. Harold Moser, and Mrs. Dan Habegger in charge. The midway, with more rides than in last year's amusements, will

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Emergency Brake Fire Brings Call

The Decatur fire department answered a call Sunday at 12:15 p.m. to extinguish a fire started by a locked emergency brake on a truck owned by the Krick-Tyndall Tire Co., at the plant grounds. Minor damage was reported to the brake lining. The call lasted only 20 minutes.

Luther S. Horine Dies Early Sunday

Luther S. Horine, 85, retired farmer, died at 7 o'clock Sunday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Glen Mann, Pleasant Mills. He had been ill with complications for 18 months.

Borne in Darke county, O., July 15, 1874, he was a son of Lewis and Amanda Reichard-Horine, and was lifelong resident of Fort Recovery, O., until moving to the home of his daughter last September. His wife, the former Dora Zumbum, died Feb. 27, 1926.

Surviving in addition to the daughter are two sons, Ralph C. Horine of Portland route 6, and William Horine of Portland; 11 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. One brother and one sister are deceased.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Zwick funeral home, the Rev. Jeff Webb officiating. Burial will be in the Lisbon cemetery, two miles north and one mile west of Union City. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today until time of the services.

Decatur Youth Killed Saturday Evening As Motorcycle Hits Tree

Western Diplomats Hail Announcement

GENEVA (UPI)—Western diplomats at the Big Four foreign ministers' conference hailed the announcement of the Eisenhower-Khrushchev exchange of visits today and predicted that it will postpone for at least several months any new flareup of the Berlin crisis.

The Western foreign ministers in Geneva all had been informed in advance and had given the green light for the exchange of visits.

The announcement was no surprise. It had been expected here for at least four days. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter commented: "I welcome this move and hope it will be helpful in advancing better relations between our two countries."

British sources expressed pleasure at the announcement. They said the Khrushchev visit to Washington and President Eisenhower's visit to the Soviet Union are fully in line with Prime Minister Harold Macmillan's repeated calls for continuous East-West contacts on all levels ranging from heads of government on downwards.

The French, originally cool and skeptical about the value of such meetings, also expressed satisfaction.

French sources said serious negotiations on specific issues are not likely during either the Khrushchev or Eisenhower trips. They said that for this reason the French objections to a summit meeting would not apply in this case.

West German delegation sources said the Bonn government has no objections to the exchange of visits.

The West German officials said they had "full confidence" in President Eisenhower and that he would represent German interests if and when the German question is raised during the Eisenhower-Khrushchev talks.

Soviet delegation officials had no immediate comment.

Sam Rayburn Favors Labor Reform Bill

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Speaker Sam Rayburn came out strongly today in favor of House passage of a moderate labor reform bill opposed by both President Eisenhower and the AFL-CIO.

The Texas Democratic leader rejected complaints by organized labor that the bill, drafted by the House Labor Committee, is too tough, and the contention of the administration that it doesn't go far enough.

Rayburn told reporters the committee bill would do "a splendid job" of ousting racketeers from unions without punishing labor or honest union leaders.

"Legislation should not be passed to punish anyone," he said in endorsing the committee bill without reservation.

The House leader said the legislation would be called up for floor action as soon as the Rules Committee gives it clearance. The latter group may consider the bill Tuesday but there is no assurance that it will be cleared.

Other congressional news:
Civil Rights: Backers of civil rights legislation scored a parliamentary victory in the Senate. The Judiciary Committee voted 8-5 to make a two-part rights bill the top order of business over the opposition of Southerners who had stalled action since July 20.

Obsecution: Rep. Kathryn E. Granahan (D-Fla.) introduced a bill to require courts to impose stiff penalties on persons convicted of using the mails to sell smutty films and pictures.

Piggyback: Sen. George A. Smathers (D-Fla.) invited members of the Interstate Commerce Commission and transportation representatives to an Aug. 18 conference on railroad "piggyback" hauling problems.

