

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Washington:
Living costs jumped four-tenths of one per cent in June to hit a new ALL-TIME peak, the government reported this morning. Higher food prices accounted for most of the increase, although prices of ALL major groups of goods and services except apparel were fractionally higher.

The cost-of-living index moved to 124 1/2 per cent of average 1947-1949 prices.

That is to say:
Your cost of living has moved up 2 1/2 per cent in these 10 years. If you'll go back into your records and figure it out, you'll be likely to find that your wages have moved up correspondingly.

But—
Where does that leave you?

Here's where it leaves you:
It leaves you in the spot of the captive squirrel that runs around and around and around in its whirling exercise cage. It can put on a burst of speed, but it will still get no farther from where it started.

All the squirrel gets out of it is the exercise.

Who is responsible for all this?
WHO IS THE CULPRIT?

If we had a pat answer to that question, we'd have it made.

If there really was an actual, tangible, living and breathing culprit, we'd lay violent hands on him and take him out and hang him to the highest tree and thereafter everything would be lovely and the goose would hang high for all of us.

That would be SO easy.

There is, of course, a culprit. The culprit is the inflationary spiral. But the inflationary spiral isn't a TANGIBLE thing. It is an intangible. You can't get a rope around an intangible's neck.

And—
Besides—

The inflationary spiral is a GLAMOROUS thing. It keeps prices going up and up. It keeps wages going up and up. As long as prices keep going up and wages keep going up, we have the ILLUSION of prosperity. Nobody wants to hang prosperity to the highest tree.

So—

We keep going around and around, like the squirrel in its exercise cage, running faster and faster, but getting nowhere much.

Senate Nod Seen For Fred Mueller

WASHINGTON (AP)—Indications are that the Senate will consider the nomination of Frederick H. Mueller as secretary of commerce without the bitter controversy that flared over his predecessor, Lewis L. Strauss.

President Eisenhower nominated Mueller formally Tuesday for the post in which he has been acting since the Senate rejected Strauss. He had been undersecretary.

Mueller, a popular official who doesn't stand on ceremony, is generally regarded in the Senate as an almost exact opposite to the controversial Strauss.

WHY NOT NOW?

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower has proclaimed the week beginning October 4 as Fire Prevention Week.

Living Cost Shows Boost To New Mark

WASHINGTON (AP)—The cost of living rose four-tenths of 1 per cent in June to a record high.

This was the largest monthly increase in 14 months. Announcing the rise, as measured by its consumer price index, the Labor Department said today that all major items in the living costs of city families advanced.

However, Commissioner Ewan Clague of the Bureau of Labor Statistics told newsmen the upsurge of prices was "not a sign that the index is about to take off."

He said the increase was largely seasonal, due to a sharp advance in foods, chiefly fresh fruits and vegetables.

The rise took the price index to 124.5 per cent of the 1947-49 average. This is six-tenths of 1 per cent higher than a year ago.

The increase will mean wage boosts of 1 or 2 cents an hour for about 600,000 workers whose union contracts have escalator clauses calling for periodic adjustments of wages to the cost of living.

About 200,000 men in the trucking industry and 300,000 workers in aircraft plants will receive a 2-cent hourly increase. About 230,000 electrical manufacturing workers and some employes in other industries will get boosts averaging about 1 cent an hour.

The BLS also reported that the spendable earnings of factory workers — take-home pay after deduction of income and social security taxes — reached a new record in the month.

But the purchasing power of the pay checks declined because of the rise in prices, and was slightly below the all-time records set in May.

Veep Starts Moscow Trek

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Vice President Richard M. Nixon sets out tonight on a historic mission to Moscow that calls for a "little summit" meeting with Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev and a goodwill tour deep into Siberia.

Much of the substance of Nixon's conference with Khrushchev Sunday will be determined today when the vice president meets with President Eisenhower at the White House.

But it was known that Nixon, in his meeting with Khrushchev, expects to scan the entire spectrum of cold war problems—the Berlin crisis, the German situation, the atomic tests stalemate, disarmament, trade and a variety of other subjects. He probably also will touch on the question of a Big Four summit meeting.

While he will speak with full authority, Nixon will not be empowered to negotiate any cold war problems with Khrushchev. Rather, he will reaffirm U. S. policy so that the Soviet leader will know first-hand where this government stands and why.

