

State Pushes Loyalty Quiz, 2 Women Fired

Probe Welcomed by Welfare Department Staff, Hunt Says

The loyalty probe in the State Welfare Department continued today with two women consultants already fired for actively supporting a Communist propaganda drive.

Welfare Director Maurice O. Hunt said the 260 employees of his department "welcome" the investigation and are co-operating with officials.

It could not be learned whether the employees who were fired on recommendation of Mr. Hunt would appeal their cases.

Sign Statements
They are Miss LaRue Spiker, 38, of 187 E. 11th St., and Miss Eva Iola Klass, 42, of 5335 Ohmer Ave.

The women signed statements that they were peddling "peace" petitions sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress and supported by the Communist Party.

They were given 15-day suspensions without pay pending their final discharge July 26.

Mr. Hunt recommended the discharges. They were approved by the Welfare Board after an all-day session. The decisions were read to the women.

Miss Spiker admitted she was a member of the Civil Rights Congress, which has been cited as a subversive group. Miss Klass denied belonging to the CRC but admitted peddling the petition for outlawing atomic weapons. They were detained for questioning by police Thursday night while canvassing homes with the petitions.

The board informed the women, both consultants in the child welfare division, that they were fired for destroying confidence in the department.

Part of the board's statement read: "Your activity in aiding and abetting the work of the Civil Rights Congress, which organization has been officially listed by the Attorney General of the U. S. as an organization of a subversive nature. Your activity tending to render your further employment harmful to the administration of the work of this department."

Gottschalk Outlines Stand
Thurman A. Gottschalk, president of the board, issued the following statement following the dismissal of the women:

"It is recognized by the State Board of Public Welfare that it has no control over the rights, privileges and civil liberties of its employees. However, when such an employee in a public agency participates in any activity which brings discredit, in the estimation of the public, to the program and the entire personnel, we feel that such an employee's services with the department are ineffective and, in fact, detrimental, and that he or she should be immediately dismissed."

Crown Starlight Musical Queen



Miss Nancy Gant, Franklin, is crowned "Miss Starlight Musicals of 1950" by Melvin T. Ross, general manager of the summer operetta series. Miss Gant's coronation took place at last night's opening of "The Student Prince" at the Fairgrounds.

Sarge, Give Me Grenades, Says GI Left Behind

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in our rear," said Capt. Leon Rainville, 35, St. Paul, Minn.

Whistles sounded shrilly as the still unseen enemy gave the signal for attack movements.

"They came up the hill four abreast as if they didn't care whether they died or not," said Lt. James.

"They had automatic weapons and they brought their infantry up to the front in trucks," said Capt. Rainville.

"The firing first broke out on our right flank, then on our left, then in our rear. I was up on the hill at the observation post when the commanding officer ordered me down to get more mortar ammo. I went down but never got back up."

The battalion staff still hasn't been heard from. Sgt. Brown said that after he had crossed the river he looked back and saw a large group of American prisoners being marched along the road toward American positions with Communist infantry and one tank behind them.

Sgt. Brown who came out with only part of his platoon said it had been cut to pieces by four enemy machine guns mounted on high ground around them.

"We headed down from the hill toward the road," said Sgt. Brown. "When we got to the road it was covered by machine-gun fire."

"Three of my men turned chicken and dropped their rifles and ran back up the hill with their hands up. The rest refused to try to make it across and hid in the bushes."

"One kid was hit going across. His leg was dangling in shreds so I pulled him into a briar patch as far as I could. I gave him first aid and told him I would have to leave him."

"He said: 'That's all right, Sarg. Just give me grenades and maybe I'll be able to take a couple of them with me.'"

The fleeing Americans made their way across rice paddies for 200 yards with bullets pecking at their heels. When they reached the river they turned downstream."

Reports Robbery
Harold C. Coffey, 39, Seelyville, told police today he was robbed of a \$50 wristwatch, a \$50 ring and \$12 in cash by a man who slugged him at California and Washington Sts. last night. He was treated for injuries at General Hospital and released.

LET'S TALK ABOUT Your Home
By LOUIS RAINIER
DEN OF DISTINCTION

In many homes of limited dimensions the library has been reduced in proportions and is referred to as the den. . . . It is one of the most functional rooms in the home, and all too often its decorative values are minimized . . . sometimes completely overlooked.

