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"It's A Go Year



WALT STEIGER

Fellow Firemen. I want to borrow the words from a notice of a meeting sent out by Richard Werle, Chairman of the 14th District. "Indeed we have everything to make it a GO YEAR". We have had a most successful Convention; an excellent legislative experience, batting a perfect record; we have the chairman with all the enthusiasm necessary to make this the "GO YEAR".

Personally I want to thank each and every one of you for the trust that you have placed in me. With the help of God, I will make every possible effort to make this the "GO YEAR".

No doubt you want to know where we are going. There is so much to accomplish. Our membership has not passed the halfway mark. I do have the promise of Everett McCullum that this is going to be accomplished in his area. (This part of the letter is being typed in Georgetown the morning after the 16th District meeting.) I was impressed with the zeal of the officers at this meeting. Today I plan to meet with Jack Osborn at Grand View. We are considering the formation of a new district.

Getting new members, however, is not the work of the officers alone. Let's go back to the old chain's strength being in the weakest link. If you members are enthused, you are going to assist in increasing the membership. After all, where could you get so much for so little?

Next year each volunteer firemen in the state will be entitled to the first \$500.00 free tax county wide. This will be approximately \$25.00. Since our organization obtained this benefit, there is no doubt in my mind but that the non-members will become members.

On Friday, July 2nd, I visited

with the State Secretary, Jack Ford. Jack has a job. I never doubted but that the secretary has a full part time job. We can make his job easier. First make out your list of members properly, second enclose the check with the list. Now, there are a lot of questions you want answers for. You have a Chairman, you have the other officers, Vice President and Public Relations men. Then feel free to write or call me at any time. I promise to attend all meetings possible.

I saw five new members sign up for IVFA membership, and I was told that we have 250 new members since our convention. Now if we can carry this average per month, we will approach

without giving thought to our last Convention. With very few exceptions, this was the greatest like them.

Secretary's Report

It is with great pleasure that again I have the chance to serve those, to paraphrase a great American, "Who ask not what their community can do for them but what they can do for their community".

The IVFA is going ahead with

The 18th District is now a reality. Edgar Nigg of Hayesville was appointed Chairman and Oscar L. Hoffman of St. Anthony, secretary. These men are ready to call the first meeting and the 19th District is a reality.

our 100%.

I can not close this message ever. Those Rensselaer Firemen deserve the biggest hand yet. I'm proud to be a member of an organization like ours that has men



JOHN FORD

great strides. President Steiger wants this year to be known as a "GO YEAR". After his visit to the extreme southern part of ized boundaries are Newburg North to Petersburg, East to Paoli, South to Magnet, West along the Ohio River. This area has great possibilities. Edgar Nigg is Chairman and we welcome him to our ranks. He has established himself as a great worker for the Association.

Seated, Verne Konopasek, Treasurer, Griffith; Walter Steiger, President, Benton; John Ford, Secretary, Fort Wayne. Standing, Ray Lester, Sargeant-at-Arms, Raleigh; Carlos Jeffries, Vice-President, Morristown and Duane Lantz, Chaplain, Scipio Township.

District. The imaginary rubber-

1965-66 Officers Elected at Rensselaer Convention

Several of the District Chairmen and Public Relations men are already saying the "South will rise again". They are right as activity in that section is greatly expanding and catching hold.

At present the total membership is as follows: Active, 4565; Inactive, 263; Associate, 4; Armed Forces, 3; this being a grand total of 4835. Along with this an increase in benefits for the IVFA Accident Injury Insurance with Nationwide. You now have \$1,000 instead of \$500.00 protection for contagious disease, heart and circulatory malfunctions; and five percent of the premiums paid for an administrative fee. These went into effect as of July 1, 1965.

Our grand slam of legislation has been achieved in the last Legislative session. Increased membership and further planning by this year's elected officers will give a great push for this-the GO YEAR.

As for the Secretary's office it is loaded with work and there was some delay in getting dues

cards out. This has been overthe state he instituted the 18th come but some of the other duties are still strange and are slowly being accomplished. Please feel free to call, write or ask for anything of which I can be of help or service to you. I will do my best to meet your approval. It is with great satisfaction that in going through the membership lists many names and departments of my past travels are among the volunteers. However, it is with deep humility and respect that I receive the notices to send funeral fund vouchers for any of these members but more so, those whom I remember from the past and have treated me so

I wish to thank a great number of people that since July first have given me valuable assistance to get caught up on such a brand new job. Also a big "thank you" for your confidence in me and I shall do my best not to let you down. Remember to please feel free to call upon me at any time.



It was with the greatest of pleasure and pride that we, the Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary, accepted the privilege of receiving the fine representatives of the Volunteer Firemen from over this great State of Indiana.

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Past President Jim Glaub presenting President's Pin to Walter Steiger newly elected President of the IVFA.

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News From Your Public Relation Directors

NORTHWEST

Sunday, June 27, 1965, Jack Ford stopped by my house along with a few helpers and a Hertz Truck and carried away all the office furniture and papers and records. You know I really was relieved in seeing it go, but I'm sure I will miss keeping in contact with all the departments in the Association and helping them. If you want to know about the IVFA, just take the Secretary's job for 2 years.

Sunday, July 18, I attended the annual picnic of districts 1 and 2 held in Wicker Park in Highland, Indiana, and was very pleased with the turn out for all the food and refreshments. There were at least 400 firemen, wives and kids in attendance. Besides all the wonderful firemen and their lovely wives, we had a few distinguished guests, Walter Steiger, our new president and his wife Bev (by the way, they learned what polish sausage was), Verne Konopasek and his helper Julia (she didn't have to be told what polish sausage was, Verne ate about 2 pounds himself). Oh yes,

Bernie Jostes was there also Stan Konefsky and Ray Wade. Nick Jusic of Independence Hill announced the menu as 100 lbs. polish sausage, 40 lbs. ham, 15 lbs. hotdogs, thousand buns, 5 kegs beer, 2 kids of pop for the kids, pickles, mustard, onions, etc., potato chips nd 10 watermelons. You should have been was a lot of fun and plenty to eat.

Wednesday, July 21 was the regular meeting of districts 1 and 2 at the Merrillville Fire Department. Just because I am a member of this department, the fellows decided that I should be one of the committee members for the meeting. The whole department pitched in and cleaned and painted the station and Chief Markle and Asst. Chief Stan Konefsky prepared a training program for this meeting. They had a barn and ouse to burn, however, someone burned the barn down a week before the meeting, but they had a good show with the house fire demonstration. During the meeting Bernie Jostes was elected District 1 Chairman, and Emil Zula District 2 Chairman. After the meeting refreshments were served to approximately 75 fire-Before the meeting our men. Editor, Bob Laney, invited your President Walt Steiger and wife, Emil Zula and wife and myself and wife to a cook-out in his back yard.

Sunday, July 18 my wife and I drove to Penn Twp. South Fire Station, where the district 4 meeting was held along with a picnic and water ball contest. Once again, I ran into Walt Steiger, who kept score of the water ball contest, which was won by Penn South, Center Twp. came in second, Penn North, 3rd and Warren Twp., 4th. Harvey Ludwig was re-elected Chairman, Duane Thompson Vice Chairman, Loyal Smeltzer, Jr., Secretary. I was very impressed with the wonderful fire station and equipment Penn South has and especially with their training tower they are building. In all, Loretta and I enjoyed our trip and it was nice to talk to some of the boys from district 4. I plan to attend other district meetings in the Northwest portion of the State, however, it will be impossible for me to attend meetings held on Monday or Thursday nights due to my work. Please send me a card or call, about your meeting dates. It wil be a pleasure to serve you as your Public Relations Director Northwest.

John Kustron

Dear Firemen:

Just a few lines to inform you that I am no longer your State Secretary, and ask you all to cooperate with your new Secretary. John T. Ford. With the abrupt change, a number of departments and people have questions about this change over, and I feel I should explain. First I want to say that I have enjoyed working as your State Secretary these past 2 years and along with the help of my wife, I hope I have in some way, helped the progress of the IVFA and not offended anyone in doing so.

The Secretary's job requires many hours a day work if you want to do a neat job in typing and performing the many duties required of a State Secretary in keeping up with our 8500 members. This year I decided that I would not accept the job and instructed the officers of this last February, so I could spend some time getting the work around the house done and just to relax for awhile.

Once again, thanks for all your wonderful cooperation and everybody send the dues to Jack Ford.

I have accepted the job as Public Relations Director Northwest and will continue to work for the betterment of the Volunteer Firemen in the State of Indiana. You departments in the Northwest side of the State, call on me at anytime, and I would like to visit your area whenever I am available. Drop me a card about your meeting nights.

John Kustron

DISTRICT 1 AND 2 PICNIC A SUCCESS

Over 400 firemen and their families attended the 2nd Annual Pienic of District 1 and 2 at Wicker Park, in Highland, Indiana, on July 18, 1965.

The cost of the picnic is taken from the 50/50 Club the firemen have at each district meet-

Among the guests at the picnic were Walt Steiger, State IVFA President, and Frank Pirillo, of the State Fire Marshal's Office.

Nick Juscik, of the Independence Hill Fire Department, was Chairman of the affair, with other departments in District 1 assisting.

THE FOLLOWING IS OUR OWN HISTORY OF MORTALITY BASED UPON OUR FUNERAL FUND DURING

		Money Set Aside	Total	Money		
Year 1956	Total Member	Set Aside	Deaths	Paid	President	Rate
Active	3892	4242.50	13	1100.00	Moser	91.0 0
Inactive	323					\$1.00
Assoc.	11					
1957						
Active	4216	4446.50	12	1047.34	McBane	\$1.00
Inactive	203					72.00
Assoc.	11					
1958						
Active	4874	5306.50	21	2113.45	McBane	\$1.00
Inactive	405					700
Assoc.	11					
1959						
Active	5612	5881.50	26	2602.86	Ford	\$1.00
Inactive	247					12.00
Assoc.	9					
1960						
Active	5879	6150.00	25	2308.98	Ford	\$1.00
Inactive	254					37.36
Assoc.	7					
1961						
Active	6495	6951.00	32	3187.05	Jostes	\$1.00
Inactive	352					
Assoc.	20					
1962						
Active	7236	7709.50	46	4358.49	Jostes	\$1.00
Inactive	346	¥				
Assoc.	12					
1963	25.4					
Active	7642	6069.25	43	4678.60	Glaub	75c
Inactive	356					
Assoc.	11					
1964						
Active	8008	6351.75	42	4907.11	Glaub	75c
Inactive	449					
Assoc.	12					
1965	0105	0404.50	50	F010		
Active	8167	6464.50	53	5313.73	Steiger	75c
Inactive						
Assoc.	4					

DURING THE PAST TWELVE (12) YEARS - THE FOLLOWING ARE THE FIGURES ON THE CLOTHING LOSS CLAIMS

Year 1954	Members 3148	Prem. \$3148.00	Claims 44	Paid-Out By \$ 631.47 Veri	& Cost	Per Mem. eral \$1.00
1955	3175	3175.00	62	879.23 Verr	200	New York Control of the Control of t
1956	3892	2919.00	97	1602.41 Vern	on Gen	eral .75c
1957	4216	3162.00	86	1395.00 Verr	on Gen	eral .75c
1958	4874	3655.50	73	1185.66 Vern	on Gene	eral .75c
1959	5612	4209.00	85	1283.33 Vern	on Gene	ral .75c
1960	5879	4409.25	81	1244.32 Verno	on Gene	ral .75c
1961	6495	4871.25	93	2046.02 Verno	on Gener	ral · .75c
1962	7236	5427.00	*	* Ver	non Gen	
1963	7642	3821.00	121	1702.18	self Ins.	@ .50c
1964	7932	3966.00	179	2992.77	Self Ins.	@ .50c
1965	8267	4133.50	105	1435.72	Self Ins.	@ .50c

*Unable to obtain the number of claims and the amount paid out for the year 1962 because this was the close out of the Vernon General policy and a change over of Secretaries.

Verne Konopasek, Treasurer 145 W. Elm St., Griffith, Indiana

WHAT OTHERS SAY -

They're Worth A Lot (Danville Gazette)

The worth of our volunteer

firemen was demonstrated when they did a professional job of combating a fire on the public square in Danville.

Had they been inexperienced, Danville could be minus several business houses on the south side of the square.

It takes a special breed of man to be willing to face danger at any hour of the day or night. Their business and private lives are centered around the fire siren. Many quiet evenings have been shattered by the siren, calling them to combat a fire.

The volunteer firemen of Danville and all other communities of the country are no longer the 'part-time-firemen" they used to be. Today, they are trained in the latest firefighting methods and are as efficient as "professionals" when given the modern equipment to use.

We are proud of our volunteer firemen.

Public Relations Directors Elected at Rensselaer



Left to right, Ernest Waldrop, Vincennes Township, South-West; Everett McCullum, Georgetown, South-East; Leroy Hoagland, Monroe, North-East and John Kustron, Merrillville, North-West.

Ferdinand Completes Fire Training School



Herbert C. Otte

The Ferdinand Volunteer Fire Department has just completed its basic Fire Training School. The training school was very educational and all attending learned very much. The instructor was Mr. Jack Osborn and he did a terrific job. We really liked him as our instructor and I do believe he liked this area very much himself. Our training

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school was held on June 17 and 24 and also on July 1 and 8.

The Ferdinand Community is celebrating its Quasqui-Centennial "125 years" this year and the Fire Department will have an active role in this celebration. On Saturday, July 31 there was a huge parade which lasted about 3 hours and in this parade we had our 1875 hand pumper and

also our other Fire Equipment.

On Sunday, September 5 the Ferdinand Parish will have a huge picnic. Chicken and Beef dinners will be served. 100 Hand made quilts will be for sale. 2500 gallons of the Special Ferdinand Turtle Soup will be sold. About \$4500.00 worth of prizes will be given away that day, including a 1965 Plymouth Fury 1 and also a Color TV set plus 2 complete Bedroom suites. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Note: Mr. Walter Steiger, President of the IVFA was present at our last training session and gave a nice talk.

News Deadline
November 1st, 1965
Send in your copy
EARLY

Herbert E. Wolfe

Acton State Winners in Ladies' Water Ball Contest



Left to right, Audrey Surber, Natalie Slinkard, Barbara Surber, Virginia Parker and Coach Jim Parker.

Ladies Second Place in Water Ball Contest

Ward Township, Randolph County.



Standing, left to right, Barbara Kessler, Joyce Lindsey, Joan Warren, Inez Jeffries, Ayleen Bousman and Louise Heston. Kneeling, Coaches Raymond Heston and Robert Warren.

