

Newsprint Cost Up in Canada

\$10 a Ton Added
By 2 Producers

NEW YORK—(AP)—Two of the large Canadian newsprint producers raised their price \$10 a ton Tuesday to the highest newsprint price in history.

Consolidated Paper Corporation, the second largest producer, and Abitibi Power and Paper Co., the third largest, notified their customers of price increases.

INTERNATIONAL Paper Co., the largest newsprint producer in the United States and Canada, has made no announcement concerning its prices thus far.

The price varies according to the section of the country, but on a New York basis, the increase brings the cost to \$126 a ton. This is the second price increase within a year and it compared with a low of \$40 during the depression years of the early 30's and the previous high of \$120 in the early 20's.

IT ADDS about 50 million dollars a year to the costs of American publishers, who already are finding themselves in an increasingly difficult cost squeeze in getting out a daily paper.

The price increase becomes effective in mid-June.

Just what the United States newsprint producers might do was uncertain.

The general feeling was that under the price stabilization act they would have to go to Washington for approval to hike their price tags.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT of the Canadian increase had been expected since last week when the Canadian government gave permission for it in the face of higher costs and the increase in the value of the Canadian dollar compared with the United States dollar.

The United States government immediately asked Canadian authorities to reconsider and rescind its permission for the increase. Newsprint accounts for as much as 50 per cent of the costs of getting out a large metropolitan daily and since the war's end the price has advanced 152 per cent.

Businessman Hits Red Tape

NEW YORK—(AP)—Government is now the dominant partner in all business enterprises "and I don't mean silent partner either." C. M. White, president of Republic Steel Corp., told a businessmen's convention here.

Addressing the annual meeting of the American Steel Warehouse Assn., White declared:

"When I was a little boy I thought company presidents were big shots who made final decisions in the front office. H--l, I can't decide anything any more until I check with Washington."

The problem, he said, is to "get Washington to decide anything—on facts rather than politics—and then stay out."

"First they decide on wage stabilization rules. Then they buckle down to find ways and means to get around these rules. This finagling would be a fascinating process if it didn't cost us a million dollars per finagle."

ARSON TAUGHT HERE

LAFAYETTE, Ind.—(AP)—There was apprehension in some quarters when Purdue University announced the inclusion of an arson school in its curriculum. Visions of young arsonists graduating "num laude" were quickly dispelled, however, when the university revealed enrollment in the school would be confined to policemen and firemen and only courses in arson detection would be offered.

Lebanon Firm Bids Low On Grove Sewage Plant

COTTAGE GROVE—The City Council Monday night opened and considered 12 bids from contractors for construction of a sewage disposal plant; opened the only answer to 21 requests for bids on bonds for the plant, and also considered three replies for bids on a central heating plant for City Hall.

Recorder Don Allen opened and read to the Council the total lump sum bids for construction of the plant itself. Then representatives of the bidding contractor's firms retired with Ralph Roderick, of the firm of consulting engineers retained by the city, to check compliance of bids with specifications. The Council has deferred until Thursday at 7:30 p.m. any action on the bids, at which time Roderick will present an analysis of all low bids after checking them for arithmetic and conformity with the city's needs.

THE THREE lowest bids were submitted by Henry Den Herder of Lebanon; W. H. Shields Construction Co. of Eugene; and J. G. Watts of Portland. Den Herder's lump sum bid for construction of the plant was \$110,407.90 and \$109,241.40 for "alternate B"

specifications for construction of the same plant. Shields bid \$119,307 and \$177,774; Watts bid \$125,404 and \$123,970.

Roderick commented that he was pleased with the number of contractors submitting bids, and said all bids were somewhat lower than the going price for similar construction a year ago.

The only bid for the city's sewage plant bond issue was submitted by the First National Bank of Cottage Grove. Conforming to the city's specifications, the proposed bond issue calls for payment of the \$300,000 issue to be spread over a 25-year period. Under the terms of the bid the city would pay an average of 3.495 per cent interest on the bonds. Average payment per year on interest and principal would be \$18,221.

Members of the Council indicated in discussion that they felt the proposed interest rate was too high. Various reasons for this

were offered. One councilman said failure of the city's proposed budget was probably regarded by the banks as an unhealthy sign. It was decided to submit the city's prospectus for water and sewage improvement to the banks in an effort to get additional bids. This will be discussed at the special meeting next Thursday.

COUNCILMAN Richard Twing noted the prospectus was prepared by the city's engineers as considerable expense and should have been sent out with the call for bids, for banks' consideration.

On inquiry from one council member Roderick said that in his experience, cities were paying from 2 1/2% to 4% as com-

pared to the nearly 3 1/2% asked by the Cottage Grove Bank.

The matter of the proposed water sale contract with the Woodard Lumber Co. was again brought up. Councilman Twing read a letter from the bureau of Municipal Research in answer to his query on the proposed contract. (Woodard's proposal calls for a 10-year agreement with a constant rate being charged for each of two five-year periods.)

THE LETTER stated that the right of a city to enter into a contractual agreement was a recognized part of its governmental function. But a contract extending beyond the term to be served by the council, would be a violation

of the "proprietary functions of the city" the letter stated. The bureau also advised that the proposed contract contained no clause providing for service should the city suffer a water shortage. The council decided to refer the matter to the water committee to see if another agreement can be worked out with the Woodard company.

The matter of bids on a central heating plant for City Hall was referred to the property committee after a reading of the three bids submitted. H & S Plumbing and Heating Co. of Eugene was low with a bid of \$1942.90 for installation and purchase of the plant. J. J. Walker Co. of Cottage Grove was next low with a bid of \$2035.

Next was the bid of Roberts and Drury of Cottage Grove with a bid of \$2450.

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