As a quiet, restful atmosphere is desirable here, an appropriate background could be achieved by using wallpaper simulating walnut panels. When waxed this looks like real wood paneling and is far less expensive. Ceiling would be best painted white to diffuse and reflect lamplight, and would tie in harmoniously with pale beige draperies.

If there are no built-in bookshelves a distinctive arrangement can be formed by placing three or four bookcases of varying heights side by side to fill in the length of one entire wall.

Leather and wood combine beautifully in this type room . . . like good books, they mellow with age. Brown mahogany or walnut desk with leather top would be in keeping. Or a tall leather secretary to add drawer space, extra shelves. A pair of roomy leather wing chairs, brown, maroon, or off-white to give a Modern touch, would complete a picture of restful charm and comfort.

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Draft Boards Preparing Lists

County to Supply About 90 of 578

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among the first to answer the call, mothers who lost sons in the last war. And the nice little lady who lives down the street. She came in, too, eager to help.

There's glamour in the room that was shunned only two years ago. Glamor and sweat, and, yes, tears.

Yesterday, a care-worn middle-aged farmer came into the office. Twisting his hat and speaking almost in a whisper, he was obviously worried.

His son, he haltingly explained, was in trouble, serious trouble. The youth, apparently like several other under-age boys who quit school and found slating tough, had registered falsely on his 17th birthday last year. This week he received the questionnaire mailed to registrants who passed the 19-year mark.

The father wanted it straightened out without the boy's knowing he had inquired. Frightened young men enter the office furtively, ask a few questions, disappear, then return to "get it off my chest." They are those who failed to register in 1948 and 1949, thinking then it wasn't a serious matter. Sometimes, they break down and cry.

Few Developments
There were few new developments in the overall-draft picture. The state quota remained at 575, of which Marion County could be expected to furnish some 90 men. An additional 1000 men were classified yesterday, bringing the total of Indiana's "eligibles" to 55,000 and the percentage of the Hoosier state's pool of registrants classified to more than 90 per cent.

Two other draft boards received authorization for clerk-typist help, one in Gary, another in Hammond. It was apparent that expanding operations would force some of the 89 boards to be moved from limited space in courthouses, post offices and city buildings.

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He's the Champ



"Master Irvington," 2-year-old Johnny Bowers, hugs the loving cup he was awarded as beauty winner in the Irvington Division for boys of the Baby Show Coronation Pageant. The show, held in the Athenaeum Monday night, was sponsored by Ernie Pyle Post 1120, VFW. Johnny's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Bowers, of 701 N. Gladstone Ave.

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Frustrates Old Postage-Due Trick

Refuses to Pay Man Posing as Collector

A would-be swindler may knock at your door today.

That is, if his near-capture by an alert, 60-year-old machinist yesterday didn't scare him out of making another attempt to get something for nothing.

Orval H. Brown, drill press operator at Marmon-Herrington Co., Inc., found a young man waiting for him yesterday when he entered the driveway of his home, 827 Laurel St.

The man said he had a package with \$2.89 in parcel post charges due.

Refuses to Bite
Mr. Brown wouldn't bite. "I don't know the sender," he said. "What's in the package?"

When Mr. Brown attempted to open it, the young man grabbed it, mumbled something about his boss being "just around the corner" and walked away.

A search turned up the package, discarded in another yard in the block. It contained bits of brick and mortar, about 15 pounds worth. Nothing else.

QUIET ON RADIO FRONT
By Science Service
WASHINGTON, July 12—Quiet conditions for the next three days was the forecast made here this morning at the National Bureau of Standards for short wave radio reception.

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Washington Goes Past Pittsburgh

WASHINGTON, July 12 (UP)—Provisional census figures for 104 cities of more than 100,000 persons showed today that Washington nosed Pittsburgh out of the "Big 10" during the last decade.

New York, Chicago and Philadelphia still were the "Big 3." Los Angeles moved up to fourth place, dropping Detroit to fifth. Baltimore and Cleveland swapped places, with Baltimore advancing to sixth and Cleveland dropping back to seventh. St. Louis remained in eighth place.

Washington, 11th 10 years ago, took over Boston's old No. 9 spot and the Hub City skidded to 10th. Pittsburgh dropped from 10th to 12th and San Francisco moved up one notch to take over as No. 11.

BOOZE FIREBUG SENTENCED
WINCHESTER, England, July 12 (UP)—Stanley Mercer, 27, a firebug who sprinkled whisky to touch off big blazes, was sentenced today to 14 years in prison.

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