

## Apartments Scrape Bins For Coal

Heating in Many Large Rental Units On Day-to-Day Basis

By LARRY STILLERMAN

Property managers of the city's larger rental units today were like most other individual home owners.

They were scraping the coal bin for that last bit of fuel. They had many tenants to warm and many home services to provide.

A spot check of apartment and office building coal bins yesterday disclosed that most of the larger outfits were in "rather good shape, so far."

But three of the major property management offices disclosed they were on day-to-day operations.

Moynahan Apartments mailed their 1000 tenants in 22 buildings here and out-of-town, warnings that hot water service and heat may be discontinued without further notice because of the dire situation.

Stokers Hampered "We're giving our tenants as much heat as we can possibly get from the coal we're buying today," explained Paul Coen, Moynahan maintenance superintendent.

He said use of "odd size" coal has hampered effective heating in units where stokers operate. The weather is the main measure of conservation employed in the buildings, he said.

As president of the Apartment Owners Association, Mr. Coen stated most rental managers in Indianapolis were faced with similar problems.

Walter H. Z. property manager for the William A. Brennan, Inc. holdings, said the 13 buildings which use coal are only turning up heat in the mornings and evenings.

"We're trying to economize without imperiling the health of our tenants," he said. "However, we have at least another 10 days supply on hand."

Reserves Are Small Small coal bins in most of the apartment buildings have hampered any stockpiling of fuel. However, most property managers disclosed contracts made during the summer with coal dealers have prevented an abrupt reduction in supplies.

"We're still getting some coal from dealers, but of course it's not as much as we need or have contracted for," one manager said.

Seizure of coal shipments by railroads and the prohibitive cost of converting old coal-burning facilities to oil units has further aggravated the situation among apartment owners, Earl B. Teckmeyer, vice president of Schmidt & Smith Realty, said.

"Four Days at Most" "We've enough coal for three to four days at the most for our 350 units," he said.

A check of other companies disclosed:

Spann Co. Inc.—Don't anticipate any critical development in the immediate future. Storage limitations cut stockpiling. More than 300 units in fairly good shape.

Sun Realty Co.—Two office buildings and 15 apartment units in "good shape." Conserving by thermometer fluctuations. Considering "truck-lift" of coal from one building to units in more critical condition.

Klein & Kuhn—Downtown buildings operate on city steam. In good condition as long as Indianapolis Power & Light Co. provides steam. Two properties have converted to oil; one on coal in "fair shape."

H. H. Woodsmall Agency, Inc.—Haven't run out of coal in 20 buildings so far.

Hall-Mottel Co. Inc.—Six buildings using coal "all right." Biggest gem: 16 buildings heated by oil.

Name Rev. Elmer Harvey To Greencastle Post

The appointment of the Rev. Elmer Harvey to the Goben Memorial Methodist Church, Greencastle, has been announced by Bishop Richard C. Raines, resident bishop of the Indiana area of the Methodist Church.

The Rev. Mr. Harvey, who has served eight years as pastor of the West Street Methodist Church, Jeffersonville, will begin his ministry in Greencastle April 1.

At one time, the Rev. Mr. Harvey served as assistant pastor of the Broadway Methodist Church in Indianapolis. He was one of three Indiana Methodist pastors sent to Germany to study the challenges and the opportunity facing German Methodism in 1939.

Baby Scalded in Fall

Two-year-old Thomas Judkins, son of Mrs. George Judkins, 907 1/2 N. Delaware St., was reported in fair condition today in General Hospital. The child was badly burned yesterday when he fell into a tub of hot water.

Homemakers to Meet

The Northeastern Homemakers Club will meet at 11 a. m. Wednesday, Mar. 8, in the home of Mrs. Harry Brown, 4023 Ridgeview Dr. A business session will be followed by project lessons.

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## Governor Visits Arthritis Victim

Bud Johnson Indorses Foundation Campaign

By CLIFFORD THURMAN Indiana's No. 1 citizen called on Bud Johnson yesterday.

Gov. Schriker—despite pressing duties brought about by the coal crisis—took time out to wish a bedfast Hoosier well.

Bud Johnson has arthritis. He hasn't been out of his bed in 17 long, painful years.

In all of those 17 years Bud Johnson, of course, has been hoping, praying and working for something—anything—that would bring relief for himself and thousands of fellow sufferers.

Day in and day out, month after month, Bud Johnson lies in his hospital bed at his home, 134 W. 21st St., and watches more fortunate people walk and ride by his window. He cannot move hands, arms or feet. Neither can he turn his head.

