

A Disappointment

We were quite disappointed this past week to learn of the last actions, or inaction, of Waldo (Bud) Neal, outgoing county treasurer.

We understand, on very good authority, that during the past month he let his deputies, including his wife, coast a little, rather than start work on filling out the 13,000 March tax receipts, usually the next big job for the treasurer's office.

This throws the entire load of work on the new county treasurer, William Linn, and his deputies. Bill will get the job done, of course. But it seems a petty trick for a grown man, who has had two terms as treasurer, and is asking to be elected county assessor, to pull Neal generally is a very cheerful man, a little quick-tempered, but generally a good meeter of the public.

But this, and other recent actions, takes him down a few notches in our respect for him.

We understand that Linn asked several times to go over the treasurer's job with Neal, but that he was put off until the last week. We do know that Linn went over to Bluffton to study how the job is done there.

Now, this isn't the first time that this has been done; partisan politics often sees petty tricks pulled on a successor of the opposite party.

But it does not leave a very good taste with the general public, whose primary interest is good, fast service, and is not interested in the wrangling of public officers.

Editorial Writer Today ----- Dick D. Heller, Jr.

TV PROGRAMS

Central Daylight Time

WANE-TV
Channel 15

SATURDAY

12:00-Sky King
12:30-My Friend Flicka
1:00-CBS News
1:30-Accent
2:00-Cross Exam
2:30-Western Playhouse
3:00-Science Fiction Theater
4:00-Mystery Matinee
5:00-Touchdown
5:30-Our Miss Brooks
6:00-You Asked for It
6:30-Science Fiction Theater
7:00-San Francisco Beat
7:30-Perry Mason
8:30-Golden Show Case
9:00-Have Gun Will Travel
10:00-Gunslinger
11:00-An Now Tomorrow

SUNDAY
9:00-Faith for Today
9:30-This is the Life
10:00-Lamp Into My Feet
10:30-Look Up & Live
11:00-Camera 3
11:30-Western Playhouse
12:00-Washington Conversation
12:30-CBS News
1:00-What's the Law
1:30-Continental Comment
2:00-Championship Bridge
2:30-Sunday Sports Spectacular
3:00-Wonderful World of Golf
4:00-Amateur Hour
5:30-Hit Quiz
6:00-20th Century
6:30-Mr. Ed
7:00-Lassie
7:30-Dennis the Menace
8:00-Ed Sullivan
9:00-B. E. Webster
9:30-Jack Benny
10:00-Candid Camera
10:30-What's My Line
11:00-Walter Cronkite - News
11:30-Speak to the Manager
11:50-Rhythm on the Range
12:00-Fever

MONDAY
7:00-Daily Word
7:30-Bob Carlin-News
7:55-College of the Air
8:00-Bob Carlin-News
8:30-Captain Kangaroo
9:00-Coffee Cup Theater
10:00-Breakfast in Fort Wayne
10:30-Love
11:00-Video Village
11:30-Your Surprise Package
12:00-CBS News
12:30-Love of Life
1:00-Search for Tomorrow
1:30-Guiding Light
2:00-Ann Colone Show
2:30-News
3:00-As the World Turns
3:30-Paseo
4:00-Houseparty
4:30-The Millionaire
5:00-The Verdict is Yours
5:30-CBS News
6:00-Brighter Day
6:30-Secret Storm
7:00-Edge of Night
7:30-Dance Date
8:00-Life of Riley
8:30-Tom Calenberg-News
9:00-Doug Edwards-News
9:30-Wanted: Dead or Alive
10:00-To Tell the Truth
10:30-Pete & Gladys
11:00-Window on Main Street
11:30-Danny Thomas
12:00-Andy Griffith
12:30-Hennessy
1:00-Two Gun Secret
1:30-Phil Wilson-News
2:00-Hotel Imperial

