

Army Pays State \$10,800 For Use of Fairgrounds

The state of Indiana was richer today by \$10,824. Honoring army day at the army air forces depot state fairgrounds, Brig. Gen. Harold A. Bartlett, commanding officer of the Fairfield technical service command, Patterson field, O., presented the checks to Governor Gates for state equipment now being used at the depot.

Col. Frank J. Hills, commanding officer of the depot, introduced Gen. Bartlett.

Must Stay on Jobs

"Everyone of us must remain on our jobs here at the depot," Gen. Bartlett said. "The war is not yet over. There is no job in Indiana in the nation that is more important than yours."

He spoke to approximately 1,200 civilian employees and army personnel.

"What could be more important today than the speeding of these aircraft engines and parts to our fighting front?" the general asked. On receipt of the check Governor Gates expressed the pleasure of the state and urged all the employees at the fairground to continue their vital work.

Day of Prayer

"When the final hour of victory comes in Europe, we must make that day not one of jubilee but one of progress and prayer," the governor said.

"We must remember that the European victory will not end the war. It will not be over until Japan is defeated. Let us honor those men who have made the supreme sacrifice and their families with sobriety rather than jubilation."

The invocation was given by the Rev. William F. Ruge, Lt. Gov. Richard T. James spoke briefly and Lt. Oliver D. Hole Jr. was master of ceremonies.

Two awards were presented by Col. Hills to civilian employees for work suggestions. Those honored were Clarence W. Niehaus and Homer G. Chappell. The army day program was followed by a buffet luncheon with entertainment and athletic events scheduled for the afternoon.

MERSING TESTIFIES IN OWN DEFENSE

William J. Mersing, charged with first-degree murder in the shotgun slaying of Cpl. Alfred J. Arpin on Jan. 28, 1944, testified today in his own defense.

He told of going to the apartment of Miss Louise Wilson, 612 N. Delaware st., the night of the slaying to return a shotgun.

"I don't know who opened the door," Mersing testified. "There was no light in the living room."

The defendant said he knocked on the door with the gun barrel. As he handed the gun through the door he said there was an explosion and that he called, "Who's hurt?" after he heard a scream.

Mersing denied threatening anyone and said he was not mad at Miss Wilson and had never seen Arpin. His testimony was to be continued during the afternoon.

Others who testified today were Police Officer Lawrence W. Smith and Rex Rothrock, 59, of 612 N. Delaware st. Smith was a character witness for the defendant. Rothrock said he delivered a message to Mersing that Miss Wilson wanted the shotgun. She had given the gun to Mersing as a Christmas gift.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

Robert Willis Heine Perry army air field, Florida; Virginia Rose Blunk, 1640 Lexington. Elbert Grannan, 519 W. Bernard; Mildred Maxine Sackmire, 510 W. Bernard. Daniel James Bess, Y. M. C. A.; Helen Lois Dayton, 2914 N. Meridian. George Edward Kitchel, R. R. 2, Walton; Anna Louise Foreman, 1729 Lambert. Melvin L. Smith, 842 N. East; Florence Leola Smith, 929 W. Michigan. Harry Smith, Camp Atterbury; Josephine Stout, 1412 Central, apt. 5. Elmer Cooper, Jr., 2055 N. Sherman; Catherine Jean Deaver, 2206 Station. Arthur Stewart, R. R. 1, Box 922-K; Wanda June Crockett, R. R. 1, Box 858. Duane French, Linden Hotel; Lois Jeanne Willis, Treviso. Morris Melvin Jones, 31 N. Vine; Mildred Opal Adams, Bloomington. Charles Brents, 423 S. Ritter; Lillian Slade, 1302 E. 25th. Russell Haderness, Camp Atterbury; Betty Rose Miller, 1619 N. Illinois. Roy A. Sparks, 1830 Arrow; Alice R. Clark, 264 Station. Emmett B. Slaggs, 428 E. Southern; Virginia R. Duvall, 1659 E. East. William Dodson Jr., 1372 W. Ray; Jo Ann Sherer, 1265 Standard.

BIRTHS

Girls
George Barbara Eshford, at St. Francis. Everett Mary Jane Tucker, at St. Francis. John Marie Rander, at City. John Reuther Warfield, at City. Eddie Mary Jane Williams, at City. Rudolph Mary Masters, at Coleman. Robert Geneva Benz, at Methodist. Max Francis Jones, at Methodist. William Elmer Mearns, at Methodist. Oren Deloris Peak, at Methodist. Walter Margaret Reeder, at Methodist. Thomas Marie Shaw, at Methodist. Irving Eileen Zeiger, at Methodist. Edward Nora Pauline Day, at St. Vincent's. Arthur Marian Hammel, at St. Vincent's. Andrew Mildred Patagon, at St. Vincent's. Ruth Louise Thelan, at St. Vincent's. Marion Betty Trees, at St. Vincent's. Dario Mercedes Landarun, at Emhardt. Emma Cecelia Salmons, at Emhardt. Raymond Samella Glenn, at 3157 N. Gale. Charles Maude Landford, at 630 Blake. James Helen Marmontale, at 209 Lancaster. Nick Catherine Olson, at 1038 Church.

