

More of State Tax Funds for Cities Urged

Youkey Warns of Big Levy Increases

City property tax rates will continue to rise as long as state and federal governments siphon off the bulk of tax revenues, Secretary Vincent Youkey of the Indiana Municipal League warned today.

Repeating the frequent charge that cities are not receiving a fair share of state-collected funds, Mr. Youkey said in a special tax bulletin to League members:

"The people in Indiana cities and towns pay about \$65 per capita into state-collected funds, but receive back only about \$3 per capita for use of the civil cities and towns."

Bigger Share of Funds

More equitable distribution of state funds is the "simplest and fairest" answer to the cities' financial plight, he said.

However, he suggested that other sources of revenue could be opened to cities based not on taxes, but on payment by everyone for services rendered.

One method he suggested was elimination of property tax on non-income producing property and substitution of a 2 per cent gross income tax.

Mr. Youkey also suggested that another way to aid cities would be to permit them to charge privately owned public utilities rental on public ground occupied by utility poles and other equipment.

Overtaken by Bag He Didn't Know He Lost

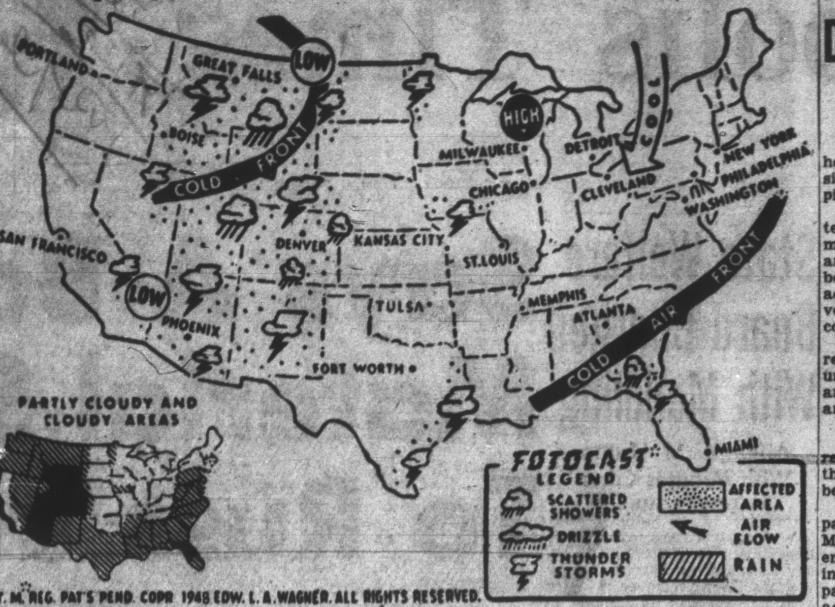
Times State Service
BLOOMINGTON, Aug. 5.—Charles Ewing of Indianapolis had the unusual experience yesterday of being overtaken by his suitcase, which he didn't know he had lost.

Mr. Ewing was riding on a truck near the gate to McCormick's State Park when his suitcase fell over board. State Trooper Hal Rayborn of Bloomington, who was driving behind, picked up the suitcase. He overtook the truck in Ellettsville where he handed the bag back to the surprised traveler.

CITY DWELLERS

Half of Australia's population of 6,380,000 lives in capital cities and another 12 per cent in provincial towns. The remaining 35 per cent provide more than one-half the produce of the Commonwealth.

Today's Weather Fotocast



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TONIGHT AND TOMORROW—Cool weather is predicted for tonight and early tomorrow throughout the Ohio Valley. Near dawn temperatures are expected to drop into the 50's. Cool weather and clear skies are also forecast for the northeast and Great Lakes region.

Official Weather

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU

—Aug. 5, 1948—

—Sunrise 5:47 | Sunset 7:24

Precipitation 24 hrs. end 7:30 a. m. 17

Total precipitation since Jan. 1 24

Excess since Jan. 1 1.07

The following table shows the temperature yesterday in other cities:

	High	Low
Atlanta	81	65
Boston	78	65
Chicago	75	65
Cincinnati	75	65
Cleveland	75	65
Denver	75	65
Dallas	75	65
Fl. Wayne	63	53
Fl. Worth	63	53
Indianapolis (City)	75	65
Kansas City	77	65
Los Angeles	82	65
Memphis	75	65
Minneapolis-St. Paul	75	65
New Orleans	82	65
Omaha	75	65
Oklahoma City	81	65
Portland	75	65
San Antonio	100	75
San Francisco	75	65
Washington, D. C.	74	65

33 Told to Buy Dog Licenses

Judge Alex Clark today lectured 33 pet-owners haled into Municipal Court for failure to buy dog licenses.

By the time their cases were called, however, almost two-thirds of the defendants waved receipts indicating they had purchased dog-licenses after receiving court citations.

Judge Clark instructed the rest to "go down to City Hall and buy those licenses so Mayor Feeser can support his budget this year." They promised they would, and his honor released the entire group.

