

ISPCA Scores Veterinarians' Rabies Stand

Feeney Also Hits Limited Inoculations

Indianapolis "emergency-rush" rabies inoculation program was floundering again today after veterinarians decreed they would volunteer their services only if the program is limited to licensed animals.

The stand was announced by spokesmen of the Central Indiana Veterinarians Association after it met with Dr. Gerald Kempf, city health director.

The veterinarians have offered to volunteer services to inoculate Indianapolis animals with serum purchased with a \$5000 emergency appropriation by the City Council.

Draws Mayor's Fire

Limiting of the offer to only "licensed dogs whose owners cannot afford to pay" drew fire from the Indiana Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and from Mayor Al Feeney.

"The whole purpose of the emergency rabies inoculation as a health measure will be defeated if the program is limited to licensed dogs," Mrs. Edna Harrington, president of the ISPCA said. "We will fight any effort to impose such a restriction."

"I've never heard of doctors asking for tax receipts in a small-pox epidemic vaccination," she said. "And I don't know of any veterinarian who requires his customers to show a dog tax receipt before he treats an animal privately."

"This whole rabies control program is a health, not a taxation measure."

Outlines ISPCA Stand

She outlined the ISPCA stand on the question with the following statement:

"We believe that there are three classifications of dogs: Licensed, unlicensed and strays."

Owners of licensed dogs who intend to pay to have their animals vaccinated will have done so already so the veterinarians won't be losing any money. Principally, it's a small portion of owners of licensed dogs and the great bulk of unlicensed dogs which need the free vaccination.

No Owner, No Home

"To my way of thinking a 'stray' dog is a dog with no owner and no home. No one will bother to bring these animals in anyway so they don't really constitute any issue."

The "vaccinate one—vaccinate all" stand was echoed by Mayor Al Feeney.

The Mayor said he had been criticized for not "speeding up" the program and pointed out that the city Board of Health operates as an independent unit over which he has no control.

"I'm sick and tired of this bickering," he added. "If it was any department over which I



FACES MANN ACT TRIAL—Donald M. Brown (right), 44-year-old school teacher from Elwood, Ind., and father of four children, charged with violation of the Mann Act in bringing Verna Jean Perrill, 18, his high school pupil to New York State for immoral purposes, is shown in Syracuse, N. Y., as he waived his rights for removal to the southern Indiana district for trial. Seated behind the desk (left) is U. S. Commissioner H. Van Wagenon Hancock.

have say-so I'd call them in for a meeting and get it straightened out right away. We did everything in our power when the City Council rushed through a \$5000 appropriation under suspension of rules. Now it's up to the health department to get the thing going."

The Mayor added, however, that he would not allow any other city department to set up a dog tax collection unit at inoculation points.

Defended by White

"We'll have no part in any attempt to link tax with an emergency health measure," he said.

The stand of the veterinarians was defended by Dr. Paul White, a member of the special "dog problems" committee and Dr. Kempf.

Dr. White said his group believes that control of stray dogs rather than vaccination, is first in rabies control. He said his group feels unsupervised vaccination would result in persons bringing in dogs from other counties and that whole kennels of dogs would be brought in by owners who could afford to pay for vaccinations.

"Control the Strays"

"If a person can afford to keep and feed a dog they can afford to have it licensed as the law provides," he said. "He said his group also felt vaccinations should be limited to persons who cannot afford to pay the regular fee."

Dr. Kempf echoed the "control the strays" cry and said "I think to ignore the stray is to ignore the most important factor." He added that a potential danger is a number of dogs already bitten by rabid dogs who might become rabid themselves within six months.



FREED IN \$1000 BOND—Verna Jean was freed today in \$1000 bond posted by her mother, Mrs. Ross Carpenter (right). Verna Jean is shown (left) leaving the U. S. Commissioner's office in Syracuse, N. Y., after her release. Donald R. Brown, 18, son of the teacher is in the center.

Unitarian Church Group To Present Concert

The Laymen's League of the All Souls Unitarian Church will present a series of vocal numbers at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow at the church.

Soloist for the program is William H. Kennedy, formerly of the Purdue University Glee Club. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Kennedy, 307 N. State Ave. At present he works for the General Electric Co. in Syracuse, N. Y., and has recently completed a tour of the East with the light opera company, sponsored by the firm.

