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**Price Cut Request Held One-Sided**

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Two Republican senators today urged an administration official to explain why he asked two automobile firms to rescind recent price increases without making a similar request of the steel industry.

The senators, Capehart of Indiana and Bricker of Ohio, termed it inconsistent for economic stabilizer Alan Valentine to seek no voluntary steel price cut and yet cancel General Motors and Ford to cancel increases they had announced.

Valentine asked Ford and General Motors last week to wipe out the roughly five percent price hikes they put into effect then. Both companies refused, saying the increases were justified because of higher costs.

Capehart and Bricker raised their questions about steel prices, boosted last month after a wage increase in the industry, as Valentine called in officials of Ford, General Motors and other auto companies today to talk over the price situation.

**IDAHO PROSPECTS**

**Fans Boosting Tall Vandals For Northern Division Title**

By DICK EIMERS

MOSCOW, Ida. — (AP) — The University of Idaho Vandals will do all right in Northern division basketball if they stand as high in the win column as they do in their stocking feet.

Coch Charles (Cheerful Chuck) Finley is grooming a tall, tall bunch of boys for a try at the Northern division and Pacific coast conference crowns. They're the tallest ever to play for Idaho.

The Vandal roster includes two men at 6 feet 7 inches, four at 6 feet 6 inches, and two more at 6 feet, 4 inches. The rest—all but one—stand above six feet.

**Finley Conservative**

The little guy is Dick Reed, a fireball senior forward from Lewiston, Ida. At 5-9 he's almost lost among his towering teammates.

Finley admits his current team will be "a bit better than last sea-

son." But he can't go along with all the cheerful words being said by Idaho fans about his boys.

Words like "coast conference title" are common wherever Idaho fans get together.

Finley wishes they weren't so sure. He's not.

"We may have a pretty good team," the ex-Marysville (Mo.) teachers star draws. "But I'm afraid we won't be able to live up to the reputation being built for us."

**Nine Lettermen Back**

Just for the record, he has nine lettermen back. They are seniors center Bob Wheeler, a 6-foot 6-inch lad from American Falls, forward Nick Stallworth, 6-6, Moscow Herb Mead, 6-4, a forward from Ju-neau, Alaska, and Reed.

The junior letter winners are guards Sam Jenkins, 6-3, Denver, Colo.; Stuart Dollinger, 6-2, South-gate, Calif.; Ken Barker, 6-6, Sayre, Okla.; Bob White, 6-3, Lew-iston, and forward Herb Millard, 6-6, Kendrick, Ida.

Tall boys of the squad are sophomores Hartly Kruger of Spokane and Ken Loudermilk of New Plym-outh, Ida., both centers and both 6-7.

**Paroles Sought In Contempt Case**

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — Parole for eight of 10 movie figures who were convicted of contempt of Congress in declining to say whether they were Communists is demanded on technical grounds by their attorney.

The attorney, Robert W. Kenny, told the federal parole board here the men "could never have been convicted if they had raised the claim for the privilege against self-incrimination in a technically correct manner. Between our clients and the others who will never suffer punishment for refusing to answer the identical question, the difference is technical, rather than substantive."

Kenny said he asks reconsideration in view of the U.S. supreme court decision Monday reversing judgment in a case involving refusal to answer questions on Communist party membership on self-incriminating grounds.

Two of the Hollywood 10, sentenced to six months and fined \$1,000 each, have served their time. They are Herbert Brown and Edward Dmytryk. Eight were given one year sentences and fined \$1,000 each. They are Dalton Trumbo, John Howard Lawson, Alvah Bessie, Lester Cole, Ring Lardner Jr., Samuel Ornitz, Albert Maltz and Adrian Scott.

Army sergeant Ed Tixier also is captain-elect of the Cadet basket-ball team.

**Former Model Seeks Divorce From Yeast Heir**

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — A former Powers model wants a divorce from Christian Rasmussen, III, 28, heir to the Fleischman yeast fortune.

