

Local Battle Of Housing Priorities Moves To Washington

CPA OFFICIALS TO BE TOLD OF LATEST RULES

Plan Briefing Later of
Contractors to End
Confusion.

By JACK THOMPSON

Are priorities issued by the government for federal housing projects any good?

Indiana jobbers and distributors of materials used for building homes for veterans are asking this question.

To find the answer, Albert Evans, district manager of the Civilian Production authority, will go to Washington Tuesday.

There he and other field representatives will meet with the CPA building materials division and their attorneys. New regulations governing building priorities will be clarified.

"Briefing" Scheduled

On Sept. 24 Hoosier contractors and factory representatives, who are trapped in the current red tape, will be briefed on the latest regulations. The meeting will be held in the War Memorial building.

Meanwhile, not one businessman or member of a government agency in Indiana knows the value of the priorities or how far back the line they can be extended.

Most manufacturers will not accept the priorities and producers of raw materials absolutely refuse them.

Housing Projects Stalled

Federal housing projects throughout the state are stalled because of the questionable value of the priorities.

Every day businessmen and government officials are confronted with problems similar to the following one.

A contractor accepts a job on a housing project with the understanding that the organization with whom he makes the contract will furnish him with priorities to procure the material he needs.

He sends his order to a supplier. The supplier forwards the order to the manufacturer. In a couple of days the order is back on his desk refused.

Contractor Holds Bag

The reason given by the manufacturer for the refusal of the order is that he has received no official notice from the government that the attached priority is valid.

He says he cannot get raw material to manufacture the needed items; namely, because priorities extended to the producer will not be accepted.

The distributor has no other course than to inform the contractor he cannot fill the order.

What can the contractor do? Just one thing. Scour the country for the material for the job he has accepted.

Almost every contractor in the business is going begging nowadays. And homes for ex-G. I.'s stand half built.

NICKLE SUBSTITUTES

WASHINGTON—During the war, "nickles" were made of an alloy of copper, silver and manganese. Nickel is now being used again.

Flash Fire Endangers State House



BOY INJURED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Eight-year-old Larry Wraski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wraski, 632 S. Illinois st., was injured when he was struck by a car driven by Leo Debokin, 304 Fairbanks st., yesterday.

The child was hit as he crossed at the intersection of Russell and Illinois st. He was treated at City hospital.

2-ZONE ECONOMIC UNION COMPLETED

FRANKFURT, Germany, Sept. 13 (U. P.)—The United States and Great Britain have merged their occupation zones for economic purposes, setting up a committee of six Germans to take charge at once in the first big move toward ending economic chaos in the Reich and

returning the country to self-rule. Gen. Joseph T. McNarney and Air Marshal Sir Sholto Douglas, American and British commanders in chief, announced the move which leaves the Russian and French zones isolated. The merger assures more efficient economic administration for the Anglo-American zones which stretch from the Baltic sea to the Austrian border.

Announcements issued yesterday simultaneously in Frankfurt and Berlin said Gen. McNarney and

Marshal Douglas, American and British military governors, respectively, had approved German proposals for immediate economic fusion of the two zones. But the announcement revealed, they specifically left the door open for the French and Russians to join the merger.

They established a six-man binational executive committee for economics with headquarters at Minden, Westphalia, in the British zone.

POLICE WILL HOLD FIREARMS COURSE

An intensive firearms training course for state police will be initiated Monday at Camp Atterbury state police headquarters announced today.

Conducted by FBI firearms experts, the course will include revolver shooting, hip shooting, Thompson submachine gun, practical pistol, shotgun and rifle shooting and the use of tear gas equipment.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

MARRIAGE LICENSES

At Home—Roger, May Long, 546 W. Abbott; Edith, Elizabeth Payson, 380 W. 77th; Mabel, Fred, Celia, Len, 739 S. Capitol; Frank, Louise Johnson, 2320 Sheldon, and Richard, Arnell Padgett, 2300 N. Dearborn. Boys
At St. Francis—Melvin, Mabel Radcliffe; Lan, Pauline Head, and Homer, Mildred Margarom. Girls
At Methodist—Paul, Helen Brown. At Methodist—Leonard, Ethel Alvey; Alfred, Alice, Bunte, Sylvester, Mary Schaefer; Josephine, Catherine, Well, and Edward, Catherine Louise Trall.

DEATHS

Takla Ammer, 90, at 2118 N. Harding, chronic nephritis. William Baurle, 11, at Riley, respiratory failure. Katherine Rohde, at 1306 Eugene, arteriosclerosis. Alice Cooper, 73, at 744 Berkley, arteriosclerosis. Catherine Marshall, 48, at 235 N. Randolph, carcinoma. William Putman, 68, at 439 W. 31st, coronary occlusion. Robert Hatch, 40, at City, portal cirrhosis. John Scott, 15, at Riley, bronchopneumonia. Gladys Wilson, 48, at St. Vincent's, peritonitis.

BIRTHS

At City—Robert, Louise Kelly, boy and girl.

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Co-chairmen are Eileen Holzhausen, Greenfield, and Gene Crawford, New Albany. Gordon Geiger, Syracuse, a senior, will be master of ceremonies.

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