

IT DIDN'T WORK—One way to try to stop erosion from the winter surf along the beach is to pile junked autos in front of the threatened summer home. That's what Charles Simmons, Melrose, Mass., did at his Plum Island summer place. But the community took a dim view of it and has ordered the wrecks removed.

Suggests Lowering School Start Age

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—An educator suggested Tuesday that lowering Indiana's compulsory school attendance starting age from 7 to 5 might be one step toward reducing the dropout rate.

Mark C. Roser, superintendent of pupil personnel for the Gary schools, made the suggestion to a legislative committee studying the dropout problem in the state's public schools.

Roser was one of seven persons asked to appear to discuss the problem, particularly as it affected Negroes. Some of the suggestions applied to both white and Negro pupils.

Roser said he knew it "would be a long time before you get the public" to support a lowering of the compulsory school age but "we ought to start talking about it now."

Currently, most children enter the first grade of Hoosier public schools at the age of 6 but state law allows parents to

keep them at home until they are 7.

Asks More Support

He also suggested that the state double its support for such special service personnel as psychologists, social workers and nurses. He said the state should provide about 80 per cent of the support instead of the approximately 40 per cent it now theoretically provides. He noted that about half the work of such persons is in the homes, not in the schools.

Roser said a survey of Gary schools showed 501 dropouts—260 girls and 241 boys—during the 1962-63 school year. He said the survey showed 39 per cent of the girls who dropped out were pregnant.

Mrs. Osma Spurlock, deputy director of the Indiana Civil Rights Commission, said a survey now underway in 12 cities indicates that "two-thirds of the Negro high school students are not achieving at the level that would be expected from their IQs."

She also urged that more Negro teachers be employed and said that while most of the larger school systems "have made good strides in hiring Negro teachers on the elementary level, only Indianapolis, Gary, East Chicago and Evansville employ a number of Negro teachers on the secondary level."

"This all-white faculty and all-white personnel which the Negro child sees makes him feel that he doesn't have an equal chance for gainful employment," she said.

Better Check Needed
Mrs. Spurlock also urged adoption of a better method of checking on school attendance. She said often a family does not know a child has not been attending school until the absenteeism has passed the point at which a dropout could have been prevented.

Charles Graves Jr., executive director of the Marion Urban League, called dropouts "a dread disease seemingly increasing in epidemic proportions."

He said the "wide gap in day-to-day living patterns between Negroes and whites" contributes to the higher dropout rate among Negroes. Lower incomes, greater unemployment and more overcrowded housing are all part of this pattern, he said.

Mrs. Alberta Stevenson, a counselor in the Evansville schools, warned that, unless the dropout problem is controlled, there will be a "third generation of relievers."

She suggested that establishment of special referral centers for pupils whose records indicate they are potential dropouts might reduce the number who never get a basic education.

Psychiatrists Probe Ruby's Mind, Body

DALLAS (UPI)—The mind and body of dapper Jack Ruby, killer of accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, was probed and examined Tuesday by three court-appointed psychiatrists.

The secret findings were considered vital in Ruby's plea that he was insanely blinded by emotions when he dashed in front of national television cameras last Nov. 24 and fired a fatal shot into Oswald's body.

"The results," Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said, "will be furnished to psychiatrists for the prosecution and the defense and will be announced at the trial."

Criminal Dist. Judge Joe B. Brown ordered the examination. Ruby was whisked from county jail early Tuesday and spent seven hours at the Dallas Neurological Clinic. Skull X-rays, blood serology and electronic study of brain waves were used along with a complete physical examination that included a spinal tap.

Ruby, 32, was haggard and handcuffed when he was returned to his cell.

"I don't want to answer any questions," Ruby said. "I refuse to answer—I don't have my attorney here."

All parties had agreed on the three doctors who will analyze their findings before the Feb. 17 trial date. The psychiatrists were Drs. Martin Towler of Galveston, Tex., John Holbrook and Robert Stubblefield, both of Dallas.

Wade said the clinic was "as good as there is in the state." He denied earlier reports that some hospitals had refused to admit Ruby.

White to Black

To dye white shoes black, try using quick-drying black enamel paint. This often wears better than liquid or paste dyes, and doesn't wear off so easily.

20 Years Ago Today

Jan. 29, 1944 — Samuel D. Jackson, prominent Fort Wayne attorney, has been appointed by Gov. Henry Schricker as United States Senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Sen. Frederick Van Nuys.

The Adams county war price and ration board cannot issue extra gasoline rations for vacation trips.

Mrs. E. M. Webb, of Berne, suffered the dislocation of her left elbow and torn ligaments in a fall at her home.

The American Legion post here will erect two large boards in front of the home, listing all men and women from Adams county serving in the armed forces.

