

Defense Spending in Indiana So Far Is \$132 Per Capita—and There's Much More to Come

Hand every man, woman and child in Indiana \$132 and you will have about what the Federal Government has spent or contracted to spend in the state since last July in its efforts to make the nation ready for any emergency.

This enormous influx of Federal money, amounting now to approximately \$450,000,000, already has created "better than 1929" conditions and the Federal program is just getting underway.

Indiana, which already has received a lion's share of the defense

projects, is due to get more, according to high State officials.

By far the largest amount of defense money has gone to the Allison Engineering Corp. here in Indianapolis for the manufacture of warplane motors. That company, counting both Federal and British, has received orders totaling over \$234,000,000.

The next largest Federal expenditure is \$51,000,000 for construction and operation of the largest gun powder plant in the world at Charlestown, Ind.

The first concrete for the powder plant was poured in September and already 450 buildings, of all sizes and types are built or in the process of construction. Approximately 13,500 men are working on construction of the plant, which is said to be two months ahead of schedule.

It is reported that the Government will spend an additional \$25,000,000 soon to expand the plant further. When in full operation, the plant will employ between 12,000 and 15,000 men. Temporary office buildings are

being constructed now for the Kingsbury Arsenal, an Army shell loading plant, in La Porte County. The plant, to cost \$11,500,000, will be located on 13,000 acres of land and will be operated by Todd & Brown, Inc., New York.

A \$15,000,000 munitions depot for the Atlantic fleet is in the process of construction at Burns City. Most of the powder magazines will be underground and a detachment of marines will be stationed permanently at the depot, which is to occupy 30,000 acres.

The Army is spending another \$15,000,000 for an ordnance proving grounds on 60,000 acres of Jefferson, Ripley and Jennings County land. An airport capable of handling flying fortresses will be built on the site, which is only 40 miles from the Charlestown powder plant.

The Navy is to construct a gun-sight manufacturing plant in Indianapolis at a cost of \$6,000,000 and the Army is to build a \$3,000,000 airport at Ft. Wayne. Nearly \$2,000,000 is being spent

on construction of new buildings at Ft. Harrison, and over \$1,000,000 for improvement of Stout Field, National Guard airport here.

Private companies have received orders totaling approximately \$115,000,000 for all types of equipment from Army folding cots to trucks and tanks.

Among the firms getting large tank orders is the Marmon-Herington Co., which has expanded twice during 1940 to meet increased orders.

Typical of the defense orders

coming into the state are those from Dec. 1 to Dec. 15 in which the Army ordered more than \$2,000,000 worth of materials and the Navy \$268,000.

Among the Army orders was \$22,777 to Hoosier Factories, Inc., Michigan City, for light serge trousers; \$357,445 to the Groaty Corp., Richmond, for cabinets, complete for field ranges, and \$31,578 to the United States Rubber Co., Indianapolis, for pneumatic tires and inner tubes.

The boom time conditions have

brought their problems, too. Defense industries are faced with a shortage of skilled tradesmen but schools, aided with Federal funds, are endeavoring to train students in the skilled trades to meet the shortage.

The high pay of the defense industries has lured so many engineers from the State Highway Commission that T. A. Dicus, chairman, is seeking pay raises in order to keep the engineers. If many more engineers quit, Mr. Dicus says, it will seriously threaten the state's \$25,000,000 road building program.

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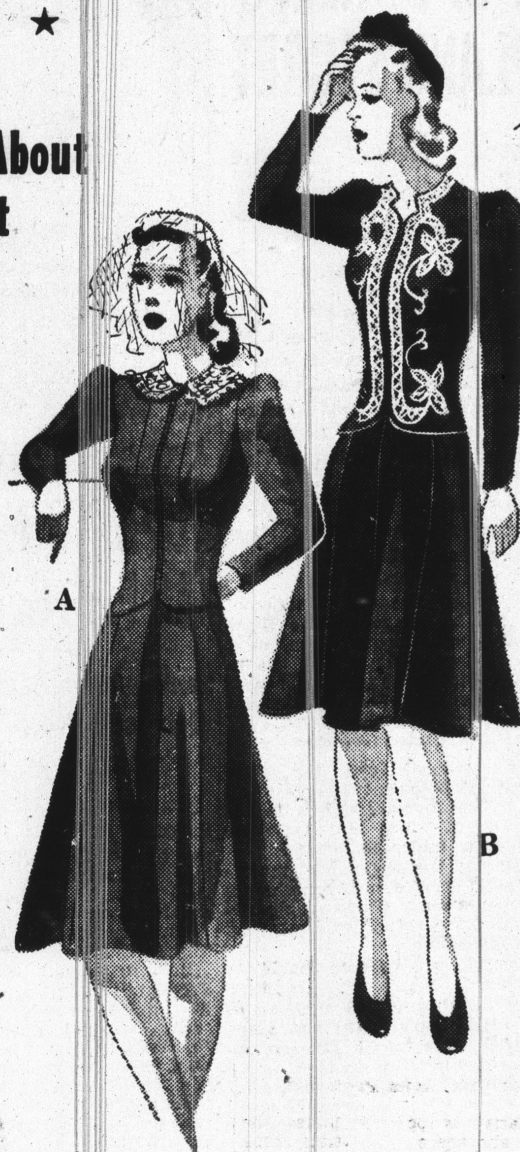
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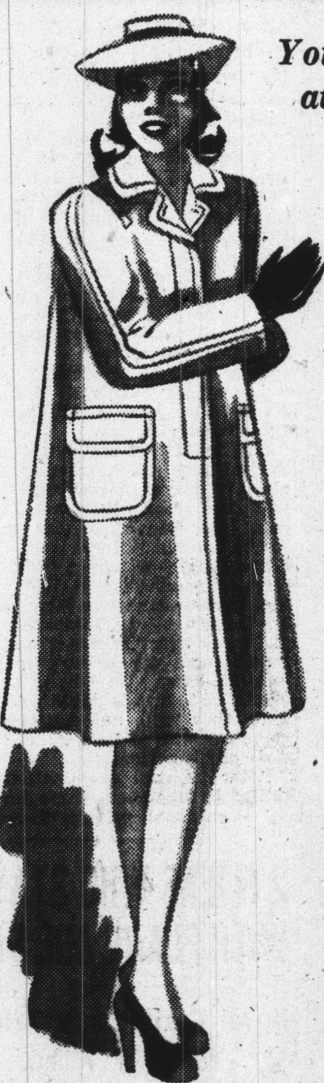
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