

OPA Authorizes Higher Prices For Restaurants

Menus to Reflect Full Amount of Costs from Lifted Ceilings

Washington, June 13 (P)—OPA opened the way today for higher restaurant prices. But in doing so, the agency followed only in part a recommendation of the senate banking committee, which voted to wipe out ceilings on meals made up of foods on which there are no price controls.

OPA issued an order which simply allows new menu prices to reflect the full amount of any higher costs stemming from the removal of price ceilings on food items.

The order is effective immediately, but it will have little effect on restaurant prices right away. The reason is that there are not many food items exempt from price control at this time.

But OPA officials said the new regulation means the cost of dining out probably will go up sharply if ceilings are stripped from meat, poultry, eggs and dairy products. The senate committee has recommended removal of these controls July 1. A decision by the full senate is expected by nightfall.

How much the cost of major food items might go up if ceilings were removed has been the subject of much controversy. Stabilization Director Chester Bowles has estimated that meat prices would jump 40 to 50 percent.

Affects Few Items
At present only a few food items come within the scope of the revised regulating. Ceilings on lobsters and most kinds of fish have been removed, for example. This means menu prices may be based on the cost of these items.

An OPA official who withheld use of his name said the new order provides "the only just way" of handling restaurant prices and at the same time "maintaining any semblance of control."

Commenting on this and other changes in the price regulation covering public eating places, the National Restaurant association said in a statement that the revisions "will not mean increased menu prices."

More Ceilings to Go
However, a spokesman for the organization told a reporter later that this view was based on present circumstances and did not take into consideration the possibility that ceilings may be removed on major foods.

The restaurant changes went into effect as government economists estimated that housewives' costs for major foods have climbed in recent weeks at the rate of \$485,000,000 a year. They broke down their figures this way:

A cent a loaf for bread—\$125,000,000; a penny for a quart of milk and authorized price hikes for butter and cheese—\$250,000,000; general meat price increases which became effective in April—\$110,000,000.

Criminal Trial For Petrillo

Washington, June 13 (P)—Attorney General Tom Clark today announced the filing of a criminal information charging James C. Petrillo and his musicians' union with coercive practices affecting radio broadcasting.

Clark said "the charge is the outcome of Petrillo's alleged violation of the Lea act which became a federal law April 16, 1946." He said the information was filed in federal district court at Chicago by United States Attorney J. Albert Woll.

The Lea act, passed by congress in April and termed by some legislators the "anti-Petrillo" act, provides for up to one year's imprisonment and \$1,000 fine for any union which compels or attempts to compel broadcasters to hire more employees than they want.

Petrillo, president of the AFL American Federation of Musicians, contends the act is unconstitutional and invited a test by calling a strike on May 28 of three studio librarians at Chicago station WAAF. He said he called the strike because the station refused to hire three additional librarians.

The Weather

(Released by the United States Weather Bureau)
Forecast for Salem and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday. Little change in temperature with lowest tonight 48. Conditions will be favorable for dusting and spraying in the morning. Max. yesterday, 77. Min. today, 47. Mean temperature yesterday, 60, which was 1 below normal. Total 24-hour precipitation to 11:30 a.m. today, 0. Total precipitation for the month, 30, which is 33 inches below normal. Willamette river height, -8 ft.

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Gromyko Upsets Compromise for Spanish Issue

New York, June 13 (P)—Soviet Delegate Andrei A. Gromyko today expressed complete disagreement with a compromise plan for the United Nations security council to refer the Spanish question to the general assembly but did not at this point invoke his power of veto.

The council adjourned until Monday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. (EDT) with the Spanish question undecided.

Gromyko's stand against the compromise plan as well as a bitter attack on the conclusions of the subcommittee which investigated Spain made it certain that the delegates would have to arrive at another solution if the Spanish question is to be acted on in the council or sent forward to the assembly.

Condemns Plan
Gromyko, who held the floor through most of today's session, condemned the compromise plan as a "dangerous" precedent that would mean that the council has "evaded its duties."

The United States, Australia, France, Poland, China, Brazil and Egypt—a majority of the council—backed the plan, which represented a modification of the subcommittee's report.

