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Nation's Basic Food Prices Near All-Time Peak

Outlook Is Gloomy As Slight Drop Is Checked

Women's Group Urges Controls

CHICAGO (AP)—The principal food items on the housewife's shopping list were near the all-time peak reached after the First World War...

Telegraph Editor Edward Ballenger Dies In Greenville

Edward Wells Ballenger, 36, telegraph editor of The News for the past seventeen years, died at 4 o'clock this morning in a hospital at Greenville, S. C.

Surviving Mr. Ballenger are his wife, the former Grace O'Sullivan of Spartanburg, S. C., and a three-year-old son, Edward W. Jr.; his mother, Mrs. Margaret Ballenger of Greer; two brothers, Herbert A. Ballenger of Charleston, Tenn., and William M. Ballenger of Chicago; two sisters, Mrs. T. M. Mayfield of Greenville and Mrs. Margaret Ballenger of Greer.

FUNERAL SERVICES will be held at 2:30 P. M. tomorrow at Wood Cemetery at Greer.

13 European Nations Plan Trade Pact

Soviet Union Invited To Talks

LONDON (AP)—Thirteen nations in the Paris Economic Conference are going to look into the idea of setting up a self-help move under the Marshall Plan for United States aid to Europe.

These nations—including Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, the Soviet Union, two Soviet republics and twelve other nations, most of them in Eastern Europe, to join in the project.

The British and Belgian foreign offices made simultaneous announcements of the plan last night in the name of all the nations.

Open Political Warfare Taft Skirts Picket Line To Rap Labor Act Foes

By JACK BELL

SANTA CRUZ, Calif.—(AP)—Organized labor and Senator Taft (R-Ohio) exchanged bitter challenges last night in open political warfare marked by the loss of a picket line.

The Ohio Senator, pluming his commitment on his possible candidacy for the 1948 Republican Presidential nomination, refused to sign an affidavit that he is not a Communist.

He met a formidable threat to the new organization by an assertion before the California State Bar convention that any labor leader who fails to sign an affidavit that he is not a Communist will be cutting off his nose to spite his face.

Lawmakers Unconvinced Extra Call Is Necessary

President Is Also Undecided

WASHINGTON (AP)—Influential Senators threw cold water today on suggestions for a special session of Congress to deal with emergency aid for Europe.

Senator Milkin (R-Colo.) told a reporter that members "will not look kindly upon a call of a special session upon a hullabaloo basis."

Milkin is chairman of the Republican conference, which includes all Republican senators.

Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) presides over the Senate and chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, and Taft (R-Ohio) chairs the House Republican policy group, previously led by Vandenberg.

Senator Lucas (Illino.) Democratic chief of the Senate, said that if one were called Congress probably would spend most of the time talking about politics and the 1948 election.

UP TO TRUMAN "But the decision is now for President Truman," Lucas added.

Aboard the battleship Missouri, which is bringing President Truman back from the Inter-American Defense Conference at Rio de Janeiro, White House aides indicated the Chief Executive has yet made up his mind on whether a special session is needed.

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To Decide Policy Marshall Calls U. N. Delegation

By JOHN A. PARRIS JR. NEW YORK (AP)—Secretary of State George C. Marshall summoned his ten-member U. N. delegation for a series of conferences here today to lay down the policy the United States will pursue on the veto and other issues in the United Nations Assembly meeting to start Tuesday.

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Water Crisis Aid Sought

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.—City officials and industrial plants explored new avenues of conservation today to avert a possible water supply today, temporarily staving off a proposed rate increase for the city.

Officials estimate that the city's water supply is being depleted at a rate of one-third of the present rate of consumption.

Winston-Salem is a city with a population of 95,000 and industries centering around the textile industry.

A plan that would have shut down industrial plants at intervals during the summer months would have been considered.

The city has taken its plight to Washington, where an effort is being made to obtain certain War Assets Administration materials for tapping new sources.

Secretary of War Kenneth Royall said yesterday, "The War Department will make every effort to supply the material requested by Winston-Salem."

The city has also asked the Third Army Headquarters in Atlanta for aid.

Trespassers Given Time Government Asks Oil Lands Decree

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Justice Department asked the Supreme Court today to decree that the Federal Government owns the oil-rich lands off the California coast but give "trespassers" a temporary breathing spell.

Attorney General Tom C. Clark declared in a memorandum filed with the court that the Justice Department considers it "proper that injunctive relief be withheld until Congress has had a reasonable opportunity to enact legislation providing for the management and administration and control" of the submerged coastal lands between low-water mark and the three-mile limit.

The Supreme Court ruled on June 23 that "California is not the owner of the three-mile marginal belt along its coast, and that the Federal Government rather than the state has paramount right and power over that belt."

It invited both the state and the Federal Government to submit by Sept. 15 proposed decrees to carry its opinion into effect.

The decree proposed today by the Justice Department, through the Justice Department, would: Declare that the Federal Government "is now, and has been at all times, the owner of the submerged lands between low-water mark and the three-mile limit."

It also stated that the United States "is entitled to injunction barring California and persons operating under state permit, principally oil producers, from continuing to trespass on the area."

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Gave Money To Mate Stenographer Admits Embezzling \$107,000

Detroit (AP)—Prosecutor James N. McNally said today he decided to tell the truth in an express office admitted embezzling \$107,000 in nine months and turning the money over to her husband, a bar tender.

Before 9:30 P. M. NBC To Ban Early Evening Crime Yarns

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—(AP)—The National Broadcasting Co. today announced it will ban crime yarns from its radio programming before 9:30 P. M. (New York time) starting Monday.

Birth Rate High In 25-Year Group

WASHINGTON (AP)—Native American white women in the 25-year-old age group are having more babies these days than at any time in the past 25 years, according to the National Statistical Institute released today.

Ex-White House Employee Blames 'Witch Hunt' For Loss Of Her Job

WASHINGTON (AP)—A former White House employee, Miss Helene Yuhus, said she was fired from her job as a stenographer in the White House last year because of a "witch hunt" against her.

Weather

Partly cloudy with little change in temperatures today and Sunday, followed by thunderstorms on Tuesday.

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