

Businessmen Betting Chips On Early Spending Upturn

By WALTER BREEDER JR.
NEW YORK (AP)—Businessmen were betting most of their chips this week on an early upturn in consumer spending.

That was the brightest ray of hope as the boom—particularly on the industrial front—showed further signs of slowdown.

There was evidence that a modest pickup in retail trade might be under way right now.

Morton J. May, chairman of May Department Stores Co., said the big chain's sales slumped during Easter but now "appear to be following an upward trend."

Equally bright prospects were seen by Wheelock H. Bingham, a director of R.H. Macy & Co. Bingham's view: With consumer incomes high and likely to stay that way for a long time, retail sales this year should show a gain of 3 or even 4 per cent above last year's record level.

Other cheerful spots on the business scene this week: New proof of a rising trend in farmers' income, a brilliant if brief rally on the New York Stock Exchange, and hints that the tight money and credit situation might ease up soon.

Looming large on the minus side were new cutbacks and layoffs in the auto and home appliance industries, a continued lag in housing starts (builders filed only 22,276 applications for FHA loans in April—2,608 less than in March and 10,852 less than in April last year), and the prospect of a greater-than-seasonal dip this summer in the nation's steel production rate.

The motor industry continued to

sputter along in second gear this week. Production of new cars fell to about 75,000—lowest in nearly two years.

New car sales showed some improvement but not enough to make any sizable dent in the towering mountain of inventories, estimated at close to 900,000. According to people who usually make good guesses, the outlook is for more slowdowns, and more layoffs.

Auto retailers are still waiting for the traditional spring pickup to blossom forth. Lots and showrooms are crammed with new cars. Despite predictions of an early debut, it now appears that the 1957 models won't come out much before the fall football season rolls around. In the meantime, trade analysts say there should be plenty of good buys in 1956's.

Layoffs extended beyond the automotive field this week. For thousands of factory workers, the Memorial Day holiday on Wednesday was followed by two more work-free days, this time without pay.

Firms announcing two-day shutdowns after Memorial Day included most of the major automakers, plus manufacturers of washing machines, ranges, refrigerators.

Oregon Highway Traffic Delays Are Announced

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon Highway Commission's weekly summary of construction projects and delays:

Columbia River Highway—Construction for 2.4 miles on Bradley Park-Wauna section, possible slight delay.

Umpqua Highway—Construction between 1 and 8 miles east of Reedsport, possible delay.

Willamette Highway—Construction from 14 miles east of Odell Lake to junction with U. S. 97, possible minor delay.

Sherman Highway—Construction from 1 and 8 miles east of Reedsport, possible delay.

The Dalles-California Highway—Construction from Chemult to Diamond Lake Junction, possible minor delay.

Portland-Salem Expressway—Closed by construction from Willamette to North Salem, traffic detouring via 90E.

Pacific Highway—Construction from Goshen to Creswell, possible minor delay.

Construction for four miles north of Myrtle Creek, possible minor delay.

Oregon Coast Highway—Construction from 11 miles south of Bandon and 13 miles south of Port Orford, possible minor delays.

Paulina secondary Highway—Construction for 5 miles west of Post, possible minor delay.

Circuit Court

Satisfactions
Coastal Adjustment Bureau Inc. vs. Ruddy Stolp.
State Unemployment Compensation Commission vs. A & T Lumber Co.

Dismissals
Louise Crook vs. W. F. Chapman. Charles Strode vs. C & D Lumber Co.

Judgments
Founders Insurance Co. vs. Robert J. and Katherine Hillyer. Plaintiff granted \$307.08 on default of defendants.

Motor Defect Blamed For Navy Rocket Failure

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Navy Tuesday blamed an apparent "design defect in the motor" for the failure of its highly publicized Aerobee research rocket, and announced it will build another.

The statement came from Rear Adm. Rawson Bennett, chief of naval research, in testimony before a Senate Appropriations subcommittee. He refused, for security reasons, to disclose at the public hearing the figures on what Chairman Chavez (D-NM), described as "the cost to the taxpayers of developing a rocket that failed."

Bennett said he would supply the figure on a classified basis, but insisted:

"This has not finally failed. We will have to build another one."

Scientists at the White Sands, N.M., Proving Grounds, had hinted Monday at abandonment of the Aerobee research project, after the rocket fell far short of its goal of an altitude mark of 138 miles. They had been banking on it for extensive upper atmospheric study in the International Geophysical Year starting July 1, 1957.

The Aerobee reached only 37 miles into the sky and attained not quite half the 6,100-foot-a-second velocity hoped for.

