

New Cars Plentiful As Demand Slackens

By DAVID J. WILKIE
 DETROIT, Sept. 24 (AP)—A little more than a year ago car-hungry thousands were waiting for new car deliveries.
 They were paying premium prices for new cars at second hand car lots. They were selling year old cars for more than they paid for them.
 Today all that is gone. Probably the record-breaking production rate has had something to do with the change. Certainly new cars no longer are hard to get. And you can't sell your year-old—or even three months old—car for more than you paid for it.
 Several hundred thousand potential new car buyers dropped out of the market when they found the value of their used cars had declined rather suddenly.
Things Move Fast
 That's how fast things move in the multi-billion dollar automobile industry.
 Very few auto makers are talking today about unfilled order backlogs. They are saying instead that "business is good."
 For some that means they are selling just about all the cars they are producing. For others it means the drop in sales volume has not been as precipitate as many industry sources expected this season of the year.
 But there is a great difference in selling all the cars that are produced and having an unfilled order backlog running into six figures.
Record Output
 Yet it must be remembered production and sales this year undoubtedly



WINNING TEAM at Oregon Tech in the sale of season tickets for OTI's football games is the group pictured above which was responsible for the sale of 49 tickets in one day. The team represented the school of business education and won in competition with two other OTI teams. Season tickets will also be on sale at the gate tonight at Modoc field before the OTI game.

Instruction For Leaders Organized

An extensive program for training experienced and new leaders of Girl Scout troops is being organized by Mrs. James Pinniger, Mrs. T. A. DeMerritt and Mrs. Bon Nell DeMers which is open to all leaders and co-leaders in the Klamath area.
 Anyone interested in Scouting is welcome to attend. The programs are planned for Brownie, intermediate and senior troops, and will present new material which will help experienced leaders. Women who plan to become leaders of any troop at any time in the future are urged to attend the current meetings and receive a certificate which is given upon completion of sixteen hours of training.
 There is a great need for trained leaders in the Klamath area. Many girls wishing to become Scouts are forced to wait until leaders can be obtained and several troops are at present without any leadership. Volunteers are welcome to call the Girl Scout office to find out what is required of a leader.
 The training courses offer valuable

help in the way of planning troop activities, conducting meetings, carrying out local and national policies, and actual experience in crafts, first-aid work, and out-of-door activities.
 The two-hour sessions are held once a week for eight weeks, and leaders may attend one or all, but a certificate is given only for 16 hours. The Klamath Falls course opens on Wednesday, September 28, at the First Presbyterian church from 9:30 to 11:30, and will be held every Wednesday for eight weeks.
 Mrs. DeMers is organizing a fund helping to conduct the meetings at Modoc Point and Fort Klamath.
 Malin and Henley leaders have already held their first meeting at the home of Mrs. Elsie Roberts on Thursday, September 15, from 2 to 5. Instructions on program planning were given by Mrs. Ted DeMerritt and Mrs. Danny Stewart, and plans were made for future meetings. Refreshments closed the meeting.
 The Henley Girl Scout organization, was represented by Mrs. C. L. Hill, Mrs. Harvey Wise, Mrs. B. Whitlach, Mrs. Emma and Mrs. Ralston. From Malin were Mrs. Lee Martin, Mrs. J. B. Conroy, Mrs. Max Marvin, Mrs. Jerry Micka, Mrs. John Freitag, Mrs. Ted Evans, Mrs. H. Morelock, Mrs. Vac Kalina,

Freight Rate Hikes Will Hit Consumer

WASHINGTON—The recent increase in railroad freight rates brings about a doublebarreled boost in living costs.
 It raises the ordinary charges for shipments of goods, which results in increasing the amount paid in federal excise taxes on the transportation of property. These extra charges customarily increase the prices paid by consumers for those goods.
 The federal tax on transportation of property is three per cent of the regular transportation charge. (The 15 per cent tax on passenger fares is not affected by the new rate increase.)
 The interstate commerce commission granted the railroads a general four per cent increase in freight rates to compensate for the costs of installing a five-day week schedule for non-operating employees September 1.
Future Taxes
 It is expected that congress will give primary attention to the property transportation tax when it tackles the excise levy issue at next year's session. Tax specialists say it is the one tax which virtually everyone favors abolishing.
 That's because it tends to increase living costs more than any other single excise tax. One reason is that

it applies to all kinds of commodities and another is that it often keeps pyramiding.
 For example, it is applied first to raw materials being shipped to an assembly plant. Second, these materials are taxed again when shipped in a semi-finished state. Finally, there is a tax on shipments of the finished product.
Excise Taxes
 President Truman generally has opposed the elimination of excise taxes, but in his midyear economic report he said the property transportation tax should be wiped out. He didn't advocate repealing the 15 per cent tax on passenger travel.
 However, there will be pressure for abolishing the passenger tax when congress tackles the property transportation levy. Many congressmen contend that much travel is in the necessity, rather than the pleasure class.
 The 15 per cent bite is considered particularly rough on persons who regularly ride commuter trains to and from work.

