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Smith To Attend Postal Conference

Clarence (John) Smith, of 935 Mercer Avenue, will leave this weekend for one week to attend the national post office supervisor's meeting at Philadelphia, Pa., next week.

Smith, a veteran Decatur post office employee, will be accompanied by his wife. The conference will include a one-day trip to Atlantic City, N. J., next Friday.

Michigan Monastery By Moser's Land

Visitors to northern Michigan who take route 31 to the Mackinac bridge will be interested to know that the huge new \$550,000 monastery being built about 30 miles south of the straits adjoins the land and summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moser, of 344 North Tenth street.

Work on the monastery for the Sacramentine Sisters started in the Spring of 1959. Although the building is not completed inside, visitors may attend masses there each Sunday at 7 and 8 a.m. and at noon.

The outside of the building is finished, and work has begun on the landscaping.

The kitchen, refectory or dining room, laundry, sewing rooms, art and other work rooms such as the room for making altar breads, will be completed at a later date.

When the building is complete, it will provide for a Eucharistic throne for 24-hour perpetual adoration, outdoor stations of the cross, sanctuary furnishings, an organ, library, lounge and other rooms for religious observance.

There will also be a printing room, power plant, infirmary, parlors, shipping and packing room and a cutting room.

The Sacramentine Order was established in France in 1639 and the first monastery established in the United States was at Yonkers, N. Y. The second monastery was established in Petoskey in 1951. At the present time there are six in Europe.



POWERS SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS—Francis Gary Powers, 31, American U-2 pilot shot down May Day near Sverdlovsk, Russia, was sentenced to 10 years in Moscow court. Powers hears himself sentenced in Moscow court. He was convicted of espionage. At left is defense counsel Mikhail Grinev.

Three Local Boys Complete Basic

GREAT LAKES, Ill. — Vance D. Krick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orley A. Krick of 204 S. Eighth St.; Donald A. Agler, son of Mrs. Norma E. Agler of 320 Line st., and Larry W. Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Hill of 1018 W. Adams st., all of Decatur, Ind., graduated from recruit training Aug. 13 at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

The graduation exercises, marking the end of nine weeks of "boot camp," included a full dress parade and review before military officials and civilian dignitaries.

In nine weeks of instruction, the "raw recruit" is developed into a Navy Bluejacket, ready for duty with the fleet.

Monmouth Students Detail Root Township History

(Editor's Note. This is another of a series of historical articles written by the Monmouth speech class of Mrs. Hugh J. Andrews last spring.)

John K. Evans

One man who figured prominently in the settlement and organization of Root township, Adams county, and Monmouth was John K. Evans, who came to Root township in 1832 and settled about a mile north of the present site of Monmouth. Here he entered from that time on a sizeable amount of land in and around Monmouth. One of his great-granddaughters, Nancy Rice, has gathered from family records the following information about this early settler.

"I am the great-great-granddaughter of the late John Evans. According to the records of our family, Mr. Evans was the son of a Robert Evans, who was born in 1788, in Massachusetts. His ancestors came from England. He also lived north of Monmouth on the same site where our family lives now. He came from his home in New York state to live in the two-story log house his son had built. My great-great-grandfather Robert Evans died here in 1845 and was buried in the Evans family cemetery, located in our woods.

Works For Band

John King Evans, one of his sons, was born in New York, in Montgomery county in 1795. When he was twenty years old, he had bought one year of his time of his father and had gone among the farmers and worked by the month until he earned enough money to buy eighty acres of land in Columbus, Ohio. This was his beginning. In the early 1830's, probably 1830 or 1831, John K. bought 503.67 acres of land in Root township, Adams county. This amount included parts of sections 9, 17, 18, 20, and 21. He also bought several acres of land in Allen county. His original land grant was signed by Andrew Jackson. Mr. Evans came with two or three others whom he had hired to cut away and clear nine acres of his land, put in corn and potatoes, and build a two-story hewed log house. He chose to build his house at the place where our family now lives because of the natural spring he found there. Great-great-grandfather then returned to Ohio for his wife, Margaret Wise Evans, and their three

children and moved them into their new place in 1832. In 1940 when their family had increased to four children, Margaret Evans passed away. Great-great-grandfather eventually married a second time. This woman was a Kinsey. (They had four children, also).