Adams county high school basketball results: Decatur Yellow Jackets 42, Pleasant Mills 25; Berne 37, Bluffton 29; Geneva 29, Monroe 24; Hartford 54, Monmouth 32; Kirkland 48, Jefferson 13.

Retail Sales Show Boost In County In '63

NEW YORK — A new review of business activity, with special reference to consumer spending and retail trade, shows that Adams county was a sturdy market in the past fiscal year.

Local residents spent freely for goods and services causing a number of retail lines to move up into new, high territory. Particular strength was shown by outlets for cars and other automotive equipment.

Autos Big Factor
As in other parts of the country, the auto was a big factor in making the year a good one. However, the very circumstances that pushed car sales to near-record volume—bigger incomes, more money in the bank and growing confidence in the economy—also benefited other retail lines.

As a result, there were more dishwashers, vacuum cleaners, air conditioners and electric ranges sold than for some time.

The spending picture is revealed in the annual survey made by the Standard Rate and Data Service, covering communities in all sections of the United States.

Food, Autos Get Most
Adams county's figures show that a major part of the consumer dollar locally—57 per cent of it—went for food and for automobile equipment and supplies.

They accounted for total retail sales in the year of \$15,957,000. The previous year's volume was \$15,519,000.

Local grocery stores, meat markets, bakeries and other stores selling food for home consumption accounted for some \$5,968,000 of this amount.

Another \$7,091,000 went for purchases of cars, boats and other automotive equipment.

Other Sales Up

Sales in gas service stations came to \$2,898,000.

Strong consumer spending is also indicated in other principal retail outlets covered in the survey.

Local stores selling general merchandise compiled a \$1,310,000 volume in the year.

Shops selling wearing apparel of all sorts, such as hats, shoes, clothing, underwear and related articles, had a gross of \$918,000.

Sales of home furnishings, including furniture and appliances, added up to \$1,423,000.

Drug store sales amounted to \$628,000.

All told, retail business locally in the fiscal year reached a grand total of \$28,018,000 compared with the previous year's \$26,888,000.

Home Destroyed By Blast, Man Killed

ARGOS, Ind. (UPI)—A gas explosion and fire demolished a new home early today, killing a man and critically injuring his wife.

Byron Carr, 49, died about half an hour after he was rushed to a hospital in nearby Plymouth. His wife, Gladys, 54, was hospitalized with head and face burns and other injuries.

Authorities said the couple was blown out of their beds by the blast and hurled into a neighbor's yard.

Three adjacent homes also were damaged and the explosion shook this town of about 1,200 inhabitants.

Cause of the explosion was not determined. The Carrs moved into their new home only last year.

Duo-Marine Reports Fine Show Season

Duo-Marine, Inc., one of Decatur's leading manufacturers, had a "very successful" second season in showing at the national motor boat show in New York the past two weeks, Victor B. Porter, president of the company, stated today.

Porter and sales manager Tom Miller spent the first week of the show at their four-boat exhibit which was permanently staffed by their full-time two-man sales staff, who spend all year covering the eastern seaboard.

Large Eastern Market
"The eastern seaboard, with its tremendous water resources in natural lakes and salt-water bays and coves, is already as big a market for Duo-Marine as the entire midwest," Porter stated. Decatur-made boats are price-competitive with eastern models, too.

In January, incidentally, Duo-Marine will complete its highest sales of any month in its six-year history. The company was founded here in Decatur in 1958, and has grown steadily since then. At present, it employs 75, and expects to expand continually, reaching 100 employees within a few months.

Three Models Shown
Shown at the great New York show were four boats, including three popular Duo models: the DV108, the inboard-outboard special, the F107, a deluxe 17-

foot cruiser, and the X15 cruiser, and the X15, the popular, inexpensive 15-foot cruiser.

Fiber-glass boats are growing in popularity by leaps and bounds, according to an article in the New York Sunday Times, concerning the recent show. While the toughest decision a buyer has is whether the boat will be fiber-glass, aluminum, or wood, fiber glass seems to be making great strides.

While wood rots, warps, and changes, while metal may be corroded by salt or high-mineral water, a fiber-glass-reinforced plastic boat is never damaged by rot, warp, growths, salt, minerals, or electrolysis. Minor dents and scrapes can be repaired easily without skilled mechanics.

54.6% In Show
A boat-by-boat count, made by the New York Times, showed 290 of the 532 craft shown were of fiber glass. This was 54.6%, the highest percentage of fiber glass representation ever achieved at a national motor boat show.

Last year, 51.6% of the fleet was fiber glass, 26.9% was wood, and 14.8% was aluminum. Canvas, rubber and steel complete the boat picture, with 4.7% for the first two, and 1% for the latter.

Fiber glass, a relatively new feature in boating, now accounts for 24% of the boat sales dollars in the U. S., since most huge expensive cruisers are still made of wood. In unit volume, which apparently is not measured so adequately, many claim the edge.

