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The Indianapolis Times

FORECAST: Scattered showers today. Partly cloudy, somewhat cooler tonight and tomorrow. High today, 82; low tonight, 65. High tomorrow, 78.

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Burglar Shot Fleeing From Police Trap

Caught as He Loots
Grocery; \$500 Taken
In Other Robberies

Caught in the act of robbing a grocery early today, a burglar was shot three times by police at the climax of a series of holdups, burglaries and robberies. Bandits and sneak thieves netted in excess of \$500 cash and a quantity of jewelry over the week-end.

Fred Earl Kesler, 26, of 149 Detroit St., was shot in the neck, leg, and back as he fled from the Oak Park Grocery, 3360 W. Minnesota St., shortly after midnight. At General Hospital he admitted breaking into the store.

Patrolmen Melvin Osborne and Joseph Bronner, investigating a broken rear window in the store, observed Kesler ransacking a desk in the office. When he saw officers entering the window he had broken he fled through a rear door.

Kesler

Both Officers Shot
Patrolman Osborne shot twice as the burglar ran through the door and Patrolman Bronner shot once as he ran into a field behind the store.

"Don't shoot, don't shoot, I give up," police quoted Kesler as shouting as he fell to the ground.

At General Hospital his condition was reported as serious. The shot in the neck ranged downward. The other two wounds were not considered serious.

Harvey H. Everling, of 1514 Salcey St., manager of the store, said an undetermined amount of change had been taken from the register. Police found \$3.30 in change in Kesler's possession.

Thomas P. McGrath, of Knox, Ind., told police two men strong-armed him at Illinois and Georgia Sts., early yesterday and took his wallet and \$4.15 after slugging him.

Two guests of the Lincoln Hotel, H. J. White, of Springfield, Ill., and Leo Pfeiffer, of Seymour, Ill., told police their room was ransacked while they slept early yesterday and \$460 taken from their wallets.

The Indianapolis visitors, here for the Indiana State Fair, said they discovered the thefts when they were awakened early Sunday morning. They found their trousers disarranged and their money gone.

Harold Toliver, 25, of 2207 Sheldon St., was booked for vagrancy early today after Gilbert B. Riley of 835 College Ave. held him at shotgun point while police were summoned.

Mr. Riley told police he saw Toliver prowling around his home and attempting to open the front door. He got his shotgun, went around the house and surprised Toliver on the porch.

Screams Rouse Burglar
More than \$50 in cash and several watches were stolen from Mrs. Esther Williams, 124 W. 13th St., and two roomers in her house while they slept Sunday night, according to a police report.

Police said Mrs. Williams told them she was awakened by a man standing by her bedside. He fled as she screamed and she found her wrist watch had been taken from her arm and \$6 missing from her purse on a dresser.

Two roomers sleeping in a living room, reported watches and \$43 in cash missing.

Three suspects were arrested as police investigated a liquor store burglary at 143 W. New York St. A quantity of case beer and whisky was found in a house occupied by the suspects.

Two others were being questioned in connection with an attempted safe robbery at the Borden Milk Co., 12 St. and Sherman Drive.

Police were questioning two employees, who claimed to have been tied up by two masked men late Sunday night.

1000 Die
In Chinese Fire

CANTON, China, Sept. 5 (UP)—A tragic, 18-hour fire swept through central Chungking over the week-end, killing at least 1000 people and leaving 100,000 homeless, the Nationalist Central News Agency reported today.

The agency dispatch said that the flames destroyed or seriously damaged more than 10,000 buildings in the wartime Chinese capital, which had been slated to serve again as the Nationalists' chief city.

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Fair Expects 2d Record Gate For Labor Day

Grand Circuit Harness Races Start—
And Prices of Hot Dogs Go UP

Another record-breaking attendance was expected at the Indiana State Fair today as officials prepared for the big Labor Day crowd.

A peak crowd of 88,537 paid admissions set a new Sunday record in the 93-year history of the big Hoosier exposition. In addition to the paid admissions an estimated 12,000 war veterans were guests of the Fair Sunday.

