

City Schools Teach Children American Way

By DAVE WATSON

Indianapolis public school administrators have found a major crack in the pillar of democracy.

Too few high school pupils are leaving their classes with a comprehension of the importance of the economic profit system to the survival of free enterprise.

With the aid of Dr. Byron Williams, of Rochester University, they are attempting to seal this crack with the mortar of understanding.

Now in full swing, the program was started last July with a recommendation to the School Board by Dr. Herman L. Shiller, superintendent of schools. He said:

"When an Indianapolis youngster watches his father leave for work each morning in a business establishment, the boy probably doesn't realize that the business created a desire to make profits, is enabling the father to bring home food and clothing for the family and to save money that will enable the boy to have a college education.

"We must give our children in school a better appreciation of what the private enterprise system provides for a family."

The wheels were in motion.

Texts Won't Do
The usual texts of economics and social problems wouldn't do. They were too general. The pupils couldn't apply the material to problems he had never really faced.

Ordinary texts were too broad. Some covered the world. But pupils were familiar with Indianapolis, where they lived. New texts must come from here. They must supplement the regular classroom book.

With this reasoning the board called on Dr. Williams to survey the 126 different business fields in the city and start the project, "Indianapolis at Work." The first edition has already gone to the junior high school grades.

Indianapolis business helps pay the bill. Indianapolis business and labor men serve on advisory committees with teachers and civic leaders. Executives and employees help supply Dr. Williams with material for the texts.

The project has drawn the attention of the nation's school systems. The lack of economic understanding throughout the country was pointed out by a survey made by Opinion Research Corp., Princeton, N. J.

It found that only 39 per cent of the high school seniors who took a poll test feel that keeping the profit incentive alive is essential to survival of "our system."

There were 56 per cent who declared the best way to raise living standards is to "get more of the company's income." Only 43 per cent declared that "more production" is the answer.

Learns by Contact
Indianapolis is attacking this problem by bringing the school pupil into classroom contact with the businesses which provide the jobs, the money, the food, the materials and comforts of 20th Century living.

Portions of the class materials will be of a current nature. Industrial opportunities will be explained, employee development will be described, pay methods and scales may be explored. These sections can be revised as the years pass.

Other portions will be permanent.

Such chapters will tell why a business field exists, its relation to other industries, its structure, source of income and importance to the community.

The first publication covered the department stores. It was written in a style geared to seventh grade use. National tests indicate that makes it understandable by 88 per cent of the U. S. population.

There were 5500 copies issued for examination and testing by teachers and pupils. Reaction was favorable, and the edition will now be upped to 20,000. It has been estimated that costs run about three to four cents per child.

Dr. Williams said the new program is also designed to help pupils in their daily lives.

"It shows," he said, "that anyone who makes a profit is, in a sense, a capitalist, whether the profit is gained from selling his services (working at a job), or operating a business."

He explained that the person who realized the profit must then decide what to do with it. This, he continued, is what a business does on a much larger scale. Therefore the profit system of free enterprise is shown to affect everyone.

It provides opportunity, and freedom of choice, basic issues at stake in the defense of democracy.

Rites Here for GI Killed in Korea

Pfc. Otto Reeves, a 23-year-old Indianapolis native killed in Korea, will be buried in Concordia Cemetery tomorrow following 10:30 a. m. services at Lauck Funeral Home.

Pfc. Reeves was killed July 30 in action with Co. L, 35th Infantry Regiment, 25th Division. He joined the Army Oct. 2, 1950, and reached Korea last May.

He attended Manual High School and worked for Basco Manufacturing Co., Bridgeport, Conn., and Allison Division, General Motors.

His mother, Mrs. Ruth Monroe Reeves, 725 S. Meridian St., survives.

MRS. CLARA CHESTNUT, 73, of 1314 S. East St., an Indianapolis resident four years, Services at 10:30 a. m. tomorrow in the G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home, Burial, Washington Park.

