

# 'PAINLESS' INCOME TAX IDEA STUDIED

## TECH SUPREME DAY OBSERVED

Thousands Visit Campus; Defense Program Tonight At Athletic Field.

Technical high school observed its 26th supreme day today, marking the time in 1916 when the state supreme court gave the land for the Tech campus to the city for educational purposes.

Thousands of parents and friends of the school roamed the campus for the all-day program, which was climaxed at 7 p. m. with a defense program on the Tech athletic field. Various units of the school's R. O. T. C., including the concert band, will participate and the Purdue Zouaves will perform.

### Concert Opens Program

The program opened this morning with a concert in Stuart hall, followed by an all-school assembly which was conducted like a political convention. Delegates voted on whether to have a nine- or 12-month school year at a polling tent, in which Charles R. Eltinger, county clerk, instructed the pupils how to use a voting machine.

There were to be concerts this afternoon by the Tech concert band, directed by Frederic Barker, and by a girls' concert club and string trio. They were to be followed by social hours from 3 to 5 p. m. and the cafeteria was to be open through the dinner hour, prior to the program tonight on the athletic field.

## BONDHOLDER FILES GAS COMPANY SUIT

A suit asking that the Indianapolis Gas Co. be restrained from making any further payments to stockholders until bondholders have received payment in full, was on file in federal court here today.

The suit is an aftermath of the recent transfer of the company's property to the city of Indianapolis under a compromise agreement which terminated several years of litigation over a 99-year lease.

Today's suit was filed by Daniel S. Gillmor, Washington, D. C. Mr. Gillmor, an Indianapolis gas bondholder, is represented by the law firm of Karselen and Karselen, New York.

During the litigation, the lease rental owed by the city under the lease was placed in escrow and the interest on the bonds and dividends on the stock were held up. Under the compromise agreement, bondholders are to receive face value of their bonds, but only 2 per cent, instead of the regular 5 per cent, interest for the escrow period.

## STATE TO ASSIST IN PROSECUTING JUDGE

Attorney General George Beamer today announced that his office would assist in the prosecution of Judge H. M. Robbins of the Knox superior court who is to be tried next week for the second time on a morals charge.

Mr. Beamer said he was acting upon the request of Arthur L. Hart, Knox county prosecutor. He assigned Glen L. Steckley, deputy attorney general, to the case.

At the former trial on a morals charge, the state's two chief witnesses refused to testify thus causing the case to be dismissed.

### MORE THAN 210 SHIPS SUNK

WASHINGTON, May 22 (U. P.).—More than 210 united nations cargo and passenger ships have been sunk in the western part of the Atlantic, the Caribbean and the Gulf of Mexico since the axis nations began their U-boat campaign early this year, an unofficial compilation showed today. The compilation showed 214 ships sunk, but it might have included a few duplications.

### JAPS GIVE PRISONER LIST

BERN, May 22 (U. P.).—The first official list of American war prisoners and wounded in the Far East, inscribed in Japanese characters on fine silk paper, was received today at Red Cross headquarters in Geneva.

## Promotion Due



Ray H. Bower

## RAY BOWER TO SUCCEED KEEFE

Experience Fits Assistant For Chief Engineer's Post, Board Finds.

Ray H. Bower, assistant chief engineer of the state highway commission, is due to be promoted to the chief engineer's post left vacant by the death of Merton R. Keefe, it was learned today.

Mr. Bower has been assistant chief engineer for the last nine months and for eight years previously had served the highway commission as district engineer of the Seymour district.

### Uphold Promotion Policy

Highway commission officials are reported to have selected Mr. Bower for the post because of his thorough knowledge of the department and federal regulations as well as to keep in line with the commission's policy of giving promotions within the department whenever possible.

A number of engineers are known to have applied for the \$6000 a year job.

Mr. Bower graduated from Purdue university in 1912 with a degree in civil engineering. He took a job with the Santa Fe railroad and became assistant division engineer at Arkansas City, Kas.

### Served in War

After two years with the Santa Fe he went to work for the federal government on railway valuations and worked in that position until 1917 when he was elected county engineer of Tipton county.