Activities on the Fair Grounds reached a peak today with the start of the Grand Circuit harness races. The five-day meet was scheduled to start at 2:30 p. m.

Second of the five big horse shows was slated for 8:30 p. m. as a feature in the Coliseum.

Hiked a Nickel
Prices of hot dogs and other items featured at the many concessions on the grounds will be hiked a nickel today by permission of Fair officials. Officials allowed the price hike with the close of the three youth activity days.

Concessionaires had complained that prevailing prices during the first days of the Fair had not allowed them a fair profit. The big midway, all concessions.

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Concessionaires and officials of the major attractions prepared for the biggest day of the year as the gates swung open this morning. Huge out-of-town crowds were expected to converge on the Fairgrounds because of the holiday.

Under-the-Thumb View of Fair— Grandma Nixes 'Risk-Kay' As Too Risky for Grandpa

He Also Hanks for More Looks at the Hogs,
But Grandson Puts Kibosh on That, Too

By CLIFFORD THURMAN

What did you like best at the Indiana State Fair?

"Did you ever watch and listen to people taking in the annual exposition?"

This is a factual account of one family. Probably not a family either, it was more like grandfather, grandmother and two early teen-agers. They were followed, literally haunted, stalked and watched. They don't know it but those four persons hardly had a private moment at the fair.

Grandpa was keenly interested in the livestock buildings and his wife displayed at least a passive interest in the assorted grunts, baas and bawling. It was hard to get Grandpa out of the Swine Building.

"Come on, come on," a freckled, skinny boy insisted. "These here pigs ain't nothin' we ain't got at home. We are wastin' time."

"That's right, Granddad," an excited feminine voice chirped as sister joined in. "It'll soon be time to go home and we haven't been to the Midway yet. I want to ride all the rides, all of them."

GRANDFATHER sighed, took a long last look over the hog exhibit and headed for the door. He was a tall man, over six feet, and his wife was a bit on the plump side. She clung to his arm and was puffing visibly as she tried to keep up to his pace. The children danced along about six feet ahead, looking back.

"I think it's a lot of foolishness," Grandmother protested. "There's nothing down there fit to see and those contraptions aren't safe. It's just a waste of money."

"Well, Melissa," Grandpa consoled, "we told them we'd take

them to the Midway and they've got their hearts set on it. Maybe we won't have to stay long."

By this time the noisy loud-speakers and brass music of the midway were close at hand. The boy paused before a cotton candy concession and rammed his hand into his pocket.

"Gimme a pink one," he ordered. "Now, Joey," Grandmother almost screamed, "that stuff will make you sick. You KNOW you shouldn't eat it."

"It is 100 per cent pure, madam," the candy man protested. "Won't hurt anybody."

JOEY got the cotton candy and sister decided upon ice cream instead. She bought the kind they

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It's Reveille Time for Jerry... and Wanda... at Fair



Reveille at the Indiana State Fair... Jerry Housen of Moorland and the belle, Wanda, he groomed for the show.

Traffic Deaths At 10 in State; 253 Over U. S.

5 Lose Lives
At Terre Haute
And Ft. Wayne

The biggest highway casualty toll for any week-end was being amassed today as scattered reports early during the Labor Day holiday indicated the nation's death toll at 253 and the state's at 10.

Deaths in the nation of all types of accidents reached 323 since Friday evening.

In addition to five killed in two crashes at Terre Haute and Ft. Wayne early Saturday night, five more died in traffic accidents late Saturday and yesterday.

Asa M. Biddle, 56, of Vincennes, was fatally injured on a bicycle when he was hit by truck near Bruceville late Saturday night.

Early yesterday, Richard D. Scales, 38, of Park Ridge, Ill., and Mrs. Juliet C. Kent, 70, of Swarthmore, Pa., were killed when their car crashed head-on into a truck in U. S. 6 near Walkerton.

Train Hits Truck
Edward White, 45, of Ft. Wayne, was killed when the automobile in which he was riding collided with a speeding bus in La Porte County early yesterday.

