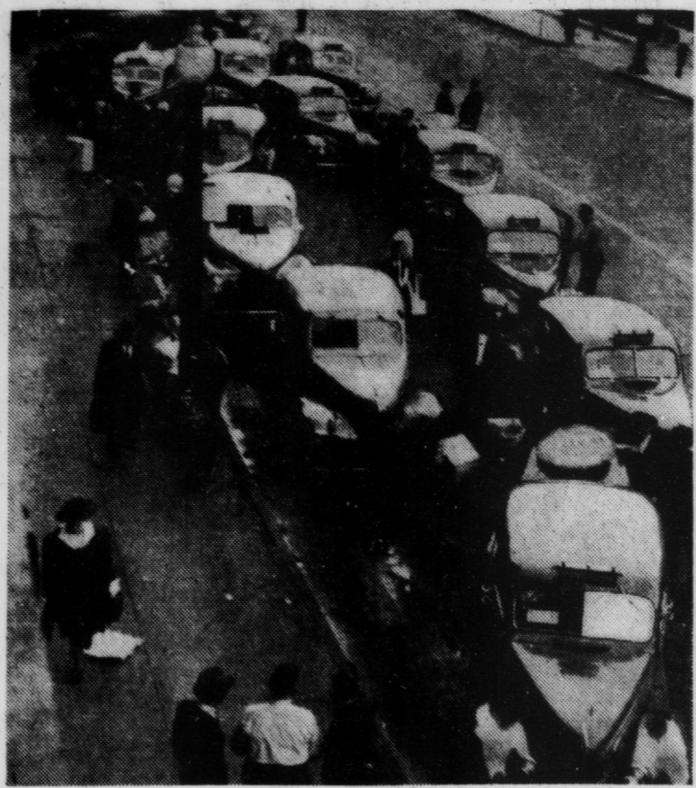


## Oath Was First on Program . . . . . Cabs Bring Ballots . . . . . At First They Were Jovial . . . . .



Before the 900 workers inaugurated the central ballot counting system in Tomlinson Hall last night, they were required to take an oath of their office. Here are some of the workers being sworn in by County Clerk Charles R. Ettinger.



The ballot boxes were brought to the hall from the polling places in taxicabs. This picture shows the first of the fleet of cabs arriving a half hour after the polls closed.



The workers were happy when they began their new tasks. These workers were eager as they removed the first ballots from the boxes—but they tired as the hours wore on and they didn't seem to be getting anywhere near the end of the job.

## TENSE HOLLAND WAITS INVASION

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It was understood that the Government had received all telephone lines to foreign countries all night for its own use.

(Some cable messages from Amsterdam were considerably delayed during the night, apparently by censors.)

## Phones Cut Off

Early this morning the United Press Berlin Bureau telephoned the Amsterdam Bureau to comment on a report that Germany had recalled its military duty all reservists between the ages of 30 and 50 years.

Berlin had just said that "officials refuse any information since the report is of military nature" when the telephone line developed interference.

As the army mobilization force canceled leaves, the government inspector general of navigation in home waters announced that entry of vessels into strategic waters would be halted between Saturday and Monday. Ships which entered these waters during the closed period will be held up until release is given Monday.

## RADIO STATION CHANGE O.K.D.

**WASHINGTON**, May 8 (U. P.)—The Federal Communications Commission today granted application of WGBF, Evansville, Ind., to change from part time operation on 630 kilocycles to 1250 kilocycles unlimited hours, with five kilowatts power during daytime hours and one kilowatt at night.

**SIX BRITISH TRAWLERS SUNK**  
LONDON, May 8 (U. P.)—The Admiralty reported today that six naval trawlers were sunk in air attacks during the Allied evacuation from the Trondheim area.

## IN INDIANAPOLIS

## Here is the Traffic Record

## DEATHS TO DATE

County City Total  
1939 ..... 16 17 33  
1940 ..... 10 26 36

May 7, 1940

Injured ..... 3 | Accidents ..... 14  
Dead ..... 0 | Arrests ..... 58

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232 33 \$113

Cases Convic- Fines  
Violations Tried Paid  
Speeding ..... 16 16 \$90  
Reckless driving ..... 2 2 0  
Failure to stop at through street ..... 3 3 6  
Disobeying traffic signal ..... 4 4 11  
Drunken driving ..... 0 0 6  
All others ..... 8 8 6  
33 33 \$113

MEETINGS TODAY

Y. M. C. A. Camera Club, Y. M. C. A.

8 p. m. Lions Club, Claypool Hotel, noon.

Young Men's Discussion V Club, Y.M.C.A.

9 p. m. Purdue Alumni Association, Severin Hotel, noon.

12th District, American Legion, Board of Trade, noon.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Board of Trade, noon.

Theta Tau, Seville Tavern, noon.

Co-Operative Club of Indianapolis, Co.

Junior Motor Traffic Association, Hotel Indiana, noon.

Antlers, noon.

Chamber of Commerce, Canary Cottage, noon.

40-Plus Club, Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, 1:30 p. m.

## Writer Describes Bombing Of Allies Leaving Namsos

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## 50 Bombers in Raid

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One Junkers Ju-87 ripped down from the sky at the Afridi and let loose a flood of bombs. A tremendous explosion told us the Afridi had been hit.

She fled to the starboard, but plunged through the waters with undiminished speed. When she circled, smoke poured forth from amidships, and dropped out of the compass. Other destroyers rushed to her assistance while a hail of bombs fell around the vessels composing the convoy.

It was a terrifying sight, with the blazing Afridi at the center, the German planes raining destruction and all ships blazing away with anti-aircraft and machine gun fire.

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