

Steel Strike Stopped Economic Growth, Government Economists Assert

Total Output of Goods, Services Said Unchanged

Washington (UPI) — Government economists said today the steel strike stopped the nation's overall economic growth in the past three months and even may have caused a small setback.

They tentatively estimated that the total output of goods and services in July, August and September remained at the \$84,500,000,000 annual rate posted in the previous three months. But some late figures on inventories may show that the economy actually slid backward from the April-May-June level.

Refrain From Guessing

These calculations were more pessimistic than earlier forecasts made on the assumption that the steel strike would not last more than two months. This is the 85th day of the strike.

The economists refrained from guessing how the economy might perform in the last three months of this year, other than to say it definitely would forge ahead once the steel mills resumed operating.

Earlier confidence that steel and steel-using industries could make up for the strike with brisk October-November-December activity was missing. Some officials said that if President Eisenhower used the Taft-Hartley Act to send the 500,000 striking steel workers back to work for 80 days, the overall damage would be kept down.

Catch Up in 1960

Others said that even with use of the Taft-Hartley law some of the lost production could not be made up until early 1960.

A national production rate of \$500 billion a year, once considered an outside possibility for the close of this year, now appeared delayed at least until 1960.

Commerce Secretary Frederick H. Muller said in a New York speech the high rate would be achieved early next year "unless the effects of the prolonged steel strike upset the apple cart." Some economists said the \$500 billion rate would not be reached before March.

Others pointed out that most of the production lost by the steel strike quickly would be made up. Many industries, especially steel and autos, have excess capacity and can step up production for a while.

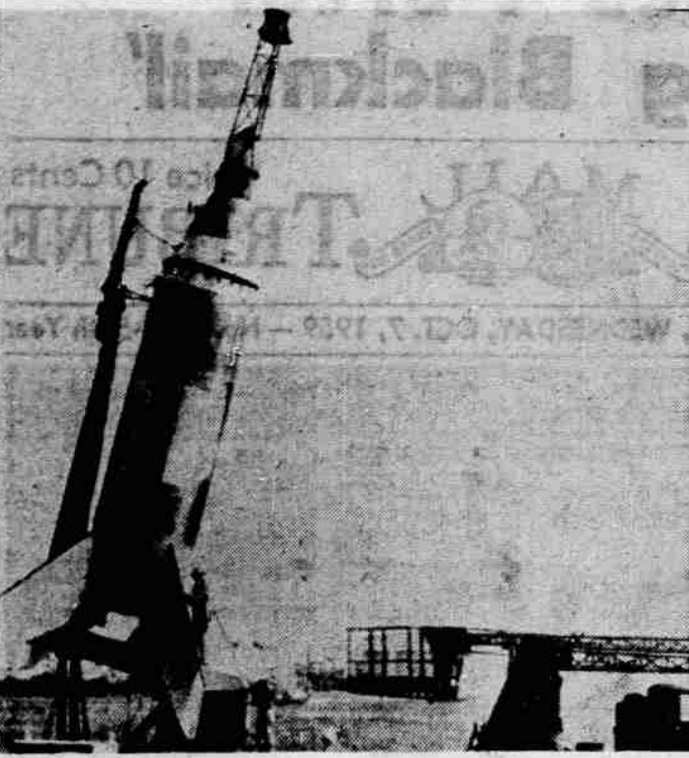
NO EXCEPTIONS

Mobile, Ala. — (UPI) — City Building Inspector Clifford W. Adams ordered the newly-erected radio antenna atop the Mobile County Courthouse torn down unless someone could explain to him why no building permit was obtained for the antenna.

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"LITTLE JOE" TESTED—The "Little Joe" booster rocket is shown prior to a successful launching from Wallops Island, Va. The missile was deliberately destroyed after it had attained a 40-mile altitude. The "Little Joe" is being tested for the purpose of eventually putting one of the seven Astronauts in space. The man will ride in the cylindrical part of the rocket where it tapers into a cone.

