

PRICE-WAGE FREEZE ORDERED

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Thursday Levels To Be Immediate Stabilization Line

By MAX HALL

WASHINGTON — AP — The government last night ordered an immediate freeze of prices and wages. Prices were stabilized at rates in effect last Thursday midnight, prices at their highest levels during the period of Dec. 15, 1950 to Jan. 25, 1951.

Price Stabilizer Michael V. DiSalle said that rationing is not planned in the near future and maybe no at all. The long-expect price and wage freeze is designed as a temporary dam against inflation, to be maintained until permanent ceiling formulas can be drawn up.

Huge Task Of Organization
Officials turned today to the mountainous task of making it work. The Office of Price Stabilization, headed by DiSalle, sent an S.O.S. to the FBI and other bureaus for help in enforcement.

President Truman ordered all federal agencies to pitch in as needed. One official said OPS plans a "ruthless enforcement effort at the outset."

Oddly, at the same time, the OPS enforcement chief suddenly resigned. He is Rear Admiral John H. Hoover, retired naval officer. His reason for quitting was not clear, and repeated phone calls to his home got no answer. Another official somewhat hesitantly quoted Hoover as saying he had "completed his job of setting up the enforcement organization."

Labor Leaders Raise Protest
The twin freezes were welcomed by many men in Congress and in business — but labor leaders raised a big protest over the wage freeze. They want flexible controls that will permit lagging wages to catch up.

The wage stabilization board (WSB), which didn't order the wage freeze and took no responsibility for it, renewed its work today on a flexible formula to replace the freeze. In a dramatic and turbulent setting, nearly exhausted officials gave out the news of the freezes piecemeal. The process lasted from 6 p. m. until nearly 1 o'clock this morning.

The price freeze does not apply to all prices. A long list of items, including many foods, will still have leeway to rise. But most prices were frozen at the highest level of the period from Dec. 15 through Jan. 25 — day before yesterday. Since very few things have dropped in price during that period, the general effect is to freeze Jan. 25 prices.

No Wage Exemptions Listed
Wages and salaries were simply frozen as of Jan. 25, and no exemptions were listed in the order. Thus, the wage board was under frightful pressure for speed.

Officials believe that the faster the board completes its general wage policy, the better chance of keeping labor-management peace. Board Chairman Cyrus S. Ching told reporters, "Now we'll be forced to act as quickly as possible."

Dr. Lehrbach, 67, Local Physician, Dies Early Today

Dr. Lester M. Lehrbach, 67, Roseburg physician and surgeon since 1912, died early today at his home here following a prolonged illness.

Dr. Lehrbach was born in Arcadia, Wis., Jan. 21, 1884. He was graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1902, and from the Northwestern university school of medicine in 1906. He served his internship at St. Francis hospital at La Crosse, Wis.

He came to Oregon in 1908, making his home at Junction City, coming four years later to Roseburg, where he has practiced since.

Dr. Lehrbach was a member of Laurel Lodge 13, A.F. and A.M.; Hillah temple 326 of the Shrine; the B.P.O.E. Knights of Pythias; the Roseburg Lions club, of which he was a past president; the Douglas County Sheriff's posse; the Douglas County Southern Oregon and Oregon State Medical societies.

Surviving are his widow, Rachel, Roseburg; three sons, Nicholas M. Lehrbach, Roseburg; Lester M. Lehrbach, Eugene; and Harry M. Lehrbach, Portland; daughters, Mrs. Leo (Peggy) Waller; San Mateo, Calif.; a brother, Dr. L. N. Lehrbach, Odessa, Wis., and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Long & Orr mortuary Tuesday, Jan. 30, at 2 p. m., with Rev. Walter A. MacArthur, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating. Masonic rites, under the auspices of Laurel lodge 13, A.F. and A.M., and vault interment will follow in the Masonic cemetery.