Bud Johnson has had a lot of time to think about arthritis—the disease that had rendered him helpless, kept him apart from his fellow men.

One day last week Bud Johnson read about the current campaign to raise \$25,000 in Indiana for the newly organized Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation. Of course, he was keenly interested.

After some thought, Bud wrote a letter to Gov. Schriker and to 4700 other Indiana state employees—including 250 arthritis sufferers—and indorsed the campaign.

Gov. Schriker went to see him yesterday in his modest apartment on his gallant fight with the crippling disease and particularly on his letter urging support for the foundation campaign.

The Governor's bedside manner would put many a doctor to shame. He had never seen Bud Johnson until yesterday but left a staunch friend in the bed out at 134 W. 21st St.

"How are you, Bud?" Gov. Schriker asked easily as he found his way around the foot of the bed and eased himself into a chair. "Sorry to see you in a shape like this, but you seem to be very cheerful about it."

"Yes, Governor," Bud Johnson answered with a smile. "I try to be."

"I've got a good friend like you," the chief executive answered, "and despite all her suffering she is cheerful, happy and living a good life. It's a grand spirit you have. You are to be congratulated."

Bud Johnson smiled. It isn't often a Governor comes to see a man "just to chat awhile in the afternoon."

They talked about a lot of things, including little Jerry Dunaway and Tony Diggin, leukemia sufferers who are also being treated with the wonder drug, ACTH, that is also the hope of arthritis victims.

"I've always admired you, Governor," Bud Johnson said. "I like you and your administration."

"Why, thank you, Bud," said the Governor. "I appreciate you saying that."

The Governor told Bud Johnson he agrees 100 per cent with a



Bud Johnson... and friend.

his letter. He stands ready to insolve problems of arthritis dorse anything that will relieve victims.

The suffering of the millions of The Arthritis and Rheumatism arthritis victims in the country. Foundation seeks to expedite Bud's letter asks support of ways and means of bringing relief the local drive. It is a part of a Bud Johnson and his thousands of fellow sufferers.

The Indiana Chapter, Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, has been established at 234 Lemcke Bldg. Chief purpose of the chapter is to bring aid to the 150,000 Hoosiers suffering from arthritis or rheumatism. Of this number, 37,000 victims reside within the metropolitan area of Indianapolis.

The two new wonder drugs, cortisone and ACTH, are considered a means of rapid relief for arthritis sufferers. Prohibitively costly and hard to get, these drugs offer a solution to the currently

Local Girl Missing Police Launch Drive From Home Sought

City and state police today alerted patrol cars in the search for Miss Shirley Jean Waltz, 20-year-old Indianapolis girl missing from her home since Friday.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wagner, 810 S. Ingomar St., said she was last seen about 8 p. m. Friday in her home. Mr. Shirley Waltz Wagner said Miss Waltz has an aunt, Mary Knapp, living in Fort Arthur, Tex., but the missing girl had indicated no plans for going there.

This morning, branch license plate bureaus reported motorists still crowding into offices for the new plates.

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Stanton Youth Held On Federal Car Charge

Lawrence D. Wrightman, 18, Stanton, was held in the Vigo County Jail in Terre Haute today on a federal charge of violating the Dyer Act.

Harvey G. Foster, special agent in charge of the Indianapolis FBI office, said Wrightman is accused of stealing a car in Chicago last month and driving it to Tampa, Fla. He was indicted by a federal grand jury in Chicago.

DePauw Choir to Give Church Concert Sunday

The DePauw University Choir will be heard in concert at 4 p. m. Sunday in the North Methodist Church, 38th and Meridian Sts.

The 55-voice choir, will be under the direction of George W. Gove. The organization is currently on a 14-city tour.

## Sleeping Pills Prove Fatal To Big Cat

Plan to Stuff Leopard as Trophy Of Animal Hunt

OKLAHOMA CITY, Mar. 1 (UP)—Leo the leaping leopard will be stuffed and put on display to commemorate the state's greatest wild animal hunt.

The rebellious 175-pound jungle killer died yesterday of an overdose of sleeping pills.

Death came 16 hours after his return to the Lincoln Park Zoo, where he made his terrifying escape in an acrobatic leap from a pit last Saturday.

He sneaked back to the zoo under cover of darkness to eat horsemeat bait which had been treated with narcotics. A zoo guard found him groggy about 2 a. m. yesterday.

He had been returned to a cage by zoo director Julian Frazer, who lassoed the drugged fugitive.