Captive Nations: Sen. Kenneth B. Keating (R-N.Y.) told the Senate the United States should pound home President Eisenhower's "Captive Nations Week" proclamation against Russian tyranny by expanding the period to a "Captive Nations Year."

Bluffton Man Dies As Auto Overturns
Carl Keller, 46, of Bluffton, was killed instantly at 8:15 p.m. Sunday when the car in which he was riding skidded from state road 116 three miles southeast of Bluffton, and overturned into a creek.

Richard Howdyshell, 35, of near Bluffton, was seriously injured, suffering fractures of the skull, shoulder and ribs, Donald Mock, 53, Bluffton, driver of the car, was only slightly injured.

Prisoner Dies From Drinking Anti-Freeze

PUTNAMVILLE, Ind. (UPI) — An Indiana State Farm prisoner died today and 14 others were made ill by drinking anti-freeze from the institution's garage Supt. Walter Hock revealed.

The dead man was identified as Jesse Tudder, 41, Lafayette, who was serving his sixth term at the farm on a charge of drunken driving.

The prisoners were found in the barracks areas of the institution, and examination indicated they had drunk a poisonous solution used in vehicle radiators.

Hock said the anti-freeze was left over from last year and kept in tightly sealed barrels in the institution's garage. He said he had no idea how the men got the solution but apparently it was "given or sold to them or something."

Hock ordered the barrels placed under lock and key to prevent any future tragedies.

Five of the 14 ailing prisoners were described as in "critical condition." All 14 were rushed to Robert Long Hospital in Indianapolis for treatment this afternoon after the nature of their illness was determined.

Tudder died in the institution's hospital.

Hock said the situation was brought to his attention about 10 o'clock this morning. He immediately notified the State Board of Correction.

Hock said the men were slow to admit they had been drinking contraband.

He said all of those who could be questioned indicated they did (Continued on page three)

Sicilian Youth To Be Exchange Pupil

The local chapter of the American Field Service Union announced today that an 18-year-old Sicilian youth will be the foreign exchange student in Decatur for the 1959-60 school year.

Dr. Harry Hebble, chairman of the newly organized chapter, added that the boy would arrive in New York by ship on August 24 and in Decatur a day or so later.

Vincenzo Scardillo will take his senior year studies here as Decatur's third AFSU exchange pupil. Scardillo will reside with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Heller and their two children, Daniel, 14, and Mary Pat, 6. The Hellsers live at 1014 Central avenue.

Because the Rotary clubs at Bluffton and Columbia City were denied petitions, requesting exchange pupils, the local Rotarians formed the local AFSU chapter as a group of independent citizens, gaining the approval of the main headquarters of the AFSU.

The upper echelon branch of AFSU is insisting that community projects sponsor the exchange program, rather than merely one facet of the community, as it was in the past.

Hebble, as chapter chairman, applied to the main headquarters, requesting the area and age of the next exchange. When the application of the local chapter was approved, the name of the youth was forwarded here and he also was notified. The youth and Heller have been in correspondence since.

The first Decatur exchange was Ken Eliasson, of Sweden, who lived with Dr. and Mrs. Harry Hebble. Last year, Peter Friederich, of Germany, visited the U.S. and Decatur on the program. He lived with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Petrie.

Jack Dailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dailey, is currently on a summer exchange program in the Orient. The Rotarians plan to continue the sponsorship of both projects as members of the AFSU chapter.

Traffic tragedy struck at another Decatur home Saturday evening, when David Lynn Myers, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. David S. Myers, 215 North Third street, was killed almost instantly when his motorcycle left the road and struck a tree.

The Myers lad, who graduated from Decatur high school last May, was taking a leisurely early evening ride on his motorcycle when the tragedy occurred. He was headed towards Decatur on South Winchester street, extended, about one-half mile south of the city limits, shortly after 6 o'clock. He apparently lost control of the cycle on the sharp curve and the vehicle pronounced dead on arrival at the Adams county memorial hospital at 8:15 p.m.

