

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
Cost of living note:
The government reported this morning that the cost of living rose fractionally in July to reach an ALL TIME HIGH.
It was the fourth straight monthly increase in the consumer price index, which now stands at 124.9 per cent of the 1947-1949 average at the end of July.
That is to say:
It now costs \$12.49 to buy what \$10 would buy in the 1947-1949 period.
Higher prices are reported by the government in NEARLY ALL AREAS of consumer spending.
It adds:
"The increase, plus a decline in spendable earnings, reduced consumer buying power by approximately 1 1/2 per cent."

Question:
What are "spendable" earnings?
The answer:
Spendable earnings are what you have left after paying all your necessary and unavoidable bills—INCLUDING TAXES. If you don't pay your taxes, you'll find yourself in DEEP trouble.

And—
TAXES are higher than they were in the 1947-1949 period. That bites still deeper into your buying power!

Another thought:
What government takes out of your pocket in the form of taxes YOU DON'T HAVE LEFT TO SPEND. We hear a lot of talk (especially in political circles) about the beneficial effect of government spending on our national prosperity.
Did you ever stop to think that what government reaches into your pocket and takes out in the form of taxes you don't have left to spend for yourself? It's all a question, you see, of WHO DOES THE SPENDING.
Which do you prefer—to spend it yourself, or to have the government spend it for you?

After telling about the rising cost of living, this morning's report adds:
"HOWEVER, more than a million workers with contracts tied to the cost of living will receive automatic WAGE INCREASES. Generally, these increases will amount to about two cents an hour."

One more question:
Will these automatic wage increases be gravy that the worker who gets them can eat? Or will they be eaten by the rising cost of living before the workers get them?

Hot Weather Plagues East

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Hot, humid weather continued today over most of the nation's Eastern half. It appeared unlikely to change much during the weekend.
High moisture content of the air gave rise to widespread showers and thunderstorms. But these made conditions stickier, if anything. The Atlantic Coastal Plain north of Virginia, and parts of the Central Plains remained free of cloudiness.
It was milder over the Northwest and along the Pacific Coast. Spotty rains dotted Washington and Oregon.
The coolest weather centered in Montana and North Dakota where 70s contrasted with readings in the 90s range in many areas east of the Rockies, in the South, and the Southwest.

Nation's Cost Of Living Shows Fractional Hike

WASHINGTON (AP)—The cost of living rose three-tenths of 1 per cent in July to another record high, the government reported today.
The Labor Department said higher prices for all major classes of goods and services contributed to the advance, with food prices leading the way.
The consumer price index for July was 124.9 per cent of the 1947-49 average, eight-tenths of 1 per cent higher than in July 1958.
The increase will mean wage boosts to about one million workers primarily in the automobile, farm equipment and aircraft industries.
Hersey C. Riley, chief of the department's division of prices and cost of living, said most of the effected workers will receive a quarterly raise of 2 cents an hour.
He said this is the first increase for automobile workers since last July.
Riley said the increase from June to July was "pretty much a result of seasonal factors. Only twice since 1941 have food prices declined in July and the average increased for that month is five-tenths of 1 per cent."
Food prices increased four-tenths of 1 per cent over the month this year. The cost of eggs went up 18 per cent, much more than usual for the season.
An advance in beef and poultry prices offset some declines in fresh fruits and vegetables.
"We are quite certain from what we see now that food prices will drop in August, but we can't tell just how that will affect the entire cost of living index," Riley said.
He said about one-quarter of the total increase in the cost of living this month could be attributed to local tax increases such as those on cigarettes and restaurant meals, and state sales taxes in Illinois and Arizona.
Riley also announced that the spendable earnings of factory workers and the buying power of those earnings dropped in July.
He said the decrease resulted from the usual summer drop in the work week due to vacations and other such factors, and to a lesser extent from the work stoppage in the steel industry in mid-July.
With the exception of fruits and vegetables, down 2.8 per cent, and new automobiles, off seven-tenths of 1 per cent, prices all along the line rose during July. The increases included: Restaurant meals one-half of 1 per cent, housing one-tenth of 1 per cent, reading and recreation eight-tenths of 1 per cent, transportation two-tenths of 1 per cent, clothing three-tenths of 1 per cent, and personal care two-tenths of 1 per cent.

