

OPA RETURNS NEW AUTOS TO JUNE CEILINGS

In The Day's News

Detroit Firm Involved In Senate Quiz

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) said today the senate war investigating committee is investigating the reported effort of a Detroit firm to get a war contract through an individual in Washington who allegedly claimed he had "influence."

The senator, a member of the committee, declined to name the firm involved.

He told reporters, however, "If there's anybody in my state that was in on these deals I want it exposed just the same as anybody else, and it doesn't make any difference what his politics were or are."

Ferguson said he could not give details of the report until investigators had completed their inquiry into the case.

Earlier, another committee member, who declined the use of his name, told of a report that a Washington individual had not made good on getting a contract after receiving payment to do so.

Ferguson said one of the things the committee wants to find out is whose influence in Washington such a "broker" had attempted to use, if anyone's.

The committee earlier disclosed plans for an inquiry into whether high officers of the chemical warfare service sought to shield from danger a young army captain who was the son of Murray Garsson, a munitions maker.

The staff of the senate war investigating committee was asked to undertake the inquiry by Senator Kilgore (D-W.Va.), a member.

Kilgore based his request on a published statement by Joseph Garsson, formerly a captain in the chemical warfare service, that his commanding officer had instructions to keep him out of dangerous service.

Still, along with Bilbo and Talmadge, it goes to show that the race problem in this country can't be solved by the kind of political hocus-pocus we have been employing in the past.

The solution will have to come out of the slow process of education, enlightenment and tolerance of the rights of others.

ONE of our national scandals has been the more or less annual rumpus in Washington over the anti-lynching law—which for years has been used by conscienceless demagogues as a sounding board for appealing to INTOLERANT voters.

You can't solve race problems that way.

SPEAKING of politics, movements are under way in various parts of the country to organize consumers into leagues, committees, etc., to fight for OPA as a sacred cause.

If you are wise, you will stay out of such organizations—which are being promoted largely because of the ease with which they can be used as a tail to political kites.

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Porter Says Some Prices To Advance

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—OPA announced today that new automobiles are back under June 30 ceilings pending issuance of a higher price schedule. Used car ceilings are down four per cent from the June 30 level.

OPA Administrator Paul A. Porter warned in an address that clothing and some other prices will move upward but he expressed belief the new OPA revival bill will prevent a runaway inflation.

Other officials forecast a clothing price rise of 15 to 20 per cent while the agency worked on new price orders under its authority restored when President Truman signed the bill July 25.

In reimposing automobile ceilings, the OPA announcement said all deliveries of new and used cars after July 25 must conform to ceiling prices "even in cases where the buyer agreed during the interim, when price controls were off, to pay in excess of the ceiling and made a down payment."

Used Cars Down Ceilings of used cars were dropped four per cent as of July 1, a reduction which became effective automatically with the OPA revival act. This was the regular semi-annual reduction to take account of depreciation.

The forthcoming ceiling on new cars—which some officials will be approximately \$100 on popular price models—a re (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

Paris Clash Looms Over Reparations

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—A sharp conflict already is shaping up for the Paris peace conference between Secretary of State Byrnes and Russian Foreign Minister Molotov over Soviet reparations demands on Hungary.

The United States is insisting that a new economic deal in Hungary is essential to establishment of a firm peace in Europe. It has protested strongly Red army seizures of Hungarian foodstuffs and Soviet removals of Hungarian factories as well as current industrial production, contending the result is economic chaos in the Balkan nation.

The protest, made public by the state department last night, highlights the difficulties confronting Byrnes as he sets out today for Paris and the 21-nation conference, opening Monday, which will write peace treaties for the former enemy states of Hungary, Italy, Bulgaria, Romania and Finland.

Truman At Plane President Truman arranged to see his secretary of state aboard his plane.

In Byrnes' plane party were Mrs. Byrnes, Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Will Clayton, State Department Counselor Ben Cohen and Byrnes' secretary, Miss Cassie Connor.

Byrnes briefly reviewed some of his Paris projects at a news conference. He said that he planned on Monday to confer with the three American members of a joint Anglo-American committee on Palestine. The aim is to fix American policy on the committee's proposal for partitioning Palestine between Jews and Arabs in connection with the plan for immigration of 100,000 Jews.

On another aspect of his Paris mission, Byrnes said that he expects American troops to be withdrawn from Italy within 90 days after the Italian peace treaty is signed.

Byrnes also said that at the Paris conference both minority and majority views can be fully presented. He explained this is because procedures are proposed which would prevent any majority in a committee from overriding minority opinion.

Pullman Strike Board Created

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—President Truman today created an emergency board to investigate a dispute between the railroads and Pullman conductors, thus staying for 60 days a strike called for 6 p. m., EST, August 7.

The dispute, involving 2700 Pullman conductors represented by the Order of Railway Conductors, is over interpretation of a recent wage increase.

Members of the three-man emergency board will be announced later.

In an executive order the president said the dispute had not been adjusted under the railway labor act and threatens to interrupt interstate commerce "to a degree such as to deprive the country of essential transportation service."

The board has 30 days to report, after which in existing management-employee relationships can be made for another 30 days.