Roy Roberts, a zoo attendant, noticed the leopard was dying when he made a routine check shortly before dusk yesterday.

He pulled the big cat from the iron-bound crate cage and pumped its legs several times. The leopard died a few minutes later.

Veterinarian Saddened Dr. W. D. Bowerman, a veterinarian who examined the leopard about 4 p. m. yesterday, said he was "sick about his death."

"He was breathing fine when I saw him," Dr. Bowerman said. "I turned him over on his other side and he kind of growled at me. I was glad to see he could make a noise. I thought he was out of danger."

Dr. Bowerman performed an autopsy on the spotted beast's body last night and said he died of an overdose of drugs. The narcotics—chloral hydrate and nembutol—took unusual effect because the leopard's lungs had been weakened, Dr. Bowerman said.

Park Superintendent R. R. Murphy said the cat's body would be stuffed for display "as a trophy to Oklahoma City's most intensified leopard hunt."

It probably will be placed in a wild life exhibit in the lobby of the State Capitol, Mr. Murphy said.

Coast Guard Halts Gulf Area Search

NEW ORLEANS, Mar. 1 (UP)—The Coast Guard has called off a search of the Gulf 25 miles off the Louisiana Coast, in the area where a green rocket flare had been seen early today.

No planes or vessels were known to be missing or in distress in the area, according to reports from air and surface craft.

## Big U. S. Cities Brown Out To Save Dwindling Fuel

Layoffs of 20,000 More Workers Scheduled; Chicago Firms Asked to Share With Hospitals

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Mar. 1 (UP)—Great industrial cities and population centers browned out today to save power and outlast a final siege by the critical soft coal shortage.

Light dimmed in New York, Pittsburgh, Detroit, Chicago and many smaller communities. Some cities reduced power consumption as much as 50 per cent to save fuel stocks which threatened to vanish within a matter of days.

States and cities ordered emergency measures on the 24th day of the nationwide coal strike with John L. Lewis and major operators still deadlocked on major contract issues.

There was no indication that mining would be resumed in time to avert more curtailments in industry and hardship to domestic coal users.

More Layoffs Scheduled Another 20,000 workers were scheduled to be laid off today because of the coal shortage, swelling the total idle as a result of the strikes past 550,000, including the 381,000 striking miners.

At Lancaster, Wis., the city fuel administrator led crews armed with axes and power saws into nearby forests to chop wood for shivering townfolk.

The emergency coal committee in Chicago, where a state-wide 25 per cent power curtailment is in effect, asked 10,000 industrial coal users to share their meager stockpiles with hospitals, other public institutions and needy families.

Industries in many cities had already taken that step.

Mayor Albert E. Cobo of Detroit barred all commercial lighting displays, and city officials started doing out coal by the bushel basket at emergency stations set up in fire houses.

The Detroit school board also voted to close all public schools except nine which are centrally heated, effective after Friday classes.

Duquesne Light Co. asked all its 1,500,000 customers in the Greater Pittsburgh area to cut power consumption by 50 per cent or face heatless days. The company said it had less than a 10-day supply of low-grade fuel on hand.

The order was expected to idle additional thousands of industrial workers in the heavily industrialized Pittsburgh area.

Heating Limit Set The Pittsburgh railways company said it will cut trolley service to comply with the request.

New York Solid Fuels Administrator Bertram Tallamy, who previously ordered rationing and a state-wide dimout, said state and local public buildings must hold temperatures down to 70 degrees. He asked owners of coal-heated office buildings, stores and theaters to observe the same limit.

Officials of Syracuse and St. Louis also announced similar measures.

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## Death Probed



Miss Garnet Ginn

## Coroner Delays Ruling on Teacher

Find Portland Woman Tied by Neck to Car

PORTLAND, Ind., Mar. 1 (UP)—Coroner Donald E. Spahr held up a verdict today in the death of Miss Garnet Ginn, 33-year-old home economics teacher, as he continued his investigation.

Miss Ginn's body was found yesterday with a sewing machine belt looped about her neck and tied to the door of her car, which was parked in her garage. School Superintendent D. S. Weller found the body after Miss Ginn failed to report for classes at Portland High School.

Coroner Spahr said the sewing machine belt resembled one which was missing from Miss Ginn's apartment. Yesterday, both he and the police said the possibility of foul play was ruled out.

Miss Ginn was last seen alive at a Psi Iota Xi Sorority meeting at the Portland Country Club about 10:30 p. m. Monday.

