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Auto Industry Hindered By Maze of Uncertainties

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the same models it was building when automobile production stopped more than two years ago.

And one high probability: A tremendous demand for new cars which, if only initial production could get under way quickly, can provide booming markets for a good many years.

And one great fear: That delays beyond its own power to overcome will rob the industry of its opportunity to attain record-breaking production and employment and so to help the country achieve an era of sound prosperity.

Speed Reconversion

Post-war planning among the automobile makers, therefore, is largely a matter of trying to show the government how urgently necessary it is to do certain things now, and to permit certain preparatory steps, none of which would divert manpower from war work, but all of which would go far toward clearing the way for speedy reconversion when the right time comes.

The industry has been talking to congress about some of these things for months. Its leaders will talk to the war production board about others when the new automobile industry advisory committee meets April 17. Here are a few of the moves it hopes government will make very soon:

1. Adoption of policies that will insure immediate removal of government machines and materials from automobile plants, as recommended in the Baruch report. As long as those plants are clogged with government property they can't even begin to get ready to build cars.

In Baruch Report

2. Action by congress to authorize quick negotiated settlements of canceled war contracts, final except for fraud—is also a Baruch recommendation—and assurance that the working capital of automobile companies and thousands of suppliers won't be tied up for months or years by an attempt at detailed auditing of hundreds of thousands of contracts and sub-contracts.

3. Permission for the companies to place orders now for "bottle-neck" machines and tools which they must have before they can build cars again. Many of the industry's own machines, unusable for war production, were hustled

unmercifully out of the plants more than two years ago, and nearly 10,000 of them were sent to Russia, England and to people outside the automotive industry in this country. The machine-tool builders, having completed the greater part of their war work could begin to fill such orders soon.

4. Permission for the companies to use small quantities of no-longer scarce metals—especially the new war steels—for essential experimental work.

5. Adoption of a national policy on the disposal of government-owned plants and equipment. The industry believes the government could and should decide right now which plants and machines it wants to sell after the war, together with the terms of sale. Automobile companies and others then could decide what they want to buy, and such transactions could be cleared out of the way.

If all automotive war contracts were canceled at one time, industry spokesmen say, at least 450,000 people would be out of work in the Detroit area, and millions of others in related industries and trades elsewhere, until production of cars got under way.

Must Have Tools

Large temporary unemployment probably is inevitable immediately after the war. If it's to be prevented from stretching out for many months—if the danger of letting it become permanent is to be avoided—the industry will have to take every short-cut on the reconversion road.

Before it can provide a million jobs, as it hopes to do, it must have plant space for people to work in, machines and tools ready for them to work with, a steady supply of parts and materials.

And it can't be certain of having any of these things in time unless it gets fullest co-operation from the government, starting now and continuing right down the line.

FARMER LEADS HOOSIER G. O. P.

John Lauer Elected State Chairman After Gates Resigns.

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among the district chairman and party leaders, his friends said.

"He was decided upon," one of his supporters explained, "because he was about the only party leader in the state who was not identified in some way with a candidate running for office or a factional group."

Native of Dana

Mr. Lauer had little to say about his future campaign plans and policies. He wouldn't even make the usual flat predictions of his predecessors that "the Republicans will win."

"I'm not making any predictions just yet," he retorted wryly.

The new chairman is a native of Dana, Ind., born and raised on a farm and has owned and lived on farms all his life.

Friend of Ernie Pyle

As a young man he was a close friend of Ernie Pyle, now famed war correspondent, and he grew up to become a leader in Vermillion county affairs.

He was G. O. P. chairman of Vermillion county from 1924 to 1933 when he broadened his political activities throughout the sixth district.

The federal government bought out all his farm lands in Vermillion two years ago for the big munitions plant there and he moved to Warren county where he bought another farm and now lives with his wife in Williamsport.

He has one son, Lt. Frederick Lauer in the army, and was in the army himself during world war I.

The only public office the new chairman ever held was about 10 years ago when he was appointed appraiser for the Federal Land bank of Louisville.

