

MARKETS

Stocks

WALL STREET

NEW YORK (AP) — Heavy trading and higher prices among aircrafts highlighted an otherwise steady market Tuesday. Volume approached 1,600,000 shares compared with 2,180,000 Monday.

Steels, motors and distillers lost some ground. But railroads, utilities, oils, chemicals, airlines and rubber company equities fluctuated narrowly. Mining issues worked upward.

Wilson Sees Victory In Indochina

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Defense Wilson said Tuesday he thought a military victory, rather than a negotiated peace, "would be perhaps both possible and probable" in the Indochina War.

He was asked at a news conference whether he thought Indochina might become another Korea.

"I see no reason to think it will," Wilson replied. "The war is going along fully as well as we and the French expected it to at this stage."

He was asked whether he thought aid to the French in Indochina would have to be stepped up above the present program.

Wilson replied that he thought it was not necessary to "give aid at any higher level" at this time. The implication of his remarks, in relation to the question, was that he saw no need for American forces to be sent to Indochina as they were to Korea.

Wilson was asked directly whether there was any intention of sending American pilots there. He said there was not.

This question came against a background of published reports that the French desired American pilots for C-119 "Flying Boxcar" transport planes. It was disclosed last week that substantial numbers of C-119s have been lent to the French.

In Hong Kong, an American-owned airline—Civil Air Transport—announced that some of its American pilots would fly the C-119s under contract with the French.

Also last week, the Defense Department announced it was sending some B-26 bombers and about 200 more Air Force ground technicians to Indochina. Some 124 such technicians were reported to be there already.

Wilson was asked if there was any plan to increase food supplies for Indochina. He replied he did not think that necessary because the French have kept control of the rice fields.

There was a question then as to whether help could include 280 millimeter atomic cannon or tactical atomic bombs.

Wilson said:

"That isn't anything I would advocate at this time. I don't think that is the kind of a place to use them and the people there don't know how to use them."

The defense secretary's statement that he believes a military victory "both possible and probable" in Indochina was also in response to a question.

Wilson qualified his statement by noting that of course it "always depends on what the enemy does and who shows up as an enemy."

Did that mean "if Red China moves in," a reporter asked. Wilson replied that such an eventuality could mean "delay and a different problem."

Weather

Western Oregon — Foggy or cloudy during night and morning hours through Wednesday, clearing during afternoons. Little change in temperature. Highs both days 48-58 in north and 56-62 in south. Lows Tuesday night 29-36. Winds off coast variable, mostly easterly, 5-15 miles an hour.

Eastern Oregon — Fair through Wednesday except cloudy and foggy with occasional light drizzle in extreme northern valleys. Little change in temperature. Highs both days 48-58 except 32 in extreme northern valleys. Lows Tuesday night 22-28.

Grants Pass and vicinity — Cloudy night and morning hours but clearing afternoons through Wednesday. High of 52 both days. Low Tuesday night 32.

Northern California — Fair through Wednesday, but night and morning fog along coast. Little change in temperature. Winds off coast variable, 7-15 miles an hour, becoming southerly, 10-20.

Baker and vicinity — Fair through Wednesday. Little temperature change with high of 50 Wednesday. Low Tuesday night 22.

Five-day outlook for Western Oregon — Little or no precipitation through Sunday. Temperatures above normal with maximums mostly 48-58 and minimums 35-45.

Five-day outlook for Eastern Oregon — Little or no precipitation. Temperatures above normal with rising trend. Maximums mostly 45-55, minimums 25-35.

Passage Of Coffee Bill Predicted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators probed deeper today in an effort to find out whether speculation has had anything to do with the American consumer paying around a dollar a pound for coffee.

Officials of the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange were called for a second day of questioning by members of a special Senate Banking subcommittee.

The exchange now polices its own trading operations, but the Senate may act later this week on a bill to bring coffee trading under federal supervision. Passage of the bill was blocked yesterday by a technical objection. However, Sen. Aiken (R-Vt.), chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, predicted easy approval when it is brought up again.

Testifying yesterday, Leon L. Israel, Vice president of the exchange, dismissed speculation as a factor in the high coffee price. He also said he sees no prospect of relief as long as "normal" demand continues.

The Brazilian government uses U.S. dollars for Brazilian cruzeiros in the coffee trade.

This, they said, could have some connection with the price situation. However, they said they could not agree with Sen. Bush (R-Conn.) that this practice adds as much as 25 to 30 cent a pound to the price of coffee in this country.

Brazil is the world's biggest coffee producer.

Israel and Lobo said there is no shortage of coffee, but that the world supply and demand might balance this year. Both said they doubt that frost damage to the Brazilian crop has been a big factor in the coffee price rise.

