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# 2 Fair Sites Damaged By \$175,000 Fires

## Flames Start Here, Muncie Within Hours

### 2-Story Building At Kokomo Razored

Damage was set at nearly \$175,000 today in fires which yesterday partly destroyed structures at two Hoosier fair ground sites. Fires broke out only a few hours apart at the State Fair Grounds here and at the Delaware County Fair Grounds in Muncie.

A temporary storage building leased by the Stokely-Van Camp Canning Co. was partly destroyed at the State Fair Grounds, causing up to \$100,000 damage to the building and to stored canned food. The exhibit building was rented for storage purposes during the winter.

Fire officials believed the blaze was started by a coke-burning heater. They said actual damage to the building was only about \$200, but some 17,000 cases of canned foods were destroyed.

At Muncie, wind-swept flames destroyed the main grandstand at an estimated loss of between \$50,000 and \$75,000.

Fire Chief Aaron Belcher said cause of the blaze was undetermined, but added that it apparently broke out in the electrical storage shop under the stand.

Firemen were handicapped in fighting the blaze because of a lack of water hydrants on the grounds. Chief Belcher said. Fair board officials said the building was remodeled last year at a cost of \$11,000.

A two-story storage building of the Klein Salvage Co. in Kokomo was destroyed by fire last night.

Mrs. Fannie Klein, president, said she believed the blaze started in an accumulation of old rags.

**Madden to Keynote  
Democratic Convention**

Rep. Ray Madden (D.), of the First Indiana District, will keynote the Democratic state convention at the Indianapolis Coliseum June 15, state committee officials announced today.

The Lake County congressman is an announced candidate for re-election for a fourth term, the committee said. A former treasurer of his home county, Mr. Madden has served in the House since 1942.

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**PICKING WINNERS**—Judging entries in the Indiana Region High School Scholastic art competition are, left to right: A. Reid Winsey, head of DePauw University's art department; Miss Rosemary Baymer, art director of the Kansas City public schools, and George S. Dutch, art department head at George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn. The judges resumed activity today in the auditorium of Wm. H. Block Co., Indiana sponsor of the competition nationally conducted by Scholastic magazine.

## Woman Aids a Lost Scout, Repays '44 Kind Act Debt

The old saying: "One good turn deserves another" helped a lost Boy Scout back to his home and gave a Marion County woman a chance to repay a debt of kindness to the Scouts last night.

Mrs. Norman Warner, 1902 S. High School Road, was startled when she heard a knock at her door about 11 last night. She asked who was there three times but got no reply.

**Boy Becomes Lost**

Just then she heard a noise and the voice of a child. Opening the door she found 12-year-old Richard Illich, 2400 W. St. Clair St.

He told her he was a Boy Scout and that he had become lost from a bicycle outing to Eagle Creek.

He had been trying to get home alone but was tired out.

Mrs. Warner bundled up the boy and took him to his home, first calling to tell his whereabouts to his frantic parents.

"When I saw him I remem-

### Sheriffs' Wives Club Schedules Election

Officers will be elected at the meeting of the Marion County Deputy Sheriffs' Wives Club April 13.

The group met last night to hear a talk by John Carson, deputy county prosecutor, on "Law Enforcement of Agencies."

More than 58 wives and guests attended. Presiding were Mrs. Lyndell Foster, president, and Mrs. Jacob Green, membership chairman.

### Forest Manor League To Seek Playground

A meeting on civic improvement will be held by the Forest Manor Civic League at 7:30 p. m. today in the auditorium of School 1. Evan Walker, of the Indianapolis Railways, will speak.

Plans will be made to establish a community playground. Street improvements, including sanitary and storm sewers will be discussed. The sewer project is now being studied by the City Administration.

## In Indianapolis

**EVENTS TODAY**  
Schools for Home Planners, second annual, 10 a. m., Auditorium, address—Afternoon YMCA.  
Branch Office open for registration of students, Central High School Office, Ohio and Meridian Sts.; Schools 40, 9 and 3; Kiwanis Club—Claypool Hotel.  
Lion's Club—Claypool Hotel.  
DAE State Council (through Thursday)—Hotel Lincoln.

