

Editorial

Wartime Wages And Prices

America's white collar workers are finally going to have a chance to speak their piece about wartime wages and prices. The opportunity will come this month in Washington, when the Senate Committee on Wartime Health and Education holds hearings on the plight of these estimated 15,000,000 small-salary workers and small-income pensioners.

wouldn't be a bad idea. Here is the situation. Some white collar workers, the Senate committee's investigators report, have actually received salary cuts since the "Little Steel" formula went into effect.

You'd Be Surprised

By GEORGE STIMPSON It is a remarkable fact that no person born during a major war in which the United States has been engaged has ever become President.

Washington Daybook

(First of two articles on the problems now before Congress.) By JACK STINNETT WASHINGTON — If veteran Capitol Hill observers here are to be believed, the second session of the 78th Congress just convened is going to be more full of sound and fury, signifying less, than any session since the Democrats came to power nearly 11 years ago.

On the other hand, the Republicans, marking time until the inner turmoil in their own party takes some definite line, occupy their days with blocking tactics—knocking down any and all legislation that is suspect of Administration sponsorship or clipping it with leg-breaking riders.

Sights And Sounds

By ROBBIN COONS HOLLYWOOD — You all know the movie villain whose spare-time delight is puttering among his rose and his petunia. Comes now his war-time variant, John Miljan by name, who gets not only delight but profit by tinkering in a war plant.

More than a year ago, this inveterate screen sinner dropped in a little factory near his home in West Los Angeles to ask advice on a small locomotive he was building for his youngest boy.



Chapter 4 Through the dragging sunlight hours that followed, her mind moved in a tortured circle of questions without answers. What had happened to Dave since that last night when he went away from Melbridge as an inductee? They had walked in the garden and looked down on the town and he had said: "I hate to go away from you, Julie. I love you. I've worshipped you since I can remember. Since you used to drive your little pony cart down the hill. I'd hang around the gate to wave."

The Unseen Audience

Which brings us to the second reason: General election year. This always makes for a lot of that sound and fury, etc., but is likely to produce more so as time goes on this year, (1) because the Democrats are worried; (2) because the Republicans have a Willkieite, anti-Willkieite battle on their hands.

WHATS THE VERDICT, DOC?

BUTTE, Mont. (AP) — Two draftees, each minus a leg, reported to the army induction center. Medical officers gave them full physical examinations. "They came a long way to report," explained a medic.

TOUGH GOIN', PAL.

CASTLEFORD, Idaho, (AP) — To aid the war bond drive, bus driver Fritz Bybee offered to do a day's chores for the highest bidder. He was "knocked down" to farmer Albert Heller for \$2,500 in war bonds.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22, 1732; John Adams, Oct. 30, 1735; Jefferson, April 13, 1743; Madison, March 16, 1751; Monroe, April 28, 1758; Jackson, March 15, 1767; John Quincy Adams, July 11, 1767; William H. Harrison, Feb. 8, 1773; Van Buren, Dec. 5, 1782; Taylor, Nov. 24, 1784; Tyler, March 29, 1790; Buchanan, April 23, 1791; Polk, Nov. 2, 1795, and Fillmore, Jan. 7, 1800.

Except for the solidly planted Southern Democrats in Congress, the Democratic members are worried. They would be foolish not to be in view of the G.O.P. trend in the last few years which has given the latter virtual control of the House, cut the Democratic control of the Senate dangerously and swept many Republican governors into seats formerly warmed by good Democratic brothers.

And they do. Some even get to be heroes through sheer wickedness. Humphrey Bogart recently, and now Alan Curtis in "Phantom Lady," have followed the heel-toe road blazed by Clark Gable, James Cagney, William Powell, George Sanders, Lloyd Nolan, Edward G. Robinson, Paul Lukas, George Raft and the newer Turhan Bey.

