



FLOWER PICKERS—These little girls, Candace Lynn Off, 2 1/2 (left), and Donna Carroll Savage, 3, slipped around to the side of the Minimum Cost House at the Indianapolis Home Show and picked flowers to their hearts' content. Candace is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Off, 1031 W. 37th St., and Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noble Savage, 5136 Crittenden Ave. The show, which closes tomorrow night at 10:30 p. m. (DST), has been the most successful exhibition since 1922, with attendance expected to reach 110,000.

Ask Mrs. Manns— 'They Are the Cattiest Bunch That Ever Was'

I BELONG to a girls' club and like all its members but I think they are the cattiest bunch that ever was. I don't know why but they must be jealous of me because they have all the symptoms. At dances and parties they try to suppress me and won't ask me to dance. When I ask them they won't dance with me. It's not because I don't dance so good because I dance the same way they do. They only ask me when they think a boy is about. This irritates me, of course, but I don't say much about it because I don't think club sisters should argue. They tell their mothers I steal their boyfriends. This isn't really true. Some of us like the same boys and if these date me the girls get sore.

Another club "rushed" me but I didn't join because I haven't time for two clubs. Should I run around with different girls while I'm in school?

Run around with a lot of girls and try not to pay any attention to their discourtesies. You'll discover, as years pass, that women may be catty but they're kind in illness and in trouble, though they may enjoy the drama of trouble, whereas a man has little patience with ill health or gloom, except his own.

'I Wouldn't Be Single for Anything'
I WOULDN'T BE single again for anything. Sometimes when my husband is gone I say I'll tell him a thing or two but when he comes home I forget because I'm so glad he's home. We can't expect marriage to be a "bed of roses." I've been married four years and we have three children. Our married life has been full of hardships but I'm sure my husband loves us as he should. Our disagreements blow over. I'm 22 and he is 28.

To you girls chasing around with married men—think twice. Would you want another woman chasing your husband? This goes to the girl, 19, who met the fellow at the Christmas party and was worried about his wife, and to the two girls in love with the sick woman's husband. Do any of you girls expect these men would marry you if they got a divorce or do you think they'd be true if they did?

'I'm Supposed to Marry a Man'
I'M 20 and am mixed up. I'm supposed to marry a man, 27, who'd give me everything I want except let me keep my girl-friends and my job. I thought I loved him but we're so different. He is quiet and I love a gay time. He still wants to go with me, thinking I'll change my mind. Can you help?

'I Had an Affair With a Married Man'
I HAD AN AFFAIR with a married man I work with. His wife has been told it is over. I think fellow workers suspect us so I wonder whether I should continue working for him. I think he cares more for me than his wife.

'She Says She Doesn't Want Dates'
I MET A NICE GIRL and later took her a corsage which pleased her. I've tried to make more dates with her but she says she doesn't want dates and just wants to be friends with all fellows. I took your advice and went to dances, etc.

'I'm Supposed to Marry a Man'
This girl and I have things in common—we don't mix like we do just want to be friends. I believe she'll come around if I play like she wants me to and be friends. I still can send flowers or call her when I wish. I think I'll win her, don't you?

'I'm Supposed to Marry a Man'
I think you'll win a girl, but not this one. When a girl wants to be just friends you'd better surprise her and agree—and start looking for another girl. Don't tell the next one that you don't mix well. Try to keep her from knowing it.

'I'm Supposed to Marry a Man'
Flowers won't carry you through and I wouldn't spend too much money on them without accompanying dates.

'I'm Supposed to Marry a Man'
Let Mrs. Manns and readers of the column share your problems and answer your questions. Write in care of The Times, 214 W. Maryland St.

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Compromise To Merge Draft, UMT Ok'd

Forrestal Approves Plan for Training Teen-Agers in Army

**Secretary Still Urges 'Universal' Measure;
Administration Backs Senate Proposal**

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24 (UP)—The administration today endorsed a Senate compromise plan to merge the draft and universal military training.

