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County Officials Attend Meetings

Three county officials, auditor Edward Jaberg, treasurer William Linn and clerk Richard Lewton are attending meetings this week in Rochester.

The meetings are being conducted by the Indiana State board of tax commissioners and the Indiana state board of accounts. The purpose of the meetings is to explain the technicalities in the acts passed by the 1963 legislature, which will probably be promulgated sometime in August, as they apply to the duties of these officials.

Jaberg attended the auditors' meeting Tuesday and Linn attended the treasurers' meeting Wednesday. Today, Lewton is taking in the clerks' meeting.

Lahrman Funeral Services Friday

Funeral services for Raymond C. Lahrman, of Fort Wayne, who died Tuesday night at the Lutheran hospital in that city, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the D. O. McCormick & Sons funeral home. The Rev. Carl H. Amelung will officiate, and burial will be in Lindenwood cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home until time of the services.

Work Camp For Indiana Youth

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Governor Welsh today unveiled a pilot plan for taking out-of-work youths off the streets and get them jobs.

Welsh announced that a conservation work camp will be opened Sept. 3 at Harrison State Forest under the co-sponsorship of five state agencies.

One-hundred young men, 17 to 23 years of age, will be selected from among about 16,000 registered with the Indiana Employment Security Division in this age group as seeking work and not able to find it.

They will be paid \$75 a month for work in the forests and will get their bed and board. An old Civilian Conservation Corps camp at Harrison State Forest will serve as their headquarters.

"This is the first of its kind in the country as far as I know," Welsh explained. "It is a logical approach, if it works."

He said in addition to a 40-hour

work week, the youths selected will get training to help them land jobs at the end of the 60-day period.

Welsh said part of the \$15,000 to be paid the youths for their two-month work will come from cigarette taxes dedicated to the Department of Conservation and the rest from State Forest funds.

The camp will be run by an inter-departmental committee consisting of Director Donald Foltz of the Indiana Department of Conservation as chairman with the head of the Indiana National Guard, IESD, the Indiana Youth Council and the Department of Public Instruction working with him.

Work Outlined

"We will use personnel already available in these five agencies," Welsh explained. "These 100 men will be selected by Employment Security from all over the state from among young men who have expressed a desire to find work. They will do work in the forest building roads, constructing family camping facilities, fire breaks and other useful outdoor work."

Other work projects will include repair of shelter houses, development of hiking trails, and planting and seed preparation.

An integral part of the program is guidance and counseling designed to help the young men to qualify for employment.

Welsh said short courses would be arranged by the Department of Public Instruction and that the IESD would train the young men in job interviews.

Welsh said this first camp will be a pilot project to see what can be done involving the problem of "the unemployed youth who is looking for work."

"This plan has been in preparation almost a year and a selection of the young men will start very soon," Welsh said.

Two Accidents Are Reported In City

A fire hydrant and the yard of Decatur high school were damaged in a one-car accident at 9:21 a. m. today.

Carlos Elwood Jacobs, 19, of Dayton, O., was southbound on Third St. and stated that as he approached the stop sign at the intersection of Jefferson St., the brakes of his auto failed to operate. Rather than hit a westbound vehicle on Jefferson, Jacobs swerved his auto and the car struck a fire hydrant on the southwest corner.

Damages were estimated at \$100 to the Jacobs vehicle, \$150 to the fire hydrant, and \$25 to the school yard.

One vehicle was slightly damaged in an accident involving two at the intersection of Monroe and Second streets at 4:45 p. m. Wednesday.

Mrs. Jessie M. Bell, 78-year-old resident of Belmont Park, was northbound on Second St. and explained to the investigating city police that an unidentified car turned the corner and forced her to pull to the right. As she pulled to the right, her vehicle struck a car operated by Lea Jean Wolfe, 18, route 3, Decatur, which was in the right lane of traffic.

The Bell auto was not damaged, and approximately \$10 damage was done to the Wolfe vehicle.

Drought Threat Spreading In Midwest Area

By United Press International

A worsening drought threatened to reach disaster proportions throughout parts of the Midwest today, cutting the wheat yield and posing a threat to the fall crops.

A U.S. Department of agriculture disaster committee was to meet in Washington today to consider Gov. John Reynolds' request to declare 20 Wisconsin counties drought disaster areas.

In the Oklahoma Panhandle a request was made for a drought designation, but Gov. Henry Bellmon rejected it, saying dry weather was one of the hazards of farming.

