

Americans Pile Up Record Debt During '55 Second Quarter

Washington — (U.P.) — Americans piled up record debts during the booming second quarter of 1955.

At the same time U.S. production and income climbed to new and unexpected peaks.

The Commerce department reported these twin facts Sunday. They also underscored comments by President Eisenhower and Commerce Secretary Sinclair Weeks over possible soft spots in the current unprecedented prosperity.

The department indicated that Americans may be leaning too heavily on credit to buy things they want. It also pointed out that business may be stacking up outsized inventories.

The report brought out that statistics for the second quarter

outdistanced expectations in major economic categories. They topped first quarter figures by sizable margins.

Praises Employment Program

On another economic front, Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell praised the "remarkable growth" of the federal-state employment insurance program.

On the 20th anniversary of the program's beginning, he said Sunday that the number of workers protected and the size of jobless paychecks have more than doubled since 1935.

But Mitchell called for coverage of 12,000,000 persons left outside the bill. He also said the average jobless paychecks, despite the weekly rise in benefits from \$10.66 in 1939 to about \$25 now, was not good enough. He said it amounted to only about one-third of the average worker's regular pay, compared to 41 per cent in 1939.

The nation turned out about 7 per cent more goods and services in the second quarter of this year than in the same period of 1954. At the same time, wage earners received about 5 per cent more in personal income.

Income Above Expectations

Income climbed to an annual rate of \$300,500,000,000, some \$200,000,000 above expectations. This was an increase of \$6,900,000,000 over the rate for the first three months of 1955. It compared with a rate of \$286,600,000,000 in second quarter 1954.

The report showed that taxes on personal income amounted to about \$33,400,000,000 at annual rates, a rise of about \$800,000,000 from the first quarter. This left some \$167,100,000,000 for spending or saving. Of that amount, again at annual rates, some \$250,500,000,000 went for spending and about \$16,600,000,000 for savings.

Savings increased \$1,300,000,000 over the first quarter rate, but remained below expectations. The President's Council of Economic Advisers had expected personal savings to hit an annual rate of \$17,500,000,000 in the second quarter.

The April-May-June rise in spending was largely for food, clothing and services, the report said. This followed a "sharp" rise in expenditures for automobiles, furniture and household equipment during the preceding three months.

Great Wall Has Outlived Purpose, Communists Say

Hongkong — (U.P.) — The Communists say that the Great Wall, one of the architectural wonders of the world, has outlived its original purpose. It's no longer needed against aggression from the north.

The current issue of People's China said that "bordering China's northern frontier today lie the People's Republic of Mongolia and her great ally, the Soviet Union," and added:

"But while the Great Wall has outlived its original purpose, it is still looked on by the Chinese people as part of their heritage—a wonderful piece of architectural, a thing of beauty and an historical treasure."

The Great Wall is popularly known as Wan Li Chang Cheng—the 10,000-li wall (a li is about a third of a mile), but its actual length has never been calculated accurately. It has been roughly estimated at 3,000 miles. It is said to have been started about 2,500 years ago, in the latter part of the Chou dynasty. The feudal lords and princes engaged in constant war against each other, built walls on their frontiers to defend their own territories.

A Description

Then in 221 B.C., the magazine said, Shin Huang Ti, the first emperor of the state of Chin, succeeded in defeating all rivals and creating an empire. He then ordered up an army of 300,000 workmen to build a continuous wall to defend the northern marches of his empire against nomadic invaders.

It took 10 years to complete the work. Thus the wall as a whole has a history of over 2,100 years.

From then on the Great Wall was China's strong defense against attack from the north, the magazine said. And since the wall has been frequently repaired and extended. The article said:

"The wall as we know it today has an average height of 21 feet, eight inches. It is 21 feet four inches wide at the base, slightly tapering to 18 feet at the top. The top of the wall is really a roadway flanked by a battlement on the far side, and a low, one-yard-high wall on the near.

"If we take the length as 3,000 miles, the actual wall, exclusive of the foundation, must consist of some 115,000,000 cubic yards of lime and packed earth, and close on 38,000,000 cubic yards of stone and brick."

Scientists Warned on Dangers of Atomic Radiation To Humans

Geneva — (U.P.) — A top American scientist warned the Atomic Energy Commission for the second time today that dangers of atomic radiation on the future of the human race may be greater than generally supposed.

