

Huge Sacrifice Sale By U.S. Due For Jury Probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General McGranery said Tuesday that circumstances surrounding the government's sale of the St. Johns River Shipyard at Jacksonville, Fla., in 1946 will be presented to a federal grand jury here on Sept. 3.

The attorney general told a news conference last week that the matter should have been referred to a grand jury a long time ago.

A house committee investigating Justice Department affairs asserted recently that allegations of bribery and collusion were raised after the sale six years ago and were referred to the Justice Department then, but that no action resulted.

The shipyard, built at a cost of 19 1/2 million dollars, was sold at public auction as war surplus. The successful bid for purchase—\$1,928,500—was made by the Tampa Shipbuilding Cor., owned by Louis E. Wolfson.



SOCIALITE DENIES WHITE SLAVERY—Mickey F. (Mickey) Jelke (right), 22-year-old socialite playboy arrested in New York in connection with an expensive call-girl racket, appears worried as he is booked along with publicity man Ray Russell on white slavery charges. Jelke, heir to an oleomargarine fortune, was also charged with Sullivan Law violation for possessing the two guns shown on the desk. Jelke denied the charges.



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Camas Valley Methodist Meeting Set Tonight

The board of education of the Camas Valley Methodist Church will meet at 7:30 p.m., PST, Wednesday in the church.

The monthly meeting of the official board will be held on Thursday evening, following a fellowship potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m., PST. The finance committee also will meet Thursday.

Mrs. Ethel Beown, chairman of the official board, says it is important for members of these committees to attend the meetings.

IOWA TO ADVERTISE

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Iowa joins the states propagandizing their products, scenery or other virtues next year. Iowa's motor license plates for 1953 will carry the words "The Corn State."

INDIANS GET DIVIDEND

CARDSTON, Canada (AP)—Indians here have just received their first dividend from the sale of their oil rights. The initial dividend was \$21,000. Several companies now are making tests on the reservation and two oil wells are being drilled.

Scientists Studying California 'Red Tide'

LA JOLLA, Calif. (AP) University of California oceanographers are studying water samples taken from the "red tide" that visited the California coast recently.

The tide is a reddish-brown discoloration of the sea water caused by the sudden and luxuriant flowering of millions of microscopic, free-floating plants in the surface layers of the ocean. In Mexican waters the red tide is sometimes believed responsible for poisoning millions of fish.

Statues Of Two Oregon Pioneers Put In Capitol

WASHINGTON (AP) — Statues of Dr. John McLoughlin and the Rev. Jason Lee were placed in the Capitol Monday without ceremony.

Since Congress is not in session, it was decided to hold unveiling ceremonies at Salem, Ore., where replicas of the statue will be unveiled, probably in January.

The bronze statue of McLoughlin was placed in the House corridor.

Thad. David Lynn, architect of the Capitol, explained McLoughlin's statue would have gone there, too, except for the fact space already is cramped, and McLoughlin's statue is large.

Years ago each state was entitled to have two statues of famous persons placed in Statuary hall, recently only one from each state has gone into the hall because of limited space.

Oregon presented these two statues of the pioneers. McLoughlin was known as a humanitarian, and the first man to govern the Oregon Country. Lee was the first missionary and colonizer of the Oregon Country.

Helicopters Helping Anti-Pest Campaign

LEOPOLDVILLE, Belgian Congo (AP) — A new pest-killing campaign is underway here to eradicate flies and mosquitoes.

Day after day two helicopters are sweeping over the roofs of the town spraying the streets with powerful insecticides. The native population has been asked to open all windows and doors to allow the poisonous fumes to enter every corner of every house.

Report Shows U.S. Prices Rise Slower Than Europe's

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — Americans may shudder at current price tags but a United Nations survey indicated Saturday that prices have risen less in the U.S. since 1948 than in such tightly controlled nations as Britain, Norway and Sweden.

Moreover, the U.S. has held the line against inflation better than such uncontrolled countries as Canada, France and Argentina, according to figures released in the U.N.'s latest monthly bulletin of statistics.

The survey showed U.S. prices have gone up 10 per cent since 1948. Figures for other countries included: Britain, 28 per cent; Norway and Sweden, 31; Canada, 21; France, 43; Argentina, 185.

Some experts, however, claim the survey is not a fair gauge of country-by-country differences in cost-of-living. The U.N. takes 1948 as the base year. By that time, these experts contend, the U.S. already had undergone the worst of its postwar inflation but the process was just beginning in many other countries.

This means that even though U.S. prices have not increased since 1948 at anywhere nearly the rate suffered in some other countries, they started from a higher plateau and in actual cash often are higher.

Another point made is that many of the most spectacular American price increases have occurred in the price of such items as meat which has little weight in an index but makes a big difference in the average person's budget.

Basic foodstuffs, incidentally, are shown by the survey to have risen only 10 per cent in the U.S. during the past four years as compared with 21 per cent in Canada, 38 per cent in Sweden and 37 per cent in France. British food prices, in contrast to the rest of the nation's economy, went up only 9 per cent.

The sharpest rise in American prices, the survey showed, came immediately after the outbreak of the Korean War. The index was steady from 1948 to June 1950 and inflation in the U.S. appeared under control.

But in the next few months the index shot up to 108 and since has continued a slow climb to 110 last November. There it has remained, except for a dip to 109 in February and March this year.

PORTLAND (AP) — A Coast Guard trial examiner Monday suspended four crewmen of the Liberty freighter Augustine Daly on charges of abandoning ship when fire broke out.

Trial Examiner James M. Donahue of Seattle revoked the license of Robert J. Garrison, 25, Yakima, Wash., radio officer aboard the vessel. His seaman's papers also were suspended for six months.

Papers of John Redfern, Santa Cruz, Calif. oiler, and Richard Paddock, New York, fireman, were suspended for six months. Fitzgerald C. Smith, wiper, New York, received a nine-month suspension.

The vessel caught fire when a sling used for loading gave way and dropped four drums of gasoline on the ship's deck.

The four testified they thought the abandon ship alarm had been sounded and they jumped to a lighter alongside. The burning gasoline was flushed from the deck of the Augustine Daly. Damage was minor.

Four other crewmen, accused in the same case, did not appear and were to be tried in absentia.

There are 165 daily newspapers in Great Britain.

Farmers Okay Brannan's Plan, Survey Reveals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Agriculture Brannan may make public late this week the summarized results on a nationwide farmer indorsement of federal farm-aid programs.

The survey was made a year ago and was subjected to sharp criticism by some farm organizations and Republicans. A department committee has just completed work summarizing about 3,000 reports of the survey submitted by county and state groups.

The survey, which Brannan called the "Family Farm Policy Review," was designed, he said, to find out what farmers thought of present farm programs and to get producer recommendations for possible improvements.

Officials have stated, while withholding reports on the survey, that most farmers approve federal crop control, price supports and other such programs.

The recent Republican National Convention condemned the Brannan plan in its platform as an attempt to "control the farmer and socialize agriculture."

MIAMIAH BIRDS IN MOVIE

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Many scenes of Hialeah's flamingos are included in the new Walt Disney true life adventure movie, "Water Birds."

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