

At City Hall—

# OVERTIME PARKING REDUCES TAX RATE

Fix-Proof Stickers Have Brought Average of \$4444 A Month Into City General Fund and Cut Levy 1 1/2 Cents; Works Board O. K.'s Three Selections.

By RICHARD LEWIS

Since the institution of the fix-proof sticker system in the Police Department in June, 1939, the City has collected \$80,000 from overtime parkers, the records of City Clerk John Layton showed today.

During the 18 months the system has operated, Indianapolis motorists have paid an average of \$4444 a month. This money has gone into the City's General Fund to help reduce the tax rate by more than one and one-half cents.

## 3 Appointments Confirmed

The Works Board yesterday confirmed three appointments made by Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan. Eugene Daly, 643 Coffey St., was named a surveyor in the Engineering Department to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of How and A. Moore. Thomas E. Shanley, 2309 LaSalle St., was appointed junior engineer, replacing Joseph A. Torline who resigned, and Russell Quackenbush, 3263 Schofield Ave., was employed as a laborer at the asphalt plant.

## Flood Board Meets

The new Marion County Flood Control Board held its first meeting yesterday, which was given over to question and answer session. E. Kirk McKinney, new member, asked the questions and City Engineer M. C. Johnson and Tino J. Poggiani, holdover members, tried to answer them.

## Water Main Cost Up

As a result of new building, the cost of water mains to the City is increasing, according to a Works Board report. The City pays annual rental to the Indianapolis Water Co. for use of mains and hydrants for fire protection. Approximately 65,470 feet of water mains were installed by the Indianapolis Water Co. last year, compared with 48,918 installed in 1939—an increase of 7542 feet. This now gives the City 3,500,000 feet of water mains for which it paid in rental \$432,251.84 last year. This was \$400 more than the City paid in 1939. Works Board members predict further expansion of water service this year which will raise the City's water utility costs again.

## Garbage Is Big Business

In its campaign to induce the citizens to let the City collect their garbage instead of burning it at home, the Sanitation Department cites figures to show that garbage is big business for the City of Indianapolis. In 1939, the sales of garbage by-products netted the City \$96,000—almost two cents off the tax rate. Grease brought \$56,370; fertilizer tankage, \$20,193, and feed, \$19,274.

## DEMANDS VOICE FOR LABOR IN DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (U. P.).—President R. H. Thomas of the C. I. O. United Automobile Workers last night urged that labor be given "a voice in the rearmament drive and retrained by the Government against award of defense contracts to corporations which have been found guilty of violating Federal laws."

## SLIGHT EARTHQUAKE JARS NEW ENGLAND

WESTON, Mass., Jan. 4 (U. P.).—A slight earthquake, probably centered a short distance north of Lake Ossipee, N. H., occurred at 5:10:15 a. m. (Indianapolis Time) today, the Rev. James J. Devlin, S. J., Weston College seismologist, reported.

## LOCAL CCC ENROLLEE GETS 1-TO-10 TERM

WINAMAC, Ind., Jan. 4 (U. P.).—Stanley King, 17, Indianapolis, today faced sentence of 1 to 10 years in State Reformatory after he pleaded guilty to grand larceny charges in Pulaski Circuit Court. A former CCC enrollee at Medaryville, Ind., King was accused of taking \$800 in cash and checks from the automobile of a Medaryville restaurant owner.

## MOFFATT NOMINATED NEW YORK

The 1941 nominating committee of the New York Curb Exchange has selected Fred C. Moffatt, former president, as official candidate for a one-year term as chairman of the board of governors, it was announced today. The exchange's annual election will be held on Feb. 10.

# PLANE OUTPUT TOO LOW SAY 6 IN 10 VOTERS

Gallup Poll Shows Most Blame Administration For Lag.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 4.—American voters are no more satisfied with the present rate of defense production than defense leaders are themselves.

In fact, a nation-wide survey by the Institute finds that nearly six persons in every 10 of the country's 50 million voters—or approximately 30 million—think warplane production today is far behind what it should be, and the largest number place the chief blame for this situation on the Roosevelt administration.

In today's study an attempt was made not only to find out whether the public is satisfied with defense production, but also to determine how well-informed the voters are about present warplane production here and in England.

The first question was: "Do you think America's warplane production is going ahead fast enough?" The replies were: Yes, 28%; No, 58%; No opinion, 14%.

