

OPA Launches Campaign To Keep Food Prices Down

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH
WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The OPA launched an intensified drive today to keep food prices in check as meat, butter and all other red-point products came off the ration list.

George Moncharsh, chief of OPA's enforcement department, predicted it would be a "somewhat more difficult" job to hold prices now that rationing has ended.

He said in an interview, however, that OPA is "all set" to crack down on any violators of price ceilings.

Investigators already have been transferred from other OPA price programs to augment the regular staff assigned to see that ceilings on meats and fats are observed.

Moncharsh said OPA expects the job to be toughest in areas remote from meat, butter and other food production centers.

"Under rationing," he explained, "points were set to assure even distribution. This helped to ease the pressure on prices."

"Now that rationing is out, we have to guard against any bidding up of prices to obtain supplies in potential shortage areas."

Lumbering Enterprise's Lusty Child

SEATTLE, Nov. 24 (AP)—H. V. Simpson, secretary-manager of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, said last night in a press statement released by his office in connection with current meetings at Chicago, that the national lumber industry is a "vigorous giant of the American enterprise system (and) the west coast lumber industry is its mightiest unit."

At Chicago, the National Lumber Manufacturers' association and American Forest Products Industries, Inc., are setting up programs for 1946.

"Further expansion will be planned at Chicago, with the certified tree farm as the medium, and with increased protection measures against the forest fire as a main objective. Encouragement is in the fact that timber is growing all over the United States in far greater volume than the average man dreams. The industry proposes to demonstrate this fact fully," the statement said.

"There is reason to hope," Simpson said, "that the normal peacetime rise of spring building will come with fair weather in 1946, and that the lumber industry will be able to supply it."

"There is plenty of timber to supply the country's building requirements for lumber, and projects for growing tree crops in the wake of the sawtimber harvests have expanded amazingly through the war period," the statement added.

USRS Office At Walla Walla Plan
WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP)—The reclamation bureau will establish an office in Walla Walla, Wash., on April 1, Senator Mitchell (D-Wash.) said today.

It will have charge, he said, of all investigations in the drainage area north of the Deschutes, Lahontan, Malheur and Burnt river basins in Oregon, east of the Cascade summit in Washington, except the Spokane, Colville and Clark's Fork basins, and the area in Idaho between, but not including, the Spokane and Salmon rivers.

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CHICAGO, Nov. 24 (AP)—Joseph Bartell complained his house was being picketed by a man who "just stands out there by the picket fence and dances up and down when he sees me and hollers he's cold."

Police freed shivering Joseph Kveton from the fence, where a picket through his belt had caught him.

While getting thawed out at a hospital, en route home, Kveton chattered: "I don't know how I managed to get hung up on that picket, but I couldn't get loose and I thought that guy (Bartell) was going to watch me freeze."

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Flashes of Life

SOUTHBRURY, Conn., Nov. 24 (AP)—Max Laboudy came out second best in a wrestling match with his shirt. He told doctors his shoulder was dislocated while donning the garment.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 24 (AP)—Norton Morrison, who had words with a speed cop who flagged him down, found that California law on disturbing the peace takes in a lot of territory. Morrison learned that disturbing an officer's peace is forbidden and he paid \$25 for his caustic language directed at the cop.

Craig's Add Floor Space; To Remodel

Another Main street change is slated for the 600 block when Craig's shop for women will take over additional space adjoining its present location at 617 Main.

This addition will give Craig's a space of 50 by 100 feet including the entire second story. Their expansion will take in the T. B. Watters Real Estate company offices. Alterations on the building will start around April 1. It was announced by Robert Greenley, supervisor of Craig stores, here this week completing the lease arrangements.

The building to be added to the space now occupied by Craig's is owned by A. E. Whitman and Earl Whitlock.

Mrs. Grace Berman is manager of the local store. The entire second floor will be occupied by the alterations and lay-away department. The sportswear department will be doubled in size with a full line of that type. The fur section will take up the entire rear of the store. Coats and suits will take up about half the space and the dress department will be tripled, the manager announced.

Classified Ads Bring Results

Death Takes Mrs. Stukel At Merrill

MERRILL—Minnie Elvotta Stukel, for 58 years a resident of Merrill, died at the family home at the city limits Friday evening following an illness of the past two months. She was the widow of Fred Stukel, native of Klamath county, who died December 24, 1943, and member of a pioneer family for which Stukel mountain was named.

Mrs. Stukel was 63 at the time of her death. She was born of Lodi, Calif., and one son, Elmer, and a niece whom she reared, Beth Robley, recently discharged from the War; two sisters, Mrs. Walter Brechtel of Oakland, Calif., Mrs. Ollie Taveras of Lodi, Calif., and one brother, Harry Booth of Malin.

Born Minnie Booth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Booth, the family moved to Klamath county on November 18, 1887, and settled on a ranch near the site of the Marine Barracks. Later they moved to the old Stukel ranch five miles northwest of Merrill. Minnie Booth and Fred Stukel were married 45 years Christmas, at the time of his death.

Mrs. Stukel was a member of Prosperity lodge of Malin, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Merrill auxiliary to the American Legion.

Final rites will be announced by the Earl Whitlock Funeral home.

Seattleites Go News Hungry In Paper Tie-Up

SPOKANE, Nov. 24 (AP)—George B. King, Seattle, general freight agent for the Great Northern railroad, said in Spokane today that Seattle residents are learning "it would be a rather dreary and confused world without newspapers."

King said a strike which caused Seattle's newspapers to cease publication has sent scores of residents to meet incoming trains and buy passengers' copies of Spokane and Portland papers "at premium prices."

"Seattle seems to be genuinely newspaper hungry and all its newspapers will be more appreciated by a news hungry public when the present situation is ended," he said.

SEATTLE, Nov. 24 (AP)—No developments were reported today as Seattle's three daily newspapers continued strikebound in a wage dispute with the Typographical union local. The strike started last Sunday night. All unions are respecting the picket lines.

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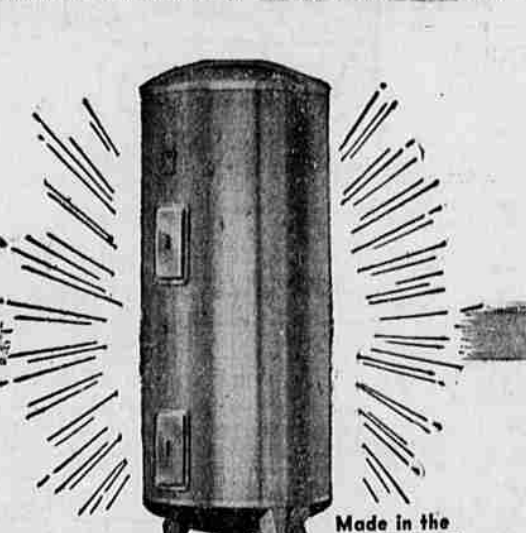
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Hooch Use By Driver Brings Jolt

Robert Easley, Riverdale apartments, was fined \$100 and sentenced to 30 days in jail by Police Judge Harold Franey this morning for driving an automobile while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. The jail sentence was suspended.

He was arrested shortly after midnight at S. 6th and Adams. Easley also paid a \$5 fine for having no operator's license.

George W. Dodson, 1729 Wall, arrested Thursday night for driving while intoxicated, forfeited \$100 bail by not appearing in court yesterday afternoon. He had entered a plea of not guilty.

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