Boys
Verle Eva Simpson, at St. Francis. Everett Betty Vandenberg, at St. Francis. Charles Helen Bruce, at City. Howard Betty Bramlett, at Coleman. Alvin Ruth Leslie, at Coleman. William Frances Miller, at Coleman. Maurice Alva Clemens, at Methodist. Richard Margaret Cross, at Methodist. Louis Vera Cummins, at Methodist. Robert Jane Hickman, at Methodist. Jerry Margaret Miller, at Methodist. Carl Violet Murat, at Methodist. Peter Katherine Larson, at St. Vincent's. Donald Marian Underwood, at St. Vincent's. Clifford Jessie Dilkey, at Emhardt. John Patricia Foley, at Emhardt. William Fay Burris, at 857 Udel. Oscar Anna Davis, at 847 W. 27th. Archie Silvestre Dotter, at 928 S. Kenwood. Joseph Ollie Frost, at 703 S. Capitol. Jefferson Helen Keller, at 435 E. 19th st. Delman Ella Lacey, at 747 Roach.

DEATHS

Elizabeth Henschen, 89, at 83 N. Irvington, cardio vascular renal. James C. MacKay, 54, at City, chronic nephritis. William Henry Hoffman, 74, at 72 N. Irvington, chronic myocarditis. William E. Akers, 35, at Flower Mission, pulmonary tuberculosis. Laura M. Lindamood, 66, at 2231 N. Olney, chronic myocarditis. Virginia Ruth Rodger, 29, at St. Vincent's, brain embolism. Alfred McPheters, 98, at 1840 Boulevard E., chronic myocarditis. Emil Paul Lampe, 88, at 1445 Broadway, carcinoma. Thomas C. Moran, 65, at 9039 W. Michigan, carcinoma. William Schuler, 85, at 1537 Leonard, cardio vascular. Earl P. Schaefer, 78, at 2119 E. Garfield, coronary sclerosis. Virginia Schobert, 86, at Long, nephritis.

CLUB FORMS CLASS TO TRAIN PUPPIES

The Cocker Spaniel club of central Indiana will have a puppy training class from 3 to 5 p. m. Sunday at the home of Mrs. C. B. Johnson, 7601 E. Washington st.

Harry Hendrick, vice president, will have charge of the class. All dog owners are invited to get their puppies ready for the Hoosier kennel's all-breed American Kennel club show April 15 at Tomlinson hall.

After the class, a covered dish supper will be served. Plans for the club's participation in the Hoosier kennel's show will be complete at a meeting at 8 p. m.

IN-LAW MISERY FOR HITLER, IS ONE IDEA

LONDON, April 6 (U. P.)—The London Evening Standard got this reply in a contest on what to do with Adolf Hitler:

"Let him live with my in-laws for a month." The contestant's name was not published.

Quick-Thinking Saves Kidnap Victim

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find some way out of the jam," she said.

"He talked continuously. The farther out of town we got the more nervous he became."

"That was what frightened me."

BOWERS forced Miss Olmsted to turn off on a dark country road. The country opened on S. Meridian st. in the 6400 block. "By then I was horribly frightened. He said 'I know they'll get me, but I'll get some of them first!'"

"I HAD to stop for a stop sign and I saw a light in a corner house," Miss Olmsted said.

"Suddenly I was calm. I knew it was then or never."

"A car was coming down the highway so I pulled out in front of it, blowing the horn with my elbow."

"Bowers tried to stop me and began to beat me. He turned off the ignition in the fight. I was struggling with him and trying to get out the door."

"The oncoming car swerved around us. As I fell from my car I saw a man come from the corner house."

"THERE were a couple shots fired. Then everything went hazy," she said.

"I'm more nervous today than last night," Miss Olmsted said. Then she added, "I know one thing now. A woman never should drive her car alone without the doors locked from the inside."

Man Accused of Painting Baby, Assaulting Wife, Fined \$100

For fighting with his wife before he allegedly painted his 2-year-old son with ivory enamel, Glenn Gosnell, 39, of 707 Union st., today was fined \$100 and costs in municipal court 3.

Judge Pro Tem Joseph Howard also sentenced Gosnell to 120 days on the state farm, but suspended the penalty, placing the defendant on a year's probation instead.

Gosnell denied he had enameled his baby while intoxicated, as his wife, Catherine, had previously charged. He said the tot pulled a can of paint from a ladder on himself.

Mrs. Gosnell, who told the judge

WEST SIDE TO GET NEW PLAYGROUND

A new West side playground will be constructed for use this summer. The works board today transferred to the park board 10 acres of ground south of the asphalt plant on S. West st. for recreation purposes.

Paul Brown, city parks superintendent, said work would begin immediately on construction of a baseball field. Other playground facilities will be added later, he declared.

The ground will revert to the works board whenever it ceases to be used as a playground, according to the work board resolution. The property is located a half mile south of Morris st.

REPORT SARAJEVO CAPTURED BY TITO

LONDON, April 6 (U. P.)—Marshal Tito's forces have stormed and captured Sarajevo, biggest city in central Yugoslavia and site of the assassination that touched off world war I, the Free Yugoslav radio said today.

50th Anniversary To Be Observed

MR. AND MRS. H. O. SEXSON, Greenfield, will observe their golden wedding anniversary with open house from 2 to 4 p. m. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sexson were married in Greene county April 6, 1895 and have lived in and around Greenfield 22 years.

They are the parents of nine children: Mrs. Arthur Crane, Mrs. William Akers, Mrs. Joe Bush, Bert, Burt, Burl, Troy and Ward, all of Indianapolis, and Earl, Greenfield. They have 27 grandchildren.

BOILER BUILDING IS SWEEPED BY FIRE

Flames swept through a boiler building, the heating plant for several green houses, on Sumner ave., near Bluff rd., early this morning, causing approximately \$5000 damage.

The building, owned by Henry Snider, R. R. 20, Box 732, presumably caught fire because of defective wiring, Deputy Sheriff's Walter Monymaker and Nick Rawlings said.



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