Some areas of southwestern Kansas have been declared drought stricken. The wheat crop suffered considerable damage in western Kansas, although farmers said they got a better yield than they expected.

In southwest Iowa and northwest Missouri farmers decided to reactivate a cloud-seeding program they said was highly successful in 1957. They said they were eight inches deficient in rainfall for the season.

A drought disaster designation permits farmers under certain conditions to graze soil bank acres, get low interest loans and buy government grains at low prices.

Nearly all parts of Indiana, except in the southwest and south-central counties, were short of moisture. Agricultural reporters said the corn crop and the tomatoes especially needed rain.

There was a 30,000-square-mile area of southwest Kansas, the Oklahoma and Texas Panhandles, northeast New Mexico and southeast Colorado that suffered from lack of rains this spring, but recent moisture has ameliorated the situation.

Rainfall Wednesday was sparse across the nation. Tampa, Fla., got 1.77 inches, but otherwise the amounts ranged from .43 inches at Charleston, S.C., to none at most places. Salina, Kan., got half an inch.

The temperature continued setting cool records. New lows July 10 included 42 at Findlay, Ohio; 45 at Cincinnati; 46 at Cleveland and Pittsburgh; 44 at Milwaukee, Wis., and 49 at Windsor Locks, Conn.

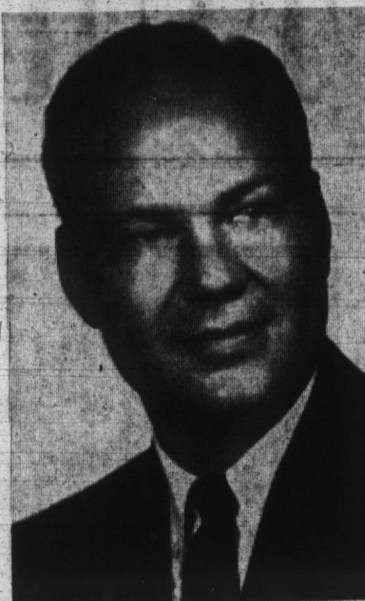
Additional Funds For I.U. Building

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—The Indiana Budget Agency announced today it has allocated \$700,000 in additional funds for the Geological Survey Building under construction at Indiana University.

The structure is the property of the Indiana Department of Conservation.

Also approved was expenditure of \$225,000 to buy the 1,270-acre Baker Ranch in Newton County from Bradley University as part of the fish and game commission of the Conservation Department in the Kankakee area. Of this, seventy-five per cent would be federal money.

Other authorized expenditures: Monroe Reservoir \$400,000; Indiana State College, tunnel and utility extension \$145,000; Muscatatuck State School, rehabilitation of sewage plant, \$75,000; Fort Wayne State School, purchase of property, \$14,500; and \$59,670 to the circuit courts of Indiana.



NATIVE SON—The Rev. Herman Reese, a native of Zion Lutheran church congregation, Friedheim, will speak at the special service Sunday at 7:30 p. m. This is the fourth of six special services during the 125th anniversary year of the congregation, and will honor the confirmation classes of 1939 to 1963.

The Rev. A. A. Fenner, pastor, will serve as liturgist, and the organist will be Arnold Stoppenhagen, also a native of the congregation.

Rev. Reese, son of Mrs. Lydia Reese of route 1, was a member of the confirmation class of 1944. He was graduated from Concordia College, Fort Wayne, in 1950, and Concordia Theological Seminary, St. Louis, in 1955. He has served pastorates near Detroit Lakes and at Ada, Minn., and is now pastor of Peace Lutheran church, Port Charlotte, Fla. He is married and the father of four children.

State Department To Appeal Ruling

HUDSONVILLE, Ind. (UPI)—The State Department of Conservation will appeal to the Indiana Supreme Court a lower court ruling which Director Donald Foltz says "strikes at the very roots of the right of eminent domain."

Foltz announced plans for the appeal during a speech Wednesday at groundbreaking ceremonies for a new dam at the Glendale Game Preserve near here.

It was the taking of land for the dam which produced the ruling in Davies County Circuit Court.

Foltz said Judge Fred Dobbyn had handed down two judgments allowing landowners to retain frontage on the 1,300-acre lake to be created by the dam built with state and federal funds.

He said that, in effect, "a court told the state it did not have the right to eminent domain, that the court itself could say what land could be acquired and what could not be acquired."

