

Railroad President Says He'll Take Own Private Car Over Salary

By MERRILL SWEDLUND
Anderson, Ind. (AP) — Ike Duffey says it's more fun to have a private car on the Central Indiana Railway than to draw a salary as president. Almost every Saturday and sometimes once or twice during the week he rounds up a group of "neighbors" on the 44-mile line and they ride in the luxurious private car attached to a freight train. His wife serves hors d'oeuvres.

"Anyone who wants to play railroad can come and we'll play railroad," Duffey says.

Behind the fun is solid business success. The little line had been piling up big losses since 1899 — as high as \$249,000 in one year — when Duffey was made president in mid 1951. That year there was \$8,000 profit. Last year there was \$39,787 net, and he was offered a salary. He took the private car instead and still works for \$1 a year.

Duffey got into the livestock and meat business at 16 and friends say he made a million before he was 26. He retired at 43, owner of three packing plants. But he couldn't take retirement and he loved railroads. That's when he applied for the unpaid job as railroad president. With 32 employees, he began to dig the 44 miles of track out of the weeds.

"Everyone along the railroad is our neighbor," he says. "I don't know anything about the mechanical side of it and I don't care to. I just love the click of the wheels on the rails."

He's spruced up railroad buildings and encouraged new businesses along the line. One firm which bought an old plant couldn't even find the railroad siding in the weeds. But that kind of thing is changing fast.

He spends most of his time out on the line and the thing he stresses most is neighborliness. The birthday of a customer's child is a good excuse for a trip in the private car. When one family lost its home in an explosion, there was a box car for temporary furniture storage.

He still sponsors baseball excursion trains to Cincinnati, something he started before he quit the meat packing business. But most of his attention goes into the railroad.

"I don't feel the Central Indiana is on a sound basis yet," he says. "When it is, well, then we can talk about a salary."



Travel in his luxurious private car is Ike Duffey's pride and joy. But he wears a denim jacket out on the line. He's shown here on the steps of his car.

With the Armed Forces

Pfc. Leslie G. Roberts Graduates from School

I Corps, Korea — Army Pfc. Leslie G. Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Roberts, 1901 Arendell St., Morehead City, recently was graduated from the I Corps Non-Commissioned Officer Academy in Korea.

A squad leader in the 25th Infantry Division's 14th Regiment, he received instruction in leadership of units, map reading and other military subjects.

Private First Class Roberts, a graduate of Morehead City High School, entered the Army last December and arrived in Korea last May.

Camp Gordon, Ga. — Pvt. W. Ward King of route 2 Beaufort will graduate this week from The Southeastern Signal School, Camp Gordon. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. King.

Private King received training in the operation of military communications equipment, climaxed by a week of field training under simulated combat conditions, during his nine-week course.

Little Creek, Norfolk, Va. (FHTNC)—Paul Douglas King Jr., of Duke University, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. King, 104 N. 28th St., Morehead City and Robert T. Adams, of the University of South

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Carolina, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams of Newport, N. C., are among the approximately 700 Naval Reserve Midshipmen receiving three weeks of amphibious training here at the U. S. Naval Amphibious Base.

Known as NAMID '55, a contraction of Naval Reserve MIDshipmen, the training includes classroom and practical work both ashore and afloat. To climax their training, the Midshipmen were integrated into task forces of amphibious ships and acted as crews in beaching landing craft at Camp Pendleton, Va., in a sea-air exercise recently.

The operation will conclude amphibious indoctrination at the amphibious base this summer for two regiments of Naval Reserve Midshipmen and a contingent of Naval Academy Midshipmen, a total of approximately 2,200 trainees.

U. S. Forces, Korea — Army Pvt. Charlie N. Smith, 21, son of Mrs. G. D. Wetherington, Route 2, Newport, is now serving with the 46th Transportation Truck Company in Korea.

Private Smith, a dispatcher, entered the Army in May of this year and completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Tune Up For Health

By JACK POBUK
Body Toning II

Sun sometimes is important for health. It is one of the world's oldest remedies. The medical men of ancient Egypt used it thousands of years ago.



Modern science finds sunlight one of the vital keys to life. It is a good idea to spend part of every day outdoors. Get out in the sun.

Also, try last week's exercise for eight counts and follow with this one.

Knees Bend

Stand with your feet comfortably apart, hands crossed at wrists in front of body, fists clenched.

COUNT 1. — Bend knees, raising heels, swinging arms sideward



and upward, opening hands, palms up.

COUNT 2 — Return to starting position. Repeat counts 1 and 2 eight times.

Reds Offer Cut Rate Literature

Tokyo (AP) — The Communists are offering magazines and books at less than cost to put across their way of life in a country where family budgets allow little reading matter.

American weekly news magazines printed in Japan give publishers a slight profit at 70 yen a copy. Monthly pocket size magazines sell for 100 yen. But well printed magazines from Red China and Russia sell for as little as 20 yen.

Russian and Red Chinese publications cost news dealers nothing. Even so, few news dealers handle red publications.

Red salesmen also offer school books at less than publishing costs to parents of school children. Each book carries this theme: "Thank you Father Malenkov for a happy childhood."

New England Oranges
Dover, N. H. — (AP) — Charles Secus, a barber, undismayed by New England's climate, raised an orange tree in the window of his shop and is looking forward to a small harvest of oranges.

Steward Makes Speaker System

Minneapolis, Minn. (AP) — Ross Robbins, flight steward with North Central Airline, Inc., has invented a pint-sized speaker system which he says delivers sound similar to that heard in a concert hall. Ross, who spent a year and a half perfecting his system, says the secret lies in the design of his cabinet and a new arrangement of the speakers.

The cabinet, made of plastic, is prism-shaped. The front grill measures 19 inches square and the sides of the cabinet taper off like a wedge to a point nine and one-half inches behind the center of the grill. It's supposed to be placed in a corner of a room.

Inside the cabinet, Ross has mounted five baffles and five speakers—one for the treble tones, one for the middle ranges and two for bass and one for the very low bass. Arranged properly, they form chambers acoustically designed for maximum reproduction.

Robbins has applied for a patent.

August 1 is Independence Day in Switzerland.

Farmers Short on Cash, Turn to Bartering

Pontiac, Mich. (AP) — Harris Shultz, a grocer, says cash on the farm is drying up. On the fringe of Detroit, one of the nation's most heavily industrialized areas, Grocer Shultz trades with farmers on a barter basis. Mostly he takes eggs for staples.

Normally he gets only a few dozen a day, but the average has gone up to 15 dozen now. They've been accumulating so fast he couldn't dispose of them to henless customers. Once he had 200 dozen on hand.

Falling farm prices, he says, are shortening the farmer's cash and he's turning more and more to bartering.

Boy's Classmates Raise Funds to Replace Glasses

Jarbalo, Kan. (AP) — Paul Schmutz, 12, lost his eyeglasses when fire destroyed his home.

Schoolmates raised \$29.50 to buy him a new pair, but the doctor who fitted the glasses refused to take the money when he learned of the circumstances.

Paul's schoolmates didn't want the money back either. So they bought him other articles needed to replace those lost in the fire.

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Typographical Error Is Cause of Family Spat

Chester, Pa. (AP) — Alex Diamond, a 5th grade pupil, will use a speller and not the newspaper the next time he gets stuck on a word. He had an argument with his mother over the spelling of Pennsylvania. He thought it was Pennsylvania because that's the way it was in the newspaper.

The newspaper apologized on the front page, explaining the error was a typographical mistake.

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