And even heroes seem to weary of heroism. Heavy to Alan Curtis in "Phantom Lady" is Franchot Tone. Smooth romantic Charles Boyer is the menace to Ingrid Bergman in "Gaslight." Fred MacMurray in "Double Indemnity" is a murdering blackguard, as was Joseph Cotton in "Shadow of a Doubt." Maybe it's time to call out the vice squad.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS 1. Flap 2. Weight comb form 3. Entrance 4. Polynesian Yam 5. Genua of the Rickard 6. Russian river 7. Expressing denial 8. Malt liquor 9. Near 10. Two-pronged instrument 11. Request 12. Smoke 13. Cornel grass 14. Part of a stove 15. Players of certain instruments 16. Decay

RIG PARA PROW

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Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

DOWN 1. Large fish 2. Instigate 3. Large 4. Early 5. Ape 6. Wander 7. End animals 8. Collection of facts 9. Make public 10. Patron saint of lawyers 11. Divorce 12. Border 13. Civil injury 14. Part of a church 15. Adult 16. Famous lover 17. Restless of wives 18. Sandalwood tree 19. French river 20. More national 21. Bill of fare 22. Musical character 23. Arch 24. Singing bird 25. Typewriter 26. Drowsy 27. Begin 28. Ape 29. Phillis god 30. Wagnerian heroine 31. Glacial ridges 32. Porrid 33. Pagan god 34. Festival 35. English letter 36. Babylonian deity

DICKY DARE

Comic strip panels for Dicky Dare. Panel 1: A man is being pulled back by a hand. Panel 2: A man is looking at a dog. Panel 3: A man is talking to a dog. Panel 4: A man is talking to a dog.

PATSY

Comic strip panels for Patsy. Panel 1: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 2: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 3: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 4: A man is talking to a woman.

OAKY DOAKES

Comic strip panels for Oaky Doakes. Panel 1: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 2: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 3: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 4: A man is talking to a woman.

SUPERMAN

Comic strip panels for Superman. Panel 1: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 2: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 3: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 4: A man is talking to a woman.

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HEMPSTEAD, N. Y. (AP)

Nearly 1,500 women in Nassau county hold permits to pack a pistol, although few had them before the war.

NAVAL MONICKER

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y. (AP) — Only a promotion or a change of name can help out Ensign Louise Ensign, avy nurse corps officer from nearby Dover Plains.

FEMINE APPEAL

LOS ANGELES, (AP) — Sign in a restaurant window: "Waitress wanted: Good wages — free meals — free bobby pins!"

THE WEDDING OF SUPERMAN AND LOIS LANE

IN SUSIE'S DREAMS CALLS FOR A SPECIAL PUBLIC CELEBRATION...

WELL, MISS SMARTIE—WHAT DO YOU THINK NOW?

Comic strip panels for Well, Miss Smartie. Panel 1: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 2: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 3: A man is talking to a woman. Panel 4: A man is talking to a woman.

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Poles

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German propagandists said Polish soldiers and officers had been killed during the Russian occupation of Smolensk. The Poles asked for and then withdrew a request for a Red Cross investigation of the accusations. Meanwhile, however, Moscow severed relations with Poland.

The announcement today said that when the Germans invaded the Smolensk district three camps for Polish prisoners-of-war were situated 15 and 27 miles west of Smolensk, and the Poles were working on roads.

"These camps could not be evacuated in time when the Germans reached the region," the broadcast said. "The Polish prisoners and part of the Soviet staff and guards fell into the hands of the Germans."

"The special commission found that 10 miles from Smolensk along the Vitebsk road in the Katyn forest are the graves where the Polish war prisoners shot by the German invaders are buried," the broadcast said.

"The graves were opened in the presence of all the members of the commission and medico-legal experts. The total number of bodies found in Polish uniforms was, according to medico-legal experts, 11,000."

Earvin Richardson and Taylor M. Miller, negro enlisted reservists who have been on furlough following their recent induction into the army, left Wednesday morning for Fort Sill, Okla., selective service headquarters announced.

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School Studies Tour Post As Scrap Reward

The Big Spring Army Air Forces' bombardier school was host to 81 students from the grade schools in Dawson county, Tuesday, as a reward for the successful completion of their scrap drive.

This was in keeping with a promise made them by Major W. E. Turner, public relations officer, on a recent tour of the schools in interest of the drive.

The visiting students were carried on a complete tour of the post beginning with the chapel then to the cadet area where they were shown the barracks and club. From there they went to ordnance where they witnessed demonstrations with machine guns and other small arms. The next point of interest was the line where they inspected the planes and Link trainer hangar.

At the end of the tour refreshments were served them at the new hostess house by Elouise Hale, of the special services. From there they moved on to the theatre where a group picture was taken and where Col. Paul S. Dewell, executive officer, welcomed them.

After the welcome they saw the film, "Beyond the Line of Duty," featuring Captain Wheelis, Texas hero of this war.