**EVENTS TOMORROW**  
Indianapolis Bach Choir Concert—8:30 p. m., Zion Evangelical and Reformed Church.  
American War Mothers, USA Chapter—20th anniversary luncheon, noon, Claypool Hotel.  
Society of Automotive Engineers, Indiana Section—Annual meeting, Marion County Council of Fraternal and Social Societies—12:30 p. m., Hotel Indiana.  
Warren Central High School Choir, "H. M. S. Pinafore"—12:30 p. m., school gymnasium.  
Branch Office open for registration of veterans, Veterans' Building, 5 and 6 and Pennsylvania Motor Inn.

**BIRTHS**  
At St. Francis—William Lillie Dishman.

At General—Joseph Olesler Mitchell; Josephine, 1, and John, 1; Ray; Joe; Robert; Moore; Ernest; Anna; Adams; Robert; Katherine Barber.

At Coleman—John Ball Baitzkin.

At St. Vincent—Charles Marguerite Fitzgerald; Donald; Charlotte Henry; Charles; Beatrice; Clark; Ralph; Lois; Barbara; William; John; Barbara; Barbara; Rafer; William; Jean Burress; Harold; Hickam; Fuller; Ray; June; Donald.

At St. Vincent's—Robert, Mary Catherine Johnson; Chester; Jean Hamilton; At Home—Earl; Ruth Sprankle; 730 N. East St.

At St. Francis—John, Anna Sandlin.

At General—Edward E. Jones.

At General—Lorraine Dr. Louis Madaly; Ripley; Arvie; Constance Baker; Irvin; Dorothy Barber; Charles; Jacqueline; Barbara.

At Methodist—Earl; Dell; Whittington; Eugene; Christine Whirling; Stanley; Gladys; Mathews.

At St. Vincent's—John, Mary Allen; Robert; Mildred; Rota; Willis; Madene Spears.

At Hospital—Clarence; Betty Fishburn; 414 Division St.

**DEATHS**

Seaside Bell Frye, 65, at 730 W. 25th St., carcinoma.

Emma Gerlich, 79, at 1800 E. Riverside Dr., cerebral hemorrhage.

Isaac Robinson, 32, at Veterans' Hospital, anemia.

Nancy Goss, 110, at 4114 Cornelius Ave., arteriosclerotic heart.

Theodore John Gramkow, 58, at Long peritoneal tumor.

Anna Ruth, 70, at 1908 Charles St., cerebral hemorrhage.

Charles Oettinger, 70, at 1 St. Vincent's, myocardial infarction.

Edward T. Smith, 47, at General, emphysema.

Newton; Smith Sr., 84, at 1316 E. 9th St., carcinoma.

Lina Spangler, 73, at 1427 N. Delaware St., cerebral occlusion.

William Hampton, 5 months, at Riley, pneumonia.

William Love, 73, at 2144 N. Oxford St., cerebral hemorrhage.

Mildred Keller Martin, 44, at 2342 Guillen, cerebral hemorrhage.

Austin R. Simors, 59, at General, anemia.

Mildred Juanita Zike, 42, at 333 N. Chester St., cerebral hemorrhage.

Mary Morris, 69, at 137 W. 47th St., adenocarcinoma.

Charles E. Smith, 66, at 1415 Broadway, cerebral hemorrhage.

Bernie Bell Williams, 44, at General, carcinoma.

Arletta Banev, 75, at General, arteriosclerotic heart.

Ruth Rabe, Berlin, 66, at Long, coronary thrombosis.

Margaret Crosley, 72, at General, pneumonia.

Emma G. Graves, 83, at St. Vincent's, coronary sclerosis.

Myrtle Liggins, 45, at General, pneumonia.

## Red Threat Exceeds War Peril—Clay

### Soviet Not in Shape Economically, He Says

By FREDERICK WOLTMAN  
Scripps-Hoover Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Mar. 10—The Communist threat to all of Europe "much more immediate and serious than the threat of physical war," Gen. Lucius D. Clay, United States military commander in Germany, said today in a cabled statement to the World-Telegram, a Scripps-Hoover newspaper.

"If this Communist threat succeeds," he added, "there would be no need for Russia to make war."