Boys Questioned By City Police

While on routine patrol duty about 3 a.m. Tuesday, police picked up two boys ages 12 and 13 who were seen running down Main Street.

When questioned the boys said they had broken a window at the Beacon Service Station on South Sixth Street earlier in the evening but had not entered the building. They also said they had broken a window in the Mayfield Grocery on Division Street last week.

The boys were turned over to juvenile officers for further investigation.

Funeral

Funeral services for Evelyn Dell Helms, 75, who died here February 7, will take place from the chapel of Ward's Klamath Funeral Home, 925 High St., on Wednesday, February 10 at 2:30 p.m. Elder Harold Crocker of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating. Burial will follow at the Klamath Memorial Park.

Funeral services for Maurice Logan Johnson, 67, who died here February 7, will take place from the Elks Temple, Main at Third, on Wednesday, February 10 at 2 p.m. The Rev. Galen Onstad of St. Paul's Episcopal Church officiating. Burial will follow at the Eugene Crematorium. Ward's Klamath Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements.

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Armistice Violated Says U. N.

TOKYO (AP) — The U. N. Command today accused the Communists of bypassing authorized ports of entry in North Korea to reinforce their armies in violation of the armistice.

The Allies charged the Reds with moving warplanes and other combat material into North Korea despite an armistice clause banning any buildup of combat strength.

Maj. Gen. J. K. Lacey, senior Allied member of the Joint Military Armistice Commission, demanded a full-scale investigation of the U. N. charges in letters to the Communist high command made public here today.

Several times in recent weeks the Allies have accused the Communists of building up their Air Force and ground armies in North Korea. But Lacey's letter lists in detail points the Reds have contrived to bypass the armistice, which the U. N. contends were moved in from Manchuria illegally.

Lacey asked the North Korean and Chinese commands to agree to the immediate creation of three mobile inspection teams as provided by the armistice. He said the teams should remain in areas of reported truce violations for at least one month and longer if the situation warrants additional supervision.

The U. N. Command said warplanes moved into North Korea illegally now are based at Pongni, Techeon, Pongyang East, Uji, Pongyang Main, Sinuiju Northwest, Wonsan, Saemcham and Sunan air bases.

Previously the Allies have accused the Reds of assembling combat warplanes from crates shipped into North Korea as repair parts.

State Truck Taxes Increase In 1953

SALEM (AP) — Truck and bus taxes collected by Oregon's Public Utilities Commissioner Charles H. Helzel in 1953 soared to \$10,375,000, it was announced Monday.

The total in 1952 was \$7,385,439, and was \$6,862,531 in 1951.

The increase was caused partly by higher truck taxes approved at the 1952 general election, and partly by continued growth of the trucking industry. A. F. Harvey, state supervisor of motor transportation, said.

Young Boys Make Lethal Weapons

BALTIMORE (AP) — The father of a 14-year-old boy complained to police yesterday about bullet holes found in his kitchen door.

Police investigated and found that his son had been staining gun battles with a 15-year-old friend. They used homemade "zip" guns, fashioned from a toy gun and dum-dum bullets — .22-caliber bullets with the rounded ends sawed off.

The younger boy was rated an expert zip-gun maker, with a standing offer to convert 79-cent toy guns for \$1 apiece.

U. S. Tariff On Watches Draws Fight

By SAM DAWSON

NEW YORK (AP) — The first round in this year's bitter tariff fight opens today.

It's a grudge fight that has been going on for at least 20 years. It's over the price and origin of the new watch you'd like to buy for yourself or your child's graduation present. Or maybe the one your boss will buy for you after you've worked for him 50 years.

The Tariff Commission is opening hearings today on whether the present levy of around 37 per cent on imports of Swiss watches and watch movements should be hiked by 50 per cent.

Three American watch companies, Elgin, Hamilton and Waltham, say that Swiss imports, which have swarmed since World War II, injure their business—and by doing so are a threat to national security.

They contend that only by maintaining a healthy American watch industry can watchmakers be trained, or retain their skills. In wartime these skills must be used quickly to make precise electronic devices and delicate timing devices for missiles and machines of war.

They argue they cannot compete with the Swiss, price-wise, because American skilled labor is so much more highly paid. Unless the tariff is raised they say they cannot compete and the U.S. industry, and skill, may lapse.

Opposed to these three companies are other watchmakers who depend to more or less extent on the highly developed Swiss industry.

Some of them, like Bulova and Gruen, run plants in both the United States and Switzerland.

Others, like Longines-Wittnauer and Benrus, import Swiss watches and movements which they assemble and distribute here.