Emaciated German Woman Reveals Siberian Torments

Tells Officials Female Slaves Forced To Parade Naked Before Russ Brass

HAMBURG, Aug. 5 (UP)—A middle-aged German woman, thin as a rail and wearing burlap for shoes, said today that she and other women slave workers in Siberian coal mines were forced to parade naked once a month before Russian officers and live on soup, bread and propaganda for three years.

The women who survived the coal mines pleaded that their names not be published so that the three years of misery could be wiped from their minds and public records.

They worked, she said, on three plates of watery soup and a pound and a half of dark bread a day. If the output of coal fell off, the bread ration was cut, sometimes as much as half.

Scatter to Homes

The women have scattered to their homes to repair the ravages of war and captivity and start life anew.

Most were once connected with the Nazi armies or party in some way.

The first of the women prisoners to come back from Russia arrived in the British zone with burlap bags wrapped around their legs and feet. All were suffering from malnutrition and exhaustion.

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Hospital Expenses

Doubled Since '38

Report Submitted On Local Institutions

Cost of operating Indianapolis hospitals has more than doubled since 1938, the Indianapolis Hospital Council reported today.

The report was submitted yesterday at a meeting of council members with Mayor Feeney and representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, J. B. H. Martin, administrator of the Indiana University hospitals and head of the council, said:

"Our committee's preliminary report shows that hospitals are undergoing even greater budgetary headaches than housewives and private business."

More Acute Now

Actually, he said, the report reflected only the situation through 1947 and conditions have become more acute since.

While trying to keep costs to patients as low as possible, Mr. Martin said, local hospitals have encountered a rise of 2.65 times in the payroll costs alone in the past 10 years. Personnel, he added, accounts for more than half the hospitals' operating expense.

Supply costs, he reported, are up 74 per cent, food prices up 55 per cent and the cost of fuel has exactly doubled. Drug prices have increased 4.38 times and the cost of new bedding and linens is more than three times what it was 10 years ago.

The overall average of these cost increases is 165 per cent, the report indicated. All factors, the report pointed out, combine to explain the need for rising prices to patients for hospital service.

Policeman Shot; Divorcee Held

HAMMOND, Aug. 5 (UP)—An attractive divorcee was held without charges today in connection with the shooting of a young East Chicago, Ind., policeman.

The policeman, Louis E. Lindlinger Jr., 28, was in critical condition at St. Margaret's Hospital. He was shot in the right side while riding in his automobile with Mrs. Nilene C. Zajko, 24, of Hammond, early Tuesday.

Calls Shooting Accidental

After the shooting he either fell or stumbled out of the car, and Mrs. Zajko drove off. Two Hammond policemen gave chase and took the divorcee into custody.

Mrs. Zajko admitted the shooting, but said it was accidental. She said she was toying with Lindlinger's gun when it went off. He opened the car door and fell out, she said. She said she drove away because she was frightened.

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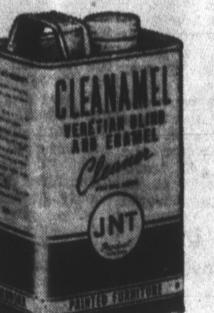
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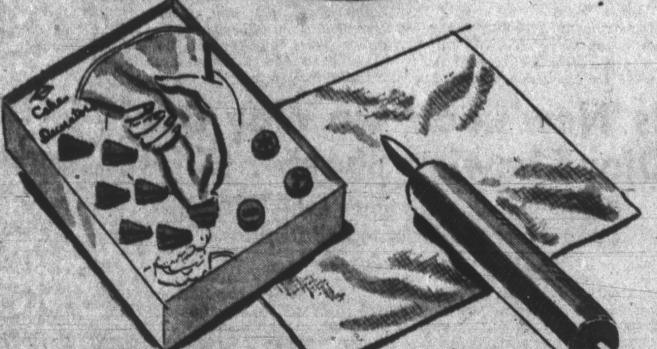
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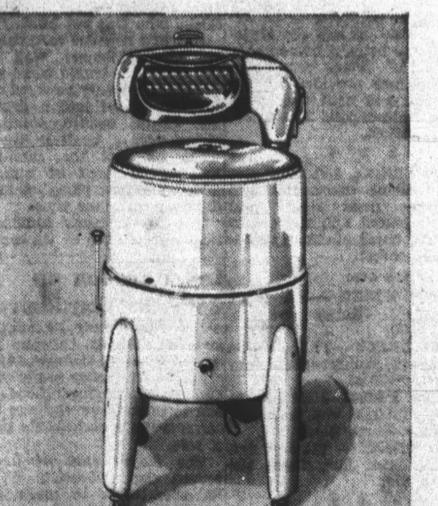
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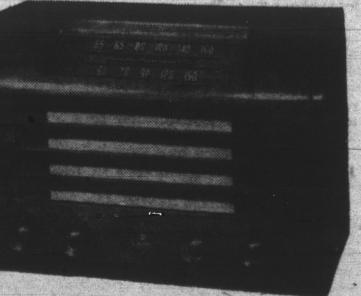
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