Under the proposal, 18 and 19-year-olds would be trained in the regular Army instead of in a separate UMT program.

Defense Secretary James Forrestal said the compromise is acceptable to him. But he urged in a letter to the Senate Armed Services Committee that it be "superseeded as soon as possible by a program of Universal Military Training."

UMT Opposed

The merger plan was worked out by Sens. Raymond E. Baldwin (R. Conn.), Millard E. Tydings (D. Md.) and other members of the Senate Committee. They have expressed the belief that it is the only way of getting a long-range manpower program started this year.

The administration's universal training plan has run into stiff opposition in both the House and Senate.

Advocates of the Merger plan pointed out that it would save the cost of a separate UMT program with its own camps and other installations.

The plan calls for six months of training in regular Army camps and another six months of alternate military training, either in school, in the National Guard, or elsewhere.

Blames Inflation On Federal Waste

The current inflation cycle was blamed, in part on the "widespread waste" in Federal government departments and bureaus in an address by Hoyt Moore, Republican candidate for Congress from the 11th district, at an English Ave. GOP rally last night.

"I need not go beyond the boundaries of Indianapolis," he declared, "to illustrate the colossal waste. At the former Curtiss-Wright propeller plant or Kentucky Ave., precision machinery in appalling quantities was battered into junk with sledgehammers."

"Almost all this machinery," Mr. Moore asserted, "could have been earmarked for and sold to private industry to help with the battle of production and beat down inflation."

Mr. Moore declared that upon his election he intended to join forces with other Republicans to stop what he termed "this wild orgy."

American Legion Group Urges UMT Legislation
The American Legion Auxiliary today urged the enactment of universal military training and temporary selective service legislation.

Mrs. Lee W. Hutton, national president of the auxiliary, called on the organization to intensify its efforts in support of UMT and selective service to fill the manpower needs of the Armed Forces.

"The large reserve of trained manpower which the United States must have for its security can only be supplied by universal military training," Mrs. Hutton said.

Legion Leadership Class To Graduate Tonight
Graduation exercises will be held tonight for 56 students attending a one-week post-graduate course in American Legion leadership.

The course, given as the fourth annual American Legion college, attracted 51 men and five women from nearly all the states and Puerto Rico.

Harry Gallimore Jr., Hickory, N. C., was elected president of the class; Miss Betty Skaja, Minneapolis, Minn., secretary, and Robert E. Gray, St. Louis, Mo., chaplain.

Oakland Ave. Couple To Hold Open House
An open house will be held tomorrow afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Shea, 405 N. Oakland Ave., in celebration of their 20th wedding anniversary.

They were married Apr. 24, 1923, in Wabash and moved to Indianapolis shortly afterward. Mr. Shea has been an employee of the New York Central Railroad for 35 years.

They have four children, Joan, Patty, John and Tom.

INDIANAPOLIS CLEARING HOUSE
Clearings for the day: \$ 9,125,000
Debits for the day: 46,425,000
Clearings for the week: 46,425,000
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Oil Plant Rocked By Explosion
12 Fire Fighters Suffer Minor Burns

EL SEGUNDO, Cal. Apr. 24 (UP)—A tremendous explosion rocked the Standard Oil plant here early today.

