Markets and Financial

VIGOR LACKING AS STOCKS TRY FURTHER CLIMB

NEW YORK, Feb. 6 (AP)—Stocks exhibited further rallying tremors at intervals in today's market but real vigor was notably lacking from the start.

Coppers, mail orders, specialties and a few steels, utilities, rails and motors inclined to keep their heads above water.

Transfers for the full proceedings were around 450,000 shares.

No great jubilation was evinced over the sale of a stock exchange seat for $28,000, duplicating a transfer Wednesday. This price was only $1000 above the Spanish-American war low.

Coppers came in for mild bidding as demand for the red metal broadened from both governmental and private sources.

Inclined to keep on the advancing route—some eventually faltered—were Anaconda, Kennecott, American Smelting, Sears Roebuck, Montgomery Ward, Paramount Pictures, Consolidated Cigar, Loft, Allied Chemical, J. I. Case, Chrysler, General Motors, Santa Fe, Great Northern, American Telephone, US Steel, Youngstown Sheet and N. Y. Shipbuilding.

Air Reduction	40¼
Alaska Juneau	4½
Al Chem & Dye	151½
American Can	33½
Allis-Chalmers	87¾
Am Car & Fdy	27¾
Am Rad Sta San	6⅜
Am Roll Mills	14½
Am Smelt & Ref	42
Am Tel & Tel	163¾
Am Tob "B"	72
Am Water Works	6⅛
Am Zinc L & S	6½
Anaconda	25
Armour Ill	4⅛
Atchison	23
Aviation Corp	4½
Bald Loco	15⅞
Bendix Avia	35½
Beth Steel	83⅜
Boeing Airp	16¾
Borden	19⅜
Borge-Warner	17¾
Calif Packing	18⅞
Callahan Z L	1⅛
Calumet Hec	6¾
Canada Dry	13
Canadian Pacific	3⅛
Cat Tractor	47
Celanese	25¾
Ches & Ohio	41⅛
Chrysler	65⅛
Col Gas & El	4⅛
Com'l Solvents	10
Comm'nw'lth & Sou	⅜
Consol Aircraft	26⅛
Consol Edison	21⅞
Consol Oil	5⅛
Cont'l Can	37¾
Corn Products	45¾
Crown Zellerbach	14
Curtiss Wright	8⅜
Doug Aircraft	69¾
Dupont De N	148½
Eastman Podak	129¾
El Pow & Lt	3⅜
General Electric	33⅛
General Foods	35¾
General Motors	43¾
Goodrich	13⅛
Gt Nor Ry pfd	26⅛
Greyhound	11⅛
Illinois Central	7⅛
Insp Copper	85
Int Harvester	51
Int Nick Can	25⅜
Int Pap Q P pfd	62⅛
Int Tel & Tel	2⅜
Johns Manville	58½
Kennecott	33⅛
Lib O Ford	36
Lockheed	24⅛
Loew's	33⅜
Montgomery Ward	37⅛
Nash-Kelv	4⅜
Nat'l Biscuit	17⅛
Nat'l Dairy Prod	13⅛
Nat'l Dist	21¾
N Y Central	13⅛
No Am Aviation	15
North Amer Co	15⅜
Northern Pacific	6⅛
Ohio Oil	7⅛
Otis Steel	8⅞
Pac Gas & El	28⅛
Packard Motor	3
Pan Amer Airways	13⅛
Paramount Pic	12
Penney (J C)	81⅛
Penna R R	23
Phelps Dodge	30
Phillips Pet	37⅛
Proctor & Gamble	54⅛
Pub Svc N J	28⅞
Pullman	25⅛
Radio	4⅛
Republic Steel	19⅜
Richfield Oil	8
Safeway Stores	40
Sears Roebuck	73⅜
Shell Union	11⅛
Socony Vacuum	8⅞
Sou Cal Edison	25⅞
Southern Pacific	9⅜
Sperry Corp	33⅛
Standard Brands	6⅛
Stand Oil Calif	19
Stand Oil Ind	26⅛
Stand Oil N J	34⅞
Stone & Webster	7⅛
Studebaker	7⅛
Sunshine Mining	8⅜
Texas Corp	36⅛
Trans-America	4⅛
Union Carbide	65
Union Oil Calif	13⅞
Union Pacific	80⅛
United Airlines	13¾
United Aircraft	38
United Corporation	1⅛
United Drug	4⅛
United Fruit	64¾
U S Rubber	20⅛
U S Rubber pfd	87
U S Steel	63¾
Vanadium	30
Warner Pictures	3⅛
Western Union	20⅛
Westinghouse	95⅛
Woolworth	32¾

