

PUBLIC TO BENEFIT BY PRICE CUT SOON

Federal Reserve Board Credits Reductions to Insistence of Consumers

WORSTED GOODS CHEAPER

By the Associated Press Washington, Oct. 1.—Price cutting has taken hold of the wholesale trade to an extent that soon must be felt substantially in lower prices to consumers, according to the Federal Reserve Board's monthly business review, made public last night.

Revival of the wave of price reduction and its spread to many retail lines was attributed to "a more exacting demand by the buying public as to price and quality." Retail purchasers are showing continued determination to wait a move by dealers to meet these demands while foregoing luxuries and demurements, reports to the board declared.

Although the board believed the buying public was largely dominating the market now, it said labor and production were having a marked effect on prices. There was much evidence, it said, of increased efficiency on the part of labor and as a result production was on the increase and factory operation beginning to approach normal.

Business on Road to Stability

Summed up, the board's findings were that "business conditions are now definitely on the road toward stability of a great and confirmed nature as the disturbed position of the world at large permits."

"Continuance of the process of readjustment in business and industry has been an outstanding feature of the last month," the review said. "This has been accompanied by price reductions and by the resumption of work in branches of industry where hesitation as to future outlook has led to suspension."

After an apparent slowing down in the price-reduction movement during midsummer, it has again reappeared, and the month of September saw substantial cuts in well-known makes of automobiles, various classes of textiles, shoes and leather and other wholesale prices. Reductions have occurred in a variety of staples including wheat.

Retailers Buying Carefully

Drops in prices have featured almost all of the textile lines, agents of the various reserve banks reported, and they added that, due to reductions already announced by wholesalers and others, the retailers are buying carefully and not in large quantities. The smaller's attitude was depicted as necessarily conservative for the reason that market with a downward trend leaves in the alternative of taking a loss or seeing his shelves stocked with high-priced goods.

Similar influences were shown to be bearing on the shoe and leather industry. In these lines particularly, the reports of the industry were that the influence of a demand for higher priced goods is strong and gives no indication of weakening. Because of this apparent sentiment, the review stated, retailers are postponing buying or are buying only for current requirements.

Cleveland, Oct. 1.—The Cleveland Westinghouse Co. announced a price reduction of from 15 to 30 per cent on goods being manufactured for the trade and which will reach the consumer in the spring. The lower cost of raw materials is assigned as the cause for the lower prices.

The Wool & Melville Co., one of the largest wholesale dry goods houses of the middle West, has put out a new price list with reductions of 20 to 25 per cent, with an announcement that the action has been taken to stimulate trade.

Manufacturers of wearing apparel in this district have given indication of lower prices on merchandise for spring and summer seasons the coming year.

New York, Oct. 1.—The American Smelting and Refining Co. yesterday reduced the price of lead from eight to seven and three-quarter cents a pound.

The Innes Motors, Inc., operating company for the Locomobile and Mercer concerns, announced today the price of standard Locomobile cars had been reduced \$1350 and Mercer models \$1000.

The reduction is due to "our belief that the spirit of the times demands a reduction in prices so that the purchasing value of the dollar may be increased to a point where there is sufficient buying power to properly finance the business needs of the country," the announcement said.

Gift for St. Paul's Episcopal Church The Rev. E. J. Humes, rector of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, yesterday celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his appointment to the parish. A reception was tendered the rector in the parish house at 3225 Kensington avenue, by his congregation, who gave Mr. Humes a check for \$1000.



MRS. J. CLAUDE BEDFORD Vice chairman of Delaware county Republican women's committee, who says new voters will not support entire G. O. P. ticket, and predicted opposition to Senator Penrose

SAYS WOMEN PLAN TO "CUT" PENROSE

Mrs. J. Claude Bedford Sees Disregard for Party Lines by New Voters

CONSCIENCE TO BE GUIDE

Many women voters throughout the state will refuse to vote for the reelection of Senator Penrose November 2, predicted Mrs. J. Claude Bedford, vice chairman of the Republican women's committee of Delaware county, at a meeting in Media last night.

Mrs. Bedford's address caused a decided stir at the meeting of county committeemen. She asserted that while the women would support Senator Harding they could not be held in line for the entire Republican ticket.

Any attempts to force the women into line simply on the basis of party regularly, she declared, would drive a number of the new voters into the Democratic party.

At her home, 528 South Orange street, Media, today, Mrs. Bedford gave her views on how the current political thought is running among the women of the state.

To Disregard Party Lines

"I believe that women are going to vote according to their conscience," she explained. "The women are not going to be dragged into support of all Republican candidates just because they are Republican candidates. Party lines do not affect the women very much."