Edna Mae Harris, 35, of Troy, was killed when her car ran off Ind. 70 in Spencer County and hit a bridge abutment near Newtonville.

State police were investigating the two crashes which took five

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N. Y. Detains 11 In Robeson Riot

PEEKSKILL, N. Y., Sept. 5 (UP)—Authorities charged 11 local residents today with taking part in an anti-Communist demonstration against singer Paul Robeson in which 83 persons were injured by flying sticks, stones and bottles.

Those arrested were released in bail ranging from \$35 to \$500 on charges from disorderly conduct to turning over cars.

The demonstration occurred yesterday despite efforts of 800 local and state police who tried to hold back crowds who lined highways and stoned cars and buses when 15,000 Robeson supporters left a concert given by the Negro ballroom.

Eight cars of Robeson admirers were overturned by the demonstrators, many of whom were dressed in Army, Navy and American Legion uniforms.

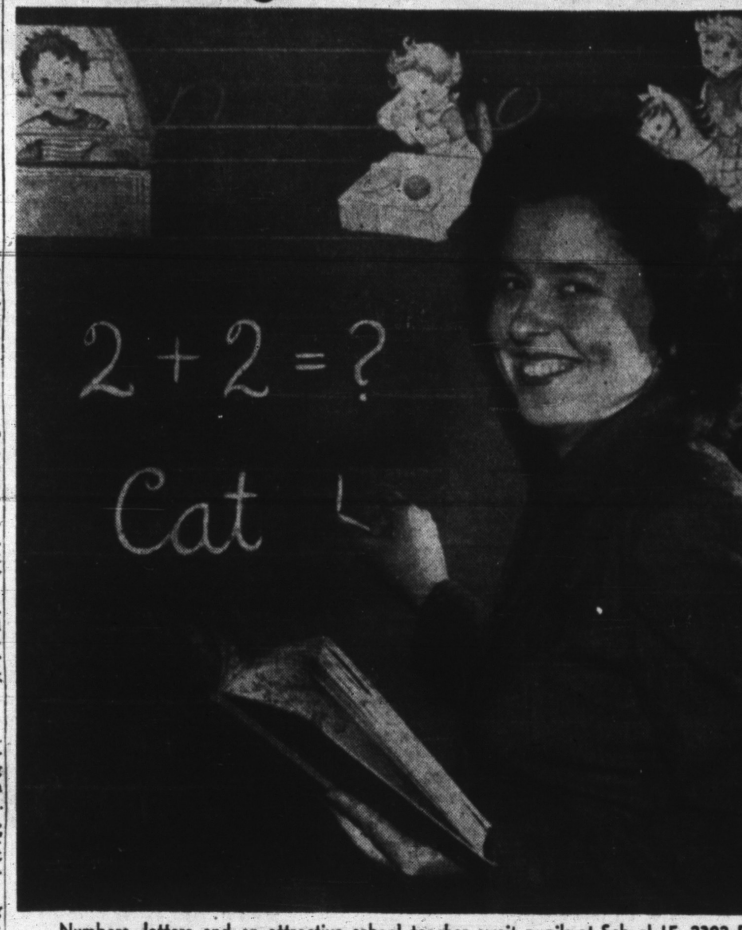
The injuries ranged from fractured skulls to severed fingers, cuts and bruises.

More than a dozen persons were treated at the scene, 30 were treated at Peekskill hospital; 15 in nearby Mohegan Lake and 26 at hospitals in New York City.

Eight of those injured were aboard a bus returning from a visit to the Franklin D. Roosevelt shrine at Hyde Park, N. Y., and Diaper Service, Inc., \$15 Dorman St., some time last night of an undetermined amount of cash.

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School (Sigh) Starts Tomorrow



Numbers, letters and an attractive school teacher await pupils at School 15, 2302 E. Michigan St. Mrs. Lois Shackelford prepares the blackboard for opening day.