Dawson was the first county in this area of eight counties to complete their drive.

Patriotic Slogans Barred From War Prisoners' Mail

Persons wishing to insure delivery of mail to men who are prisoners of war of the Germans should not place patriotic slogans on the mail.

This reminder was given Wednesday morning by Postmaster Nat Shick, who called attention to an announcement made this week by Postmaster General Walker, who said German authorities had advised the State department they will confiscate mail for American prisoners if it bears patriotic slogans.

"V for Victory," "Win the War" and "Buy War Savings Bonds and Stamps" are among slogans for which Germans will confiscate mail.

The postmaster general is quoted by the Associated Press, said the State department was "protesting this interference with delivery of mail to our men."

Mexican Soldier Returns For Bride

A Big Spring Mexican who left some unfinished business when he went to the army two years ago returned on furlough and attended to it.

The man and his bride presented a two-year-old marriage license to Walter Grice, justice of peace, who performed the ceremony. The man had been called into service shortly after purchasing it.

Another Mexican man inquired of Grice this week as to whether a license purchased six years ago was valid. He was informed it was.

Weather Forecast

Dept. of Commerce Weather Bureau

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Cloudy with occasional showers this afternoon, tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

WEST TEXAS: Cloudy, occasional showers this afternoon, tonight and Thursday, slightly cooler in the Panhandle, South Plains and upper Pecos valley this afternoon and tonight.

TEMPERATURES

City	Max.	Min.
Ablene	79	59
Amarillo	65	40
BIG SPRING	75	56
Chicago	57	46
Denver	45	28
El Paso	49	36
Fort Worth	67	58
Galveston	65	60
New York	47	44
St. Louis	66	46

Child tonight at 7:14 p. m.
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FDR Criticises Vote Action

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP)—President Roosevelt again today stepped into the congressional wrangle over votes for soldiers with sharp criticism of a measure passed by the senate last month and a demand for "adequate legislation."

In a message to congress, the chief executive described the bill approved by the senate December 3 and now pending before the house as "meaningless." It would turn the whole job of implementing soldier balloting to the states.

"I consider such proposed legislation," Mr. Roosevelt declared, "a fraud on the soldiers and sailors and marines now training and fighting for us and for our sacred rights. It is a fraud upon the American people."

Endorsing substitute measures proposed by Senators Green (D-R. I.) and Lucas (D-Ill.) and by Rep. Worley (D-Tex.), the president said:

"What is needed is a complete change of machinery for absentee balloting, which will give the members of our arm forces and merchant marine all over the world an opportunity, to cast their ballots without time-consuming correspondence and without waiting for each separate state to hold its primary, print its ballots, and send them out for voting."

The recent bills proposed by Senators Green and Lucas and by Congressman Worley seem to me to do this job. They set up proper and efficient machinery for absentee balloting."

US Quiet On The Argentina, Axis Diplomatic Break

By FLORA LEWIS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP)—United States government officials made no immediate comment today as Argentina announced her long-delayed break in diplomatic relations with the Axis powers, and there appeared to be a disposition here to adopt a "wait and see" attitude pending action on related orders which normally attend such breaks.

Such orders usually extend to suspension of communications facilities, like the radio-telephone and radio-telegram, and termination of commercial relationships.

On the basis of past statements by Secretary of State Hull, it could be assumed there was gratification here that the action at Buenos Aires will close the last German and Japanese embassies in the western hemisphere; apparently completing unanimous application of the hemispheric defense resolution adopted by all American republics at Rio de Janeiro two years ago.

City Dads Hold Regular Session

A regular meeting of the city commission was held Tuesday afternoon at the city hall and the session was devoted to a number of reports on local projects.

A report made on the water project revealed that it was filed with the Federal Works Agency on January 13th and that work will likely get underway soon on the million dollar project.

Contractors, handling the sewage treatment plant here are due to arrive on January 31st, it was announced, and a report was heard on the personnel shortage in the three city departments.

According to Boyd McDaniel, city manager, five men from the police, street and health departments report for examination in Lubbock Saturday.

Tax matters and paying accounts were adjusted during the meeting and the group discussed the graveling project at the municipal administration building at the airport.

In an effort to improve living conditions and sanitation in the Mexican district, the city is offering an added service to home owners in that area, and it was announced at the meeting that two blocks of water line have been installed in Mexican town.