They admit they can produce more cheaply than the Americans, but say that in real wages (the food, clothing and shelter a man can buy for what he's paid an hour) the difference between Swiss and American wage scales isn't as great as it seems.

And of course the importers make much of their contention that the American consumer will be the real one to get hurt if the duty goes up.

They contend they can produce the lower-priced jeweled movement watches economically and that American wage scales mean that U.S. companies can't. If the duty goes higher, the importers argue, it won't mean so much that more American watches are sold as that the price of watches will rise.

Farouk Auction To Start Friday

LONDON (AP) — The Egyptian Embassy holds ex-King Farouk hasn't a legal leg to stand on in his threat to sue persons who buy the stamps, jewels and art objects confiscated from his collection by President Gen. Mohamed Naguib's government.

Farouk has no title to the property, the embassy said in a statement last night concerning the auction to start in Cairo Friday.

Obituary

CHARLOTTE ADAMS, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Adams, died here February 8, 1954. Besides her parents she is survived by brothers, Raymond, Emerson and Charles Edward and sisters, Alice and Eva Mae of this city, grandparents, Mrs. Eva Webb of Pleasant Ridge, Missouri; Mr. and Mrs. Flowers of Quitman, Arkansas. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ward's Klamath Funeral Home.

Peter Lorre Back After Long European Absence; Plans New Type Roles

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — The title of this story is "The Ghoul Goes West," or, "Creep in the Heart of Hollywood."

It concerns my favorite living Charles Addams character, Peter Lorre, who is back in filmville after a considerable absence. A little man with a large sense of humor, he takes a wry view of his own fortunes.

Lorre left town four years ago for a number of reasons. For one thing, the film business was in a slump. Also, he had long wanted to set up his own film team to make movies but couldn't manage to do it here. But most of all he wanted to escape being a Peter Lorre type.

"I don't want to bore you with that story," the actor said kindly. "Surely you must be fed up with actors telling you how they want to escape playing a certain type. It is the most banal of interviews."

"But alas, it was true in my case, I couldn't play anything but a Peter Lorre character. I didn't care for that. If I wanted to remain one character, I could still be playing Mr. Moto. In 1938, I made nine of the Mr. Moto pictures in one year! The studio (20th Century-Fox) would have loved to have me continue, but I just couldn't see it."

Having started as a killer in "M," Peter returned to menace. Starting with "Maltese Falcon," he teamed with Sydney Greenstreet. The target was generally Humphrey Bogart.

Lorre became a great favorite, particularly with night club imitators.

His European jaunt helped him vacate the pigeonhole Hollywood had stuck him into. He realized his ambition of setting up his own production team and made "The Lost One" in Germany. It has already won a number of international awards.

He made a couple of films in England and then teamed up with his old "Maltese Falcon" pals, Bogart and John Huston, in "Beat the Devil," which was filmed in Italy.

"That one was a healthy departure from my Hollywood roles," he commented, "and so is my next picture. I'm going to do '20,000 Leagues Under the Sea' for Walt Disney, and the role is not a heavy at all."

He will probably go to Nassau for locations on that one and then may return here for another film with Bogart, "Angels Cooking." That's Paramount's version of the Broadway hit "My Three Angels." After that, he may return to Europe for another film with his own team. But he emphasized that Hollywood will remain his home base.

"These days an actor can't remain anywhere for any length of time," he remarked. "But I intend to keep my home here. I've missed California. When you've been gone so long, you realize that this is the best place in the world to live."

Morse Attacks Ike On Television

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore.) accused President Eisenhower Tuesday of responsibility for a "Fascist big lie technique" in the controversy over recent removal of 2,200 government employees.

"If there were a lot of Communists among those released, why doesn't the administration come forward, give an exact breakdown and tell how many," the senator said.

He made the statements in an interview on the television program "Today" over the NBC network.

Morse said that emphasis by administration spokesmen "such as Adams, McCarthy and Brownell" on the release of the 2,200 workers was because "the Republicans have been out of power for 20 years and have gone in to despoil the career system of government employment."

As a result, the senator said, "there is practically no morale left in government service today."

Hole In One Shot; But Luck Was Bad

PORTLAND (AP) — Circuit Judge Eugene K. Oppenheimer shot a hole-in-one while playing golf Sunday.

It didn't help his score though—it was the wrong hole. He shot from the No. 1 tee at Tualatin Country Club and the ball came to rest in the cup on the No. 3 green.

STATEMENT

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Knowland (R-Calif.) told the Senate yesterday he could give "categorical assurance . . . there is no intention to send" American combat troops to Indochina, scene of long warfare against Communist-led forces.

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