Hurricane Moves Toward Maine

Progress Slow,
May Change Course

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 5 (UP)—The season's third full-fledged hurricane, with winds up to 95 miles per hour, whirled over the Atlantic far to the east of here today, moving slowly northward toward the New England coast.

If the big blow should hold its present course, it would pass east of Boston, narrowly missing Cape Cod, and strike the mainland on the coast of Maine.

But the hurricane was moving forward at a very slow rate, and weather bureau experts warned that slow-moving storms are very apt to change course suddenly.

They emphasized that the hurricane was still too far out at sea to warrant a definite prediction that it would hit the mainland.

DIAPER SERVICE ROBBED

Safe crackers who entered by a rear window 15 feet above the ground looted the safe of the Diaper Service, Inc., \$15 Dorman St., some time last night of an undetermined amount of cash.

55,000 Children Now Evaluate The Job of Getting an Education

Indianapolis school children—some 55,000 strong—were beset by mixed emotions today.

Some have spent anxious and sleepless nights mentally rehearsing correct things to do tomorrow with the familiar ringing of the electric bells in the halls of 82 elementary schools and five high schools.

Others are giving studied consideration to exactly what NOT to do during the ensuing nine months.

Staff personnel started work more than a week ago when the first meeting was held for principals in Tech's Stuart Hall. Advanced enrollment of kindergarten children and beginning elementary grade pupils was held last Tuesday.

Race Plan Set
Although the nation is in the midst of an influx of elementary school age children caused by a rising birth rate, administrators here expect the enrollment figures to approximate those of last year.

For the first time the public schools will have in operation a plan which will eventually eliminate racial segregation in the classrooms. The long range program, set up under the state non-segregation laws, first calls for elimination of segregation in beginning classes and freshman classes in the high schools.

In most instances, elementary grade children will be reporting tomorrow to the schools nearest their homes. High school freshmen generally will be attending the school which best serves their districts. The high school freshmen were assigned to their schools before the close of the spring semester.

Additional Classrooms
Although several buildings will start the new semester with additional classrooms completed during the summer vacation, new housing projects mushrooming in Indianapolis have placed new building problems before school commissioners.

Under study by the School Board are Windsor Village, 225 St. and Arlington Ave., and the area north of 16th St. and west of White River, where new buildings soon will be needed.

Where rooms were available in school buildings, kindergartens formerly operated by the Indianapolis Free Kindergarten Society have been transferred. Some kindergartens will operate double shifts to accommodate the heavy enrollment expected.

Half-Day Sessions
Half-day sessions will be held in elementary schools tomorrow. Full day classes will start Wednesday for pupils previously enrolled, but beginners will attend half-days all week.

High school pupils, except 9Bs, and new enrollees, will report at 8:15 a. m. tomorrow. The 9Bs and pupils new to local high schools will report at 1:30 p. m.

There will be no change from last semester in elementary school time schedules. Morning sessions will start at 8:15 a. m. and will dismiss at noon. Afternoon classes will convene at 1 p. m. and dismiss at 3:15 p. m.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES
6 a. m. ... 70 9 a. m. ... 75
7 a. m. ... 70 10 a. m. ... 75
8 a. m. ... 71 11 a. m. ... 76

Speech Opens '50 Campaign For Congress

Charges 'Agitators
Make Fat Livings
To Frighen People'

By MERRIMAN SMITH
United Press White House Reporting
PITTSBURGH, Sept. 5—

President Truman tripped the trigger today on the 1950 Congressional election campaign with a ringing defense of the Democratic 81st Congress and a new attack against what he called "the organized conspiracy of the selfish interests."

In a style similar to his successful 1948 "Give-Em-Hell" campaign, the President lashed out against "scare words" put out by "a lot of paid agitators, promoters and publicity experts who make a fat living by frightening the people in the higher income groups about forward-looking legislation."

Despite this opposition from "special interests," Mr. Truman said, the 81st Congress has made "real progress" toward enacting his "Fair Deal" program.

He promised also to fight until the Taft-Hartley law is wiped off the statute books.