A combination dredger, boom and hay net is being used on the Dan Liskey ranch to stack hay. The machine, which was invented by Liskey, stacks a ton of hay a trip with a saving of labor and time. Unlike the old mast and boom method, this stacker moves under its own power and can be quickly shifted from one place to another.

Heirens Ready To Confess All

CHICAGO, July 27 (AP)—Malauchy Coghlan, attorney for William Heirens, said today the youth would offer to submit to State's Attorney William J. Tuohy confessions of the kidnap-killing of Suzanne Degnan, the "lipstick" slaying of Frances Brown and the fatal stabbing of Mrs. Josephine Ross.

"The defense feels that the time has come for Heirens to make known by confession to the state's attorney the facts of the various crimes charged against him."

Coghlan was asked whether the confession would include the slaying of Mrs. Josephine Ross, a killing of which the youth has not been charged but was reported to have confessed orally to his attorneys.

"There is no need to quibble about the number of homicides," he replied. "There are three. They are the Degnan girl, the ex-Wave Miss Brown and Mrs. Josephine Ross."

The youth, the attorney confirmed, discussed the three slayings at a conference in the county jail yesterday with his parents and lawyers.

The offer of a confession would solve the Ross slaying without any evidence having been obtained to tie the youth to that crime.

In the Degnan case, the prosecution has announced the youth's finger and palm prints were found on the ransom note. In the slaying of Miss Brown, 33-year-old former Wave, the state's attorney said his fingerprint had been found on the door of her bathroom.

Deodorized Skunks No Longer Bargain

DALLAS, July 27 (AP)—Skunks are out of the bargain basement.

Mrs. Sadie Reddecock McNeil, who does a neat business in the deodorized variety, reported a few days ago that prices hit the skids because she had too many animals and too few buyers.

Painter 'Adopts' Town In France

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., July 27 (AP)—Portrait Painter Girard Hale and his wife Kathleen have virtually adopted the entire community of Maille, France.

They already have sent the 366 surviving residents of the village, ravaged by German troops in August, 1944, more than 12,000 items of vitally needed supplies ranging from school furniture to layettes.

Mrs. Hale, who worked with relief units of the American Friends of France close to the Maginot line until the Germans broke through in May, 1940, had a sentimental attachment for the tiny town near Tours and wrote officials for a list of what was needed.

He declared that it was up to the press to prevent any rift in the American-Russian friendship which he considers "the great bulwark for peace."

Redin Family Boards Ship

PORTLAND, Ore., July 27 (AP)—The Russian naval officer who was tried and acquitted on a charge of espionage will sail for home tomorrow with his wife, baby, a load of toys and "pleasant memories."

Lt. Nicolai Redin, boarding the Russian freighter Maxim Gorki, told interviewers that despite the trial's unpleasantness he had enjoyed most of his four years in this country and made "many good friends."

He declared that it was up to the press to prevent any rift in the American-Russian friendship which he considers "the great bulwark for peace."

Aboard the ship, taking locomotives to Russia, Redin and his wife piled toys and books for their two-year-old daughter.

Hay Stacker May Be Boon

What may prove to be a boon to farmers is the new hay stacker invented by Dan Liskey and now being used to stack hay on his Poe valley ranch.

Consisting of a dredger with a 70-foot boom attached to it, and a hay net for swinging the hay to the stack, the stacker piles a ton of hay at a time. Because of the long boom, it is possible to stack from 364 to 400 tons in one pile.

Hay brought in by buck rakes is placed in the chain net by two net setters, and is then swung to the stack by the dredge operator to be unloaded by four stackers. This method of stacking is much quicker and takes less help, according to Liskey.

One of the important features is that the machine travels under its own power. When a new stack is started it takes only a short time to move the machine to the location.

In the old method of stacking a mast and boom were set up each time a new stack was started and this process took quite some time.

The stacker has been in use for the past two weeks. Liskey got the idea for it after seeing a dredger and boom being used in building a grain elevator in California. This is the only stacker of this type, as far as he knows, which is being used in haying.

House Approves RFC Extension

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—The house by voice vote today approved an extension of the reconstruction finance corporation's finance program until next June 30 and authorized it to loan \$75,000,000 to the Philippine republic.

The legislation was returned to the senate, which passed it without the loan provision and which had voted to continue RFC until June 30, 1952. Without the legislation, the RFC would expire next January.

The loan provision stipulates a minimum interest rate of 2 per cent.

Rewards Up For Slayers Of Negroes

ATLANTA, July 27 (AP)—Governor Ellis Arnall today offered rewards totaling more than \$10,000 for solution of the out-of-hand mob slaying in Walton county of two negro farm hands and their wives.

The usually cheerful state executive grimly told newsmen at a special press conference that he was ordering the state police to remain in the county "until the guilty parties have been identified and turned over to law enforcement officers."

The governor said "the decent people of Georgia are humiliated about the mass murder of four negroes in Walton county by an unknown mob of some 20 desperadoes."

"As governor of Georgia I am offering a reward to the full limit of the law. Five hundred dollars will be paid for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of each participant in the massacre. These rewards will total more than \$10,000. The lawless gang must be arrested and brought to justice."

