

Indiana's Department Heads Warned By Angry Handley To Quit Scrap

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Governor Handley lost his temper today and angrily warned several department heads to cease their bickering.

Handley, obviously upset by a heated exchange between Atty. Gen. Edwin K. Steers and state highway commissioner Charles Dawson, jumped to his feet as Steers and Dawson argued over right of way buying.

"The Bureau of Roads came down here to settle the problem, not to hear us argue among ourselves," Handley shouted, striking the desk with his fist. "I don't want to hear any more outbursts."

Handley called Steers and the three highway commissioners to his office to discuss problems brought out at Thursday's public hearing by the Indiana Highway Study Committee.

Also present were C.W. Phillips, chief of the right of way division of the Federal Bureau of Roads, highway department minor officials, and several deputies attorney general who are Steers' assistants.

Minutes after the meeting began in Handley's Statehouse office, Steers accused Dawson and highway commissioners H.E. Bodine and John Peters of failing to heed his advice.

"In case after case, you have completely ignored our advice," Steers said to Dawson. "You know it was yourself brought on that fiasco along Keystone Ave. (in Indianapolis)."

It was at this point that Handley interrupted.

Steers cited one instance where Bodine asked him to take a case to court when it could have been negotiated for \$5,000 or \$4,000.

"It finally cost us \$8,000 or \$9,000," Steers said.

Steers said his office was swamped with right of way condemnation cases that had to be tried in court because the highway department did not make any attempt to negotiate with landowners.

"Court costs for each case average about \$2,500," Steers said. "It costs the state \$500 just to file a court action."

Steers later accused Dawson of "deliberately trying to embarrass my office."

The highway commissioners told Handley their hands are tied. They said the state would have to pay any difference between the

amount set by an appraiser and a negotiated sale if the difference could not be justified to the Bureau of Roads.

Handley said one of the main reasons for the high cost of right of way is that "people think that because the state is buying the land they can gouge us."

"People give themselves the business," Handley said.

At the Thursday meeting, Phillips indicated the soaring cost of right of way could be held down if there were closer cooperation between the highway department and Steers' office.

Phillips said the job of handling right of way cases would be easier if the commissioners placed more faith in Steers' recommendations on the legal variables in each case.

Steers represents the highway department in an official capacity when a land condemnation suit is taken to court.

Phillips, who flew here from Washington with a bureau attorney, said cases should be kept out of court whenever possible because juries are in the habit of giving land owners far more than the appraised value of their property.

Steers, who claims present state policy on land buying has proved more costly than during the administration of former Gov. George N. Craig, accused the highway department of "preventing the sanctity" of state appraisers' valuation of right of way property.

He said the department did it by refusing to approve compromise settlements that would have been less costly than court grants.

Steers told committee chairman Sen. Charles Maddox (R-Otterbein), a former highway commissioner, that his deputies could save the state thousands of dollars if the present commissioners would approve his compromise recommendations.

He said more than nine million dollars has been tied up in the past two years in condemnation suits and said that interest on that amount totaled \$70,000 a year.

J. Van Brown, director of the state right of way division, said the exercise of his ability to compromise is limited by a rigid policy set by Governor Handley and the highway commissioners.

In addition, he said his six appraisers are kept busy supervising hired appraisers.

Snow, Fog And Rain Blanket Eastern U.S.

United Press International

A blanket of snow, rain and fog covered the eastern half of the nation today, turning Iowa roads to ice and reducing Florida highway visibility to zero.

A broad band of snow and rain stretched from the Great Lakes to the Gulf Coast while freezing rain and snow plagued New England.

Safety officials reported that roads in eastern Iowa were snow-packed and hazardous.

A half inch rain fell in Louisiana thunderstorms. Rain and snow mixed to produce mid-winter slush through Missouri and Illinois.

Florida fog and smoke from a series of brush fires combined in a dense smog which forced state police to close sections of U.S. 92 and Florida 542 Thursday.

Police said the smog was so thick drivers could not see the front of their cars.

Intrepid burglars in Indianapolis used the fog as a shield Thursday when they backed their truck up to the door of a service station and stole \$950 worth of new tires and batteries.

Los Angeles health authorities reported their city's deadly flu epidemic was heading rapidly toward epidemic proportions and the Asian virus was blamed for high school absenteeism in Chicago.