He gave up that post after a year to enlist in the engineering corps in the army. After the war he went to work for the Davis Construction Co. of Arcadia and served with that firm as manager and construction engineer for 15 years until he joined the highway commission.

Mr. Bower is a Democrat.

## SAY NAZIS ARREST COURT OFFICIALS

MOSCOW, May 22 (U. P.).—A Tass news agency dispatch today reported the arrest of a number of German court officials by the Gestapo in what may have been the first important move by Hitler to clamp down on officialdom under the powers recently granted him by the reichstag.

The dispatch said that court officials had been arrested in Berlin, Cologne, Hannover, Frankfurt, Dresden and other German cities, but it did not disclose the source of this information.

"It is reported," the dispatch said, "that they were accused of having passed light sentences on persons discredited with the war and the Hitlerite regime."

## YANKS IN GIBRALTAR HINT STIRS EUROPE

BERN, May 22 (CDN).—Although allied confirmation is absent, Europe is electrified by a report that, for the first time since 1917, American forces have landed on the European continent—on the rocky British outpost of Gibraltar.

(Axis broadcasts alleged that from 3000 to 5000 American soldiers, under British warship escort, reached Gibraltar yesterday morning.)

Foreign diplomats here emphasize that the existence of American troops on European soil would be of moral and material value in bracing up Europe's shattered morale.

## CRUISER SUNK BY ALLIED SUB

Japan Loses Two Other Vessels in Attack by Undersea Craft.

MELBOURNE, May 22 (U. P.).—Allied naval forces, in their first action since the battle of the Coral sea, have sunk a 7100-ton, 8-inch gun Japanese cruiser and two supply ships totaling 15,000 tons, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

Indicating that American submarines did the job, Gen. MacArthur said the enemy ships, a cruiser of the Kaka class, with 604 officers and men, a 9000-ton cargo vessel and a 6000-ton cargo vessel, were sunk "in an underwater action."

Gen. MacArthur announced also that United States and Australian planes, flying through almost impossible weather, had destroyed or damaged eight Japanese planes in one of their most ferocious raids on the Japanese invasion base at Lae, New Guinea.

He revealed, too, that in a raid Wednesday on Koepang, in Timor island, the allied planes destroyed three enemy planes and damaged three.

### Report Sub Returns Safely

Though no details were given of the allied naval success, it was understood that a submarine had returned to base after sinking three enemy ships.

A headquarters spokesman refused to say whether the action had any connection with the Coral sea battle of two weeks ago or with a new enemy concentration of war and supply ships for a major invasion offensive in the Australian area.

The new action brought to 23 the total of enemy ships sunk or damaged since the battle of the Coral sea starting May 4. Included were an aircraft carrier, two heavy cruisers, a light cruiser, two destroyers, four gunboats, a transport and three supply ships sunk and an aircraft carrier, a heavy cruiser, a light cruiser, two seaplane tenders, two submarines, a transport, a tanker and a cargo ship damaged.

### Catch Japs Napping

The Lae raid, made yesterday, was one of the most successful of any on New Guinea invasion bases. The raiding planes flew through heavy storm clouds and blinding monsoon rains catching the Japanese unawares.

The first bombs dropped blew two great Japanese bombing planes to pieces. An enemy fighter plane and two bombing planes nearby were extensively damaged.

As the allied planes roamed over the airfield at daringly low altitudes, eight Japanese navy-O planes rose. Three were sent crashing to earth; the remaining five fled.

Then the allied planes raked the airfield almost at will with bombs and machine gun fire before returning to their bases without loss.

## MODERATOR NAMED BY PRESBYTERIANS

MILWAUKEE, May 22 (U. P.).—The Rev. Dr. Stuart Nye Hutchison, pastor of East Liberty church, Pittsburgh, Pa., presided today as new moderator of the 154th Presbyterian general assembly, succeeding the Rev. Dr. Herbert Booth Smith, Los Angeles.

Dr. Hutchison was elected head of the Presbyterian church in the United States on the third ballot of 841 assembled commissioners late yesterday over two rival candidates. The unsuccessful nominees were the Rev. Dr. Joseph McClellan Broady, Birmingham, Ala., and the Rev. Dr. Asa J. Perry, Wichita, Kas.