It was stated on highest authority that Eisenhower would not be surprised if Khrushchev takes advantage of Nixon's visit to transmit some new proposal. In that event, the President would expect Nixon to show only friendly interest before communicating with the White House for advice and instructions on how he should react.

Eisenhower, however, has not prepared any important message for Nixon to give to Khrushchev.



OREGON'S GOLDEN TRIANGLE TROPHY will be at stake this weekend when professional cowboys from all over the West gather in Klamath Falls for the 25th annual Klamath Basin Roundup Association's big show at the fairgrounds Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The trophy is put up jointly by triangle members Klamath Falls, Eugene and Prineville. Each year each city adds \$100 to the pot. The trophy and the accrued cash will go to the first contestant winning the cup three times. To win, a contestant must be named best all around cowboy of the show. Wins do not need to be consecutive. Shown here admiring the trophy are Keith Rice, president of KBRA, left, and Charlie Read, vice president. Shows here are slated at night on Friday and Saturday and a day show on Sunday if weather permits. Ticket office is open in the lobby of the Willard Hotel.

Debt Prevents Tax Cutting, Chief Tells News Conference

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower said today there must be some payment on the huge, national debt before any tax reduction can be justified.

The President, at a news conference, identified himself as the source of news dispatches Tuesday saying, among other things, that he sees no real hope for any tax cut during his last 18 months in office.

Eisenhower, in those news dispatches, also said the chances for any summit meeting with the Russians had grown increasingly dim.

At his meeting with reporters today the President said substantially the same thing, but added that he still does have hope for progress at the foreign ministers talks in Geneva.

William McGuffin of the Chicago Daily News called Eisenhower's attention to the series of news dispatches Tuesday which expressed Eisenhower's views on many subjects but did not name the source.

When McGuffin started to ask a question, Eisenhower interrupted and said that if McGuffin wanted to know whether he had had a group of newsmen in to dinner, the answer was yes.

McGuffin then called it a good idea because, as he put it, the procedure increased the flow of news. Eisenhower thanked him but took exception when McGuffin protested that what he termed only a chosen few newsmen had been invited.

The President called the procedure an experiment, adding he probably will do it again.

On the point of taxes, Eisenhower was asked whether he believes a reduction is impossible. He replied that the government should start to pay off the big

national debt. Estimates are, he said, that interest on the debt in the fiscal year starting a year from now will total about \$8,700,000,000.

When you have to pay out that much in interest alone, the President said, it is the better part of wisdom to start whittling the debt so a tax cut can be justified in the future.

And payment on the debt has not yet started, he observed.

The news conference ranged over these other topics:

POLITICS — Eisenhower declined to assess New York's Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller as a possibility for the presidency on the Republican ticket.

NIXON VISIT — As for Vice President Nixon's imminent visit to Russia — he leaves later in the day — Eisenhower said the vice president is not going to the Soviet Union in the role of negotiator of East-West differences.

The trip, the President went on, is a goodwill gesture in connection with the opening of a U.S. exhibit in Moscow.

As for protests by Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev regarding a presidential proclamation expressing hope Soviet-dominated countries will win their freedom, Eisenhower noted that

Congress had passed a resolution instructing him to issue the proclamation.

BOHLEN — U.S. Ambassador Charles E. Bohlen is one of the fine men in the State Department, Eisenhower said. He paid that tribute in attempting to clarify his remark at a news conference last week that Secretary of State Christian A. Herter had told him he was giving no thought at this time to assigning Bohlen to serve as a key adviser on Soviet affairs.

The President said nothing as to whether Bohlen eventually will become a policy adviser on Soviet affairs.

CIVIL RIGHTS — Eisenhower said once again that progress in the field of civil rights cannot be made entirely through the enactment of laws. There must be much dependence, he added, on the education process and on acceptance of moral responsibility in that area.

He made that comment when told that Roy Wilkins, head of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People, had said Negroes may have to support the Republicans because the Democrats in Congress have come up with a big fat zero in the civil rights legislation field.

Fawn Survives On Penicillin, Loving Care

McCLOUD — U.S. Forest Service personnel recently found a tiny fawn, only a few days old, bruised and cut, on Highway 89 near here. She had apparently been hit by a car.

