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Meat Prices Placed Back Under O.P.A.

Grains And Dairy Products Remain Free Of Rulings

Washington, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Pork chops, beef steak, hamburger and all other meats are going back under O.P.A. ceilings, "at or close" to June 30 price levels.

Milk, butter, cheese, and all other dairy products remain free of price ceilings, but controls will be stamped back on if prices of those items jump further.

These main decisions of the price control board promoted widely varying reactions.

The meat industry spoke of dangers that black markets might spring up again and that the public would find less meat to buy.

And the CIO east of living committees said the decision to keep dairy products free of controls "will bring greater inflation to the American people."

Grains Ceiling Free.

In other points in its first decision, the congressionally-created price control board:

1.—Ruled against restoring ceilings on nearly all grains.

2.—Authorized livestock and meat subsidies to be paid again, at June 29 rates.

3.—Ordered price controls reestablished on soybeans and cotton seed products, including salad and cooking oils.

Shortly after the three-man panel announced its unanimous rulings last night, O.P.A. Chief Paul Porter told a reporter:

"Restoration of subsidies on meats means we can reestablish ceilings at or close to June 30 levels."

"This is the case on beef, pork and lamb. We have not decided yet on poultry."

Effective Friday.

O.P.A. had announced earlier that ceilings would become effective Friday on any goods recontrolled by the board.

Officials said today, however, that a plan under consideration calls for putting ceilings on live animals Friday, with a time lag in each case before they appear at the packer, wholesaler and retail outlets.

If this procedure is adopted, officials added, it may be several days before retail ceilings are reinvoked. In allowing milk, butter and cheese to remain ceiling-free, the board cautioned: "If prices for dairy products move upward from here on out, this board can and will put the industry back under control."

Government To Fire 1 Of 25 Employees

Washington, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Budget Director James E. Webb today ordered a cutback of 104,400 in the number of federal executive department workers in the next three months.

By Nov. 16, he said, one out of each 25 federal employees will be off the payroll and the number remaining will be down to 2,362,399. "Normal decline in seasonal employment" and shift of the United States Employment Service to the states are expected to account for most of those who go.

Unaffected and unaffected in those figures are congressional and court employees, cabinet members and agency heads, military personnel and civilian workers of the army, navy and war shipping administration outside the U. S. and its territories.

Including these, the total number of federal government employees throughout the world stood at 2,686,000 at the end of last June. Before the war, the number was 387,500, and during the war it went above 3,000,000.

The brunt of dismissals will fall upon a group making up only about a fifth of the total number of the federal payroll. They are the white collar workers in the ordinary peace time establishments of the executive branch — stenographers, executives, scientists, clerks, customs inspectors and so forth.

COMEDIAN SUCCUMBS.

Hollywood, Aug. 21.—(AP)—John (Bugs) Rodgers, comedian known throughout show business for his cheerfulness, died at Cedars of Lebanon hospital Tuesday. Death was attributed to Bright's disease and uremic poisoning.

The 40-year-old showman was born in Louisville, Ky., where he will be buried after a memorial service here. His only survivor is his son, John, in Louisville.

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy with little change in temperature tonight and Thursday. Scattered showers this evening.

BATTLESHIP'S FLAG TO HER STATE



PART OF NATIONWIDE V-J Day celebrations, Rear Admiral Francis W. Rockwell, former commanding officer of the battleship Nevada, presents the ship's flag to Gov. Vail Pittman, at Carson City, Nevada, who accepted the Pearl Harbor attack and was badly hurt by two atom blasts at Bikini Lagoon, but still remained afloat. (International Soundphoto)

Rift Over Election Inquiry Is Revealed

Committee Split Over Two Issue; Allen May Resign

Washington, Aug. 21.—(AP)—A major rift broke into the open today over congressional investigation of this year's election campaign.