Gates Expresses Regrets

Mr. Gates expressed his regrets at resigning from the chairmanship.

"Yet, each of you know that for many months I have been beset with demands from countless friends and party workers to seek the Republican nomination for governor," he said.

Allison Makes 50,000th Motor For War Planes

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hawk, Bell Aircraft, North American Mustang and Invader and Lockheed Lightning to greater attacks on the enemy.

Since the war in Europe the Allison plant has sent 60 million horsepower to war in fighting planes of the U. S., England, Russia and China, he stated.

Engine Tours Plant

Following the ceremony Mr. Newell and Gen. Curry, who is to speak at the Col. Weir Cook memorial dinner tonight, took engine No. 50,000 on a tour of the plant. Joining the parade were 50 representative Allison workers, the Stout field band and the color guard from the Allison plant protection department.

The engine then was taken to the airport where it was exchanged for Allison Engine No. 1, brought here from Wright field, Dayton, O., where it has been rounding out its final tour of duty in experimental and instructional work. The No. 1 engine will go on display at the aviation exhibit at the World War memorial plaza about 3 p. m. today.

W. O. ADAMS ASKS POST IN ASSEMBLY

Wayne O. Adams, 2056 Central ave., an inspector at Allison's, today announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for state representative from Marion county.

Mr. Adams was a supervisor and engineer during construction of the Panama canal and was awarded a medal of honor for his work by President Theodore Roosevelt.

He is a member of the Methodist church, the Masonic lodge, Knights of Pythias and Sons of Veterans and is district representative of the Allison labor union. He has five sons in the army air corps and navy and is national representative of American War Dads. He was one of the first national directors of the American Farm bureau and was president of the Randolph county farm bureau.

Mr. Adams said he was interested in winning the war and in the employment and future welfare of returning veterans. He was defeated in the last primary.

RUSS MASTER OF SITUATION

Nazi Hopes of Regaining Initiative Crushed By Soviets.

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passes are so defensible, but they may find the Russians stirring at their fortress along the Vistula in the north and the Rumanian plain south of the mountains.

The critical test may come on either or both of those fronts.

Growing German anxiety over allied invasion plans from the west is perhaps indicated by a change of tactics in which the enemy planes turned from fire raids on London to wide sweeps extending to western England and Wales. London believed they were looking for signs of the massing of troops and material at other than east coast ports in preparation for invasion.

Several other developments presaged gathering storm clouds for the Germans. They included:

ONE: Marshal Josp (Tito) Brozovich's headquarters announced that Jugoslav partisans, with allied aid, had captured the strategic island of Hvar, in the Adriatic 25 miles below the Dalmatian port of Split. The island would make a possible base for an allied landing in Yugoslavia, and in any event its possession would facilitate the flow of supplies to the partisans.

TWO: The Polish exile government was reported to have changed its attitude and ordered the Polish underground to co-operate actively with the Russians advancing into that country. The Polish telegraph agency said the underground commander at Rovno in eastern Poland already had put himself at the disposition of Russian occupying authorities.

THREE: Stockholm reported that German reinforcements had arrived at Turku (Abo) and Hango in southwestern Finland and hinted that the Germans may be planning to occupy the country.

FOUR: The Dutch news agency Aneta reported that Marshal Erwin Rommel, German anti-invasion commander, had set up headquarters in southern Holland and that the populace was being forced to help erect defenses around the city.

FIVE: The nature and extent of the German occupation of Hungary was indicated by a Budapest broadcast which said an anti-Jewish program would be instituted at once.

1800 Expected at Dinner Dedicating Airport Tonight

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aircraft engine at the Allison division of General Motors.

The aviation exhibit at the world war memorial plaza reopened at 2 p. m., featuring a newly-arrived transport glider which can carry 15 fully-equipped paratroopers. The exhibit will close at 10 p. m.

The doors of the Scottish Rite cathedral will open at 5:30 p. m. for the dinner, and the civil air patrol band from Terre Haute will give a concert before the program.