1965 Treasurer's Report Presented at Convention

Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association - Non-Profit Organization

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Otter Creek 2 #11	5003	110.00*
6- 5-64 300	Floyd Troyer	
Elkhart Twp. #4	14458	45.00*
6-13-64 301	Iris Lehman	10.00
Berne #7	962	110.00*
6-13-64 302	Elmer Peterson	110.00
Bass Lake #3	1680	110.00*
6-22-64 303	Charles Hause	110.00
Swayzee #8	5469	110.00*
		110.00
	Glen Lawler	110.00%
New Market #11	8842	110.00*
7- 1-64 305	Harold Nichols	110.00*
Crown Point #2	247	110.00*
	Wilber Spencer 1961	110.00*
Kirklin #9-A 7-5-64 307	Frank Dziubla	110.00
7- 5-64 307 New Chicago #1	2243	110.00*
	Frank Karsten	110.00
	373	110.00*
Lake Hills #2	Robert Cool	110.00
6-19-64 309		110.00*
Scottsburg	7667	110.00*
6-20-64 310	Roy Ruble	110 001
Williamsburg #13	4816	110.20†
6-12-64 311	Dale Longohr	
Big Lake #6	4169	110.20†
6- 3-64 312	Steve Bechina	
Mich. Shores #3	13823	45.20†
7-25-64 313	Anton Fenoglio	
Clinton City #11	2627	110.20†
7-18-64 314	Elmer Danner	
Mulberry	2251	110.20†
8- 4-64 315	Peter G. Redar	
Schererville	73	110.20†
7-23-64 316	Lowell Sellers	
German Twp. #4	14007	45.20†
8- 1-64 317	Howard Conner	
Knightstown #13	2202	110.20†
8-18-64 318	Frank Wagner	
Center TwpGrant-#8	11091	75.20†
8-22-64 319	Donal Miller	
Forrest #9-A	14480	45.20†
9- 4-64 320	Offley Highwood	***************************************
Chesterton #1	36	110.20†
8-12-64 321	Arthur Haas	
McCulloch # 16	15110	45.20†
	Jacob DeMik	10.110
	46	110.20†
Munster #1		110.201
9-19-65 323	John Shipley	110 20+
Fair P Madison #14	2981	110.20†
9-10-64 324	John Manifold	110.004
Mooreland #13	6856	110.20†
10-14-64 325	Norman Darby	
Fairland #10	9793	110.20†
6-26-64 326	Dale Seims	
Madison Twp. #17	12891	45.20†
11- 5-64 327	Clarence James	
Wash. Twp. #6	3118	110.20†
11- 8-64 328	Russell Wing, Sr.	
Pleasant Twp. #3	981	110.20†
11_15_64 220	Donald T Haase	

Donald T. Haase

11879

Albert Ohmit

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Elvin Long

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11-15-64

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11-22-64

Denver #5

Burnett #11

Cambridge City #13

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330

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Columbia Twp. # 12- 8-64 333		7307	110.20†
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	3	Sam Howell	
Scipio Twp. #3		3345	110.20†
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	o. #3		110.20†
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		and a double	110.20†
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	9	Richard Stevens	
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		Geo. A. Lucas	
Jackson Twp. #1	16		110.20†
2-22-65 34	1	Ernest Walters	
Griffith #1			110.20†
2-13-65 34	2	Jesse B. Garver	
Wash. Twp. # 13	3		110.20†
		Roy Steele	
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The state of the s	4	Herbert Clark	
Montpelier #8			110.20†
	5	George Bryan	
Mooresville #12			45.20†
4- 5-65 340	6	Carl Redford	
Portland			110.20†
4- 1-65 34	7	Lee Amick	
Scottsburg #14			110.20†
	8	Donald Hollowell	
Mickleyvilles #1	2		110.20†
		Fred Gibson	
Greenville #16		10858	110.20†
	0	Ralph Cantrell	
		2440	110.20†
	1	Harold Gehring	
		13621	45.20†
Year - Fiscal - 2	2 Mar	kers purchased Balo	h Bros.
and West Co.			\$159.26
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Total 53 deaths \$5313.73
*Includes Memorial Benefit
†Includes Memorial Benefit plus sales tax
*BECEIPTS DURING FISCAL YEAR

7-14-64	J. Kustron	Report	1	805.50
7-28-64	J. Kustron	Report	2	936.75
8-10-64	J. Kustron	Report	3	559.50
9-14-64	J. Kustron	Report	4	742.50
9-15-64	J. Kustron	Report	5	696.75
10-26-64	J. Kustron	Report	6	712.50
10-26-64	J. Kustron	Report	7	655.50
12-20-64	J. Kustron	Report	8	620.25
12-31-64	J. Kustron	Report	9	507.00
12-31-64	J. Kustron	Report	10	23.25
3-10-65	J. Kustron	Report	11	159.00
6- 1-65	J. Kustron	Report	12	117.75
Total	(8715)			\$6536.25
Less paym				5313.73
Balan	ne.			\$1222.52
				\$38425.88
On hand On hand				\$39648.40

Verne Konopasek, Treasurer IVFA

Is Harvey Ludwig a "Tightwad"?



DISTRICT FOUR MEETING AND ELECTION

The 4th district held a picnic at the Penn South Fire Dept. station on July 25. Guests in attendance were President Walt Steiger and John Kustron, Public Relations Director North West. After a very delicious pot luck lunch the 4th district held election of officers for 1965-66.

Those elected were District Chairmen, Harvey Ludwig, Penn Twp. North, Vice Chairman, Duane Thompson, Warren Twp., and Secretary, Loyal Smeltzer, Concord Twp.

The waterball contest was won by Penn South, Center Twp. second, Penn North, third and Warren Twp. fourth.

At the IVFA Convention this sign was displayed on Lakeville's old fire truck (HARVEY LUD-WIG is a ----?;!**- Tightwad!). Now the story can be told. Back in February of this year Harvey signed Chief Charles Shaffer and Asst. Chief Larry Clady in the IVFA. They liked the lapel IVFA pin that Harvey was wearing and asked him to give them each one for joining the IVFA; when Harvey asked for \$1.50 each they

called him a tightwad and had the sign made. This sign has been all over the North West part of the state. After Harvey saw the sign, he told Shaffer and Clady that if they could sign up the Lakeville Department 100% he would give them each a pin. At the picnic in front of the President, Walt Steiger and members, Chief Shaffer and Clady presented a check for 100% of the department and asked for the pins. After, much kidding Harvey paid the \$3.00 and Shaffer and Clady retracted the Tightwad statement.

BRIEF NOTES ABOUT

FOURTH DISTRICT DEPARTS.

Harris Twp. St. Joe County
has a new Chief, John Stockbridge.

Warren Twp. held a picnic on August the eighth.

Penn Twp. North held a picnic August the fifteenth.

Penn South has added four more trophys to their collection. These being won at contests at Columbia City, Lake James, Cassoplis, and Warsaw. Ralph that case is to small, better buy a bigger one or quit winning so many trophys.

District Meetings

DOINGS OF THE THIRD DISTRICT

The meetings have once again started. Since we did not have a meeting in June our first meeting was held at Springfield Twp., July 15th. Donald Mason was District Chairman, re-elected Harold L. King was re-elected the District Secretary. We now have our meetings and dates for the following months: August 19, Hamlet; Sept. 16, Kinsbury; Oct. 21, Koontz Lake, and Nov. 18, Washington Twp., Stark County.

The Kingsbury Dept. has a new pumper. Pleasant Twp. expects delivery on a new piece of equipment soon. Long Beach is also sporting a new shiny pumper.

On Aug. the 3rd the Kingsbury Dept. had their Installation of new Officers and I as Secretary of the district was asked to be the installing officer. Westville has a new Chief who is John Rudolph. Beatty Hospital reelected Marshal Goens as their Chief, and Kenneth Peting Chief at Union Twp. I have written to most of the officers giving them the dates of our meetings and hope that we may see their faces at least some of our meetings.

The Float that the 3rd district entered in the Convention parade won a trophy. We also entered it in the J. C. Parade in LaPorte on the 4th of July. Michiana Shores entered it in the Michigan City Parade on July 11th where it won a prize. Then Lincoln Twp. entered it in their parade on July 18th and Cass Clinton Dept. had it in the Wanatah Centennial parade July 24th. We will wait and see how everything comes out in the entries.

Come on you other Districts. Don't let our new paper down. Let's get the news in so we can make a real big go of the paper. How about a contest between the districts to see who can write the most eventful article for the month of November.

Most of our fires have been of the small nature and we hope we can keep them that way. We hope by the next issue of the paper we of Scipio Twp., which is Chaplain Lantz's territory, will be able to tell about some new equipment. So guess that will be all till then.

> Harold L. King 3rd District Secretary

DISTRICT 14 NEWS

District 14 held a waterball contest at the Charlestown VFD on May 23. The winning team was Henryville and participating members of the team were Calvin Bishoper, Jack Mull, Bill Hughes, Allen King, and Larry Ogan.

Re-elected district chairman at the monthly meeting held on July 21 at Morefield was Richard Werle. The meeting was well attended and Richard Werle indicates there is a great amount of enthusiasm in his district.

Listed below is a schedule of activities of local fire departments.

Morefield-Ice Cream Supper, July 3.

New Washington—Held a fair which was hampered by rain but did not dampen the spirits of the fine people who attended.

Charleston—Festival, July 3. Lexington-Old Settlers' Day, July 9-10.

Henryville - Annual picnic, July 23-24.

Sellersburg-Street Fair, August 21.

DISTRICT 6 MEETING AND ELECTION

The 6th district held its annual meeting at Columbia City on Thursday, July 15th. Approximately 60 members were on hand to greet the new state President, Walter Steiger. Also in attendance were Jack Ford new State Secretary and Ray Lester Sargeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Steiger gave a very interesting talk on his experiences so far this year and his goals for the coming months. He then conducted the election of new officers for 1965-66. Re-elected district chairman was Bill Goodman and secretary Pete Pratt.

Discussion was held on the instructors school to be held in November and December at Purdue Center in Fort Wayne.

A fine fire truck driving rodeo was presented by the Columbia City Fire Department under the leadership of 6th district educational director Cooney Tucker.

Refreshments were served by the host department.

The August meeting was a family picnic held at the Chain-O-Lakes State Park near Albion on Sunday, August 8th.

DISTRICT 9-A **ELECTION HELD**

District 9-A election was held and the following men elected to office. Chairman, Charles "Tug" Sutton, Burlington; Secretary, Joe Lybrook, Galveston.

The September meeting will be held in the new Flora Fire Sta-

District 9-A doings. Kirklin - Ice Cream Social, July 24.

Forest-Fish Fry, Sept. 18. Flora-Watermelon Stand Carol Co. Fair, Aug. 2-7. Burlington-Fair Stand Carrol Co. Fair, Aug. 2-7.

KINGSBURY F. D. HOLDS INSTALLATION

On Tuesday, evening, August third, the Kingsbury Fire Department held installation of their newly elected officers. Mr. and Mrs. Harold King, 3rd District Chairman and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Lantz, State Chaplain were guests. Mr. King administered the oath of office to the following new officers: President, Fred Moser; Vice President Harry Starkey; Secretary, Laddie Elliot; Treasurer, Oliver Cooley; Board Members Richard Mc-Gugin, John Siebenhauar, Kenneth Freeland, John Williams, and Hugh Milan. Donald Shamp is the Chief and Ronald Masterson the Assistant Chief of the Kingsbury Department.

This was a very impressive ceremony and we are of the opinion that every department should do some thing of this sort, the fellowship is one of the things we all enjoy. Mr. Lantz gave the Blessing before we ate. I think that some times we do not take the serious side of the Fire Service such as the above too much at heart. In the future lets give it some thought. I am sure that those who attended this program enjoyed it and we al! learned something new for the future of the Fire Service. Our Association needs new ideas on how to gain membership; the biggest thing we have to offer is the prime things laid down by our present ideas, but such things as we do may well help us in the future.

Chaplain of the State Duane Lantz Harold King 3rd District Secretary

Tentative Program

2nd Annual East Central Indiana Fire Conference

October 2-3, 1965 — Richmond, Indiana

Robert Hamm — Indiana Rating Bureau.

S. J. Douglas - Bureau of Mines. "Magic of Fire".

R. V. Fitzpatrick — Mine Safety Appliance Co. "Mask Mayhem".

Harold Strain - Akron Brass Co.

Demonstration of New Equipment.

George Schlotterbeck — 1st Asst., Ohio State Fire Marshal's Office. "Train Wreck and Fire Involving Ethylene Oxide".

Emmett Cox — Western Acturial Bureau.

"Fire Problems Involving Truck Transportation".

Indiana Fire Marshal's Office

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base - Chief Payne.

Telephone Company Fire in Richmond

Ralph Ellenwood - Fort Wayne. Fire Service and Industry.

IVFA Insurance Committee Meets

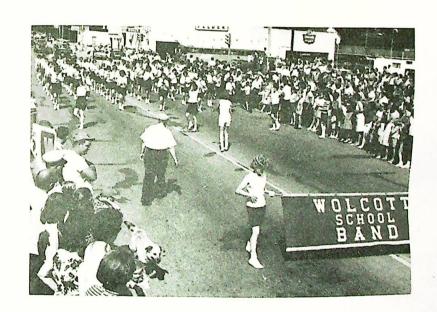
The insurance committee headed by chairman Ed Weaver met at Francisville on Tuesday evening, August 17. Those present were Walt Steiger, Benton, President of the IVFA, Don Mason, Chairman of the 3rd District, and John Kustron, public relations Director Northwest.

An insurance plan on Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment was presented by The Mutual Security Life Insurance Company of Fort Wayne. Darrell Snyder, agent from the home office, presented the plan to the committee. Also attending were representatives of the company, Edison Gutwein and Herman Wuethrich agents from Francisville. The proposal, which includes up to \$10,000 Life, was approved by the committee and will be presented to the officers and board of directors at Kokomo on August 22.

More information and particulars will be included in the November issue of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman.

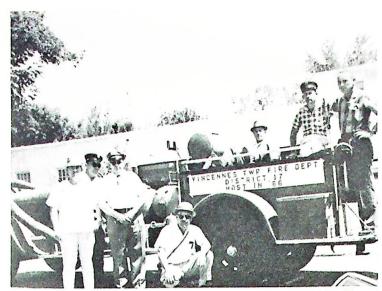
Candid Shots Of The Convention







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From left to right, Maurice Mack, Bill Engle, Asst. Chief Ernest Waldrop, George Bailey, John Nesbitt and Bob Warren. Kneeling, Frank Shoptaw, Bloomfield, Indiana. The truck belongs to the firemen of Bloomfield.

LaCrosse Wins Hose Replacement Contest



Left to right, Ralph Fritz, Les Earle, Don Mason, Ralph Yergle and Walt Steiger.

PRACTICE PAYS OFF

The members of the LaCrosse Volunteer Fire Department, who have been state hose replacement champions for three years in a row have a "chalk talk" prior to the Rensselaer convention in the picture on the left. Methods of hose splicing that would cut down the required time were studied and practiced. Apparently, all the effort paid off as the department won the event for the 4th consecutive year.



Bluffton Second Place Winner



President Steiger presenting second place trophy to the Bluffton Department in the Hose Replacement Contest.

Left to right, Virgil Zoll, Kenneth Moser, Marion Osborn, Ray Steffen and Steiger.

GASTON RECEIVES NEW FIRST AID UNIT

A 1961 travel-all has recently replaced an earlier model as Gaston's first aid truck. It includes a patient cot, oxygen masks, tools, first aid equipment, resuscitator and radio dispatch. Funds for the wagon were obtained from burning buildings and by donations received during rainy seasons by pumping water from basements.

Letters - - -

To The Editor

August 4, 1965

The Indiana Volunteer Fireman P. O. Box 437 Crown Point, Indiana

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a number of articles on Fire Safety that I sent to our local newspaper, The Goshen News, for publica-

I am a 16 year old 4-H club member and this was one of the requirements that I must fulfill so that I might enter The State 4-H Fire Safety Contest.

After Mr. Steiger read my articles in the paper, he wrote to me and suggested that I send them in to the State Volunteer Fireman's paper.

I appreciated his letter very much and I am sending them to

I feel that his letter and a copy of your newspaper, that he sent to me, made a very nice addition to my Scrapbook which I had to send to Purdue by July 29.

