

Mailman Killed In Collision

Harry Kocher Second County Victim of Year

2 Trucks Crash At Intersection of North, New Jersey

A post office truck driver died in General Hospital yesterday shortly after his vehicle collided with a Red Cab service truck at the intersection of North and New Jersey Sts.

Hospital authorities said Harry H. Kocher, 38, of 64 N. Dearborn St., died of multiple fractures. Both he and Elmer D. Gray, 29, of 2268 Kenwood Ave., driver of the other truck, were pinned in their vehicles until released by police. Mr. Gray was slightly injured but did not go to the hospital.

With the death of Mr. Kocher the Marion County 1950 traffic toll was advanced to two. The first death occurred Friday when Robert Wayne Bray, 23, Danville, was killed when a train struck his car at the 30th St. crossing of the Monon Railroad.

Services for Mr. Kocher will be held at 11 a. m. Monday in Woodside Methodist Church, of which he was a member. Burial will be in Washington Park.

A native of Hope, Ind., Mr. Kocher was a World War II veteran of 2 1/2 years overseas service in Egypt. He was a member of Englewood Lodge, F&AM, and had been a driver for the Post Office Department for six months. Mr. Kocher is survived by his wife, Rebecca; two sons, John, 7, and Robert, 4; and a sister, Mrs. Irene Kocher, of Indianapolis.



Scene of collision in which Harry H. Kocher, postal truck driver, received fatal injuries yesterday.

Schricker Raps Unpreparedness

400 Guardsmen At Session Here

"An unprepared nation is the most regrettable thing in human history," Governor Schricker said last night speaking before a "revitalized" Indiana National Guard Association.

The Governor, who addressed more than 400 Guardsmen members of the association in their mid-winter meeting, said nothing should be done to weaken the National Guard or to alter its present status.

The main speaker at the Claypool Hotel meeting was Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh, president of the National Guard Association of the United States.

He said the national association had successfully defeated attempts to "federalize" the ground elements of the Guard, but that "the fight is still on" in the matter of the Air Guard.

Lt. Col. Howard S. Wilcox, president of the state association, appointed a 19-member advisory board to establish a "continuity in leadership" in the state group and to "prevent lost motion."

He recommended that the advisory board prepare to revise the state association's constitution to recognize the Air National Guard and plan a method whereby it can "encourage, receive and act upon any and all suggestions to improve the Indiana National Guard."

In detailing his plans for the board, Col. Wilcox said officers of the association, who are elected yearly, would also serve on the advisory committee.

Named to the committee were: Col. Carl O. DeBard, Evansville; Lt. Col. Richard G. Stewart, Ellettsburg, Mo.; Major F. T. Horton, and Wendell C. Phillips, Indianapolis; Lt. Col. Kenneth Brewer, New Albany; Lt. Col. Noble F. Schlatter, Ft. Wayne; Lt. Col. George A. Roberts, Bloomington; Lt. Col. William G. Gilliam, Ft. Wayne; Major John W. McConnell, Marion; Major George B. Kutche and Eugene F. Wilson, Indianapolis; Major Robert Moorehead, Indianapolis; Capt. John B. Mattingly, Tipton; Capt. Gene F. Wood, Indianapolis; Capt. Cecil McClanahan, Ft. Wayne; Lt. Joseph W. Hancock, Muncie and Lt. Aubrey M. Rogers, Muncie.

Officers of the state association who will serve on the committee in addition to Col. Wilcox, whose home is in Bloomington, are Col. Allison Maxwell, Indianapolis, vice president; Lt. Col. John F. Fiebel, Indianapolis, secretary, and Capt. Donald McLeod, Bedford, treasurer.

Charred Arm Mystery Cleared Up by Doctor

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 14 (UP)—The mystery of the charred arm today was no longer a mystery. Deputies and police in nearby Sylvania, O., thought they might have a murder on their hands when the arm was found Wednesday on a dump. But Dr. William Mawborn said the arm was charred in a basement fire at his home, and apparently hauled away by mistake with other burned material.

He said the arm was a mummified dissection used in 1936 for medical classes at Ohio State University.

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Mr. Kocher in service uniform.

Mexican Monk To Fly Splinter Of 'Cross' to U. S.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 14 (UP)—A relic believed to contain a splinter of the cross on which Christ died, was scheduled to be flown to Los Angeles tomorrow. The fragment of the "true cross" caused "the greatest religious demonstrations in Mexican history" during the past week.

An estimated 200,000 faithful jammed the Basilica of Guadalupe to worship the relic yesterday. Sixty persons were crushed in the press of the crowd.