Associate Judge

John King Evans was the first and last associate judge in Adams county. In 1850 he moved to Fort Wayne and was judge of the Circuit court for a period of twelve years. He was also the first federal judge in Indiana. Thus, there is a great deal of Evans history in the Allen county records. He was considered very wealthy when he died in 1874 leaving an estate in excess of \$200,000. He was buried in Fort Wayne.

My great uncle Robert Evans was one of John K. Evans' first sons. As a result of his inheritance, he owned 225 acres here in section 20 and 21. His farm was across the road from the original home place. A part of the log house still stands, and can be seen from the highway, but the land on which it stands is now property of Bill and Henry Auman.

John Evans Killed

My great grandfather John Evans was another of John King's first sons. As a result of his inheritance, he acquired the home place. He married Barbara Eyan and they had five children. But when my great grandfather was forty years old, he was killed by a train. After his death, his sister, my great aunt Harriet and her husband David Studebaker became the guardians of John and Barbara's children, using John's inherited trust fund to care for them. David had a barn built for them (the same one that stands on our place today) and had the log house, torn down and rebuilt. Some of the same logs were used again, to the south part of the home place, or the house in which our family lives, is about a hundred and thirty years old.

The Rice Family

The eldest of these children of John, born in 1867, was Harriet who was to become my grandmother. She and three others were in the first class to graduate from the eighth grade school of Monmouth. She married David McClelland Rice. Grandfather Rice was a part of a history very much like that of his wife ... for his

ancestors came from England and then the New England states, also. When the Rices decided to leave their plantation in Culpepper county, Virginia, and move west, they freed all their slaves. But one couple who loved the family and was probably desirous of adventure, came west along with the Sampson Rice family. Since the time of the existence of the Negro family in Monmouth mentioned in a previous report and the date Sampson Rice's family entered Root township correspond, it is very probably that these are the same Negro people; and it would explain the mystery of how they could be free Negroes in a time of Negro slavery.

Related To Pillars

When the Rices first came here they boarded with Benjamin Pillars and his wife Sara Ann Rice. Pillars was the daughter of Sampson Rice, Sara's brother, my great-great-grandfather Benjamin Rice, married Benjamin Pillars's two sisters—first Elizabeth and when she died, Mary. The Rices and Pillars probably met in Virginia or possibly on their way moving west, for Benjamin and Sara had settled here just one year before the rest of the Rices came.

One of the first projects the Rices accomplished was that of building the Alpha Methodist church. The church was placed on a corner acre of Sampson Rice's new farm. After about ninety years of existence the church was abandoned. My grandfather, David Rice tore the building down, and moved the good pieces of wood to his farm. He used the wood to build a barn. After World War I, grandfather sold his farm to the Bohnke family, so the framework of the Alpha church is now in the possession of Mr. Bohnke.

First Ballot Box

The 240 acres of land the Rices purchased were in sections 16, 17 and 21. One of my ancestors furnished the ballot box used in the first election, probably the one in which Root township was organized. The box was used and handed down from generation to generation and is now believed to be in the possession Mrs. Esther Rice Hill of Chicago.

Perhaps you can see now how the Evans, Rices and Pillars are related.

(To Be Continued)

Mrs. Roy Hamrick Dies Friday Night

Opal Edith Hamrick, 56, of 421 Elm street, died at 9:45 p.m. Friday evening at the Parkview memorial hospital in Fort Wayne following a year's illness. She had been critically ill for two weeks.

The daughter of Lewis and Vern Stone Clark she was born Dec. 21, 1903 in Blue Creek township. On Nov. 21, 1921 she was married to Roy C. Hamrick, who survives. She attended the Evangelical United Brethren church. The couple had no children.