Mrs. Elizabeth Holmes argued extreme cruelty in filing suit for divorce; an accounting of Holmes' property, estimated in excess of \$2,000,000; sole custody of sons Christian IV, 4, and Michael 2; a reasonable sum for support, and legal fees.

The Holmes were married in New York Dec. 16, 1944, after he returned from army service.

Holmes' father, the late Christian R. Holmes II, owned a small island near Honolulu and was noted for his collection of orchids and wild animals.

**NO ALL-STATE**

For the first time in years, the Beavers don't have a single player who won all-state high school honors—the starting quint, that is. Bob Edwards was a first-string all-state from Corvallis in 1948, and Don White and Glen Kinney were second-team choices in their prep days.

**Big Opium Seizure Made In Canada**

VANCOUVER, B. C. — (CP) — Police seized a large quantity of opium when they arrested Chang Hing, a ship steward, Tuesday on a downtown street.

He was carrying a sackful of opium in "deck" form when taken into custody, the R.C.M.P. said.

Chang is a second steward on the Greek freighter Indore, now docked at New Westminster. The ship came here from Tacoma, Wash. he has been charged with possession of narcotics.

The police seized 10 large decks of the narcotic. A deck, police said, is a package shaped like a pound of butter, but has no uniformity of weight.

It was the first seizure of opium here since October, 1947, when more than \$4,000,000 of the narcotic in raw form was found in a winch housing of a ship.

Police said a search of the Indore disclosed a quantity of "yen shes" — a black cooked form of opiate — an opium pipe and "deck-in" paper.

The Indore had been in the orient, and her last port of call in the Far East was Yokohama.

Mrs. Alice Greene, wife of John Greene, serving his second year as co-captain of the Detroit Lions football team, practices law in Detroit.

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**Singapore Riot Leaves 16 Dead; Order Returning**

SINGAPORE — (AP) — Singapore was gradually returning to normal today after two days of bloody rioting over the custody of a Moslem-reared Dutch girl. The casualty toll stood at 16 known dead and at least 180 injured.

Though shops and business houses reopened to brisk Christmas trade, the city remained under a dusk-to-dawn curfew.

In a fresh outbreak of violence Malays and Indians set fire to another military truck in the main Moslem quarter this morning.

Police swooped down on the trouble sector and arrested some 30 Moslem youths, part of the fanatical mob which began island-wide rioting Monday in protest against a court order returning 13-year-old Maria Bertha Hertogh to the custody of her Roman Catholic Dutch mother.

The mother, Mrs. Adeline Hertogh, lost her daughter in 1942 during the Japanese occupation of Java. Since then, the child had been reared as a Moslem by a Malay woman who sought to retain custody of her.

The rioters sought to kidnap the child and return her to the Malay foster mother and to the Moslem schoolteacher Maria Bertha married last summer. An appeal by the two Malays against the custody order will be heard next March, but the court ruled that the child, meanwhile, could be taken to Holland.

Reports developed last night that Maria Bertha and her mother had been spirited out of Singapore aboard a Dutch warship. Dutch consular officials refused to confirm or deny the report.

**FOUR CALIFORNIANS**

Slats Gill has used four Californians on his starting basketball five thus far. Bob Payne is from San Francisco, Danny Johnston from Compton, Jim Nau from Santa Ana and Jim Padgett from Redding. Two other Californians, both strong alternates, are Bill Harper and Jim Sugrue. Harper hails from Oakdale and Sugrue from Alameda.

**Pontiac Boosts Prices On 1951 Model Autos**

PONTIAC, Mich. — (AP) — Pontiac motors' 1951 model autos, introduced today, carry price tags \$20 to \$80 higher than the 1950 models.

The company said the \$20 increase will go on the station wagon; a \$60 advance on the Catalina or so-called "hard-top" model and \$80 increase on other de luxe units. No change is being made in the price of the hydraulic transmission, optional equipment on all models.

Pontiac is the second general motors division to announce price increases. The increases were decided upon despite the request of the Economic Stabilization agency that GM and Ford cancel the increase until the agency could study the price situation.

Ford already has advanced its car prices from \$87.50 on its Ford models, to \$165 on its Lincoln Cosmopolitans.

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