



HIGH DAIRY HERD TROPHY went to Martin Habegger, right; the award was presented on behalf of the Stiefel Grain Co. by Jerry Sprunger, left, DHIA chairman. Habegger and Son also won a gold award. The purpose of the DHIA is to assist local dairymen in understanding and using efficiency methods to reduce costs and raise profits by lime and fertilizer, in pastures, testing production, rigid culling, and disease control. — (Photo by Cole)

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visitors, had any requests or problems.

The Water Problem

Harry Sheets stated that he wasn't satisfied with the Decatur water situation, and asked what was being done. Mayor Gerber re-

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plied that the city administration was working on it every day, and asked city engineer Ralph Roop to explain.

Sheets asked if the zinc plate business wasn't a bit of a miss sort of thing, and Mayor Gerber replied that the city was trying it out, and that if it worked it would be continued, if it didn't, it would be dropped. The city will try any reasonable solution, he added.

Sheets suggested that the city bring in a full-scale chemical or electrical engineer to test for electrolysis.

Roop Explains

Roop stated that a chemist was presently cleaning the zeolite beds at the city plant for the first time in four years. The chemist, Roop said, should finish up Wednesday. This was the first phase of the program that the chemist has advised.

In addition, T. C. Smith is testing for free oxygen every day, and submitting weekly reports, and recommendations to the city. Sheets stated that those answers satisfied him.

Taxi Zoning

Another visitor asked about the

zoning appeal of the new taxi company to locate in a residential area. Mayor Gerber stated that this had been referred to the ordinance committee, which would meet soon with Metropolitan Planners, to see under what heading taxi companies should be listed. It should be in two weeks city attorney John DeVoss reported.

Garbage Collection

Two Fort Wayne men appeared before the council, and asked if the council had considered including the collection of garbage and trash in the contract for disposal of the two in a sanitary land-fill program.

City attorney DeVoss pointed out that the former council had allowed funds only for the disposal, and that the city had garbage and trash collecting vehicles, and men hired, to do that job. The men stated that they might be interested in bidding on the entire operation next year, if the council would consider it.

Attorney DeVoss stated that the specifications for the garbage disposal contract would be ready shortly, possibly yet this month.

\$86 Million Outlay Planned By NIPSCO

An \$86 million investment in new plant and facilities by Northern Indiana Public Service Company in 1964 and 1965 was announced today by Dean H. Mitchell, NIPSCO chairman and president, in the utility's annual report to shareholders.

Mitchell said the multi-million dollar construction program was designed to keep ahead of the rapid growth and development taking place in the northern third of the Hoosier state. "It is tangible evidence," he said, "of the confidence we have in the dynamic future of the territory we serve."

The utility's almost 50,000 stockholders were told that the Calumet region is destined to become the leading steel producing center in the world. Close to \$1 billion in actual and announced expenditures are going for new and expanding steel mills in this area, the report said, while the introduction of the basic oxygen furnace is making possible the production of 200 tons of steel in a single furnace in less than 30 minutes.

"We have recently signed a 15 year contract with the Bethlehem Steel company for 100,000 kilowatts of electric capacity for their new Burns Harbor plant," Mitchell said. "and a contract has also been signed with them for large quantities of interruptible gas."

"If we are to meet the projected growth anticipated for this area in the next 20 years, we must continue to invest large sums in new facilities to serve the growing needs of customers," the utility chief executive declared.

Growing Needs

Included in the \$86 million construction program is about \$25.5 million for the connection of new gas and electric customers; \$27.7 million for electric production, transmission and distribution facilities; \$23.3 million for the continued development of underground storage, gas transmission and distribution lines; and \$9.5 million for general plantland, buildings, transportation and communication facilities, tools and equipment.

Some of the larger projects in

the two year program include the installation of 44 miles of 30-inch gas transmission line to increase the flow of gas from underground storage into the utility's northwest system; a tie-in with the Indiana & Michigan Electric company's 345,000 volt line near Monticello; construction of 19 miles of 138,000 volt steel tower transmission line between NIPSCO's Michigan City generating station and the Maple substation in La Porte; the building of five miles of 138,000 volt steel tower transmission line between the Mitchell generating station in Gary and the company's Marktown substation in East Chicago; and construction of a new operating headquarters at Gary.

Serve Berne, Geneva

Other projects include the extension of gas transmission and distribution lines to serve the communities of Berne, Geneva, Howe, Rome City, Wolcottville, Earl Park, Wanatah, Lake Maxine, Pretty Lake, Rolling Prairie, Shipshewana, Hibbard and Door Village.