The Weather Bureau said the Midwest rains would move into the East today and stretch from northern Florida to Virginia by nightfall. More light snow was predicted for the Great Lakes in the Northeast and over the Montana and Wyoming mountains.

Rain was expected to continue along the West Coast from San Francisco northward.

INDIANA WEATHER

Cloudy and a little colder tonight with some drizzle or snow flurries southeast this evening. Saturday cloudy with no important temperature changes. Low tonight in the 20s. High Saturday 36 to 40 north, 40 to 45 south. Sunset today 6:01 p. m. c.d.t. Sunrise Saturday 7:55 a. m. c. d. t.

Outlook for Sunday: Partly cloudy and a little warmer. Low Saturday night 25 to 35. High Sunday in the 40s.

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Mrs. Rose Johnson Dies At Fort Wayne

Mrs. Rose Johnson, 83, died Thursday at her home, 515 High street, Fort Wayne. She had been in failing health for two years and seriously ill for two weeks.

Mrs. Johnson was a lifelong resident of Fort Wayne.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Oswald of Fort Wayne; two sons, Richard H. Johnson of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Mrs. Mary E. Schieferstein and Mrs. Bertha Chalmers, both of Fort Wayne; one brother, Carl DeLong of Decatur; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the C. M. Sloan & Sons funeral home in Fort Wayne. Dr. William J. Ratz officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn memorial park.

Annual C. C. Meeting Held Last Evening

George Auer, retiring president of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce, presented the gavel to Earl Sheets, incoming president, Thursday evening at the 30th annual meeting of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce. Approximately 250 members of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce, Lions club and Rotary club, and their wives attended the dinner at the Youth and Community Center, sponsored by the three organizations.

Guest speaker for the evening was Vernon C. Sheldon, Fort Wayne realtor and public speaking teacher, using as his topic, "The Way to Happiness." Outlining his formula to insure happiness and wealth of friends, Sheldon stressed that modern day man must be a "go-giver" as well as a "go-getter." He pointed out that a modern and complex society poses numerous problems to man in both his personal and community affairs. The values admired in others and ones toward which we must continuously strive he cited as honesty, enthusiasm, generosity, support of the church and community. Generosity of time and talent to community service can be just as important as generosity of money," he concluded.

Master of ceremonies, Tom H. Allwein, introduced Noah Steury, representing the Lions club, and H. P. Schmitt, Jr., president of the Rotary club. Prior to the presentation of the gavel, Auer reviewed briefly last year's activities of the Chamber of Commerce, giving special credit to the board of directors, the retail division, and the research department on the development of community industries. Included in the group of promising new industries in Decatur were the Duo Marine Company, the Stonite Corp., and the building constructed by Decatur Industries. The guest speaker was introduced by Harry Brown, sales manager of the Gilpin Ornamental Iron Co.

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Helicopter Crash Kills Two Aboard

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (UPI)—An Army reconnaissance helicopter crashed in wood on a farm near here Thursday night and two men aboard were killed. The victims were CWO Harry W. Limerick, 32, East Riverdale, Md., and Pfc. Edward E. Cutler, 25, Cass City, Mich.

Act, the board may offer arbitration to settle the dispute. If that fails, it may ask the President to appoint a fact-finding board to head off a national emergency.

But no major strike is likely for 60 days at the very least, since the fact-finding board would have 30 days to submit recommendations, and a mandatory 30-day cooling off period would follow that.

Edwards said the talks, involving two of the five operating unions negotiating for new contracts, could be considered "effectively and substantially terminated."

The BLFE has demanded a 14 per cent wage increase, a changed cost of living escalator clause and adjustment of daily earnings guarantees. Firemen at present average \$18.54 daily for passenger service and \$18.34 for mail freight service, according to union estimates.

United With Parents After Sixteen Years

CHICAGO (UPI)—Two young Lithuanians tumbled into bed early today, exhausted but thrilled by their joyous reunion with the parents they hadn't seen for 16 years.

Thomas Leonas, 18, and his sister Regina, 20, stepped off an airplane Thursday into their new homeland and the arms of their sobbing parents, Paulus and Elena Leonas.

"There has not been such a day since the world was created," their father shouted happily. "This is a joy I cannot describe in words. Our hearts cannot hold the joy of this moment."

Regina, a tall, pretty blonde, wept in her mother's arms while Thomas, blond and wearing a new double-breasted overcoat, grinned and said in Lithuanian, "I am very happy and I feel fine."