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses
BIRDWELL-GARRETT — Truman H. Birdwell and Della D. Garrett, both of Roseburg.

SANDERS-VINCENT — Eli LeRon Sanders and Darlene Joan Vincent, both of Roseburg.

MECE-BRANDON — Gary Lee Mece and Donna Brandon, both of Reedsport.

HAMILTON-SMITH — Arnold L. Hamilton and Barbara A. Smith, both of Sutherlin.

Methodists Vote Protest Of AROTC Ban Action

GRANTS PASS (AP)—The official board of Newman Methodist Church here Monday night adopted a resolution protesting the Oregon Conference action in asking elimination of the Air Reserve Officers Training Corps at Willamette University.

The resolution requests the Willamette board to deny the conference request.

While deploring war as a solution to international disagreements, the resolution pointed out that "there still are such forces and that a portion of the military training of our youth should be under conditions and guidance provided on the campus of Willamette University."

MONUMENT EYED

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House passed a bill directing the secretary of interior to investigate the advisability of establishing a national monument at Ft. Clatsop, Ore.

The bill goes to the White House.

Ft. Clatsop is at the mouth of the Columbia River and is reported to have been the site of Pacific Coast headquarters for the Lewis and Clark expedition.

STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP)—About 200 student demonstrators demanded the closing of the U.S. information center here because its library possesses a music book containing the Israeli national anthem. A student delegation saw Interior Minister Ali Huzar while others shouted in the streets, but there was no violence.

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Nixon's Ex-Aide Says He's Target Of Scare Tactics

BEVERLY HILLS (AP)—Murray M. Chotiner declared this week that the attorney and chief investigator for the Senate subcommittee on investigations have subjected him to "a campaign of vilification by innuendo and scare tactics."

Chotiner, an attorney, Republican Party leader and 1952 campaign manager for Vice President Nixon, said in a news conference that the committee had singled him out "for a marauding expedition."

"An investigation which started out to probe Army uniform contracts," and inadvertently ran across my name as having been paid a fee for an entirely unrelated legal matter, now has switched to investigating Murray Chotiner, and all his clients, irrespective of the type of case involved, or the inherent right of an American citizen to hire a lawyer to represent him," Chotiner said.

"The Democratic opposition led by Robert F. Kennedy, attorney for the committee, with his chief investigator, Carmine S. Bellino, has embarked on a political fishing expedition."

Vicious Tactics Charged
He said that since he testified recently in Washington, Kennedy or committee investigators have telephoned the wife of an officer of a client, "come as you are," and demanded information.

He said subpoenas have been served on clients and their banks, requiring them to open up books and records to committee investigators "when no charge of improper conduct have been leveled against them."

"They have been guilty of vicious, anonymous leaks to their favorite columnists because they haven't the courage to face up to the fact that there is no improper conduct," Chotiner said.

Drew Pearson was the only columnist he identified.

Rock And Roll Dancing Barred At Santa Cruz

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. (AP)—Rock and roll dancing is out in Santa Cruz—by police order.

They say its heavy, pounding beat leads its fans to "highly suggestive, stimulating and tantalizing motions."

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Overton said the music Saturday night "excited the crowd to passion at times."

He said there was "obscene and highly suggestive dancing... other dancers formed a circle around the exhibitionists in an apparent effort to screen them from the officer's view."

Yehudi Menuhin Plans Concert In Hungary

VIENNA, Austria (AP)—American violin virtuoso Yehudi Menuhin says he is going to play in Communist Hungary but is turning down invitations to Moscow for the present.

Menuhin said he would give a concert in Budapest June 13 because "it is more important for U.S. artists to perform in Russian satellite countries than in the Soviet Union itself."

He said he wants to show the people of the satellites that America has not forgotten them.

Menuhin received a tremendous ovation Tuesday for his performance at the Vienna Concert House of the Beethoven violin concerto.

The concert was a highlight of the current Vienna Music Festival.

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BEE-WITCHED, BOTHERED, BEE-WILDERED—That's what residents of Pittsburgh, Pa., were when a swarm of bees settled on the curb of a busy downtown street. But Betty Finocchii, left, and John W. Roberts don't seem to mind having the little stingers all over their hands and faces. Nobody knows where the honeybees came from or why they came.

Glendale Matie Club Meets For Lunch, Honors Three Members

By MRS. GERALD B. FOX

The Glendale Matie Club of the Eastern Star Lodge held its monthly luncheon at the Masonic Temple last week with more than 50 members and friends attending.

During the meeting which followed, three members, Mrs. Nelle Ricker, Mrs. Elsie Meisner, and Mrs. Norma Mouchett, all of whom are moving from Glendale in the near future, were honored with farewell gifts.