"The position I took at the meeting last night was based on this belief: The women members of the committee were appointed, not elected, and therefore are not in the legal position of the committeemen who are obliged to accept the dictum of the primary. The committeemen must accept the ticket, but I feel that the women members are not in any sense committeemen."

"Later when women take their place on the county committee as regularly elected members their position will be different. If they feel then that they can't support the entire ticket, the only course open for them will be to resign as members of the committee."

"I believe that many women will refuse to vote for Senator Penrose this November. They will refuse not only because of the senator's attitude in the past toward woman suffrage, but because he is identified with reactionary interests with which many women are not in sympathy."

Knows Penrose Will Win

"Of course, I do not believe for a minute that the opposition of the women will defeat Penrose," she said.

Mrs. Bedford also is of the opinion that many Delaware county women will refuse to support William C. Alexander, Republican candidate for the Legislature. They will throw their votes, she believes, to Charles J. Saffin, the Prohibition candidate.

Following Mrs. Bedford's address last night, a motion was made to give her a vote of confidence. The vote was carried.

GATLING TO WED ACTRESS

Grandson of Gun Inventor Undaunted by 2 Marriage Failures

New York, Oct. 1.—Addison Barnes Gatling, well known in society, whose grandfather, Dr. Jordan Gatling, invented the rapid-firing gun bearing his name, will enter upon his third marital venture tomorrow night when he weds Miss Nonah Sprague, ingenue in "Opportunity," playing at the Forty-eighth Street Theatre.

It is pointed out by the fact that he piled his good ship matrimony high on the rocks on two former occasions, he proudly announced last night that he would not be deterred by the failure of his first two marriages, but that clear weather for his next voyage.

Beaming on the twenty-two-year-old actress, the twenty-five year-old son of the millionaire Gatling family, said to a reporter:

"While Miss Sprague and I have known each other only six weeks, I know I am going to find real, true happiness."

Many of the officers and employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad attended the funeral. Interment was private, at the West Laurel Hill Cemetery.

WORLD RECOVERING FROM WAR BLIGHT

Speakers at Brussels Conference Note Economic Improvement

WOULD LIFT TRADE BARS

By the Associated Press Brussels, Oct. 1.—Distinct and multiplying signs of economic improvement are seen in countries most shaken by the great war, and optimism over their future is felt, according to speakers at the international financial conference in session here.

Some of those who spoke yesterday declared that in a few years the world would return to active competition between sellers, and that the present contest between buyers will pass.

Charles Wauters, Belgian minister of commerce, asserted the temporary advantages enjoyed by countries allowed to export freely will turn to their disadvantage as a result of prohibitive rates of exchange.

"Let us not only dwell together in peace and unity," said Henry Bell, manager of Lloyd's Bank, London, "but let us also deal together freely and in harmony."

Mr. Bell disclaimed any intention of a controversy, but said the question of free trade arose immediately in connection with a discussion of the situation. He referred delegates of the conference to the declaration of the supreme economic council against artificial barriers to international commerce and expressed the hope the conference would make it clear that behind all questions of international trade was the question of durable peace.

"It is a great error," he declared, "to come to the conclusion that one nation in trade is a detriment to others. Commerce is not a form of conflict, but on the contrary, it is that which should bind nations together."

BURY MR. O'DONNELL TODAY

Fellow P. R. R. Officials Attend Service at St. Stephen's

Funeral services for Richard Lincoln O'Donnell, vice president of the Pennsylvania Railroad system in charge of the central region, took place today in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Tenth street above Chestnut, at 3 p. m.

The list of honorary pallbearers follows: Gen. W. W. Atter, Wm. C. Spraul, E. V. Babcock, Edwin R. Stuart, A. Lincoln Ecker, Lewis B. Dick, Wm. W. Holly, Clarence M. Mendenhall, Senator John S. Frank S. Bartlett, J. G. Rogers, Alex. C. Shand, Ah-Sander Moore, Wm. H. Steinhilber, Andrew Davidson, J. Leonard Repton, L. Shober, James Cowdell, John E. Dwyer, E. E. McCarty, C. R. Kriehl, J. M. Carson, G. D. Ouden, J. H. Carey, James Hucklew.

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FIFTH STREET REPAVED

Concrete Roadbed From Market to Spring Garden Streets

The Spring Garden Association has notified motorists that Fifth street has been repaved from Market street to Spring Garden, affording a splendid concrete finished thoroughfare for vehicles crossing the ferries at Market and Chestnut streets which seek to avoid the traffic congestion in the business center.

In a recent address to the Frankford business men Mayor Moore spoke in favor of having the city construct a highway from lower Market street to Kensington and Frankford, and the Fifth street improvement furnishes the first lap of this important civic enterprise.