Two Iron Lung Coin Containers Are Robbed
Some thieves will stoop mightily low to pick up a dishonest dollar. Mrs. Vernon Harpham, secretary for the local March of Dimes drive, reported two of the miniature iron lung coin containers were robbed recently.

One of the containers was reported missing Friday from the Trailways bus depot. Another container at the Star theater was apparently picked open and its contents removed sometime Thursday after the box office had closed, Mrs. Harpham said.

Mrs. Harpham could not estimate the loss but believed it amounted to "several dollars."

BEVIN BETTER
LONDON — (AP) — British foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, who is suffering from pneumonia, had a "restless night" his physician reported today.

A Foreign office spokesman said later that Bevin was a little better continuing his improvement.

SHOOT SLATED
Traps open at 10 a. m. Sunday at Winchester for the last January practice shoot of the Roseburg Rod and Gun club.

The winner of last week's shoot was Ken Glickerson with 25 afloat. George Vaytella and John Marks broke 24 of 25. Scores of 23 were posted by Perry Thiele, Charles Klingler, H. M. Shirliff, Allen and Dallas Bennett.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

A California seismologist told an Oregon State college audience that Oregon would have more earthquakes this year. He was probably alluding to the periods when residents will get their tax bills.

South Korean Sailors Raid Port Of Inchon

Allied Tank Column Thrusts Four Miles North On Seoul Road

By OLEN CLEMENTS

TOKYO — (AP) — South Korean sailors made a 4-hour commando raid on Inchon Saturday while American and allied soldiers pressed their northward drive within 12 air miles of Seoul against slight Communist resistance.

A tank column leading two allied corps of American, Turkish, British and South Korean infantry thrust four and one-half miles north of Suwon. This put the column only 14 road miles and less than 13 by air from the ravaged South Korean capital city of Seoul.

United Nations ground forces also scored gains in line-straightening operations along the snowy front stretching 80 air miles southwest from Seoul. There were patrol clashes seven miles north of Suwon, central-front milestones 53 miles from Seoul.

Task Force Strikes
Twenty-five miles east of Wouju, an American army task force lashed forward and shelled into flaming ruins the town of Pyong-chang.

The largest U.N. forces, however, were in action on the front south of Seoul, with their left flank bolstered by the amphibious raid on Inchon, port city 22 miles southwest of Seoul.

The South Korean commandos killed 40 Red Koreans at Inchon and captured two. They met no Chinese.

The raiders swarmed ashore under the guns of the American destroyer St. Paul, the Canadian destroyer Cayuga and the U. S. destroyer Hank.

The swift-striking raiders suffered no casualties. The northward thrust along the main road to Seoul, "Heartbreak Highway," began Thursday morning. Two U. S. Eighth army corps — the First and Ninth — jumped off in a limited offensive and recaptured Suwon and Komyangjang.

Gain Along Whole Front
An A. P. field dispatch said the column was meeting only moderate resistance. Allied troops forged ahead along a 40-mile front.

"We have hit fairly good enemy positions but apparently have not yet run into their main line of resistance," a divisional officer said.

United Nations troops fought in the pre-dawn darkness Saturday with Red patrols that had sneaked back into Suwon. Guns flashed in the night but the town was reported cleared of Reds by daylight.

Allied warplanes and artillery pounded small pockets of Reds in dug-in hill positions.

The allied drive along the Western front was the first big push since Chinese Reds jumped into the war in late November and reversed General MacArthur's "end-the-war" campaign into a long retreat.

Heavy Support Given
Bombarding warships, convoys, blinding planes and heavy concentrations of tanks and artillery aided the advance along a line extending eastward from Suwon through Komyangjang, Ichon and Yoji.

District Legion Convention Dated Sunday At 2 P.M.
Department officers, visiting Legionnaires and the auxiliaries will head the list of distinguished guests, Hol- lis E. Hull, department vice-com- mander, Tom Collins, department adjutant and various standing committee chairmen will attend.