Klamath Falls Radiation Not Serious

PORTLAND (AP)—Three times in the past few years radiation has jumped to abnormal levels at Klamath Falls, the state health officer reported Thursday.
Dr. Harold M. Erickson said the radiation quickly dissipated each time. He said he believed the radiation levels reached at Klamath Falls were not dangerous.
Radiation now is measured at 44 stations in Oregon. It started in Portland in 1956, and radiation here never has approached harmful levels, the official said.
The normal reading at Portland is between 2 and 5 micro microcuries, said Richard Hatchard, director of air pollution control. A micro microcurie is the amount of radiation from a millionth of a millionth of a gram of radium. Erickson said he considered only readings above 1,000 to be of concern.
The first day the station opened at Klamath Falls the reading was 74.7. Then it dropped back to Portland levels, but in September, 1957, one reading reached 117.05. And again in October, 1958, the reading jumped, this time to 370.04 micro microcuries.
Other Klamath Falls readings have been close to Portland levels, Erickson said.
He said the high readings undoubtedly resulted from atomic tests in Nevada, and possibly also from Russian tests. He remarked on Portland's greater distance from the Nevada test site.
The health officer said the entire subject of radiation measurements and effects on the body are still in the "field study stage."
He said the Board of Health has reported periodically when radiation climbs above normal levels, as measured at the state office building in Portland.
"We have nothing to hide," he said.
The report followed a recent circuit court ruling in Portland, upholding the board's refusal to make available to Reed College professor its data on radiation.
The court said the board had a right to process the data, and also that public reports were made from time to time.

Man Crushed By Huge Rock

A 52-year-old man died on the side of State Route 66 yesterday afternoon after he was thrown from his car and was crushed by a huge rock.
State police identified the victim as Roland Albert Maurer of Phoenix, Oregon.
Officers said Maurer was driving toward Klamath Falls when his 1956 automobile failed to make a sharp turn a mile-and-a-half east of Keno.
Officers found no skid marks on the rain-slick pavement, but the car traveled 174 feet after leaving the road.
Maurer was thrown from the car and was crushed under a rock weighing between 1,000 and 1,500 pounds. Officers said the rock may have been dislodged from the rain-soaked bank by the force of Maurer's body being thrown against it.
The rock crushed Maurer's head and chest. He was dead when state police found him.
The body was taken to O'Hair's Memorial Chapel.

OLD SOLDIER RESTS

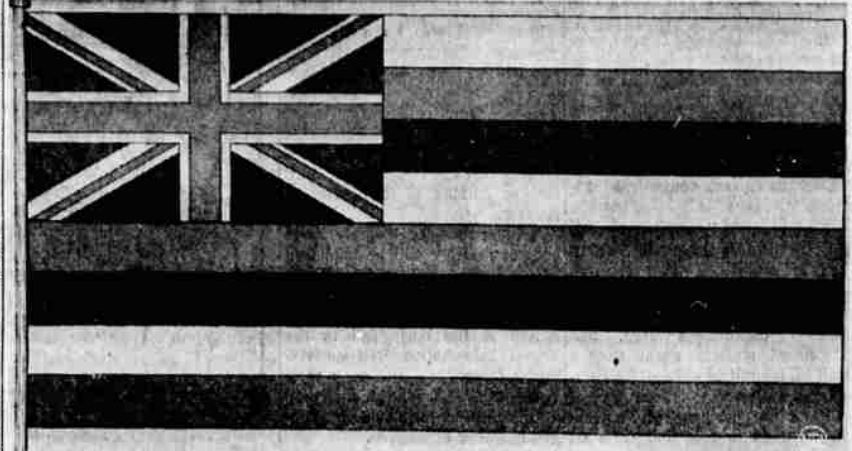
HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Walter Williams, 116, the last surviving soldier of the Confederacy slept most of Thursday, his daughter, Mrs. Willie Mae Bowles, reported.
The old soldier, who is in critical condition, awoke only to take light nourishment of beef broth, she said. It was the first day of undisturbed rest in a week for Williams.

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THIS IS THE FLAG of the Territory of Hawaii which now becomes the 50th State of the Union. The territorial flag will remain as the state flag, and Hawaii will become the 50th star on the national flag. In use since 1845, the flag above was made the territorial banner in 1925. The stripes, in alternating red, white and blue from the bottom up, represent the eight principal islands of the old kingdom. The Union Jack in the corner doesn't mean that Hawaii was ever a possession of Great Britain. A British flag was presented to King Kamehameha in 1793 and was used for some time as the official flag.

