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Security Tax Holds House In Deadlock

Failure to Compromise With Senate Means Hike In Rate to 2.5 Per Cent

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Another attempt to break the deadlock on social security legislation was blocked today, raising new doubts that Congress will be able to adjourn tomorrow.

Rep. Jenkins (R.-Ohio) objected when Chairman Doughton of the Ways and Means Committee sought to send the legislation to a House-Senate conference committee to iron out differences.

Democratic leaders laid plans for later in the day for a show-down roll call on whether the House wants to seek a compromise with the Senate. The Senate version provides poorer states proportionately more federal money for their needy than the richer ones.

Rep. Cox (D.-Ga.) told the House Rules Committee the Senate will not agree to adjourn until the House acts on the security legislation.

Unless Congress does act, the deadlock will result in an increase of old age insurance taxes from 1 per cent to 2.5 per cent on employees' pay and employers' payrolls next January 1.

More Aid to Needy Voted

The Senate yesterday approved a sliding scale of federal contributions for old age assistance, aid to the blind and help for

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

STATE SECRETARY BYRNES sits again in Paris, again tackling the tough job of trying to make peace in Europe.

Don't scoff. Don't sneer. Don't boo. Byrnes seems to be an honest man, working sincerely at what may be the gravest task ever undertaken by an American.

In a casual talk the other day, I flight from hovering to several times the speed of sound (the speed of sound is about 700 miles per hour), along with atomic propulsion (powering of planes by atomic energy) and NAVIGATION INTO OUTER SPACE (possible interplanetary travel) were predicted within the next 30 years by an executive of the Boeing Aircraft Company.

From such aircraft, atom bombs could be dropped.

EVIDENCE is accumulating that in the future a military establishment capable of winning wars after they are started will be too little and too late. Future wars may be finished within a matter of hours after they are started.

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Continued Deficit in Budget Cited as Truman Calls for Cuts in Federal Expenditures

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—President Truman today called on all federal officials to keep public expenditures "at the lowest possible level."

In a formal statement, Mr. Truman declared that reductions in federal expenditures are imperative in view of "the present inflationary situation."

The President's statement was contained in a letter to the heads of all executive departments and agencies. It said:

"We must do everything within our power to reduce inflationary pressures. One of the most effective means of doing this is to reduce federal expenditures."

The statement emphasized that the nation's present fiscal situation "is a most serious one."

Budget Deficit Cited

"We are faced with a continued substantial budget deficit in the present year," it continued. "Even those federal expenditures which are most necessary have the effect of increasing inflationary pressures in the total national economy."

Mr. Truman asked public works agencies "to postpone commitments and actual construction so far as possible, and to keep their expenditure programs within certain specified totals."

He asked each of the departments to review expenditure pro-



TRAP KILLS WIFE—A charge of first degree murder confronts James W. Bowden, 47, above, at Portland, Ore., following the death of his estranged wife in the explosion of dynamite, which he admits planting in a trunk in the basement of the family home. Bowden said he intended the booby-trap for a "friend" of his wife. The tragedy occurred as a sequel to a divorce suit filed by Mrs. Bowden, mother of two teen-age girls.

Corpse of Missing Girl Found in Bog

ONSET, Mass., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Ruth McGurk, pretty 25-year-old Cambridge summer visitor whose body was found in a lonely cranberry bog reservoir today, was murdered, state police said.

A hunt was still under way for a man named "Frank" with whom she left a dance hall at this beach resort Saturday night—the last time she was seen.

The body was clad in a dress, but medical Examiner E. Vincent Smith said undergarments were missing. Shoes also were missing and the backs of the victim's stockings were stained with a black substance which residents said was foreign to the area.

Investigators were considering the possibility that the girl was slain elsewhere and the body brought to the secluded pond, known as Green Lodge reservoir. Miss McGurk had been wearing a \$700 engagement ring given her by a sailor now absent on the Bikini bomb test.

Hospital Construction Bill Sent to Truman

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The Senate yesterday passed and sent to the White House legislation providing a \$1,125,000,000 nationwide hospital construction program.