Sales Record Expected
If the national show just completed is any indication of sales for 1964, a record year may be expected. It is estimated that \$40.1 million in boats, motors and accessories will change hands in 1964. \$36.4 million was sold, with \$33.6 million attributed to boats. Boats alone will sell \$38.6 million this year, according to the projection from sales reports, which has been quite accurate in the past.

An increase of 10% to 20% was forecast by one district sales manager, the best outlook in four years.

One Man Killed By Secret Device Blast

CONNERSVILLE, Ind. (UPI)—The premature explosion of a secret device being tested at the Avco Manufacturing Co. proving ground here Tuesday killed one man and injured three others.

A company spokesman identified the dead man as Donald Brandenburg, 31, Connersville. He said Ross Vanderpool, Cambridge City, John Wiggins, 42, College Corner, Ohio, and Donald Cummins, 26, Brookville, suffered minor injuries and were released after treatment at Fayette Memorial Hospital.

The spokesman, Dick Stockwell of Cincinnati, said the men were members of a "well-coordinated" scientific and engineering team which had worked "hundreds of times" with the device, reported to be about the size of a shotgun shell.

Asked the nature of the device, Stockwell said only that it was "of very small size and being produced for the U.S. Army under classified regulations."

Stockwell said it exploded prematurely for an undetermined reason and showered the men with fragments.

TV PROGRAMS

Central Daylight Time

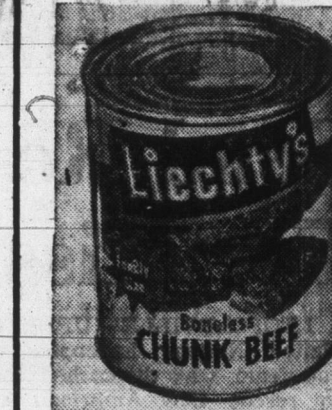
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6:00—Bachelor Father
6:30—CBS News
7:00—Big News
7:30—Chronicle
8:00—One for the Money
8:30—It's To The Camera
9:00—The Hillbillies
9:30—Dick VanDyke Show
10:30—Daddy Day Afternoon
11:00—Big News Final
11:30—Suds Six
THURSDAY
Morning
7:55—Daily Word
8:00—Captain Kangaroo
9:00—Divorce Court
10:00—CBS News—Mike Wallace
10:30—I Love Lucy
11:00—The McCoys
11:30—Pete and Gladys
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6:30—CBS News
7:00—Search for Tomorrow
7:30—Guiding Light
8:00—Ann Corbett Show
8:30—Mid-day News
9:00—As the World Turns
9:30—Passport
10:00—Houseparty
10:30—To Tell the Truth
11:00—CBS News
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12:00—Secret Storm
12:30—Early Show: "Prisoner of Shark Island"

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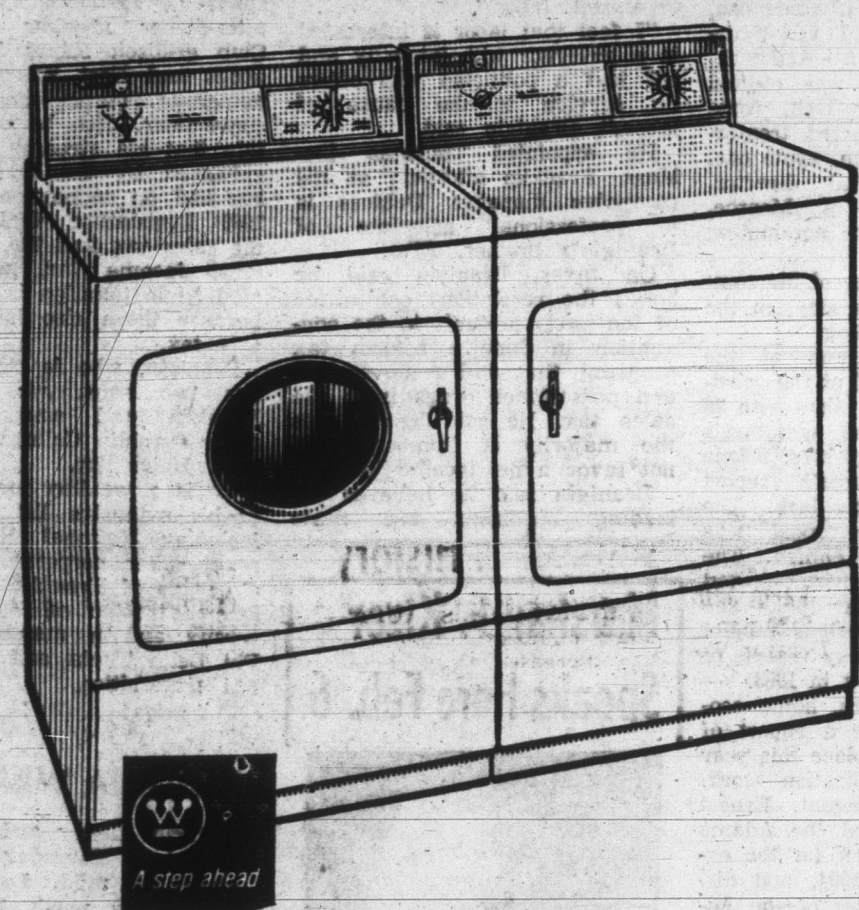
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7:00—Men Into Space
7:30—The Virginian
8:00—NBC News
8:30—Eleventh Hour
9:00—News and Weather
9:15—Sports Today
9:30—Tonight Show
THURSDAY
Morning
7:00—Today
7:30—Bozo Show
8:00—Jane Fanning Show
8:30—Faith to Live By
9:00—Say When
9:30—NBC News
10:00—Word for Word
10:30—Concentration
11:00—Missing Links
11:30—News
THURSDAY
Evening
6:00—News
6:15—21 News Report
6:30—Huckleberry Hound
6:45—Wild Cargo
7:00—The Flintstones
7:30—Donna Reed
8:00—My Three Sons
8:30—Jimmy Dean Show
9:00—Winter Olympics
9:30—Murphy Martin—News
10:00—Weatherman
10:30—Steve Allen Show