'Disgraceful Morally' The governor added "this mass murder is one of the worst incidents ever to take place in our state. The killing of innocent people is disgraceful morally and legally."

Arnall's statement followed a suggestion from the head of the Georgia bureau of identification that the shootings near Monroe, 40 miles from Atlanta, was a "rehearsed affair."

Major William E. Spence of the GBI, said "It looks like it is a rehearsed affair. It looks like it might have been planned since the negro was first confined to jail."

He referred to Roger Malcolm, 27-year-old negro who had made bond on a charge of stabbing his employer, a white man, Malcolm, his wife, and George Dorsey and his wife were the mob's victims.

Although an announcement from Washington said the federal bureau of investigation would investigate the case for the civil rights section of the justice department, an assistant district attorney said: "So far it seems to be a state case."

Brothers Held For Break-Ins

Two brothers, 8 and 10 years old, are being held in custody of the juvenile office after having admitted taking about \$18 worth of pennies and small change, a .22-cal. rifle and various trinkets from two houses yesterday.

The boys broke into a house on Upham yesterday morning, Faye Lucas of the juvenile office said, and took the rifle and loaded their pockets with pennies. They then went to a house on Fulton and ransacked it for pennies and other small items.

They were seen entering that house and when city police answered a call, they found the little boys hiding under a bed.

When questioned at the juvenile office the lads admitted going into two other houses, taking a bottle of beer, which they drank, from one.

Truman Advised To Pick Top Men For Atom Board

WASHINGTON, July 27 (AP)—President Truman got advice from congress members today to appoint a cross-section of American science, business, diplomacy, and national defense to the domestic atomic control commission.

Radioactivity High At Bikini

ABOARD USS MT. MCKINLEY OFF BIKINI, July 27 (AP)—The transport Fallon, badly battered by the force of Thursday's underwater atomic bomb, was pushed up on the sands of Enyu island today by tugboats which braved radioactive Bikini lagoon to save the ship for study.

Shifting winds and currents sent radioactivity soaring in the inner target area, hampering salvage operations and delaying attempts to assess over-all damage more thoroughly.

Boarding parties were put on some of the vessels, but there still was only limited small boat activity near the target area. Vice admiral W. H. E. Blandy, atom test commander, said he could not predict when inner targets might be boarded. It would still be two or three days, he said, before the support fleet moved into former anchorages at the eastern end of the lagoon.

Blandy met today with members of atomic test evaluation board.

Reports from Associated Press correspondents who viewed the fleet from sea and air showed at least 13 vessels sunk or damaged.

The condition of several submarines, lying on the bottom of the lagoon, remained a mystery. The grimy battleship Nagato, listing badly, appeared to have dipped no farther today and was not considered in immediate danger of sinking.

Moscow Radio Denies Ban On Travellers From U. S.

LONDON, July 27 (AP)—The Moscow radio presented what it termed a "sufficiently convincing denial" last night of a statement by President Truman that the United States—although it had "royally" entertained guests from Russia—had been unable to get American visitors travel rights anywhere in the Soviet Union.

"We have had Russian newspapermen and Russian professors and a great many other people of that nature over here, and we have entertained them royally, but we never get a return engagement. We can't very well invade the country unless they want us to."

Tass, the broadcast declared, was "authorized to state that such assertions do not correspond to the facts. It is sufficient to note that in recent times alone, the Soviet Union has been visited by a number of American public figures, press representatives and persons prominent in the cultural world."

It named Writer Lillian Hellman, John Strom, chairman of the American Association of Agricultural Publishers; Edwin Smith, chairman of the American-Soviet Friendship council; Henry Wallace; Scientists Irving Langmuir and Harlow Shapley and others, including a delegation of editors.

These facts speak for themselves, being a sufficiently convincing denial of the above-mentioned allegations made by Mr. Truman," the broadcast said.

Sweden Censors Missile Reports

STOCKHOLM, July 27 (AP)—A limited censorship has been imposed on information concerning unidentified missiles—believed to be flying bombs or rockets—which have been sighted over Swedish territory in recent weeks.

Authorities have banned the publication of names of localities where the missiles have been sighted and newspapers have been required to use the dateline "Somewhere in Sweden," when writing about the subject.

Burning Freighter Makes Port Safely

LONG BEACH, Calif., July 27 (AP)—Fire still smouldering in her hold, the Seattle-bound Luckenbach line freighter El Salvador Victory made port this morning and firemen quickly extinguished the blaze.

Eight Sons Back From War

The Barrett boys—all eight of them—are out of the service and, without so much as a service-connected scratch among them.

They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barrett of Round Lake, believed to be the Klamath parents who had the most sons in the service in World War II.

Last to be discharged were Allen and Clinton, who were mustered out of the navy on July 4 and 8. Others, who had been discharged earlier, are Clifton, Lewis and Irvin, who served with the army, and Marvin, Harold and Lenin, who did duty in the navy.

All of the boys saw action but two. Two contracted tropical diseases, but none was wounded. Altogether, the Barretts have 11 children, and are planning a big family reunion at Christmas time.