The bill appropriates \$375,000,000 in federal funds, at the rate of \$75,000,000 annually for five years, to finance one-third of the cost.

Project sponsors, which can be either state, county, city or private non-profit institutions, must pay two-thirds.

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OPA Studies Need of Boost In Bread Price

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The government is trying to reach a decision today on whether to allow price increases of a penny a loaf on bread and about a cent a pound on flour.

Top OPA and Agriculture Department officials conferred on this as the new price decontrol board pushed plans to start public hearings by August 12 on this issue.

Should price ceilings be restored August 20 on meats, dairy products, grains, cotton seed and soy beans?

Chairman Roy L. Thompson announced last night that as soon as the board has decided this, it will tackle the question of whether controls should go back on eggs, poultry, tobacco and petroleum.

Ceilings cannot be re-invoked on these latter items before August 20 in any event, nor thereafter without consent of the board.

Boost Recommended

As for the possibility of high bread and flour prices, an official in a position to know told a reporter privately that a boost in ceilings has been recommended to OPA Chief Porter by his aides.

However, even if Porter concurs, the approval of the Agriculture Department is required to put increases on these food items into effect. The recommendation submitted to Porter is based on a tentative decision against restoring the flour subsidy which lapsed July 1. In this decision OPA officials took the stand that the subsidy could be paid again only if the decontrol

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Bomber's Crash Kills At Least 11 Persons, All Service Personnel

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Aug. 1.—(AP)—At least 11 service personnel, one of them believed to be a woman, were killed today in the crash of Navy Private bomber four miles west of nearby Camp Kearny.

The 11th Naval District reported that the plane, a land-based patrol bomber, crashed and burned four minutes after taking off from Camp Miramar Marine air field en route to Dallas.

The craft carried a crew of five and six Army and Navy passengers. The Navy said all the passengers were officers.

Police said there was possibility that more bodies might be found in the wreckage, which was scattered over a 200-yard area.

Gasoline Price Hiked by Standard of California

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Standard Oil of California today raised the price of gasoline one cent a gallon.

The company explained that the price increase for gasoline and allied products was permitted by the new OPA law and would enable the industry to make adjustment for "inequities" since price controls went into effect and would encourage peace time operations on a "sound economic basis."

Standard attributed the higher consumer cost to "higher costs in production of crude oil, which until now have had to be almost totally absorbed by oil producers because of OPA regulations."

The company said it would pay 10c to 30c a barrel more for crude oil and one cent a gallon more for natural gasoline it buys.

City Building Permits During July Reported

City building permits issued during July reached a total of \$64,150, with remodeling of the United States National Bank building at \$20,000 being the principal project undertaken, Glenn H. Taylor, city building inspector, reported.

Other projects for which permits were issued are: Commercial building, S. Pine street, \$8,000; to Maurice Newland; service station, \$8,000; Union Oil Co.; temporary church building, \$1,800; Church of the Open Bible; loading dock at railway spur, Short St., \$2,000.

Three dwellings, at a total of \$18,500, were authorized by issue of permits, Taylor said: One at \$7,500, one at \$6,000, a third at \$5,000. A fourth dwelling was re-modeled at \$850.

Fingerlings Moved From Death Traps To S. Umpqua River

Through voluntary work of several members of the Roseburg Rod and Gun Club, more than 20,000 fingerling steelhead trout and silverside salmon have been rescued from Willis Creek, it was reported today by Kenneth Gilkeson, who, with the assistance of Paul Caskey, directed the work under the supervision of Ross Newcomb, of the State Game Department.

The Rod and Gun Club was notified by Alton Rice, a resident of Willis Creek area, that the stream was drying up quite rapidly, leaving thousands of fingerlings stranded in shallowing pools.

Borrowing cans from the Umpqua Dairy, members of the sportsmen's club spent several days rescuing the fish and transporting them in a truck, furnished by Gilkeson, for release in the South Umpqua river.