Also Mrs. Myrtle Krueger, The Dalles, department president of the auxiliary will hold a separate conference during the afternoon for auxiliary members. She will be assisted by other officers, including Mrs. Marie Wilkins of La Grande, vice-president, and Mrs. Mae Whitcomb, department secretary.

The conference's purpose, announces Commander Dickey, is to discuss problems, program and policies of the Legion and to acquaint the membership of the actions taken at the state convention at Grants Pass and national convention in Los Angeles, as well as to discuss state and national legislation.

Junior First Citizen Will Address Chamber
Roseburg's junior first citizen will be the speaker on the chamber of commerce forum luncheon Monday noon in the Hotel Umpqua.

The Rev. W. A. MacArthur has accepted the invitation from the forum committee to address the group and discuss the obligation of the chamber to the community, said President George Louma.

The Rev. Mr. MacArthur was awarded the title of first citizen at the recent Junior chamber of commerce banquet.



GREETINGS—General Douglas MacArthur (left) greets State department advisor John Foster Dulles as the latter arrived at Haneda Airport, Tokyo, on the steps of the plane that carried Dulles to Tokyo. Dulles is in Tokyo to confer with Gen. MacArthur on the Japanese peace treaty. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Tokyo)

Americans Lax In Guarding Heritage, Speaker Declares

By PAUL JENKINS

The American financial and political structure may fall; our institutions of education, and of religion, may disintegrate; our traditional concepts of freedom and liberty may perish; but if this should occur, it will be the fault, not of the principles involved in each case, but because of laxity upon the part of the American people in safeguarding those priceless treasures inherited from the founding fathers of our country.

Such was the message brought to the Drain chamber of commerce on the occasion of its annual banquet Friday night by Edgar Smith, president of the Portland chamber of commerce, chairman of the state board of education and principal speaker at the chamber meeting.

"Chambers of commerce throughout our country," Smith continued, "function in similar fashion to the town hall of early days. At its chamber of commerce the problems of a community are discussed; solutions presented and studied and action looking to the best interests of all is inaugurated with unanimity."

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"If this same procedure of straight thinking and direct action could be carried into the top levels of our political administration the vexing problems which threaten our very existence as a free and democratic nation soon would be overcome."

Prior to introducing the speaker, L. P. Regan, master of ceremonies, on the part of the chamber, presented a plaque to William P. Griswold, retiring president, in honor of his outstanding services to the organization, introduced Jim Whipple, incoming president, and delegations from neighboring communities, including George Louma, president of the Roseburg chamber of commerce, and Mrs. Louma; Gordon Carlson, Roseburg Junior chamber of commerce president; Percy Webb, president of the Cottage Grove chamber of commerce, and Mrs. Webb; Carl Hill, Douglas county judge; Dick Baker, county commissioner, Mrs. Baker, and other visitors.

Held At Methodist Church
The banquet was held in the organization hall of the new Methodist church now nearing completion and was prepared and served by the Womens Society of Christian Service.

Invocation was said by the Rev. W. N. Byars and entertainment provided by Jerry Whipple at the piano and a quartet featuring Jim Whipple, Leo Regan, Dan Andreian and George Jackson.

Third Man Pays Fine For Wasting Elk Meat
A third man has been arraigned in district court charged with wanton waste of game animals. He was Sidney Mack Stewart, 52, a Winston sawyer, who was fined \$200 Thursday, according to Judge A. J. Geddes.

The charge involves four elk allegedly killed illegally near Lander's lookout Sunday, Jan. 1, state police report. Last week, Earl Ephemer Collins, Winston, and George Dewey Sanders, St. Roseburg, paid fines on similar charges in the district court.

The state police report that Collins allegedly killed four elk, three cows and a calf. The other two men helped him cut off only the choicest parts of the animals, leaving behind nearly 700 pounds of meat, according to the police report.

