

## Conservation Needs Studied

Nearly 50 farmers and agricultural leaders met Tuesday night and began the preliminary steps in a survey of conservation needs for the changing population in the next 15 years.

Milton Spence, work unit conservationist, presided, and explained that many necessary formalities were part of the first program, and the real work will begin next session. The group chose to meet again at Adams Central October 20 at 7:30 p. m.

Each member present came forward and gave his name, and placed a pin on a large county map, representing his farm or place of residence. The map showed the different types of soil structure present in the county, indicating the 11 problem areas.

### Rural Changes Here

Leo N. Seltentright, county agent, then explained the need for looking to the future. The population was 162 million in 1953, and will be 212 million by 1975. There will be fewer farmers, and with a 29% increase in population, a 40% increase in efficiency and land use will be necessary.

Seltentright explained that a county extension-sponsored program three years ago indicated a great population shift in rural areas, from farm homes to non-farm homes. For example, there were 4,890 suburban or non-farm homes and 10,503 farm homes in rural Adams county in 1940. By 1950 there were 6,282 suburban and only 8,840 farm homes. By 1960 the county will have 9,000 suburban and only 6,700 farm families, a complete changeover.

### Population Change

Indiana is expected to grow about 34% in population, which is higher than the national average anticipated. California is expected to grow 91%.

Fred Housel, assistant in the soil conservation office, then took over, and showed a series of slides taken in Adams county, showing erosion problems, and then a series showing what had been done to combat erosion.

### Areas of Cultivation

Following this, Spence passed out work sheets, and the group went to work. The first thing brought up was the interpretation of land use figures. A chart showed that there are 220,725 acres of land and 75 acres of water (Rainbow Lake) in the county, and that 8,290 acres are in urban or built-up areas, and 584 in additional ponds and rivers, leaving 211,851 acres of farmland in the inventory area.

Then a list of figures, taken from the farm census of 1954, was presented, along with a series of figures compiled by the SCS from a 2% random sampling method perfected by Ohio State.

The group debated at length, and at last decided to accept in total the SCS figures, reasoning that the census figures were based upon hurried estimates given by busy farmers who probably figured all the fields they could, and then

called the rest "other land." The main difference in figures was in the pasture and range class, in which the census estimate was 4,217 acres, and the SCS survey showed 12,012. It was estimated by the census that there is 165,265 acres of cropland, and 175,105 by the SCS method.

The census also figured that there were 20,000 acres of forest or woodland, and the SCS figures showed 17,540.

The random sampling maps of quarter sections used in the survey were closely examined by those present.

## Mrs. Anna Schultz Dies Unexpectedly

Mrs. Anna Isabel Schultz, 70, wife of Julius Schultz, died of a heart attack at 7:35 o'clock Tuesday evening at her home on rural route 4. Although she had been in failing health for several years, death was unexpected.

She was born in Champaign, Ill., Nov. 11, 1888, a daughter of William and Mary Bernard, but had lived in Adams county most of her life. She was married to Julius Schultz Jan. 27, 1915.

Mrs. Schultz was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic church, the Third Order of St. Francis, Rosary society and St. Ambrose study club.

Surviving in addition to her husband are four daughters, Mrs. Francis (Mary) Geimer, Mrs. George (Naomi) Tricker, Mrs. Homer (Vera) Rauch, and Mrs. Fred (Julia) Heimann, all in or near Decatur; one son, Ray Schultz of near Decatur; 26 grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. John Kintz and Mrs. Albert Rumschlag, also of near Decatur. Two sons and three brothers are deceased.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9:30 a. m. Friday at the St. Mary's Catholic church, the Rev. Simeon Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery. The body was removed to the Gillig & Doan funeral home, where friends may call after 7 p. m. today until time of the services. The rosary will be recited by the Third Order of St. Francis at 7:30 p. m. Thursday and by the Rosary society at 8 o'clock.