Hails Out Scare Words

Mr. Truman flew here this morning to address the Allegheny County Free Fair. Later today, he will address an Amvet rally at the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines.

To the industrial workers gathered here, the President said the scare words being tossed about by opponents of his program include "collectivism," "statism," and "the welfare state."

Then, as he took up each separately, he almost chanted to each charge: "We don't care what they call it."

He told them that some people are trying to "make you believe that the 81st Congress has been a do-nothing Congress." This is simply not true, he said. The 81st Congress "reversed the backward trend" of the Republican 80th Congress.

When the "selfish interests" were defeated in the last election, Mr. Truman said, they "retired." "The welfare state," he said, "is a new thing. It is a new thing because their high-priced advertising experts and thought things over."

"We don't care," he said. "Then, he said, they came up with new 'scare words'—'collectivism,' 'statism,' and 'the welfare state'—to confuse the people. He asked his audience to take a look at these words."

"The people want public housing for low-income families," he said. "The selfish interests are opposed to it because they think it will cut down their own income; so they call it 'collectivism.'"

"We don't care what they call it," he said. "We are for public housing because it is the democratic way to provide decent homes in place of slums."

"The people want fair laws for labor. The selfish interests are against these laws because they mistakenly fear that their profits will be reduced; so they call that 'statism.'"

"We don't care what they call it," he said. "The people want a better social security system, improved education, and a national health program. The selfish interests are trying to sabotage these programs because they have no concern about helping the little fellow; so they call this the 'welfare state.'"

"We don't care what they call it," he said. "He said the arguments against the programs run this way: We can't afford them during a boom because it would be inflationary; we can't afford them during a depression because they would be deflationary; we can't afford them during war, and we can't afford them during peace."

"We can afford them," he said, "we ought to have them, and we will have them."

Revolution In the Tub

• Every time you wash your hands... do the laundry... rather your chin you're mixed up in one of the most amazing situations affecting your daily life.

• Read how the great industrial struggle between soap and detergents is creating a revolution in the washbasin... with you in the middle.

• Turn to the Woman's Section... tomorrow.

Hope to Upset Jet Speed Marks

F-86 Pilots Hope
To Exceed 600 MPH

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 5 (UP)—Air Force F-86 jet pilots hoped today to shove the Thompson Trophy race record well above 600 miles an hour for the first time in history of the National Air Races.

Some of the nation's hottest racing pilots guaranteed at the same time to drive the record to new heights.

The Allison Trophy air race from Weir Cook Airport to Cleveland, postponed yesterday because of rain, was scheduled for 1 p. m. today.

above 400 miles an hour in the civilian division of the Thompson trophy which carries a \$40,000 prize.

Crowds far surpassing yesterday's 58,700 were expected to witness the double-barreled Labor Day spectacle—75 laps of a 15-mile course featuring in the jet division the world's fastest combat airplane, the F-86 Sabre, and in the civilian division some radically modified World War II fighters.

Time of Races
The military race will be staged off at 2:35 p. m. Indianapolis time, the civilian at 3:40 p. m.

A third thriller was the scheduled race of three Navy Banshee jet fighters from a standing start to a 30,000-foot altitude. The Banshee was said to be able to climb above 40,000 feet in about eight minutes.

Four F-86 pilots will compete over the Thompson course and 10 civilian pilots will contest in the piston-engine division.

Two of the jet pilots, Lt. Burt Cashin, Palo Alto, Cal., and Capt. Vernon J. Henderson, Fresno, Cal., topped 600 mph in a Friday warmup for the race.

Their opponents will come from the 4th Fighter Group, Langley Air Force Base, Va. The present jet division record is 515.853 mph set by Maj. Gus Lundquist in 1946 in an F-80 Shooting Star.

More Showers Predicted Today

Pollen count... 234 per cubic yd.

The long Labor Day week-end was becoming a "wet" week-end as the weatherman predicted additional showers today in Indianapolis.

Showers Saturday and yesterday brought the week-end rainfall total to .78 inch in downtown Indianapolis.