Housewives Seek To Abolish State Milk Control Law

SALEM — AP — Housewives last night argued against the dairymen, milk producers and small retailers that the state milk control law should be abolished.

The ladies, angered because of recent producer demands for a 3-cent-a-quart price boost, demanded repeal of the law because it lets the state fix minimum milk prices and because it won't let stores sell milk for less than the home-delivered price. They claimed it has given Portland the highest milk prices on the coast.

But the men who supported the present law said milk hasn't increased in price as much as other foods. They said the law is needed to save dairymen from disaster, and claimed the dairymen are losing money even at present prices.

The hearing, before the house food and dairy committee drew more than 600 persons, most of them housewives. It was held in a hall on the Willamette university campus because the capitol doesn't have a room which would hold a crowd that large.

Veterans, Newly-Weds Considered For Draft

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The house armed services committee reported yesterday considering extending the draft to some World War II veterans and newly-weds in the 19-26 age range.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) told a draft law hearing yesterday it is hard for him to understand why a youth who served only 90 days in World War II should be given automatic deferment while another who didn't serve may be drafted for 21 months.

Earlier Vinson had said the committee would look into the possibility of adding to the potential military manpower pool young men who have married since fighting started in Korea. Married men and veterans are not now being drafted.

The committee confronted with a Defense department proposal for drafting of 18-year-olds, was reported reluctant to dip into this age group immediately. It called on the department to bring in suggestions Monday on tightening the law to cut down deferments.

The defense department today cut in half an earlier estimate that 150,000 4-F's now deferred from the draft could be put into service.

The new estimate was given to the house armed services committee by Assistant Defense Secretary Anna Rosenberg. She said it reflects the views of Maj. Gen. Lewis Hershey, selective service director.

Mrs. Rosenberg had told the committee yesterday that 150,000 men now deferred for physical or mental reasons could be inducted if they were screened again and qualifications lowered.

She said today Hershey now estimates that "by slightly lowering" the mental standards and strictly enforcing existing physical standards, between 75,000 and 80,000 of the present 800,000 4-F's could be put into full active service.

SUFFERS INJURY
Rupert Lee of Roseburg suffered a severe head injury and arm lacerations while working at Youngs Bay Lumber company Friday afternoon. According to the report from the company office, Rupert was thrown from the headrig. Two other men on the headrig at the time were not hurt. Lee is now at Mercy hospital.

Top Measures Defeated During Week By Solons

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.

SALEM — (AP) — A lot of Portland housewives got angry this week when producers asked for a milk price increase of 3 cents a quart.

That made repeal of the milk control law the top issue of the week, even though there isn't a chance that the legislature would repeal the law.

The milk fight battle lines are drawn. The Portland legislators want the law repealed, and the upstate legislators don't.

The past week—the third one—saw the legislature hard at work, most of it being done in committee sessions.

Big Measures Defeated
Nothing much was passed by either House during the week, but some big measures were defeated. Two of them would have given Oregon a one-house legislature, and abolished betting on horse and dog racing.

World War II veterans got the word that they wouldn't get their bonus before October, which would be 11 months after the voters approved the bonus bonds.

Most legislative leaders are hopeful that the session will last a total of around 75 days. That would be 22 days shorter than the law one.

Here's the status of the major legislation:
Finances—The House got its second tax bill this week. It would raise an additional \$2,000,000 a year, largely by taxing income of utilities. The only other tax bill which has been introduced is the 2 percent sales tax measure. But a lot more tax ideas will be introduced. Subcommittees of the joint ways and means committee are hard at work trying to erase the \$58,000,000 budget deficit.

Education—Dr. T. C. Holy, Ohio State education expert who recommends extensive reorganization of the public school system, will arrive next Wednesday. Then the big hearings will be held on his bills.

Government reorganization—The "Little Hoover" commission will (Continued on page two)

State Issues To Be Aired In Program From Capital

By ESTHER GEDDES

SALEM — Among the methods used for keeping the people of Oregon aware of the activities of the state, radio is becoming more and more useful.