The Decatur lad was the third teen-age boy killed in single-vehicle accidents in a 14-day period. Stephen N. Meyer, 17, Decatur, was fatally injured near Harlan July 19, and Howard A. Shaw, 18, of Van Wert, O., was killed just north of Decatur on the Monmouth road July 23.

Authorities who investigated Saturday's crash said Myers apparently attempted to miss the tree by laying the motorcycle on its side. This maneuver failed, as indicated by a 28-foot gouge mark in the ground. The front wheel of the vehicle missed the tree but the body slammed into it and the youth bounced back four feet. The cycle continued for another 15 feet before stopping.

Robert Zwick, deputy Adams county coroner, said the youth suffered a broken neck, a crushed chest and other injuries. Other officers investigating the crash were Gene Rash, state trooper; deputy sheriff Charles Arnold and Decatur city police.

Funeral Rites Tuesday
The accident victim was born in Decatur Dec. 7, 1941, a son of David S. and Francine Bucher-Myers. Since graduating from high school last spring, he had been associated in business with his father, owner of the Firestone Home and Auto Supply, South Second street.

Young Myers was a member of the Zion Lutheran church and the Walther League.

Surviving in addition to the parents are four brothers, Dennis, Duane, Daniel and Donald Myers, all at home; the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Katherine Bucher of Decatur, and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Lula Myers, also of Decatur.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Zwick funeral home and at 2 o'clock at the Zion Lutheran church, the Rev. Richard C. Ludwig officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home until time of services.

Elderly Bloomington Man Killed By Train

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (UPI)—James W. Paul, 78, Bloomington, died in Bloomington Hospital Sunday, a day after he walked into the side of a moving Monon Railroad switch engine.

South Bend Man Is Drowning Victim
SOUTH BEND, Ind. (UPI)—John Ford, 42, South Bend, drowned Sunday while swimming the St. Joseph River behind his home.

Authorities said Ford and his two companions, Robert Schultz, 22, and Marine Sgt. Thomas Landowski, both of South Bend, were on a dock in the rear of Ford's home.

police lines and surged around him.

One huge man in a blue jacket seized Nixon around the knees in a mighty bear hug, almost lifting him off the ground.

After one startled glance, Nixon realized it was an affectionate gesture. He patted the Pole's shoulder while police squeezed in to pry him loose.

Showered with Flowers
Another man held up his 5-year-old daughter to the vice president who took her in his arms. The crowd cheered and some women wept unashamedly as the girl threw her arms around Nixon's neck.

"We must all work for a better life for the children," he said. Nixon's aides and Polish police succeeded eventually in clearing a path to the vice president's car, but as they opened the door for him a dozen hands thrust bouquets through the windows into the back seats.

Other Poles, farther away, threw bouquets. Some hit Nixon, some hit the car and some fell in the crowd.

Nixon turned, waved his hand, and said in Polish, "Long live Polish-American friendship."

Cheers of "Long live Nixon . . . Bravo . . . Long live the American people," followed the car as it rolled slowly away.

A brief stop at the Myslowicki Palace, where he is staying, Nixon went on to the cabinet building to keep a date with Communist Secretary Wladyslaw Gomulka.

Earlier in the day, he had talked with President Aleksander Zawadzki, Vice President Oskar Lange, who is a former American citizen, and other Polish officials at the Polish "white house."

The vice president's talks with Polish leaders, on Poland's first "meatless Monday," were expected to include requests for increased credits and shipments of surplus farm products from the United States.

As he turned away, applause and shouts of "May he live 100 years" rang out from the crowd. As Nixon started to move away after he had reviewed an honor guard, the crowd broke through

Decatur Dollar Day, Wednesday, August 5th - 9:00 A.M to 9:00P. M.