One brother, Henry Clark, of Decatur; two sisters, Mrs. Perry Rupert, of Spencer, O., and Mrs. Mary Garwood, of Mercer Co. O., survive. Two sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call at the Black Funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday. Services will be held at the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, and at 2 p.m. at the Bethany E.U.B. church, the Rev. Benj. G. Thomas officiating. Rev. Thomas will be assisted by the Rev. C. E. Roberts. Burial will be in the Spring Hill cemetery, northeast of Berne.

Warm Weather For Weekend

United Press International

Indiana weather remained in a normal late-August rut today.

Forecasts called for high temperatures in the 80s and lows in the 60s at least through Monday, with scattered and isolated showers for variety today and tonight, continuing Sunday in the north portion.

High Friday, ranged from 81 at Evansville to 88 at South Bend and Fort Wayne, and 92 at Cincinnati, and lows ranged from 65 at Fort Wayne and Indianapolis to 70 at Evansville.

Scattered showers accounted for 44 of an inch of rain at South Bend, 10 at Evansville and .08 at Indianapolis.

Skies were overcast today. Sunday was scheduled to be partly cloudy and Monday "mostly sunny."

Highs today will range from near 80 to the upper 80s, low tonight from the low to middle 60s and highs Sunday from the mid to upper 80s. Near normal temperatures were due again Monday.

U.S. Trying New Tactics

LEOPOLDVILLE (UPI) — U.N. troops maintained rigid control of Ndjili Airport today despite new threats by Congolese Premier Patrice Lumumba to call in troops from other nations to replace the U.N. force.

More than 500 Sudanese, Ghanaian and Moroccan U.N. troops were patrolling the runways, and everyone entering or leaving the airport had to pass a barbed-wire barrier where identity papers were carefully checked.

Instructions barring entry of any armed men except U.N. troops were strictly enforced. Speaking at a dinner honoring provincial premiers in Leopoldville Friday night, President Joseph Kasavubu denounced what he called "colonialist attempts to split and rule the country again."

Kasavubu urged all Congolese to give full support to the central government and to the provincial governments which recognize its authority.

Lumumba also attended the banquet. The provincial premiers and Lumumba decided earlier to take all necessary steps "to fight traitors" and to "purge" the government of its "traitors."

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Rail Accord Ends Talks Of 15 Months

CHICAGO (UPI)—An agreement expected to boost wages and benefits more than 10 cents an hour for 550,000 non-operating rail workers today left only one major rail dispute unsettled.

The accord, announced at the end of a 28½ hour bargaining session Friday, followed presidential fact-finding board recommendations and ended 15 months of talks between the nation's railroads and 11 AFL-CIO unions representing workers not directly involved in train operation.

Still unsettled is a dispute between the Carriers Conference Committee and the Switchmen's Union of North America, whose 8,500 members this week rejected presidential emergency board recommendations.

Friday's agreement provided 5 cents an hour cash boost retroactive to July 1. Benefits, including a \$4,000 company-paid life insurance policy effective March 1, 1961, for each active employee, were expected to bring the total hike to more than 10 cents an hour.

"A Lot Missing"

Basic hourly wage for non-operating employees had been \$2.42 an hour.

George Leighty, chief union negotiator and chairman of the Railway Labor Executives' Assn., was not enthusiastic about the settlement.

"There's a lot missing," Leighty said. "We feel we presented our case quite adequately for a 15-cent (an hour) increase and yet the board held firm for a mere 5-cent increase."

Though the unions bowed to the presidential board recommendations, generally along lines of an earlier settlement with four operating brotherhoods, the "pattern once again went against us," Leighty said.

Theodore Short, carriers spokesman, estimated the settlement would boost rail labor costs by \$112 million a year, bringing total rail boosts to \$200 million.

Except for insurance provisions, the agreement carries no term limit. However, it falls under the Railway Labor Act which provides that the union must notify the railroads at least 30 days prior to any intention to change the existing agreement.

Largest Pact on Record

The new pact incorporated into base pay 17 cents an hour from previous cost-of-living boosts, but eliminated a former escalator clause.

A union spokesman called the agreement the largest single collective bargaining pact on record. Workers affected include rail clerks, station agents, telegraphers, and dining car, maintenance and shop craft employees.