## Railroads, Unions Begin Negotiations

CHICAGO (UPI)—The nation's railroads began contract negotiations with three unions of operating employees Tuesday by proposing a 15-cent hourly pay cut. The railroads had already made the same proposal to 11 off-train employees unions.

The operating unions are demanding pay raises of 12 per cent and continuation of the cost of living escalator clause.

## Season Layoff At G.E. Plant Due Next Week

The annual seasonal layoff at the Decatur General Electric plant, delayed nearly four weeks this year in spite of the steel strike, will take place next Wednesday, UE union officials announced here today.

They reported that approximately 15 per cent of the work force would be affected including men whose service dates extend back to February 15, 1955, and women back to October 25, 1954.

### Statement By Auer

George Auer, manager of the Decatur plant, stated this noon that this is generally the off-season, and the plant is currently operating at a schedule to satisfy their customer needs; the plant, he added, still has steel and is continuing to receive some.

The General Electric plant here has experienced one of its best employment years, with the number of employed varying from more than 10 from February to September, according to private sources.

Usually about vacation time the end of July a layoff is necessary, although this is never announced by the company, which does not wish to tip off competitors. This year, however, business has been exceptionally good, especially for window air conditioner motors. Naturally, most companies making these units will not be operating during the next two or three months, and this causes seasonal unemployment here.

### Steel Strike

Although the steel strike has lasted 10 weeks, far longer than most people expected, the local plant has steel on hand, and is understood to be exerting effort to obtain every bit of steel that can be used. While the company would make no statement that would betray its competitive position, the supply presently is enough to last into October, and there is a possibility that more steel can be obtained.

The union has met several times with management, since last Friday, and it was their request that a layoff of the newer employees be made, rather than a closedown of the plant, which had been rumored. Officials of the company denied in private that such was ever intended. The company met the union request for the layoff at a meeting Monday afternoon.

## Senator Harke Is Fort Wayne Speaker

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (UPI)—Sen. Vance Harke (D-Ind.) said Tuesday night the United States is still struggling to make an economic comeback from the recession but there is no reason why "we should throw up our hands in despair."

The former Evansville mayor told the Great Lakes Exhibit of Business Opportunities that "our nation is currently recovering from the after effects of a recession... which was a bad one."

"Even now," Harke said, "5.5 per cent of the work force of our nation is without employment. This, compared with an unemployment of only 2 per cent in the United Kingdom, is an uncomfortable, to say the least, reminder that we have not fully recovered our economic health."

## Relief Sewer Plans Approved By State

The stream pollution control board has officially notified the city of Decatur that the plans and specifications for the proposed southwest relief sewer, on which the new school will be located, have been approved, Mayor Robert D. Cole said today.

The project will consist of the construction of approximately 7-12 feet of pipe, ranging in size from 24 inches to 42 inches in diameter, and appurtenances. The dry weather flow will be intercepted by an eight-inch interceptor sewer.

Plans and specifications were prepared by Consoer, Townsend and associates, Chicago, and were submitted for approval Aug. 3. Approval was granted Sept. 18. The approval is valid if construction is not begun before October 1, 1960.

On the same day A. C. Offutt, M.D., state health commissioner for the Indiana state board of health, also granted approval. This clears the way for the beginning of construction following the letting of bids next week.

# Khrushchev Inspects Rich Iowa Farmland On Exchange Visit



A KISS FOR THE WINNER—Miro Slovak, the Czech who stole an airliner to escape from behind the Iron Curtain, puts on a bashful expression while receiving a kiss from Nancy Ellen Priest, 18, on winning the President's Cup regatta on the Potomac in Washington. Nancy is the queen. Slovak piloted the hydroplane Wahoo, hurtling the five laps of the 28th annual race at an average speed of 103.746 mph.

## To Try Orbit Around Moon

WASHINGTON (UPI)—U.S. scientists will try early next month to pilot a 375-pound space package into orbit around the moon with radio commands from the earth.