Thank you so much. Yours for Fire Safety Bonnie Mishler

(Editor's Note: Miss Mishler's articles appear on Page 13 and 14.)

June 1, 1965

Robert E. Laney

The Indiana Volunteer Fireman P. O. Box 437

Crown Point, Indiana Dear Mr. Laney:

I wanted to write this brief note to let you know what a fine jcb you are doing with the Firemen's paper.

My husband always reads the paper but I just more or less skipped through it. But now I too, read and enjoy it very much. We both feel that the paper is important to the Volunteer Fireman and that it should be printed with care and skill, not just haphazardly.

You are doing a great job! We look forward to receiving the paper.

Sincerely, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Shanabarger Churubusco Fire Dept. 6th District IVFA

June 16, 1965

The Ind Vol. Firemen P. O. Box 437 Crown Point, Indiana

Dear Bob:

I had a meeting this A. M. with the Vincennes Chamber of Commerce Convention Committee. To set the date and make plans for a successful convention

We had a very interesting meeting and everyone wants to make this the biggest and best State convention yet.

Here is a slogan I came up

Historical Old, Progressively New Vincennes Welcomes You.

June 16-17-18, 1966. Convention Chairman Ernest Waldrop

July 15, 1965

Hello Buddies:

Since Firemen (especially Volunteer Firemen) are so eager and willing to help, I am asking for your help! I goofed and accidently discarded our May 19, 1965 issue of The Indiana Volunteer Firemen. Since the photo page 6 of the Russiaville Fire Station (crushed) was one our son had contributed, I am in the doghouse with him-and I'm in the doghouse with Chief Milligan because every time he starts to read anything he falls asleep and he had not got to read that issue.

And, I'm in the doghouse with Mrs. Chief Milligan because she

Penn Twp. South IVFA State Waterball Champions



Standing left to right, Ira McKesson, Monty Smee, Ralph Parcell, Ed Bolin and Jim Glaub. Kneeling Joe Blount.

Centre Township Runner-up in State IVFA Water Ball Contest



Left to right, Eden Hoy, Richard Pyclik, Harry Casad, Bob Crocker, Joe Mancowski and Walter Steiger.

WATERBALL CONTEST WON BY PENN SOUTH

On Sunday, July 18th, the 6th district held a waterball contest in conjunction with radio station WOWO at Bledsoe Beach. The following teams participated: Penn South, Butler, Poe, South Milford 2, Bryan, Bluffton, Columbia City, Avilla, Winona Lake, South Milford, Decatur, St. Joe Twp., Allen Co.

Penn South was the winning team and was presented a very nice trophy by Radio Station WOWO. Bluffton took home the runner-up trophy. Angola, Fremont and Pleasant Lake had trucks at the lake to furnish water and the hose. Wayne Twp., Allen Co. furnished the waterball equipment.

CEDAR LAKE FIRE DEPT. ANNUAL BALL

The Cedar Lake Volunteer Fire Department held its annual Ball at the Lake County Fairgrounds on July 31st. The music was by Buddy Pressner and his 10 piece band. There were approximately 700 in attendance.

We wish to thank the firemen from our neighboring departments who sat at our station while we worked at the ball.

wants all the copy she can dig up about the storm for their Forest Volunteeer Siren (scrapbook),

So, for the enclosed buck, can you bribe someone for an issue and mail it to me?

If it is not available I will understand.

Thanks so very much for an excellent publication and for your time and trouble to read this!

> Sincerely yours, Mrs. Paul E. Milligan

ST. JOHN TOWNSHIP CIVIL DEFENSE FIRST AID TRAINING

Lowell Fire Department, at the conclusion of their monthly business meeting, received First Aid Training on Mouth-to-Mouth resuscitation using a life sized manikin for proper procedure in giving this type of resuscitation.

By observing, and taking part in this demonstration they learned that proper procedure must be followed, to obtain free air transfer from operator to patient, otherwise their efforts would be ineffective.

Following individual application of this method, the department then pressed into service their Inhalator/Resuscitor equipment, to demonstrate proper use in life saving attempts, using the manikin as a patient, which proved very effective training, in the use of their equipment.

The St. John Township Civil Defense training department, offers this type of training to any group, at no expense.

For reservations, call Bill Payne 322-4225, instructor for The American Red Cross and Civil Defense Training.

DISTRICT 8 MEETING AND ELECTION

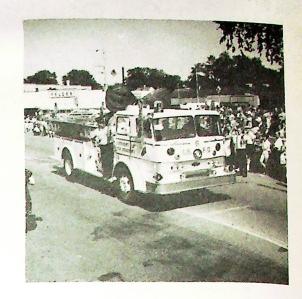
The 8th District members held officers election at the meeting at Amboy, Indiana Saturday, July 10, 1965, for the year 1966.

Officers elected are: Chairman, Ralph Hertle, Gaston, Indiana, 8th year; Secretary, Robert Hines, Gaston, Indiana, 2nd year; Vice Chairman, Ivan Bouseman, Ward Twp., Saratoga, Indiana; Chaplain, Orie Meyers, Amboy, Ind.

Candid Shots Of The Convention

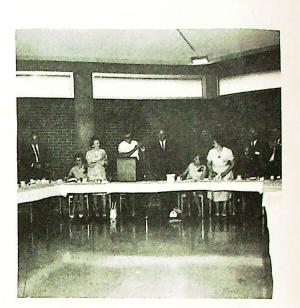


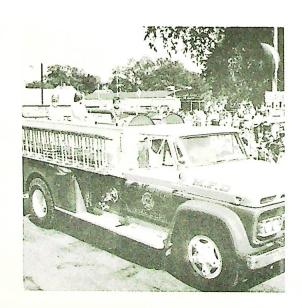






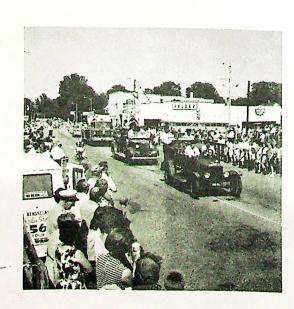


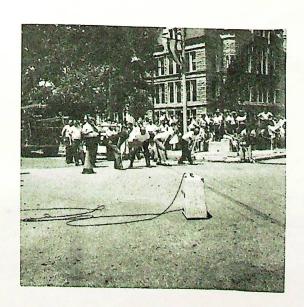


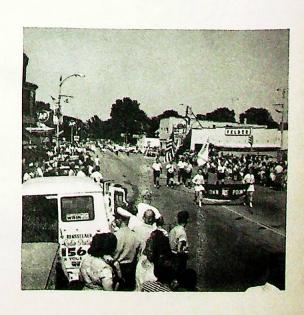












Minutes of the 1965 Convention at Rensselaer

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL JOINT SESSION OF THE INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION AND THE INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION LADIES' AUXILIARY, HELD IN HALLECK CENTER CONVENTION HEAD-QUARTERS, ST. JOSEPH COLLEGE, RENSSELAER, INDIANA, ON JUNE 11, 1965, COMMENCING AT 9:00 A. M., WITH JIM GLAUB, PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION, PRESIDING.

(Gavel)

CHAIRMAN: The annual joint session of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association meeting in the City of Rensselaer will now come to order.

Sergeant-at-Arms Ray Lester and Caterine Van Arsdale, Auxiliary Sergeant-at-Arms, will post the colors.

(Colors posted)

Pledge of allegiance will be led by Vice-President Walt Stieger.

(Mr. Steiger leads pledge of allegiance)

Our Chaplain, Duane Lantz, will lead us in prayer. Everyone please rise.

(Everyone rises and chaplain leads in prayer)

Duane Lantz will read letter of dispensation.

(Mr. Lantz reads letter of dispensation.)

John Kustron has a letter to read to you from Governor Branigan.

(Mr. Kustron reads letter from Governor Branigan)

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE It has been a privilege and an

It has been a privilege and an honor for me to have been your President for the past two years. I have enjoyed the friendship of all the firemen I have met.

I shall always have the volunteer firemen at heart and will be glad to help any department in the state that wants or needs my help.

I hope to see this association grow in size and in service. During my term I have tried to gain recognition for our association in other organizations in the state. I think we have succeeded to the point of being asked by many of these organizations to serve on committees or for our planning help. The volunteer fireman deserves recognition, for his unselfish service.

I again want to thank Fire Marshal Ira Anderson and his staff for all the help and information they have given me whenever I have called upon them.

Again thank each and every one of you for your support, especially my officers and hard working directors. To each and every fireman sitting out here my special thanks, without you this would never have been possible

To you Volunteer Firemen, Ladies' Auxiliary, and distinguished guests here today I would like to introduce our hard working officers sitting on the platform here with me. Vice-President Walt Steiger. (Applause) Secretary John Kustron. (Applause) Past President Bernie Jostes. (Applause) Chaplain Duane Lantz. (Applause) Treasurer Verne Konopasek. (Applause) Sergeant-at-Arms Ray Lester. (Applause)

We have a new shorthand reporter this year. Be careful of what you say. Meet Miss Helen Stanton.

As President of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association I want to extend a welcome to each officer, delegate, auxiliary member fireman, and distinguished guest.

And now I would like to introduce our State Fire Marshal, our Number 1 Fireman, Mr. Ira Anderson.

MR. ANDERSON: It is always a pleasure to work and be with you—"just to be one of you". I believe you are all aware of our

aims, our hopes, and what they have been from the start. Briefly, it is to build a larger or more effective State Marshal Department and thereby strengthen the entire fire service by our being able to better serve you as a Fire Safety Information Headquarters Co-ordination Center and General Clearing House for technical information.

The Governor will soon appoint a seven man bi-partisan Fire Prevention Board to assist the Fire Marshal. Then we will go from there. Who knows? Maybe I, or we, will need your fine assistance more than ever. Anyway, we will have to wait and see on that score, but we have lots of good hopes. We believe that this is a long step toward the goals that we have had for the last four or five years to make our division somewhat bipartisan and to go on to greater achievements and accomplishments and to be of more service to people in the fire service.

There is just one new thought that I have for you today. Many of the thinking people of our free world have, or seem to have, the opinion that there must be an all-out atomic war fought to a finish before we can hope to have real peace in our world. If this is true, it may very well be that the nation that can dig itself out of the ruins and organize or reorganize itself, in the least amount of time, may win the final battle and the great victory. It may further be that our fine dedicated people in the fire service—some 20,000 strong in our state-may be our real civilian soldiers who could greatly contribute to such survival.

So I urge all firemen and auxiliaries to be well trained and equipped to serve a two-fold purpose—better fire control and to be better prepared to serve in a national disaster when our people may cry out for help. It would be a great pleasure to us and a soothing feeling in our souls if we can be ready, trained and equipped to serve them. To better serve in time of need is our motto.

And, ladies and gentlemen, again, it is a pleasure to be your State Fire Marshal. It is a pleasure to speak to you. Every meeting that I attend throughout the state with the firemen or the auxiliary is a great pleasure and honor to me and deeply appreciated, and I want you to know that you have our very best wishes and our willingness to be of service to you. I thank you. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: I would like to introduce Don Anderson, Chief of the Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department.

MR. ANDERSON: On behalf of the Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department, may I welcome all of you to our city and hope you have a very good time during your stay here and that you enjoy yourselves. Now I will introduce to you the Mayor of the City of Rensselaer. Emmett W. Eger.

MAYOR EGER: Well, first I will say, "Good morning" to all of you young people out there. I think the City of Rensselaer is very proud and I know that I, myself, consider it a privilege to be here today and the community itself—this is quite an affair for a rural community, and I do think, by looking over the audi-

ence here, I can see who is responsible for this wonderful association and I believe it is the Auxiliary who have been doing an outstandingly successful job in getting their husbands to the fires when the bells ring, and so forth.

But the City of Rensselaer, of course, is like other communities possibly of the size in which you live, and we all have our problems which you won't hear about today or tomorrow. But we do think that it is a great honor to have you people here, and we hope you enjoy yourselves and, if there is anything we can do in the city or on behalf of any of our city officials, please feel free to come to us, but do enjoy yourselves while you are here.

I believe it would be most appropriate at this time to give to the President of your Association, Mr. Glaub, the key to the City of Rensselaer for all of you fine people. Mr. Glaub, will you stand up?

(Chairman rises and Mayor hands key to him)

That turns the lock to everything in the City of Rensselaer. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mayor. I think I will go over to the jail and get some lucky fellow out.

MR. ANDERSON: Now I will introduce to you the Chief of Police of the City of Rensselaer, Dick Allen.

CHIEF OF POLICE: Thank you, Don. I wasn't aware that there were any in jail yet. As a matter of fact, that key don't fit the jail. It is the only place that it won't fit. I hope you have a wonderful time here and that you drive safely. That's about all I can say. Have a lot of fun. Do it safely. (Applause)

MR. ANDERSON: I will get one more now—the Sheriff of Jasper County, Joe Ferguson.

SHERIFF: Ladies and gentlemen, on behalf of the Sheriff's office of Jasper County I want to welcome you here. I want you to have a good time. I have plenty of room over in the jail right now and, if anything happens, we will take care of it. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: Thank you. At this time I would like to introduce a lady who has been my wife for the past years, Pauline. (Applause)

The President of the IVA is not able to be here today, so I have his Vice-President here, Mr. Sam Ordean. (Applause)

MR. ORDEAN: Honorable Mayor, Sheriff, and all you people of this fine community, this is my second convention here at Rensselaer. Officers and delegates of this wonderful convention, of which I am a part, I want to say it is nice to see some of the old faces. Some are gone, I know, that we used to see at the other conventions, some are probably home working. But I do see some of the people here that I worked with as a volunteer fireman. I want to say, "Hello", here to your Chairman, Jim Glaub, for Charlie Dienhart.

I don't know if any delegates are here from my department. I came here to represent the IFA, of which I am Vice-President. I want to say we are going to have a convention in Fort Wayne this coming August 13th, 14th, and 15th. Our President has the doors wide open for the officers of your association at all times. We work in harmony. I don't think there is any ill feeling between the two organizations, or there shouldn't be. I am for the

ence here, I can see who is responsible for this wonderful association and I believe it is the volunteer firemen and there are both organizations.

I want to say, as first Chairman of the Board of Directors of your organization, I helped to institute it. It is a wonderful organization. Let's keep it going.

I notice in the State Legislature that our committee on legislation worked in harmony with the officers of your own stable organization and your Past President, Bernie Jostes, and, among the reports that we received from our Committee on Legislation is one where it included the names of these boys, saying they had done a wonderful job at Indianapolis. I am not going into the details of what they had doneall of this group from the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association - because you probably read about some of the accomplishments that was done, and we think you would heartily agree that these boys should be sent back to the Legislature.

I want to say that I consider it a great privilege and honor to be here, and I would like to see all of you come down to Fort Wayne and enjoy a good time. On behalf of Charlie Dienhart and myself, thank you. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: Is William Workman here this morning?
UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: No.

CHAIRMAN: There is another gentleman who I believe works with William Workman, and this gentleman I think most of you fellows know. I mean Harvey Hacker.

MR. HACKER: Mr. Mayor, Mr. President, officers and members of the Ladies' Auxiliary and guests, it gives me great pleasure to be invited to your convention once again, and I have many, many friends out here, and it is a pleasure to meet with you once again at convention time. We have been quite busy.

Our President, Past President, as well as I, Jim, when we drive through the State and have the privilege of attending the annual fire conventions, have to agree that, gee, the man that is trying to promote this job should be commended, along with the other officers. You have a fine Legislative Committee. You had some fine legislation.

