

Halt Payment On By-Pass Resurfacing

**Collapse of Columbus
U. S. 31 Runaround
Being Investigated**

Indiana Highway Commission announced today it was holding up final payment of the resurfacing of U. S. 31 runaround at Columbus pending an investigation of why it "fell apart" within the last year.

The payment of \$42,000 will go to the road building firm, Middle West Roads Co., Noblesville, if it is found the break-up was not the fault of the contractor.

Samuel C. Hadden, highway commissioner, said the holding up of the payment was "no indication of guilt on the part of the firm" but merely a "reservation of judgment" until the investigation is completed.

The Columbus run-around resurfacing job was part of a 16-mile contract which cost the state \$350,000 last summer.

Called It "Surface Failure"

M. A. Newlin, office engineer of the highway department, called the Columbus break-up a "surface failure" and not a failure of the road base.

The section of U. S. 31 was resurfaced last summer when the comparatively new concrete surface broke up under the heavy north-south traffic.

Mr. Hadden, who announced the investigation of the most recent break-up on the run-around, pointed out each contract includes a clause for recovery if the work does not follow specifications.

"Under the clause, we can almost follow contractors into the next world and recover if the work has not been done to our specifications," Mr. Hadden said. "If the work is done to our specifications and it still breaks up it is our fault. We are attempting now to determine whose fault it is."

C. F. Holliday Dies In North Carolina

Greenfield Burial for Ex-Local Resident

Graveside services for Clarence F. Holliday, former Indianapolis resident who died today in Norburn Hospital, Asheville, N. C., will be held at 1 p. m. Saturday in Maple Hill Cemetery, Greenfield. He was 64.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday in Asheville. Mr. Holliday and his wife, Lina Gibson Holliday, also formerly of Indianapolis, had made their home in the Smoky Mountains near West Asheville the past 20 years.

Until his illness, Mr. Holliday was the southern representative of the International Celloction Co. Born near Brazil, Ind., he was the nephew of the late Congressman Elias Holliday. He was associated with the Indianapolis & Vincennes Railroad, the American Tobacco Co. and the Blue Valley Creamery in Indianapolis.

Mr. Holliday lived in Kankakee, Ill., from 1915 to 1922 and was a member of the Methodist Church there.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Eugene Gill, Jamaica, L. I., and a brother, John S. Holliday, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Judge to Speak On Court Methods

Judge Frank E. Gilkison of the Indiana Supreme Court will lecture on "Supreme and Appellate Procedure" in the morning session of the Seventh District Lawyers' Institute to be held May 5 in Vincennes under the sponsorship of the Indiana State Bar Association, it was announced today.

Robert D. Coleman, Indianapolis, will speak on "Modern Title Examination" also in the morning. Carl M. Gray, Petersburg, Ind., will deliver an address entitled "The Defense of a Negligence Action" in the afternoon.

Telford B. Orbison, New Albany, Ind., is director of the bar association's program of legal institutes which are being held in various congressional districts throughout the state.

DP Expert to Speak At Lutheran Church

The Indiana United Lutheran Church will present Miss Cordelia Cox of New York, a specialist in the field of work among displaced persons, in a talk at 2 p. m. today in the First United Lutheran Church.

Miss Cox is director of the resettlement of displaced persons for the National Lutheran Council. She will share her information regarding the DP's with interested persons attending tomorrow.

In addition, she will help organize a new resettlement committee including not only Lutherans affiliated with the National Council but Missouri Synod Lutherans tomorrow.

Dr. Frederick M. Hanes is regional chairman of resettlement for the council and president of the Indiana United Lutheran Synod.

Transport Ditched; Crew Picked Up

NEW YORK, Apr. 27 (UPI)—The four-man crew of an Air Force C-47 en route from the Azores to Argentina. Newfoundland ditched the transport in the Atlantic, near a Coast Guard weather ship early today when the plane developed engine trouble.

The Coast Guard reported that all four crew members were picked up safely and are now aboard the ship, the cutter U. S. S. Seabago, en route to Argentina.

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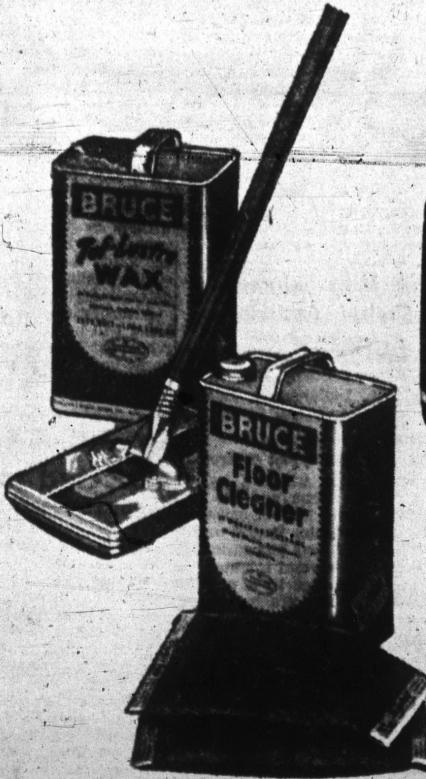
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