With Col. Walker Winslow, wing commander of the Indiana CAP, presiding, the program will open with the invocation by the Rev. Joseph V. Somes of the Christ the King church.

O. Walter McCarty, managing editor of The Indianapolis News, will be toastmaster.

Turner to Present Flag

Col. Roscoe Turner will represent the American Legion in presenting a field flag for the newly-named airport, and John M. Hare, president of the Service club, will read a resolution stating the club's intention to erect a bronze plaque honoring Col. Cook at the airport. Howland N. Sweetman, Rotary club president, will present American and CAP flags to the Indiana wing of the CAP.

Following remarks by Lt. Col. Earle L. Johnson of Washington, national commander of the CAP, Governor Schriker will introduce Gen. Curry. Mayor Tyndall will introduce Gen. McNarney.

In an elaborate dinner program is the following tribute to the Hoosier aviator who was killed a year ago in the South Pacific:

"In a grave on a distant isle on the opposite side of this troubled world lie the mortal remains of Harvey Weir Cook, a distinguished Hoosier whose valor we assemble to honor."

"We shall remember him as friendly to an extent that endeared him to all. Those who ventured to inflict a foreign system on the free country he worshiped found him otherwise. . . . He preferred to regard aviation as the agency of peace rather than the instrument of war. But when the instigators of conflict challenged the right of free Americans . . . we found him back at the controls, fiercely defending what he conceived to be right—defending to the death."

"His memory will illumine the skies like a beacon as pilgrims of the airways . . . find safety and refuge on the smooth runways of the airport which fittingly bears his name."

Music at the aviation exhibit today was provided at 2 p. m. by the 52d college training detachment band and at 7:30 p. m. the Billings general hospital band will play.

HEIR IS ACCUSED OF EVADING THE DRAFT

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but were told he was sleeping and couldn't be disturbed.

Finally a warrant was sworn out for his arrest. Repeated attempts to deliver it were blocked by his aunt, Miss Helen Newman, who has cared for William and his four brothers since the death of their parents.

"When the officers finally decided to break into the house, they did so despite insistence by Miss Newman that William was ill. They took the precaution of bringing along a casualty hospital staff physician who said the youth was well enough to dress. He dressed but was carried to prison on a stretcher in an ambulance."

Miss Newman rode along in the ambulance, followed her ward into the men's infirmary and had to be forcibly ejected after reportedly creating a scene and slapping the faces of two jail officials.

Cammack was later freed on \$1000 bond and told to appear for arraignment today.

Cammack's other aunt, Azadia Newman, is a nationally known artist and portrait painter. The 200-year-old Cammack estate, Rock Creek manor, is one of the capital's show places, located in beautiful Rock Creek Park.

William's eldest brother, John, who is in his early twenties, was previously drafted and is in the army, reportedly stationed in Texas. The other three boys are all below draft age.

STRAUSS SAYS: IT'S ONE DAY NEARER VICTORY!



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BOGUS GAS STAMP TRIAL SET FOR 13

Thirteen Indianapolis filling station operators charged with wilfully dealing in counterfeit and other invalid ration coupons will be tried before OPA Hearing Commissioner Frederic Glover Jr. at 9 a. m. Thursday.

"The incidence of counterfeit coupons in these suspected stations was so high that it doesn't appear to have been the result of error or circumstances," John E. Scott, chief OPA enforcement attorney, said.

OPA investigators have been making daily checks on ration stamp inkblots since the counterfeit coupon racket swept through Indiana. Mr. Scott declared. The stations found trafficking heavily in bogus stamps are well distributed throughout the city and are retailers of various brands of gasoline, with no particular brand predominating, he added.

Three Indianapolis food concerns are also to be heard on OPA violations Thursday morning.

