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Youth Rules Roost as Fair Opens



Early riser... Harold Manifold, 14, of Mooreland, was awake early this morning as the 93rd Indiana State Fair got underway. "Time to get up," says Bossy, "I'm hungry." The youth slept all night on a cot next to his entry in the cattle barn.

Zippy Weather Greets Visitors

Fire Causes Minor Damage to Tent

TODAY AT THE STATE FAIR

Youth Activities Day
L. S. Ayres & Co. style
shows at 11 a. m. 3 p. m. and
7 p. m. in Woman's building.
Boy Scouts Jamboree and
parade, free acts and fire-
works at 8 p. m. in front of
Grandstand.
Spoke Jones Musical Revue
at 9:15 p. m. in Coliseum.

By JOHN WILSON
Hoosier youth was in the spot-
light today as the curtain rose on
the 1949 edition of the 93-year-old
Indiana State Fair.

Early visitors were greeted by
fair skies and pleasantly cool
weather. From all corners of the
state they came to see the yearly
picture of Hoosier agricultural
and industrial progress.

Almost everything was in readi-
ness as the Fairgrounds gates
were swung open at 7 a. m. Even
the Fair's Fire Department was
raring to go, if need be. Their
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First run of the year was made
three and a half hours before the
official opening.

Fire Damage Slight
Apparatus was called out at
3:31 a. m. to stand by when a
switch was shorted near an
amusement tent on the midway.
There was no damage and little
excitement. The canvas tent was
slightly scorched.

Hundreds of rural youths were
on hand today, making last-min-
ute preparations for exhibits and
grooming livestock for the nine-
day exposition.

A substantial increase in 4-H
exhibits was forecast, in an un-
official tabulation of entries. Al-
most 3500 entries have been re-
ceived—an increase of 100 over
last year.

The greatest percentage of in-
crease was shown in the agricul-
ture and livestock department
where 1509 entries have been re-
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Truman Calmly Refuses To Fire Gen. Vaughan

Expect Europe To Be in Red When Aid Ends

ERP Secretary Blames Tumble in U. S. Imports

PARIS, Sept. 1 (UP)—Robert Marjolin, head of Europe's Marshall Plan organization, said today that Western Europe will still be in the red in 1952, when American aid is scheduled to end.

Mr. Marjolin, secretary-general of the Organization for European Economic Co-Operation, said:

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Western Europe has no hope of achieving financial independence by 1952.

"This is not solely a European problem," he said. "It is a problem for the United States as much as for Europe, and also for the whole of the free world."

Mr. Marjolin's statement at a press conference was the first admission by a top OEEC official that the Marshall Plan as now drafted will be insufficient to put Europe back on a self-supporting basis.

Mr. Marjolin blamed the present crisis on a "readjustment" in the United States which sent European exports to the United States tumbling and with them, expected dollar earnings.

The resulting dollar loss to OEEC countries, their dependent territories and the sterling area totalled \$500 million to \$600 million annually, he said. He reported that Britain and the sterling area were hit hardest.

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Tavern Man, Wife Seized for Shooting At Policeman After Early Morning Chase

Captured by Posse When He Calls Aid

An Indiana Ave. tavern owner and his wife who shot at and narrowly missed a policeman after he chased their speeding car early today were slated on two charges in Municipal Court 3 today.

City police charged both Walter and Anna Williams, 5169 E. 65th St. with reckless driving and assault with felonious intent and an added charge of carrying a pistol without a license was placed against the woman.

The new charges were placed against them as holding charges of vagrancy were dropped.

Williams, owner of the Downbeat Lounge, 1005 Indiana Ave., and his wife, were arrested in their home by a squad of city and county officers shortly after they fired four shots at Patrolman William Babbitt, narrowly missing him and three persons in the automobile he had commandeered to chase their speeding car.

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Patrolman Babbitt... A hail of bullets at the end of a chase.

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Bullet Narrowly Misses Four Persons

Patrolman Babbitt moved away from the car and toward the house, again shouting:

"I am a police officer. Hold your fire."

Three more shots were fired in rapid succession and the policeman dived into a drainage ditch for cover. He then inched back to the Schlangen car and drove to Broad Ripple to call for help.

Inspector Ralph Bader, Capt. Harry Yarborough, Sgt. Edward Clark and squad and Deputy Sheriff Elmer Graves and James Evans answered the call for help and returned to the 65th St. residence.

They arrested the 48-year-old tavern owner and his 44-year-old wife and took from them two .38-caliber revolvers.

Both Admitted Firing

Each admitted firing at Patrolman Babbitt, Williams once and his wife three times. Both said, however, that they did not hear him identify himself as a policeman.

They said they had previously been followed as they drove home early in the morning from the tavern, and that they feared a hold-up men. They added, however, that they were not carrying large sums of money with them.

Mrs. Williams said she had phoned police and reported that they were followed home, but said she did not report firing shots.

Deputy Graves arrested both Williams on charges of vagrancy and held them overnight in Marion County Jail. He then turned them over to city police to face charges in Municipal Court.

The case against the pair was continued to Sept. 8 on request of their attorney and they were released after posting their \$500 bonds in cash.

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Senator Fears President Puts OK on Graft

McCarthy Insists White House Does 'Untold Damage'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (UP)—President Truman today rejected senatorial demands that he fire Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan for the military aide's White House activities in behalf of alleged "five per centers."

Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R., Wis.) who repeatedly has called for Gen. Vaughan's dismissal, promptly asserted that the President's attitude could lead to an "unlimited amount of graft and corruption" in the government.

Mr. Truman disclosed at a news conference that he is standing by his friend and helper of 30 years' standing. Asked whether, in view of the Senate disclosures, he contemplated any change in his aide's status, the President replied calmly that he did not.

By his refusal to fire Gen. Vaughan, Sen. McCarthy said, Mr. Truman has not only approved his conduct, but has encouraged "every Federal employee to do as Vaughan does."

Mr. McCarthy interrupted a session of the Senate investigation subcommittee to criticize the President's news conference statement.

The Senator said Mr. Truman's continued faith in his military aide might do "untold damage" to the government service. And he proposed that the committee take formal action to serve notice that it will investigate all charges of wrong doing leveled at Federal employees.

His suggestion for a formal committee warning to all government employees immediately was rejected by Committee Chairman Clyde Hoey, (D., N.C.), who termed it premature.

Mr. Hoey said he did not think it proper "at this time" for the committee to make a general statement on the subject because its investigation is still in progress.

Testimony before the committee has disclosed that Gen. Vaughan helped hundreds of businessmen to expedite their dealings with federal agencies. The general insisted that his conduct in all instances was perfectly proper and that he got nothing out of it for himself.

This is OK

But he admitted that he accepted, for himself and friends, seven home theaters from perfume David A. Bennett and that he received Democratic campaign contributions from turkman William H. Ellis and a man-of-many-deeds John F. Maragon. And he admitted he had done favors for all three men.

Sen. McCarthy said there was no longer any excuse for Mr. Truman to keep Gen. Vaughan. In the past, he said, the President could plead ignorance of his aide's activities.

"Now, he is not only placing his stamp of approval on what Vaughan did in the past, but he is pretty much approving his activities in the future," Mr. McCarthy said. "He in effect is saying, 'This is all right—this is proper—this is OK.'"

Child Abandonment

Hearing Continued

WEST LAFAYETTE, Sept. 1—Preliminary hearing for William W. Hollenbush, 39, Purdue University cashier held on a child abandonment charge, has been continued until Sept. 22 in West Lafayette City Court.

Hearing on the technical charge filed against Hollenbush pending investigation of reported cash shortages at the university was to have been held today.

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