

Industrial Production To Rise; Corporate Profits To Increase

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New York—UPI—Industrial production will rise 10 to 13 per cent and corporate profits will gain 22 to 34 per cent in 1959, according to the year-end predictions of Prentice-Hall.

That agency finds all segments of industry rising. It notes a rise of 2 to 4 per cent in employment and a drop of 16 to 36 per cent in unemployment for the year.

Here is how it looks at the various industries:

Advertising and Publishing: Total advertising in 1958 of \$10 billion dipped 2 or more per cent from 1957 but 1959 should see a rise of 6 per cent to 8 per cent.

Agricultural Equipment: After a two-year rise, farm equipment sales and earnings will level off after a rise in the early part of 1959.

Apparel: Retail clothing up 2 to 3 per cent in 1958; probably will rise another 3 to 5 per cent next year.

Appliances: Output in some lines rising with prospects of a 12 to 15 per cent gain over 1958 which showed a 4 to 5 per cent decline.

Autos and Trucks: Sales and production in 1959 will crowd six million units after a 25 per cent decline in 1958.

Beverages: Profits, margins, and dividends of distillers will rise in 1959. Beer outlook only fair. Wine up 3 per cent in 1958, may rise another 4 to 6 per cent in 1959.

Building and Construction: Outlays in 1959 should pass \$50 billion to a new record high.

Building Materials: Favorable 1959 construction outlook will boost most building materials.

Chemicals and Plastics: A record output is seen in 1959, topping 1958 by 7 to 8 per cent.

Coal: Soft coal output down about 20 per cent from 1957 this year, will probably reach 450 million tons in 1959 and earnings should make a corresponding rise.

Containers: Total for 1958 will come close to 1957 with a rise of 4 to 5 per cent forecast for 1959.

Higher Earnings Seen: Dairy Products: Milk and meat output up, also indications of a higher earnings report from the various companies.

Drugs and Toiletries: Gain expected to exceed the rise of 6 per cent in 1958.

Electric Utilities: Last quarter rise will lift 1958 output by 2 per cent over 1957 with outlook for a 10 per cent gain in 1959. Profits expected to rise 15 to 20 per cent.

Electrical Equipment and Electronics: Military and industrial volume to rise, the former by 10 per cent and the latter by 7 to 8 per cent.

Food Processors: Spending on food to top 1958 by 4 per cent.

Home Furnishings: Factory output and sales to rise 2 to 4 per cent and profits more. Tendance will rise 10 per cent over 1958.

Natural Gas: Could easily rise 10 per cent in 1959 after 5 per cent rise in 1958.

Nonferrous Metals: Gain should run to over 10 per cent over 1958.

Office Equipment: Sales this year up 8 per cent, will rise by more than 10 per cent next year.

Paper and Paperboard: Profit Machine Tools: Good pickup is in sight for 1959.

Non-electrical Machinery: Shipments in 1959 should rise 10 to 15 per cent.

Bulk of Increase in Pork: Meat and Poultry: Bulk of 1959 increase will be in pork. Slight decline seen in poultry.

Motion Pictures: Movie production will rise at least 6 to 7 per cent.

Petroleum: A 4 per cent growth is in the cards for 1959.

Retail Trade: Should increase 4 to 6 per cent over 1958 totals.

Rubber: Consumption down nearly 10 per cent in 1958, should rise by 12 to 15 per cent next year.

Shoes: Output should climb 2 to 3 per cent next year.

Steel: Declined 25 per cent in 1958, may rise 27 per cent in 1959.

Textiles: Current climb should carry through 1959.

Tobacco: Topping 1957 record by 4 per cent, further climb of as much as 20 per cent in profits.

Transportation: Heavy gains for all sections for 1959.

Man on Trial for Dynamite Charge

Portland—UPI—The trial of Barry C. Latta, 25, Portland, opened Wednesday in the Circuit Court of Judge James R. Bain.

Latta is charged with injury to property by explosives. He and two others were arrested last October.

The two others—George E. Layman, 19, Portland, and Roger Hugh Mobley, 23, Beaverton—already have pleaded guilty and are awaiting sentence.

Latta's trial is on an indictment for attempting to dynamite the car of Scott H. Partridge.

Latta had admitted being with the other two on the days of Oct. 25-26 but claims he does not remember anything pertaining to a series of five dynamite and the firing of guns at three empty automobiles.

Estate To Finance Research Library

Portland—UPI—The estate of the late Ola D. Cook has been left to finance a labor research library.

Mrs. Cook, 78, known as the first lady of Oregon labor, died Dec. 6.

Her estate consists mostly of her home here. Glenn Blake, president of the Multnomah County Central Labor Council, said the library would be called the O. D. Cook Memorial Library and would be set up on the fifth floor of the Labor Temple.

Special Stamp To Mark Centennial

Washington—UPI—The 100th anniversary of Oregon statehood will be marked by a special commemorative stamp depicting the "long overland trek of its early settlers."

The four-cent blue-green stamp will show the rear view of a covered wagon "typical of those used over the Oregon trail by the early settlers."

The Oregon statehood centennial commemorative will be put on sale Feb. 14 at Astoria, Ore. It was designed by Robert Hallock of Newton, Conn.

