

U. S., Britain Propose German-Polish Border Revision

Russia Opposed to Any Change in Frontier

Farm Lands Would Be Inside Reich

Which Will It Be? Boom Or Bust

(NOTE: Will there be a business recession in the United States? If so, when will it come, how hard will it hit? The immediate future of business in this country and the interest of all the world's business men are the subjects of the series of three articles. This is the first.—Editors, The News.)

THE outlook is that the current record-breaking business boom in the United States will continue for at least another three months. After that, the much-discussed recession may come. It is far from certain, however. And if it does come, the recession need not lead to a depression.

Many economists and business leaders expect a recession will start in the latter part of this summer. They say that the economy is getting too far out of control; that many prices are too high, and that inventories are getting too great as consumers tighten their belts.

There already are indications of a leveling off in retail sales, the Easter season being especially disappointing.

This is the essence of a survey made by the Associated Press across the country at the end of 1947's first quarter. It asks the thinking of business leaders and high-ranking economists in government, industry and labor, and factual information culled from key Americans.

Labor difficulties could upset the predictions. A prolonged closing of the coal mines, more strikes like the telephone walk-out, could affect the national scene. Wage negotiations in important industries are pending which might lead to strikes and, in some cases, disrupting the economic time-table.

But for now, business charts remain heavily weighted with factors favorable to a continuation in the second quarter of trends which made the first three months of 1947—outstandingly good. Some of these factors are:

Income payments to individuals are running at an annual rate of about \$1,000,000,000 all-time record. The high in 1946 was \$750,000,000.

More than \$150,000,000,000 is tucked away in liquid assets that can be used by individuals at will to increase their expenditures.

There is an enormous post-war demand for all types of durable consumer goods, such as furniture, home appliances and automobiles, that run into uncounted billions of dollars.

We have the most acute housing shortage in history, calling for a large-scale construction program.

Plant expansion and modernization is proceeding at a rate twice as great as during the best years between the wars.

Strike Plot Is Charged To Lewis

Coal Operators Make Claim

WASHINGTON (AP)—Owners of the seized soft coal mines accused John L. Lewis today of engineering a "de-liberate and premeditated" new strike by his United Mine Workers in defiance of Federal courts.

The Justice Department kept secret its own view pending another appearance by Lewis tomorrow before the Federal grand jury.

The order holds good until the Government returns the pits to private ownership.

"DECEITFUL DODGE" The National Coal Association declared the latest move by Lewis is a "deceitful dodge" intended to break us back to work.

Lewis advised his union locals by telegram during the day that he approves "resumption of production in the mines on the fact as it is certified by Federal mine inspectors as being in conformity with the Federal Mine Safety Code."

John D. Battle, executive secretary of the Coal Association, asserted: "It is in reality telling his miners not to return to work at the present time."

Capt. H. E. Collicott, the Coal Mines Administrator, turned down last Saturday demand by Lewis that the Government close the mines until Federal inspectors certify their safety.

Lewis goes back before Judge Tamm's Federal grand jury for the return of all but \$750,000 of the fines assessed in connection with the seizure of the mines which began last November.

The Supreme Court upheld Goldborough's finding that Lewis and the union committed contempt by ignoring an order to call off the dogs in the preliminary hearing.

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Columnist Goes To Hospital

Sluggish Sinatra Sees Red In Brawl Outside Ciro's

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Frank Sinatra, the crooner, and Lew Mortimer, columnist for the New York Daily Mirror, tangled outside Ciro's restaurant last night and this time it apparently wasn't one of the one-punch battles for which Hollywood has become famous.

Sinatra emerged unscathed but Mortimer went to a hospital for \$150 worth of X-rays. He said, however, that he was hit from behind and that Frankie had three "heavies" helping him.

Mortimer told Deputy Sheriff R. I. Wright he would seek a warrant against Sinatra and his lawyer, J. G. Glazier. Glazier is a leading attorney in these parts.

The versions varied, but here they are, as told to reporters: "I was leaving Ciro's with Miss Kay Kimo, a band singer, when Sinatra and three men jumped me. The first thing I knew, I was down. I rubbed out my eyes and saw red. I saw a face that looked like Sinatra's above me."

Cabinet Session No Action Taken On Rising Prices

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman explored the economic problems of rising prices during an hour and 40-minute Cabinet session today, but no action was announced afterward on action.

Mine Death Benefit Set

WASHINGTON (AP)—Trustees of the United Mine Workers Welfare Fund today established a \$10,000 benefit payment for the family of each bituminous coal miner belonging to the union.

The welfare fund now contains \$18,000,000 but John L. Lewis, UMW president, told reporters the present fund is "insufficient."

Lewis asserted that when the soft coal mines are returned to private ownership by Government which has been operating since last May 29.

He strongly hinted the union will demand a levy of 10 cents on the dollar on the coal to provide the fund. The present fund under Government operation comes from a collection of 10 cents a ton.

Although the contract between the Government and Lewis was signed last May 29, it has taken nearly a year to establish the three-million-dollar fund, and meantime no money in the fund has been paid out.

The number of families now eligible to receive the \$10,000 death benefit is 200,000 and it runs into several thousand.