T. Lawson McCall, administrative assistant to Governor McKay, has as one of his many responsibilities the preparation and production of a weekly radio program concerned with the activities of the legislature. During the session this program, which is called "Spotlight on Salem," is aired weekly by radio station KEX (1190) at six o'clock on Saturday evening. The time is donated for the program as a public service feature.

The last broadcasts have presented legislators who were particularly involved in the current struggle to "balance the state budget" and some matters of serious concern have been discussed for the benefit of the radio audience.

The next broadcast tonight is a little change from the usual ones. It's ladies' day. The four women who take part in the forum are Sen. Marie Wilcox from Grants Pass, Rep. Mureen Neuberger from Portland, Mrs. Zylphia Zell Burns, chief clerk of the Senate, and Mrs. Paul Geddes, (yours truly) representing the life-secretaries. The discussion promises to become a little lively if such controversial subjects as milk-control, or the matter of tacking a price tag on referendum or initiative ballot measures are mentioned as the lady senator and the lady representative are famous for having widely divergent views on this matter.

If Roseburg radio reception permits listening to this program as a regular Saturday evening plan it might be both interesting and instructive.



Resort People Hear Explosion

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — (AP) — Citizens of this gambling resort today felt an explosion from the Atomic Energy commission's new testing grounds some 40 miles from here.

It was believed to be the second testing detonation on the desert base.

Many in this city believed they saw an atomic blast. "It really lit up the sky like a big sunburst," said one citizen.

Ronald Gardner, circulation manager of the Las Vegas Review-Journal said the blast "awakened him."

Wallace Johnson, a printer, said he saw the flash and felt the concussion in his Henderson home, which is 50 miles away from the testing ground.

Literally hundreds of people saw and heard the blast. Many of them were Southern Californians in town for the usual weekend tourist influx.

The blast was timed at approximately 5:30 a. m. to 6 a. m.: Pacific Standard time. Gambling casinos run full blast through the night here and many people are up at that hour.

Something mysterious exploded last week on a new Nevada testing ground used by the Atomic Energy commission.

The commission wouldn't say what.

First word of the detonation came yesterday from Nevada's governor, Charles Russell. He told inquiring reporters about it.

Then AEC officials conceded that: 1. "A detonation did occur" on the Nevada desert but wouldn't say whether it was atomic or simply a conventional explosion.

2. The purpose of the explosion was to try out communications and other facilities at the former air force bombing range.

3. Full-scale tests will start within two weeks but their results "will be neither visible nor audible except under certain weather conditions."

In the Day's News
By FRANK JENKINS

After nearly seven months of shooting war in Korea, what is your feeling about United Nations? Are you all-out for it? Are you enthusiastic about it?

As one small individual among 150 millions, I'm sorry to have to confess that as of now, in the present emergency, I haven't much faith in either the ability or the WILL of United Nations to handle the menace of world communism.

I think that if we're going to save ourselves from being CONQUERED BY RUSSIA we're going to have to do the bulk of the fighting that will be involved ourselves — just as we've been doing the bulk of the fighting in Korea.

Mind you, I'm speaking AS OF NOW. The situation might change. Our friends in Europe might come to the conclusion that the Americans can't and won't do ALL the fighting in Europe—that if Europe is to be saved from communism they'll have to do a lot of it themselves.

That would change the outlook materially. But as of now there are no clear signs of willingness to (Continued on page four)

The Weather

Partly cloudy today, tonight and Sunday with a few scattered showers Saturday afternoon.

Highest temp. for any Jan. — 71
Lowest temp. for any Jan. — 50
Highest temp. yesterday — 59
Lowest temp. yesterday — 33
Precip. last 24 hours — 0.0
Precip. from Jan. 1 — 4.41
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 30.43
Excess from Jan. 1 — 1.28
Sunset today, 5:18 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:33 a. m.