Besides the cash boost and insurance provision, the agreement called for:

- Equalization of hospital, medical and surgical benefits for employee dependents.
- Three-month extension of hospital, medical and surgical benefits to furloughed employees.
- Liberalization of holiday and vacation pay rules to enable workers to qualify for two weeks' vacation after three years' service.

Senate OK's Hot-Spot Aid

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate has authorized President Eisenhower to pour \$700 million in aid into two world hot spots coveted by the Communists—Africa and Latin America.

At the same time, the Senate Appropriations Committee voted to restore almost all the money cut by the House from Eisenhower's aid funds request.

The full Senate Friday night approved 54-19 the chief executive's special \$600 million economic assistance program for Latin America, including \$100 million for earthquake-ravaged Chile.

The lawmakers followed this up by okaying \$914.1 million in aid to help stabilize the chaotic Congo and possibly to assist other emerging African nations.

These bills merely would authorize the programs. Congress would have a chance to review them when it votes the actual money.

The Appropriations Committee earlier approved a \$3,981,350,000 money bill to pay for U.S. economic and military assistance in the fiscal year that started July 1.

The committee restored all but \$200 million cut from Eisenhower's request by the House. This reduction was in military aid. The committee bill carried the \$100 million for aid to the Congo.

New African Nation Withdraws

By RENE BALBAUD
United Press International
DAKAR, Senegal (UPI) — Senegal quit the newly independent Mali Federation today, touching off a new high-tension African crisis that produced no immediate violence.

The Senegalese assembly, meeting after midnight in a capitol ringed by troops, voted to pull out of the union Senegal formed with the former French Sudan in January, 1959. The federation became independent only two months ago.

The assembly proclaimed a three-month state of emergency, and the government promptly used its emergency powers to scrap all laws and decrees giving Mali authority over Senegal.

Mali Premier Modibo Keita and the Sudanese members of his cabinet were placed in house arrest under police surveillance. Colonel Soumaris, chief of staff of the Mali army, also was arrested.

The Senegalese government also ordered censorship, and for several hours communications with the outside world were cut off.

Keita kicked off the crisis late Friday night by dismissing Mali Defense Minister Mamadou Dia, a Senegalese, and proclaiming a state of emergency throughout the federation.

Leopold Senghor, president of the Senegalese assembly, denounced Keita's action as an attempted "coup d'etat against the Senegalese people."

Although no reason was announced for the shakeup in Mali, it was believed to be a result of the tension surrounding the selection of a president for the federation — an issue which had caused increasing friction between Senegal and Sudan.

Senghor and Keita were the leading contenders for the presidency. A chief executive for the federation was to have been elected a week from today by the combined legislature of Senegal, Sudan and Mali.

Anderson Family Loses Dog Here

A letter from Mrs. Dorothy Moore, of Anderson, Ind., was received by the police department this morning concerning a lost dog. Mrs. Moore said that Friday, August 12, while traveling, the family stopped between Anderson and Muncie to eat. While they were eating, the dog disappeared. The dog is a fawn-colored great Dane that answers to the name Caesar. There was a report of a dog matching the description walking along the highway between Muncie and Winchester the next day.

The Moore's have four small children, one an 11-year-old daughter who is recovering from Hepatitis and the loss of the dog is a severe blow to the girl's recovery. The girl's doctor advised Mrs. Moore to write to the police departments in this area in an attempt to find the dog. Anyone seeing or picking up the dog is requested to call collect, Mrs. Dorothy Moore, 3-1786 in Anderson, Ind.

NOON EDITION

1959 Farm Census Report Tells Of Agriculture Here

There are 130 fewer farms in Adams county today than there were five years ago, and the average farm size has increased from 105.7 acres to 114.3 acres, according to the 1959 preliminary census of agriculture, it was announced today.

The total number of farms in this county is down to 1,798 from 1,928 in 1954, according to the report just issued by the Bureau of the Census, U. S. department of commerce.

More Farmland

There are approximately 220,800 acres of land in Adams county, and 993.1% of this, or 205,464 acres, are in farmland. There were 203,736 acres in farmland five years ago, meaning that the area under cultivation in this county is increasing, despite the surplus of farm commodities, and the settled condition of the land there.