Fish Boat Burns Off Coos Bay

COOS BAY, Sept. 24 (AP)—A fishing vessel burst into flames off Coos Bay yesterday, but the lone man aboard escaped.
 H. J. Minkler of Charleston, Ore., said he emptied two fire extinguishers on the flames without effect, then fled in a rubber raft. Another fishing boat picked him up.
 The burning vessel, the Judy Jane, a 38-foot craft, was towed by the coast guard to a Coos Bay slough, where the fire was put out after burning the cabin and much of the superstructure.

School Class Heads Elected At Tulelake

TULELAKE, Sept. 24—All classes of the high school and the student body have elected officers for the school year.
 Student body officers are: Galen Lesh, president; Russell Smith, vice president; Gay Bergmann, treasurer; Marguerite Moore, secretary; Darrell Lewis, sergeant-at-arms; Delbert Yordy, fire chief.
 Seniors—Dick Fish, president; Eddie Bailey, vice president; Russell Smith, secretary-treasurer; Marguerite Moore, sergeant-at-arms.
 Juniors—Paul Howard, president; Joyce Larson, vice president; Mary Ann Kelleher, secretary; Dick Coyner, treasurer.
 Sophomores—Paul Olsen, president; Polly Haynes, vice president; Fred Purves, secretary; Glen Taylor, treasurer; Gerald Mitchell, sergeant-at-arms.
 Freshmen—Patty Baker, president; Velma Fox, vice president; Billy Wilson, secretary-treasurer; Jerry King, sergeant-at-arms.

Was Tokyo Rose Our Little Nell?

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24 (AP)—The Tokyo Rose treason trial enters its 13th week Monday with the jury scheduled to begin deliberations as soon as it receives instructions from Federal Judge Michael J. Roche.
 Court was recessed shortly after noon yesterday when final arguments in the case were completed.
 In his closing argument, Chief Prosecutor Tom De Wolfe ridiculed the defense contention that Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino, the 33-year-old defendant, was aiding America's case with her zero hour broadcasts for the Japanese.
 "She was one of our little soldiers, she says—our Little Nell, fighting behind the lines," he said. "Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, do you believe that?"

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Butchers Nab Holdup Man

CHICAGO, Sept. 24 (AP)—Police came to the rescue last night of a Californian menaced by four knife-wielding butchers who cut short an attempted holdup.
 The butchers were pummeling James B. Peterson, 19, of Oakland, Calif., when Detectives John Tyndall and Joseph Ponickie arrived at the Super Mart.
 The detectives said Peterson held his hand in his pocket as though armed in trying to rob a woman clerk. Then he tried to use another employe, Miss Ileen Fort, as a shield. But the butchers, led by Edward Smolinski, nabbed Peterson.
 Peterson was taken to a hospital where 15 stitches were required to close a cut in his arm. He was locked up and held without charge.

Deer Survey Data Scanned By Game Men

The interstate deer herd committee, composed of representatives of the Oregon state game commission, California division of fish and game, U. S. forest service and the University of California deer study, met at the Veterans Memorial building in Alturas, Sept. 21. Representatives of the stock industry and sportsmen were invited to participate in this meeting.
 Data collected during the winter of 1948 and spring of 1949 were reviewed. A complete report of this work will be published in the California fish and game quarterly in January, 1950. Copies of this publication can be obtained by writing the division of fish and game, Ferry building, San Francisco, Calif.
 Phases of the work discussed included composition of the herd, census, migrations and forage utilization on the winter range. Summaries of the work accomplished by the participating agencies was presented. All agencies were in agreement as to management objectives.
 Plans for continuing this study during the coming year were made.

Jackson Democrats To Keep Funds

MEDFORD, Sept. 24 (AP)—The Jackson county democratic central committee will not go along with state party leaders in a plan to increase financing for state-wide activities.
 The group here said yesterday it had been decided to keep all money raised in Jackson county within the area. The only exception will be the county's share of the salary of the state executive secretary.
 State party leaders had proposed that all money raised go into a common fund with 25 per cent going back to the counties.

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and Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. DeMerritt and Mrs. Stewart.
 Malin has the ideal set-up regarding its three Brownie troops and three intermediate troops in that there is one leader and two co-leaders for each troop. The next training meeting is to be September 22, and anyone wishing to attend may call Mrs. T. A. DeMerritt.

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