Dad Home and No Dinner?



Open A Can

SHEETS' January Clearance OF WESTINGHOUSE APPLIANCES

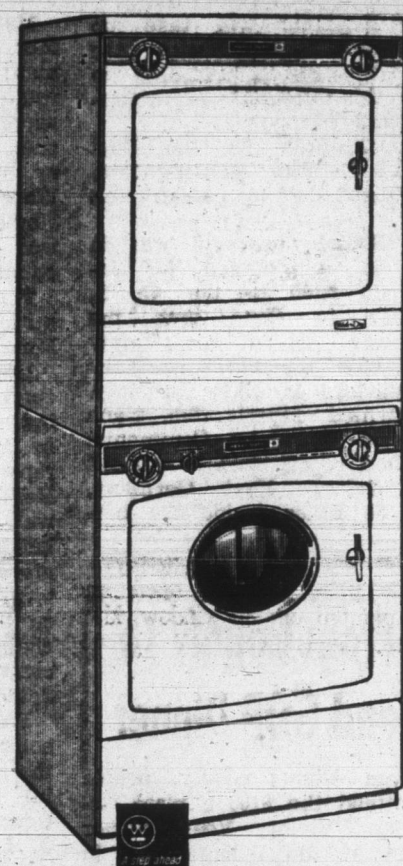


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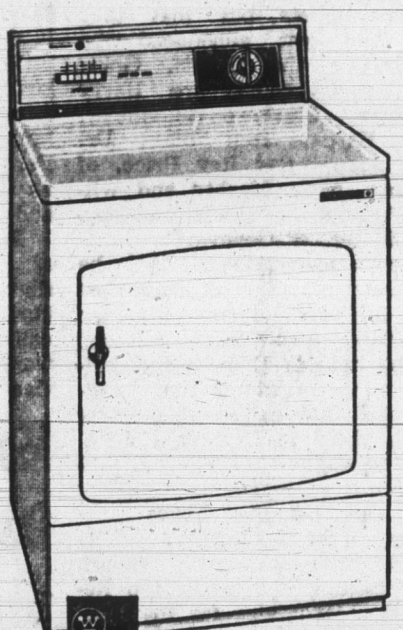
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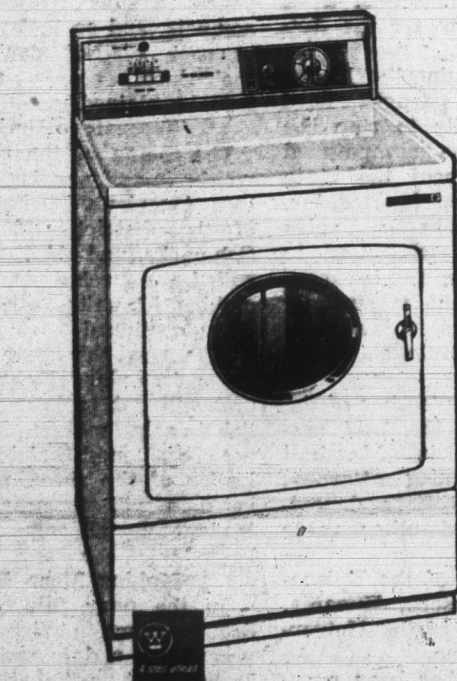
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