Carload Potato Shipments

Day of Month	Season of 1940-41			Season of 1939-40		
Feb.	Daily	Feb. to Date	Season to Date	Daily	Feb. to Date	Season to Date
1	10	10	5947	21	21	4217
2	0	10	5947	24	45	4241
3	22	32	5969	20	65	4261
4	29	61	5998	3	68	4264
5	29	90	6027	19	87	4283
6				21	108	4304
7				17	125	4321
8				20	145	4341
9				21	166	4362
10				27	193	4389
11				13	206	4402
12				20	226	4422
13				31	257	4453
14				29	286	4482
15				31	317	4513
16				26	343	4539
17				30	373	4569
18				1	374	4570
19				25	399	4595
20				31	430	4626
21				28	458	4654
22				31	489	4685
23				27	516	4712
24				35	551	4747
25				2	553	4749
26				15	568	4764
27				20	588	4784
28				16	604	4800
29	*	*	*	26	630	4826
Shipments by Truck					268	
Grand Totals					898	5094

POTATOES

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6 (AP-USDA)—Potatoes: 4 California, 1 Florida, 1 Nevada, 2 Oregon arrived, 14 unbroken, 17 broken cars on track; market slightly stronger for best stock; steady for others; Oregon, Klamath district Russets No. 1 $1.05-1.15, 1 car $1.20; dark soil .95-$1.00.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6 (AP-USDA)—Potatoes: 8 California, 3 Idaho, 1 Oregon, 1 Utah arrived, 41 unbroken, 21 broken cars on track; by truck 6 California, 2 Idaho, 1 Oregon, 1 Utah arrived; Oregon Klamath district Russets No. 1 light soil $1.17½.

CHICAGO POTATOES

CHICAGO, Feb. 6 (AP-USDA) Potatoes, arrivals 98; on track 502; total US shipments 770; old stock, supplies heavy; demand slow; market dull; Idaho Russet Burbanks US No. 1, $1.35-50.

WHEAT PRICE FADES AFTER EARLY CLIMB

CHICAGO, Feb. 6 (AP)—Wheat price gains of almost a cent a bushel at one stage today faded rapidly after completion of buying, attributed principally to mills and dealers covering previous "short" sales. Closing prices were very little changed compared with yesterday.

Pit brokers said some of the buying may have been associated with army flour buying, reports of Oriental activity in the export market and trade interpretation that wheat and other agricultural commodities may be included under terms of the pending British aid bill.

Wheat closed unchanged to ⅛c lower compared with yesterday, May 82⅜-⅛c, July 76⅜-⅛c; corn ⅛-⅛c down, May 61⅜-⅞c, July 61⅜c; oats unchanged to ⅛c lower.

WOOL MARKET

BOSTON, Feb. 6 (AP-USDA) Interest in the Boston wool market was centered today on the finer grades of wool from South America, South Africa and Australia. Reports of difficulty in securing shipping space nor imports from South America caused a further firming in asking prices of spot wool and in wools soon to arrive. Very little interest was shown in domestic wools except occasional small lots urgently needed to complete some order.

WHEAT REFERENDUM TENTATIVELY FIXED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (AP)—The agricultural adjustment administration tentatively has set May 31 as the date for a grower referendum upon a proposal to invoke strict marketing quotas on the 1941 wheat crop.

Plans for such a referendum are being made on the basis of prospects that the 1941 harvest and surpluses now on hand would provide an "excessive" supply within the meaning of the 1939 farm act. The legislation makes a referendum necessary when supplies become excessive.

Quotas would have to be approved by two-thirds of the producers voting. If approved, each producer would be limited to the sale or use as feed of wheat harvested from his AAA acreage allotment for 1941. Farmers selling wheat in excess of quota would be subject to a penalty tax of 15 cents a bushel on the excess.