It was estimated that more than 20,000 fish were saved in the operation, with a very low rate of loss in transportation and release.

12 Chinese Die In Attack on Marines

PEIPING, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The U. S. Marine Corps announced today that an estimated 12 Chinese were killed among the 300 who ambushed a Marine convoy Monday southeast of Peiping.

The corps previously had placed the Marine casualties at three dead and 12 wounded.

(Yenan radio, in a broadcast of a dispatch by the Communist New China News Agency, said today that the clash rather than being an ambush actually was an attack by more than 60 Marines and 80 Chinese government troops on a village, compelling communist soldiers of the Eighth Route Army "to defend themselves.")

(The Yenan broadcast, heard in Nanking, was the first actual communist identification of communist troops involved.)

The Marine Corps' announcement said the number of Chinese wounded was not known. It listed the Marine dead as one officer and two enlisted men.

The officer was killed at the outset by a grenade hurled at his command jeep.

The announcement explained that patrols travel the Tientsin-Peiping Highway regularly every third day to protect the route for supply convoys to Marine forces at United States executive headquarters in Peiping.

Truck-Train Collision Near Harrisburg Kills 2

HARRISBURG, Ore., July 31.—(AP)—Two Harrisburg men were fatally injured yesterday when their small truck was struck by a Southern Pacific freight train at a crossing north of here.

Lemuel B. Nicholson, 64, was found dead in the wreckage and William Trachsel, 51, died in a hospital at Eugene.

No witnesses to the accident were reported but state police said farmers told them of seeing the truck turn off the highway to a farm road at a fairly high speed.

Governor Repeives Vet Jailed on Speed Charge

PORTLAND, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Thomas Bous was back on his job today after a governor's reprieve that indefinitely postponed three remaining days of a 10-day jail sentence given the Navy veteran for speeding.

Gov. Snell granted the reprieve on the plea of Bous' bride of a month, who wrote the governor that District Judge Fred L. Olson fined her husband \$100 and sentenced him to 10 days for speeding ten miles an hour above the 55-mile limit.

Two New Appointments Announced by Truman

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—President Truman announced today he is appointing Keen Joynton, former governor of Kentucky, as under-secretary of labor.

The President also told the news conference he is naming William L. Clayton under-secretary of state in charge of economic affairs under new legislation he is prepared to sign.

Tragic Crash Interrupts Debate on Traffic Code

LONDON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—An automobile being pursued by a police car at 70 miles an hour through London's streets crashed through the railings outside the House of Commons early today and hurtled down 12 feet onto the House of Commons "speaker's green." One person was killed.

The crash interrupted a long commons debate on the traffic code.

Alert Lookout Averts Fire Loss in Woods

Alertness of a lookout on Mt. Scott early this morning was credited with the early control of a fire in the Martin Brothers Box Company logging operation on Goon Creek, in the upper Calapooia area east of Sutherlin. The fire could have resulted in a serious conflagration if prompt action had not been taken, Fred Southwick, district warden of the Douglas Forest Protective Association, reported.

The lookout, Miss Marceline Moore of Roseburg, awakened about 1:15 this morning. Following good lookout practice, she made a visual survey of the area covered by her station, Southwick said. She noticed a small glow in the distance, hardly larger than the glow from a campfire. Knowing it to be in extremely hazardous territory, she immediately reported it to the dispatcher at the Douglas Forest Protective Association headquarters in Roseburg.

After plotting the fire's location, the dispatcher sent the association's 12-man crew stationed at Hinkle Creek, and a pump truck and crew from Roseburg to the fire.

The crew reached the fire at about 2 o'clock, and despite the heavy accumulation of debris left on the ground by logging, was able to put the fire under control before daybreak.

Heavy Loss Averted

The size of the fire was held down to approximately one acre.

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Would-Be Truck Thief Nabbed by Motor Sound

LA GRANDE, Ore., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Clad in a pair of shorts and carrying a shotgun, John Burlee nabbed a would-be truck thief through the streets to the police station here early yesterday morning.

