



Steel Industry Increases Tempo; No Summer Slump

NEW YORK (UP)—Iron Age said today that steel demand, far from showing the usual summer slump is increasing in tempo with auto makers gunning ahead on plans for 1956 models.

"Automotive companies are pushing production to the hilt and expect prompt deliveries in the face of short inventories," commented the national metalworking weekly.

"They will make the switch to new models almost without missing a beat in production. And a roll call of other industries shows pretty much the same picture."

Reason for the log-jam is the short-lived steel "strike" of two weeks ago. Although it was the briefest in industry history, the contract strike "set deliveries back a week to 10 days on some product," Iron Age stated.

"Mills are still struggling to get back to the pre-strike production level," the publication said. "It's questionable whether this will be achieved in the next several weeks."

Faced With Major Problems
Producers are faced with these major problems:

1. The maintenance situation complicated by the strike.
2. A cut in available supply of hot iron, because furnaces are shut down for repairs.

3. The usual hot weather and vacation factors which normally slow output.

Meanwhile, Iron Age pointed out the steel industry has difficulties on the scrap front.

"The scrap market is running wild," it said. "Prices this week jumped as much as \$5 per ton in some consuming areas."

"Steel companies are in a bad

Elder H. A. Peckham, new pastor of the Salem Seventh-day Adventist church, is shown assisting other ministers in the unloading of tents as preparation for the soon-coming camp-meeting are made at Gladstone Park, Oregon. A village of 1300 tents and 400 cabins is made ready for occupancy as the 74 acre campground accommodates about 6,000 persons on week-ends with thousands staying on the grounds for the entire 10-day encampment.

way for scrap. The blast furnace shutdowns and attempts to step up production to pre-strike levels have put a premium on scrap."

Ingot Production Up
Ingot production this week is estimated at 93 per cent of the annual rated capacity of 125,800,000 tons. This is seven points higher than last week.

Steel price boosts after the wage settlement jumped Iron Age's composite base price for finished steel \$7.61 per ton to \$103.56.

"It now looks as though consumers are in for another cut in their steel rations this quarter," Iron Age said.

"Some mills will be forced to set aside at least one full month's output of some products, such as sheets, to bring deliveries into line with promises."

"This day of reckoning will intensify the scramble for steel in the fourth quarter..."

"There is no prospect of a let-down in consumer demand. If anything, it is increasing in tempo."

FOUR-PROFESSION MAN
ELLORE, S.C.—Dr. M. S. Dantzer holds licenses to practice four professions. He's a pharmacist, naturopathic physician, optometrist and chiropractor.

ALGIERS, Algeria—Kidnappings, murders and gun battles have flared anew through sections of troubled Algeria, French authorities reported Tuesday during the past 36 hours, four persons were found slain—two with their throats cut—and several were wounded.

Board Hopes to Reduce Total Insurance Policies

The Salem school district carries some \$12,000,000 in fire insurance, involving 89 policies, Sid Boise and C. M. Byrd, representing the Salem Insurance Agents association, told members of the board Tuesday night.

The large number of policies constitutes a cumbersome arrangement, the men indicated, and it was suggested that they be trimmed to 10 over a five year period. Before adjournment the directors agreed that a total of 20 would be a good target for the present.

Byrd, secretary of the association, suggested that an annual review of the district's insurance situation would be available should the directors so desire. They accepted the offer.

The Inter Landscape company, with a bid of \$2,381 was given the contract for plantings at South Salem high. Other bidders were Knight Peary, \$3,493; H. L. Peary Nursery Co., \$3,844; and F. A. Doerflinger and Sons, \$4,157.

Bob Hill Laundry was given the towel contract for the next fiscal year. The concern submitted a low bid of 1 1/2 cents per towel.

Because the recent legislature raised the minimum salaries for teachers, districts find it necessary to increase the daily rate of pay for substitute instructors. Beginning next fall the rate of pay will be \$16.22, \$17.84 and \$19.46, depending upon the educational qualifications of the instructor. At the same time it was agreed to pay tutors of handicapped pupils \$2.50 an hour, an increase of 25 cents.

An insurance policy costing \$152.75 and covering \$100,000 in forgeries will be secured by the district. This became necessary when it was agreed that Clerk Manager C. C. Ward should use a fac simile signature in signing approximately 1000 checks each month.

The board heard Bryan Goodenough in connection with a plea of Eric Butler and Lockwood

Homes to vacate either Mader or Halik avenues which dead end against the Morningside school site. The street not vacated would be turned over to the district. The matter was taken under advisement.

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Snyder, the directors agreed to continue the present health and physical education program of the district. The recent legislature changed the law governing this activity. Under the new statute the physical education program is optional with 11 and 12th grade students and compulsory with those in the 9th and 10th. During the 1955-56 school year the superintendent may work out modifications of the existing program.

Other action taken during the three hour long session:

Hired Darlene A. O'Brien an elementary teacher and accepted the resignation of Grace Erickson, elementary music instructor who finds it necessary to be with her mother in Iowa who is ill.

Decided to replace a water tank at Cummings school with one of 460 gallon capacity at a total cost of \$518.

Took under consideration a request of the Brush College Grange for continued use of the school building.

Authorized the repair of a broken steam line at McKinley school at an expense of \$600, and agreed to take the shine off the covered play area at Hoover. Coordinated the Brush College and Keizer budgets with that of the consolidated district.

Lebanon Boy Finds Hot Toy In Rubble Heap

LEBANON — Dale Larson, 9 came home with a new playing this week. It was a live hand grenade.

Lt. Donovan Baker of the Lebanon national guard was called to inspect the device and reported it was fully charged and would have exploded had the pin been pulled.

The boy's father, Tennis Larson of 1708 Strawberry lane, said his son told him he was playing with 7-year-old Jackie Pierce and the two boys found the grenade in rubble at the Pierce home.

Aerial Troop Transfer Made

ASHIYA, Japan (AP)—The 503rd Airborne Regimental Combat Team completed its history-making aerial transfer of 3,817 paratroopers to Japan today.

The 43rd and last C124 transport in the 18th Air Force aerial chain from Ft. Campbell landed at 6:01 a.m., two hours ahead of schedule.

Capt. Francis Burnett, Melrose, Mass., was the pilot. From Ashiya the troops are being delivered by train to three camps less than 100 miles apart on Kyushu Island.

Col. Ennis L. Johnson, of Jamestown, S.D., moved his command post for the 63rd Troop Carrier Wing operation from Ashiya to Itazuke, from which 3,100 troops of the 167th are being flown to Ft. Bragg, N.C.

That phase of Operation Gyroscope began yesterday and some 13 C124s have departed for the States.

Mrs. Leonard Fuller Elected Librarian

WOODBURN — Mrs. Leonard Fuller was named city librarian at a meeting of the Woodburn library board Monday night. Mrs. Fuller has been serving as acting librarian since the resignation of Mrs. Estella Kerns on May 1.

Election of officers also was held when Mrs. Arthur M. Burt re-elected as president of the board, Mrs. O. L. Withers, vice-president, Mrs. Gelta Mae Connell, re-elected secretary, and Miss Gladys Adams, re-elected treasurer.

Other members of the board are Mrs. Harry VanArsdale and Mrs. William Merriott who was recently appointed to serve on the board to succeed Mrs. H. F. Butterfield, resigned. Mrs. Burt will announce her committee chairman later.

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