The issues which sharply split two special committees set up to do the job are:

1. How fast the inquiries should proceed.

2. The procedure to be followed in certain cases such as looking into the role of the CIO's Political Action Committee.

The first was pointed up today by a statement from Rep. Leo Allen (R) of Illinois that election law violations "are being encouraged" by what he termed committee "stalling and delay."

Allen, number one Republican on the House Campaign Expenditures Committee, told a reporter he has considered resigning because he is "so disgusted with the lack of action" by his group. The committee has not yet named Speaker Rayburn (D) of Texas named it early this month.

Allen said he "can not understand" why Rep. O'Neal (D) of Kentucky has not started an investigation. O'Neal has made no comment since Rayburn named him instead of Domenguez had pleaded an all out inquiry into the CIO's activities.

Federal Inquiry Into S. C. Slaying Sought By Clark

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 21.—(AP)—A federal investigation "to help effect justice" was asked today by U. S. Attorney General Tom C. Clark into the fatal shooting of James Walker, Jr., Negro, in Barnwell county Aug. 12.

The request was contained in a letter addressed to the attorney general by John H. McCray, Negro newspaper editor and president of the Progressive (Negro) Democratic party here who said "our investigation" into the shooting led "us to believe" Walker "was shot in the back as he 'sat innocently chatting with relatives on the front porch.'" McCray said it was his information that a group of white men were involved.

William Crain, a white farmer, was charged with murder in connection with the shooting and released under \$2,500 bond. Sheriff Jeff Black of Barnwell said, but McCray said in his letter to Clark that a coroner's jury "vindicated" Crain.

NORWEGIAN DELEGATION SETTLES BORDER ISSUES

Oslo, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The Norwegian foreign office said today the Norwegian delegation which visited Moscow early in August had reached an agreement with the Soviet Union on the frontier between Russia and Norway.

Norwegians said the previous boundary established in 1926 was reaffirmed. Prior to the war this boundary was between Norway and Finland but the Soviet Union, by annexing the Petsamo district from Finland, became Norway's neighbor.

Equality At Paris Asked By Albania

Hoxha Asserts His Nation Won't Allow Frontier Changes

Paris, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The prime minister of Albania, Enver Hoxha, demanded today that the peace conference seat him as an equal and asserted that his Balkan nation never would consent to any changes in its borders "for those frontiers are sacred."

Many of his remarks were directed against Greece and its prime minister, Constantine Tsaldaris, also a target of Soviet Russia.

Referring to Tsaldaris' mention of the Albanian quibbling government during the Italian occupation, he asserted that all who remained had been killed and "those war criminals who fled are in the best hotels in Rome."

Albania A Stepping Stone.

He asked whether Tsaldaris would consider Greece an aggressor because Hitler had expected to wage aggression from French soil. It was from Albania, which Italy has seized as a prelude to the last war, that Mussolini attacked Greece.

Hoxha asserted that Albania would like to be friendly with the Greek people, but "the Greek people have no influence in their government."

He demanded the peace treaty "put to end to aggressive imperialistic policy of Italy."

Hoxha asserted that Italy caused three billion gold francs damage in Albania and demanded "an absolute right" to be allowed to determine the amount and payment of Italian reparation.

Speech Wins Applause.

Hoxha received a long burst of applause and so did Alfonso Diaz, spokesman for Mexico, who spoke next.

The Mexican ambassador to Paris expressed his country's hope that "a just and equitable peace will be concluded" with Italy, that "will permit her to join with dignity in the concert of nations."

At the speeches dined on, an informant in the peace conference secretariat said a 250 "fundamental" amendments to the draft treaty and an undetermined number of others had been presented by peace conference members. An American source said the U. S. had proposed some that its position was already stated in the four treaty drafts. The deadline for filing amendments passed at midnight.

1st District Cases Weight Fall Docket On Supreme Court

Daily Dispatch Bureau

Raleigh, Aug. 21.—When the fall term of the North Carolina supreme court convenes next Monday it will face a light week's work. Only five cases have been docketed for the first, twentieth and twenty-first judicial districts. Three of the five are from Beaufort county, two from Pamlico, all from the first district since last February in the trial. That means litigants in cases in counties of Camden, Gates, Currituck, Chowan, Hyde, Dare, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Haywood, Swain, Cherokee, Macon, Graham, Clay, Jackson, Caswell, Rockingham, Stokes, and Surry are either satisfied with verdicts or doubt the wisdom of appealing.