Long Lines Arbitration Depends On Cost Issue

Might Pave Way To Settlement

WASHINGTON (AP)—A crack in the telephone strike deadlock was reported possible within hours today as negotiations went on with day and night sessions.

Persons in close touch with the negotiations on long distance lines spoke of the national telephone industry as the only obstacle to a strike-ending settlement for this industry.

Who will pay the cost of arbitration about five lines between American Telephone and Telegraph Company's Long Distance Division and the American Union of Telephone Workers?

With that question settled, the arbitrators said, the proposed agreement could be referred to the Federal Commission on the way for settlement of the entire strike.

For the money to pay arbitration costs, these arbitrators predicted: "It will come from somewhere."

New Jersey Ranks Split

NEWARK, N. J. (AP)—The first split in the ranks of the New Jersey Telephone Co.'s striking employees developed today, but the union refused to say whether the split was a key majority in the walkout.

The operators were instructed to keep their picket lines up and stay out on strike while the union called for a "quick test" of the Governor Alfred E. Driscoll for signature last today.

Arms Proposal Is Approved

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y. (AP)—The United Nations Commission on Conventional Armaments today adopted the five major powers' full responsibility for working out a permanent world arms reduction plan.

The 11-nation commission by a 7-4 vote approved a resolution on an proposal naming the five permanent members of the Security Council as a drafting sub-committee.

The resolution was voted in two sections, the first providing merely for the creation of a sub-committee and the second stipulating that its membership would be restricted to the major powers.

Goodloe Elected RFC Chairman WASHINGTON (AP)—John D. Goodloe was elected chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation today, taking over duties relinquished by 74-year-old Charles C. Henderson.

Union Meetings Called By Murray

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PITTSBURGH (AP)—In a discussion that will deal primarily with "the present negotiations in the steel industry," President Murray of the CIO-United Steelworkers of America today called for a meeting of the union's executive board here April 15-20, followed April 21 by a gathering of 100 members of the national CIO, declined further comment on the purpose of the two meetings.

Top steel industry spokesmen said they would not discuss the possibility of a strike of the 600,000 steelworkers should they be called to do so, and the statement agreed on a 1947 contract by April 15, but they would not discuss the statement agreed upon.

The police had long since been notified of Mrs. Woods' disappearance. They were alerted by the police of the attractive brunette woman who weighs only 90 pounds.

The picture was printed in the Pittsburgh Courier. It was a photograph of Mrs. Woods' father, who was contacted by friends and relatives at Niagara Falls, N. Y., where he is a well-known figure.

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Weather

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Korean Claims Loan Promised

SHANGHAI (AP)—Dr. Syngman Rhee, Korean political leader, who is staying in the city, today announced that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek told reporters today that President Truman had promised to make a \$600,000,000 loan to Korea as soon as a Korean government is formed.

He said the loan would be brought up for Congressional study as soon as the bill is out of the way. Rhee visited Washington recently.

Needle Removed From Girl's Body With Magnet

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Unable to undergo surgery after swallowing a two-inch sewing needle, a diabetic three-year-old girl, was healed by a magnet which pulled the needle out of her stomach.

The needle was removed by doctors at the University of Pittsburgh Medical School. The unidentified girl is a patient at Western State Psychiatric Institute.

Raps Truman Policy

LONDON (AP)—Henry A. Wallace said today he feared the Truman policy of sending money to Russia was a mistake. He said the purpose of stopping Russian expansion would be to stop the next three months a pattern which might lead to war.

The former Vice-President of the United States said no data for a war crisis in his hypothesis, but he told more than 200 British and American delegates at a luncheon here today that he felt a sense of urgency in sending them two great grants, American and Russian, getting ready for a death struggle.

Asked what specific action he recommended, Wallace said he would like to see a "re-orientation" of American policy.

Charge Mother Murdered Child

LONDON (AP)—Betty, dark-haired, 21-year-old, was charged today with the murder of her six-year-old child. She was held without bail on a charge of murdering her vivacious son, Robert, on the child's sixth birthday.

Detective Inspector John Ball testified that Mrs. Wallace, told him after Robert's murder that she had been in a frame of mind to seek lasting peace with Russia until she was arrested several years of American suffering.

Last U. S. Troops Leave Iceland

REYKJAVIK, Iceland (AP)—Today the last American soldiers left Iceland, thus ending nearly six years of United States military protection of this island.

The 30,000-ton transport Edmund Fitzgerald will hold 4100 troops with 361 soldiers and 30 more left by plane. Several Icelandic bridges collapsed on the child's return.

Missing Since Feb. 25

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—"If only the kids kept sitting down," the mother said, "I would not have to go to a home."

It was the only rift in the dark cloud that had thickened every day since Feb. 25 when Irene Sheppard, 37, disappeared from her Philadelphia home.

Their father, Robert Woods, works at night at the Budd Manufacturing Co., 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, and 23, take care of it. They finally, clean and neat, they marched to the Philadelphia house with their father.

Youngsters Hope Mother Will Return In Time To Save Family

Chicago, 2, is in a private home and perhaps some reader might remember having seen "her missing mother."

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