WALTER ULAS EVANS, 72, of 420 Patterson St., an employee of National Malleable & Steel Castings Co. since coming here 33 years ago, Services 2 p. m. tomorrow, Bethel AME Church, Burial, New Crown Cemetery. Friends may call at People's Funeral Home this afternoon and evening.

100 Tickets to Ice Show—

Barbara Ann Boosts Clothe-A-Child Drive



ICE STAR HELPS CLOTHE-A-CHILD—Pretty Barbara Ann Scott, star of the Hollywood Ice Revue at the Coliseum, presents 100 show tickets for Clothe-A-Child contributors to Alfred Brown, Times carrier on the North Side.

Barbara Ann Scott, who rates applause each night in the Hollywood Ice Revue at the Coliseum, yesterday applauded the people of Indianapolis for their care of needy children through The Times Clothe-A-Child.

Miss Scott donated 100 reserved seat tickets to next Wednesday night's ice show for Clothe-A-Child contributors. The tickets will go to the first 100 persons making a Clothe-A-Child contribution of \$5 or more.

The contributors who receive the tickets will be those who make their donations in person starting tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at Clothe-A-Child headquarters, No. 20 W. Maryland St. Tickets cannot be given for donations received by mail.

The show tickets are the gift of members of the ice revue cast and Dick Miller, manager of the Coliseum.

Praises People Here
Miss Scott was enthusiastic in her praise of Indianapolis residents who each year give to Clothe-A-Child to pay for warm clothing for needy children.

"I think it is a wonderful thing to do," Miss Scott said, "and I hope you get enough money to clothe many, many unfortunate children."

The ice revue star also said she was greatly impressed by the Mile-O-Dimes on W. Washington St. which also raises money for Clothe-A-Child.

"I went by the Mile-O-Dimes after it opened on Friday," Miss Scott said. "Several members of the show were with me, and, of course, we all laid down all the dimes we had. It's wonderful."

Brothers Go Hunting, But Thieves Get Bag
Two elderly Indianapolis brothers went rabbit hunting yesterday, but someone else is holding their bag.

John Spry, 62, of 2230 W. Michigan St., and Virgil, 60, of 2834 S. Rybolt Ave., stopped at a tavern at U. S. 52 and 16th St. on their way home.

While they were inside, someone stole from their car both their shotguns, John's hunting coat and their day's catch of three rabbits.

Mother, Baby Care Class Scheduled

The Red Cross Home Nursing department is now taking registrations for a new Mother and Baby Care class to begin on Tuesday.

The class will be held from 1 to 3 p. m. on Tuesdays and Fridays for three weeks at the Red Cross Chapter House, 1126 N. Meridian.

Modern practices of baby care are emphasized in the course for expectant mothers.

No Break in Sight in IRR Strike

No sign of a break in the Indiana Railroad bus strike was seen last night.

The walkout of 140 drivers and mechanics yesterday stopped all Indiana Railroad bus service between Indianapolis and Ft. Harrison, Peru, Terre Haute, Hartford City, Kokomo, Anderson, Ft. Wayne and intermediate points.

State and federal conciliators who had tried to avert the strike said that no further meetings between the management and the AFL Motor Coach Employees were scheduled.

Some 5000 persons a day normally ride Indiana Railroad buses in and out of Indianapolis. About half patronize the Ft. Harrison Division.

But most Ft. Harrison soldiers coming to town on Saturday night didn't mind the strike at all. The Army runs hourly buses and the soldiers rode them free of charge.

Liquid Ammonia Lost

Ten thousand gallons of liquid ammonia leaked from a tank car on a spur in the New York Central's Hill yards last night. Police blamed a defective valve.

Clothe-A-Child Contributions

Previous Balance.....	\$ 777.00	The Amicitia Club.....	5.00
H. Dale Brown, Marion County Clerk.....	110.00	City and County Employees Relief Assn....	50.00
In memory of my mother, Mrs. Maude M. Clayton.....	5.00	M. E. G., a friend of children.....	1.00
In Memory of Fannie Fishbein.....	20.00	Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Jaeger.....	5.00
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Byron and Virginia Willis.....	40.00	Juanita Hubbard.....	10.00
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