

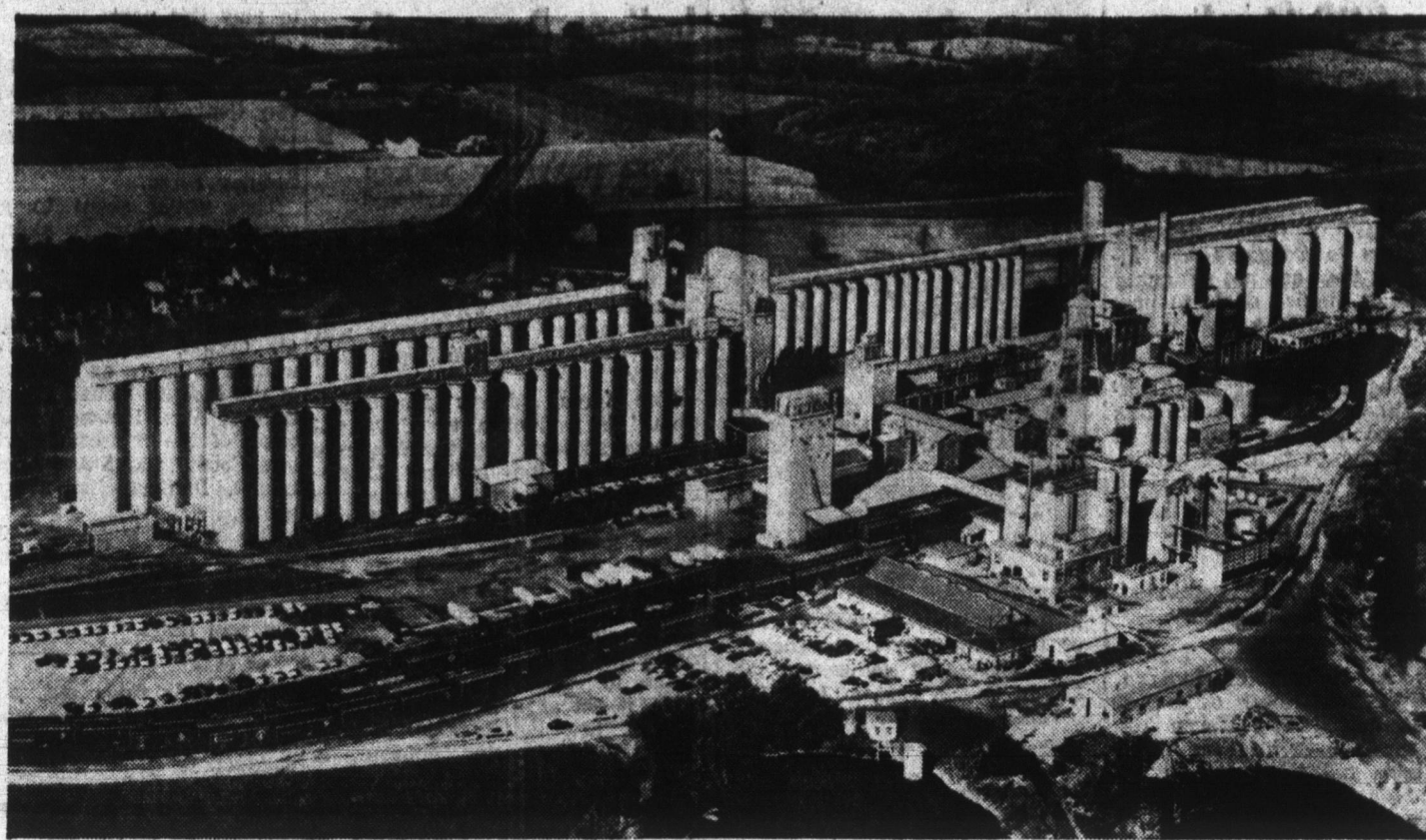
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**Modern Etiquette
By ROBERTA LEE**

Q. If a girl becomes engaged, and she has no family, would it be all right for her fiancé's family to announce the engagement?

A. No. This is always the privilege of the bride-elect. If she does not have the means of giving an announcement party, then she can extend her "good news" through the local newspaper.