WPTA-TV
Channel 21
SATURDAY
11:00-Little Western
12:00-Al's Acres
12:30-Saturday Showcase
1:00-The Texan
1:30-Learn to Draw
2:00-Little Western
2:30-Fort Apache Focus
3:00-Big Time Wrestling
4:30-Big Ten Basketball
5:00-News
5:30-Matt's Funnies
6:00-Expedition
6:30-Ten-4
7:00-Roaring 20's
7:30-Leave It to Beaver
8:00-Lawrence Walk
8:30-All Star Bowling Tournament
9:00-Playboy's Penthouse
10:00-News
11:00-Herald of Truth
11:30-Crisis
12:00-Indiana University
12:30-Assembly of God
1:00-The Story
1:30-Oral Roberts
2:00-Big Picture
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3:00-Directions '62
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WKJG-TV
Channel 33
SATURDAY
12:00-Update
12:30-Mr. Wizard
1:00-Paraway Places
1:30-The Colonial Printer
2:00-Women's Major League Bowling
2:30-NBA Basketball
3:00-Ask Washington
3:30-All Star Golf
4:00-News
4:30-Saturday News
5:00-Wrestling from Chicago
5:30-Cannonball
6:00-Tales of Wells Fargo
6:30-The Tall Man
7:00-Saturday Night Movie
7:30-Saturday Edition
8:00-Sincerely Yours
8:30-Wrestling
9:00-The Christophers
9:30-Americans at Work
10:00-Sacred Heart Program
10:30-Industry on Parade
11:00-This is the Life
11:30-Cartoon Time
12:00-News
12:30-Gun Playhouse
1:00-Insight
1:30-The Catholic Hour
2:00-Man to Man
2:30-The Big Picture
3:00-The Air Force Story
3:30-British Calendar
4:00-Special
4:30-Pro Bowl Scouting Report
5:00-Pro Bowl Football Game
5:30-Meet the Press

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More Flu Outbreaks Expected In U.S.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The U.S. Public Health Service has reported outbreaks of flu in six states and expects more of the same before the winter is over. The following dispatch examines the seriousness of the current outbreaks, what flu really is, and what can be done about it.

By DAVID SMOTHERS
United Press International

"I had a little bird,
"It's name was Enza.
"I opened the window
"And in-flu-enza."
This was deadly doggerel in 1918-19, the years when a world pandemic of influenza killed more than 20 million persons, 548,000 of them in the United States.

The snatch of rhyme about "in-flu-enza" was a bitter warning of laughing at the most deadly outbreak in recorded history of the common ailment known as flu.

In those days, doctors knew precious little of the nature, origin and prevention of flu. They knew far more now. Yet flu epidemics still occur and a new outbreak - mild one - is gaining ground this winter.

The Communicable Disease Center of the U.S. Public Health Service announced in Atlanta last week that outbreaks of flu had been confirmed in the States of California, Oregon, Colorado, Arizona, Missouri and Florida.

The flu going the rounds this season was classified as "type-B." It did not carry the lethal threat of the "type-A" variety of flu - the kind which produced the "Spanish influenza" plague of 1918-19 and the "Asiatic flu" killer of 1957-58.

In most cases, type-B outbreaks of flu are localized and sporadic. They are easier to control. But you can feel just as miserable with type-B flu as you can with type-A.

School children have been the major victims of the flu outbreaks of the winter of 1961-62. In some cases, schools have had to shut down because up to 60 per cent of the youngsters were home in bed with the aches and sniffles.

Industries have not been sorely afflicted by absenteeism caused by the flu. The death rate has not risen above normal.

But in some cities, there was no shuffling off the effects of this year's visit from the flu virus.

Miss Margaret Considine, head operator of a medical exchange service in St. Louis, said "I think this is the worst outbreak of sickness the city has ever had."

The California Department of Health pinpointed flu outbreaks in Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Francisco, Sonoma, Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties. The peak - was in November, when several Santa Clara and Santa Cruz County schools reported that 300 to 400 children were home sick.

Schools closed down in Oregon, too, often because teachers as well as students had the flu.

In Colorado, almost half the school children in the San Juan Basin were afflicted last month, but most of them were able to come back to school after just a day. Arizona's outbreak was be-

lieved to be tapering off. The U.S. Public Health Service saw the flu outbreaks coming as long ago as last Aug. 30, when Surgeon General Luther Terry sent out a warning. That warning may be one of the reasons why flu vaccine has turned up in short supply in some areas this winter.

A cross-section of drug manufacturers reported that the word from the health service caused a small panic and triggered a rush of orders which the vaccine makers couldn't fill. The trade, wary after getting caught with an over supply last year, had not stockpiled vaccine for this year's flu season.

Flu vaccine was suddenly hard to come by in such states as Illinois, Arkansas and California.

L. H. Stoner, branch manager for Parke-Davis Co., a big flu vaccine manufacturer, said in Los Angeles "we haven't had a sufficient amount of flu vaccine since the first of September. We never had such a demand as we had this year. The possibility of a flu epidemic is always with us, but doctors have convinced people to immunize against it."