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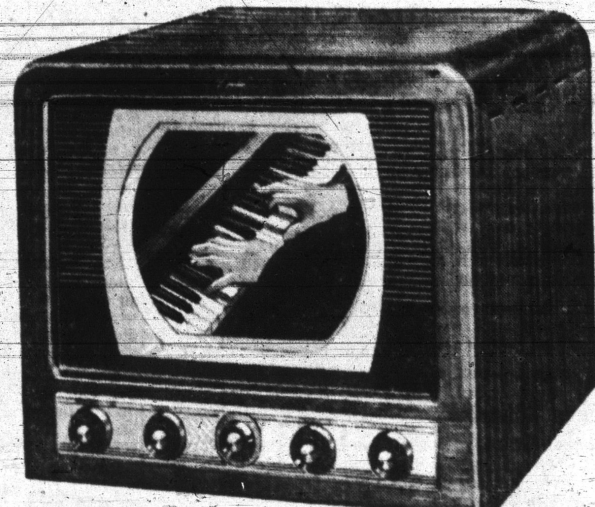
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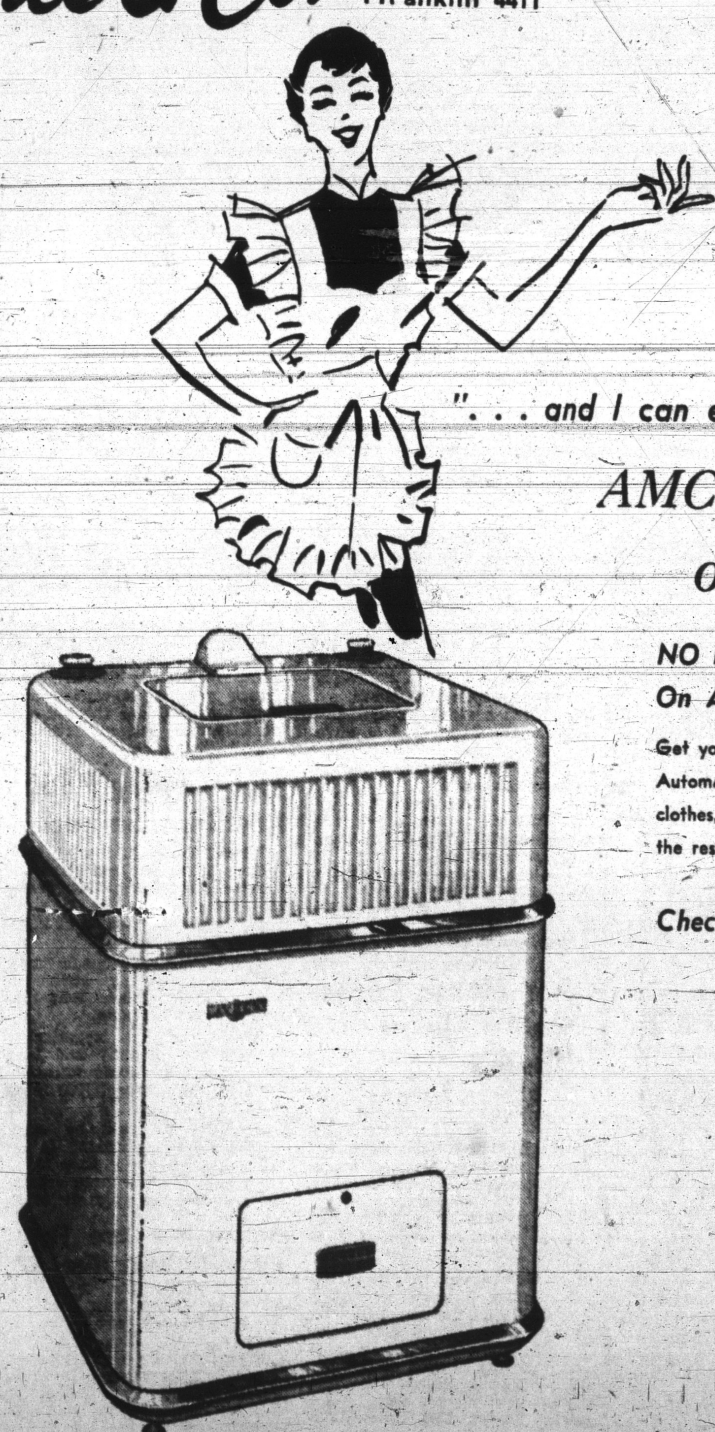
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