Electronic, Missile Shares Pace Market

New York (UPI) — Electronic and missile shares paced an otherwise mixed and moderately active stock market today.

Aircrafts also advanced with gains of one or better in North American Aviation and Cessna. Boeing and Douglas tacked on fractions. Thiokol in the rocket fuels featured with a gain of nearly 3.

General Tire and its Aerojet subsidiary rose with the rocket fuels in earlier dealings but subsequently eased on profit taking.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York — (UPI) — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 635.37, off 0.69; 20 railroads 159.34, up 0.56; 15 utilities 87.96, off 0.11, and 65 stocks 212.21, off 0.02. Sales today were about 2,380,000 shares compared with 2,330,000 shares Monday.

Today's prices on selected stocks:

Allied Chemical	115
Alum. Co. Am.	110 1/2
American Can	43 1/2
American Motors	62
A. T. & T.	78 1/2
Anaconda Copper	59 1/2
Armco Steel	73 1/2
Bendix Aviation	68 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	57 1/2
Boeing Air	31 1/2
Caterpillar Corp.	32 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	64
Continental Can	48 1/2
Crown Zellerbach	35 1/2
Curtis Wright	31 1/2
Dow Chemical	83 1/2
Du Pont	256

Eastman Kodak	85 1/2
Firestone	128
General Electric	78 1/2
General Foods	95
General Motors	55 1/2
Georgia Pacific	44 1/2
Graham Paige	25 1/2
Greyhound	20 1/2
Gulf Oil	111 1/2
Homestake Mining	43 1/2
Idaho Power	45
I. B. M.	412 1/2
Int'l Paper	128 1/2
Johns Manville	50 1/2
Kaiser Ind.	16 1/2
Kennecott Copper	81
Lockheed Aircraft	262 1/2
Katy	6 1/2
Montana Power Co.	24 1/2
Montgomery Ward	30 1/2
Natl. Biscuit	32 1/2
New York Central	32 1/2
Pac. Gas & Elec.	63
Penney, J. C.	107 1/2
Penn. RR	17 1/2
Radio Corporation	57 1/2
Richfield Oil	72 1/2
Safeway	42
Sears	49 1/2
Shell Oil	73 1/2
Secony Mobil Oil	40 1/2
Southern Co.	39 1/2
Southern Pacific	72 1/2
Standard California	41 1/2
Standard Indiana	41 1/2
Standard N. J.	41 1/2
Texas Co.	41 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulphur	18 1/2
Transamerica	30 1/2
Trans World Air	20 1/2
Tri-Continental	38 1/2
Union Carbide	142
Union Pacific	31 1/2
United Aircraft	38 1/2
United Air Lines	42 1/2
U. S. Rubber	61 1/2
U. S. Steel	108 1/2
Youngstown S. & T.	139 1/2

Medford Girl Wins In Sewing Contest

New York — (UPI) — Fifteen girls handy with a needle, including one from Medford, Ore., have taken top honors in the Singer Young Style-maker contest and will get a trip to New York City, some money and a chance in grand prize awards.

Winner from Medford is Judy Chastain, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Chastain and granddaughter of Mrs. Anna Chastain, 704 North Central ave.

An eighth grade student at McLoughlin Junior High school, Judy has entered Singer contests since 1957.

The ensemble which won her the New York City trip consisted of a blue and grey plaid wool skirt and white long sleeved blouse with matching wool weskit.

Three grand prize winners will be named Oct. 29 at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel. One of the grand prizes is a trip to Paris.

Senator Humphrey to Speak Here Thursday

Persons interested in attending the Thursday morning breakfast for Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) at Ping's Garden restaurant, 2330 North Pacific highway, were reminded today that tickets would be available at the door.

The reminder came from E. Marvin Madden, Jackson county clerk. The breakfast is scheduled from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. "Coffee" tickets are available for those who do not want a full breakfast, Madden said.