Dr. William L. Russell, principal geneticist at Oak Ridge, Tenn., said most of the present calculations were based on laboratory tests with fruit flies. But he said tests with mice showed hereditary changes at a rate 15 times higher than in fruit flies.

He was backed by a British researcher, T. C. Carter of the Medical Research Council of the Atomic Energy Research establishment at Harwell. Carter called for a ten-year international study program to learn the effects of the atomic age on mankind.

Nuclear Pioneers Uneasy

The American-inspired atomic conference which drew leading scientists from 72 nations went into its second week with reams of highly technical papers. But laymen could see that the nuclear pioneers were uneasy about their brainchild.

Dr. Russell, principal geneticist of the Oak Ridge laboratory's biology division, read a paper on the effects of radiation on mice in the middle of a lively international controversy on the possible birth in the future of freaks and monsters because of radiation from atom bomb tests.

Russell said the danger came from so-called mutation changes, changes passed on by men and women to their children. He noted the great changes in several generations of mice and said calculations on human hazards may seriously underestimate the human damage.

He suggested a partial solution for cases in which a man, through accidents in atomic studies, receives a considerable radiation dose.



OVERCOME BY EMOTION, Airman Harry M. Benjamin, Jr., Worthington, Minn., kisses ground at Travis Air Force Base, Cal., as he steps from plane which brought 11 airmen home after 2 1/2 years of captivity by Chinese Reds. (International)

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He recommended that the individual abstain from procreation for the few weeks required for the disappearance of sex germ cells that were irradiated.

Would Reduce Risk

But he added that his studies indicated that although postponement of procreation for a few weeks would reduce the risk of transmission of mutational changes, further postponement would not give any additional reduction in risk.

Russell said adequate protection against genetic hazards may require a limitation not only of the average dose of radiation received by the population as a whole but also of the dose accumulated by individuals.

Carter said most experts agree that to expose a human population to a continuous irradiation would be "very undesirable," but that the limit of 25 roentgens he mentioned is far more than the world is getting from A-bomb tests.

Ham Radio Operator Given Many Awards

Grand Rapids, Mich. — (U.P.) — Norman MacPhail, Grand Rapids "ham" radio operator, has received awards from British and French societies for the record number of fellow "hams" he has been able to contact in parts of the world.

MacPhail received the BERTA award from the Radio Society of Great Britain for establishing two-way contact with 50 broadcasting stations in British possessions in North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia and the south Pacific.

The DUF, diploma for the Union of France, is issued by the Reseau des Emetteurs Francais for working 10 French colonies on five continents.

MacPhail said he has started work on five awards from Argentina, Brazil and Canada. The task is a long one — although a hobby — he said, because confirmation letters are needed and "I'll bet not more than 75 per cent of hams send out in writing what they promise you over the air."

GUN HITS TARGET

Birmingham, England — (U.P.) — A 26-year-old laborer was fatally injured Saturday night by a discharging gun he threw down in disgust after missing a target 16 times at a carnival rifle range. George Larmore was hit in the chest by a bullet and died Sunday.

Court Records

POLICE COURT
 Cecil De Valence Moon, violation of basic rule, \$10 bail.
 Norris Keith Lehman, violation of basic rule, \$10.
 Eldon Gordon Knight, no Oregon driver's license, \$5.
 Darwin Duane Morehouse, excessive noise, \$10.
 Donald Dan Webb, excessive noise, \$10.
 Joyce Wendell Wickman, no Oregon driver's license, \$5 bail.
 Floyd Thomas Jenkins, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5 bail.
 Henry Orland Waelty, violation of basic rule, \$10 bail.
 Donna Bouslaugh, no operator's license, \$5 bail.
 Ben Gilbert Neal, excessive noise, \$10 bail.
 Ronald Richard Muik, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5 bail.
 Jeanette Sokol, violation of basic rule, \$10 bail.
 Raymond Clifford Hayes, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5 bail.
 Donald Raymond Brazeele, excessive noise, \$10.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION
 Henry Benjamin Benton, 242 South Holly st., and LaVina May James, Central Point.
 Ernest Bigham Smith, 26, Central Point, and Lois Marie Vanderpool, 19, Central Point.

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