The average value of a farm in this county has jumped more than \$12,000 in just five years, from \$26,574 to \$38,642.

Land value in the county is up almost \$100 an acre in the same period—from \$222.96 to \$313.42.

Farms Bigger

Farms are getting bigger, and the statistics for the county prove it. In 1954 there were just two farms between 500 and 999 acres

Chief Justice Bierly Attends U.S. Meeting



Judge G. Remy Bierly

Chief Justice G. Remy Bierly, of the Indiana Appellate Court, left Decatur this morning to attend the national Chief Justice Conference at Baltimore, Md., from Aug. 22-27.

Judge Bierly was accompanied by his wife, and by Chief Justice and Mrs. Amos W. Jackson, Judge

Jackson is chief justice of the Indiana Supreme Court.

Second Meeting

Following the conference, the two distinguished Hoosier jurists will attend the meeting of the American Bar Association at Washington, D.C., from Aug. 29 to Sept. 1.

Judge Bierly was a delegate to the Democratic national convention in Los Angeles this year, and was in on a fascinating background of convention activity at that time.

Elected in 1958

Elected to the appellate court of Indiana in 1958, Judge Bierly is presently serving a four-year term. The appellate court hears cases on appeal from the local circuit courts. There are eight judges on the court. Usually a judge is assigned a case, and presented to the other judges for their concurrence or disapproval.

Judge Bierly's office is located in the state capitol building in Indianapolis. Enroute to Baltimore, the Bierlys will visit the family of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Terveer in Alliance, O.

Married Three Weeks, Electrocuted Friday

NEW ALBANY, Ind. (UPI) — His bride of three weeks learned Friday of the death of A. J. Harvey, 23, New Albany, electrocuted at Ft. Knox, Ky., when a radio antenna he was removing brushed against a power line. Harvey was on duty with Army reservists at a two-week training camp. He was a former New Albany High School football and track star.

New Haven Man Cheated State

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (UPI) — John Vernon Stuber, 21, New Haven, pleaded innocent in U. S. District Court here Friday to three federal counts of receiving unemployment compensation while employed.

Stuber was said to have received the compensation for the week ending April 18, 1959, during which time he also received wages from a contractor. He was held in Allen County Jail in lieu of \$500 bond.

Also appearing before Federal Judge Robert A. Grant Friday was Henry E. Magers, 42, Marion, charged with eight counts of stealing and forging U. S. Treasury checks from mailboxes.

Magers pleaded guilty and his case was deferred pending a presentence investigation.

Ruth Lambright, 46, Ligonier, entered a guilty plea on three counts of dispensing "stay awake" drugs without a prescription.

Grant also deferred her case pending presentence investigation.

Frank M. Hill, 52, Fort Wayne, entered an innocent plea on two counts of using the mails to defraud. No date was set for Hill's trial.

Bob Hunter Hurt In Fall Off Bike

The city police were called to Dayton Ave., near the diesel plant, yesterday where a boy on a bicycle was supposedly hit by a car. When they arrived, however, they found that Robert Hunter, Jr., son of Robert Hunter of 1227 Mix Ave., was riding his bicycle along Dayton when someone threw a basketball in front of him, knocking him from his bike. He fell to the street and was knocked unconscious when he hit his head on the curb. He was taken to the hospital and treated for a concussion. He was to remain in the hospital for a 24 hour observation.

Willshire Car Strikes Parking Vehicle

A minor, two-car accident occurred at 3:40 Friday afternoon at Monroe and Second streets. A car driven by Paul Robinson, 45, Willshire, O., was headed south on Second and stopped for the red light. The second car was driven by Charles Burrell, 88, 28 High street, who while trying to park, pulled forward too far and struck the Robinson vehicle on the right front door panel. Robinson's car was the only one damaged and that was \$35.

Local Bulletin

Miss Florence Heaney, Decatur school teacher, was found dead in her home at the corner of Fifth and Madison shortly before noon today. Dr. Gerald J. Kohne was called to the scene immediately, and coroner Elmer Winteregg, Jr., was also summoned. No further details were known at press time.