Despite the scattered reports of vaccine shortages, doctors and public health officials said they were confident there was plenty of it available to take care of those who needed it most - persons over 65 years old, victims of chronic or debilitating illnesses, and pregnant women.

These are the people who are most in danger of death when a major flu epidemic strikes.

The first major influenza epidemic in modern history came in 1743, when "flu" apparently got its name. The Italians called the malady "un'influenza di freddo" - "an influence of cold wind." Thus, "influenza" really means "influence."

After the great flu pandemic (world epidemic) of 1918-19, flu epidemics were recorded in the United States in 1932-33, 1934-35, 1936-37, 1938-39, 1940-41, 1943, 1947, 1950 and 1953.

Then came the winter of 1957 and the beginning of three waves of a tricky virus which was labeled the Asian flu. It was a killer.

A research team reporting in the Journal of the American Medical Association said the nation's first Asian flu assault claimed 40,000 more lives than the normal death rate from September through December, 1957. The second wave, from January through March, 1958, accounted for 20,000 excess deaths. The third epidemic - the nation's latest major flu affliction - hit during the first three months of 1960 and was blamed for 27,000 deaths. That brought the total score of the Asian flu in this nation alone to 87,000 fatalities.

Yet it was not until 1933 that scientists were able to isolate the first flu virus and begin studying what the disease was all about. And it wasn't until 1940 that the B-type virus, the one which is putting people in bed this winter, was pinpointed.

It turned out that the secret of influenza was as simple - or mysterious - as A, B, C and D. "A" is the one to watch for.

20 Years Ago Today

Jan. 13, 1942-The city civilian defense council has taken preliminary steps for protecting the city in times of emergency.

E. W. Jackson, St. Mary's township farmer, has renewed his subscription to the Decatur Daily Democrat, and has subscribed to the Democrat and its weekly predecessor for more than 60 years.

Forty-three Adams county young men will go to Fort Wayne tomorrow to take physical examinations prior to induction under selective service.

Adams Post 43, American Legion has contributed \$50 to the Red Cross and \$50 to the Salvation Army, all to be used for war relief work.

Mrs. William Keller is attending the semi-annual board meeting of the Catholic Ladies of Columbia at Columbus, O. She is a supreme trustee of the C. L. of C.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. My son is marrying a nice girl from another city and she doesn't have many friends in this town. I know it is not proper for relatives to give showers. So, is there some other gesture of friendship and affection I can make?

A. One nice thing you can do is give a tea or bridge party, or any informal get-together for the purpose of introducing your son's fiancée to his friends and relatives.

Q. A couple dropped in at our home one evening recently, and the woman had her hair done up in pin curls with a scarf tied around her head. Am I right in thinking this was rather rude on her part?

A. This was much more than RATHER rude!

It comes in four different flavors, all of them dangerous. There is A1, otherwise known by the genteel title of swine influenza, which is blamed for the plague of 1918-19. A2, sometimes also classified as A4, is the Asiatic flu breed. The two other A's accounted for the 1934-53 and 1946-57 outbreaks.

The type "A" strain was discovered first. That's the only reason why it rates the "A" label in the medical texts.

Type "B" has two groups, one prevalent from 1936 to 1948 and the other since 1954. Types "C" and "D" are both rare, but distinct, varieties of the flu.

The men who specialize in epidemics say they can spot the arrival of flu outbreaks. Type "A" turns up on a global basis every two to three years. Type "B" strikes every four to six years. "B" hadn't made much of a splash since 1955 and scientists were therefore not surprised when it showed up on the hospital charts this winter.

The flu virus is a little thing - so small that 25 million of them could balance on the head of a pin without feeling crowded. It grows vicious when its enzymes eat through the wall of a body cell and the virus core follows, penetrating to the cell nucleus. The infected cell, in turn, can produce hundreds of new virus particles.

The most productive landing place for a flu virus is in the cells lining the nose. Flu is an air-borne disease and you can carry it around with you and transmit it to someone else without getting sick yourself.

But when a flu outbreak gets going, it is practically impossible to avoid exposure. Once you're smitten, the results come quickly - first aches, pains, headaches and that tired feeling, then chills, fever and sometimes nausea. If all goes well, the flu victim should be feeling himself again in three to four days.

Marine Recruiter Here Each Tuesday

The Marine Corps is again scheduling recruiting trips to Adams county, it was announced today by the Marine recruiting station in Fort Wayne.