Some observers here said that the court would be a "last hope" of mediators seeking a permanent peace. Communist spokesmen denied that their party was calling for all-out mobilization against Chiang Kai-shek's forces and said "they have no desire" to overthrow his national government "which is strictly a one party regime now."

But they added: "The first thing is to stop fighting. Then we can talk about reorganizing the government."

Some observers here said that Gen. George Marshall and Ambassador John L. Stuart, having failed to stop the shooting first and talk politics later, now were trying to reach a political accord first. Chiang, these sources said, had asked Marshall to request a list of ministries which communists would demand in any coalition government.

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Good Business In Kyser Autographs

the Paul Green drama.

Sunday night he went back stage to visit with the cast and some of the kids clamored for his autograph. The youngsters lined up and Kay was signing his name as fast as he could. Posing for breath he looked down at one local boy and said: "Look here, fellow; haven't I seen you before? Have you been in this line all night?" The lad confessed that was about his fourth trip.

It developed that he was doing a

good business in selling Kyser autographs to other members of the cast who didn't care to stand in line themselves. The famed head of Kyser's College of Musical Knowledge thought at first the youngster was collecting enough of his autographs to trade in for one of Hedy Lamarr or some other glamour gal. But the young islander was more mercenary than that. He was getting two bits apiece in cash for the signatures.

BRITISH TROOPS ON GUARD IN TROUBLED HAIFA



TROOPS OF THE BRITISH FIRST INFANTRY DIVISION, using Bren gun carriers, guard the streets of the Palestine port city of Haifa. This action followed the gathering of thousands of Jews in the city's main streets to protest shipment of Jewish immigrants, seeking to enter Palestine without permits, to detention camps on Cyprus. RAF planes cruised over Haifa until the crowd of protesters dispersed. (International Radiophoto)

U. S. Opens Diplomatic Drive To Halt New Red Expansion

Downing Of Planes Defended By Tito

Asserts Country Will Insist Upon Its Sovereignty

Belgrade, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Marshal Tito in a speech published today, stoutly defended Yugoslavia's course in which two American planes have been brought down in ten days, declared the country intends to insist upon its sovereignty and shown that Yugoslavia wanted peace "but not peace at any price."

Saying he had witnessed the downing of one of the unarmed American transport planes, Tito denied that the craft was lost in the clouds or was fired upon after it landed. He admitted, however, that an American plane had been forced to land.

Previous eyewitnesses and official American accounts and the first plane strayed over Yugoslav territory from its course on a flight from Vienna, Austria to Udine, Italy, Aug. 9 and was forced to land after Yugoslav fighter planes wounded one of the passengers.

Although Tito mentioned witnesses only one incident and did not mention the date, he was believed to have seen both. The second involved a C-47 brought down August 19 near Bled. Tito was in Bled Aug. 19.

The Yugoslav foreign ministry in a note acknowledged that Yugoslav fighter planes attacked the transport and sent it crashing, probably with some fatal casualties.

BYRNES-YUGOSLAV DISCUSS PROBLEM

Paris, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Secretary of State James Byrnes had a frank talk on all aspects of the Yugoslav situation with Yugoslav Vice Premier Edvard Kardelj yesterday, a spokesman for the American delegation said today.

Truman Given Complete Data On Yugoslavia

President Sailing In Warmer Waters; Will Visit Bermuda

With President Truman En Route To Bermuda, Aug. 21.—(AP)—President Truman, armed with a full report on the Yugoslav situation, sailed today on his routine vacation vacation cruise.

The Chief Executive's radio-telephone 44-in on incidents involving U. S. army planes attacked near Yugoslav territory came from Secretary of State James Byrnes, who is in Paris for the peace conference.