The Netherlands delegate, Dr. Eelco van Kleffens, sided with Gromyko in calling for action by the security council instead of referring the case to the general assembly.

However, van Kleffens said that in the "interests of unanimity" he would not oppose the compromise plan. He reserved his position for future discussions.

The next meeting was put over until Monday at the suggestion of Sir Alexander Cadogan, (Concluded on Page 13, Column 8)

Advised Nazis To Arm Chetniks

Belgrade, June 13 (P)—Gen. Draja Mihailovic told the Yugoslav military court today that he and Col. Robert H. McDowell, chief of a U. S. mission to Chetnik headquarters in 1944, in a conference with Germans that year proposed that they turn over their arms to the Chetnik chieftain "in view of their coming defeat."

Marshal Tito's government in its indictment of Mihailovic charged that the Chetnik leader and McDowell held parleys with the Germans in 1944.

Mihailovic, testifying with apparent reluctance today, said he and McDowell refused to discuss the "danger of communism" with a German officer named Sterker, a deputy of the chief of the administrative staff of the German command in Yugoslavia in September, 1944.

"You need not worry about it," Mihailovic quoted McDowell as saying when Sterker attempted to bring up the question of the "danger of communism in Europe."

"Col. McDowell told him Germany was defeated and would capitulate and told him 'the arms you have must be turned over to Gen. Mihailovic,'" the defendant testified.

"Those were the main points of the meeting," Mihailovic went on. "It might have lasted three quarters of an hour. . . I would not have received him (Sterker) unless Col. McDowell was with me."

Willis Withdraws
Indianapolis, June 13 (P)—Sen. Raymond E. Willis, 70-year-old newspaper publisher, today withdrew as a candidate for renomination for another term at the republican state convention.

Truman Will Veto Own Labor Act If Case Bill Made Rider

Washington, June 13 (P)—President Truman will veto his own emergency strike control bill if congress attaches the once-rejected Case labor bill as a rider, it was reported authoritatively today.

A close congressional friend of the president said Mr. Truman would not only veto the whole bill of wax but would do it with far more forceful language than he used in sending the unsigned Case bill back to congress two days ago.

Case bill advocates, apparently aware of the president's attitude, still were undecided what to do about it after two successive days of strategy conferences.

Strong political medicine was involved in the strategy considerations. There was some sentiment for making the Case bill a rider on the emergency strike control

Chinese Truce Becomes Only Scrap of Paper

Nanking, June 13 (P)—China's 15-day truce between warring nationalist and communist factions appeared to be reduced to a scrap of paper today.

The government's tightly-controlled central news agency reported nationalist troops were driving ahead in Manchuria and had frustrated attempted landings by communists near Tsingtao, where U. S. marines have one of their strongest North China garrisons.

Chinese press dispatches said without other confirmation that martial law had been proclaimed in the Chantung peninsula seaport.

While deep concern was shown over the situation in Tsingtao, U. S. General Marshall's headquarters said it had failed to halt negotiations for a permanent settlement of China's civil war.

A spokesman at the capital said that General Marshall was "continuing with regular affairs" although no attempt was made to hide concern over reported heavy fighting within scope of American marine garrisons.

As the new crisis in North China seemingly developed new strains on old issues, communist spokesman Wang Ping Nan announced an order halting the attack on Tsingtao by communist forces had been dispatched to Shantung province by a communist representative who was accompanied on his peace mission by an American officer.

Claim Self Defense
It appeared that the U. S. officer was dispatched with the communist representative to avoid an international conflict involving U. S. marines based at Tsingtao.

The communist spokesman described communist activities in Shantung as "self defense" after warning nationalists who were said to be advancing against communist-held Kinsu cities in six columns. Attacks by nationalists on the communist new fourth army were declared to be underway around Hsiaoehsien and Tungshan Hsien south of Hsuehchow.

In Manchuria the central news agency asserted that nationalist troops had cleared communists north of the capital city of Changchun and south of the mighty Sungari river and captured three more towns identified as Nungan, Swatien and Swatien.

British Loan Hops a Hurdle
Washington, June 13 (P)—The house banking committee today approved legislation ratifying the \$3,750,000,000 British loan. The vote was 20 to 5.