"1963 was a year of continued growth and progress for Northern Indiana Public Service company," Mitchell said. "Our electric system set a record output of nearly five billion kilowatt hours, almost 2-1/2 times our output of 10 years ago."

"This was the first full year of operation of our new Bailey generating station. As a result, we produced 83% of our electric requirements in our own plants. The remaining 17% was purchased under a favorable long-term contract from neighboring electric utilities."

"Gas sales in 1963 reached a new high of 149 billion cubic feet, up 13% over the previous year. We increased our total flow gas supply to 492.6 million cubic feet per day. Only five years ago, the utility's total gas supply was less than 170 million cubic feet per day."

"NIPSCO paid or provided more than \$30 million for taxes in 1963, equal to 18c out of each dollar of revenue collected from customers, and equivalent to \$3.45 per share of outstanding common stock."

Revenues Increase

Stockholders were told that 1963 operating revenues totaled \$166,498,000, an increase of 8% over 1962. About 53% of the utility's revenue was derived from the sale of gas and 47% from the sale of electricity.

The report stated that the company's net income for 1963 was \$21,763,000. Earnings per share of common stock were \$2.20 on the 8,823,842 shares outstanding at the end of the year. This compared with earnings of \$2.06 per share on the 8,797,328 shares outstanding at the end of 1962. Dividends paid on the common stock of the company in 1963 total \$1.36 per share compared to \$1.23 per share in 1962. The current annual dividend rate is 1.48 per share.

During 1963, NIPSCO spent \$16.5 million in Indiana for materials, services and supplies. In addition, it paid dividends to its more than 15,000 Indiana stockholders and \$31.8 million in wages and salaries to the dedicated men and women who have chosen employment with the utility as their life's work.

These expenditures, together with the company's state and local taxes of \$11.9 million, contributed substantially to the economic health and well-being of the Hoosier state.

Castro Willing To Restore Base Water

HAVANA (UPI) — Premier Fidel Castro said today that Cuba is ready to restore water supplies to the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo.

Speaking to a group of foreign correspondents who recently visited Oriente Province, Castro said:

"We are ready to resume servicing water to the Guantanamo base since the situation that forced us to cut the water, has ended."

"We said we would not provide water until our fishermen were released, and as they have been released, we are willing to restore service."

"It is true that the fishermen were fined and we paid the fine, because we were not going to leave them there suffering."

Castro referred to the seizure of four Cuban fishing boats off Key West, Fla., Feb. 2 and the arrest of their captains and crews for violating U.S. territorial waters. Some of the crewmen were released because they were juveniles, but the captains and other crewmen were fined by a Florida court.

In retaliation for this, Castro ordered the water supply to Guantanamo cut off. The water has been supplied by a private company from sources outside the base.

Indiana Man Held For Dynamitings

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. (UPI) — An Indiana man was held today for questioning about dynamite blasts which shattered a Negro home in Jacksonville last month and derailed two Florida East Coast Railway trains near here last week.

St. Johns County Sheriff L.O. Davis said William Sterling Rosecrans, 30, Anderson, Ind., was arrested here Tuesday for routine questioning and held on an open charge.

"He admitted he knows how to use dynamite from construction work," Davis said, "but he denies any connection with any bombings."

Davis said Birmingham, Ala., authorities would arrive today to question Rosecrans in connection with a bombing last Sept. 15 of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham which killed four Negro children attending Sunday School.

Davis said Rosecrans told deputies he went to Jacksonville from Alabama in October of last year and came here from Jacksonville on Feb. 25 after he spotted Duval County (Jacksonville) deputies and FBI agents searching his car.

"There were three sticks of dynamite found in the black automobile which we definitely tied up with him," Davis said. "He admits he abandoned the car and headed here when he saw them searching it, but he told us the dynamite was part of about 800 to 1,000 sticks he found buried in two barrels in his back yard in Jacksonville."

Earlier last month, a dynamite blast rocked a Negro home in Jacksonville off its foundations, but no one was hurt.

On Feb. 27, two days after Rosecrans checked in at a hotel here under the name of James E. Lewis of Mobile, Ala., blasts rocked two FEC freight trains about 10 miles south of here.

Such blasts have derailed more than five freight trains in the bitter 13-month-old strike against the FEC.