Chief Signs Hawaii Proclamation

Turkey Day Fiesta Set

HONOLULU—Hawaii rejoiced Friday at becoming the 50th state. The official admission day celebration has been deferred until about Thanksgiving to give the new Legislature time to arrange the ceremonies.
But this was the day that Hawaiians have been awaiting since they first petitioned Congress 56 years for admission as a state.
President Eisenhower's proclamation turning the dream into a reality meant the end of 59 years of territorial status for the multi-racial Pacific island chain.
It meant that the people will be able to vote for president of the United States. Its delegation to Congress will be able to vote instead of merely observe.
Now, too, the Hawaiians choose their own governor, hitherto appointed by the president.
Gov. William F. Quinn says it will "give Hawaii the added prestige in carrying out our mission as the hub of the Pacific in promoting greater East-West understanding."
Quinn, a Republican, was sworn in immediately after Eisenhower's proclamation was issued.
Statehood will mean fiscal as well as political changes for Hawaii.
Hawaii will gain about \$800,000 a year under federal grants-in-aid programs. The increase will result from contemplated legislation designed to treat Hawaii on an equal basis with the rest of the American states. But this will take time.
Fiscal experts say Hawaii's change from a territory to a state will cost each taxpayer 68 cents more a year.
Hawaiian statehood adds 585,000 people and 6,435 square miles to the Union. It will add 183,000 registered voters in the next presidential election.

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Dozer Tips; Worker Dies

DUNSMUIR—Donald D. Klump, 36, Castella, was killed instantly at 10:30 a. m. Thursday, when the bulldozer he was operating on the freeway project on Highway 99 near here suddenly overturned, crushing him beneath it, the sheriff-coroner's office at Yreka reported.
Klump, an experienced operator of heavy construction machinery, was doing routine work on a huge cut in a hillside. Construction men could offer no explanation for the accident.
Klump, under contract to the Wunderlich Construction Company of Palo Alto, moved to Castella about a year ago from Los Angeles. He was a native Californian. A veteran of World War II, Klump is survived by the widow Anna Mae and six small children.
Funeral services will be in Noble's Chapel at Mount Shasta Saturday, August 22 at 2 p. m., with burial in Mount Shasta Memorial Park.

METER - MAIDS

NEW YORK (UPI)—The New York City Board of Estimate Thursday approved a bill creating a "meter maid" force to patrol the city's 50,000 parking meters. About 100 women will be hired as "meter maids."

FOREST FIRE DANGER TODAY

KEEP OREGON GREEN

Weather

Northern California — Fair through Saturday except increasing fog on the coast. Warmer inland. Northwesterly wind 12-25 miles an hour near the coast.

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Mostly fair through Saturday. Low tonight 43-48; high Saturday 70-75.
High yesterday 60
Low last night 42
Precip. last 24 hours 1.34
Since Oct. 1 7.18
Same period last year 20.01

AF Ceremony To Be Held

Despite an adverse turn in the weather, Kingsley Field commander Col. Jack Williams indicated that the major portion of the schedule for Roll-out Day ceremonies will come off as listed today.
The weather forecaster was holding out hope as of Friday morning that the cloud ceiling would lift. However, Colonel Williams indicated that regardless of the weather the open house would begin at 1 p. m. as scheduled.

Kingsley Field will be thrown open to the public. A parade, review and presentations were still scheduled for 1:15, and the sonic boom by an F-101B Voodoo will still go on at 2:45 p. m.
However, the aerial demonstration and flyby of 20 F-101B's will depend upon a 5,000 foot ceiling at that time.

A number of top officers of the McDonnell Aircraft Corporation, builders of the F-101B, as well as Air Force officers will be on hand for today's ceremonies.
Air Force officers present include Maj. Gen. Hugh Parker, Western Air Defense Force commander; Maj. Gen. Von R. Shores, 25th Air Division commander, and Brig. Gen. Frank Gillespie, Seattle Sector SAGE commander.
Aircraft technical representatives are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Hyde, McDonnell Aircraft Corporation; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Barranger, Hughes Aircraft Company, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyle, Pratt and Whitney Company.
Also present will be Mayor and Mrs. Lawrence Slater, and County Judge Bob Walker and Mrs. Walker.

Kingsley Airman Injures Self

A. C. Harry W. Slezak, air policeman assigned to the 408th Air Base Squadron at Kingsley Field, accidentally shot himself in the chest last night while on guard duty at the ammunition storage area.
He was immediately taken to the dispensary for administration of emergency treatment. Medical personnel at the base reported his condition as fair this morning.
Airman Slezak whose home is Latrobe, Pennsylvania, has been here since March 1, 1959.