Apparently it will be the first use of so-called midcourse and terminal guidance in space history. All other space vehicles, including Russia's Lunik II, have relied solely on "initial guidance" to reach their destination.

According to Radio Moscow, Lunik II was put on course by guidance mechanisms which operated only as long as its rockets were firing. Then, like an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM), it coasted on a long trajectory to its target.

It was fine marksmanship but could not be depended upon for deeper penetrations into space. A spacecraft using initial guidance only would miss Mars or Venus by many thousands of miles.

One purpose of the U.S. moon shot is to test radio guidance equipment designed to correct the vehicle's course from time to time, and then, at the right moment, to direct it into a lunar orbit.

The 375-pound instrument package, it is understood, will contain small rockets which will be aimed and fired by remote radio control. The package will be launched by an Atlas-Able rocket at Cape Canaveral, Fla., in the early days of October when the moon is in a favorable position. The Atlas-Able consists of an Atlas ICBM as the first stage plus second and third stages evolved from the Vanguard rocket.

Total thrust will be only about two-thirds as great as that attributed to Russia's space-probe rockets, and the package will weigh less than half as much as the 860-pound Lunik II.

But the guidance system for the American package apparently will be far more advanced than Lunik's and more important for the future of space exploration.

### INDIANA WEATHER

Partly cloudy and cooler preceded by widely scattered showers extreme north, fair with little temperature change central and south tonight. Sunset 6:41 p. m. Low tonight 55 to 64 north, 64 to 68 south. Sunrise Thursday 6:34 a. m. Mostly cloudy and cooler north, partly cloudy and continued warm south Thursday. High 68 to 78 north, 78 to 87 south. Low Thursday night 55 to 65. Outlook for Friday: Considerable cloudiness with scattered showers or thunder showers north, partly cloudy and continued warm south. High 70 to 75 north, 80 to 85 central and south.

## 12 Drowned As Boat Upsets In Michigan Lake

MARQUETTE, Mich. (UPI)—Leonard Larson, 41, of nearby Skandia, said today he did not know where he would get money to pay funeral expenses for his wife and 10 of their children who drowned in a boating accident Tuesday.

Larson, the sole survivor of the accident which also took the life of his brother, Harry, 64, was reported "resting and recovering" from the shock of the tragedy. His family would not disclose where he was.

Meanwhile, the bodies of his brother, his wife, Dora, 41, and their 10 children were at the Swanson Funeral Home here pending funeral arrangements.

They drowned Tuesday in Lake McKever, 15 miles south of Munising, when their 12-foot aluminum outboard motor boat capsized when the motor started.

Larson told newsmen Tuesday none of the 13 persons who were in the boat could swim. He said the boat went "nose down" into the water just as his brother started the motor.

All 13 were thrown into the water as the craft tipped over. He said when he came to the surface he could not see anyone else in the water. Larson held onto the boat and was able to climb onto it when it completed its turn.

He told police he climbed on top of the craft and paddled with an arm and leg to shore. Larson said he "kept looking back" to find the other members of his family but couldn't see anyone and knew he needed to get help.

The children were: Arthur, 15; Shirley, 13; Harry, 10; Marlene, 9; Freddie, 8; Carol, 7; Robert, 6; Mary Ann, 5; Melody, 3; and Terry Lee, five months.

## Fall Opening Here Friday, Saturday

The "Harvest Moon Record Hop," with Fort Wayne disc jockey Jack Underwood, and the "Harvest Moon Country Dance," with Max Kreps, local square dance caller, will help the retail division of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce inaugurate its fall opening Friday and Saturday.

Chairman Dale Morrissey, assisted by co-chairman Morris Begun and Harold Niblick have the placards ready for the member stores announcing to the area shoppers where they register for the grand prizes of \$100 in silver dollars, and the individual store prizes.

