

# CIO BLASTS CAR PRICE BOOSTS

## Day's News

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## Rent Hike Demanded Of Congress

### Election Year Jitters May Save Renters From Boost

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP)—Congress, allergic to election-year hot potatoes, juggled a request today for a mandatory 15 per cent hike in the general rent level of residential property throughout the nation.

The recommendation was presented to the house banking committee by representatives of rental property owners who argued that such a boost is essential in justice to the property owners.

They urged that provision for a compulsory increase be written into pending legislation to continue OPA price controls for another year after June 30.

**Committee Cool**  
A spot check of committee members indicated coolness to any such blanket increase, which obviously would affect a host of rent-paying voters. However, there were some signs an attempt might be made to have any revised OPA law carry an emphatic direction that rents must reflect a fair return on residential property value.

In addition to the touchy election-year aspects of the proposal, it also involved the consideration that the increase would mean higher expenses for members of congress who rent homes in Washington, or in their own constituencies.

**Recommendation**  
The rent increase was recommended by George M. Engler of Baltimore, president of the National Apartment Owners Association, and Arthur D. Koppel, vice chairman of the metropolitan fair rent committee of New York.

They contended OPA has conducted a propaganda campaign, arousing tenants against owners and inciting class hatred.

Koppel declared OPA has "consistently pursued a policy of controlling rents without regard to the ability of the owner to earn a reasonable return—in many cases any return at all—on the fair value of his property at the level of rents established."

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## REDS EVACUATE MUKDEN

### Sweet Music For KUHS Concert



These five students are members of the Klamath Union high school band which will take part in the annual spring concert slated for Thursday and Friday nights, March 14 and 15, at KUHS auditorium. Left to right: Dee Nelson, trombone; Phillip McGilvray, alto sax; Rod Murray, clarinet and student conductor; Charles Heibronner, bass; Gordon Veitch, cornet, band president. In tune with the times, the "Victory Garden Suite" will be among the numbers presented with modern music stressed in this group.

## Sugar Will Stay Scarce

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP)—Sugar will remain scarce the rest of this year and perhaps into 1947, says the agriculture department.

It stressed this despite some prospective ration increases announced by the OPA yesterday. These apply to such users as bakers and hotels and restaurants and not to housewives.

**Here's the sugar ration situation:**  
Home Canning—Spare stamp nine in ration book four and in new sugar books became valid yesterday for five pounds. OPA expects to validate another home canning coupon in June or July for perhaps another five pounds.

**Regular Household Allotment**  
Regular stamp 39 in book four is good for five pounds through April 30. OPA says it has no plans at this time to hike the current ration—five pounds a person every four months.

**Industrial**—Such users as bakers, pharmaceutical producers and canners of fruits and vegetables will get a 10 per cent increase for the April-June quarter.

**Education Head Resigns Post**  
PORTLAND, March 12 (AP)—Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter announced his retirement and university and college faculties demanded a 20 per cent salary increase at an action-packed meeting of the state board of higher education today.

## 2 Escaped Oregon Convicts Captured By Denver Police

DENVER, March 12 (AP)—Detective Sergeant Grant Girard said today two escaped inmates of the Oregon state penitentiary were arrested by Denver police.

He described them as Allan Brumfield, 29, who was serving a life term as a convicted murderer, and Harold William Manning, 24, under 10-year sentence for burglary.

Police officers became suspicious of the pair, Girard said when they spotted 45 caliber bullets on the floor of the car in which the two were seated.

Inside the car, which Girard said was stolen, police found three machine guns, three Springfield rifles and three pistols.

The detective sergeant said Manning told police he was serving a 10-year term in the Oregon prison for burglary and that Brumfield was serving a life term for murder.

**SALEM, March 12 (AP)**—Allen D. Brumfield and Harold William Manning broke from the Oregon state penitentiary under a cover of fog February 14.

Brumfield was serving a life sentence for slaying Mrs. Mattie Hooker, a hospital attendant, in 1939 in an attempt to break from the hospital where he was held under guard after a gun battle with police.

Manning was under sentence for burglary and also for participation in fires set in the prison flax plant.

## Peron Elected In Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, March 12 (AP)—The Association of Professional and Cultural Organizations which supported Dr. Jose P. Tamborini for president conceded his defeat today by Col. Juan D. Peron.

## Manchu City Taken Over By Chinese

### Withdrawal Of Soviet Garrison Almost Completed

By SPENCER DAVIS  
NORTHEAST CHINA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, CHINCHOW, Manchuria, March 12 (AP)—Withdrawal of the Russian garrison from Mukden virtually was completed yesterday.

The giant picture of Stalin overhanging red army headquarters was taken down. Flags and banners were removed. Guns, tanks and other equipment were loaded on railway cars and hauled out of Manchuria's once great industrial capital.

While large Chinese communist forces were reported within one to three miles on the north, east, and south approaches to the city, Chinese government troops within Mukden were taking control of the city in an orderly fashion.

**Reinforced**  
The government's forces were being steadily reinforced by well equipped units which had been held in reserve at strategic points along the Peiping-Mukden railroad.

There was no confirmation whatever of earlier reports of street clashes within Mukden between Chinese communists and nationalist troops. Nor was there any evidence of large fires, according to telephone messages from persons within the city.