PROBE FT. WAYNE FIRE

FT. WAYNE, Ind., March 28 (U. P.)—Fire Chief Carter Bowser said today that it was impossible to determine yet the cause of the fire in Sears, Roebuck & Co., which was estimated unofficially at a loss of \$250,000.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau	
All Data in Central War Time	
Sunrise	6:35
Sunset	7:05
TEMPERATURE	
—March 28, 1944—	
7 a. m.	31
12 p. m.	44
Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7:30 a. m.	.00
Total precipitation since Jan. 1	7.31
Deficiency since Jan. 1	1.69

The following table shows the temperatures in other cities yesterday:

	High	Low
Atlanta	68	57
Boston	43	35
Chicago	32	28
Cincinnati	37	34
Cleveland	34	28
Denver	36	6
Evansville	35	28
Indianapolis	39	27
Kansas City, Mo.	30	26
Miami, Fla.	78	75
Minneapolis-St. Paul	39	26
New Orleans	49	41
New York	62	49
Oklahoma City	62	44
Omaha, Neb.	62	49
Pittsburgh	62	49
San Antonio, Tex.	71	60
St. Louis	63	35
Washington, D. C.	64	44

IN INDIANAPOLIS

- EVENTS TODAY**
- Red Cross annual fund campaign.
 - Easter seal campaign.
 - Waste paper collection at schools 43, 64, 80, 81 and St. Thomas schools.
 - Weir Cook memorial dinner, Scottish Rite cathedral, 8 p. m.
 - Vonnerst Hardware Co. free garden school, 1215 E. Washington st.
 - Agnes academy, play, Cathedral high school theater, 8 p. m.
 - Warren Central high school, play, school auditorium.
 - Marion County Democratic Women's club, Indiana Democratic club, 8 p. m.
 - Navy club auxiliary, U. S. S. Indianapolis 43, Central Y. M. C. A., 8 p. m.
- EVENTS TOMORROW**
- Red Cross annual fund campaign.
 - Easter seal campaign.
 - Indianapolis symphony orchestra, municipal concert, Muntz theater, 8 p. m.
 - Indianapolis League of Women Voters, Hotel Lincoln, noon.
 - Indiana Mineral Aggregates association, Claypool hotel.
 - Joules Chamber of Commerce, Washington hotel, 12:15 p. m.
 - Indianapolis Council of the Controllers in the state of America, Hotel Lincoln, 6 p. m.
 - Contemporary club, World War memorial, 8:30 p. m.
 - Farm Security Administration, Washington hotel, 9 p. m.
 - Wednesday Book Review club, Ayres auditorium, 7 p. m.
 - Major Robert Anderson Woman's Relief corps Red Cross sewing unit, Ft. Friendship, 7:30 p. m.
 - Beech Grove chapter, O. E. S., installation, Beech Grove Masonic temple, 8 p. m.
- MARRIAGE LICENSES**
- These lists are from official records in the county court house. The State, therefore, is not responsible for errors in name and address.
- Oval Vinton Betts, 22, of 321 N. Chester; Mary Virginia Henderson, 21, of 3340 W. Michigan.
- Albert Stanley Johnson, 26, of 321 N. Chester; Doris Duncan, 21, of 321 N. Chester.
- Ralph Edwin Gregg, 22, of 108 N. Broadway, Greenwood; Ed Virginia Lewis Brown, 18, R. 1, Box 40, Indianapolis.
- Thomas Henderson, 26, of 2458 Boulevard; Adelaide Woods, 45, of 329 W. 25th.
- Byron Noyes Fish, 21, of 307 W. 21st; Mary Johnson, 25, WAC, Ft. Harrison.
- Claude E. Hair, 21, of 2124 Graceland; Gladys Jeanne Smock, 17, of 3111 Boulevard.
- Frederick Alexander Woodcock, 21, of 15 E. Hanna; Geneva May Royalty, 22, of 24 W. Southern.
