

## Indiana Gas Official Retires After 44 Years

Indiana Gas Company announced Thursday that Lester B. Hudgins, assistant treasurer, retired Jan. 1 after a 44 year utility career. He joined predecessor Central Indiana Gas Company in 1943 as an accounting supervisor in Muncie. He was promoted to assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of that company in 1971.

Hudgins was elected assistant treasurer of Indiana Gas Company when the predecessor company was acquired by Indiana Gas in 1974 and was transferred to the combined company's Indianapolis general offices. He was with Roanoke Gas Company in Roanoke, Va. from 1935 to 1943.

Hudgins was born in Roanoke, Va., is a graduate of the Kennett Accounting School, has attended Northwestern and Ball State universities and is a member of the Muncie Elks Lodge. He and his wife, Gladys, live in Muncie. They have two daughters, Martha Leinker, Fort Wayne, Ann Reiter, Muncie; and four grandchildren.

Indiana Gas also announced Thursday the promotion of Kenneth A. Zehr to assistant chief engineer effective Dec. 1. In this new capacity he will continue serving in the company's general



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offices in Indianapolis.

Prior to this promotion Zehr had been an engineer in the company's general offices since 1974. He started with the company in 1968 as an industrial sales engineer in Muncie and was made corrosion engineer in 1971.

Zehr was born in Jasper, graduated from Purdue University and was a member of the U.S. Army Reserves from 1956 to 1963. A registered professional engineer, he is a member of the Central Indiana Chapter of the Society of Professional Engineers. Also, he is a member of the Greenfield Elks Lodge and New Palestine Lions Club.

He and his wife, Peggy, reside in New Palestine. They have two children, Robin and Craig, at home.

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