Foltz said that "no lawyer has any quarrel with the age old right of the court to adjudicate the amount the landowner should be reimbursed but, by the same token, we intend to uphold the age old right of the administrative bodies of government to exercise its right of eminent domain."

Dobbyn ruled that one person could retain a 76-acre lake frontage and another could keep a nine-acre frontage. The state had sought to obtain the land to provide public access to the entire lake and to prevent any landowner from benefiting by frontage on the big new lake to be created with completion of the dam next year.

Commission Named By Governor Welsh

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Governor Welsh Wednesday announced the appointment of members of two commissions created or expanded by the 1963 Indiana Legislature.

Welsh named five members of a commission created to study the state's inheritance tax laws and two others became members automatically because of their positions.

Welsh named Fulton Circuit Judge Frederick Rakesstraw, Rochester; St. Joseph County Assessor Ideal Baldoni, South Bend; attorneys Joseph Wood, Indianapolis and Robert Lucas, Gary, and banker Paul Rawley, Indianapolis.

T. Michael Smith, head of the inheritance tax division of the Indiana Revenue Department, and Arthur Hart, Vincennes, chairman of the probate, trust and real property section of the Indiana Bar Association, became ex-officio members.

Four legislative members were appointed earlier by Lt. Gov. Richard Ristine and House Speaker Richard Guthrie.

To complete the membership of the expanded Indiana Sesquicentennial Commission, Welsh named John Wilhelm, Hammond; Max Wright, Indianapolis; Mrs. John Figg, Bloomington; Mrs. William McKinnie, Indianapolis; Harry Smith, Connersville; Sister Maria Renata, South Bend, and I. George Blake, Franklin.

Polish Family Flees To Berlin Asylum

BERLIN (UPI)—A Polish air force major who flew to asylum in West Berlin with his family in a two-seater training plane looked forward today to building a new life "where people are not pushed around."

"I was tired of pressures," he said.

Maj. Ryszard Obacz, a decorated 34-year-old pilot, packed his 27-year-old wife, Maria, and their two sons, Lestow, 9, and Krzysztof, 5, into the cramped Polish air force plane Wednesday in Nadarzycze, Poland, 80 miles north of Poznan.

Then he coolly flew the slow-moving single-engine aircraft near tree-top level 150 miles across Poland and East Germany to the U.S. Air Force's Tempelhof Airfield in West Berlin, where he landed and requested asylum.

First Such Flight It was the first time anyone had fled to West Berlin from behind the Iron Curtain in an airplane, although other defectors have flown to West Germany itself. West Berlin is separated from West Germany by 110 miles of Communist territory.

An American official, asked if the request would be granted, said, "He's here, isn't he?"

The plane probably will be returned to Poland.

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No One Injured In Pair Of Accidents

A pair of accidents occurred on U. S. 27 near Berne Wednesday, with no injuries resulting.

A car driven by Lorraine Marie Milanowski, 30, of Brookfield, Wis., struck a vehicle driven by Kenneth C. Schwartz, 60, of route 1, Portland, in the rear in an accident at 1:20 p. m. on 27, three miles north of Berne.

Both autos were northbound, with the Milanowski car following the Schwartz car, and both were in the act of passing a truck. An unidentified vehicle turned off county road 16 and in attempting to avoid collision with the car, the mishap occurred. The unidentified car failed to stop.

Damages were listed at \$250 to the Milanowski car and \$50 to the Schwartz auto.

Two Involved Lawrence Wildas Eicher, 53, of route 2, Berne, was arrested for failure to have brake lights on his pick-up truck in working order, following an accident at 7:55 p. m., at the south drive of the Home Dairy north of Berne.

Eicher was southbound and when he started to turn his pick-up was hit in the rear by a southbound car driven by Larry Duane Bollenbacher, 21, of Geneva. Bollenbacher did not see the truck stopping for the turn, as the brake lights were not working.

The truck was not damaged but damage to Bollenbacher's auto was estimated at \$125. The sheriff's department and Indiana state police investigated both mishaps.

Save Millions Of Lives By Shelters

WASHINGTON (UPI)—U. S. civil defense chief Stuart L. Pittman estimates that a national fallout shelter system would save 35 to 70 million lives in a nuclear attack.

Pittman told Congress Wednesday the program's cost would be \$5.8 billion, with the federal government paying 2.3 billion and the state and local governments paying the remainder. This would average about \$48 for each American, he said.

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