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## REDDY FEATHER SAYS:

AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS  
GIRL SCOUTS  
CRIPPLED CHILDREN SOC.  
LITTLE & PONY LEAGUES  
U. S. O.  
SALVATION ARMY  
MENTAL HEALTH  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
AMERICAN RED CROSS



"TODAY'S DECATUR  
COMMUNITY FUND  
TOTAL IS  
**\$12,980.24**

The Goal Is  
**\$28,993**  
YOUR  
Community Fund  
Still Needs  
**\$16,012.76."**

Give The United Way

## Operation Big Lift Near To Completion

FRANKFURT, Germany (UPI) — American Air Force planes neared the end of their massive troop-carrying "Operation Big Lift" from Texas to Germany today hours ahead of schedule.

The historic air test of U.S. global striking power was expected to be completed at 10:40 p.m. 5:40 (EDT), 8 hours and 20 minutes under the 72 hours that had been allotted for the airlift of the entire 14,500-men of the 2nd Armored Division.

Reach Germany Tonight

The diverted planes were expected to reach bases in Germany before the last plane from Texas arrived tonight.

Rhein - Main outside Frankfurt was receiving transports today despite a light fog. Wednesday the Air Force barred Big Lift planes from coming in for seven hours because of poor visibility. Six planes were diverted — for a total of 16 Wednesday and today.

Deputy Revenue Commissioner Robert Hale said that 83,500 retailers certificates were issued up to Wednesday. He estimated conservatively that 140,000 should have been issued.

Difficult To Prepare

"There has been a feeling that maybe the tax was not going into effect and that has made it difficult to properly prepare," Hale said.

The 1963 Legislature enacted the sales tax, first in Indiana's history, last April as a means of taking some of the school cost burden off local property taxpayers. The tax was scheduled to become effective last July 1, but an injunction by Marion Circuit Judge John L. Niblack blocked collection.

Later, the Indiana Supreme Court ruled the tax law constitutional and set Oct. 23 as the starting date, but last-minute petitions for rehearing from the Indiana State AFL-CIO and Indiana Atty. Gen. Edwin K. Steers delayed effectiveness for 24 hours.

AFL-CIO President Dallas Sells filed a petition six minutes before the tax was scheduled to take effect early this morning, but two Supreme Court judges who stayed all night in the Statehouse took no immediate action on the bid for a 20-day stay of execution and decreed the tax collection should start as previously ordered by the high court.

Predicts Many Suits

Steers predicted there would be numerous lawsuits as a result of what he said was the court's failure to settle two major issues.

The tax is scheduled to produce about \$252,000 in revenue per day, most of which the state will distribute in state aid to local schools.

Judges Harold Achor and Frederick Landis, who spent the night in their chambers, already had gone to bed, however, and the two-page petition was actually filed with the night watchman in the Statehouse rotunda. It was to be presented to the court today.

Achor already had said, however, that neither he nor Landis would take any action on the petition Wednesday night.

"We (the court) decided all the issues that were really significant. We see no use in prolonging the agony. If anything comes in yet tonight, we will show it received but we will take no action on it," Achor said shortly before going to bed.

"I thought it was a U.S. Navy exercise," the captain said.

Many of the bullets missed their target, he said, but a fire broke out on the bow of the ship and was extinguished with chemicals after two hours.

The captain, who was torpedoed once and strafed many times while sailing aboard German tankers during World War II, said he never thought the J. Louis was in danger.

### Says Crew Calm

The crew was calm below decks, but "there wasn't much praying down below. Everyone was crowded in and there wasn't enough room."

"We were lucky, just plain lucky," Krause said.

The J. Louis has been making the bauxite run from Jamaica to Corpus Christi for two years. The strafing occurred on the ship's 91st trip, and it had passed the same spot off the Cuban coast 181 times before.

"We will go farther out next time," Krause said.

Krause said he thought the flares came from the Cuban shore, but he never saw the shore except on radar.

The ship remained on course throughout the attack. Air Force fighters from a Florida base were "scrambled" to aid the ship, but when they arrived the attackers were gone.

### Sales Tax Table

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — Here is a table of examples of how the new two per cent sales tax was applied on purchases in Indiana beginning today:

AMOUNT	TAX
.01	.24
.25	.74
.75	1.24
1.25	1.74
1.75	2.24
2.25	2.74
2.75	3.24
3.25	3.74
3.75	4.24
4.25	4.74
4.75	5.24
9.75	10.24
14.75	15.24
19.75	20.24
24.75	25.24
49.75	50.24
99.75	100.24
199.75	200.24
299.75	300.24
399.75	400.24
499.75	500.24
999.75	1,000.24
2,999.75	3,000.24
3,999.75	4,000.24
4,999.75	5,000.24
100.00	100.00

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AMOUNT

TAX

.01 .24 .00

.25 .74 .01

.75 1.24 .02

1.25 1.74 .03

1.75 2.24 .04

2.25 2.74 .05

2.75 3.24 .06

3.25 3.74 .07

3.75 4.24 .08

4.25 4.74 .09

4.75 5.24 .10

9.75 10.24 .20

14.75 15.24 .30

19.75 20.24 .40

24.75 25.24 .50

49.75 50.24 1.00

99.75 100.24 2.00

199.75 200.24 4.00

299.75 300.24 6.00

399.75 400.24 8.00

499.75 500.24 10.00

999.75 1,000.24 20.00

2,999.75 3,000.24 60.00

3,999.75 4,000.24 80.00

4,999.75 5,000.24 100.00

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