Burlee said he was awakened by the sound of a motor starting and identified it as that of his truck. He leaped from bed, grabbed a shotgun, and dashed out to find a man backing his truck out of the alley.

Brandishing his weapon, he ordered the man from the truck and marched him to the police station.

Jap Criminal Faints as Sentence Is Pronounced

YOKOHAMA, Aug. 1.—(AP)—A Japanese war criminal yesterday toppled over in a dead faint on being sentenced to five years' imprisonment—but another sentenced to 40 years shouted "very good, sir."

The fainting defendant, Capt. Yuhei Hosotani, was convicted by an Army tribunal of abusing prisoners of war at Hiroshima, where he was camp commander.

Yasuo Kobayashi, camp interpreter, was more nonchalant when sentenced to 40 years.

Water, Airport Bond Issues Lose at Ashland

ASHLAND, Ore., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Voters Tuesday rejected proposals to issue bonds to expand the municipal water system and improve the city airport.

New reservoirs and a filtration plant costing \$750,000 were rejected 384 to 325 while the \$50,000 bonds for the airport project was refused 515 to 185.

City Dwellers, Not Folks on Farm, Getting Fancy Foods, House Investigators Told

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—City dwellers can forget their dreams of fine, fancy food back on the farm.

Take it from Rep. Stephen Pace (D.-Ga.), city people now have it all over the country folks when it comes to eating.

"It's been that way ever since the war started," Pace complained to a House Agriculture sub-committee yesterday. "When shortages come, it's the country folks who get hit first."

Pace told the sub-committee, which is looking into the shortages of fats and oils, that wholesalers take care of the city trade but ignore the small towns.

Do you know where the salad oils, the compounds and the lard are being shined in my state?" he asked. "Atlanta, that's where. You won't find an ounce outside of Atlanta."

Pace said he understands the same thing is true all over the country.

"We get complaints from they're rural, every one of them, they're rural, every one of them."

End Not in Sight

O. W. Herman, acting director of the Department of Agricul-



PRINCIPALS IN \$2,500 CHECK CASE—Paul A. Olson, left, former secretary of Congressman John M. Coffee, Democrat, right, of Washington State, who this week testified before the Senate War Investigation committee regarding the \$2,500 check that Evid Anderson, Tacoma contractor, declared he gave Olson for delivery to Coffee for the latter's influence in obtaining a \$1,000,000 government hospital job. Olson and Coffee assert the check was a political contribution, and the former added that Anderson tried to "blackmail" him into withdrawing as a candidate for mayor of Tacoma.

Source of Defective Shells That Killed Yankee Soldiers Sought by Senate's Probers

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The Senate War Investigating Committee set out today on the back-trail of defective chemical mortar shells which killed American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge.

Concluding the first phase of its open hearings on war contracts, the committee announced it will give "high priority" to a separate "major investigation" seeking to fix responsibility for failure of the shells and the resultant casualties.

Maj. Gen. Alden H. Walt, chief of the Army's warfare service, estimated in testimony last week that 10 or 12 soldiers were killed by premature shell-bursts, but said he didn't think it was possible to pin the blame on any one manufacturer. A later report revised the number of casualties upward to 29 killed and 83 injured.

Erle Bason Metal Products Inc., one firm in the Garrison combine of war manufacturers under investigation, held a big contract for the 4.2 shells. Walt noted that other companies made the same size shell.

Announcing the investigation in a statement, the committee made public a questionnaire it will circulate chiefly among former military men having "first-hand knowledge of the facts."

Statute Aids Coffee

The announcement came after the committee's activities had produced these other developments:

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Jackson to Resume Duty On U. S. Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—President Truman said today he expects Associate Justice Robert H. Jackson to resume his duties on the Supreme Court upon his return to the United States.

Jackson, chief U. S. prosecutor at German war crimes trial in Nuremberg, is due back in Washington tomorrow.

Mr. Truman was asked at a news conference whether he expected to talk with Jackson about differences on the Supreme Court, including Jackson's disagreements with Justice Hugo Black. The President replied he expects to talk with Jackson about his duties in Germany.