The legislation, already approved by the senate 46 to 34, now goes to the house floor, where opponents promised a sizzling battle.

Banking committee members said the bill probably would reach the floor a week from Monday.

The committee vote came after long hearings, during which the administration told congress the loan is essential to take the shackles off world trade, to encourage international economic cooperation and to aid world peace.

Without the loan, the proponents argued, Britain would be unable to participate in the Bretton Woods world bank and currency stabilization fund, and this ambitious attempt at international economic cooperation would fail.

War-time Premier Hideki Tojo and 25 others who associated with him in the great Asian gamble watched intently as the maps charting Nippon's expansion and collapse in Manchuria, China, Southeast Asia and the South Pacific were unrolled.

Tojo, a worried-looking little man with lined brows, studied each map with deep concentration. Each—on its great frame above and behind the rows of defendants—told a chapter of Japan's aggression and decline over a decade and a half. At the start Japan alone was outlined in the blood-red paint. Then with the succeeding years the red stretched out to the mandated islands, Manchuria, China, the Philippines, Thailand, Burma, New Guinea and the Malay straits.

Then came the turn. The red lines shrunk as Japan lost the game of empire.

Tojo, without expression, turned from the final map and silently stared into his lap.

Polio Confab June 27-28
Portland, June 13 (P)—An Oregon conference on poliomyelitis will be held at Eugene June 27-28.



Monarchists Clash With Naples Police (P)—Monarchists carrying an Italian flag from which the Royal crest has been torn in clash with police during their demonstration before the communist headquarters in Naples, Italy. This exclusive picture was taken by Associated Press staff photographer J. Walter Green who radioed it to New York from Rome.

Senate Kills Move to Strip OPA of Controls

Washington, June 13 (P)—The senate killed today a proposal to strip OPA immediately of almost all its price controls except those over rents and minerals. The action, by roll call vote of 51 to 21, came in rejecting an amendment by Senator Elmer Thomas (D., Okla.) to the OPA extension bill.

Thomas specified that price controls be lifted from "timber, petroleum, cotton, milk, livestock, including sheep and wool, tobacco, poultry, fish and shellfish, grain, peanuts, fruits and vegetables, or any product processed in whole or substantial part therefrom."

By voice vote, the senate accepted an amendment to take OPA ceilings off the prices of leaf tobacco and tobacco products by June 30.

Senator Hoey (D., N. C.) told the senate that there was "plenty" of tobacco to meet demands, that there had been "no real advance" in tobacco prices during the war, and that he didn't "apprehend the action would bring any advance in the price of cigarettes."

A conference claiming to represent 40,000,000 members of consumer and labor organizations voted today to ask President Truman to veto the OPA legislation now taking shape in congress.

The group coupled with that decision a recommendation that congress follow up a veto by:

1. Adopting a resolution continuing the present price control law without change.
2. Approving without change the OPA appropriation recommended by the budget bureau.

The conference was called by the emergency committee for price control with which 32 national organizations are affiliated. It met in the senate banking committee room as the senate itself resumed work on an OPA extension bill with leaders aiming for a final vote before the day's end.

Reserve Officers Alerted for Duty
Seattle, June 13 (P)—Ninety-four reserve officers residing in the five-state command of the 13th naval district have been alerted by the district office as the men "who will be the first called to active duty" in case of a merchant marine strike.

These officers, all with engineering and deck experience on cargo vessels, reside in Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

Bob Sawyer Heads Reclamationists
Bend, June 13 (P)—Notified of the death of Ora Bundy, Robert W. Sawyer, Bend, vice president of the National Reclamation association, today prepared to take over duties as president of the association.

Sawyer received word of Bundy's death as he was leaving for Portland, for a conference with J. A. Krug, secretary of the interior.

Diversion of Klamath River
San Francisco, June 13 (P)—No conclusions or recommendations have been reached in plans to divert Klamath river waters to the Sacramento basin, but "the whole thing is in a study status," a spokesman for the army engineers said today.

Congress Shies At Any Action In Co

Washington, June 13 (P)—The house judiciary committee decided today it does not have sufficient evidence to take any action in the supreme court controversy involving Justice Robert H. Jackson and Hugo L. Black.