State's Trade Volume Gains 1 Pct. in April

Still 4 Per Cent Below All-Time '47 Peak

Indiana's business volume was up one per cent in April despite some interruption in manufacturing, the Indiana University business research bureau at Bloomington, announced today.

Business in the state was roughly back to the February level, the index indicated, but remained some four per cent below last December's all-time peak.

The small increase resulted from diverse factors, the review said, and did not represent any broad improvement in the state's economy. "Dollarwise, retail trade was seasonally the best this year, and probably represented increased consumer buying in anticipation of shortages later this year."

Secondary Lines Appeared

Some of the expanded trade resulted from deferred buying earlier in the year in anticipation of lower prices which did not materialize. Secondary lines of merchandise also appeared at somewhat lower prices than standard brands. Manufacturing output was lower than a month ago due largely to the coal strike.

Newspaper advertising was higher than March but slightly lower than a year ago. Bank deposits declined and building contracts were close to an all-time high. Electricity and coal production were off and livestock sales were lower in dollars than March.

Postal Receipts Off

In Indianapolis, postoffice receipts fell 11 per cent from March but were 16 per cent above April last year. Building permits amounted to \$2,495,206 including \$887,493 for residences, housing 78 families.

Factory payrolls were off fractionally but were 9 per cent above a year ago.

Convict Salesman, Ex-Wife in Theft

A "salesman" and his ex-wife were convicted of larceny and sentenced to 30 days in Municipal Court 3 today in connection with the theft and resale of fur pieces from Sacks Brothers Loan Co.

Earl DeWayne Davis, 20, of 829 Roache St., and his former wife, Mrs. Carolyn Blithe, 19, of 508 W. Vermont St., were both fined \$10 and costs and sentenced to 30 days. The fine and sentence for Mrs. Blithe were suspended.

Davis was convicted of selling fur pieces that had been taken from the Sacks store by his ex-wife when she worked there. He sold two of them back to the store before Max Sacks, proprietor, discovered they were part of his own merchandise.

9 Hurt Here in 5 Traffic Accidents

Nine persons were injured in five traffic accidents on Indianapolis streets last night and early today.

Five of them were badly hurt in a collision of an automobile and a truck at 23d and Meridian Sts. last night. They were riding in a car driven by Mrs. Kathleen Cyrus, 32, of Anadarko, Okla., who was badly hurt. Others injured in the car were Mrs. Marilla Honan, 40, of 314 N. East St.; Mrs. Ernest Fidler, 56, of 1017 E. Epler Ave.; Mrs. Mary D. Kern, 50, of 137 W. 44th St. and Mrs. C. M. Phillips, 52, of Anadarko.

Miss Lois Birger, 16, of 2314 Brookside Ave., was injured when the car in which she was riding with Harry Tripp, 19, of New Au-

40, of 656 N. Oxford St., at Southeastern Ave. and Pleasant Run Pkwy.

Six-year-old Stephen Hatfield, 4118 N. Pennsylvania St., was injured when he collided with a car driven by Marie S. Garvey, 1 E. 36th St., while he was running across Illinois St. at 40th St.

Ernest Short, 12, of 717 1/2 Dorman St., was injured yesterday when he was struck by a car driven by Harry A. Bloom, 58, of 4733 Southeastern Ave. near the lad's home.

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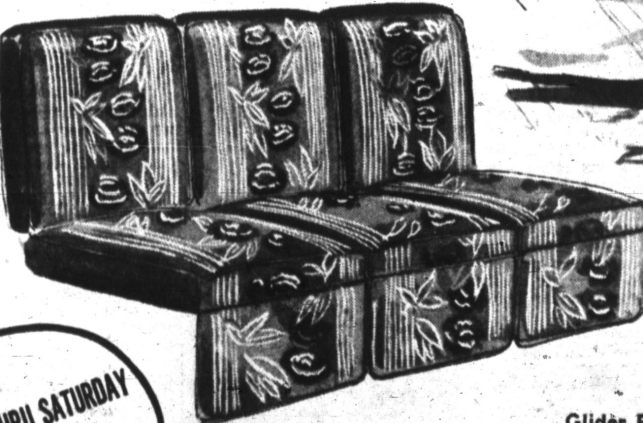
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