

End of Regulation W Seen To Have Little Sales, Price Effect

Washington — (U.P.) — Government economists predicted Thursday that removal of installment buying controls will have "little effect" on sales or prices of automobiles, TV sets and home appliances.

They said the Federal Reserve Board's decision to suspend Regulation W was based on the belief that consumers will not go on a credit-buying binge, but will continue to pick and choose as they have been doing in the face of high prices and plentiful goods.

Can Counter Expectations

The "no boom" forecast from federal experts can directly counter to the optimistic expectations of many manufacturers and dealers, who have blamed credit controls for their sagging sales.

The initial public reaction also tended to belie the government predictions. Buyers flocked to

new and used car lots in many cities soon after the suspension was announced late Wednesday. Newspapers here and elsewhere blossomed out in full-page advertisements of automobiles and appliances with "no down payment—up to 24 months to pay."

Builders Attack

Encouraged by the suspension of Regulation W, the building industry prepared to redouble its attack on the Federal Reserve board's Regulation X, which requires stiff down payments on houses.

But the word from administration and congressional sources was that no "major" relaxation of the housing credit rules is in sight.

Informed sources said the Federal Reserve Board is "considering" modifying the present requirement of a 50 per cent down payment on homes in the \$25,000-and-up bracket.

William Fox, Fabulous Film Pioneer, Dies in New York

New York — (U.P.) — William Fox, 74, fabulous pioneer of the movies who once was master of \$100,000,000, died Thursday.

He got into the movies as the operator of a "nickelodeon" and became a titan figure in the giant industry that sprang from the early "flickers."

But he lost his power and fortune during the depression of the early 30's, became a bankrupt, served a prison sentence for defrauding the government, and died a relatively poor man.

He had been a patient for a year at Doctor's hospital, where he died. Cause of death was not disclosed but associates said he had been ill for three years of "a complication of ailments."

Fox at one time was said to have been worth \$100,000,000.

In his first 25 years in the picture-making business, he built the Fox Film Corp. into an empire that operated 1,100 theaters across the country.

In 1930, he retired as head of the film and theater corporations which bore his name and sold his holdings for \$18,000,000.

A number of suits were filed against him almost immediately, including one for \$1,000,000 by the receiver for the Fox Theaters Corp., another for a similar amount by a Chicago theater and one by a New York attorney for \$500,000.

Conciliator Meets With Bakery Strikers

BY UNITED PRESS

Federal Conciliator William Hosie was to meet separately with Seattle bakery operators and union officials Friday in attempts to settle a strike that has shut down major bakeries in several Pacific Northwest cities.

Hosie said he would try to induce both parties to resume negotiations. The Bakers and Confectionery Workers' union AFL went on strike last Friday to enforce demands for days off Saturday and Sunday, instead of Saturday and Tuesday.

Meanwhile, in Portland, the Office of Price Stabilization ruled that the price of bread could not be increased to pass shipping costs along to the consumer. OPS officials said retailers could raise bread prices only if costs from processors go up.

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Prisoners Greeted In Jail Performance

Baraboo, Wis. — (U.P.) — Two Sauk County jail prisoners had an enthusiastic audience for their "coming-out" performance Wednesday.

Sheriff James Hayes and six deputies watched the prisoners saw through their bars before stepping in as the prisoners emerged to "freedom."

Oregon Grange Tells Results of Preferential Vote

Portland — (U.P.) — Oregon State Grange headquarters announced here Thursday, all except three officers were elected for new two-year terms in subordinate Grange preferential voting in April.

State Master Elmer McClure, Milwaukie, running unopposed, received 6803 votes in winning a second term.

Bertha J. Beck, who retired as secretary after serving 32 years, topped a five-candidate field in the race for the three-member executive committee by polling 5498 votes. Luke Reif, Powell Butte, lost his bid for reelection as two Portlanders, Ray Gilwith and Charles Wicklander were elected to the two other posts on the executive board. Wicklander was running for reelection to the board.

The only other new officer will be Elsie Wheaton, Coquille, who defeated Ethel Huffman, Milton-Freewater, for lady assistant steward.

Man Pulls Himself Through Pulp Rollers To Save Life

Newberg, Ore. — (U.P.) — A pulp and paper mill worker was strong enough Thursday to tell how he forced his whole body between pulp press rollers to end his agony when his leg was caught.