The Marines will be represented here by SSgt. Martin L. Agee, who will be in the selective service office each Tuesday from 1 until 4:30 p. m. to counsel young men on the benefits of serving their military obligations in the Marines. An appointment can be arranged by contacting the draft office in Decatur or the main Marine office in Fort Wayne, room 310, post office.

The sergeant said he is authorized to enlist men for duty with the Marine ground forces or Marine air forces. Men enlisting in Indiana are sent to San Diego, Calif., for 10 weeks of recruit training after which they are granted 20 day leaves. Assignment to tech schools are made in accordance with a person's qualifications and ability.

Basic qualifications for young men are ages 17-28, single, good moral character, good health and be able to pass the written examination.

Girls are accepted for enlistment who are 18-26 years of age, good moral character, single, high school graduate, and also pass the written examination.

Two Autos Involved In Accidents Friday

Approximately \$500 damage was suffered by two cars involved in an accident at the corner of Madison and 10th streets at 4:53 p.m. Friday.

William H. Clark, Jr., 26, 604 1/2 Adams St., was traveling south on 10th St., when he was struck by a car operated by Kenneth Vernon Ramsey, 45, 1121 Patterson St. Ramsey was westbound on Madison, and drove into the intersection, striking Clark on the left front. Damages were estimated at \$300 to the Clark vehicle and \$200 to the Ramsey auto.

Woman Is Suffocated In Fire At Fort Wayne

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (UPI) — Mrs. Ruth Baatz, 32, suffocated Friday in a fire which destroyed her home near here. Police said she apparently was overcome when she went to investigate smoke coming from the basement of the house.

COURT NEWS

Real Estate Transfers
Herbert Fruchte etx to Selma Christener, Inlet 77 Monroe.
Herber C. Brennen etx to Arno Q. Morris, etx, SW/4 SE/4 S/2 SW/4 Section 13 Township 25 Range 13, 120 acres.

William E. Schulte etx to Doyle R. Hartzog, etx, Pts. Inlots 469-470 Decatur.
Edward R. Peck, etx to DeWayne Steiner, etx, Pt. N/2 SW/4 SW/4 Section 26 Township 28 Range 14, 15.5 acres.
Lula K. Strahm to Harold E. Strahm etx, Pt. E/2 NE/4 Section 31 Township 28 Range 14, 25 acres.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Circuit Court of Adams County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that BANK OF GENEVA was on the 28th day of December, 1961, appointed:

(a) Executor of the will of VERLE M. MESHBARGER, deceased.
All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Decatur, Indiana, this 28 day of December, 1961.
Richard D. Lewison
Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Adams County, Indiana.
EDRIS and EDRIS, Bluffton, Indiana.
Attorneys for Estate
12/30; 1/6; 13.

Additional State Tax Service Here

Additional state tax service will be available at the Decatur license bureau branch, located at 122 N. First St., on Wednesday and Saturday mornings, Mrs. Bernadine Heller, bureau manager, said Friday afternoon.

Appointments for other times may be made by calling 3-3803. Mrs. Heller explained. Cecil Smitley, representative from the gross income tax department, will continue to be at the license bureau here Wednesday afternoons. Smitley is the regular tax department representative for the Decatur branch.

Two From County On Lutheran Body

The annual election of the Purdue University Lutheran assembly, governing body of the Lutheran all-student congregation at Lafayette, was held Wednesday night.

Among those elected were Norbert Schroeder, a member of St. John's Lutheran church, north of Decatur, as financial secretary, and Noel Fenner, a member of Zion Lutheran church at Friedheim, stewardship secretary. The Lafayette congregation serves 756 Purdue students and spouses of married students, chiefly of Lutheran faith.

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Proof of Last Week's -
gences in mechanical aptitude. 1930, there are "no sex differences" in mechanical aptitude. Tests, published by the University of Minnesota Press in Minnesota Mechanical Ability. According to the NEW ARE NOT NATURALLY



Debbie Reynolds, rapidly becoming the screen's foremost comedienne, has another laugh-packed role in "The Second Time Around," rip-roaring farce comedy in Technicolor showing Sunday and Monday at the Adams theater. Debbie is seen as a young widow with two children who comes to an Arizona town looking for work and winds up as an umbrella-swinging lady sheriff. The big fun cast includes Andy Griffith, Thelma Ritter, Ken Scott and Juliet Prowse.



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