AAA officials say that the supply of wheat in this country may be the largest on record after harvest. They estimate that there will be a surplus of about 385,000,000 bushels when the new crop starts moving to market. Present prospects, they say, point to a 1941 crop of between 835,000,000 and 900,000,000 bushels.

Only a sharp reversal in crop prospects or a change in the farm law, officials say, would eliminate a quota referendum. This would be the first time that quotas were proposed for wheat.

Officials are preparing to conduct an intensive campaign for quotas. They count, however, on commodity loan provisions of the farm act to help win votes for the marketing control system. The law provides that no loans shall be made on wheat if quotas are rejected. Government loans have pegged domestic wheat prices above world levels.

The world situation is such, officials say, that without the support of wheat loans, farm prices for wheat would tumble to around 25 or 30 cents a bushel.

IT WORKS!

MT. VERNON, Ill., (AP)—Members of the Mt Vernon fire department are thoroughly convinced that their new pumping apparatus generates plenty of water pressure.

When they tested the new equipment in the business district, the pressure jerked the hose out of the firemen's hands. The stream of water knocked down a spectator, washing him down the street, broke a window on the third floor of a bank building and damaged files in the office of an oil company.

FIVE STRIKES CONTINUE ON DEFENSE JOBS

By United Press

(UNDATED)—Strikes at two plants were settled Wednesday, leaving only five strikes still in progress against companies holding contracts for production of defense materials.

Settlement of a strike at the Universal Cyclops Steel corporation, Bridgeville, Pa., sent 1400 members of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin workers (CIO) back to work on $4,000,000 worth of defense orders. The settlement was reached when the union voted to accept a company compromise on demands for union security and higher wage levels.

Wage Increase

About 150 members of the United Automobile workers (CIO) returned to work at the Flex-O-Tube company, Detroit, after the union announced that the company had agreed to wage increases of from five to 15 cents an hour, bonuses and seniority rights. The plant makes carburetor tubing for airplanes and trucks.

A UAW-CIO strike against the R. H. Jolly company, which occupies the same building as the Flex-O-Tube firm, was continued pending negotiations. The strike, called for similar demands, involved less than 100 men.

The situation on other disputes:

Chicago—A deadlock ended, at least temporarily, company-union negotiations on a strike of 5500 members of the Farm Equipment Workers organizing committee (CIO) at the International Harvester company's track plant. Conciliator David T. Roadley left for Washington after announcing that the company and union had not been able to reach agreement on their differences, including a wage boost issue. Conferences were deferred to an indefinite date.

Production Halted

Milwaukee—A strike of 7800 members of the UAW-CIO against the Allis-Chalmers company was still in progress, with mediators awaiting instructions from Washington before continuing negotiations. The strike has halted production for 15 days on $40,000,000 worth of defense orders. Negotiations have been deadlocked on the union's demands for an all-union shop. The company arranged with the union to release completed and partially completed defense equipment.

Rock Falls, Ill.—A strike called by the FEWOC at the Harvester company's Rock Falls plant, normally employing 250, passed its 18th day. A conciliator was attempting to effect settlement of the dispute in which the FEWOC is seeking higher wages and union recognition.

Cleveland—A strike of 600 workers at the Standard Tool company in demand for higher wages and a union contract was still in progress. A federal conciliator was working for a settlement.

WALKER GOVERNOR OVER WEEKEND AS SPRAGUE TRAVELS

SALEM, Feb. 6 (AP)—Although he's had his job only three weeks, President of the Senate Dean H. Walker of Independence became Oregon's acting governor today when Governor Charles A. Sprague left the state on his way to a conference of governors in Denver.

Walker will be acting governor until the governor returns to the state Monday.

Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Feb. 6 (AP) — BUTTER — Prints, A grade, 33½c lb. in parchment wrappers, 34½c in cartons; B grade 32½c in parchment wrappers, 33½c in cartons.

BUTTERFAT — First quality, maximum of .6 of 1 per cent acidity, delivered Portland, 32-32½c lb.; premium quality, maximum of .35 of 1 per cent acidity, 33-33½c; routes and country points, 2c less; second quality, 2c under first.

CHEESE — Selling price to Portland retailers, Tillamook triplets, 21c lb.; loaf 22c lb., triplets to wholesalers 19c lb.; loaf 20c f.o.b. Tillamook.