Manuel Sanchez, charged with child desertion Monday in justice of peace court and who was being held at Midland Tuesday, was released to enter Army service, said Sheriff A. J. Merrick.

Here 'n There

A Midway and Sand Springs home demonstration club was to be organized at a meeting at 2:30 Sand Springs, Miss Rhea Merle O'Clock Wednesday afternoon in Boyles, county home demonstration agent, was to give demonstrations on reseating a chair and meat cookery. Miss Boyles will attend a meeting at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Walker Anderson in Luther community. Organization of the Luther club is to be completed and Miss Boyles will give a meat demonstration.

H. C. King has been employed as a new fireman by the city. He was formerly employed by the B & B food store.

290 Reservations Made For Banquet

Around 290 reservations have already been made for the annual chamber of commerce banquet which will be held here Tuesday evening, February 8th.

Governor Coke R. Stevenson has accepted an invitation to be speaker at the annual entertainment

Allied Planes Blast North France Again

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP)—Allied bombers and fighters hammered targets in northern France for the fourth straight day today after swift RAF Mosquitos had broken a one-night lull in the Allied aerial offensive by stabbing at unspecified objectives in western Germany.

RAF raiders also struck at northern France during the night operations, which were carried out without loss, said the air ministry.

The day raiders encountered poorer conditions than yesterday, when the weather was almost ideal, and were flying under a layer of light cloud as they swept across the channel.

U. S. Thunderbolts dropped bombs on enemy airfields at Gilzeijen, Holland, yesterday for the second time in three days as other Allied planes rocked the French coast for the third straight day and the fifteenth time this month.

The Americans bombed airfields at Leenwarden, also in Holland, while Thunderbolt fighters swept the entire Zelder Zee area. The American operations were carried out without loss.

Strong formations of bombers and fighters hit the French coast in the morning and returned to drop more explosives in the afternoon. The raids were carried out by RAF, Dominion and Allied Mitchell and Boston medium bombers and Typhoon fighter-bombers escorted by fighters. Two of the latter failed to return.

Red Cross Needs Pneumonia Jackets

Mrs. G. G. Sawtelle, secretary of the Howard-Glasscock Red Cross chapter, announced today that an emergency call has been received asking for 50 pneumonia jackets which are needed in army hospitals for the treatment of pneumonia patients.

Help is urgently needed to make the jackets, and Mrs. Sawtelle has expressed her hope that local women, who work at the surgical dressing room, will help other volunteers at Red Cross headquarters while the bandage room is closed.

Air-WAC Recruiting Team Located Here

An Air-WAC recruiting team will be located in Big Spring until February 5 with headquarters in room 21 of the postoffice building.

All persons interested in this phase of women's service may contact any one of the following between the hours of 8 a. m. and 7 p. m. daily except Sunday:

Lieut. Elizabeth Haidacher, Dottie O. Smith, Lt. Jewell Hooper, Sgt. Helen R. Pershing, and Sgt. Harold Boyd.

which will be held at the Settles hotel.

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Five Vessels Of Jap Convoy Sunk

CHUNGKING, Jan. 26 (AP)—Mitchell bombers of the Chinese-American wing of the U. S. 14th air force attacked a Japanese convoy off Fuchow on the east China coast Monday and sank five vessels totaling 9,900 tons, Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters announced today.

In addition, the announcement said, a 2,700-ton freighter was damaged and a Japanese seaplane shot down.

The vessels sunk were listed as a 1,700-ton passenger and cargo vessel, two 2,200-ton cargo and passenger vessels and one 1,100-ton cargo boat.

Other Mitchells of the 14th air force, sweeping the sea lanes between Hongkong and Nampang island, sank a 2,700-ton freighter, the announcement said.

All aircraft were said to have returned safely.

Livestock

FORT WORTH, Jan. 26 (AP)—Cattle 1,500; calves 1,000; slow; about steady; good fed steers and yearlings 13.00-14.25 beef cows 7.75-10.00; fat calves 8.00-13.00; stocker steer calves and yearlings 8.00-11.50.

Hogs 2100; steady to 10 lower; top 13.55; good and choice 200-300 lb. butcher hogs; good and choice 170-190 lb. averages 11.75-13.00; medium to choice 145-165 lb. weights at 7.50-11.25; Sows 11.00 down; pigs 7.00 down.

Sheep 3,300; mostly steady; medium and good fat lambs 12.00-13.75; cull to medium ewes 5.25-6.25.

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