### APPROVE PIPELINE

WASHINGTON, May 22 (U. P.).—The house rivers and harbors committee today approved legislation designed to help relieve the eastern oil shortage by building a pipeline across northern Florida and by improving and connecting the Gulf and Atlantic barge canals.

### SMALL CITY A WAR VICTIM

TEHAMA, Cal. (U. P.).—This city, which claims to be the "smallest incorporated city in the United States," has signed a petition for reincorporation as a "patriotic city."

### 25 MORE NORSE SLAIN

LONDON, May 22 (U. P.).—The German-controlled Oslo radio announced today that the Germans had executed 25 more Norwegian patriots yesterday.

## 'Unreasonable Haste' Ordered by Ship Bureau Held Factor in Normandie Loss

WASHINGTON, May 22 (U. P.).—A confidential report prepared for the senate naval affairs committee, it was learned today, asserts that "unreasonable time limitations . . . dictated in Washington" and placed upon the contractor converting the French liner Normandie into the troopship Lafayette may have been responsible for the fire which gutted the ship in New York on Feb. 9.

"The haste imposed upon the contractor by the bureau of ships was an important factor in the loss of the Lafayette," the report said.

"What is more important is the undisputed fact that this haste was dictated in Washington by men who evidently had no conception of the work entailed, and in total disregard of contrary advice from responsible and competent men on the scene."

The report is being studied by committee members and has not been acted upon. It was prepared by James F. Dulligan, committee

counsel, who investigated the fire with the co-operation of the navy and the FBI.

Late yesterday the navy announced that the capsized \$60,000,000 vessel would be salvaged in operations that will last more than a year and cost several millions of dollars.

The counsel's report to the senate committee differs sharply from the report of the naval court of inquiry, made public April 20. The naval court blamed the fire on "gross carelessness and utter violation of rules and common sense" by workmen employed by the Robbins Dry Dock and Repair Co., Inc.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, in a supplementary statement, named two lieutenant commanders assigned to protection of the ship as being guilty of carelessness.

Mr. Dulligan in his report quoted Capt. H. Lehuédec, French commander of the Normandie prior to its seizure, as asserting that the

construction of the vessel made its use for war purposes "inadvisable." "Other competent witnesses said the Normandie, because of her lack of proper compartmentation, the location of her motive power, and her lack of stability, was extremely vulnerable to attack by submarine," Mr. Dulligan's report said.

"It was observed that the weight of 15,000 soldiers unevenly distributed at any time for causes unknown might result in a disaster at sea."

His report absolved Admiral Adolphus Andrews, in command of the eastern sea frontier, from responsibility for the fire.

The senate, however, delayed confirmation of Mr. Andrews' promotion from rear admiral to vice admiral, until members could study the report. Three more promotions were held up: Rear Admiral John W. Greenalade, in charge of the western sea frontier, to be a vice admiral; Robert H. English, to be a rear admiral, and Donald D. Beary, to be a rear admiral.

## CLAIMS SINKING U. S. BATTLESHIP

Rome Radio Says Craft Struck While En Route To Indian Ocean.

By UNITED PRESS

There was no confirmation from any other quarter today of the Rome radio's claim that an Italian submarine sank a U. S. battleship of the Maryland class Wednesday while it was en route to the Cape of Good Hope, "apparently to reinforce American naval forces in the Indian ocean."

The Vichy radio, often erroneously quoted a Rome communique as saying the sinking occurred, in Brazilian waters 100 miles west of the island of Fernando de Noronha, a fortified island manned by American forces and nearest point to Dakar on the African coast.