- George W. Wiley, 1944 W. Washington; Emma Bonwell, 1244 W. Washington.
- Samuel L. Wiley, 21, of 4185 Bright; Velma Halston Price, 206 Indiana, 502.
- Eugene Edward Ripp, 21, of 307 W. 21st; Amer Louise Bell, 18, of 84 West 4th.
- Walter Franklin Studebaker, 28, R. 4, Hartford City, Ind.; Clara Coette Langford, 23, of 2200 W. Adams, Muncie, Ind.
- Paul Francis Corkery, 24, U. S. army; Katie Blanche Hogue, 25, 1145 Lexington.
- Marvin Thomas Medcalf, 22, of 2517 Engle; Barbara Jean Barnes, 18, of 435 Leeds.
- Raymond Eugene Berger, 21, of 1324 Nicholas Vincennes, 55, at City, cerebral thrombosis.
- Lester, 17, of 1740 S. Randolph, 21, of 81 S. 4th.
- James H. Smith, 21, of 1014 N. Fourth; Beech Grove; Laura Turner, 21, of 1215 W. 29th.
- Perry Stoops, 68, Carmel, Ind.; Martha Jane Campbell, 60, Carmel, Ind.
- Emil Harold Kinnear, 22, of 273 W. Washington; Roberta Ruth Johnson, 18, of 1153 Bureau.
- Lester, Edward Davis, 33, of 3026 E. Washington; Lucille Minnie Smith, 30, of 332 S. Leola.
- William Keller, 21, of 501 Division; Dorothy Ellen Keeler, 17, of 301 Division.
- BIRTHS**
- Twins—Boy and Girl
- Peter, Justina Howard, at Methodist.
- C. I. Irene Tilley, at St. Vincent's.
- Lawrence, Amanda Booher, at Coleman.
- Glen, Evelyn Pruitt, at Coleman.
- Harmon, Alberta Heitzman, at Methodist.
- Ray, Roma Kivett, at Methodist.
- George, Betty Koch, at Methodist.
- Cuthbert, Ora Peterson, at 2935 Boulevard pl.
- DEATHS**
- Maurice H. Myers, 36, at City, general paralysis.
- Budd Sears, 53, at St. Vincent's, pulmonary embolism.
- John Jeremiah Liddy, 71, at 314 N. Arsenal, arteriosclerosis.
- Elmer Russell Bushong, 47, at 1936 N. Delaware, cardio vascular renal.
- Gertrude H. Miller, 38, at 1609 Wade, carcinoma.
- Nellie Simmons Meier, 81, at 3128 N. Pennsylvania, diabetes.
- Charles Everett Harris, 54, at Veterans, nephritis.
- Marshall O. Albright, 73, at Methodist, coronary occlusion.
- Bettie D. Wilkes, 46, at 930 N. West, cardio vascular renal.
- Frank J. Notter, 64, at City, cerebral hemorrhage.
- Mayme Chandler, 50, at City, intestinal obstruction.
- Julius Earl Hurst, 58, at Veterans, arteriosclerosis.
- John A. Allen, 68, at 130 W. 18th, coronary occlusion.
- John P. Hastings, 22, at 1835 N. Talbott, coronary thrombosis.
- Patricia Dooty, 24, at City, lobar pneumonia.
- Patrick Fitzgerald, 75, at City, hypertension.
- Joseph E. Douglas, 86, at City, carcinoma.
- Edward P. Kepner, 63, at 5723 Guilford, coronary occlusion.
- Harriet Demott, 77, at Methodist, pulmonary edema.
- George E. Cotton, 50, at 68 S. Tremont, acute dilatation of heart.
- George Dennis Bennett, 68, at Long, bronchial asthma.
- Dorothy H. Zeller, 38, at 334 E. Minneola, carcinoma.
- William L. Robertson, 78, at 1442 Herchel, cerebral hemorrhage.
- Anna E. Simpson, 80, at 1201 Pleasant, arteriosclerosis.
- Ella Silver, 74, at City, diabetes mellitus.
- Lula P. Mills, 84, at 2037 N. Illinois, coronary occlusion.
- Frank Roberts, 55, at City, cerebral thrombosis.
- Emma A. Kemp, 53, at Methodist, carcinoma.
- Albert P. Roosenberg, 61, at 1800 N. 11th, cardio vascular renal.

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