City Takes Initial Move To Buy Water Company

The first step toward possible purchase of the facilities of the Oregon Water Corporation by the city of Klamath Falls was taken at a continued meeting of the city council held in city hall Thursday afternoon.
The council had been deliberating for some time on such a move, and made a declaration of intent to purchase under terms of the original franchise under which the water firm operates. This franchise was signed in April 1895 and provides that the city may have the alternative of purchasing the company on each five year anniversary of the franchise.
The terms of such purchase are also outlined in the 64 year old franchise. The city may purchase the firm by paying them a sum which at eight per cent interest would bring enough money to equal their net operating income for the year prior to filing the intent to purchase.
It also provided that such a declaration must be filed six months in advance of the anniversary date of the franchise.
These terms made it mandatory, Mayor Lawrence Slater explained, that the council either take action now to inform the company of its intent or else no move could be made for another five years or until 1964.
The mayor explained to the council that the resolution which was adopted, and which stated it was the intent of the council to put the purchase plan on the ballot for voters in May, 1960, was actually the first step in a continuing study which may lead to the ballot measure.
He indicated, however, that additional study will have to be made before the council finally puts the stamp of approval or disapproval on the purchase plan.
Following the council action Mayor Slater issued the following statement: "This is not to be construed as a declaration by the mayor and the council that they intend to purchase the Oregon Water Corporation.
"Rather, this letter to the water company is a declaration of intent in accordance with the terms of the original franchise entered into in 1895.
"This franchise provides that the city may purchase the water company in any five year multiple, but must inform the company six months in advance of the expiration of the five year anniversary date of the franchise.
"Under these terms, we are informing the company that we fully intend to investigate the feasibility of purchasing the water company, and if final investigation determines that it is to the benefit of the residents of Klamath Falls to have municipal ownership of the water system, then we will proceed to put it on the ballot next May and let the residents declare their intentions.
"If this initial step is not taken, neither this council nor subsequent councils could even consider purchase again until 1964."

Army Moves Into Area Of Quake

WEST YELLOWSTONE PARK, Mont. (AP)—National Guardsmen moved into this earthquake-ravaged area today to prevent possible looting.
The quakes' death toll, meanwhile, reached nine. Mrs. Ray Painter, 42, of Ogden, Utah died Thursday in a Bozeman, Mont., hospital. She was hurt when the quake split a mountain and sent it thundering down on Rock Creek campground and into the Madison River.
Search officials fear other campers may be entombed by that massive landslide. Army engineers are expected to determine soon whether to attempt to move the 50 million tons of rock, earth and debris.
In addition to the known victims, Mrs. Thomas Stowe of Sandy, Utah, is missing and presumed dead. Her husband was killed.
The Guardsmen replaced Idaho and Wyoming state patrolmen who joined others from Montana in rescue operations during the chaos that followed the multiple earth shocks of Monday night and Tuesday.
Lesser jolts continued in the area Thursday. The U.S. Geodetic Survey counted 372 aftershocks.
The aftershocks, rain and the threat of new landslides has delayed groups searching for possible other victims.
Hundreds of campers and vacationers evacuated from the stricken area were listed by name and home town with the Red Cross and other agencies.

Orb Recovery Said Slight

WASHINGTON (AP)—Extremely low temperatures in America's Discoverer VI satellite may have frozen out chances of recovering an instrument-filled capsule it ejected over the Pacific Ocean.
The 300 - pound capsule was kicked loose Thursday night as the satellite orbited over the Hawaiian Islands. But no trace was found of it.
What went wrong? Scientists aren't sure. But they think the low temperatures in Discoverer VI may have affected the battery power supply in the recovery capsule.
If that was the case, the capsule was "dead" as it plunged down through space. Without the power supply, the capsule's radio beacon would not operate and its signal lights would remain dark. Its parachute would not open.

CHICKEN FEED

CATINA, Sicily (UPI)—It was chicken every day—and chicken every day, for that matter—for Lorenzo Leonardi, his wife, two sons and five dogs.
Police said Thursday Leonardi admitted he had swiped 2,500 chickens to feed the family during the last three years.



SERVING ALL OF SOUTHERN SISKIYOU COUNTY will be the Holy Family Convent, 630 Walnut Street, Mount Shasta, which will be dedicated this Saturday, August 22. The ceremony will be at 11 a. m., with the Rev. Bishop Joseph McGuckin, Sacramento, officiating. The building for the convent was donated by the late Harry Benton, lumberman and philanthropist. The sisters, who will be working in pairs with the communities of McCool, Dunsuir, Mount Shasta and Weed, are left to right, Sister M. Victoria, San Francisco; Sister M. Roberta, Long Beach; Sister M. Anthony, Martinez and Sister M. Benedict, Mission San Jose.



A CAST OF SEVERAL HUNDRED members of the St. Germain Foundation will bring to life the immortal teachings of Christ in colorful pageantry in the foundation's mammoth amphitheater, about one mile east of Mount Shasta, Sunday, August 23, from 8 a. m. until noon. The pageant, against the majestic backdrop of Mount Shasta, is the 12th annual presentation, with members of the cast coming from all parts of the United States and foreign countries. A crowd estimated at 3,000 is expected to attend this year's performance. Mrs. G. W. Ballard, widow of the movement's founder, assisted by her son Don Ballard, will direct the pageant.