U. S., France Rift Concerns Germany

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign News Analyst

A West German newspaper has suggested an immediate summit conference between President Johnson and French President Charles de Gaulle. The suggestion came from the Kiel newspaper Kieler Nachrichten and was a reflection of growing West German concern over the rift between the United States and France.

Said the Kieler Nachrichten: "It is high time that a working discussion between President de Gaulle and President Johnson should be held; and the existence of a 'hot wire' between Paris and Washington is as important as it is that between Washington and Moscow."

Other West German newspapers have expressed themselves in similar vein. The Stuttgart Zeitung said the West German government should warn both nations that their present course "may envelop them both in catastrophe."

Between Two Loyalties

As De Gaulle disdainfully ignores the wishes of Washington and Washington in turn seeks to isolate De Gaulle, West Germany sees itself torn between two loyalties and faced with a demand that it declare itself for one or the other.

In either course the Germans see disaster.

On the one hand the Germans see the United States using both Bonn and Rome as fulcrums to exert pressure on De Gaulle, thus adding new deterrents to Europe's already painful path toward integration.

On the other, they see De Gaulle throwing obstacles in the way of the United States in Southeast Asia, and, despite French denials, raising the hopes of Moscow and Communist East Germany that France might eventually support a theory of a permanently divided Germany.

In De Gaulle's forthcoming visits to Latin American nations they see a De Gaulle attempt, in the words of the Lubeck

News, to "demonstrate to Latin America that a country can be pro-Western and anti-Yankee at the same time."

Germans See Disaster

In these collision courses wherein the Germans see alternatives which they believe could work for good on a basis of trust rather than suspicion.

In Latin America, the editorials suggested that France might take over part of the burden now borne by the United States. In Southeast Asia, France might contribute to a solution other than ever deeper involvement in war.

In the U.S.-French confrontation, the Germans see only advantage to the Communist World and to an easing of pressure against Moscow.

It was left to the Lubeck News to put into grim words, a possibility which has haunted the Western Allies since the beginning of the cold war and which has been a key to Allied support of a strong West Germany closely Allied economically and militarily to the West.

Turn To East

"The choice of the Federal Republic of Germany is not between Paris and Washington," it said, but between Western Europe and Paris on the one hand and Eastern Europe on the other."

It said that it is the Soviet Union and not the West which has the final say on German reunification. And in the event of European stagnation and failure to integrate, then a divided Germany might be tempted to turn toward the East for a solution of its national problems.

It would, indeed, be a sad result of a quarrel between supposed allies.

County Coin Club To Meet Thursday

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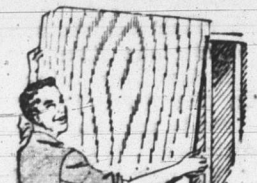
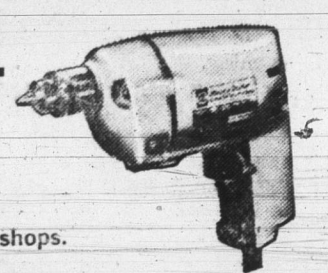
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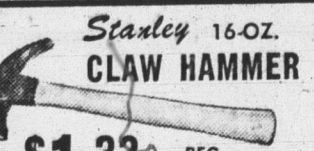
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Sinatra Defendant Slated To Testify

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Codefendant John William Irwin was scheduled to testify today in his own defense at the Frank Sinatra Jr. kidnaping trial.

Irwin, a 42-year old house painter described by his attorney, Gladys Towles Root, as a "kindly" man, is accused of aiding and abetting the kidnaping of the young singer by helping to guard him at a Canoga Park hide-out house after the Dec. 8 abduction from a Lake Tahoe motel.

His codefendants are Joseph Clyde Amsler, 23, and Barry Worthington Keenan, 23.

In a statement entered in the record of the trial last week by Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents, Irwin told how he drove young Sinatra from the hide-out house to a point near the youth's mother's home in Bel-Air and released him after payment of the \$240,000 ransom money by Frank Sinatra Sr.

Irwin accepted approximately \$50,000 of the ransom, according to the FBI, but then drove south to San Diego County and surrendered at his brother's home.

Both Irwin and codefendant Amsler have in effect described the third defendant, Keenan, as the mastermind of the kidnap plot.

Amsler, a onetime amateur boxer and professional skin diver, completed a two-day stand Tuesday — on the witness stand — and insisted he was told by Keenan that the kidnaping was a "publicity stunt" and "there would be no trouble" because young Sinatra knew about it beforehand.

Sinatra has denied from the witness stand that the incident was anything but a bona fide kidnaping.

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