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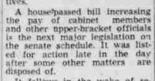
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#### Compromise On **Executive Pay** Raises In Making

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28-(A) The senate, having agreed to raises in military pay, turned more critically Tuesday to presi-dent Truman's idea of boosting salaries for top federal execu-



It follows in the wake of s nate passage by voice vote late yesterday of a bill giving pay raises to members of the armed forces in almost every grade at a cost of about \$300,000,000 an-

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A similar military pay bill passed the house earlier. House and senate conferees now will attempt to iron out the differences, which are minor. Raises in the senate bill range from about \$3 a month for recruits with five months service to \$300 and up for generals with over 30 years service.

Much more controversy has developed over the executive pay bill, for which Mr. Truman made another plea yesterday in a let-

another plea yesterday in a leter to Vice President Barkley.

Compromise Offers
After a muddle of senators in the office of democratic leader Lucas of Illinois, Senator McFarland (DAriz) said that 34 senators—20 democrats and 14 republicans—have offered a compromise which "is being accept—and a few white house aides promise which "is being accept—and a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few white house aides are used to be a few was a used radio. Teal's ingent a few was a used radio. Teal's ingent and the few an promise which "is being accept-d." McFarland is leader of a group which wants to scale down the pay raises Mr. Truman ask-

d. McFarland said that under the empromise no government of-

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ANYTHING GOES FOR A DOWN PAYMENT-Employes of Barney Teal, right, above, Detroit auto dealer, unload a customer's "down payment" on a used car. In this case, the down payment was a used radio. Teal's ingenious swappers will accept any item of value—from a fur coat to a piece of real estate—as part payment on their autos. Business has doubled since they developed the "anything goes" idea.

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have their pay raised \$15,000 and none would

For cabinet members, that would mean a boost in pay from \$15,000 to \$22,500 instead of the \$25,000 provided in the pending presidentially backed bill.

McFarland said that compromise also would cut the \$16,000 salary provided in the bill for seven white house assistants to \$15,000. But the President would be allowed to employ two at \$20,000 and three at \$18,000.

At present the white house salary scale for presidential assistants ranges from \$19,000 to a top, for one position, of \$15,000.

sistants ranges from \$10,000 or a top, for one position, of \$15,000. Clark M. Cliffor, special counsel to the president, presumably would be one of those moved up to the \$20,000 a.year level if the bill should pass. soil and returning. However, no responsible military man has ever said that fanatic Russian airmen might not be willing to make a one-way run.

#### Wife Asks Divorce From centers.

State Treasurer Pearson
OREGON CITY, Seot. 28—(P)—
State Treasurer Walter Pearson
was sued for divorce Tuesday by
Mrs. Pearson, his second wife.
She alleged cruelty, said they
had been living apart, and said
a property settlement had been
arranged. arranged.
The Pearsons were married at Spokane in 1941. missions.

It is reasonable to assume this

place a new premium on Fac North Polar defenses, including a speedup in building an aircraft warning system across the Arctic perimeter of the North American continent,

Can Russian Planes Hit Targets

In United States? Big Problem

For the moment, there seems to be no plans to build up man-power in the Alaskan defenses— if Secretary of Defense Johnson's answer to a Washington reporanswer to a Washington reporter's question was intended to apply to Alaska. When asked if the Russian atomic explosion report would bring a change in the fisposition of U. S. forces anywhere, Johnson replied with a one word negative.

#### No Information

At this big infantry training center and home of the third infantry division, officers apparently knew only what they read in the newspapers. Whatever top level decisions are being made in Washington are not reflected here where it is the business to train soldiers and not to make strategic decisions.

However, the military high By doing that they could reach ome major American industrial

gic decisions.

However, the military high command at Washington let it be known sometime ago that not only studies but training programs are under way for defense against atomic attack. Mainly these programs trend toward passive defensive measures such as dispersion of military personnel and equipment to make less

### Wheat Ahead For Britain's Profits **European Areas**

**Bumper Crop Of** 

PARIS, Sept. 28 (P)—Europe looks forward to a bumper 1949 wheat crop, approaching the yield of prewar years.

An Associated Press survey of 14 countries disclosed that experts estimate he current harvest will top even last year's crop, despite long summer droughts.

plantings.

Western Germany: Expects even larger crop than last year's which set a postwar record.

Belgium: One of biggest harvests in history.

Portugal: Dropped badly because of long drought.

Social meeting of the Parents' club of St. Joseph's school, scheduled for Friday in the K. of P. hall, has been indefinitely postponed it was announced to-day.

profitable targets for atomic blast; medical treatment of atomic casualties, and control of panic in event of attack.

On its part, the Navy has been hard at work attempting development of decontamination methods for removing poisonous vadioactivity from ships which might be sprayed by mist from under-water explosions.

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yield of prewar years.

An Associated Press survey of 14 countries disclosed that experts estimate he current harvest will top even last year's crop, despite long summer droughts.

Only two eastern European countries were included in the survey, because most iron curtain countries have made it a crime to disclose crop estimates.

"Earlier this summer," one American expert here said, "we figured this year's crops probally five percent below last year's. The figures coming in now make us think that it may be even better than 1948."

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Europe's wheat production in 1948 was 36.800.000 tons. This was 86.5 percent of the 1934-38 average total. Both totals exclude Russia which refuses to furnish figures.

A break-down by countries showed the following estimates in metric tons:

France: An estimated 7.849, no tons of wheat, 200,000 more than last year.

Italy: 6.866.000 tons—a gain of 12 percent.

Britain: Expects about 34 bushels per acre for some 1.900,000 acres—bigger yield per acre latt smaller total because of reduced plantings.

Western Germany: Expects

Ment "If there is any further breaking away from the voluntary limitation of dividends I shall consider myself at liberty to in troduce legislation to restrict dividends in the next finance bill." Cripps opened the crucial debate in the house of commons on the devaluation of the pound. He was fortified by a labor party caucus which, informants said, decided to stand behind the government on the currency issue.

A treasury spokesman s a id Cripps has authority to raise the tax on business and industrial profits at once. Later, the spokesman said, the chancellor presumably will submit some sort of formal motion asking house of commons approval, which would

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be virtually automatic in view of the heavy labor majority. Informed observers saw the action as a sop to rank and file labor which has been complaining that the little people will suffer most from the cheapening of the pound from \$4.03 to \$2.80.

The trades union congress has been insisting that even a slight rise in the cost of living would provide unbearable to the lower paid British workers. 'he TUC has not yet given the government, of which it is the most powerful pillar, its public support on the devaluation policy. In his address today Cripps insisted that food price increases "are not likely to come either in large measure or soon." The price of bread, however, already is up a penny. Cripps said that it may be that by the end of the year the cost of living index figure may be up about a point.

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