In reply to a query from the newspaper, Gen. Clay at the same time denied a statement attributed to him by Dr. Jerome Davis at the annual convention of the Methodist Federation for Social Action in Kansas City last December.

Davis "Quotes" Clay

Dr. Davis, a leading pro-Soviet apologist and keynote speaker on Soviet-American relations at the unofficial Methodist meeting, said Gen. Clay had told him during an interview.

"There isn't the slightest danger of war with Russia. But we have to circulate that story all over the United States so we can put over the Marshall Plan."

In his reply the general said:

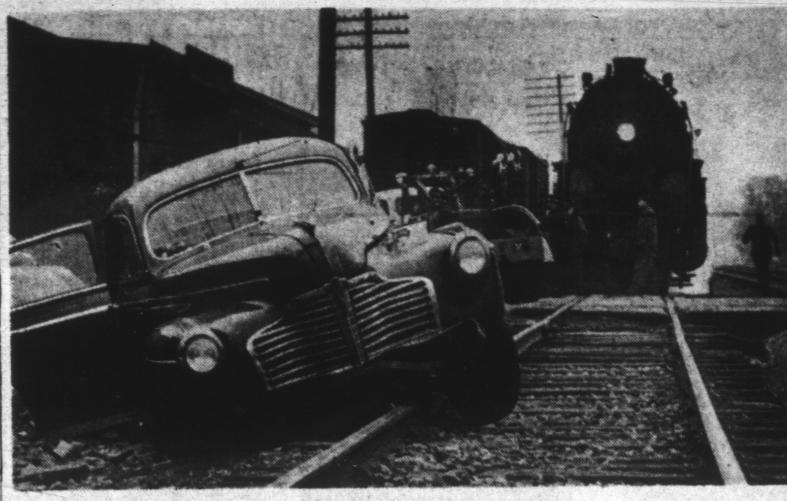
"Dr. Davis was one of many visitors to my office and I am unable to recollect in detail my conversation with him; however, the statements which he attributes to me are impossible for me to have made as they are completely contrary to my personal beliefs."

**Reds Not in Shape**

"I have stated that I did not believe Russia was in an economic shape to wage war at this time."

"This does not mean that we do not face this danger at some time, unless we take measures to make it most unlikely."

"However, I have always said that the European Recovery Plan is absolutely essential if we are to obtain a stable western Europe and have any chance for eventual peace."



WRECKED AUTO—A New York Central freight caved in the side of this stalled car after the driver, the Rev. Albert Batts, was unable to budge it from a crossing.

## 5 Youths With a Glass Jar Hit by Train

### Minister Uninjured Jumps to Safety

A Good Samaritan arrived to help the Rev. Albert Batts when the pastor's car stalled on the railroad tracks at Commerce and Massachusetts Ave. today.

The Rev. Batts, pastor of 18th Street Baptist Church, told police his car stalled on the tracks and that he was unable to push it out of the path of an oncoming New York Central freight train. The minister jumped to safety but his car was badly damaged.

The Rev. Batts was uninjured but his faith in human nature was almost shaken. After he stalled on the tracks, he said, five cars pulled around and drove past him making no offer to help.

Finally the sixth car stopped and an unidentified motorist tried unsuccessfully to push the car off the grade. About that time, however, the flasher lights signaled the approaching train and the car had to be abandoned.

**BETTER CORN FOR POPPING**

Popcorn from hybrid varieties expands about 25 per cent more than ordinary corn in popping.

**BOTANY 500**

The group was joined by Layon's brother, Douglas, 10, and David Giesecking, 9, and his brother, Robert, 8, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Giesecking, 1343 Charles St., and Robert Worthington, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Myrtle Worthington, 1344 Charles St.

**Promised Furniture**

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**REGULARS  
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## U.S. Minerals Going Rapidly, Warns IU Man

### Standard of Living May Be Forced Down

Times State Service  
BLOOMINGTON, Mar. 10—The American high standard of living may be coming down a peg or two within the next decade, according to an Indiana University geologist, because of the rapid pace in which the nation's mineral resources are being expended.

The geologist, Dr. Eugene Callaghan, who as a member of the U. S. Geologic Survey has explored for new sources of supply voices that possibility on the basis of survey