Breakfast Held
Mrs. Philippa McGrath of Glendale was hostess last week at a Nite Club "come as you are" breakfast. Seventeen ladies were present.

Mrs. Ruby Gilbreath of Glendale was guest speaker at a meeting of the Ashland Garden Club last week. Mrs. Gilbreath spoke on driftwood arrangements and took a number of sample arrangements to show.

She was accompanied to Ashland by Mrs. Nelle Ricker, who drove her car, and by Mrs. Nisha Ritter, Mrs. Lucille Smith, and Mrs. Grace Croft.

Bob Jones and Mrs. Vera Kemp, officials of the Glendale Telephone Company, have left for Portland to attend a convention of the Independent Telephone Assn.

Walter Kemp of Azalea, who has been undergoing medical treatment at the Veterans' Hospital in Portland, is expected home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kemp of Azalea have sold their Cow Creek home to the Craig Heath family of Myrtle Creek. They have purchased the Jack Buckland home in Glendale.

The Bucklands plan to move into the home now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shoulders and children when they move into the Dollar Company-owned property from which Mrs. Nelle Ricker and granddaughter will move to Grants Pass in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher and family of Glendale visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fisher, and a sister, Mrs. H. A. DeBelf in Seattle recently.

A group of the Glendale F. L. Club washed cars at the Ben Whaley home last week. Money earned went into a special fund being gathered by each of three divisions of the club.

Returns Home
John Belcher of Everett, Wash., who has just returned from a

Canyonville American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Sales Total \$44

By VIRGINIA PROCTOR
American Legion Auxiliary poppy sales in Canyonville totaled \$44, according to Mrs. Ralph Goodell, local chairman. Half of the amount will be retained in the community for child welfare. Assisting Mrs. Goodell were Robert Glenn and Mrs. Glenn Shippen Sr. Bettie Moodie won first prize for selling the most poppies in Canyonville according to Mrs. Clarence Crowl, president of the VFW Auxiliary. Andrea Gill won the second prize. VFW poppies were sold in Canyonville by Mrs. Mark Clark's sixth grade girls.

Receives Discharge
Robert Crowl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Crowl, arrived in Canyonville for a short visit with

the family following his recent discharge from the U.S. Navy with a rating of MM-1. Crowl, with his wife and two children, plans to spend the summer studying engineering in Chicago and will enroll in California Polytechnic at San Luis Obispo for the fall term.

A family dinner last Sunday at the parental Crowl home honoring the returned serviceman and his family included the Sydney Hemphills, the John Ludlows, the Bob Gilbreaths, the William Crowls and the Roger Fowlers.

Janet and Jennine Hanson, nine year old twin daughters of the Norman Hansons, returned to Palo Alto, Calif., with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Dotzler, who had spent a few days last week at the Hanson home. The girls will visit their relatives in the bay area for three weeks. Other weekend guests at the Hansons included the Harlan Hanson family of Brookings.

Mrs. Freda Daniels and daughter Anne were hostesses following Canyonville high school commencement, to a group of graduates as well as their house guests, the Merle Mayfields.

Personal Income In April Raises By Two Billion

WASHINGTON (AP)—Personal income in April rose by nearly 2 billion dollars to a record annual rate of 317 billion, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

It was the second straight month in which a rise of nearly 2 billion dollars in an annual rate had been recorded. The April rate compares with \$315,200,000,000 for March, and \$313,300,000,000 for February.

Significant in the April report was a rise of 1/2 billion dollars in total agricultural income from \$14,400,000,000 in March to \$14,600,000,000 in April.

This was the highest annual rate for farm income in any month since last November. For the first four months of the year farm income has been running at a rate of \$14,300,000,000, or slightly below the \$14,800,000,000 for the entire year of 1955.

The department said wage and salary payments rose by about a billion dollars in April over March. March also had shown a billion dollar gain over February. Other forms of income accounted for another billion in the April gain.

Two-thirds of the April rise in wages and salaries took place in manufacturing industries, a higher proportion of increase than in the previous month.

Charles Adleman of Portland, state secretary of the Christian Churches, was guest speaker at the Glendale Church of Christ last Sunday.

Bruce Sloan, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sloan of Glendale participated in the cemetery, underwent surgery for a hernia at the Sacred Heart hospital in Eugene last week. He was released Friday and went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Summers, former Glendale residents with whom Mrs. Sloan was staying. The Summers family accompanied them back to Glendale the next day and spent the night with other friends, Mr. and Mrs. Raben Hays and family.

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