Those who replied in the negative were next asked: "Whose fault do you think it is?" The leading factors mentioned, in order of frequency, were as follows: 1. Roosevelt administration; 2. Labor and labor unions; 3. Industry and business; 4. Congress and politicians; 5. Government red tape.

That the majority with opinions are not satisfied with present production is especially interesting in the light of another fact revealed in the study, namely, that the public thinks more warplanes are being produced than actually is the case. A question on warplane production was asked in the survey for the specific purpose of discovering how well-informed the people are on production figures.

"About how many warplanes would you guess the United States is now producing a month?" One-half (50 per cent) of those questioned ventured a guess. The mean or average figure named was 800 planes a month, which means that one-half gave a figure more than 800, and one-half a figure less than 800. But as many as 26 per cent actually thought warplane production was in excess of 1100 per month.

While many conflicting figures on actual production have come from defense experts, the latest and most authoritative estimate is in the neighborhood of 700.

Still Not Satisfied Thus, those voters who made a guess in the survey tended to overestimate the number of planes. Yet, by and large, the public is still not satisfied with the production rate.

The study also found that the views of the average American fail to square with the estimates of various observers and experts on warplane production in England and in Germany. The median figure named by those who ventured a guess on British production was just the same as for American production—800 planes a month. For German production the median given was only 1200—a figure considerably below the best figures of experts.

The voters believe, however, that American warplanes are the fastest and best now being produced. When questioned on this point, 56 per cent said they thought the American planes were best, while 15 per cent thought German planes were best, 12 per cent thought English planes were best, and 17 per cent gave no opinion.

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# Getting Ready to Take 10,000 Soldiers to Camp



Surrounded by members of his staff, Maj. Gen. Robert H. Tyndall, 38th National Guard Division commander, plans the induction of 10,000 Guardsmen into the regular army on Jan. 17. After examinations here, Hoosier Guardsmen will entrain for Camp Shelby, Hattiesburg, Miss., where Gen. Tyndall will be commander. Staff members are (left to right): Lieut. Col. Stuart McLeod, Gen. Tyndall, Col. Norman A. Nicolai, Lieut. Col. Robert J. Axtell, Lieut. Col. John A. Ballard and Lieut. Col. John E. Gery.

# OPTIMISTIC ON GAS TAX PLEA

Bach Predicts Passage of Resolution Seeking Aid For Rail Elevation.

"Chances are 'favorable' that City Council will pass a resolution asking more equitable distribution of state gasoline taxes to finance South Side track elevation, Ollie A. Bach, Council member, said today.

Mr. Bach was one of several City officials who attended a mass meeting last night at the South Side Turners Hall to discuss track elevation for Madison Ave. S. East St. and Shelby St.

The more than 200 persons who attended the meeting, which was sponsored by the South Side Civic Club, asked the city legal department in drafting a new track elevation bill to be presented to the Legislature.

Mr. Bach, speaking of the pending resolution today, said: "Of course, I cannot speak for the rest of the Council, but the resolution will be presented to the Legislature. It seems to be favored by the council and I can see little possibility of opposition to its passage."

A committee appointed to confer with Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan and city engineers are Arthur Paez, club president; John F. White, Edward H. Wischniemy, Paul W. Lindemann, T. W. Davidson, J. Forest Davis, William F. Wagener, Albert Voigt, vice president; Henry Krinkman, treasurer; J. J. Laker, Edward Kirch, Nicholas Bieh, Harry B. Dynes, and Edward L. Jickstein, club trustees.

# DIES URGES 9-POINT PLAN TO GUARD U. S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (U. P.).—Chairman Martin Dies (D. Tex.), of the house committee on Un-American Activities said today that legislation soon will be introduced to carry out the committee's nine-point program to outlaw foreign-controlled political groups and bar government or defense industry employment to totalitarian sympathizers.

His announcement was made as the committee prepared to release a report late today on its charges that Germany, Italy, Japan and Russia are "flooding" the United States with subversive propaganda. It said the material was being shipped into this country "by the ton," printed here in even larger quantities and distributed at the expense of the taxpayers under terms of international postal conventions.

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# War Moves Today

Intensified British operations against Bardia, following immediately after the announcement of German airplane aid to Italy, seem especially designed to clean up any Italian resistance along the Libyan frontier before any considerable number of Nazi air fighters can get into action.