EGGS — Prices to producers, A large 16c; B large 15c; A medium 14c; B medium 13c doz.; resale to retailers 4c higher for cases; cartons 5c higher.

COUNTRY MEATS — Selling prices to retailers, country killed hogs, best butchers, 125-140 lbs., 11-11½c; vealers, fancy, 16½-17c; light thin 12-14c; heavy 11-13c; lambs, old crop 15-16c lb.; ewes, 6-10c lb.; good cutter cows, 11c lb.; canner cows, 10c lb.; bulls 12-12½c.

LIVE POULTRY — Buying prices, No. 1 grade Leghorn broilers, 1½ to 2 lbs., 15c; fryers, under 3 lbs. 13c; springers 2½ to 4 lbs. 13c; roasters, over 4 lbs. 15c; Leghorn hens over 3½ lbs., 13c; Leghorn hens under 3½ lbs. 10c; colored hens, over 5 lbs. 15c; hens 4 to 5 lbs. 16c; old roosters 5 lbs.

DRESSED TURKEYS — Nominal, buying prices, new crop hens 18½-19c; toms, 17½-18 c lb. Nominal selling prices, hens, 21c lb.; toms 19-20c lb.

ONIONS — Oregon Danvers, $1.10-25; Yakima $1.15-25 per 50 lb. bag; Idaho large Spanish $1.00 sack.

POTATOES — Deschutes No. 1, $1.10-25; selected Deschutes brand, $1.25-35; Klamath $1.15-25 cental; selected Klamath $1.25-35.

HAY — Selling price on track, alfalfa, No. 1, $14.25 ton; oat-vetch, $10.00 ton; clover $10.00 ton; timothy, eastern Oregon, $17.00 ton.

WOOL, 1940 eastern Oregon range 30-33c lb.; gross bred, 34-35c.

It's a 'Bottleneck' for America's Troops and Convoys

One of the most traveled bridges in Oregon, the span (above) at the north approach to Aurora on the Pacific highway would be a handicap to rapid movement of mechanized troops and supply columns in a time of emergency. The bridge was one of those visited by R. H. Baldock, (left) state highway engineer, and Fred B. Judges, manager of the traffic department of the Oregon State Motor association, in the motor organization's statewide study of military highway needs in Oregon.

'ASPIRIN BANDIT' BELIEVED KILLER

NEW YORK, Feb. 6 (UP) — Possibility New York's strange "aspirin bandit" murdered pretty Catherine Pappas, found strangled Tuesday night in the three-room apartment she occupied with her husband, was considered tonight by authorities.

Mrs. Pappas, who married John Pappas in Egypt two years ago and came with him to this country, was known to neighbors as "the Egyptian princess." They regarded her with awe.

She was bound with a bath towel and strangled with a blue necktie, and left lying on an undisturbed bed. She was only partly dressed. Pappas said he did not recognize the necktie and could not explain a table set for serving coffee and cakes, as though Mrs. Pappas had admitted a friend to the apartment.

A fox neckpiece was found between the venetian blind and a window of the apartment. A $4000 diamond ring, a gold cross and some cash were missing. Handbags had been ransacked.

There were scratches on Mrs. Pappas' face but not enough to account for a bloody towel found in the bathroom. Her brassiere had been torn. She had not been raped.

A bottle of aspirin was found on the dining alcove table. The "aspirin bandit" is a thug who intimidates housewives, asks them for aspirin and takes it while he robs their homes.

About all the police were sure of was the murderer chews gum and smokes a certain brand of cigarets. Mrs. Pappas did neither and a partly empty pack of cigarets found in the apartment were of a brand different from those used by her husband.

CENSUS OF HOUSE DISTRICTS GIVEN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (AP)—The census bureau today released congressional district population figures for Washington and Oregon.

Washington's population in 1940 was 1,736,191 compared with 1,563,396 in 1930; Oregon's was 1,089,684 and 953,786.

The Washington population by congressional districts (1940 figures given first, 1930 second): first district, 412,689, 396,359; second, 269,757, 236,238; third, 258,301, 235,372; fourth, 323,202, 296,484; fifth, 305,725, 279,342; sixth, 378,630, 308,859.