Norwalk, Calif. (UPI) — Ever get that lost feeling in a self-service store? A California drug chain may have solved the problem — in Hi-Fi. A new type of pushbutton directory has been installed in a store here. Shoppers check the directory for the item they want, push the right button, and a recorded voice tells exactly where it is in the store. The device has 192 buttons for the best selling items from aspirin to waxpaper.



FORD SUNLINER—The 1960 Ford Sunliner is one of 15 models in the new Ford line which will be introduced Thursday at Crater Lake Motors, Medford. Featuring the modern rear deck and flat-wing motif, the new Fords are five inches longer, five inches wider and have more interior leg, hip, shoulder and head room than before. The new design harmonizes the interior with a single flowing exterior styliline.

Salem Man Heads Turkey Association

Salt Lake City (UPI) — William Geurts, Salem, Ore., was elected president of the Northwest Turkey Growers association during closing sessions of the group's board of directors meeting here Tuesday.

Geurts, a native of Salt Lake City, succeeds H. D. Schwermann, New Ulm, Minn.

The 60 officers and directors from several western and midwestern states also heard reports which showed Minnesota has replaced California as the nation's number one turkey producing state.

Adult Typing Class Planned at Crater

Central Point — A beginning class in typing for adults is planned at Crater High school.

Organizational meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m. in the typing room. All interested in the class are asked to attend that session. A minimum of 15 pupils is sought.

Instructor will be either Miss Martha Boshears or Mrs. Helen Broadbent. A fee of \$10 will be charged for the course.

First National Bids Low on School Bonds

Corbett (UPI) — Lowest of three bidders on a \$100,000 school bond issue here was the First National Bank of Oregon, according to School Superintendent Arthur Heinstra.

The five-year bond issue funds will be used to renovate high school and elementary school buildings.

DEBATE DRINKING LAWS

Warsaw — (UPI) — The Polish parliament will debate proposed anti-drinking laws in its next session, it was announced Tuesday.

Mrs. Todd Continues Feud With Directors At Board Meeting

Mrs. Ann Todd Tuesday continued her feud with Eagle Point irrigation district officials at the monthly meeting of the district board of directors.

Of particular interest at the meeting was whether Circuit Judge Edward C. Kelly's recent plea for moderation and an agreeable settlement of the dispute would be effective.

Judge Kelly is presiding from week to week, at a hearing in the district directors' injunction suit against Mrs. Todd and her husband, Howard Todd, aimed at preventing the Todds' alleged "disturbances" at board meetings. The hearing is on a temporary restraining order pending actual trial of the suit.

Seeks Arrangements

Ben Day, newly-appointed attorney for the district, suggested Tuesday that the board take every opportunity to seek a "mutually satisfactory" arrangement whereby the suit could be settled out-of-court.

"It is possible," he said, "at any time such a thing would be agreeable to the other parties."

"I gather from Mr. Day's statement," Mrs. Todd replied later, "it is all up to the Todds."

"This board and Mr. Flury (Ted Flury, district secretary-manager) will brook no criticism and no interference — particularly from the Todds," Mrs. Todd charged. "There are occasions when we could commend the board," she continued.

"If this is going to be settled," she observed of the suit, "it's going to have to be a give-and-take proposition."

Nothing Done

"Nothing the court suggested has been done today," she said, with reference to Judge Kelly's suggestions about improved conduct of board meetings.

She referred specifically to the lack of a printed agenda available to the public.

However, another of Judge Kelly's suggestions was the presence of a parliamentarian to advise the chairman on procedural matters, and Day performed this function Monday.

"We've had a pretty good meeting here today," Day observed.

Mrs. Todd appeared particularly incensed about the procedure of reserving public questions and comments on district business to the last. She herself was permitted to start her remarks at 3:40 p.m. She continued for 30 minutes, after which Day offered point-by-point replies.

Day defined public meetings such as this one as being open to public observation but not necessarily to unlimited public participation.

According to an unofficial count, Mrs. Todd was ruled out of order by Chairman E. C. Bigham 16 times.

Mrs. Todd asserted that the board members would not permit her to speak as freely as others because they wished to avoid her criticisms.

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