

## SCHOOL PLANS GIVEN APPROVAL

### Board Okays 3 Projects for Prompt Action.

Immediate action on three projects was approved by the school board last night when preliminary approval was given to a long range building program for local schools.

The over-all program includes all Indianapolis public high schools and a third of the elementary schools. Public libraries also were included.

Tagged for immediate action were:

1. Construction of a 12-room addition to the south wing at school No. 26, Martindale ave. and 16th st.

2. Purchase of new sites for school No. 2, 700 N. Delaware st., and school No. 4, 630 W. Michigan st., and preparation of plans for new buildings.

3. Construction of a new building for the Broadway branch library, 615 E. 42d st.

#### Many Buildings Old

The building committee informed the board that about one-third of the 62 elementary schools in use are more than 40 years old and urged their replacement with modern structures.

The committee called for a careful study of school population trends to determine the following: Proper location of new sites and probable building needs in rapidly growing neighborhoods; need for modernization, expansion and replacement or abandonment of present structures; means of obtaining funds needed within the bonding limitations of the school city.

The board was told the preliminary floor plans for the new Manual Training high school are being rushed and that construction would start as soon as conditions warrant.

#### New Facilities Asked

Additional facilities were asked for Broad Ripple and Technical high schools in line with plans drawn some 10 years ago. Replacement of the old section of the Broad Ripple high school was sought to provide an auditorium, girls' gymnasium, library, shops and other facilities.

Recommendations also included a new wing for Technical high school, replacement of the artillery building, horse barn and electric shop, 12 portable classrooms, annex, and construction of a new girls' gymnasium and auditorium connecting with Stuart hall.

The committee's plans also call for better facilities for physical education, shops and ROTC activities at George Washington, Crispus Attucks and Shortridge high schools.

#### Addition Near Completion

It was estimated that half-day sessions at School No. 56 at 2835 Columbia ave. would be eliminated early in 1946. The addition there is almost completed and new classrooms will provide accommodations for full-day attendance.

A survey to provide an estimate of the cost of a retirement fund for non-teaching employees of the school system was authorized.

Weekly salary rates for craft workers and laborers in the buildings and grounds department were ordered established. Vacation and sick leave pay are to be provided.

George Farkas, head of the physical education department at Howe high school, was appointed as a physical education consultant to the board. Teachers appointed for the current school year were: Joan M. Goss, School No. 54; William G. Orme, School No. 52, and William R. Hawley, Carolyn K. Summer and Robert F. McMaster, extra teachers.

Return of teachers from military service were announced as follows: Howard E. Hanscom, George Washington high school; John W. Shepard, extra teacher; Charles G. Yeager, Manual Training high school; William J. Treichler, Technical high school; Roy A. Seyforth, School No. 18, and Raymond H. Clark, School No. 14.

#### Two Resign

Resignations accepted came from Bonnie Barrell and Minnie E. Cassidy, and requests for leaves of absence were approved for Mr. Hanscom and Naomi Clay.

Appointments in the staff of Miss Marian McFadden, city librarian, were accepted. They are: Mrs. Anetta Foster, substitute aid and Mrs. Lillian Marshall Miller, substitute junior assistant. Resignations were accepted from Mary Elizabeth Humphreys and Mrs. Mary H. Huse.

## 2 YUGOSLAVS HELD IN SLAYING OF G. I.

TRIESTE, Dec. 28 (U. P.)—Two Jugoslav civilians were arrested today by United States military officials in connection with the Christmas eve killing of an American soldier near Gorizia.

The soldier, a signalman attached to the U. S. 86th infantry division, was wounded fatally by two men, identified tentatively as Jugoslavs. He was shot while repairing a sabotaged army telephone line in the desolate brushlands east of Gorizia.

He was found unconscious a short distance from the so-called "Morgan line," dividing the American and Jugoslav occupation zones of the disputed Venezia Giulia province.

He was given emergency treatment, but died in an ambulance en route to a hospital at Udine.

## LIGHTERS DECLARED SURPLUS BY NAVY

CINCINNATI, Dec. 28—Cigarette lighter kits are now available as surplus property, the Reconstruction Finance Corp. said today.

The nameless lighters have been released by the navy and are being offered to drug, tobacco and department store buyers in Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky.

## Long-Missing Local Airmen Declared Dead in Pacific



R. R. Leffew



R. K. Hine

Three Indianapolis families have been notified by the war department of the death of three airmen who have been missing in action in the Pacific.

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