

Business Stocking Up For Fall, Yule Trade Despite Drop In Department Store Sales

By RICHARD FISKE

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Business finally began stocking up for the fall and Christmas trade last week.

There were indications buying was widespread and substantial economists believed the belated purchasing was here to stay right up to the Christmas holidays.

It was one of the best economic signs of the summer. It generated a feeling of optimism among those who believed a loosening of the purse strings was needed more than any other single action.

Only recently the Commerce department said business primarily was responsible for its own decline because it refrained from buying and thus diminished the market for goods and services.

This week business men were spending. It seemed obvious they thought the consumer would loosen up before the year is out.

Inventories continued to disappear at a healthy rate. Coupled with purchasing, that should mean a quick upturn in production.

Large expansion programs were announced during the week. Ford Motor company planned a new pressed steel plant near Buffalo, N. Y.; Dow Chemical company planned a \$5,000,000 ammonia plant at Freeport, Tex.

Purchasing agents reported order backlogs going up. They said

orders are coming in for longer terms ahead. This means less hand-to-mouth buying.

Labor Picture Brighter

The employment situation was reported a little better in many sections. Additional plants recalled idle employees. Secretary of Labor Tobin told President Truman 1,000,000 new jobs may open up by the end of the year.

Automobile production headed at a merry pace toward an all-time high for the year.

Despite a wildcat strike that closed down some assembly lines the output for the week hit 146,545 units, about 2,000 above the previous week.

Industry spokesmen predicted August production of 643,000 cars and trucks, an all-time record for a month. And a yearly record was almost within the industry's grasp.

Dun and Bradstreet, the business reporting service, said consumer buying was up slightly in the week ended Wednesday although dollar volume was moderately below a year ago.

Department store sales, taken alone, however, were down again. The New York Stock Exchange showed some mid-week activity but slipped a bit on the final trading day.

A three-day rise brought the market to a peak for its summer rally and close to a high level for the year. Then, the market backed away on Friday.

The good days of the week were enough, however, for the market to show an overall advance over the previous week.

RAINS TAKE TOLL

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Aug. 23.—(AP)—The death toll in Slovak rainstorms and floods last week rose to at least 25, Czech press reports said today. A preliminary toll of 16, announced Wednesday, was increased by delayed reports from remote villages.



NOT SWEET BUT LOUD—Diana Dee, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jenkins of Louisville, Ky., accompanies her 3-month-old dog, Kayo, on harmonica as the dog hits a high note.

Communist Strike Offensive In Finland Loses Its Momentum

HELSINKI, Finland, Aug. 23.—(AP)—The communist strike offensive against the Finnish government lost momentum again today as workers apparently remained deaf to Red pleas for further walkouts.

Although the Transport Workers union called a strike for this morning, traffic was normal on Helsinki's streets.

The communist timetable had called for more than 100,000 of Finland's 300,000 unionized workers to be on strike today in what the government charged was an attempt to prepare for a communist coup.

The government has not yet been able to compile an official report on the number who actually have left work but employer estimates gave the total at 27,000.

The strike threat generally appeared to have been overcome by the combined firm efforts of the Social Democratic (Socialist) government of Premier Karl A. Fagerholm and the loyal Central Trade Union federation.

Strikers in many industries were reported streaming back to work. These included bakers, brewery workers, dock workers,

B-36 And Atomic Bomb World's Top Peace Guardians, Gen. Spaatz Says

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Gen. Carl Spaatz, retired air force chief, said today the B-36 bomber and the atomic bomb "are the greatest forces for peace in the world."

In terms of wars of the past, he said, Russia could subdue "practically all of Europe and Asia in a relatively short period of time" but the B-36 and the bomb maintain "a balance of power for peace."

The general was called before the House Armed Services committee in its inquiry into whether political influence or favoritism figured in developing the big, six-engine B-36.

Spaatz said that when he commanded the Air Force he made a decision to continue a contract for 100 B-36s let in 1943. His decision was made around December, 1946 or January, 1947.

lumbermen and log floaters. The waning strike movement drew strong comment from Finland's communist press.

The official Red party organ, Tykkanen Sanomat, yesterday charged police action against the strikers was aimed at preparing for war against the Soviet union.

This followed earlier communist charges that the government was violating the peace treaty with Russia.

"I believed," Spaatz said in a prepared statement, "that the results to be obtained from possession of an inter-continental bomber were so enormous as to justify going ahead and taking the chance of failure, just as was done in developing the atomic bomb which this plane is designed to deliver."

Even after rehabilitation of western Europe's political, economic and military strength, Spaatz said, the B-36 and the atomic bomb "will still be most potent instruments for maintaining a balance of power for peace."

RECORD CAR PRODUCTION
DETROIT, Aug. 23.—(AP)—United States automobile plants will hit an all-time record production total of 643,000 cars and trucks for August, Ward's Automotive reports estimated today. The statistical agency compared the figure with the industry's monthly high of 621,910 cars and trucks, established in April, 1929.

Safecrackers Obtain \$4,000 In Store Loot

SEQUIM, Wash., Aug. 23.—(AP)—Deputy sheriffs are investigating the theft of between \$4,000 and \$5,000 in currency from the Clallam Co-op store here last night. The loss was discovered by Ernest Teterud, office manager, when he opened the store this morning.

Deputy Howard Breece said the safecrackers broke a rear window glass to enter the building, then used an acetylene torch to cut a hole in the door of the vault large enough for a man to do through. Then they opened the vault door from the inside, rolled out the safe, and chiseled off its door in a workshop at the rear of the building.

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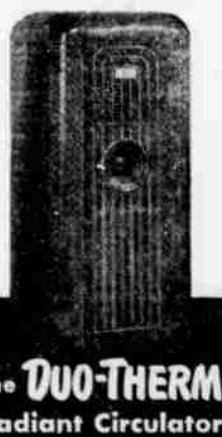
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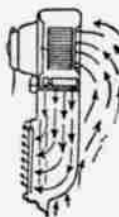
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