### Dances On Second St.

The street dances Friday night will be conducted on Second street with the youthful participants taking over the area opposite the Chamber office, while the lovers of country music will take their stand near Second and Jefferson streets. The city street department is cooperating with this venture and will keep the traffic from entering this area from 8 to 11 p. m., the time of the dances.

Several of the store buildings have taken on coats of paint for the event. The stores to present the newest in merchandise and fashions for local buyers. Other merchants are readying their display cases with a fall theme for the event.

Last night, the Psi Iota Xi fashion show took over at the Youth and Community Center with several of the stores using local models to exhibit their newest in fall fashions for women and children.

### Drawings Week Later

The drawing for the individual and grand prizes of \$50 silver dollars and two each of \$25 silver dollars will take place at the Chamber office Saturday, Oct. 3, allowing resident shoppers all week to sign up for the gifts.

The next event on the calendar for the Chamber is the annual rural-urban fish fry, slated for Oct. 22 at the Decatur high school gymnasium.

COON RAPIDS, Iowa (UPI)—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev inspected a mile-square field of maturing corn today in his quest for the answer to the question of how so few American farmers feed so many so well.

Khrushchev, 61, obviously revitalized by a long night of rest in the midst of a demanding schedule in his exchange visit with President Eisenhower, was peppy and cheerful as he left Des Moines in a limousine and drove the 50 miles to the Roswell Garst farm for a look at bumper crops and sleek livestock.

The air was crisp and cool and tempered with an autumn haze as Khrushchev and his party arrived for a full day in the rich Iowa countryside.

First he saw the huge cornfield, then moved on to demonstrations of modern farm machinery and other facets of the big agricultural operation Garst runs.

### Talk With Stevenson

Garst's big outlay of machinery on view included a corn picker, a stalk chopper for making silage, a planter that applies fertilizer and insecticide in the rows with the corn seed, a cultivator, a dump wagon, a sheller and a portable feed grinder.

About four miles from the big cornfield, Khrushchev saw some men harvesting grain sorghum. He asked that the car be stopped so he could watch.

Garst met Khrushchev at the hotel and guided his party to the farm about an hour behind Adlai Stevenson, the 1952 and 1956 Democratic presidential nominee, with whom Khrushchev will talk during the Coon Rapids tour.

Khrushchev appeared weary Tuesday night after his transcontinental flight and a busy afternoon and evening in Des Moines. But he bounced out of his hotel smiling and waving at a waiting crowd of curious.

Stevenson expressed optimism Tuesday night over the results of the premier's United States visit. "It looks like peace is breaking out," he said.

At the Garst place, there was a curious mingling of security measures and country festival atmosphere.

Four hundred soldiers were stationed at the farm, assigned to keep spectators from rambling Garst's crops. Army helicopters landed and took off, while Garst's cows and pigs gazed inquisitively at the interruption in their morning feeding.

At moon between farm tours, Khrushchev will be honor guest at a huge feast under a broad tent on the Garst lawn next to the family swimming pool. About 160 persons were expected to eat fried chicken, baked ham, barbecued ribs and side dishes amid a

rustic setting of fall flowers, pumpkins, sheaves of wheat and barley.

## 8th Meeting Held On New School Act

The eighth of the school reorganization meetings took place Tuesday night at the Jefferson township school, with county school superintendent Gail Grabbill and Judge Myles F. Parrish explaining the proposed system to the audience.

One of the major questions entered from the floor for consideration was the party affiliations attached to the proposed study committee. Judge Parrish answered the query by saying, "that the group will be strictly non-partisan and the political faith of each man will not enter into the appointments."

### Oct. 14 Convention

Also the convention date was reiterated to this group and they promised to send a large delegation to the confab at the Youth and Community Center Oct. 14 at 7:30 p. m. Dr. Morrie T. Strom, of Ball State, will be the main speaker for the convention.