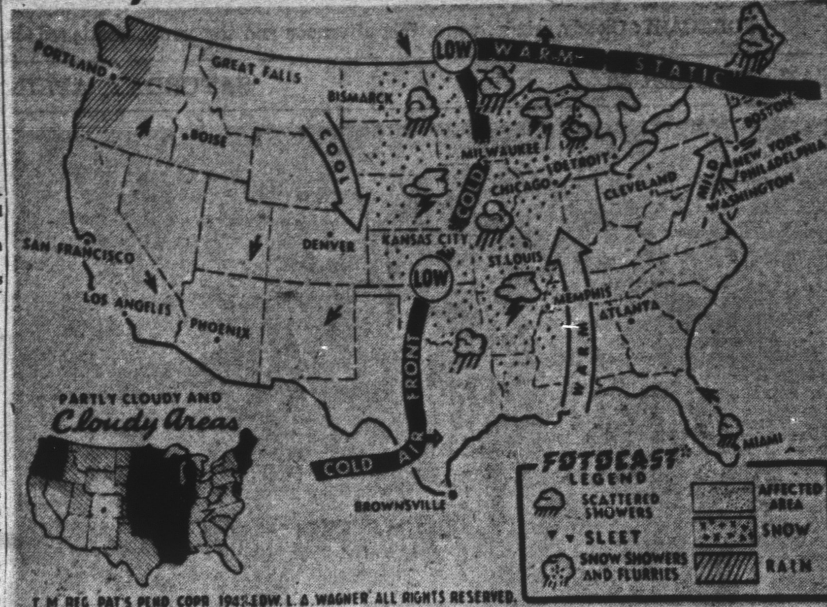
Fire broke out almost immediately and lighted the sky for miles around. All streets in the area were blocked off and police warned residents of the area to stay indoors.

Witnesses said the blast centered in the cracking plant for high-test gasoline. They said the terrific shock came about five minutes after a warning siren sounded.

Twelve fire fighters were treated for minor burns at the refinery hospital.

Authorities declared a state of emergency shortly after the explosion. The telephone company said it could not get calls through to the city.

Today's Weather Fotocast



TONIGHT AND TOMORROW—The Weather Bureau's forecasters are expecting a widespread area of shower activity through the center of the country tonight. This forecast of precipitation is outlined on the fotocast map by the signals explained in the legend. Prevailing temperatures throughout the nation are expected to continue mild tomorrow with the exception of the North-east which will be affected by a cold mass moving out of Canada.

Washington Calling— Europe Relief Seen Periled By High-Tariff Backers

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Force says slowest is turning out one jet a day; some make 10. Secretary Symington said Russian lead over us might be 12 to 1. Some officers under him think it's even greater.

Senate GOP policy-makers may decide this week whether to play politics with Atomic Energy Commission. They'd like to drag their feet on Truman re-nomination of present commissioners, hoping they'll control all jobs after January.

But in these times they're not sure they dare put AEC on postoffice patronage level.

Senate Atomic Energy Committee will meet next week to talk it over. Meanwhile, there's talk of compromise—extending terms of present commissioners until July 1, 1949.

This might avoid bitter floor fight on nominees; would correct awkward expiration date—Aug. 1—when Congress normally isn't in session.

Map Home-Front Plan
TRUMAN WILL get home-front mobilization plan soon from National Security Resources Board, more sweeping than that just recommended by Brewster committee.

It will call for legislation to authorize price controls, rationing, wage freeze, allocation of industrial materials, heavier taxes, work-or-fight draft, decentralized industry.

Organization would look much like World I plan, with War Production Board, War Manpower Commission, etc. But it would simplify procedure, cut out overlapping.

Truman's likely to ask Congress to pass this as a stand-by program, authorize him to put it into effect when necessary. Congress is more likely—if it acts at all—to pass necessary laws, reserve right for itself to say when they become effective.

Apparent results of this year's annual spring blossoming of John L. Lewis: People aren't afraid of him

Sues for \$150,000
WALTER M. HESS, 31, of 2161 N. Wabash, yesterday filed a \$150,000 damage suit in Federal court against the Indianapolis Union Railway Co. (Bait Railroad). He asked the award as compensation for the loss of a leg in a Union Station elevator accident in June, 1946.

**Our Fair City—
Probe of County Politicians By Treasury Agents Hinted**

(Continued From Page One)
map their whole campaign on the outcome of the primary in Marion County.

James L. Bradford, former county GOP chairman, is leading a GOP faction in the local primary and at the same time, wooing support for Senator Jenner.

It is being predicted that Rue Alexander, of Pine Village, newly appointed lieutenant governor, will come up the favorite for the GOP nomination for the same job at the party convention June 11.