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Rhodes Scholar Contestants Named

Portland—UPI—An Oregon highschool graduate attending college in California and a California high school graduate attending college in Oregon were named Wednesday as the state's two Rhodes scholar contestants.

They will compete in a field of 12 at Spokane Saturday in the district finals.

The contestants from Oregon are Douglas Leedy, 20, a graduate of Lincoln high here who is studying music at Pomona College in Claremont, Calif., and Rodger Young, 21, a senior in physics at Reed College here who attended high school in Sacramento.

Subway construction was started in New York City as early as 1869.

Woman Confesses Intimacies With Husband's Victim

Berkeley, Calif.—UPI—Mrs. Madeleine Hampton, 29, has told authorities that the man her jealous chemist husband killed was the only "real lover" of her life, police disclosed today.

Mrs. Hampton made this admission, police said, to officers investigating the fatal shooting of Wolfgang Ludwig Marx, 26, in a physics laboratory on the University of California campus early Tuesday.

Her husband, John W. Hampton, 31, a brilliant research chemist, was arraigned Wednesday on a murder charge. He will enter a plea next Tuesday in Municipal Court.

Hampton said he shot Marx because Marx had been having a love affair with his wife, police said. He said he "couldn't stand it any more."

Mrs. Hampton was in seclusion with her three children at the home of a friend. Police never had a real lover until Wolfgang came along.

Marx, a German immigrant, "came along" in the fall of 1955 when he enrolled at the university as a physics major. The Hamptons invited him to live at their home ostensibly so the German-born Mrs. Hampton could brush up on her German.

In 1956, Marx went into the Army, returning to the campus this fall and taking a room nearby. Hampton said Marx resumed seeing Mrs. Hampton and that she recently asked him for a divorce.

Father of Quads Has One Regret

San Francisco—UPI—A 20-year-old Navy petty officer, whose wife presented him with three sons and a daughter Tuesday, admitted with a smile today that he had only one regret.

"I wanted four boys," said Machinist's Mate 3-C Delano Currington. "We lost the game in the third quarter."

He explained the two boys were born first, then the little girl, who was followed by another boy.

The quads and Currington's wife, Mae, 22, were all reported in excellent condition at Letterman Army hospital. Mrs. Currington also has four other children, ages 7, 5, 4, and 20 months, by a former marriage.

The mother took everything in stride. She has 13 brothers and 12 sisters, all living.

Currington was asked if he had any theory on quadruple births. "There ain't no theory," he beamed. "It just happens!"

A hospital spokesman pointed out that it doesn't happen very often.

It was the first quadruple birth in the history of Letterman hospital—and according to statistics, there won't be another for 760 years.

CAVE JUNCTION Centennial Plans Given

Cave Junction—The Illinois Valley Jubilee association voted to sponsor a new Valley Boy Scout troop after William "Uncle Billy" Burch made an appeal at the regular Jubilee meeting Monday night.

Burch, Scoutmaster of Troop 85 for handicapped boys, said more Scouts in the valley are needed. At the same time, he outlined his plans for participation in the coming Centennial and Jubilee celebrations. The plans include making strips maps covering the historical points of interest which will be given out to the guests stopping in the valley and will serve as guides for the short side trips.

The possibility of adding a full scale horsemanship attraction on Sunday of the three-day Jubilee celebration was discussed. Claude Hoover with Jim London and Hal Mohr will be in charge of the event.

A pony express mail run will be made by the 4-H Saddlers over the Crescent City-Waldo mail route and will make the last relay with the mail into Cave Junction on Labor Day. The complete run with the designated relay stops will be published in advance.

The Jubilee Souvenir booklet will be printed and ready for mailing in February. The books will be mailed to travel agencies and chamber of commerce offices in all the major cities across the country, in addition to the State Central Centennial Committee.

Nilsen Reports Campaign Spending

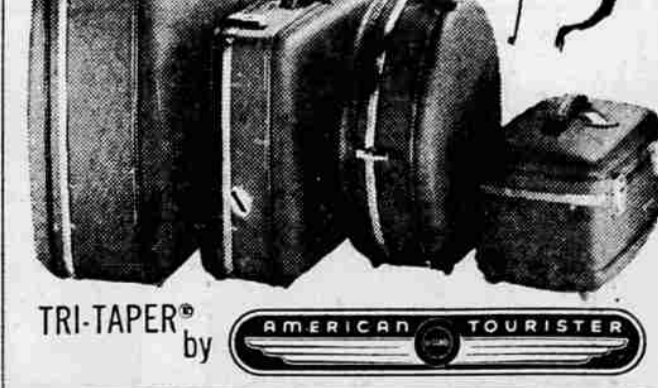
Salem—UPI—Norman O. Nilsen, successful candidate for reelection as state labor commissioner, spent \$3759 and had contributions of \$3585 in the 1958 general election, the State Elections Division said today.

Lyle E. McCauley, Republican candidate for the same office, received contributions of \$2359 and spent \$2370.

Contributions for Kenneth J. O'Connell for the State Supreme Court totaled \$1507 with expenditures of \$1367.

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