And I want to say I deem it an honor and a privilege to be here, and I know you are going to enjoy yourselves. I thank you. (Applause) By the way, I do have a brief report of the activities of the Educational Division of the State Fire Marshal's office. (Hands report to Chairman)

Mr. President, Officers, Members, and Guests; The Fire Marshal's Department Training Program. Instructors by Name are: Harvey H. Hacker, Albert Moser, Frank Pirillo, Jack Osborn.

A brief report of our activities from June 1964 to June 1965 or from the last convention date; a total of 1,191 cards issued—10 hours per each.

Since the start of the program the total of 5,854 cards have been issued—10 hours each.

Nursing Homes and Hospitals—evacuation.

County Firemen's Meetings — Civic Groups. - Schools - Recreational Places, Bowling Alleys, etc. State Fire Schools—Memphis Conference and Industry.

The training program and its progress is entirely up to you as your departments requests.

I would like to invite to the stand, first of all (he is one of our instructors) Mr. Jack Osborn (applause) and Frank Pirillo (applause).

CHAIRMAN: We are going to have an introduction here. The fire wagons kept me awake last night, and I have to try to get awake here a little.

At this time I would like to introduce a part of this association that we would find it very hard to get along without. Also, I am proud of the fact that this lady happens to be from the 10th District and lives real close to where we do down south, and at this time I would like to introduce to you the Auxiliary President, Inez Jeffries, of Fountaintown, Indiana. (Applause)

MRS. JEFFRIES: Thank you. It is nice to be in Rensselaer this morning and see so many people who are interested in civic matters.

I have a check for the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association (handing same to Chairman).

On behalf of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association . Ladies' Auxiliary, I wish to welcome all of the ladies to this 1965 convention. Perhaps some of you are not members as yet, but from here we are going to our coffee clutch, and we want you to join us there and also to attend our business meetings.

The person I am about to introduce at this time is not an Auxiliary member but he certainly is a fine supporter of mine—my husband, Jeff. (Applause)

I want to introduce the tools that have been so wonderful to work with: our Vice-President, Ruth Fairfield; our immediate Past President, Catherine Mason; our Corresponding Secretary, Mary Stafford; Recording Secretary, Elizabeth Thompson; our chaplain, Thelma Lester; our treasurer, Caroline McCarty, and our Sergeant-at-Arms, Caterine Van Arsdale.

We have also district chairmenthe same as you men, and these girls work real hard. District 1, Martha Thomas; District 3, Lucille Bowen; District 6, Opal Lockman; District 7, Evelyn Gallmeyer; District 8, Rosella Bryan; District 10, Dorothy Wintin; District 16, Lois Barnes, and our Public Relations Chairman, who has had a rough time, Catherine Freeze.

We have all worked together to try to bring you a better Auxiliary and to establish competition among all the members so that our organization might become stronger. But, while we as well as the men in this association are working for the good of each organization, perhaps we should take time to think; it is the source of power; to play; it is the source of perpetual youth; to read; it is the fountain of wisdom; to pray; it is the greatest power on earth; to love and be loved; it is a Godgiven privilege; to be free; it is he road to happiness life; it is to be unselfish; and, above all, to work; it is the price of success. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Inez, for this check. I know it will be used for a good purpose by the Association.

At 12:00 noon your lunch will be served downstairs compliments of the Midwest Fire and Safety Equipment Company. At this time we will adjourn for 15 minutes.

(Recess taken from 9:50 A. M. to 10:15 A. M.)

(Gavel)

CHAIRMAN: All be seated. I have an announcement here. We will adjourn at 11:30 for Memorial Services to be held in the St. Joseph Chapel. I hope each of you plan to attend. Out of

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respect to our fellow firemen, I am requesting that no horns or sirens sound during memorial services.

Lunch will be served downstairs in the cafeteria compliments of the Midwest Fire and Safety Equipment Company.

At this time I would like to introduce William Workman of the State Fire Marshal's office. Do you have a few words, Bill? William Workman. (Applause)

MR. WORKMAN: It is nice to be back with you again this morning. I enjoy myself every year I come up here. I have nothing written up to say. I think Mr. Hacker did all of that. But I would like to stress a couple of things to you.

All of you Chiefs have received, or should have received a copy of the news release on illegal fireworks that was released May 25th. In that release it called upon all assistant firemarshals. This means that this is a direct order under the statutes of the Fire Marshal's Act which makes you assistant fire marshals.

We have a job to do if we are going to try to control any part of this illegal sale. Therefore, I am going to stress the fact that we expect everyone of you to abide by the law and to do your

An analysis of what it meansthis release on illegal fireworksis that the only thing that is approved for sale in Indiana is sparklers producing stars in silver, red, green and gold. Other things are a cap and black snake that contain no mercury.

And, also, there's only two fireworks companies that are allowed to sell in Indiana. One is United Fireworks Company and the other one is Acme. Both of these companies have submitted a sparkler that is made in Japan, which is what they call a flitter sparkler. It is on a stick and the sparkler itself is wrapped in paper. This is also approved. Anything else is illegal, including

snake book matches, cigarette loads-the whole works. So we have called on you under this release to go to work. I need you to cover the State. We cannot do it all ourselves. If you run into trouble, call me.

For your information, I have a program of many big drug I have talked to the office of both of these people and to all of their stores, and they will take care of any of their installations across the State. And this is a list of removals: G. C. Murphy Dime Stores should be removed. I have contacted the District Manager and this should be done. But I still would like to have you check these places to make sure that they do.

Super Drug Store is another one that should be removed, but check on them to make sure that they are removed. Please help. This is the only way we can do anything about it. The only way we can do it is to remove it from the shelves and, if anybody gives you any trouble, call me at the office and I will direct you to confiscate it.

Another thing I would like to bring to your atttention at this time, for those of you that don't know, I told you about three years ago that I was assigned to the committee to work on the volunteer communities. manual has finally been printed and released and is ready for sale-the new volunteer manual of Oklahoma - the Red Book. So, if any of you don't have the new manual, it is ready. All you have to do is send for it. It costs \$2.50.

I don't know of anything else about which I haven't accounted to you. We should be getting ready very shortly to plan the State Fire School. Some of you people will be called upon to serve on that committee. So I think, with that, I will say I am glad to be here and, if there are any questions you care to ask me, I will be glad to answer them if I can. Thank you. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, William. We will have reports from our officers and Board of Directors, starting with our Vice President, while I take the Past Presidents, Jack Ford, Bert Moser, and Mac McBane to go down and talk to the ladies.

MR. JOSTES: First I want to call on the Secretary for his re-

MR. KUSTRON: Greetings, Officers, Delegates and distinguished guests of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association. It is indeed a pleasure to once again address you on a convention This year our meeting brings us back to the wonderful little City of Rensselaer, who have gone all out to show our visiting firemen a grand time.

My report on membership this year shows a total of 8,638 members. This is an increase of 155 new names over last year. We have 16 new departments enrolled this year, but have 18 departments who have not rejoined and this I can't understand because no other Firemen's Association can offer you so much for so little as IVFA. I would like the men who are to take office this next fiscal year to declare war on drop-outs from our Association by visiting these dropouts and finding the cause of their not wanting to rejoin and report back to an officers' meet-

This year I have taken care of 55 death claims; a total of money expended will show up in your Treasurer's report.

I also have processed a number of clothing loss claims: the total of money for this will also show upon the treasurer's report.

We are running into difficulty in getting service from the people who are making our grave markers and, consequently, may have to wait six months or more to receive the markers. I have, therefore, made contact with other companies and should have something favorable to report

The Nationwide Insurance Program is going along steady and we have 19 new departments enrolled this past fiscal year. Nationwide has paid all small and major claims to date, including a total disability claim. Your officers have been working to better the benefits and administration fees for handling this work.

This year I received a total of 11 resolutions and, following the recommendations of the last year Convention and Resolution Committee, I had them placed in the last two issues of the IVFA paper. This way, not only each department received a copy, but each member had a chance to study them. Each delegate was to receive a copy of the paper when he registered, so that you may have reference when voting on the resolutions.

My second year in office has been a busy one. It seems that the work of the Secretary is never done. Each day there is mail to answer from many inquiries throughout the State. I have handled over 6,000 pieces of mail this year and have started to receive dues for the next fiscal year, some of which have forgotten to include their ZIP code number. I have tried to answer all your questions to the best of my ability and hope I have not offended anyone.

In closing, I wish to thank each member department of our Association for their cooperation in making our Association the great one it is. To our officers, I will say we must work harder to keep the IVFA great. To the Convention City of Rensselaer and its officials, and to St. Joseph College and its officers, and, most

of all, to the wonderful Volunteer Firemen of this fair city, I say thanks for inviting us back again, and I wish you all a very pleasurable and successful convention, and to all a safe trip home. Thank you. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Thank you, John. I know all of us realize that John has done a wonderful job. If you want to see something that looks like Big Business, you should go down into his office.

Our next officer, if he can be pulled away from his money over there, is Verne Konopasek. He will read his report at this time.

MR. KONOPASEK: The Treasurer has prepared page 8 of your May newspaper, which is practically all of your Treasurer's report. On the amount of money that we have at present I have prepared a convention report, but I didn't run off enough copies for each delegate. Each officer has received a copy, and the auditors have already checked me.

But, on this page 8 of your newspaper, in the lower left corner, the General Fund amount now is \$8384.88; the Funeral Fund amount as of June 1 is \$39648.40, and the Clothing Fund as of June 1 is \$5789.83.

You will note, in the case of the Clothing Fund and in the case of the General Fund, it is more than what I show on May 12th. This is because I had a cleanup report from the Secretary -Report No. 12-which came in during the interim. And, in the case of the Funeral Fund, you will note that there was approximately a gain of \$1222.52 over what was placed in the fund, for the total members participating in the Funeral Fund was 8715 at 75c a head. So you can see, by having 50 deaths or more, that your funeral fund will just about break even.

You do accumulate a little money, and I know that you have a resolution to consider in this regard but, anyway, let me say that this report I am going to give to the Secretary is a convention report and it will be published in the next issue of the paper as it is now, so I will turn this report over to the reporter.

I want to thank you for listening to me, and I try to do the best I can, and I want to be with you convention after convention. Thank you again. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Our Chaplain.

MR. DUANE LANTZ: Brother firemen, in approximately an hour we will be going over to the chapel for memorial services. This past year we have lost 53 of our firemen throughout the State of Indiana. The Auxiliary has lost one of their members. This is quite an increase over last year. The first quarter of the year I didn't know if there was any hopes for any of us, the way these deaths were coming through from our humble Secretary. But this thing has-can you hear me fellows?

(Shouts of "Yes.")

This thing has gotten itself down whereby I think this last two months that we had only two deaths.

In visiting the ones who are left behind, it is very gratifying to go into these homes and find the caliber of the men that we have within our Volunteer Fire Department. I have yet to find a man who has passed on who hasn't been an outstanding figure within his community. Our jobs may be small, fellows, but it takes the little things in life to make the larger.

Again, it has been a pleasure serving as your chaplain this past year. As times marches on, I find that there are more and more things to do. I hope that you will be calling on either myself or my assistants and we, in turn, will be able to do a job for you.

The relations I spoke of are, of course, sometimes forgotten but, when you go to the funeral parlors and this is the last time around, you realize that it is the most important factor. Thank you. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Thank you, Duane. Sergeant-at-Arms, Lester. Are you in the hall?

MR. LESTER: Yes.

MR. JOSTES: Sergeant-at-Arms Lester, come to the stand. MR. LESTER: I appreciate you boys helping me the way you have. I haven't had to throw out more than about 10 or 15-maybe 14: Thank you. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Fellows, it has been a pleasure to stand up here. Myself, I would like to reach for a cigarette, but I don't see anybody out there reaching for them, so I think we can bear on with The next elected officer would be Robert Crocker, Public Relations, Northwest.

MR. KUSTRON: I think he is out on the games.

MR. JOSTES: Next man, Leroy Hoagland.

MR. HOAGLAND: Mr. Chairman, I would like to thank the district chairman and you people here that I am lucky enough to be a public relations director this year. That is all. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: I have a request here from the Sergeant-at-Arms that the district chairmen see that the number of their district is on the right-hand side of the voucher. See that you put your district number up there. Next, Emory Swander.

MR. SWANDER: I am from the Lowell district. I want you to know that. I want to thank all of you that worked with me in the district down there. See you. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Thank you, Emory. Ralph Israel.

MR. ISRAEL: I believe our organization is one of the most wonderful in the state and I appreciate the opportunity to serve. I want to thank all of you and hope to see you all next year. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Thank you, Ralph. I have another message to announce here. The vouchers that were turned in by the officers last May will be honored and payment will be in front and come up in front and pick it up. The delegates will receive their pay from the chairman of their district. The Public Relations Co-Ordinator Jack Osborn. Are you in the hall?

MR. OSBORN: Thank you. I would like to say that your Public Relations men have been working and doing a fine job

We had a meeting last night, and there are several things, naturally, we would like to have brought out but, rather than bring them to you on the floor, I think possibly these should be made in the form of legislation to be introduced. I would like to thank each and every one of our district chairmen throughout the State. Thank you very much.

MR. JOSTES: Thank you, Jack. Our next man to call is Ernest Waldrop of Vincennes Township.

MR. WALDROP: I want to thank each and every one of you district chairmen and to thank the Public Relations men and Jack Osborn, and I also say I hope to see you all in 1966. I thank you. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Thank you, Emory. Paul Fairfield. (No answer). Everett McCullem. Have you a word for us?

MR. McCULLEM: I just want to say, "Hello." MR. JOSTES: Do you have

something to say, Jack? (Continued on Page 9)

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MR. OSBORN: I think he has done as much or more than any of the men. I think he should have applause.

MR. McCULLEM: I didn't want to get up before you guys. I guess we will have everybody in the team at Vincennes. And there is a spirited team down there. And I want to do my very best to help. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: Thank you, Everett. I wish to add this. He was a bit afraid to get into the departments. He was a little scared to get up here. Maybe it is because of the microphone.

I think we should call on the district chairmen, or the Board of Directors. Garland Kiefer, District 5.

MR. KIEFER: We may be here for another year, so, "Hello". (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: District 1, Stanley Konefsky.

MR. KONEFSKY: Stanley Konefsky is happy to be here. We have had a good year. Thank you, fellows. (Applause)

MR. JOSTES: District 2, Ray

MR. WADE: District 2 is rather small but we are going to give them a good fight.

MR. JOSTES: Gilmer Boaz, Chairman of the 16th District.

MR. BOAZ: I move that we dispense with the District Chairmen report.

MR. EMORY CURL: I second the motion.

MR. JOSTES: We have a motion to dispense with the chairmen's report. Are there any questions? (None) Those in favor signify by saying "Aye", contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

You fellows put me on a spot. VOICE FROM AUDIENCE: Sing something.

MR. JOSTES: I don't believe the next part of the program is quite ready, but, Jim, we have to turn it back to you.

CHAIRMAN: I have something to do that I didn't do awhile ago. I would like to introduce Past Presidents. We have one standing back here, Bert Moser, Past President of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association. (Applause) Jack Ford, not here. Bernie Jostes. (Applause) Francis McBane was unable to be here today and sent his regards to all you volunteer firemen of the State.

Let's start down the line here. It looks like we may be out of here in a hurry, boys.

VOICE FROM AUDIENCE: That won't hurt nothing.