Presidential Press Secretary Charles Ross told accompanying newsmen of the call shortly after he had advised them that the White House yacht was headed for a berth in Bermuda tomorrow afternoon.

The ship will land at the American naval base for fuel, water and food and "a minimum of ceremony." Presumably the governor general of the British Crown colony will board the vessel to express an official welcome. The President then may go ashore to return the call.

Ross said Byrnes had telephoned the President from Paris at 5 p. m. appraising him "of all developments" on the Yugoslav situation.

"The President has no statement to make about it now," Ross added.

Driver Of Truck Is To Be Tried For Manslaughter

Durham, Aug. 21.—S. V. Olive, 30-year-old white resident of Patterson township, the driver of a Chevrolet truck that overturned on Oxford highway last Friday morning resulting in the instant death of seven Negro sawmill workers, has been charged with manslaughter, it was reported yesterday by Sheriff E. G. Peltin.

Released under temporary bond of \$1,000, Olive is scheduled to be tried in recorder's court next week. He was injured but slightly in the accident that allegedly was caused when his vehicle swerved and catapulted 11 men into the path of a 20-ton log.

Lincoln hospital reported that the condition of three men in the hospital suffering from injuries sustained in the wreck is "still serious." Those in the hospital are Alec Loftin, William Ray, and James Jewette, all of Durham.

Ben Evans, 32, of 708 Glen street has been released from the hospital.

Russian Demands On Dardanelles Rejected By U. S.

Washington, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The United States launched a carefully planned diplomatic offensive today against Russian expansion into fresh areas of the Middle East and Asia. The master stroke was delivered with public announcement of this government's rejection of Soviet demands on the Dardanelles.

The broad outlines of the form the rejection would take had been known in advance, as the significance was in the readiness of top American officials to declare flatly it privately.

"There will be no turning back from this rejection—no 'Munich-like' settlement with the Soviet Union over the strategic Middle East waterway."

Top Officials Review Policy

President Truman, Secretary of State James Byrnes, Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson, Secretary of War Robert Patterson and Navy Secretary James Forrestal all have reviewed the American policy on this basis. And they are reported to have agreed that it must stand absolutely firm unless the U. S. is willing to grant Russia a new slice of domination from the Dardanelles to India and China.

Consistent with the release of the text of the new note, which was itself diplomatically mild but firm, a high diplomatic official said that if the Russians insist on having bases in the Dardanelles to the point of trying to use force, "it will mean very grave trouble in the world."

Hosiery Firm Pays \$120,000 Penalty

Raleigh, Aug. 21.—(AP)—J. L. Davis, Sr., president and treasurer of the Davis Hosiery Company, Greensboro, has settled an O.P.A. claim for alleged over-riding charges in the sale of women's hosiery by paying \$120,000 in penalties to the U. S. Treasury, the State O.P.A. reported today.

T. S. Johnson, State O.P.A. director, described the settlement as the highest in more than four years of O.P.A. operations in North Carolina. The charges, Johnson said, grew out of over-riding charges to retail outlets on more than 1,000,000 pairs of rayon hosiery during the six months period ending February 15, 1946.

The Davis concern sold 1,087,231 pairs of hosiery during the period for a total of \$611,145.74 when the local ceiling was \$518,550.35—making the alleged overcharge total \$92,595.39, Johnson said.

AUTO REGISTRATIONS NEAR RECORD HIGH

Raleigh, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Motor vehicle Commissioner T. Boddie was reported yesterday that a total of 775,623 motor vehicles have been registered this year, an increase of 20,393 over the 755,230 registered in the same period last year.

Ward predicted that with more than four months yet to go, registrations this year would exceed the all-time record of 737,108 vehicles registered in the year ending December 31, 1941.

Of the total registration, only 16,269 are new vehicles, and Ward said that the increase resulted from the importation of used cars to North Carolina from other states, and he asserted that "many of these cars fail to meet the mandatory inspection standards of the states from which they were imported."