Experienced German aviators in sufficient strength, if they could arrive in Libya in time, would be able to divert British squadrons from concentrating their full power against the Bardia garrison.

As it is, the air defense of Bardia seems for the moment entirely in Italian hands and, Italian pilots are without battle experience. The long air strike of Britain has given British aviators expert knowledge of air tactics which is partly responsible for their success in North Africa.

The fall of Bardia has become inevitable unless Marshal Graziani were to succeed in pressing a new offensive eastward from his present stronghold at Tobruk, 75 miles west. He has shown no sign of engaging in any such action and the British have cut the communications between Bardia and Tobruk.

Italian Forces Reduced British reports that 5000 Italians surrendered during the first day of the renewed fighting does not indicate any improvement in morale since Graziani's advance positions in Egypt were captured last month.

The British assumption that the remaining 15,000 troops of the Bardia garrison will soon be "hors de combat" thus would seem to be justified.

The total number of prisoners then would probably come near to representing 25 per cent of Graziani's total combat force.

The Italians must have suffered considerable additional casualties, and the total reduction of Graziani's active force may mean to one-third of his original offensive power, estimating it at 250,000 fighting men.

It is probable that the British now outnumber the Italians in North Africa by a factor of three. The British command of the Eastern Mediterranean should mean that not enough reinforcements can reach Graziani from Italy to modify this uncomfortable situation to any considerable extent.

Encirclement Expected It is presumable that following the fall of Bardia, the British will organize the port as their principal base of supply for an advance against Tobruk, along the coastal road, and perhaps farther south, as well, through the desert. If they duplicate the tactics they have used to the present, they will try to get to the rear of Tobruk while also developing frontal pressure.

That strategy had phenomenal success at Sidi Barrani. It was employed also at Bardia. The depletion of Graziani's army may make it difficult for him to extend his Tobruk defenses sufficiently to prevent the British piercing his right flank and thus getting to his rear.

It is possible, however, that by the time the British reach the Tobruk defenses, the British command of the Eastern Mediterranean may have arrived to support Graziani. The presumed scarcity of gasoline should limit their activities, but at the same time they may have a hampering effect on the rapidity of the British operations.

WINCHESTER, Ind., Jan. 4 (U. P.).—Evelyn Cadwallader, 13, was reported in fair condition in Randolph County Hospital today after receiving head injuries from a shotgun blast yesterday.

Her father, Harvey Cadwallader, 44, a farmer living east of Lynn, was held in the County Jail on open charges as a result of the shooting.

The convention to look under advisement a motion to dismiss three Grand Jury indictments charging J. Hills Moore, former trustee of Liberty Township, with embezzlement of \$423.40 in Township funds.

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# INDIANA 3D IN DEFENSE WORK

Gets \$62,577,300 for Three Principal Projects, Board Reveals.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (U. P.).—Indiana ranks third among the states in the total number of contracts for defense plant expansion, construction and equipment awarded by the National Defense Advisory Commission.

A compilation published by the commission today showed that 26 states had shared in awards totaling nearly \$700,000,000 for armor plate factories, high explosive plants, ammunition and loading establishments, tank and aircraft plants and numerous shipbuilding facilities.

Almost \$1 in \$10 was allocated to Indiana, which had a total of \$62,577,300 for three projects—apparently the Charleston TNT plant, the Kingsbury shell loading plant and the naval ordnance plant at Indianapolis.

Only Missouri, with four projects totaling \$111,000,261, and West Virginia, with two projects totaling \$65,353,000 had received more contracts than Indiana. The compilation did not include such additional Indiana projects as the ammunition testing ground near Madison, the naval ammunition dump at Burns City, the Allison expansion and the Ford Motor Co. plant at Indianapolis and the Studebaker expansion at South Bend.

SEEKS DISMISSAL OF SHORTAGE CHARGES MONTICELLO, Ind., Jan. 4 (U. P.).—White Circuit Judge Ralph Gordon today look under advisement a motion to dismiss three Grand Jury indictments charging J. Hills Moore, former trustee of Liberty Township, with embezzlement of \$423.40 in Township funds.

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RATION TROUBLE MILAN, Italy, Jan. 4 (U. P.).—Giovanna Lucchini yesterday bit off the tip of the nose of a policeman who was attempting to arrest her for smuggling coffee. Additional charges of mayhem and resisting arrest were lodged against her.