CHAIRMAN: I would like to make an announcement on a tentative program, 2nd Annual East Central Indiana Fire Conference, to be held in Richmond, Indiana, on October 2nd and 3rd. 1965. On the program will be Robert Hamm, Indiana Rating Bureau; S. J. Douglas, Bureau of Mines, "Magic of Fire": Harold Strain, Akron Brass Co., Demonn of New Equipment; R. V. Fitzpatrick, Mine Safety Appliance Co., "Mask Mayhem"; George Schlotterbeck, 1st Assistant, Ohio State Fire Marshal's office, "Train Wreck and Fire Involving Ethylene-Oxide"; Emmett Cox, Western Acturial Bureau, "Fire Problems Involving Truck Transportation"; Indiana Fire Marshal's Office: Wright-Patterson Air Force Base -Chief Payne; Telephone Company Fire in Richmond; Ralph Ellenwood, Fort Wayne, Fire Service and Industry.

I hope some of you fellows can attend this fire school or attend this fire conference in Richmond on October 2nd and 3rd, 1965. A reporter left me the information sheet, Harold E. Wentz, Hartford City, Indiana.

Harvey Ludwig, are you here?

(Mr. Ludwig rises) At this time would you give us an audit report? Jim Mason, are you here? (Mr. Mason rises) L. C. Edmonson. (Rises) These three men here until 4:00 o'clock yesterday afternoon auditing the books.

MR. LUDWIG: Right, we were the other two members and myself, as chairman. We went over the books yesterday. We met in this room for about an hour and a half and, fellows, I thank Verne for the wonderful job he has done on these books. He should get a big hand. He deals with various accounts and keeps them up. He had this long table completely filled with voucher checks which he has broken down into various accounts and, along with that, he has four savings accounts. and it was a grand education, and I would like to thank Jim for putting me on this committee. I think Verne deserves a big hand for the job he has done. Thank you. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: On committee reports last night, Bert Moser. Will you come up here a minute, Bert? (No answer)

We have the new editor of the paper, and I know that you firemen all over the State have enjoyed this paper. We have the news editor here today, and I would like to introduce Robert Laney. Would you like to say a few words, Bob?

MR. LANEY: Thank you, Jim. It is indeed a pleasure to be here. I am kind of embarrassed as to what to say except we are attempting to put out a fine paper that I know you will be happy and proud to read.

I would like to introduce the fellow that is my assistant, Emil

And be sure and get your copy in so we can have it in the paper. One of the big problems we are having is getting information to fill the paper so we can print it, and we are doing our very best to do a good job. Thank you. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: I would like to thank Mr. Laney for the fine job he has done printing this paper. It was on very quick notice.

I believe we did find this time Bert Moser, Where are you, Bert?

MR. MOSER: I am not lost. Jim Blough is lost. I just got here in the corridor and find out you are waiting on our water ball contest report.

There will be 16 teams in the water ball contest and a bulletin will be out in the corridor right after lunch so there won't have to be any asking as to what position you are playing. Tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock is when we are going to start and, if you are asked to help, please don't refuse because we want quite a bit of help to get it set up so you will have a little time between the contests. Thank you. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: Duane Lantz, do you have a report from the

Memorial Committee? (Mr. Lantz hands Chairman his report)

Jack Ford, do you have a report from the Insurance Committee?

MR. FORD: It was taken care of last night.

CHAIRMAN: Be over in the Memorial Chapel at 11:30, and we will meet back here at 12:00 o'clock for lunch downstairs and be back here at 1:00 P. M. Let's adjourn.

(The time being 11:15 A. M., the convention adjourned and reconvened at 1:30 P. M.) (Gavel)

CHAIRMAN: Fellows, stay here now. Does Midwest have a resuscitator?

Each district chairman will poll his delegates, and he will read the

number of the department present and the delegates and then he will bring his slip forward and give it to the Secretary right now. Poll your district. Bring your receipts up here. District 1.

I would like to announce at this time that I am going to recognize this afternoon-(Gavel)

I would like to announce that this afternoon I am only going to recognize delegates to this convention. You guests that are sitting in here, I wish you would be quiet because you are not going to be recognized; just the elected officers and delegates each delegate to each fire department.

Also, I would like to announce again to watch for firecrackers in town. You fellows all know that it is against the law to use these firecrackers.. So let's stay within the law. I think people would appreciate it more. At this time John Kustron will call the roll.

(Roll Call by Mr. John Kustron, Secretary)

Did we miss anybody? MR. KUSTRON: That's it.

CHAIRMAN: That's the roll call, fellows. Don't let anybody in the doors or out because, if you go out, you are going to be cancelled as a delegate.

It has been a privilege and an honor for me to have been your President for the past two years. I have enjoyed the friendship of all you firemen all over the State that I have met. I shall always have the volunteer firemen at heart and I will be glad to help any department in the State that wants or needs my help.

I hope to see this association grow in size and in service. During my term I have tried to gain recognition for our association in other organizations in the State. I think we have succeeded to the point of being asked by many of these organizations to serve on committees or for our planning help. The volunteer fireman deserves recognition for his unselfish service.

I again want to thank Fire Marshal Ira Anderson and his staff for all the help and information they have given me whenever I have asked them.

I want to thank each and every one of you for your support, especially my officers and hard working directors. To each and every fireman sitting out here my special thanks. Without you this would never have been possible. (Applause)

So at this time I am going to turn you over to the Resolutions Committee. Would our committee come forward, please? (Gavel) Chester Wintin, Ed Weaver, Bob Crocker.

MR. STEIGER: Let's get this straight. We have to have quiet so everybody else can hear.

MR. WINTIN: President of the corporation and Vice President and all other elected officers and fellow delegates: We have had our allotted two gatherings of the Resolutions Committee and rendered our decisions to the best of our ability. We will take each resolution as they were numbered.

Resolution Number 1 would increase the total death benefits in the Funeral Fund as much as 1st and 2nd year consecutive membership 45 to 50, 3rd and 4th year consecutive membership, 75 to 100, 5th and 6th year consecutive membership, 110 to 150.

We audited data on here for the fiscal year ending June 1st and found the greatest death rate in the history of the association. However, our membership is also growing, and we recommend that this Resolution Number 1 be adopted.

MR. STEIGER: Fellow fire-

men, you have heard the report of the Resolutions Committee chairman. Now we will vote on the resolution and on what they have reported. Do I have a motion here to accept Resolution Number 1 or to reject Resolution Number 1?

GIBSON, District 11: I make a motion that the resolution be adopted.

EMORY SWANDER: I second the motion.

MR. STEIGER: You heard the motion. What is your pleasure?

MR. KONEFSKY: I have a question. I think this is a good resolution but I think you are going to get out of hand by raising because, when this was first passed, a lot of men that belonged to the association were very young and, if you will just notice, years ago you had four, five, and six deaths. Today you have a lot of them and you are going to break this funeral fund if you raise the death benefit, and I would like to see this resolution not be passed.

BALDAUF, from Liverpool: I would like to ask our Treasurer what he thinks about it—whether he thinks we may be able to do this or not.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Treasurer, we are asking for some information. We want to know whether the Association can afford the increase in benefits.

MR. KONOPASEK: I'll tell you fellows the year report will show existing \$1222.00 above what you paid out the last fiscal year. In other words, 75c a member for 8715 members is what you paid in. The report shows that what you paid out for 53 deaths was \$5313.73, leaving a balance of \$1222.00.

Now, you couldn't go wrong with this resolution because this is a lot more benefits than any insurance company will ever pay because there is no overhead or commissions involved in this thing. Of course I like what was done about this thing because this money all comes back to you.

Maybe you go along three or four years; maybe every year you won't have funeral benefits.

But, anyway, that's the situation. You've had about 50 deaths so you can figure you don't have too many. 75c goes in the fund.

CHAIRMAN: The Chair recognizes Jack Ford.

MR. FORD: In the light of the close proximity of my friend and the recommendation that we keep a good, sound funeral fund, I move to table this motion for further consideration.

MR. KONEFSKY: I second the motion. (Gavel)

DELEGATE: You have a motion on the floor first.

CHAIRMAN: Jack Ford made a motion seconded by Stanley Konefsky.

MR. FORD: I make a motion is that either cash or a funeral donation?

CHAIRMAN: It is cash. It is called a donation benefit instead of a funeral offer. It could be a cash donation. We have a motion before the house and seconded that the previous motion be tabled.

DELEGATE FROM RICH-MOND: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN: For information we will refer to Mr. Weaver first. MR. WEAVER: Fellow delegates, I would like to say a word here. I am not a delegate. I am not a district chairman. But this resolution originated in our Dis-

If you recall, last year we had a resolution before the floor to increase the benefit \$50.00 from the 4th to the 5th year and, after the 7th year, to increase it \$100. We felt at that time that our association could not double the benefits, so we come up with this idea or we suggested a resolution pretty much in line as written.

I would like to further add here that you've got to stop and consider that our association last year had \$46,500.00 out on interest. We collected-the associa-

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tion did—almost \$2000.00 in interest—\$1800 and something—around \$1850.00. As our Treasurer also said, in 1962, according to our by-laws, \$1.00 of our membership fee went into the Funeral Fund. If you would add the extra 25c to the amount that goes into the Funeral Fund, it would mean another \$2300.00 going into the Funeral Fund.

So, from this aspect, putting these things together, there would be interest and additional money of better than \$4000.00. We felt like the Association could stand it. That is our recommendation. However, you are the boss—the delegates.

It is up to you fellows but as Mr. Wintin, the chairman, said, we felt like the association could stand it.

MR. FORD: I move to table it, and I move that we vote on the motion.

CHAIRMAN: On the motion to table the previous motion, those in favor signify by saying "Aye". Contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

DELEGATE: You had a previous motion before that other and it wasn't voted on:

CHAIRMAN: I think you will find that a motion to table is always in order.

Are you ready for Resolution No. 2?

MR. WINTIN: Resolution Number 2 has been withdrawn, and I have a letter here in my possession to that effect. So we will go to Resolution Number 3. This resolution is against the by-laws, which state one item in each Resolution.

DELEGATE: You are going to waive 3?

CHAIRMAN: Resolution Number 3 is against the by-laws so we couldn't consider this resolution. The by-laws state one item for each resolution, and this resolution had two items in it.

MR. WINTIN: Resolution Number 4 requires that the president of the association be empowered to select a three-man committee known as the Annual Convention Site Committee.

This committee would serve two years, at which time the president will appoint two new members and retain one of the original members. The job of this committee is to select or vote on a convention site at least two years in advance of the convention. All convention sites shall meet the approval of the Board of Directors.

We recommend that this Resolution Number 4 be adopted.

MR. KONEFSKY: I don't believe that the Resolution Committee studied that well enough. If that is passed, it is in direct conflict with the rules we have now because there should be a change in the amendment to the The constitution constitution. reads (quoting from constitution). If this thing were to be put in here right and made a change in the amendment to the constitution, it is fine, but it is going against the constitution now as it is.

CHAIRMAN: We still have Resolution Number 4 to consider. ROBERT HUDSON: Due to the reasoning of Mr. Konefsky that this is not entirely right, I move that this resolution not be adopted.

MR. KONEFSKY: I will second that.

CHAIRMAN: Are you ready for any question on the motion?

DELEGATE FROM NORTH

LIBERTY FIRE DEPARTMENT:

I have a question. At New Albany last year we had an argu-

I have a question. At New Albany last year we had an argument on convention sites. Is it possible today that this could be straightened out by planning two years ahead of time?

CHAIRMAN: I believe I can explain, because somebody missed the boat and there would be a change in the by-laws, it should be studied over and brought up at the next meeting.

DELEGATE, from North Liberty Fire Department: I doubt if you can make an amendment of the by-laws. You are trying to change them.

CHAIRMAN: You can't change with standing on this particular resolution. Are you in favor of the motion? Those who are signify by saying "Aye"; contrary, by saying "No". The "Ayes" have it. Resolution No. 5.

MR. WINTIN: Resolution Number 5 authorizes the payment of \$30.00 from the Clothing Fund for the loss or breakage of glasses in an emergency. The Committee is aware that our glasses are an extra and are protective clothing. We recommend that Resolution Number 5 be adopted.

GIBSON, District 11: I make a motion that the resolution be adopted.

WALDROP, from District 17: I second that motion

CHAIRMAN: We have a motion made and seconded that we accept this resolution. Those in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary by saying, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

MR. WINTIN: Resolution No. 6 relates to the issuing to all Past Presidents of a paid-up membership card. Said membership cards may be revoked at any time for personal reasons detrimental to the association by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors. We recommend that Resolution Number 6 be adopted.

BALDAUF, from Liverpool: I make a motion that it be accepted.

MR. JEFFRIES: I second it. CHAIRMAN: There is a motion to accept this resolution. Any questions?

DELEGATE: I would like to know whether that is a change or deletion of the by-laws.

ROBERT HUDSON, St. Joe Township: There is no change in the by-laws, no. That says how it is going to be governed—how it should be done. It isn't any definite amended change. If it goes through, I would like to see it.

CHAIRMAN: Any other questions? (None) Those in favor of the motion signify by saying, "Aye"; contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

MR. WINTIN: Resolution Number 7 requests that our association promote a life insurance plan for the benefit of its members; that the President appoint a committee to handle this and to inform and report the same at the next meeting following the convention. We are pledged by our Articles of Incorporation to foster and promote any and all matters which may prove beneficial to the separate and several volunteer departments in the State of Indiana. We recommend that Resolution Number 7 be adopted. ROSENBAUM, from 9B: I

move that the resolution be adopted.

CHAIRMAN: Is there a second to that motion?

MR. BALDAUF: I want information. I would like to know, from whoever wrote this resolution, what they mean by "independent electrical service 100 feet from the building."

CHAIRMAN: You are on the wrong resolution. We are working on 7. We have a motion to adopt it. The Chair recognizes the man from the 11th District.

GIBSON, 11th District: I make a motion that the resolution not

CHAIRMAN: The Chair recog-

nizes the man who made the motion—Mr. Rosenbaum.

ROSENBAUM, from 9B: There was no second called for, and we still have a motion that the resolution be adopted.

CHAIRMAN: That's right. I was asking for the same but I was interrupted by the question over here. Is there a second to the motion?

MASON, District 3: I second that motion.

JACK FORD: Mr. President, there has already been resolutions of this kind placed before the Board of Directors and went down two, it might have been three times; at least two, it might have been three, and they have failed.

MR. WEAVER: In regard to another similar plan being placed before the Board of Directors, I don't believe that is correct. I would like to just take a few moments and point out what this insurance might do.

I am sure that all of us are aware of what a group life insurance plan has done for our brother firemen's association in promoting its membership. I am sure that their treasurer has collected a great many \$2.50 membership fees that he would not have gotten had it not been for the group life insurance program. I know that he has collected annually \$37.50 from our department only for the benefit of our members to participate in the group life insurance plan.

I believe one of the main purposes is to gain certain recognition, strength and benefits that are only possible in numbers and that cannot be accomplished single-handed. In this particular instance, the benefits would be in group life insurance not solely for the benefit of the fireman, but for the benefit of his loved ones that he may leave behind should he be called from this earth.

Many of us are not financially able at any given moment to leave an estate that will enable our wife or family to assume our financial obligations. Many is the time an additional \$5000.00 to \$10,000.00 would help make these burdens lighter, or assure some child or children a better education, and so forth.

Let us consider that, if each of us were required to pay approximately \$40.00 per year for the next 50 years for a \$5,000.00 life insurance policy, this would amount to \$2,000.00. At any time, be it the first day or the last day of the 50 years, our beneficiary has the assurance that they will receive \$5,000.00 death benefit. Maybe this amount does not seem a lot of money to some of you, but to many wives faced with the death of their husband this amount would mean a lot.