Norval Haverman, 39, an em-

ployee of the Spaulding Pulp and Paper company, suffered crushing chest injuries, a pelvis fracture, sciatic nerve injury, paralysis of the right leg and a hemorrhage of one lung.

With the aid of his physician, Dr. C. A. Bump, Haverman told this story from his hospital bed: He fell against the press Monday and the webbing pulled his leg between the rollers. Growing weak from pain, he swung his left leg up and put it, too, between the rollers. The press seized his body and dragged him

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Homely Philosophy Pays in Dividends

Dallas, Tex. — (U.P.) — Homely philosophy has paid dividends for Hulton C. Robinson, who runs a parking lot.

Four years ago, Robinson each morning started writing a few lines of philosophy on a green blackboard at the entrance to his lot.

It might be some such saying as "The human is the only animal that can be skinned twice."

When the sayings proved popular and steady readers started stopping, he continued his messages with such as: "Many a man goes broke trying to bluff with two queens," and "He who laughs—lasts."

The customers started looking forward to a new sign every morning.

Later, when Robinson was transferred to another lot and dropped the signs, the protest caused his employer to return him to his old location with instructions to "put those signs back up."

Robinson believes one of his most successful quotations is: "Be friendly with the folks you know. If it weren't for them, you'd be a total stranger."

North Dakota Man Run Over by Own House

Velva, N. D. — (U.P.) — Henry Herr, 60, stepped out his front door and was run over by his house Wednesday.

Herr fell beneath the wheels of a trailer which was being used to move the house.

He was killed instantly.

Skunk Smell Proves Undoing of Fox

Houston, Tex. — (U.P.) — A fox that approached Dale Barnum and Roy Robinson as they walked through a wooded area of Houston was at first believed to be rabid.

He ran right up to the two men "and seemed to be dazed as he went past."

Barnum hit the animal with a knapsack and rolled him into a ditch. The fox got up and continued following the pair down a trail. Finally Barnum clubbed him to death.

Then the two men realized the fox carried a strong odor of skunk.

"He apparently had been arguing with a skunk and was just dazed by the smell—didn't know what he was doing when he walked up to us," Barnum said.

Daily Weather Report

FORECASTS

Medford and vicinity: Considerable cloudiness tonight and Friday. Cooler tonight and warmer Friday; low tonight 38, high Friday 65.

Western Oregon: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; cooler tonight, with low 36-46, and a little warmer Friday with high 64-74, except about 55 on immediate coast.

LOCAL DATA

Temperature a year ago today: Highest 74; Lowest 45.

Total monthly precipitation 1 inch.

Excess for the month 72 inch.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1951, 19.43 inches.

Relative humidity 4:30 p.m. yesterday 89%; 4:30 a.m. today 88%.

Observations Taken At 4:30 A.M., 120 Meridian Time

	High	Low	Prec.
Boise	63	47	.23
Boston	60	48	.28
Chicago	64	45	.28
Denver	73	48	.28
Eureka	54	48	.86
Havre	55	39	.28
Klamath Falls	50	35	.70
Los Angeles	68	54	.28
Medford	59	48	.44
New York	62	47	.28
Omaha	71	49	.28
Phoenix	84	61	.28
Portland	66	52	.35
Reno	60	33	.02
Eugene	68	48	.06
Salt Lake	82	47	.06
San Francisco	60	45	.24
Seattle	68	51	.28
Spokane	67	50	.28
Washington, D. C.	71	52	.28
Yakima	71	58	.28

Tomorrow
Sunrise 4:57 a.m. Sunset 7:18 p.m.

Obliging Filipino Has Double Honeymoon

Singapore — (U.P.) — Goh Lye Hook, an obliging fellow, enjoyed a double honeymoon Thursday.

He married Sim Ah Bee to grant his father's last wish and also wed Choo Kha Ngor because his brother jilted her and she had no other means of support.

More than 300,000 properties of many types of land and buildings in England, including 52,000 dwellings, owned by British railroads are rented to employees, the total rentals amounting to 5,000,000 pounds a year.

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BURBANK WIDOW HONORED—Mrs. Luther Burbank, widow of the world-famed plant developer, admires roses that will adorn float in her honor in the third annual Luther Burbank Rose Festival at Santa Rosa, Calif., May 10. Holding the bouquet is last year's festival queen, Mary Ann Ketelsen.



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