PHILLIPS HEADS FOR HOME NEW YORK, Jan. 4 (U. P.).—William Phillips, U. S. Ambassador to Italy, left today by Clipper to return to his post in Rome.

Mrs. Anna Wells Pritchett, an Indianapolis public school teacher for the past 24 years, died yesterday, Jan. 3, at her home.

Survivors are her husband, Joseph, a son, Ralph C. Busch of Indianapolis, and two brothers, Oscar Boaz of New York City and Robert Boaz of Lafayette.

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# GROUPS ON BOTH 'SIDES OF FENCE' ADVISE INQUIRY

Lee Prepares to Ask Quiz; He's Concerned Over Marshall's Committee.

By FRED W. PERKINS Times Special Writer

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Senators on both sides of the aid-to-Britain fence voiced support today for a suggested investigation of the various committees now seeking to influence American opinion for or against taking the risk of "short-of-war" measures.

Senator Josh Lee (D. Okla.), an advocate of all-out aid to England, said he was preparing a resolution for an inquiry. While his main interest has been in dissecting the No-Foreign-War-Committee headed by Verne Marshall, Iowa editor, he said he was becoming convinced that committees on both sides should be looked into, and by Senators representing both schools of thought.

A leader of the non-interventionists, Senator Burton K. Wheeler (D. Mont.), said he would be "delighted to support such a move if both sides are represented."

Clark Prepares Resolution "I would insist," he said, "that the inquiry cover not only the propaganda agencies made up ostensibly of Americans, but also the propaganda of foreign agents."

Another anti-interventionist, Senator Bennett Champ Clark (D. Mo.), is preparing to reintroduce a resolution he sponsored in the last Congress, for an inquiry into foreign agents' activities affecting American neutrality. He said today that if it did not cover the "committees" now active, the language would be broadened.

The Clark resolution was reported favorably by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee last March. Subject of Large File

According to Mr. Marshall, head of the No-Foreign-War-Committee, Mr. Davis has offered to underwrite that group's expenses, for which it was announced that Mr. Marshall's newspaper in Cedar Rapids had put up \$100,000.

Mr. Davis is the subject of a large file in the State Department, detailing his international operations, including his work for the Mexican Government in selling expropriated oil to Germany in the 18 months preceding the war.

The No-Foreign-War-Committee is balanced on the pro-British side by the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies, of which William Allen White, Kansas editor, was chairman by aiding the resisters this week. Then there are the Pilgrims of America and the Princeton Group, pro-British, and on the other side the American First Committee, headed by Gen. Robert E. Wood. Other groups are less conspicuous.

SEEK CHAIRMAN TO SUCCEED WHITE NEW YORK, Jan. 4 (U. P.).—Leaders of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies meet today to discuss reorganization of the executive committee and a chairman to succeed William Allen White.

"The executive committee will consider a plan to elect several vice chairmen from various sections of the country and establish a policy board."

Mr. White will remain chairman until a successor has been named. He announced his intention to resign after several years of service. The committee's disapproval of his statement of aims, Mayor F. H. La Guardia of New York, who accused Mr. White of "doing a typical Laval" in opposing repeal of the Neutrality and the Neutrality Acts, yesterday praised Mr. White for organizing the Committee, but said that "from now on we must be realistic."

DAVIS TO 'CLEAR UP FACTS' ABOUT SELF Monday NEW YORK, Jan. 4 (U. P.).—A spokesman for William Rhodes Davis, oil operator whose name has cropped up several times the past week in discussions of international affairs, announced today that Mr. Davis in Indianapolis will lay out the facts about himself in a press interview Monday.

HOW MANY KISSES Should a Wife Expect Before Breakfast? Listen to answers to questions like this... tonight... given by your friends and neighbors right here in Indianapolis. The radio's funniest show will be broadcast from the Cadle Terrace.

TUNE IN—WFBM 7 P. M. TONIGHT "Your Marriage Club" HAVEN MacQUARRIE PRESENTED BY Wonder Bread

HINT SWOPE FOR POST WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (U. P.).—Reliable quarters said today that President Roosevelt has selected former Rep. Guy Swope (D. Pa.), as the new Governor General of Puerto Rico, succeeding Admiral William D. Leahy, now ambassador to France.

ENERGIZE AZ JAN. 10th Funds invested here by the TIENTE day of January will earn dividends figured from January 1st. Now is the time to put your vacation dollars to work. Each Investor Is Insured Up to \$5,000.

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