HEAR HOUSING CASES TODAY

Fifteen Disputes Over Rents to Be Argued to Committee

The housing adjustment committee will today conduct its second hearing of cases involving disputes between landlords and tenants. The committee had its first hearing last Friday, when fourteen cases were brought to it.

Sixteen new cases are listed for the hearing today, which will take place at this afternoon in the sheriff's office in City Hall. In addition to these new cases the committee will have six continued cases. Of the six, however, it is believed three have been settled since the hearing last week and therefore will be disposed of by the committee with mere announcements of the agreements reached.

One of the continued cases is that of twenty-two houses in the 5400 block of Jane street, Germantown, in the rentals of which the landlord has announced an advance from \$20 to \$25 and \$28 a month. At the hearing last Friday the housing adjustment committee requested the Philadelphia Real Estate Board to have an appraisal made of the houses to furnish a basis for a fair rental report of the appraisal is expected to be made to the committee today.

DR. WYLIE MAY GO TODAY

West Philadelphia Pastor Will Go to New York Church

The Rev. Dwight Witherspoon Wylie, pastor of the St. Paul Presbyterian Church, Fifth street and Baltimore avenue, will leave for New York today or tomorrow to take his new pulpit in the Central Presbyterian Church of that city.

The Rev. Mr. Wylie, who was picked unanimously by a delegation from the New York church, who heard several pastors recommended by a committee of five, will preach his first sermon in New York this Sunday.

Doctor Wylie was at the St. Paul Presbyterian Church for nine years, coming here from Iowa. He made many friends, many of whom will accompany him to the station.

Missing Man Sought Here

The police of this city have been asked to search for Charles W. Lindenmuth, Jr., of Tamqua, Pa., who disappeared from his home on Hazel avenue three Saturday morning, after taking a revolver and a brief case with him.

The young man is subject to epileptic fits as the result of illness several years ago, and his parents fear that he may harm himself. He is twenty-two years old, 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs about 125 pounds, has dark hair, dark eyes, is thin and has a crescent shape scar behind his left ear.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

William Hoyt, 3914 Spruce st., and Kathleen L. Maginnis, 1818 Pine st.; Robert Smith, 312 Hillen st., and Beila J. Anderson, 2918 E. 42d st.; Ernest Charles New, N. Y., and Nella E. Runyon, New York, N. Y.; Charles Reister, 292 Emerald st., and Caroline Raueh, 321 E. Merion st.; Harvey C. Traylor, 715 Merion st., and Ann M. Richardson, Glendale, Pa.; Robert Cabell, 127 S. 13th st., and Ann Smith, 227 E. 12th st.; John A. Stoner, Camden, N. J., and Alma L. Parsons, Camden, N. J.; Joseph C. Kamm, 2906 Frankford ave., and Verma M. Dillon, 210 Chelton ave.; Walter H. Cave, 1425 61st st., and Helen M. Brown, 6022 Kerasha st.; Charles F. Deck, 2494 Emerald st., and Mary J. Brown, 2632 Cobbs Creek pkwy.; Arthur P. Deak, 2494 Emerald st., and Rose Nabinger, 2590 N. 11th st.; Russell Craft, 1908 S. 84th st., and Mary E. Kniffel, 1427 S. 51st st.; George H. Huger, Boston, Mass., and Cora E. Evans, Richmond, Va.; William C. Fox, 2027 N. Marshall st., and Mary E. Noble, 5283 Market st.; Albert E. Hornwood, 7 Wylie st., and Kaelia A. Rrett, 501 Hunting Park; and Douglas L. Robin, 711 N. 46th st., and Margaret E. Gardner, 717 N. 46th st.; Oswald Beebe, 697 N. 5th st., and Mary

BROWN HAT CLUE TO BOLD ROBBER

Clerk Says Thieves Came Prepared With Revolvers and Handcuffs

CUSTOMERS ALSO BOUND

Edward Noonan, clerk in a Germantown clothing store, who was handcuffed and bound by robbers who later bound two customers and escaped with \$65, today told details of the hold-up.

Noonan is twenty-four years old. He was in charge of the clothing store when the hold-up men entered at 6:30 o'clock yesterday evening.

"I was putting away some shirts," he said, "when the two men entered the store. They said they wanted to buy some neckties."

"I started across the store to the necktie counter. When I reached the middle of the store I felt something pressed against my back. Turning my head slightly I saw that both the men had produced revolvers."

Handcuffed by Robbers "Turn your head around and keep on going toward the back of the store," they ordered. Before me, I kept on going. As we reached the rear of the store one of the men clamped handcuffs on my wrists. They put me in a small closet, where they tied my ankles with rope.

"I could hear the two customers come into the store, and I heard the robbers tell them to go to the rear. The customers were tied hand and foot and placed in a stairway."