Peeler Log Sellers May Now Get Boosted Price

SEATTLE, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Producers of west coast peeler grade logs, who sold to plywood manufacturers at adjustable prices, now may collect the authorized increase on those sales, the OPA said yesterday.

Ceiling price increases amount to \$7.50 per thousand feet log scale and were effective July 26,

Sawmill Rising South Of Roseburg Airport

Erection of a sawmill with a proposed daily cut of 50,000 feet, is under way at a site directly south of the Roseburg airport, Clair Welch, superintendent of Bonanza Mine, located east of Sutherlin, is reported to be the principal stockholder in the new venture.

Dissatisfied House Accepts To Save Bill

Demand to Substitute Cash Payments Will Be Made at Next Session

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The \$3,000,000,000 GI terminal pay bill headed for President Truman's desk today as House members laid plans to get around its "payment in bonds" provision early next year.

The measure cleared both chambers of Congress yesterday. Acting last, the House contented itself for the present with denouncing the Senate-inspired bond-payment plan. Members were afraid to reject it lest the legislation get lost in controversy during the closing days of the session.

But the chamber left no doubt regarding its future plans. From both sides of the aisle came demands that the new Congress, convening next January, enact a bill permitting holders of the bonds to cash them immediately instead of waiting the required five years from date of discharge.

Republican Leader Joseph W. Martin joined Democratic members in criticizing the bond provision. Many called it discrimination against GI's since officers have been receiving their terminal pay in cash.

Truman Favors Bond Plan

President Truman himself advanced the bond plan, describing it as less inflationary than straight cash payments. But Rep. Gavin (R.-Pa.) told his colleagues the administration had not been concerned about inflation when it passed the \$3,750,000,000 loan to Britain.

Rep. Dwight L. Rogers (D.-Fla.), co-author of the furlough pay bill and leader of the fight that brought it to its first vote in the House last June 11, announced he would introduce on the first day of the new Congress a bill to allow the bonds to be converted into cash immediately.

No one knows exactly how much the legislation will cost. However Rep. Thomason (D.-Tex.), who helped write the compromise after the Senate rejected the House's straight cash plan, estimated the sum at about \$3,000,000,000.

That would be approximately \$800,000,000 less than the World War I bonus is estimated to have

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West Coast Ships In Partial Tie-Up

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 1.—(AP)—CIO longshore bosses postponed their strike scheduled for today but partially tied up ports along the Pacific coast by continuing work stoppages.

The foremen in the principal coast ports voted to leave the strike call up to a coastwise negotiating committee, but ships at berth remained idle as a result of stop-work meetings.

The Waterfront Employers' Association reported that only 10 or 12 of the usual 200 longshore crews were working in San Francisco yesterday as a result of the absence of gang bosses. An employer spokesman said he did not know whether the bosses would return to work later today.

Dock foremen at Los Angeles last night voted to continue their stop-work meeting today although they agreed to postpone striking. They continued working relief shifts.

The CIO Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union said the bosses voted for the proposed strike after employers refused to recognize the union as bargaining agent for some 1,000 ship, dock and walking bosses along the coast.

The Waterfront Employers Association said recognition of the union as the bosses' bargaining agent depended upon certification by the National Labor Relations Board and that the board had not granted the union certification.

Roller Bearing Firms Face Anti-Trust Suits

CLEVELAND, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Three American and one foreign anti-friction roller bearing companies were charged with violation of the anti-trust laws yesterday in civil suits filed by the Justice Department's anti-trust division, which said the companies had entered into cartel agreements restricting American export trade.

American defendants were Timken Roller Bearing Co., Canton, O., described as "the world's largest producer of tapered roller bearings"; SKF Industries, Inc., Philadelphia; and Norma-Hoffman Bearing Corp., Stamford, Conn.

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Japanese and Nazi war criminals probably realize by this time that the privilege of committing atrocities does not carry the immunity enjoyed by "ouah best families" in Georgia and other states.

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Levity Fact Rant

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