The Oregon population by congressional districts: first, 523,594, 432,572; second, 210,991, 182,973; third, 355,099, 338,241.

PORTLAND QUITS POLICE VICE SQUAD

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 6 (U.P.) Portland's police vice - squad ceased to exist today.

Abolishment of the vice-squad was ordered by Chief of Police Harry M. Niles who said captains on command of precincts would henceforth be held accountable for vice conditions.

This marked the second time in his six-year tenure of office Chief Niles has abolished the vice-squad. On January 4, 1939, it was ordered abolished, then re-established on February 16, 1939.

Lt. John H. Schum, commander of the division the last two years, was transferred to the detective division and will take charge of subversive activities investigation. Seven officers will be assigned to the subversive squad under Lt. Schum.

The census bureau has recorded 500,175 cases of twin births in 23 years. According to census figures, the odds are 88 to one in favor of a single birth as opposed to twins.

MARION TALLEY DIVORCE SPREADS COAST-TO-COAST

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6 (AP)—The marital troubles of Marion Talley, former Metropolitan opera star, brought coast-to-coast court action.

In an amended divorce complaint here, Miss Talley charged that her husband, Adolph G. Eckstrom, voice teacher, attempted to extort $150,000 from her on a threat to accuse her falsely of misconduct with seven men.

They were Ventriloquist Edgar Bergen, Film Actor Eric Rhodes, Rust Heinz of the canning family, Film Director Aubrey Scotto, Musician Arthur Rosenstein, Singer Jean Sablon and John S. Keith, her attorney.

In New York, Supreme Court Justice Charles B. McLaughlin denied her motion for dismissal of Eckstrom's separation suit, and for dismissal of that part of his suit relating to his effort to gain cutody of their 5-year-old daughter, Betty Ruth.

A previous judgment awarded Miss Talley custody of the child, but Judge McLaughlin said her actions subsequent to that judgment would be considered in a supreme court ruling on the case. The separation complaint charged that Miss Talley had been too friendly with certain men.

M'NARY DROPS OLD BILLS INTO SENATE HOPPER AGAIN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (AP)—Senator McNary (R-Ore.) reintroduced in one batch last Monday 40 bills that remained on the senate calendar from last session and had to be put into the hopper again.

One provides that moneys received from the national forests and paid to the state for the benefit of the counties in which the forests are situated may be used for other purposes than public schools and public roads.

The senators bill for beautifying roadside through authorizing the use of highway funds for purchase of forest lands adjacent to roads or trails and thus preserving the natural beauty of the country also went into the hopper.

Other measures provided a tax on santonin or the salts thereof imported into the United States; to authorize the distribution to persons admitted to citizenship of a patriotic poster entitled "Look the Truth in the Face," and to prohibit the charging of a fee for admission to historic and archaeological sites, buildings and properties.

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POWER COMPANY RIGHTS WANTED

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 6 (U.P.) Negotiations toward acquiring the entire generating, transmission and distribution properties of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company will begin soon, Bonneville power administration officials announced here Wednesday night.

Studies of the company's books and records by power administration representatives have been under way for several weeks. Appraisal of the company properties is proceeding rapidly and a joint offer to purchase will be made following agreement between the power administration and the Peoples' Utility district representatives, Bonneville authorities declared.

The present eastern Oregon system would be connected with the Bonneville administration's northwest power network by the construction of a transmission line from Pendleton to La Grande. Bonneville's line connecting its 230,000-volt Bonneville-Grand Coulee circuit with Pendleton is now under construction.

EMPLOYMENT PLAN FOR DRAFTEES IN OREGON REVEALED

SALEM, Feb. 6 (AP) — A program for reemployment of all Oregon men who enter military service was announced today by Lieut. Col. Elmer V. Wooton, state director of selective service.

The state employment service will attempt to find jobs for those who are unemployed when drafted. Those who have jobs are protected by a federal law which provides they shall get their jobs back after completing their military service.