"I struggled to loosen the hempen thongs from my legs. By the time I got the thong off the robbers had taken \$65 from the cash register and escaped. They chose a poor day to rob this store. Rain made business bad, and we did not take in very much money."

One Had Brown Derby

"I remember every detail of the two men's description. One was five feet, seven inches tall, weighed about 140 pounds, and had a light complexion and sandy hair. He wore a brown raincoat and a brown derby."

"The other man was five feet eight inches, and weighed about 135 pounds. He had a dark complexion and black hair."

The customers who were bound and the robbers tell them to go to the rear of the store are Bernard Hense, of 236 East Philadelphia street, and James Pury, of 1101 East Chelton avenue. They interrupted one of the robbers as he was trying to open the cash register.



MRS. JAMES F. LYNCH Before her marriage Monday, at St. John's Catholic Church, to Dr. J. F. Lynch, she was Miss Mary Louise Brink, of Harford, Conn.

CALLS PORTS MISMANAGED

Director Sproule Blames U. S. for Running Behind Britain

George F. Sproule, director of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, addressed the American Association of Port Authorities at its annual convention in Chicago yesterday, and said that the mismanagement of America's ports is responsible for the fact that its power on the seas is secondary to that of England.

"The necessities of the recent war," Director Sproule said, "heavily taxed the facilities of our ports. It was then forcibly impressed on us that practical men had not been entrusted with direction of American marine terminals. As a result, millions of dollars have been wasted, and ports which should have been of great value broke down."

Driver Killed Under Ice Truck

Joseph Bonarth, fifty-two years old, of 2421 South Thirteenth street, was killed yesterday when he was pinned beneath the ice truck which he was driving when it overturned on the Pennrose Ferry bridge. The machine toppled over when the heavy load it was hauling shifted to one side.

UNCLEAN STREETS ALARM DR. FURBUSH

Menace to City's Health Is Seen in Present Condition of Philadelphia's Thoroughfares

CALLS SPECIAL MEETING

Accumulated garbage and rubbish in various streets and sections of the city are a disgrace to the municipality and a menace to the health of the community, according to Dr. C. Lincoln Furbush, director of the Department of Health and Charities.

So serious does Doctor Furbush consider the menace that he called a special meeting of the Board of Health in his office yesterday to discuss the problem. The meeting lasted more than two hours. No definite action was taken, but another meeting will be called shortly to discuss the subject.

"I have made a personal examination of the streets, particularly the streets and alleys in the lower section of the city, as well as those in West Philadelphia. The inspectors of the Department of Health have also inspected and reported on the matter. Many of the streets are littered with dirt and garbage, and conditions are of such an insanitary character that the health of the community is imperiled."

"What we need is co-operation to meet the present crisis. We have no jurisdiction in this matter, because we are confident that the officials of the department are doing all in their power to meet the situation and better conditions."

"The strike among the drivers of street cleaners in South Philadelphia and the sympathy strike among the drivers collecting garbage downtown, as well as in West Philadelphia, are largely responsible for existing conditions."

"Every citizen is interested in this matter, and every man and woman should perform the duties of a health officer to see that such conditions do not prevail in their neighborhood. Every householder should properly observe the laws relating to sanitation, particularly in regard to the disposal of garbage by placing the same in proper receptacles, and not throw or allow the garbage to be thrown into the streets. Many citizens are at fault in not providing suitable receptacles for garbage, and therefore are responsible for the same being in the highways and alleys. The shortage of water in the lower

section of the city makes it impossible for the authorities to resort to hushing to clean these dirty thoroughfares. Had we an adequate supply of water much good could be accomplished in that way. It is hoped that some steps can be taken which will be the means of relieving the situation, which we regard as serious."

MARTYR PASTOR HONORED

Women Attend Service for Doctor Reimert, Slain in China

Funeral services for the Rev. William A. Reimert, one of the heroes of the Reformer Church, who was assassinated in China last July, were conducted by the Women's Missionary Society of the Eastern Synod, last evening, in Heidelberg Reformed Church.

Doctor Reimert, who was a native of New Tripoli, Lehigh county, Pa., was the dean of the Chinese school conducted by the Reformed Church at Yochow. On July 13, when Chinese soldiers marched on the school, intending to loot the place and carry off the women, Doctor Reimert met them at the gate to the compound and ordered them away. He held the gate open for the women and girls of the school to enter and reach a place of safety, and just as the last girl passed him, the soldiers opened fire. Doctor Reimert fell mortally wounded, and died the next day.

Electric Lamp Agents Dined

The Schimmel Electric Supply Co. last night gave a dinner in honor of the agents of the Shelby, O., division of the National Lamp Works, in the Adelphi Hotel. The principal speakers were: C. C. Skiles, sales manager, and R. E. Taylor, district manager of the Shelby division.

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