Chairman Hatton W. Summers (D., Tex.) told reporters at the end of the close meeting that there is "no determination at the moment to conduct an investigation."

No Jurisdiction
Summers said Jackson's criticism of Black, cabled to the committee Monday from Nuernberg, Germany, was discussed at length but the consensus was that the committee had no jurisdiction in the matter.

"There may be something shaping up," he added, but said nothing received thus far indicates committee jurisdiction.

Summers explained that the committee's action is limited to studying or recommending legislation, and to matters dealing with impeachment. But, he emphasized that there was nothing in the case to indicate the need for impeachment proceedings.

The committee remains free to take action or recommend action later, the chairman said, if any evidence should indicate the need.

Go Slow Attitude
Even before the meeting, Summers was on record as favoring a go-slow attitude. At that time, he said the committee could take one of three courses:

1. Recommend an investigation into Jackson's complaint that Justice Hugo Black employed "bullying" tactics and threatened him with "war" unless he "covered up facts" in the portal-to-portal mine wage case last year.

2. Decide to take no action at all, or
3. Adjourn without taking formal recognition of the matter.

Summers' position in support of a hands-off attitude for the present was echoed in stronger words by his opposite number in the senate when Chairman McCarran (D., Nev.) of that chamber's judiciary committee pleaded with his colleagues to "reserve judgment in this trying moment."

Jewel Trial In Frankfurt

Frankfurt, June 13 (P)—U. S. headquarters announced today that jewels valued at \$40,000 to \$50,000 had been recovered in Europe as a result of questioning Major David F. Watson of Burlington, Calif.

Watson was placed in confinement Sunday for an undisclosed connection with the theft of the Hesse family jewels from Kronberg castle.

The provost marshal's office announced that Col. J. W. Durant and Capt. Kathleen B. Nash Durant, accused of smuggling the bulk of the Hesse jewels out of Germany, would be returned for trial.

Headquarters spokesmen said the jewels would be returned from the United States by ship, and the trials probably would be held in Frankfurt.

A tablespoonful of unmounted diamonds and various necklaces, rings, pins and other valuables were displayed here. Officials said they did not know whether the entire loot had been recovered until they received those found in the United States.

Byrnes Off For Paris for Showdown With Russia

Washington, June 13 (P)—With a "Good-bye, good luck" from President Truman, Secretary of State Byrnes left today for Paris and a showdown with Russia on European peace settlements.

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Byrnes himself said earlier that the Paris session is a critical one in which failure would be a disaster for mankind. He had asked for prayers to support his efforts in dealing with Molotov and Foreign Minister Bevin of Britain and Bidault of France.

Connally who, along with Vandenberg, is an advisor to Byrnes, issued an appeal for passage of the draft extension act as he stepped aboard the plane.

It is needed, he said, "in view of our foreign commitments and our far-flung possessions."

Accord Reached on Major Issues For Settlement of Shipping Strike Says Government Conciliator

Dispute Over Wording for Clarification of Some Clauses Remains—U. S. Proposal Neither Accepted Nor Rejected As Yet Say Unions

Washington, June 13 (P)—Capt. Granville Conway of the war shipping administration indicated today that negotiations for an agreement to avert the maritime strike have been reduced to a matter of wording.

"There is a dispute over the wording of four or five things," Conway told reporters as signs pointed generally to agreement on major issues.

CIO President Philip Murray spoke likewise: "Some issues need further clarification."

These developments followed the statement by a government conciliator that "there's a good chance" for settlement today. The all-coast maritime strike is set to start tomorrow midnight.

The conciliator made this statement to a reporter privately after a joint session of east and west coast operators and union leaders representing the CIO-dominated committee for maritime unity, Murray and CIO General Counsel Lee Pressman sat in on the meeting, held at the labor department.

Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson, handling the negotiations for the government, was asked whether "everything is buttoned up yet" on a settlement.

Not Yet Accepted
"When it's buttoned up, we'll announce it," Gibson replied.

One of the union leaders, asking that his name not be used, told reporters:

"The government's proposal has neither been accepted nor rejected (by the unions), because we do not know yet what its final form will be."