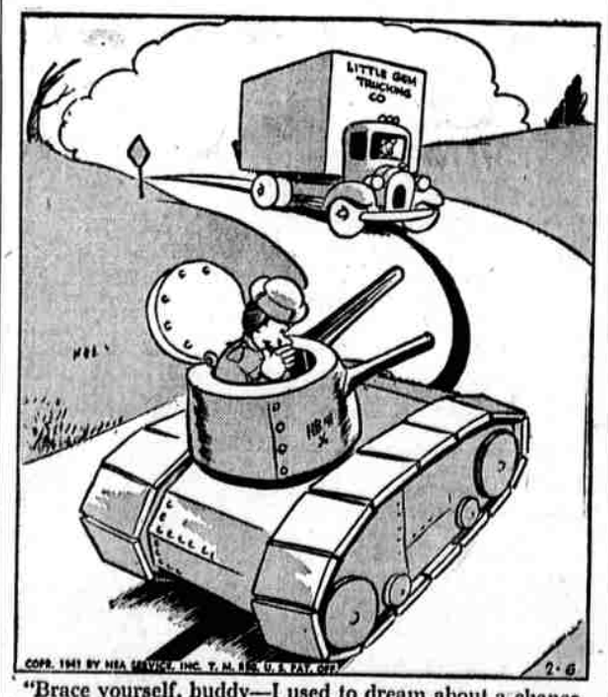
Men rejected because of physical disability will be rehabilitated.

STANFORD U. GETS BIG FUND GIFT

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif., Feb. 6 (UP) — Receipt of $725,442 from the estate of Mrs. Charles A. Rossier of San Francisco and the establishment of the "David Farnsworth Fund" in support of medical research at Stanford university, was announced Wednesday by President Ray Lyman Wilbur.

The fund is in memory of Mrs. Rossier's father, who was a founder of the San Francisco firm of Farnsworth and Ruggles.

HOLD EVERYTHING



"Brace yourself, buddy—I used to dream about a chance like this when I was driving a taxi back in Detroit!"

WAGE-HOUR LAW AIDS WORKERS, ASSERTS SOLON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (AP) — Senator Wallgren (D-Wash.) said today controversy over the rising lumber prices had demonstrated that an improved competitive position for Pacific northwest lumber mill workers had resulted from the wage-hour law.

He made the assertion after receiving from Leon Henderson of the defense commission a statement that Henderson's specific complaint on lumber prices "has been directed against the southern pine industry, which has increased its prices over 50 per cent on No. 2 common, the item most used by the war department."

"The bettered position of Pacific northwest labor is shown by the fact that spokesmen of the southern pine industry blamed the wage-hour law for the increased cost of pine lumber," Wallgren said. "When the southern operators explained the price increase the formal statement admitted that mills had not been obeying the law until recently when the wage-hour division undertook an enforcement drive."

Wallgren quoted M. L. Fleishel, chairman of the lumber and timber products defense committee as saying that mills in the south formerly accustomed to working 60 hours a week and that a report on wage-hour enforcement revealed that in seven southern states out of a total of 1319 investigations only 122 operators were working in compliance with the law.

The senator said Henderson did not exonerate the price structure of the Pacific northwest lumber and shingles but pointed out Henderson had made no specific mention of red cedar shingles and other Pacific northwest products when he criticised lumber prices.

SPUD PURCHASES FOR LIVESTOCK FEED STUDIED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (AP) Representative Dworshak (R-Ida.), said he was informed Wednesday that the agriculture department had submitted to its legal advisers a program for purchase of western potatoes for use as livestock feed in an effort to stabilize potato prices.

Dworshak said he expected a decision "shortly."

The congressman said his information came from Dr. Edwin W. Gaumnitz, assistant director of the federal surplus marketing administration.

The proposal as presented to Secretary Wickard, after the marketing administration had rejected it, called for purchase by the government of 12,000,000 to 15,000,000 bushels of potatoes for use as livestock feed.

Dworshak said he received a telegram today from Governor Chase Clark of Idaho describing the growers' plight in that state as "desperate" and urging speedy action by the agriculture department.

GAMBLING ROUNDUP JAMS COURTHOUSE

OREGON CITY, Feb. 6 (AP)—Accused owners of gambling devices jammed Clackamas county justice courts yesterday, but were turned away because the district attorney did not have time enough to file complaints against all.

The men answered summons to appear in court after a raid on which 20 slot machines, 42 punchboards and 107 pinball games were seized. Fred A. Miller, district attorney said 21 gambling charges were filed and 148 more were being prepared.

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