Q. How should the very large type of shrimp in a cocktail be eaten?

A. If you can manage it, you cut it in half with the fork against the side of the glass—or else, you lift it out, put it on the plate underneath the glass, and cut it in half with the fork.

Q. I am a young girl and am about to apply for my first job in a large business office. For the interview, should I wear hat and gloves?

A. You should wear hat and gloves, by all means.

Mildewed Leather

If you have home leather goods that have acquired mildew, try wiping it with a cloth wrung out of a solution of denatured alcohol and water (equal parts), and dry in the sun.

**Shortage Of
Teachers And
Rooms Critical**

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — A "critical" shortage of teachers and classrooms faced about 930,000 Hoosier school children this week as they returned to classes from a long summer vacation.

State School Supt. William E. Wilson said enrollment in grade schools increased by 33,000 over the preceding school year, causing "headaches not easily solved."

Although complete figures will not be available for some time, Wilson said total enrollment would surpass 900,000. Most schools will begin classes this week, although a few have been in session a week or more.

The double bugaboo of teacher and classroom shortages obviously had Wilson worried.

"No matter how you look at it, the teacher shortage is critical," he said. "And it looks like it will get even more critical."

Wilson said about 34,000 teachers will be employed in Indiana this year. He said the shortage of teachers was "a relative question" because at least 1,000 of them are working on temporary permits and have not met the complete state requirements for a permanent license.

Wilson made it clear that temporary teachers were satisfactory as emergency measures, but were not a desirable substitute for the fully trained teacher.

"We are especially short of teachers of mathematics and science," he said. "We have scrapped the bottom of the barrel and there just aren't any more available."

Shortage Not Confined

Geographically speaking, Wilson indicated the teacher shortage was not confined to any one particular area.

He said he also was "concerned" about the high average age of Indiana's school teachers.

"It's apparent that they will be retiring in increasing numbers in the near future," Wilson said. "I don't know how he will replace them."

Wilson's thoughts were echoed by Robert B. Weaver, director of education for the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce.

"There is no question that there is a shortage of teachers and classrooms," he said. "The teacher shortage seems to be concentrated more on the lower elementary level than on the secondary level."

Weaver, former superintendent of schools at Goshen, said the teacher shortage "is spotty." He agreed with Wilson that a shortage in the fields of math and science was causing concern.

Situation Improved? — "I think the situation may have improved," he said, "but we haven't solved the problem as yet."

Wilson said the state is short "about 3,000 classrooms."

Like the teacher shortage, "this problem will become more acute as time goes by," he said.

But Wilson left no doubt which of the two shortages caused him the most concern.

"I would rather have good teachers in a poor building than

poor teachers in a good building," he said.

Wilson said the classroom shortage was particularly noticeable in "the Calumet area and all growing industrial centers."

"The tremendous influx of industrial workers in some areas has outstripped the growth of the schools," Wilson said. "The discouraging thing about it is that school construction falls on the property tax which has about reached the saturation point."

"In the next four years there will be a constant need for an additional 2,000 classrooms per year."

Wilson said he favored federal aid for classroom construction, but said it was not always easy to obtain.

To get federal aid, a city, town or county must be designated a "federally affected area" where the government has installations that have materially added to the population.

Miami County Cited

Wilson cited Miami County, with its huge Bunker Hill Air Force Base, as a "federally affected area" eligible for federal aid. Gary was cited as another example.

In addition to the classroom and teacher shortage, Wilson said a third problem was causing his office "serious worry."

"The population movement from the cities to the suburbs has been tremendous," he said. "It's creating problems we were not even aware of 10 years ago."

Wilson pointed out that as families move to the suburbs, new schools are needed on the outskirts of the city to educate their children.

He said a partial solution to the twin problems of teacher and classroom shortage would be to stagger the school year. In that way, classes would be conducted year around.

Transportation of children to and from school has not become a problem "as yet," he said. But he indicated that in some instances buses had to make "two or three trips" to accommodate all the children. He also conceded that some buses were becoming old and should be replaced.



'REPRIEVE'—Dr. Bernard Finch (left) and his attorney, Ned Nelsen, confer in Pomona, Calif., court during his appearance to be arraigned in the murder of his wife Barbara, 33. The attorney asked for more time to study the transcript of the preliminary hearing, and got till Aug. 31.

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