The Leonases were forced to leave their children behind when they fled Lithuania in 1944 as the Russian army marched in.

For 15 years they fought a futile battle for their children's freedom until last summer, when they buttonholed touring Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev in a Des Moines, Iowa, hotel and won his promise of help.

Portland Man Asks Judge Nomination

PORTLAND, Ind. (UPI)—State Rep. Alexander Lyschir (D-Portland) today announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for judge of the Indiana Appellate Court for the 2nd District.

Lyschir is an attorney. He served in the 1959 Legislature representing Jay County.

Nationwide Rail Strike Threatened

CHICAGO (UPI)—Arbitration or appointment of a presidential fact-finding board appeared the only alternatives today to head off a possible nationwide strike of two large railroad unions.

Wage negotiations between major railroads and the unions, representing 97,000 workers, virtually all the nation's engineers and firemen, became deadlocked Thursday and no new sessions were scheduled.

Leverett Edwards of the National Mediation Board said bargainers for the industry and the 37,000-member Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers (BLE) were sent home late Thursday night when talks collapsed.

Earlier, the 60,000-member Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen (BLFE) broke off negotiations with representatives of the 168-170 railroads affected.

At this point, under provisions of the National Railway Labor



MOTHERS' MARCH TONIGHT—Decatur's Mothers' March in the annual March of Dimes will be held from 6 to 7 o'clock this evening. All residents of the city who wish to make contributions to the drive are asked to turn on their porch lights immediately prior to 6 o'clock. Leading the March of Dimes in Adams county this year are the ladies pictured above; left to right—Mrs. Leo Curtin, Decatur; Mrs. James Liechty, Berne; and Mrs. Robert Holthaus, Decatur.

Four Persons Killed As Auto Hits Tree

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Four persons were killed today and two others were injured seriously when a speeding automobile went out of control on the city's southside and smashed into a tree.

It was the third time this year that as many as four persons were killed in a single Indiana traffic accident, and the second time in three days.

Four brothers and sisters of a Morgan County family were killed in a car-school bus smash-up near Eminence Wednesday. On Jan. 2, four persons were killed on the outskirts of Indianapolis in another car-bus collision.

The dead were identified as Mrs. Ruth Peyton Boles, 24; Samuel Evans, 29; Virginia Shepard, 37, and Lewis Robertson, 27, all of Indianapolis.

Injured were Donald Silcox, 22, and Lige Miles, 29, also of Indianapolis.

Silcox was paroled less than two weeks ago from the State Reformatory. He was sentenced to 1 to 10 years for assault with intent to commit a felony.

Authorities said the car, driven by Robertson, was speeding at about 60 miles per hour when the crash occurred.

Robertson and Evans were killed outright. Mrs. Boes and Miss Shepard died in General Hospital a few hours later.

Bloodmobile Unit In Decatur Feb. 8

The Red Cross bloodmobile will be at the Decatur Youth and Community Center all day Monday, Feb. 8, with a goal of 125 pints set for Adams county blood donors, Mrs. Cletus Miller, blood program chairman, said today.

In 1959 a total of 354 pints of blood was given to Adams county residents in this area. This record is not complete, since many receiving blood outside of the Fort Wayne area have not yet processed their papers through the reciprocal plan to the regional headquarters. Mrs. Miller pointed out.

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Mrs. Mae Bierbaum, 76, of 2117 Brooklyn Ave., Fort Wayne, and a native of Decatur, died at 1:10 p.m. Thursday at a Fort Wayne nursing home.

She was born in Decatur June 10, 1883, a daughter of Lewis and Mary Halo-Weber, but had lived in Fort Wayne for the past 40 years. Her husband, William Bierbaum, preceded her in death in 1928.

Mrs. Bierbaum was a charter member of St. Joseph's Catholic church in Fort Wayne and its Legion of Mary.

Surviving are four sons, William, John and Richard, all of Fort Wayne, and Raymond of Elkhart; two daughters, Mrs. Geraldine Parnin and Mrs. Mary R. Rose, both of Fort Wayne; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Irene Kiger of Whitehouse, O.; three brothers, John Weber of Delphos, O., Fred Weber of Redlands, Calif., and Clarence Weber of Decatur; four sisters, Mrs. Clara Houser, Mrs. Nora Murchland and Mrs. Bessie Kimble, all of Fort Wayne, and Sister Rose Monica of the Order of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, Riverdale, Md.; 21 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The body, brought to the Black funeral home here, will be removed to the Mungovan & Son mortuary in Fort Wayne, where friends may call after 7 p.m. Saturday. Services will be conducted at 9 a.m. Monday at the St. Joseph's Catholic church, the Rev. Stanley Manowski officiating. Burial will be in Lindenwood cemetery.