Dom Thomas Bequet, a Benedictine monk, who has carried the relic through Europe and South America, planned to fly it to Los Angeles today.

The flight was canceled, however, after Dom Thomas and other passengers already were aboard the plane, because of unfavorable weather conditions.

DAM BUILDER MARRIES
DENVER, Jan. 14 (UP)—John Lucian Savage, 70, designer of the Grand Coulee Dam, was married here today to Mrs. James Miner of Spokane, Wash. Mrs. Miner's husband died in 1943. Mr. Savage's first wife died in 1940.

Ayres Buyer



Harold E. Tracy
The appointment of Harold E. Tracy as Buyer of Ayres' Fine Jewelry Dept. was announced yesterday by James A. Glin, executive vice president of L. S. Ayres & Co. Mr. Tracy was in the diamond and watch department of the Rost Jewelry Co. for 15 years.

Bar Plans Revised Meeting System

State Group to Meet Friday and Saturday

A new convention procedure will be adopted at the Indiana Bar Association Friday and Saturday, according to Telford B. Ormon, association president.

The first day of the meeting in the World War Memorial will be devoted to a "work-shop" seminar on the practical aspects of the estates of Indiana decedents. Mr. Ormon said the seminar will take attending attorneys through a typical family estate by means of lectures, discussions and written material.

Speakers Listed

Speakers and subjects will include Milton Elrod Jr., "Estate Planning," Lester Irons, "Will Drafting," Donald Lafuze and William Elliott, "Estate Administration," Kenneth Foster, "Income Tax Returns," John Cochran, "Estate Tax Returns," and Edmund W. Hebel, "Drafting." Following the seminar Friday, a banquet will be held in the Claypool Hotel, at which Robert P. Patterson, former Secretary of War and former judge of the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, will make the address.

The meeting will continue through Saturday in the Claypool Hotel, where Harold J. Gallagher, New York City, president of the American Bar Association, will address the group on the "Necessity of Bar Organization."

Baby Sitter Jailed After Charge Dies

TORRINGTON, Conn., Jan. 14 (UP)—Authorities jailed a teenage baby sitter today in the death of a 2-year-old boy placed in her care who died after she admittedly placed a pillow over his face because he cried too much.

Florence Machalak, 18, was held without bail on a charge of assault with intent to commit murder.

The body of the boy, William King, was discovered by his brother, John, 11, when he returned home from school. The girl admitted putting the pillow on the boy as he lay crying on a sofa, Police Capt. Frank Sherlock said.

PAC Plans to Collect '50 Election War Chest

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (UP)—The CIO said tonight its Political Action Committee soon will start collecting voluntary contributions from union members for the 1950 congressional elections. The Political Action Committee hopes to collect \$1 from each of the CIO's more than 4.5 million members. It plans to use the money to try to elect "a more liberal Congress" next November.

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Young Stars Polish Up for Big Number in Ice-O-Rama

500 to Take Part In Feb. 23 Event

By ART WRIGHT
Some 500 amateur skaters of all ages will take part in the Times Ice-O-Rama to raise money for the Infantile Paralysis Fund Feb. 23 in the Fairgrounds Coliseum.

Mary McClean, director of the 1950 show, made the announcement today as the time for registrations and tryouts neared their close. The last chance for skaters to sign up is at 5 p. m. tonight at the Coliseum. Skaters assigned to the "Indian" number will rehearse at that time and new registrants will sign up. All skaters will use the south entrance of the Coliseum.

Program Completed
Mrs. McClean and the Ice-O-Rama committee have completed the show program which promises to produce one of the fastest-moving Times Ice-O-Ramas in the four years of the charity extravaganza.

The costume committee, too, is well under way with its job of creating the most spectacular and colorful costumes ever seen in an Ice-O-Rama. Most of the participants have been measured for costumes and the job of making the colorful show clothes will begin within a few days.

Two-Hour Show
The two-hour show will present large production numbers with as many as 200 skaters on the ice at one time, plus solo numbers, pair routines and small group precision skating.

A capacity crowd again is anticipated as a result of the heavy



Mary McClean (left), director of The Times Ice-O-Rama, explains a routine to some of the young participants in one of the big production numbers of the Feb. 23 Coliseum show for the Infantile Paralysis Fund.

mail order sales of tickets. Mail Feb. 1. Tickets ordered by mail will be sent out within the next 10 days.

Mail orders should be sent now to: Ice-O-Rama, Indianapolis Times, 214 W. Maryland St., accompanied by check or money order and stamped, addressed envelope for return of tickets.

Prices are: Box and Parquet chairs, \$1.20; North and South side mezzanine, 85c; East and mezzanine, 60c. All seats are reserved. Prices include tax.

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