The conciliator who said "there's a good chance" for a settlement during the day, added that the CIO national maritime union, biggest union in the CMU, has not formally approved a WSA proposal to put into effect a 48-hour week for seamen and a wage increase of \$17.50 a month.

"They haven't accepted anything yet but they've indicated their willingness to accept," he added.

Sure of Agreement
Chairman A. B. Kelley (D., Pa.) of the house labor subcommittee investigating the dispute expressed belief that a settlement definitely would be reached before the deadline.

Kelley added that he expected an agreement to be reached sometime today.

He told a reporter that he based his opinion on information received from those close to the negotiators.

Kelley added that he had been informed only one important issue—the amount of monthly pay—remains to be settled.

This statement followed a brief morning hearing at which John Owens, secretary-treasurer of the International Longshoremen's association, testified. Owens said that if CIO unions go on strike his AFL members will observe their picket lines and refuse to cross them.

Meanwhile 200,000 union members girded for the crowd-ing strike deadline.

Dallas Thief Gets 90 Pounds Butter
Dallas, Ore., June 13—Ninety pounds of butter, some pennies and possibly some ice cream was the total loot of prowlers who entered the post office and two other business houses early Thursday morning.

The post office was entered by prying a board from the back door in the furnace room but further entry was prevented by a barred door. Check up by Tracy Savery, post master, revealed nothing missing.

A window casing was removed at the rear of the Dallas creamery with G. Brandli, owner, reporting three boxes of butter gone and possibly some ice cream. The safe had not been tampered with but not entered.

At Corby's Place entry was gained through a rear door and some pennies taken from the cash register.

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Stalemate in Lumber Strike

Victoria, B. C., June 13 (P)—Harold Pritchett, district president of the International Woodworkers of America (CIO) asserted that operators have refused to negotiate further with the striking loggers and sawmill workers, even at the request of Chief Justice Gordon Sloan, government-appointed arbitrator.

Pritchett added: "In refusing to negotiate the employers reject collective bargaining and must accept full responsibility for the continuance of the dispute."

The statement was made last night after a conference of Pritchett, Karley Larson of Portland, Ore., international union representative, and Justice Sloan.

Meanwhile, at Vancouver, B. C., R. V. Stuart, spokesman for the British Columbia lumber operators announced that the employers still are prepared to accept without reservation the recommendations of Justice Sloan.

Stuart criticized Pritchett's failure to accept Sloan's previous proposal of a 15-cent an hour increase in wages, a 44-hour week and the voluntary checkoff system for dues, and remarked "acceptance of . . . Sloan's award would start the wheels turning again within 24 hours."

Confusion in IL Conference
Seattle, June 13 (P)—The 28th maritime conference of the international labor organization is off to a "chaotic start," Richard Snedden, Great Britain, chairman of the employers' joint delegation to the conference, charged today.

Its sessions, peppered by flare-ups over issuance of credentials to Argentine and Indian representatives and advisers the conference heard Snedden hammer at four points which he said confused issues before the month-long meet.

The British employers' representative charged that nations representing only 10 percent of world shipping could ratify conference conventions, recommendations and resolutions, under the present conference set-up.

He termed arbitrary an exclusion of shipping under 500 tons from conference consideration in its efforts to better seamen's conditions. Such exclusion, he said, worked against many nations having a larger volume of small coastal craft than ocean going vessels.

Charlie Butterworth, Film Star, Killed
Los Angeles, June 13 (P)—Charles Butterworth, droll comedian of stage and screen, was killed early today when his car ran into a building. He died en route to General hospital. Dr. Lloyd P. Taintor, said he died of a skull fracture.

Butterworth, a former newspaperman, appeared in such motion pictures as "Life of the Party" and "Baby Face Harrington."

Born at South Bend, Ind., Butterworth attended Notre Dame university where he obtained an LL.B. degree. The New York Times later hired him as a general assignment reporter.

While on the staff of the Times he became acquainted with Broadwayites Heywood Brown, Walter O'Keefe and Frank Sullivan.

Given a chance to do a comedy monologue in a press show, Butterworth turned out to be a bit and immediately sought a stage career.

Bread Increase Effective
Portland, June 13 (P)—Heads of Oregon Bakery associations said the one-cent loaf price increase for bread went into effect in Oregon today.