Maj. Robert Ring of Chicago, U. S. army assistant military attaché in Mukden, said all complete units of Maj. Gen. Konstantin Stankevitch's red army garrison had been pulled out between March 7 and 11 and that only rear echelon elements remained in the city.

**Arrival Imminent**  
In the meantime, the arrival of an American marine liaison team was imminent at the northeast China command headquarters.

There were persistent reports that the marines would send units into south Manchuria, north of the great wall city of Shanhaiwan, dividing point between north China and Manchuria.

It was also believed the marines might possibly be sent as far as Hulutao, Manchurian port on the Gulf of Chihli to continue the work of repatriating Japanese.

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Montgomery declared, "is going to have to work hard to make less than it did in 1936-39."

## Pelican Mentor



ED RYAN  
—Kennell-Ellis.

## Ryan Named Grid Coach

Edward John (Ed) Ryan, who coached football at Albany in 1944 and was assistant to Paul Angstead here last year, has been selected to head the 1946 Pelican football coaching staff.

Ryan proved to be very popular with members of the Pelican squad and with football fans last fall.

He is a graduate of Colorado State college, played end on the 1942 Aggie football team. He took his master's degree in physical education at the University of Oregon last summer.

Ryan invented and holds patents on a mechanical device to record the blocking power of gridiron linemen and that machine was the basis of an exceptional master's thesis he prepared at Oregon last summer.

Grallapp said today that Ed Ryan lacked only the item of experience in being considered one of the top football coaches in the state and would be a good man to be at the top of the city schools' fast-expanding physical education system, along with Joe Peak, physical education supervisor.

Before the selection of Ryan was announced, 14 Klamath Union high school athletes presented a petition to the school board asking that he be given the job.

## Skeleton Found Chained To Car

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., March 12 (AP)—Sheriff's technical experts were examining today the remains of a fire-blackened skeleton found chained by its neck to a burned automobile in attempts to decide whether they are dealing with a grisly murder mystery or a particularly bizarre suicide.

The car was registered to Gerald D. Curtis, 34, Arcadia, Calif., service station operator, who was reported by his wife as missing January 8. But Sheriff John Loustalot said it had not been definitely determined that the skeleton was a man's.

## Connally Asks Big 3 Meeting

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP) Senator Connally (D-Tex.) called today for a new Big Three meeting to discuss "in language clear and plain and if need be blunt," issues he said otherwise may blaze into world friction.

The chairman of the senate foreign relations committee sounded an optimistic note on future relations with Russia—provided they are based on such plain speaking.

But he told his colleagues that Russia must understand that while she has the unchallenged right to maintain any form of government she wants, "these rights do not extend beyond her boundaries."

Connally called for maintenance by this country of "an adequate army, a superior navy and a superlative air force."

These, he said, would back up American determination not only to resist aggression by arms, but to "oppose aggression by economic or political pressure or maneuver."

## Hoover Warns Of Cereal Shortage

WASHINGTON, March 12 (AP) Former President Herbert Hoover said today supplies of cereal now available to avert starvation in war-torn countries are 8,000,000 to 9,000,000 tons short of minimum needs.

However, he told a news conference, that he believed all but 1,000,000 or 2,000,000 tons of the deficit could be made up through reduced consumption in the United States and other western hemisphere countries.

## Arriving In United States

By The Associated Press  
Kelton E. Butler, T/S, Pine Creek, arrived on General Blatchford due at Seattle March 10.

# Soviet Writer Charges Churchill Trying To Start War

MOSCOW, March 12 (AP)—A special writer in the Soviet government newspaper Izvestia declared today that Winston Churchill's proposals concerning British-American military cooperation met with success they would "sharply change for the worse the already tense" world situation.

In the Russian press' second attack in as many days on Churchill's March 5 speech at Fulton, Mo., Izvestia said Churchill had this assumption of future events:

"Today in some English newspapers," the writer said, "has slipped the dangerously untrue words: 'The Russian Declaration that those who tried to show force to the Russians always have lost, Tarle said: 'The Russian people can never be so irritated by anything as efforts to frighten them. Churchill knows better than many that Hitler buried himself and the 'third reich' precisely by such an attempt. Why then does the Fulton orator summon the two great Anglo-Saxon peoples into such a fatal road?'"

The article said that Americans already have noted that "Churchill obviously assigns the primary role to the United States and not to England in the future struggle which he is trying to inflame with all his strength."

nonsense himself. But we know this, that the Soviet Union has decided to soundly secure all of her frontiers and, secondly, that in her efforts towards this most legitimate and necessary aim she will not yield to any kind of threat, any kind of cunning . . . but will continue on her way not turning aside, not making attempts on foreign interests and not yielding ours."

Tarle said "all the sinister action with which he (Churchill) reproached the Soviet Union violates only the interests of England and not of America."

The writer, a 70-year-old Soviet historian who has much prestige in the Soviet Union, insinuated that the British labor government is behind Churchill by declaring that Churchill and Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin were encouraging Russia's southern neighbors where, he said, there is a "bad impasse."

Saying Churchill's mission to the United States was no mystery, Tarle asserted: "Churchill called upon the United States to conclude, without losing a single minute, a very close military alliance with Britain counterweighting the Soviet Union."