Let us not force our firemen to seek other organizations to provide them a group life insurance program. Let us do what we should always do in all cases—provide them with the best possible program that is available. In this instance, it is a group life insurance program. Therefore, I ask that you adopt Resolution No. 7.

JOHN FORD, District 6, Zip Code 46808: I would like to address this question to Mr. Jostes. In the past has there been at least two programs attempted in this association and died for lack of having 50 participants in the whole State on the two previous occasions?

MR. JOSTES: This has been brought up I don't remember how far back. This was probably four years ago I remember the first approach to this thing, Jack, not two years ago. This has been close to four years ago. Anyway, this was brought up and at that

time we didn't push hard enough to institute a life insurance policy in our association.

The policy wasn't similar to what we are talking about now—what we are trying to cope with. We are speaking of an insurance policy that another association has, and this ought to be satisfactory to this association.

And then, again, we came up with another policy. This was probably two years ago, and at this time there wasn't enough policies for this insurance company to make it worth while. However, at this stage of the game-and this is the fact-we say, people, this thing has potential. If there is anything wrong, we will take a little crack at it because it may prove beneficial, and you know what I mean and have been in the business more than I have because we have never had consideration in this business. And I am a little inclined to think it would be a proper thing to do. Thank you.

DONALD BOWEN, Center Township, South Bend: I happen to be a member of IFA and also IVFA. We have an insurance program in IFA in which the membership participates if they want to. It was presented to the organization and the companies — the majority of the companies—took the insurance.

As I understand here, the motion says that it is to be fathered by this organization or it will have somebody come in and put on the program.

I pay on the premium approximately \$6.50 a thousand for insurance in the IFA, and I can take \$5000.00 worth of insurance. However, I have \$2000.00. It costs me \$13.00 a year and, if I paid for the rest of my life, I would have \$2000.00 insurance coming which costs me approximately \$260.00 in 20 years. I am not going to live that much longer. It is a good investment.

I understand that it was more or less brought in because we need an insurance program. We are on a competitive basis with IFA. I believe in both: I think they are both good organizations and I think we need some life insurance program. There is no reason why an insurance company couldn't put on a program whereby we could participate, as members of this association, in group insurance that wouldn't cost us very much, and we could benefit by the insurance.

To go out and buy from an individual would probably be prohibited by the cost we would have to pay but, as a group, I think we could get a pretty good deal, and I know the way I feel, as an individual, this was brought forth because we feel that the association needs an insurance policy that we can go out and sell to our members.

We've got growth here which the IFA doesn't have and we need an insurance program that you can go out and sell if you make it participating where, if a fellow wants to participate, well and good; if he doesn't, well and good. It is still a selling point to go out and sell the idea of it. I don't think it would cost us much. I think it is a point that could be investigated. I think we should have an insurance program in the IVFA.

DELEGATE: We are not in this thing to make a living. We are not insurance agents or anything like that. We are volunteer firemen, and I think we are forgetting this. Don't forget you are a fireman.

JACK FORD: Mr. President, I stood up for one reason and I accomplished it. The other program failed for one of two reasons. It was competitive to the program which you are concerned

with. The difference in the thing was one was term life and the other was straight life. The reason it failed was due to one of two things. The district chairmen had a hard time selling it or didn't try, or the members didn't want it. If you want it, and you say here now you do, support the darned thing. I mean come out and everybody support it and go ahead with it.

CHAIRMAN: Those in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye". Contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

(Shouts from audience)

The Chair will have standing vote. Those in favor of the insurance program stand. If you want life insurance, stand. How about it?

(Delegates stand)

Okay. The motion still stands. Resolution Number 8.

MR. WINTIN: Resolution Number 8 pertains to fire hydrants and accessories for the protection of —

MR. STEIGER: Please, fellows, when we rap up here, we want silence so we know that you are hearing us, and don't tell us you didn't hear us.

MR. WINTIN:—pertains to fire hydrants and accessories for the protection of school buildings located out of incorporated areas. We believe this resolution should be handled by the Legislative Committee and recommend that the resolution be adopted.

MR. STEIGER: You have heard from your Resolution Committee. The Chair will recognize a motion either way on the resolution.

MR. BALDAUF: We are going to have a motion on this resolution—either to adopt it or not adopt it?

CHAIRMAN: We are not going to bawl anybody up. Either make the motion to adopt this resolution or not adopt it.

lative Committee should handle that. I don't think we have a right to do it. We can go out and speak for it, but why attempt to do it if you don't have the right?

MR. BALDAUF: I would like to know what it means.

CHAIRMAN: You have a copy in front of you right now, haven't you?

MR. HENDERSON, District 6: In this Resolution Number 8 there is a misprint on it and it got misconstrued in the printing of it, and I would like to make a motion that this resolution not be adopted at this time.

ROSE, Cedar Lake: I will second that motion.

MR. BALDAUF: We have a motion not to adopt Section 8. What is wrong with having fire hydrants more than 100 feet from schools? Ours is about 800 feet. One thing I would like to ask, that on the last resolution I asked, is what this independent electrical service means. You say you would like to have us vote on this but we don't know what you mean by "independent electrical service".

CHAIRMAN: I believe now you all have had plenty of time to read it over. All in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye"; contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

VOICE FROM AUDIENCE: We can't hear you.

CHAIRMAN: What resolution didn't you hear?

VOICE: We had no information on the resolution. We didn't know what was going on.

CHAIRMAN: I believe, sir, to answer your question, we failed to deliver the resolution to you. DELEGATE: Correct.

CHAIRMAN: You have an honest gripe. We probably didn't (Continued on Page 11)

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have this delivered at the printter's. This is a possibility.

DELEGATE: The resolution should be in writing.

MR. KUSTRON: You are out of order until you get through with the resolutions.

CHAIRMAN: We will go on to Resolution Number 9.

MR. WINTIN: Resolutions Numbers 9 and 10 do not state the following resolution requirements: number of district, place of meeting, number of departments present or the date said resolutions were adopted. Therefore, Resolutions Number 9 and 10 cannot be considered.

CHAIRMAN: The Resolutions
Committee fumbled up this
resolution. This is Resolution
Number 9.

MR. ROSENBAUM: I make a motion that Resolution Number 9 be withdrawn.

HERMAN BUD, District 1: I second it.

CHAIRMAN: What is your pleasure? Those in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye"; contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

Resolution Number 10. What is your pleasure?

ROSENBAUM, 9B: I make a motion that the resolution be withdrawn from the Resolutions Committee.

HERMAN BUD, District 1: I second it.

CHAIRMAN: All in favor of the motion, signify by saying "Aye"; contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it. Resolution Number 11.

MR. WINTIN: Resolution Number 11 proposes certain regulations for commercial airports on aircraft rescue and fire fighting requirements in the State of Indiana. Again, this is a resolution for the Legislative Committee. However, we recommend that this resolution be adopted. But, since this was written, we have found out that legislation on this is not necessary. So what is your pleasure?

CHAIRMAN: The Chair recognizes Paul Koontz.

MR. KOONTZ: This motion is most necessary and legislation is necessary. I make a motion that this resolution be adopted.

CHAIRMAN: We have a motion that this resolution be adopted.

KONEFSKY, District 1: I second it.

CHAIRMAN: We have a motion that Resolution Number 11 be adopted. What is your pleasure? Those in favor signify by saying "Aye". Contrary, "No". The "Ayes" have it.

Let's take a 15 minute break.
(THE TIME BEING 3:00 P. M.,
A RECESS WAS TAKEN UNTIL
3:15 P. M.)
(Gavel)

CHAIRMAN: We have 291 delegates here today. At this time we will have elections for next year. We realize that it takes a majority of all votes cast for election. At this time I would like to have a report from District 16, District 12, District 2, District 5, District 14; also, District 1, 7-B, 9-A, 3 through 13, for President for next year. As Nominating Committee, who do you have?

GILBERT LEIST: The Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination for President Walter Steiger.

CHAIRMAN: Is there any other nomination? Is there any other nomination? Is there any other nomination? (None) The Chair declares a unanimous vote for the election of Walter Steiger.

MR. KUSTRON: I, John Kustron, cast one unanimous ballot for Walter Steiger for President of IVFA for the year 1965-1966.

MR. STEIGER: I accept the

nomination and I will do all I can in my power to increase the prestige of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association.

CHAIRMAN: For Vice-President.

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee wishes to place in nomination for Vice President Carlos Jeffries.

CHAIRMAN: Carlos Jeffries, stand up. (Mr. Jerries rises) (Applause) Is there any other nomination for Vice President.

MR. KONEFSKY, District 1: I would like to nominate Ed Weaver from 9-B.

CHAIRMAN: Will you come up here, Ed. (Mr. Weaver does so) Any other nominations?

DELEGATE: I nominate Emory Swander.

CHAIRMAN: Come up here, Emory. (Mr. Swander does so) Are there any further nominations for Vice President? (None) Here's Emory Swander, Ed Weaver, and Carol Jeffries. (Applause) Are there any other nominations? (None)

MR. HUNTER: Will you please tell us where these men are from?

CHAIRMAN: I will. Do we have anyone seconding the nominations?

(None)

Emory Swander, do you want to tell me where you are from?

MR. SWANDER: Kniman, Indiana, 11 miles south of DeMotte, Indiana.

CHAIRMAN: Ed Weaver?

MR. WEAVER: District 9B, 50 miles south of Michigan City. CHAIRMAN: Carlos Jeffries?

MR. JEFFRIES: Fountaintown, down south.

MR. SWANDER: Fellow firemen, I want to thank you for the nomination, but I do decline, and I would like to throw my support to Carlos Jeffries.

MR. HERTLE: I. would like to ask for information, if I may. Before we had the recess, I came here accounting for a number of electoral votes. Am I still eligible in District 8 for that number?

MR. KUSTRON: 8?

MR. HERTLE: Right. I have lost a few men. In other words, we are going to have to have a roll call before we have any voting. They were voting and they went out and came back. I have lost 8 votes here. There isn't a district here that will let me have 17 votes with 9 men. It is either we don't vote or we are going to have to have a roll call.

KONEFSKY, District 1: Are you going to have the district chairmen bring the total up?

CHAIRMAN: How do I do this? I am still half asleep. The district chairmen will bring the votes up for their district.

(The district chairmen mount platform and deliver their ballots to Mr. Glaub)

DELEGATE: Mr. President, I move that we proceed with the next office on the ballot.

CHAIRMAN: We can't do that. MR. KUSTRON: It is too confusing. Let's get this one over with.

CHAIRMAN: For Vice President, Jeffries, 191 votes; Ed Weaver, 80. Our new Vice President is Carlos Jeffries from Fountaintown.

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee wishes to place in nomination for Secretary John (Jack) Ford. (Applause)

CHAIRMAN: Jack Ford. Any other nominations, any other nominations?

DELEGATE: I nominate Frank Young from Knox. CHAIRMAN: Any other nomi-

CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations? (None) You gentlemen come up here—Jack Ford and Frank Young.

Frank Young is right here, gentlemen. He declines the nomination, so I will be glad to in-

troduce your new Secretary, Jack Ford. (Applause)

MR. KUSTRON: I, John Kustron, hereby cast one unanimous ballot for Jack Ford for Secretary of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association for the year 1965-1966 and thereafter.

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination for Treasurer Verne Konopasek.

CHAIRMAN: Where is Verne? Stand up. (Mr. Konopasek rises) CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations? Any other nominations? Any other nominations? (None)

MR. KUSTRON: I, John Kustron, hereby cast one unanimous ballot for Verne Konopasek for Treasurer of the IVFA for the year 1965-1966 and thereafter.

CHAIRMAN: Verne, we would like a word from you.

MR. KONOPASEK: There's no time for an acceptance speech. Thanks a million.

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination for Chaplain Duane Lantz.

CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations? Any other nominations? (None) Duanz Lantz will be your Chaplain

MR. KUSTRON: I, John Kustron, hereby cast one unanimous ballot for Duane Lantz as Chaplain of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association for the year 1965-1966, and God bless you all. CHAIRMAN: Amen.

MR. LANTZ: Thank you, fellows, for the prayer. I wasn't the only one that said a prayer. There was a lot of prayers being said by the other officers. Thank you all.

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination for Sergeant-at-Arms Ray Lester.

CHAIRMAN: Stand up, Ray. (Mr. Lester rises) Any other nominations, any other nominations for Sergeant-at-Arms? Show a unanimous vote cast for Ray Lester.

MR. KUSTRON: I, John Kustron, hereby cast one unanimous ballot for Ray Lester as Sergeant-at-Arms for the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association for the year 1965-1966.

CHAIRMAN: We have just four men for Public Relations Director

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination for Northeast Public Relations Director Paul Fairfield.

CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations?

DELEGATE: Leroy Hoagland. CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations? (None) Stand up, Paul Fairfield and Leroy Hoagland. (Mr. Fairfield and Mr. Hoagland rise) For Northeast Public Relations Director, Leroy Hoagland, () votes, and Paul Fairfield, () votes. Leroy Hoagland is elected.

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee will place in nomination for Public Relations Director Northwest John Kustron.

CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations for Public Relations Director Northwest? Any other nominations? Any other nominations? (None)

DELEGATE: Did you close the nominations?

MR. STEIGER: Didn't you hear

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him call three times? I, Walt Steiger, Vice-President, cast one unanimous ballot for the election of John Kustron for Northwest Public Relations Director.

MR. LEIST: Now Southeast The Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination for Southeast Public Relations Director Andy Van Winkle.

CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations?

DELEGATE: Everett McCul-

CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations? Any other nominations? (None) Everett McCullum, () votes; Andy Van Winkle, () votes. Everett McCullum, of Georgetown, Indiana, is elected, as Public Relations Director Southeast.

MR. LEIST: The Nominating Committee would like to place in nomination for Southwest Public Relations Director Ernest Waldrop.

CHAIRMAN: Any other nominations? Any other nominations for Southwest Public Relations Director? (None)

MR. KUSTRON: I, John Kustron, cast one unanimous ballot for Erne Waldrop for Public Relations Director Southwest for the year 1965-1966.

CHAIRMAN: The Convention Committee has four invitations for next year at the present time—Vincennes, Terre Haute, Elkhart, and South Bend. Are there any other invitations for the 1966 convention?

MR. GOODWIN: Here's the Mayor of Vincennes. We are going to recommend Vincennes. What is your pleasure? (Applause)

Mayor, you are not going to invite us. You are going to accept us.

(And here welcoming speeches were made by the Mayor, Chief of Police and District Chairman of Vincennes)

MR. GOODWIN: I think everybody feels we had a resolution on the floor that would have passed if it hadn't been for the wording about the convention site two years in advance. We are going to work toward that end so any of your departments that are interested in supporting the convention for the next few years will be pleased to get a bid and invitation of some type into the Convention Committee and the Convention Committee can go out and investigate those invitations. Thank you. (Applause)

MR. ROSE: I move that the convention be adjourned.
MR. BUD: I second it.

CHAIRMAN: Convention adjourned.

FIRE LOSS EXCEEDS \$160,000 UNION CITY, IND.

A Union City clothing store was completely gutted in an early morning fire, February 28, 1965, causing damage estimated at \$160,000.00. The fire was blamed on spontaneous combustion. Adjoining firms had considerable smoke and water damage, with some fire damage. These firms were an A & P grocery, a doctor's office, and a beauty salon. Also on the second story, 14 apartments were heavily damaged by fire and smoke. There was only one injury, according to Fire Chief Art Midlam.

