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5TH MONTH IN ROW

Cost Of Living Shows New Gain

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government reported today that living costs edged up a bit in the month ending in mid-October—amounting to a 0.2 percent increase.

The increase, of two-tenths of one percent during the month, brought the index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics to another record high for the fifth month in a row. It stood at 115.4 percent of the 1947-49 average, or 1.1 percent above a year ago.

Despite the new living cost increase, Commissioner Fawcett said the index of the bureau said the nation's inflationary period appeared to be at an end. He said that lower food prices are likely in the coming winter months and may bring the overall living cost index down from their present peak.

"I think the index will fluctuate within narrow limits," Fawcett told a news conference. "But the period of inflation appears to be ended."

During the month foods declined slightly but this was more than offset by increases in the cost of housing, clothing, fuel, and other personal care, recreation and other goods and services.

The mid-October figure was 13.1 percent above the level of June 1950 when the Korean War started. The million auto workers' strike for a two-cent hourly pay boost because of labor contract provisions tied to cost of living changes.

The wage increase will apply to 250,000 hourly-rated employees of General Motors Corp. Alcoa. They will get the raise in their first pay check.

McCarthy Calls Witness Spy

NEW YORK (AP)—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) declared today a defiant witness "appears to be the most serious Communist espionage agent this country has uncovered to date."

McCarthy termed the witness, Harry A. Byram of Massachusetts, a "double character" and "an unrepentant spy for the Communists."

Byram, a former employee of the Federal Communications Laboratory in Nutley, N. J., refused to answer questions during a Senate permanent investigations subcommittee.

"Byram was given the opportunity to tell us whether or not he is a spy, but takes advantage of the Constitution which he would destroy," McCarthy said.

The senator declared he also would seek contempt against Byram. A Columbia University professor and an employee of F. I. Monmouth, N. J. The professor refused to answer questions during a Senate permanent investigations subcommittee.

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Queen And Duke Reach Jamaica

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica, Jan. 11.—Queen Elizabeth II and the Duke of Edinburgh landed on this British island today and received a tremendous welcome. It was the first visit by a reigning monarch to this tropical island, rich in minerals and sugar colony.

The sleek blue double-decker motorcade taking the royal pair to the first stop at a globe-girdling British Commonwealth tour arrived from Bermuda at 10:30 a. m. EST. The Queen and her husband attended a round of ceremonies in Bermuda yesterday and spent the night there before heading for Jamaica early today.

The big plane flying the royal standard landed at the airport of this beach resort, where hundreds of Americans vacation each year.

Smoke? Heavens, No! Dallas, Tex. (AP)—George Gallo, who had just finished taking the robbery of a bank, was offered a cigarette by FBI Agent Vincent Drizin. "I don't have any bad habits."

"No, thanks," he said in a cool tone to the FBI Agent. "I don't have any bad habits."

Reports persisted that a special meeting of the City Council will be held, and that there will be attempts to remove Robert Frazer from the position of mayor.

Among those assuming a grim expression today was Mr. Frazer himself, who had said he would not be removed from his position.

SPORK TO CLUB The whole town started buzzing when Mayor Frazer made a speech to the Kiwanis Club. The speech was to be a sort of report on progress of several municipal projects. But Mr. Frazer departed from his prepared notes.

He said that he thought Hugh

'T WAS HARDLY IMMERSION, JUDGE SAID

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The judge leaned forward yesterday when Billie Infante, a pretty model seeking a divorce from her husband, Anthony, testified.

"Once he immersed me in water," she testified.

"Immersed you in what?" Judge L. L. Harris asked back.

"In water," she testified.

"In other words, he didn't dunk you in a bathtub or anything? Was it red or white wine?"

"As a matter of fact, it was red," she testified.

"A bottle or a glass?"

"A glass," she testified.

"Not exactly total immersion, then," the judge said, winding up the matter.

Divorce granted.

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FLOWERS (AND OUR HEARTS) FOR MISS AY



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Premier Set To Answer U.S. Request

Red Reprisals Against Ex-Russian Feared

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Miss Americas Get Around, Homespun Charming Discovers

By EMERY WINTER Charlotte News Staff Writer

Just an American Miss instead of Miss America.

The newspaper photographer snapped suitably and a pretty blonde girl opened the door.

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Carrousel Timetable

TODAY

Non-Mayor's Welcome Luncheon for princesses and celebrities at Hotel Charlotte.

3:30 p.m.—Sightseeing tour of Charlotte for Carrousel princesses. To be with a tea at Queens College.

10 a.m.—Princesses and celebrities to attend Thanksgiving worship services throughout the city.

8 a.m.—Secretary's breakfast for princesses and celebrities. Charles Butler to preside. Speaker, Dr. W. L. Halberstadt.

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Non-General chairman's Thanksgiving dinner for princesses, celebrities, and the Haganas String Band. F. Earl Crawford to preside.

2 p.m.—Carrousel Bowl football game at Memorial Stadium, Wake Forest vs. the University of South Carolina.

5:30 p.m.—Seventh annual Carolina Carrousel pageant-parade. Assembly point for the parade is the intersection of E. Morehead St. and E. Morehead Blvd. to E. Morehead St., along E. Morehead St. to S. Tryon, through The Square, to the intersection of 11th and N. Tryon St.

8 p.m.—Carrousel Ball for the Royal Society of the Knights of Carrousel at Hotel Charlotte.

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