

Huge Trucks Pound State Highways To Pieces

Cause Most Damage With Overloads but 'Little Guy' Pays Cost

Giant Units Add Only \$160,000 to State Coffers Compared to \$3 Million for Others

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Giant trucks pounding Indiana roads to bits run on a subsidy paid by little trucks and passenger cars.

These "mechanical monsters" destroy roads faster than the state can rebuild them. Yet the big truckers don't pay their share of the load to maintain the highways.

Pounded day and night by heavily burdened trucks and trailers, Indiana's 10,500-mile road network is rapidly crumbling.

Although it usually takes repeated overloads to destroy a highway, road engineers maintain that one load, if big enough, can do the job.

State Highway Commissioner Samuel Hadden has been waging a relentless campaign on the truckers who leave over the state's crumbling highways with overloads.

Under the state's new motor vehicle license law, big trailer-trucks, tractors and semi-trailers paid \$160,000 for licenses this year during the month of January compared to more than \$3 million paid by small trucks and passenger cars.

Subsidy to Trucks'

"Our big trucks are receiving a subsidy to stay in business. If we made them pay for the damage they create, we would chase them off the road," Mr. Hadden said.

Railroad officials complain that truckers get a "free ride" at the expense of the public.

For years, they say, railroads have paid 20 cents of every dollar they received to maintain and pay taxes on their rights-of-way.

Truckers, they charge, get their rights-of-way for less than 5 cents on the dollar, paid for by registration fees and gas taxes.

Spokesmen for the trucking industry say overloads are not responsible for pavement damage. They insist, instead, the weather is to blame and, maybe, the road materials.

Mr. Hadden is particularly concerned with the ponderous vehicles carrying steel over Indiana's roads.

"What the trucking of steel, in unwise gross loads, has done to our highways, is simply tragic," he said. "Steel produced in Gary one day is trucked all over Indiana than night hundreds of miles away."

Some Truckers Defiant

Mr. Hadden added that the evils of trucking for unlimited distances over the public highways of excessive loads at high speeds have been accentuated by the rebellious and defiant resistance of some truckers to all forms of reasonable restraint.

"We find," Mr. Hadden said, "a persistent, aggressive, even defiant tendency on the part of a minority of truckers to overload their trucks and trailers regardless of our very liberal weight limitations."

Recognizing the danger to its members in the growing number of protests, the Indiana Motor Truck Association pledged to help "police up the industry."

Jim Nichols, executive secretary of the association, helped write a penalty clause into the new truck law that virtually takes the profit out of overloading.

But the police must still catch the violators. This has proven a difficult task.

Warning System

Truck drivers keep one another posted on when and where the weighing is taking place. The first driver to pass a newly established check point warns trucks moving in the opposite direction by flashing his lights or wig-wagging his log book. Frequently, he stops and phones the news to his dispatcher.

Impatient drivers who attempt to detour around weighing stations play havoc with the state's secondary roads and bridges. There they inflict even heavier damage than on concrete roads. It has been estimated that Indiana has been losing an average of one bridge a month from overloaded trucks detouring to evade the law.

Last year, two Times reporters saw sixty-five trucks parked in Fortville and Pendleton while State Police checked trucks outside of Indianapolis on Ind. 67.

State Police, armed with 35 new permanent truck scales, are making periodic checks on trucks. They report overloaded trucks on the decline, either because the truckers have a healthy respect for the new penalty clause which charges them heavily for violations or because the truckers have learned where the per-

mitting drivers are.

BUENOS AIRES

July 15 (UPI)—The Diligent quintuplets celebrated their seventh birthday today by entertaining dozens of their friends in the 14-room mansion built for them. A birthday cake with 35 candles on it was cut.

PLUNGES TO 'UTOPIA'

NEW YORK, July 15 (UPI)—Willard Seligman, about 55, wrote a note saying, "goody civilization, I'm going to Utopia," and plunged to his death from a 10th floor hotel room today. His papers gave a Miami address.

WILL ENTER OHIO U.

COLUMBUS, O. July 15—Nancy Ann Fink, 3827 Broadway, Indianapolis, is among 40 students who recently completed their admission requirements for entering Ohio State University.

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Korean Reds Apply Pincer to Trap GIs



Korean Reds today were putting the big squeeze on Americans defending Taejon, which South Korea earlier abandoned as its provisional capital. Shaded lines show where the Reds made their big breakthrough along the Kum River which forced the thin line of defending Americans (sawtooth symbol) to fall south toward the mountains. Broken arrow shows where the Reds were attempting to outflank the Americans' right. If they succeed the Yanks will be trapped. The Yanks also will be cut off from their seaport, Pusan, further south.

GIs Smash Red Suicide Raids in Korea

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their western bridgehead and on the American front to the tank crew, drove back a North Korean attempted river crossing.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's afternoon communiqué reporting on the fate of Kongju but aerial reports said American planes attacked the city and set off fires with flames 100 feet high, indicating big jumps had been hit.

In their southwest rush from Kongju the Communists occupied Nonsan late Saturday.

B-26 light bombers blasted Communist targets on the north bank of the Kum all Saturday night. When Sunday morning dawned with clear blue skies, new sorties of bombers and rocket-carrying fighters hit the Reds all along the 150-mile Korean war front.

U. S. 8th army headquarters announced the first successful allied commando-type action of the war along the east coast of Korea. A landing party went ashore from warships in small boats and cut off a Communist motor column by road demolition near Kumun, on the coastal highway 18 miles north of Yong-

don.

The landing party withdrew safely in boats and then warships moved in to shell the trapped Communist column. The an-

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Front reports said the Americans gave up the western half of their Kum River line and began falling back through the mountains to Taejon.

Correspondents at the front said the Communists were expected to try to close their pincers on Taejon within the next 24 hours.

The North Koreans also tried straight ahead through the American lines and pierce the southern end of the Communist bridgehead.

From Nonsan the North Koreans can outflank the American line and plunge up the highway to Taejon, closing the south side of their three-sided box on all American forces in the Taejon area.

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