The fawn was taken to a ranger station where a doctor determined there were no broken bones, but had lost control over her back legs. Forced feeding, rest and "tender-loving-care" soon brought improvement in the animal's condition. She is probably the only fawn in Siskiyou County to have had penicillin shots.

Department of Fish and Game points out that it's illegal to possess game animals in captivity. After the small animal's injuries were treated, she was released near a forest service lookout station. There she can be fed and yet range with other deer in the forest.

Extremely Dry Conditions Create Plague Of Blazes

By JO DEELY

LAKEVIEW — Extremely dry conditions and lightning storms have combined to create a plague of fires throughout the Lake County area, it was reported this morning by officials of both the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management.

The Fremont Forest area has been hit with 25 fires in the past two days. A number of other fires have been battled by the forest service and officials of the Hart Mountain Refuge report they have corralled another huge blaze in their area.

Despite the rash of fires, as of this morning, all were reported inside firelines. However, the weather forecast for the next 24 hours for the area calls for 70 per cent dry lightning storms which could pose a severe menace to present fires as well as new blazes.

The newly inaugurated process of spraying the flames with a borate solution is being credited by all officials with making the fires much more easily controllable.

The forest service was keeping a tight line around a blaze at the north end of the Paisley district Wednesday morning. It was located in the Dead Indian area about two miles west of Summer Lake on the rim area. The blaze

was reported to be a holdover from yesterday's lightning storm. Two borate drops have been made on this fire. Some men are on the line with additional equipment being sent to the scene. The fire is small, reported to be confined to about one acre, but officials said it was in a bad timbered area and they were concerned about it.

The fire in the Hart Mountain vicinity started in Post Meadows, according to Antelope Refuge officials. Cause of the fire is not known, but they reported that it has covered from 4,000 to 5,000 acres and is heading south into the mountain area. About 20 refuge men were on the fire, but officials asked the Bureau of Land Management to send them additional aid this morning. This blaze is currently being patrolled mainly by borate spraying planes.

Meantime, the BLM reports they are mopping up a fire which is west of Adel and north of Vinyard's ranch. They report that the Alkali Lake fire is out, and that they have pulled the crew of the Windy Hollow ranch fire which consumed about 1,000 acres.

Another fire is reported in the Fort Rock vicinity in a lava flow area. It has covered about 1,000 acres. Officials report they are not fighting it since it is in an impassable area, but are patrolling it and letting it burn out.

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Death Takes Ex-Governor; Douglas McKay Succumbs

SALEM (AP)—Douglas McKay, 66, long-time Oregon political figure and President Eisenhower's secretary of the interior from 1953 to 1956, died today.

He had been hospitalized nearly two weeks with a heart ailment. He resigned from the cabinet in 1956 in an effort to unseat Wayne Morse from the United States Senate. Morse had been elected as a Republican but switched to the Democratic Party. The effort to defeat Morse failed and the loss was the only one McKay ever met in a career that took him through city and state offices to the Oregon governorship.

He suffered from a heart ailment for months. On June 12, he walked into the hospital and his condition worsened steadily, kidney conditions arising. He was in a coma the last 24 hours.

As secretary of the Interior, McKay helped to formulate the Eisenhower administration's partnership plan for development of hydroelectric power, looking to private industry to build power dams and the federal government multi-purpose dams. This was a subject of heated controversy in the Pacific Northwest and was one of the issues in the 1956 senatorial election which he lost.

Wrapped up in it was McKay's championship of Idaho Power Co.'s plan for three dams in the Hell's Canyon reach of the Snake River and his opposition to a federal high dam. It brought charges from political foes of "giveaway" of natural resources, a charge which friends indignantly denied.

At his death he was chairman of the U.S. section of the U.S.-Canadian International Joint Commission for water resource development.

McKay was born in Portland and was graduated from what is now Oregon State College. He built a prosperous automobile agency here; holding it until he joined the President's cabinet in

1953 when he turned it over to his sons-in-law.

He served in France with the 91st Division in the First World War as a lieutenant and was gravely wounded. Although much of one shoulder was shot away, he regained such use of it that he

was able to be vigorously active in one of his favorite pastimes, horseback riding. He served in the Second World War as a captain and major at Camps Murray and Adair in Oregon.