New Car for Mayor
MAYOR AL FEENEY is driving his second new Cadillac when he took office Jan. 1. He had no car when he took office but for several months had one ordered, a 1948 Cadillac.

He refused to accept the city-owned Packard for the Mayor's office and turned it back to the city garage. The new 1948 Cadillac didn't show up so he took a 1947 model. Recently the new 1948 job arrived and he traded the old one for the new model—paid for out of his own pocket.

Anti-Scalping Law Ruled Constitutional
Judge Saul I. Rabb of Criminal Court 2 today ruled that the state anti-scalping law is constitutional.

The law had been challenged by attorneys for Otis F. Kirtley of Muncie, who was fined \$100 and costs after his arrest during the recent state basketball tournament.

His attorneys appealed the conviction to Judge Rabb, challenging the law first.

With the judge's ruling, the appeal case will proceed.

Judge Studies Motion In Gravel Pit Slaying
Special Judge Dewey Myers took under advisement until Monday a motion for a directed verdict of acquittal filed by attorneys for Herbert Brunner, 28, charged with the gravel-pit slaying of Theodore Wolfe.

Defense attorneys earlier objected to an effort to take the six-man, six-woman Criminal Court 2 jury to the W. Minnesota St. pit where the body was found.

A second defendant to the second-degree murder charge, Robert Linn, 28, will be given a separate trial at a later date. Both were tried last November. The jury failed to return a verdict.

Marshall Confers On World Issues
Back From Bogota, Calls Top Advisers

WASHINGTON, Apr. 24 (UP)—Secretary of State George C. Marshall returned from Bogota, Colombia, today and plunged immediately into conferences on the world situation with his top policy advisers.

Mr. Marshall landed at National Airport at 8 a. m. (Indianapolis Time) aboard a four-engineered Air Transport Command plane.

He has been absent from the capital for almost a month, attending the Inter-American Conference at Bogota. He went through that city's bloody revolt, immediately after the revolution here he drove to the State Department with Robert A. Lovett, who was acting secretary while Mr. Marshall was away.

High policy advisers were called in, presumably to get a report on the Bogota conference and bring Mr. Marshall up to date on world affairs.

Federal Court Notified Defendant 'Bedridden'
A check was being made today by attaches of the Federal Court in the physical condition of Miss Pauline Keller, who failed to appear for trial yesterday on mail fraud charges.

She is "bedridden," a sister notified the U. S. district attorney's office by telegram. Miss Keller is living in Chicago. She is alleged to have used the mails to swindle \$10,000 in a securities deal.

Water Closes 12 Roads
The State Highway Commission reported today that the following roads are closed by high water: Rd. 11 at Mauckport, 62 northwest of Mt. Vernon, 66 at Troy, 66 south of Derby, 30 south of Mt. Vernon, 111 at Bridgeport, 156 south of Rising Sun, 161 north of Richmond, 182 north of Tobinsport, 245 north and south of Lamar, 545 north of Troy, 782 west of Mt. Vernon, ferry closed.

Organists to 'Battle'
"A Battle of Music" will be staged by three well-known organists from 8 p. m. to 11 p. m. tomorrow in Rollerland, present Rollerland organist, Earl Gordon, who played there from 1941 to 1944, and Ken Kammer, featured at Rollerland from 1944 to 1947.

Quake Shakes Island
ATHENS, Apr. 24 (UP)—Reports from the Island of Levkas off the west coast of Greece today said an earthquake there killed two persons and injured 10 Thursday. They said about 30 houses were destroyed and 100 more were damaged.

Official Weather
UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU
Sunrise—4:33; Sunset—6:25
Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7:30 a. m.: .00
Total precipitation since Jan. 1: .1925
Excess since Jan. 1: .1925
The following table shows the temperature in other cities:
Station High Low
Atlanta 71 54
Chicago 63 44
Cincinnati 61 42
Cleveland 61 42
Denver 58 38
Detroit 58 38
Evanston 58 38
St. Louis 60 40
Indianapolis (City) 60 40
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