The blaze was discovered at 4:31 a.m. by a service station attendant.

The two story brick building, according to owner John Montana, was covered by insurance. Most of the other firms and tenants also had some insurance.

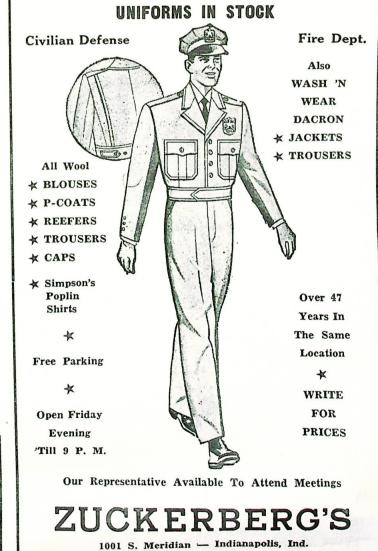
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GREETINGS FROM YOUR NEWLY ELECTED AUXILIARY PRESIDENT MRS. RUTH FAIRFIELD

It is with mixed feelings of emotions that I take over the job as your Auxiliary President. Needless to say, this is a responsible position, and it makes me very proud to have been elected to this top spot. My predecessors have done such excellent jobs of building and organizing, and keeping things running so smoothly, I sincerely hope I can do half as well. If I can be of help to any of our volunteer department auxiliaries, please do not hesitate to contact me. It is my fondest hope that I shall be able to visit with each district within the state, during my term of office. Since convention there has been one new auxiliary which is already pretty well organized, and one other that is very much interested in forming a group. This is indeed good news, and very encouraging to me. Let's keep them coming.

As you know, for the past two years, I served as your Vice President, and in this position I was responsible for our "Lucky Doe Doll" project. This article to you, also affords me the opportunity to thank each and every one of you who helped make this project the success it was. Your fine cooperation, and your willingness to help when called upon, gave me the confidence and the boost I needed to accept the Presidency which I now hold.

Since thanks are in order, Renselaer gave us a wonderful convention. Each and everyone of us, I'm sure, enjoyed the fine facilities for meetings, the wonderful banquet, and all the other things planned for our enjoyment. We owe all who worked so hard on this convention, a round of applause.

I will close this little message for now. I am confident of the future . . . there may be times when I will have to call on you . . . and you . . . and you, and I know you will respond. Here's to a successful year with the climax next convention time at our Southern sister city . . . Vincennes.

All IVFA auxiliaries please send your dues to the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Catherine Van Arsdale, 637 S. Whitcomb, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Thank you.

Mrs. Ruth Fairfield

IVFA Aux., Inc., Pres.

MESSAGE FROM PAST PRESIDENT INEZ JEFFRIES

I wish to thank all of the ladies who attended the meetings and our Coffee Clutch at the convention in Rensselaer. It was just wonderful to have more ladies registered than ever before. I was so pleased to see so many at the business meetings. This is an organization where all of the members have a voice and when you attend these business meetings at convention you have the privilege of voicing your opinion. I sincerely hope that next year there will be many more of you members attending. The ladies who worked so diligently toward our Coffee Clutch made it one of the most remembered ones we have ever attended.

The town of Rensselaer certainly did their best to make us feel welcome.

The two years I served as president were memorable ones. I am now in the ranks of a past president and only hope I can still be active and do my best for the good of the auxiliary. There is still lots to be done.

Members of the IVFA Auxiliary, Inc. if you are not attending your district meetings, you are really missing a very informative meeting as well as a lot of fun. If you don't have a district, feel free to contact any IVFA auxiliary officer and she will be glad to help you try to organize your district or she will direct you to one nearest you.

Thanks again to anyone who helped me in any way during my term of president.

term of president.

I'm hoping to see all you next year in Vincennes.

Immediate Past President Inez Jeffries

DISTRICT 3 AUXILIARY MEETS AT SCIPIO TWP.

The District 3 meeting was held at Scipio Twp. on June 28. Twenty-four ladies representing five departments were present.

A report on the recent state convention was given by Chairman Cohen. She also reminded the ladies that it is time to pay state membership dues. Election of officers was held and the following ladies were elected to office: Mrs. Richard Van Kosky, Scipio Twp., Chairman; Mrs. Duane Babcock, Noble, Secretary; Mrs. Duane Lantz installed the new officers.

Awards were presented to Mrs. Bee Bush, Springfield Twp., attendance award and to Scipio Twp. the traveling Doll award.

Refreshments were served by the host department.

Auxiliary Officers For 1965-66



Standing left to right: Carolyn McCarty, Past Treasurer, Catherine Mason, Past President, Thelma Lester, Chaplain, Catherine Van Arsdale, Recording Secretary and Mary Stafford, Vice President. Seated left to right: Elizabeth Thompson, Past Recording Secretary, Inez Jeffries, Immediate Past President and Ruth Fairfield President.

Editor's Note: When this picture was taken we thought we included all new officers but since have found we excluded some. Our apologizes.

DISTRICT 6 AUXILIARY MEETING AND ELECTION

The 6th District Auxiliary held its July meeting at Columbia City. Among the guests present were State Chaplain Thelma Lester, also attending, Ruth Fairfield, a member of the 6th District and President of the IVFA Auxiliary.

Election of officers were held. Wanda Stuerzenberger of New Haven was elected as our new Chairman. Joan Shanabarger of Churubusco will again hold the office of Secretary.

After the meeting everyone enjoyed the fire truck rodeo performed by a driver of the Columbia City Department at the direction of Cooney Tucker.

The 6th District held the annual family picnic on August 8th at Chain-of-Lakes State Park. There was swimming, horse shoe, badmitten, and just about any kind of sport. Everyone had a good time.

The 6th District would like to take this opportunity to thank the City of Rensselaer for the wonderful Convention. It was a huge success. Everyone had a good time and hope to return again to the fine city of Rensselaer.

Joan Shanabarger, Secretary 6th District Auxiliary

DISTRICT 8 AUXILIARY MEETING AND ELECTION

District 8 Auxiliary held their District meeting July 10, at the Amboy Fire Station. The meeting was opened with a word of prayer. Five departments were present with a total of 12 women. The minutes of the State Officers meeting of April 25, and of the Convention were read by the Chairman.

Election of Officers was held. They are as follows: Chairman Doris Osborne of Amboy, Vice Chairman Kate Myers of Amboy, Secretary-Treasurer Alberta Crowell of Frankton, Chaplain Manetta Herfle of Gaston.

The rest of the evening was spent playing Bingo. Refreshments were served.

INDEPENDENCE HILL AUXILIARY PARADE WINNER

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Independence Hill Fire Department won a 2nd Place Trophy in Best Out of Town Entrys at the East Gary Fourth of July Parade. The auxiliary's theme "OUR MAN—THE FIREMAN" depicted a fireman rushing out of bed to a fire while his wife

Congratulations to Mrs. Verne Konopasek.

The "Lucky Doe Doll" which was raffled off at the Rensselaer convention was won by Mrs. Verne Konopasek, 145 W. Elm Street, Griffith, Indiana.

and family assisted him with his equipment. The theme was thought up by the auxiliary members and the float was built entirely by them.

FOUNTAINTOWN VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S AUXILIARY

Here in Fountaintown it's been not and we haven't been doing too much, in May we served the concessions at the annual spring horse show at the Faut farm. We are having our Card parties the third Saturday night of each month, starting at 8 P. M. This year we decided to drop our annual picnic, usually held the 3rd Sunday in July, in favor of a weiner roast to be held sometime in the early fall.

July 10 our fire station was the scene of the annual fish fry. We had a nice crowd. There was plenty of work for all those who helped.

August 7 and 8 the firemen will be serving the concessions at an all Appaloosa horse show, with a little help from the auxiliary.

Those of us who attended the convention in Rensselaer, Indiana had a wonderful time, thanks to those people who put so much effort in planning it.

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DISTRICT 1 AND 2 SCORES AT STATE CONVENTION

The recent state convention at Rensselaer brought a variety of honors to Districts 1 and 2. District awards were as follows:

Most Modern Fire Equipment— 1st Place - Independence Hill 2nd Place - Griffith

3rd Place - Merrillville Firemen's Float — 1st Place - Independence Hill

Parachute Jump —
1st Place - Merrillville

Best Marching Unit —
1st Place - Merrillville

Best Band —

1st Place - Crown Point

2nd Place - Merrillville Best Junior Band — 1st Place - Cedar Lake

Auxiliary Planning For 1966 Convention



Front seat, driver, Gloria Mack, Violet Waldrop. Back seated, Ruth Warren and Lucille Bailey. Back, Maxine Nesbitt and Verta Engle.

Convention Banquet













ATTENTION FIRE DEPT. — FIRE INSPECTORS

Do you know that you can qualify to belong to the only Inspectors Association in Indiana? This being the Indiana Inspectors Association, Inc.

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The aims and objectives of the Association:

1. To promote efficiency in public service generally, by the closer relationship of the various inspectors and by the cooperation of the various departments of inspection throughout the State.

spection throughout the State.

2. To edit, disseminate and distribute information to the public generally concerning safety.

3. To assist members involved in litigation arising in or because of the performance of their duties.

4. To establish and maintain a clearing house of information, available to the Inspectors and their respective departments.

5. To cooperate with all branches and departments of government in the enforcement of law and the promotion of safety.

All members receive six (6) issues a year of the official publication "Indiana Building Review", published by this Association.

If you do not already belong, then may I urge you to give this Association some consideration. In this way you can air your problems and thoughts with people that could help you.

The membership dues are two dollars (\$2.00) a year. If you are interested, please write for more information to:

Indiana Inspectors' Association P. O. Box 417

Lebanon, Indiana

Sincerely,

William C. Workman

Membership Com. Chrm.

HOW SAFE'S YOUR HOME?

(Following is one of a series of fire safety articles submitted to The News by Miss Bonnie Mishler, New Paris High School senior this fall and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manford Mishler, Route 1, Syracuse. Bonnie has entered a 4-H fire safety contest.)

By BONNIE MISHLER

Everyday on the average of 1,000 American homes are struck by fire, taking approximately 30 lives. Most home fires are caused by a few well known hazards. These hazards can be easily eliminated by following the ABC's of good housekeeping — Always Be Careful.

Turn off stove.

If frying pan catches on fire, cover the pan with a tight metal lid.

Don't use candles near curtains or draperies.

Don't use plastics near stove. Be sure there are ashtrays throughout the home.

Never throw rags near fire. Dispose of combustible wastes promptly.

Turn off iron if you leave. Take good care of all electrical appliances.

What is a fire? To have a fire, you must have three things.

 Fuel — something to burn such as wood, paper, etc.

Oxygen—this is found in the air around us.

3. Heat — something to ignite the fuel. This could be a match, electrical spark or many other things

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Convention Meetings









Trophy Winners at Convention Parade

Class A Band-Crown Point

Class B Band—Winamac Class C Band—Lincoln Junior High, Cedar Lake

Novelty Car 1st-10th District

Novelty Car 2nd-"Yogi" Allen County

Antique Car 1st-1923 Ford (Mr. and Mrs. Baker)

Antique Car 2nd-1908 Buick Marching Unit 1st-Kokomo Legionette

Marching Unit 2nd-Lindettes

Marching Unit 3rd-Medaryville Boy Scouts Firemen's Float 1st-Independence Hill Fire Dept.

Firemen's Float 2nd—District 9-B

Firemen's Float 3rd-3rd District

Horse Unit 1st-4-H Group Horse Unit 2nd-Saddle Club

Old Fire Equipment 1st-Hamilton Fire Dept.

Old Fire Equipment 2nd-Scotsville Fire Dept.

Old Fire Equipment 3rd-Brook Fire Dept.

Car Decoration-Washington Twp.

Marching Fire Unit-Merrillville Fire Dept.

Novelty Float 1st-Mountain Men Special

Novelty Float 2nd—Churubusco

Novelty Float 3rd—Daisy Mae Group

Modern Fire Equipment 1st-Independence Hill Fire Dept.

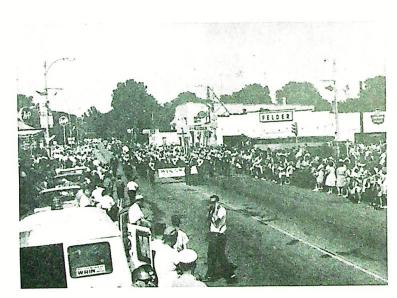
Modern Fire Equipment 2nd-Griffith Fire Dept. Modern Fire Equipment 3rd-Merrillville Fire Dept.

Comedy Unit—Dana, Indiana, Charles McGill

Parachute Jump-Lt. Marvin Mager, Merrillville Fire Dept.

Convention Parade







(Continued from Page 13) As you can see, if one of these three things are missing there

If there is no fuel, there is nothing to burn. If there is no oxygen the fuel won't burn, for it needs oxygen to burn. And if there is no heat, there is no reason for the fuel to ignite.

can be no fire.

To put out a fire, you must take away one or more of these three things.

Flameproofing materials!

Take one pound of borax (chrystalling) and 13 ounces of boric acid dissolved thoroughly in two gallons of water, cooled to room temperature.

Place your dry fabric in the solution until it's thoroughly wet. Take it out and wring it by hand. This solution is approved by the National Bureau of Standards. Always use a warm, not hot, iron when ironing fabrics that have been flameproofed.

Flameproofing does not prevent fires, but it does reduce the hazard of fires. Fabrics which have been treated with flameproofing solutions will not ignite readily or burn rapidly. Thus, you have a longer time to fight the fire before it becomes serious and the danger of severe burns is lessened.

Always be prepared for even the smallest fires. The following equipment is very useful and often times necessary when a fire breaks out.

1. Plenty of water. A water pressure system is desirable. Keep enough hose to reach any place it might be needed. spray rigs can be used.

2. Sand buckets. Many fires can be put out by smothering them. In the kitchen a lid may be used to smother a burning skillet. Baking soda is also good for smothering kitchen fires.

3. Ladders, one which is tall enough to reach the highest building on your place.

4. Fire extinguishers. Keep them inspected and filled at all times.

DISTRICT 1 AND 2 MEETING AND ELECTION

District 1 and 2 of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association held their election of officers at Merrillville, July 21, 1965.

Election results were as fol-

Chairman, District 1, Bernie Jostes.

Secretary, District 2, Robert Blimm. Chairman, District 2, Emil Zula.

Secretary, District 2, Ralph Knapp.

Mr. Jostes is presently Chief of the New Elliott Fire Department. He is a past President of the IVFA and has been Chairman of both Districts 1 and 2. Bernie is also chairman of the State IVFA Legislative Commit-

Bob Blimm is the President of he Independence Hill Fire Department. He has been secretary of District 1 for the past two years.

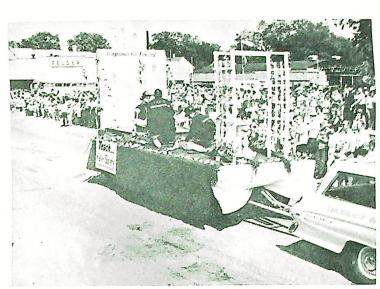
Emil Zula is the Secretary-Treasurer of the Crown Point Fire Dept. and the Fireman's Insurance Program. He is also Secretary to the Lake County Fire Service and is the Assistant Editor of the IVFA Newspaper.