McKay's political career started with election as Salem mayor in 1933. After a two-year term he served in the Oregon state senate from 1935 to 1941. His leadership there pushed him into state prominence and he was elected governor in 1948.

His selection as Eisenhower's secretary of the Interior in 1953 was generally credited to his strong interest in hydroelectric power development and wildlife conservation. It was during his service in the cabinet that the Mission 66 program for improvement and expansion of the National Park Service was adopted.

In 1917 he married Mabel C. Hill of Portland who survives as do two daughters and seven grandchildren. A son, Douglas Jr., was killed in an automobile accident while a student at Oregon State College. The daughters are Mrs. Wayne Hadley and Mrs. Lester Green.

McKay's family background was deeply rooted in Oregon. His grandfather, Malcolm McKay, came to this area with Hudson's Bay Co. in 1841 and was a storekeeper at Fort Vancouver.

McKay showed leadership early and was president of his college freshman class and later was student body president. He worked his way through school as a janitor and at odd jobs.

His first business experience after World War I was in selling insurance in Portland. He soon turned to automobile sales there and in 1927 came here and established his own dealership.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and affiliated with a large number of fraternal and service groups.

U.S. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter made this accusation in a crucial Big Four conference session after Andrei Gromyko had once more rejected a Western effort to get him to cut his price for a truce in the Berlin crisis.

Gromyko said the Western proposal for continuing the big power conference during the period of a Berlin truce is not a basis for negotiation.

He renewed an assurance that the Soviet Union would not take singlehanded action against West Berlin during the truce or during subsequent negotiations which the great powers might hold on the future of Germany.

But this fell short of what the West has demanded — guarantees for West Berlin until Germany is reunified.

Herter's ransom charge was made in an unusually sharp speech. It was based on his argument that Russia wants the West to agree to a system of negotiation on Germany's future which would leave it free to crack down on West Berlin if it failed to get the kind of German settlement it wants.

Gromyko has proposed an 18-month moratorium in the Berlin crisis. During this period East and West German representatives would negotiate on German unification and a peace treaty. The West proposed continuation of the present conference at a lower level, and rejected the all-German committee plan.

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The plane struck down near a saw mill on the farm of Bud Keyser about a mile and a half south of the village of Andover in southern New Hampshire.

Traffic Halted By Accident

WEED—A one-car accident a mile south of Weed, between the Pinehurst Motel and Don's Drive-in, at 6 p.m. Tuesday blocked the northbound traffic lane for more than an hour. There were no injuries.

Jesse D. Vaughan, 34, of Redwood, California, was northbound in his Chevrolet Carryall, pulling a 40-foot house trailer. Investigating officers presume he was traveling too fast and when he applied the brakes as he approached a curve the trailer whipped, flipping both the trailer and the car. Both vehicles landed upside down, almost completely splintering the trailer.

With Vaughan were his wife and three children. One little boy had a scratch on one leg, but did not require medical care.

Officers cited Vaughan for driving without a valid operator's license and he was in jail this morning awaiting arraignment before Judge Kenneth T. Stone this afternoon.

Vaughan is an unemployed carpenter and apparently was seeking work. He is also a minister of the Assembly of God Church and the local church is caring for his family.



Weather

Northern California — Fair through Thursday but a few showers and thunderstorms over high mountains and possibly in the mountains around Salsmas. Fog and local drizzle on the coast. Variable coastal winds 10-20 miles an hour.

Klamath Falls and vicinity: Mostly fair and warm through Thursday except isolated afternoon or evening thunderstorms over mountains. High both days 96-98 degrees. Low tonight 58-63.

High yesterday 91
Low last night 33
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 3.82
Same period last year 19.42



"FAWSIE," a two-week old black tail fawn, eagerly drains her formula of fresh and powdered milk, fed to her by Mrs. Mary Marker of McCLOUD. The fawn, run over by a car on Highway 89 recently, has been released near a U.S. Forest Service lookout station.



"NOW WHO'S THE FISHERMAN" proudly boasts James Rosean, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Rosean as he displays the first fish he ever caught. Flouting the fish before his older brothers, James strikes a proud pose. The fish was caught in Dwinell Dam on July 12. The youngster is also the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dorlaque, former Klamath Falls residents now living in Mount Shasta.