STORE HOURS SATURDAY 9 TILL 5:30, MONDAY 12:15 TILL 8:45

STRAUSS SAYS: IT'S ONE MORE DAY NEARER VICTORY

## DEAR SIR!

As you would guess—this is an advertisement on—

# SLACKS

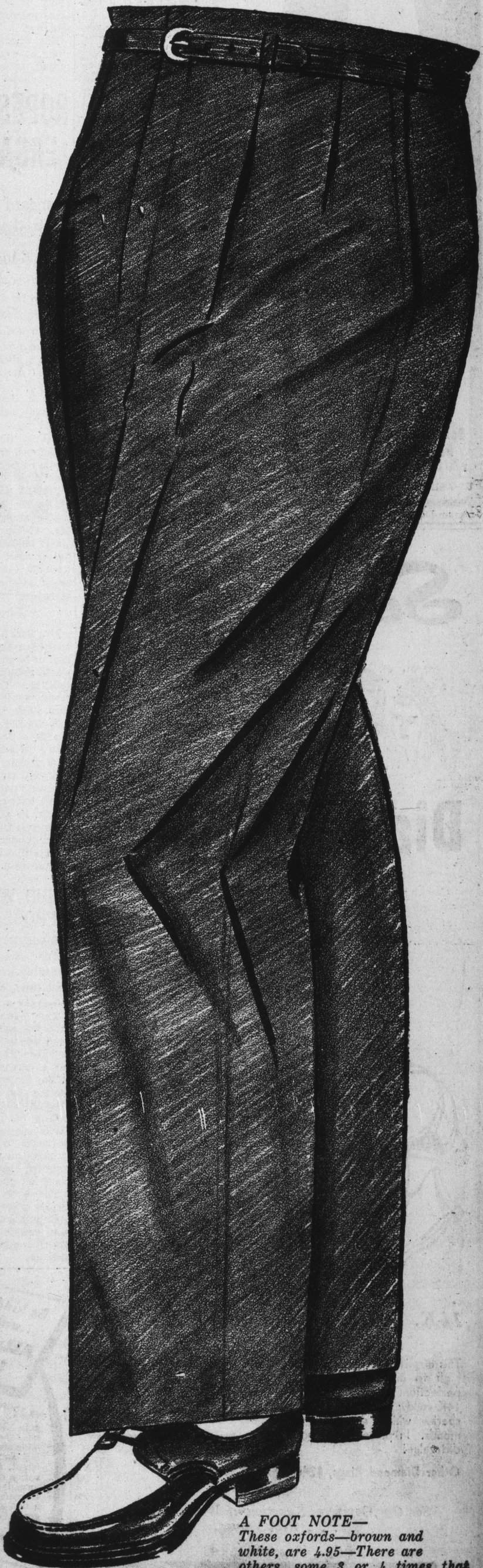
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The price that you wish to pay is up to you—There are slacks from 5.95 to 37.50—but we don't mind telling you that there are three groupings that are getting a tremendous play—we mean the featured slacks at

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Superb twills, select gabardines—pedigreed tropical worsteds—coverts and cords—Slacks are on the Third Floor

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## IN INDIANAPOLIS—VITAL STATISTICS

Here is the Traffic Record

FATALITIES

County	Cities	Total
1941	27	30
1942	18	31

—May 21—

Accidents . . . 6 | Arrests . . . 331

Injured . . . 2 | Dead . . . 0

### THURSDAY TRAFFIC COURT

Cases Convic- Fines

Speeding . . . 9 | Paid . . . \$59

Reckless driving . . . 2 | 26

Failure to stop at . . . 4

through street . . . 4 | 27

Failure to stop at . . . 3

signals . . . 3 | 13

Drunk driving . . . 2 | 0

All others . . . 19 | 91

Total . . . 42 | 27 \$246

### MEETINGS TODAY

Lukas-Harold Corp. naval ordnance plant commissioning, plant grounds at 21st st. and Arlington ave. noon, luncheon to follow at Indianapolis Athletic club.

Indiana United Commercial Travelers of America, convention, Hotel Lincoln, all day.

Indiana Society for Public Administration, debate on government merit plans, naval armory, 8:15 p. m.

Y. M. C. A.'s first annual Indiana-Kentucky conference on marriage and the family, Central Y. M. C. A. morning.

Indiana United Commercial Travelers of America, convention, Hotel Lincoln, all day.

Children of the American Revolution, conference, Spink-Arma hotel and war memorial, 8 p. m.

Dedication of new auditorium at school 8:30 p. m.

Indianapolis and Butler Panhellenic association tea for prospective women students of Butler and Butler mothers, Butler College of Religion building, 2:30 to 4:30 p. m.

Student pianists of Indianapolis and surrounding towns, ninth annual piano playing auditions, sponsored by Indianapolis chapter of the National Guild of Piano Teachers, Hotel Severin, all day.

