

OPEC wants more of the market

Cartel threatens cutback of oil supply

VIENNA, Austria (AP) - The OPEC oil cartel threatened Monday to begin cutting back crude oil supplies to industrialized nations if they don't make it easier for OPEC to get into the "downstream" end of the business - producing and selling gasoline and other finished petroleum products.

"We can no longer afford to play the role of mere ... suppliers of raw material," said Ali Jaidah, secretary-general of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. His comments came at an OPEC seminar on downstream opera-

tions and were echoed by the oil minister of Kuwait, Ali Khalifa al-Sabah.

Sabah, the seminar chairman, said the first way industrialized countries discourage OPEC nations from making and selling finished products is by imposing high license fees on the transfer of technological know-how the oil countries need to build refineries and other plants.

Then, Sabah said, when OPEC countries try to market the products back in industrialized nations, those governments impose quotas and prohibitively high tariffs on them.

"These restrictions and attitudes will not be pacifically accepted by OPEC," Sabah said. "It may not be long before the removal of such practices becomes a condition of supply of crude oil."

There was no immediate official reaction in the West to the OPEC statements. The U.S. Energy Department had no comment.

But one American oil expert has warned that such ambitions by the oil-exporting states to take on a greater role as middlemen and retailers of oil products could spark an "economic conflict" between OPEC countries trying to boost their new

industries and the traditional refining countries, such as the United States.

"Any significant switch from crude to products shipments by the oil exporting countries ... could pit the vested interests of domestic refiners against those of foreign competitors, a very common problem in international trade," John Lichtblau wrote in the September issue of OPEC review, an OPEC journal that publishes opinions both favorable and unfavorable to the cartel.

Lichtblau is executive director of the U.S. Petroleum Industry Research Foundation.

making the news

From Associated Press reports

EUGENE — Former President Gerald Ford is planning a trip to Oregon to campaign for Jerry Lausmann, Republican nominee for Congress in the 4th District, Lausmann's press aide said Monday.

Ford will make a breakfast appearance Oct. 26 in the Eugene area to raise funds for Lausmann, said press aide Jay Goldstein.

Lausmann is running against incumbent Democrat Jim Weaver.

SALEM - If you have to receive welfare, it's better to live in Oregon than in Mississippi, a legislative committee learned Monday. Art Wilkinson, a legislative analyst, told the House Task Force on Expenditure Limitation that Oregon pays the fourth highest welfare benefits in the country, based on a July 1, 1977, report of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Oregon paid \$440 for food, clothing and shelter to the average family of four on public assistance.

Food stamps and medical assistance were not included.

BEIRUT - President Elias Sarkis headed Monday for a meeting with Saudi Arabian leaders to win backing of a Syrian-Christian cease-fire in Lebanon that was generally holding in its second full day, keeping more blood from spilling into the streets of Beirut.

While he was away, the 150,000 civilians still living in the beleaguered Christian quarter of Beirut used the negotiated lull to clear their damaged homes, search for food and water, look for lost relatives or just bask in the bright sunshine after 10 days and nights in basement shelters.

Authorities said Sarkis decided to drum up Saudi support for a permanent truce after three days of intensive talks in Damascus with Syrian President Hafez Assad that led to the temporary cease-fire Saturday.

PORTLAND - Gov. Bob Straub said today that Oregon is lucky to have his power authority plan poised to take effect next year in view of the failure of Congress to agree on new pricing for federal hydroelectric power.

"I'm ready to put my DRPA Domestic and Rural Power Authority plan into effect next March as scheduled in order to reduce electricity rates for Oregon customers," Straub said.

Several Congressmen working on a Northwest power bill said last week there is no hope of completing action on the measure this year.

Straub's plan would make the state a public utility that could purchase electricity directly from the Bonneville Power Administration.

Tax relief bill clears one hurdle, as Congress hurries to adjourn

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate voted Monday to bar all non-tax amendments from a bill that contains tax cuts for most Americans. The action clears a big hurdle to passage of the tax bill and adjournment of Congress this week.

By a 62-28 vote, two more than necessary, the Senate invoked parliamentary limitations that will make it impossible for senators to add their favorite non-tax proposals to the tax-cut measure in the closing days of the 95th Congress.

That vote could end any chance of final congressional action this year on such high-priority items as the Humphrey-Hawkins full-employment bill and legislation to control hospital costs.

Democratic Leader Robert Byrd had said earlier that if the effort to rule out non-tax amendments failed, Congress might have to abandon plans to adjourn for the year on Saturday.

Because of its political appeal, coming shortly before the November elections, passage of the tax cut has become the No. 1 priority for the Senate in the closing days of the session.

Meanwhile, an amendment by Sen. John Heinz, R-Pa., that would have given elderly persons a tax credit of up to \$75 to help pay rising fuel costs was thrown out because it exceeded the budget.

On a 65-22 vote, the Senate upheld the parliamentarian's ruling that, because of other tax reductions already added, there was no room in the budget resolution for the fuel credit. It would cost up to \$1.2 billion a year.

Before the tax bill can be passed, senators must find a way to trim the measure, which now totals nearly \$30 billion, to fit the budget ceiling set by Congress. And some of the most controversial items, such as taxes on capital gains have yet to be considered.

Once the bill is passed by the Senate, it will go to a conference committee with the House which will reconcile differences between the \$30 billion Senate measure and the \$16.3 billion tax cut voted by the House.

The Senate has not yet voted on two non-controversial parts of

the long-debated energy program - energy conservation and electric rate structures. Expected Senate approval could set the stage for final House action on the energy package later in the week.

House leaders hope to combine those two sections with the natural gas and coal conversion bills, which have already won final Senate passage. By presenting the four sections as one package, the leaders hope to reduce the chances for opponents to defeat the controversial natural gas pricing section.

A fifth part of the energy package - energy taxes designed to encourage conservation - is still in a House-Senate conference committee, although chances for its passage have brightened in recent weeks.

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