After superintendent Grabbill explained the law in its full effect on Adams county, the pair answered several more questions from the floor for about an hour. One of the better ones was, "What will pay these members of the study committee receive for serving." The answer is "No remuneration." Judge Parrish said, "the only pay these men will get is the personal satisfaction of providing the county with an adequate plan to better assist the school children attain the best education possible."

### Voting Discussed

Also discussed was the voting and petition clause of the new law. It was explained that when the study committee had submitted a plan, the proposed new school districts, of which there are now eight, will be asked to present a petition for acceptance. If 35 per cent of the voting residents of that area approve the plan, it will take effect within six months. If not, the plan must be submitted for a vote at a regular election time. Each plan is allowed two voting periods, a year apart.

Ed Heimann, principal at the school, served as moderator for the meeting. The next meeting, and last, will take place Monday at Geneva with the judge providing the information. The meeting will start at 8 p. m.

## Probe Underway On Teen-age Terrorism

NEW YORK (UPI)—Mayor Robert F. Wagner called today for a national crack-down on the narcotics trade. He said it would be the most important federal weapon against teen-age gang terrorism.

Wagner, whose city streets have been scenes of 11 juvenile gang slayings in less than nine months, was the first witness in the start of a Senate subcommittee's national inquiry into "violent eruptions of youthful gangs."

Sen. Thomas C. Hennings (D-Mo.), chairman of the subcommittee, to investigate juvenile delinquency, opened the two-day hearing here with a statement that the investigation—in several sections of the country—would concentrate on gangs and the reason "why a very small—but extravagant—group goes wild."

### Limit Weapons Traffic

Wagner said the city was meeting the problem of youthful crime with police action—and the problem of the juvenile delinquent, who could become a criminal, "with virtually every approach known to society."

"I should like you gentlemen of the Senate committee to consider the cutting down of the international and national narcotics trade as one field of action in which you may be helpful in reducing crimes of violence by our youth," the mayor said. "I believe it to

be the most important role the federal government can play... in attacking the criminal aspects of our youth problem.

"There are others, of course, like prohibiting the transportation of weapons into states which prohibit their possession..."

He said New York will "vigorously champion" all federal legislation sponsored by the committee.

### Violence Is Widespread

Hennings said the committee was not here to point an accusing finger at city or state but to have local youth experts tell them how Congress can help.

"A brief look at our committee files shows that a West Coast gang brutally assaulted a disabled war veteran; in the Midwest several of them strolled into a bar and blinded one of the patrons by smashing a beer bottle across his face. Throughout the southwestern states we have heard reports of chain-wielding gangs who beat their lone victims for thrills."

Nor is this a scourge peculiar to the United States. From western Europe, Scandinavian countries, and from behind the Iron Curtain come stories of "Teddy boys, rattleboys, bugbears, hoodlums, and knaves, brass knuckles, and bicycle chains."

## Living Costs Show Decline In August

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The government reported today that living costs declined in August for the first time in six months.

Lower prices for groceries offset increased costs of non-food items to account for the drop. The Labor Department's consumer price index fell .1 per cent to 124.8 per cent of average 1947-49 prices.

However, the report noted the August figure was the highest ever for the month, eclipsing the 123.7 mark set last year.

Lower prices of fruit and vegetables, meat, poultry and fish led the decline. Prices of housing, clothing, transportation, medical care, haircuts and beauty treatments increased last month, the department said.

H. E. Riley, department price expert, said the sharp decline in food prices was greater than he anticipated. Local crops of fruits and vegetables were plentiful.

Despite the drop in the index, about 125,000 aircraft workers will receive pay raises of 1 to 2 cents an hour because of past increases in the government's yardstick.

### Late Bulletins

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Defense Department designated the Air Force today to be America's future space force. This was a jolt to the Army and Navy.

MIAMI (UPI)—Hurricane Grace bypassed Nangan with its 100 m.p.h. winds today and stayed well off the Florida coast.