Chorus of the White Cross Music guild, defense band, star memorial, 2:30 p. m.

Broad Ripple American Legion auxiliary, mother-daughter banquet, post home, 8:30 p. m.

Alpha Chi Omega's Mothers' club of Butler university, annual banquet for senior girls, chapter home, 6 p. m.

Red Cross committee of Caroline Scott Harrison chapter, D. A. R. Mrs. Trevor R. Geddes lecture, 824 N. Pennsylvania st., 10:45 a. m.

Central W. C. T. U. musicale and tea, L. S. Ayres & Co. auditorium, afternoon.

Delia Tau Delta, luncheon, Hotel Severin, noon.

Indianapolis manufacturers' representatives club, luncheon, Hotel Severin, noon.

Sigma Chi, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Kappa Sigma, luncheon, Canary Cottage, noon.

Optimist club, luncheon, Columbia club, noon.

Delta Tau Delta, luncheon, Columbia club, noon.

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Beta chapter, Alpha Beta Gamma, 17th anniversary dinner, Quint inn, 6:30 p. m.

Tri Chi, dance, Hotel Lincoln, night.

Thirty-ninth annual Indiana high school athletic association track meet, Technical high school, all day.

Beta chapter, Eta Delta, pledge services, Hotel Riley, night.

National Guild of Piano Teachers, meeting, Hotel Washington, all day.

City hospital, banquet, Hotel Severin, 6 p. m.

Stein club, luncheon, Hotel Severin, noon.

### BIRTHS

Girls

William, Catherine Moran, at St. Vincent's.

William, Mary Day, at St. Vincent's.

Lawrence, Isabel Alchorn, at City.

Lewis, Emma Perry, at City.

John, Justina Cobb, at City.

Edward, Violet Westfield, at St. Francis.

George, Mary Conley, at St. Francis.

Robert, Juanita Baker, at 903 W. 29th.

### Boys

William, Lucille Pickrell, at St. Francis.

Harold, Ruth Ott, at St. Francis.

David, Ann Dillie, at St. Francis.

Preston, Georgia Satterfield, at City.

Frederick, Alberta Harding, at St. Vincent's.

Reuben, Vilma Puller, at St. Vincent's.

Mark, Grace Bauch, at St. Vincent's.

Joe, Gollie Sanders, at 848 S. Traf.

Christian H. McConnell, 73, at City, arteriosclerosis.

John Edward Durrie, 78, at 2129 W. Morris, cerebral hemorrhage.

Sarah Sanders, 79, at 1840 Boulevard place, diabetes.

Michael Jameson, 83, at 1445 Broadway, carcinoma.

Class Greene, 52, at 2323 Haines, chronic myocarditis.

Barbara Jane Matthews, 89, at 1515 Villa, cardiac vascular renal.

Ella Blue, 83, at 1928 Cornell, chronic myocarditis.

Samuel Funderburk, 83, at City, broncho-pneumonia.

Gertrude Le Bernain, 67, at 620 N. Tibbs, coronary occlusion.

Esther Barker, 41, at City, myocarditis.

Charles N. Rodgers, 57, at 5202 E. North, carcinoma.

Mary A. Ripberger, 80, at 1311 N. DeQuincy, chronic myocarditis.

### OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau

(Central War Time)

Sunrise . . . 5:24 | Sunset . . . 7:39

TEMPERATURE

—May 22, 1942—

7 a. m. . . . . 75 | 2 p. m. . . . . 98

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7:30 a. m. . . . 99

Total precipitation since Jan. 1. . . . 17.48

Excess since Jan. 1. . . . 1.72

The following table shows the temperatures in other cities:

Station	High	Low
Atlanta	72	58
Bismarck, N. D.	59	38
Boston	60	38
Chicago	60	43
Cincinnati	60	43
Cleveland	60	43
Dallas	60	43
Denver	70	40
Dayton	60	43
El Paso	60	43
Fort Wayne	60	43
Indianapolis	74	54
Kansas City, Mo.	72	54
Los Angeles	68	48
Mpls.-St. Paul	68	48
New Orleans	74	62