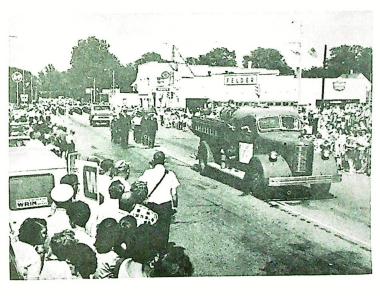
Ralph Knapp is the Chief of the Lincoln Township fire department in Thayer.

The members of District 1 and 2 wish to express their thanks to Stanley Konefsky, Merrillville, Past Chairman District 1; Ray Wade, Cedar Lake, Past Chairman District 2; and Bill Klahn, Lake Hills, Past Secretary, District 2, for a job well done while in office.

Convention Parade









Random Notes of a Rambling Reporter in Southern Indiana

Rensselaer. If you weren't there, we missed you, but you missed the best IVFA Convention yet. Seems that it is reported in this column every year "the best convention yet," but doggone it, its true, every one who was there says so. Our hosts knock themselves out, but they get results, they put on an annual wing ding that must satisfy every one (personnally, we did not hear that first gripe) unless you want to count the one complaint of "not enough hours in the day" for an affair of this kind. A very big "tip of the hat" to Rensselaer Fire Chief Anderson and his hard working efficient Convention Committee. If you could stand it, we would like to come back! Next year Vincennes, June 16, 17, 18, see you there. Acton came in on "Cloud Nine" with a new fire truck direct from the factory, loaded it up with the Ladies' Water Ball Championship Trophy, after attending all the regular sessions and some not scheduled, and continued onward home to Marion County, never getting off "Cloud Nine". Congratulations to Penn South, who again took home the Men's Water Ball Championship Trophy. The competition gets keener, but seems Penn South gets better. Keep trying, some day those Penn South guys are going to get too old for this water ball bit, then we'll see.

Officers of the association should come in for some compliments too. Seemed to this reporter, that the schedule ran pretty smooth. The delegates did their part to help the officers get the serious business of the convention on the road and bring it to a laudable completion. A minimum of bickering, good thinking, solid consideration of convention business and a sound conclusion with elected officers experienced and qualified to carry on and surpass the enviable efforts of their predecessors.

A very fine convention at Things are getting better every day in the IVFA. At this point your reporter is going to "break the rules" and interject in these notes his personal feelings. A resounding and thunderous YEAH for the selection of the FIREMAN OF THE YEAR, MR. IVFA the hard working Chief Andy Van Winkle of Greenville. Congratulations Andy (Rip) and very well deserved recognition

And now back to southern Indi-. . in addition to Acton. ... WALDRON has a new tanker, in fact two . . . Fairland has a new tanker . . . Owensville has a new 750 GPM pumper . . . Elberfeld in the process of taking bids . . . According to EVERETT McCULLUM, newly elected Coordinator, a new District No. 18 has been formed with Chief Edgar Nigg of Haysville as District Chairman.

JACK KNOLL, Chief of Waldron, unanimously elected as 10th District Chairman, filling a spot previously held by Chief CAR-LOS JEFFRIES, who was elected Vice President of the IVFA . . . RICHARD WERLE of Sellersburg, re-elected Chairman of the 14th District . . . GIL BOAZ reelected Chairman of the 16th District. Congratulations all of you . . . All of you know what has to be done and all of us know you can get it done, WITH THE COOPERATION OF YOUR DIS-TRICT DEPARTMENTS . . since you members of these vari-

ous Districts elected these Chairmen and promised to support their program, it sure looks like a big year in Southern Indiana for the Volunteers . . . President elect WALT STEIGER and other members of his staff attended 16th District meeting . . . Vice President CARLOS JEFFRIES and EVERETT McCULLUM attended 14th District meeting at MOOREFIELD where MONROE TWP. of Henryville was awarded a trophy (to be held until next competition) as champions of 14th

District Water Ball . . . JACK OSBORN of State Fire Marshal Staff, reports Ass't Chief CHICK CARSON of Huntingburg, now at home, after brief stay at hospital . . . CLAUDE SANDERS, Princeton Chief and Chief VIC STUNKEL of Patoka Twp. Fire Dept. at the test of OWENS-VILLE'S new fire truck, joined by Chief FRANK J. MEYER and DON SEIFFERT of Ferdinand . . . Sellersburg Fair August 21 . Annual Fish Fry and Chicken Dinner Carnival at Cedar Grove August 27 and 28 . . . Marion County Fireman's Demonstration, Marion County Fairgrounds, Sept. 25 and 26 . . . Wayne County Fire School, Richmond, October 2 and 3 . . . DICK WERLE scheduled to "Walk down the aisle" Sellersburg Methodist Church October 15 . . . CROTH-ERSVILLE new fire station progressing well under construction . . Don't forget Zip Code numbers on all mail addresses, particularly IVFA members, pleads Secretary Elect JACK FORD.

Four farm buildings are destroyed by fire every hour according to the National Fire Protection Association.

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The Convention involved much work, but as the programs formulated this became a labor to be enjoyed as we went along in anticipation of your visit.

We, the auxiliary and firemen,

"Mr. IVFA"



Andy VanWinkle receiving "IVFA Fireman of The Year" trophy

MONON HOSTS DISTRICT 9-B MEETING

Election of officers was held at the district meeting of 9-B on Thursday, July 1. Re-elected to district chairman was Ed Weaver of Francisville and his new secretary-treasurer is Tom Padgett of Rensselaer. Rosy Rosenbaum of

want you to know it was well

worth all the anxiety in ar-

ranging programs, schedules,

lodging and many other details

that must be taken care of in

Please accept our thanks for

such a venture.

Monon was elected Public Relations man for the district.

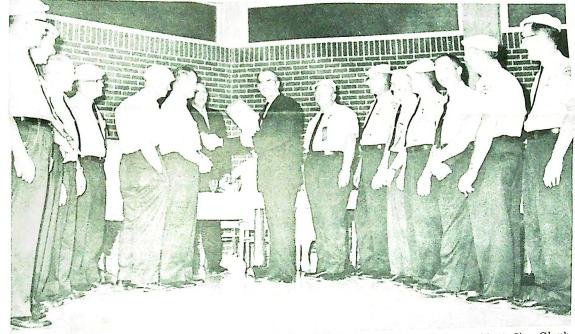
Walt Steiger, state IVFA president, gave a brief talk to the 35 men in attendance. A movie of the "500 mile race" rounded out the program and was followed by refreshments served by

the Monon Fire Department. coming; we hope you enjoyed the Convention as much as we We'll see you next year

Rensselaer Firemen & Auxiliary

at Vincennes.

Congratulations Rensselaer



Chief Anderson of the Rensselaer Fire Department receiving plaque from Past President Jim Glaub in appreciation for a job well done for the fine convention put on by the Rensselaer Fire Department.

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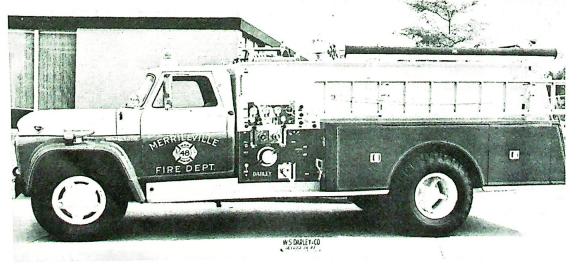


Riley Schoolhouse, south of Crown Point on Nine-Mile stretch was completely gutted by fire early Tuesday morning, August 9th. A passing shift worker on the state road about 1:15 o'clock saw flames in the lower right side of the building and awakened a neighbor across the road to call the Crown Point Fire Department. Vandals were blamed for the destructive fire when it was discovered by firemen that the front door was found standing open. This door had been nailed

shut for some time by Center Township Trustee Glen Corbin. The building had been abandoned and the windows boarded up for several years. The school had been advertised for sale at a public auction on August 26.

Cedar Lake, Lake Dalecarlia, and Independence Hill departments sent units that helped Crown Point Firemen control the blaze. Riley School was one of the last few of the two classroom school buildings left in Lake County.

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Vincennes Accepts Chassis For New Fire Truck



Left to Right front row; John Nesbitt, Treasurer; Leo Gartner, Don Gartner, Vice President; Ernest Waldrop, President, accepting the keys from Jimmy Risp of Elson Sims Ford; Charles Halter.

Left to Right second row; Charles Flynn, Don Reynolds, Secretary; Paul Kahn and Paul Onkin, Sr., Chief.

Pictured above are the Board of Directors, Vincennes Twp. Fire Department accepting the delivery of a new F-700 Ford Chassis from the local Ford Dealer Elson G. Sims. This truck will replace

The department will mount a low volume high pressure John Bean pump with a 750 gallon tank on the truck. This will make two such trucks in service now, the other being a 1964 GMC with a 1250 gallon tank. Additional equipment is a 1952 Chevrolet with a volume pump and a 500 gallon tank.

10th DISTRICT MEETS AT TAYLORSVILLE

On May 13th the 10th district met at Taylorsville Fire Station with approximately 45 men in attendance. The twelve departments represented reported that their departments responded to 21 calls involving fires, mutual aid and emergency runs since the April meeting. Guests included Public Relations Director for Southeastern Indiana, Ralph Israel of Burney, Raymond Shook of Clarksburg, and Paul Becker and Don Gates, FESCO representatives from Dayton, Ohio and Columbus, Indiana.

Two color films were shown by Lee Everroad of the host de-One film entitled partment. "Partners in Freedom" from the

Rensselaer Fire Dept.

HARVEST DANCE

Saturday, November 27

At Halleck Student Center

9:00 to 1:00

\$1.25 Each

\$2.50 Per Couple

Department of Defense pertained to airlifting of troops and supplies to Europe and the other entitled "Breaking the Language Barrier" from the Department of the Air Force pertained to the demonstrations in foreign countries of the famed Four Thunderbird

Volunteer Fire departments represented at the meeting were from Acton, Burney, Clarksburg, Flat Rock, Fountaintown, Hope, Hartsville, Manilla, Marietta, St. Paul, Taylorsville, and Waldron.

The next meeting was held at the Waldron Fire Station on Wednesday night, June 23rd.

> Allen Blades 10th District Secretary

RENSSELAER TO SPONSOR STOCK CAR RACE

The Rensselaer Fire Department is sponsoring a stock car race on Labor Day, September 6 at the Jasper County Fair Grounds. Location of the fairgrounds is one mile west of Rensselaer. Gates will open at 4:00 P. M. for picnic lunchers and the time trials will begin at 6:30. There will be a 50 lap championship race starting at 8:00 p. m. Admission charges will be \$1.25 for adults and children under 12 free.

INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMENS ASSN., A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION 35-6026503 From Convention at New Albany to Convention at Rensselaer - General Fund

	6-1-64 to	1-1-65 to		
RECEIPTS:	12-31-64	6-1-65	TOT	ALS
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 1, 1964				
Individual memberships				\$8432.10
Individual memberships	14484.00	486.25	14970.25	70102.20
Deposits & Overpayments	194.00	1.00	195.00	
ADS - Donations - IVFA paper	247.50	445.40	692.90	
Donations - Nation Wide Ins.	406.04	189.53	595.57	
" - Officers meeting		12.50	12.50	
- For Decais	1.00		1.00	
" - Conv. Program Bk	1835.00		1835.00	
" - Registrations	3480.00		3480.00	
Interest on reserves	1943.75		1943.75	
Gary National Bank RI-25672	78.00		78.00	
TOTALS	100000000		10.00	
DISBURSEMENTS:	\$22669.29	\$1134.68	\$23803.97	
General Convention Expense	8395.65		8395.65	
Convention Printing Expense	911.58	168.85	1080.43	
Officer & Comm. Meeting Exp.	1229.60	1398.69	2628.29	
Regular Printing Expense	431.07	962.02	1393.09	
IVFA Newspaper Printing Exp	446.69	1913.97	2360.66	
Postage & Telephone Expense	957.91	627.53	1585.44	
District Expense	379.01	173.95	552.96	
Refunds - Deposits & Overpayments	187.00	4.00	191.00	
Office Supplies & Equipment	330.38	38.17	368.55	
Secretary's Expense	686.80	246.50	933.30	
Treasurer's Expense	369.50	136.80	506.30	
President's Expense	326.05	252.80	578.85	
Public Relation's Expense	43.82	59.50	103.32	
Vice-President Expense	14.50	65.95	80.45	
Chairman of Board Expense	10.20		10.20	
Past President Expense		27.50	27.50	
50-Year Member Expense		30.10	30.10	
Bond Premium Insurance,	483.00		483.00	
Marsh & McLennan Ins. Prem.	485.00		485.00	
Editor's Expense	300.00		300.00	
Legislative Comm. Expenses		1674.60	1674.60	
Gary National Bank RI-25672	78.00		78.00	
Advance Dues Transferred to Clothing Fund	3.50		3.50	
State of Indiana - File Report		1.00	1.00	
TOTALS				
TOTALS	\$16069.26	\$7781.93	\$23851.19	
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 1, 1965CLOTHING FUND ACCOUNT:				\$8384.88
RECEIPTS: Balance on hand June 1, 1964	*			\$3092.05
J. Kustron reports 1 thru 10 (7905)	3952.50			
J. Kustron reports 11 & 12 (362)		181.00	*	
TOTAL to account for				\$7225.55
DISBURSEMENTS:				
Claims 360 thru 408		737.81		
Claims 302 thru 359	697.91			
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 1, 1965				\$5789.83

Respectfully submitted, Verne Konopasek, Treasurer, June 10, 1965

Lake County Fire Service To Stage 4th Annual Fire Show at Lake County Fair

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HOWE-DODGE

750 GPM Class A Pumper

C. O. SHUMAN

RANDOLPH RAMSEY

RUSSELL MANIFOLD

The Lake County Fire Service will again be host for the 4th annual fire show to be held at the Lake County Fair in Crown Point, on Saturday, August 28. Various evolutions have been planned for the show. Man walking through fire with protective hand extinguisher clothing,

demonstration, car fires put out with water and foam, and extinguishing grass fires, First Aid Squads performing various types of rescue and inhalator uses, extinguishing house fires and smoke rescue work and ending with trucks pumping at capacity from the lake through deluge sets,

snorkels and ladder pipes. Fire departments that have

tentatively planned to be at the show are: Lake Hills, Merrillville, Griffith, Crown Point, Sheriff's Office Water Rescue Duck, Lake Dalecarlia, Cedar Lake, Shelby, Dyer, Independence Hill, New Elliott, Lowell, Ainsworth-Deep River, Gary, St. John, Munster, East Gary, Valparaiso, South Port, and Steger, Sauk Village also Sunnycrest departments from Illinois.

Last year there was approximately \$450,000.00 worth of fire equipment at the show. All firemen will be admitted free at the Southeast gate if they present any type of identification pertaining to the fire service, department identification, association memberships or badges.

Officers of the Lake County Fire Service, Inc. are: Charles Kitchel, Independence Hill; Lyle Thomas, Merrillville; Irvin Becker, Lake Dalecarlia and Emil Zula, Crown Point. The officials for the show are:

Superintendent of Show, Charles Kitchel, Ind. Hill.

Track Marshal, Mel McMahon, Cedar Lake.

Demolition Crew, Jerry Miller of Merrillville and Denny Roushelange of Independence

Crown Point.

gan, Cedar Lake.

Building Superintendent, Bill Klahn of Lake Hills. Treasurer, Irvin Becker of

Lake Dale.

Lighting, Bill Austgen, St. John. Assistants to P. A. Announcer Patt Patterson, Stanley Konefsky, Merrillville and Emil Zula,

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