Youthful Bicyclist Is Killed By Auto

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (UPI)—David Shafer, 12, Evansville, was killed Thursday when a car driven by Carl Y. Hubbard, 25, Henderson, Ky., struck his bike as the boy rode homeward from basketball practice.

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Probe Defense, Space Policies

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Senate Democratic leader and the director of the hush-hush Central Intelligence Agency were expected to debate today whether the administration "has changed its yardstick" for measuring Soviet missile power.

Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex.) opened a sweeping investigation of the Eisenhower administration's defense and space policies by the Senate Space and Preparedness Committees, which he heads.

CIA Director Allen W. Dulles was summoned as the first witness. Dulles was expected to say, as he has in previous public statements, that U.S. intelligence methods have not been changed, but that new information has caused the government to downgrade the Soviet missile threat.

Other congressional news: Space House Democratic Leader John W. McCormack (Mass.) a member of the House Space Committee, charged the administration cut needed funds from the original budget request of the National Space and Aeronautics Administration. Committee Chairman Overton Brooks (D-La.) said NASA "needs more money."

Drugs: The House anti-trust and monopoly subcommittee continued its hearings into drug prices. Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.), who has charged drug prices are too high, summoned a major manufacturer to testify. He was T. F. Davies Haines, president of Ciba Pharmaceutical Products, Inc., Summit, N.J.

Civil rights: Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-N.Y.)—a leading House civil rights supporter—charged that Rules Committee Chairman Howard W. Smith (D-Va.) was delaying a rights bill by agreeing to hold hearings on it.

Poll tax: The premature Senate civil rights faced another move that could add fuel to the fire. Senate leaders had agreed to hold civil rights issues until about Feb. 15. But Sen. Herman E. Talmadge (D-Ga.) was reported ready to battle for a constitutional amendment which would guarantee states complete control over their school systems.

Algiers Civil War Is Threat

PARIS (UPI)—President Charles de Gaulle was reported today to have sent Gen. Paul Ely, chief of the French general staff, to Algeria to try to prevent the settlers' rebellion there from plunging the nation into civil war.

The possibility grew with every passing hour that the barricade rebellion in Algiers might explode into a full-scale revolution in France itself as it did in the bloodless revolution of May 13, 1958.

There was no official confirmation of the Ely reports but Paris newspapers said flatly Ely had gone to Algiers to bring wavering army officers into line. He is the top commander of the Army under de Gaulle, the commander-in-chief.

Paris was calm in the face of the ominous reports from Algiers, but there was a growing feeling of dramatic action to come—perhaps tonight when de Gaulle addresses the nation by radio and television.

But the feeling was that words would not be enough and that it was action that counted.

Nation Behind de Gaulle

The nation was solidly behind de Gaulle and opposed to the insurgents in Algiers and the revolutionary atmosphere they have created. But now, as at the start of the insurrection, the answer lay with the army and what it would do.

The newspaper Le Monde quoted an unnamed National Assembly deputy as saying two days ago that "the paratroopers will be at the Elysee (de Gaulle's residence) on Sunday."

After Thursday's cascade of events such speculation pointed up to a real threat.

De Gaulle had right-wing extremist leaders rounded up Thursday but the disturbing thought to many Frenchmen was that they had not flocked to Algeria as they did in 1958 but had remained behind in France to be near any French uprising.

Seizes Newspaper

The government today seized this morning's edition of the Communist daily Humanite because it urged the swift creation of "anti-Fascist committees" in every town in France to rise against "Fascist mutineers of Algiers."

With Algiers no longer under control of the government, the safety of the nation itself appeared to depend on the loyalty of the French troops in the Algerian bid, or outcountry. If they stayed loyal to de Gaulle there was hope.

Algiers rebel leaders claimed support of the 20,000 to 25,000 paratroopers stationed in the Algerian capital. There are nearly 500,000 French soldiers in Algiers, many of them from France and loyal to de Gaulle.

Mothers March Tonight at 6 -- Turn On Lights