

Curbs On Installment Buying Will End On Nov. 1

Details Are Made Public

Shrine Football Game Plans Are Announced

Bill Killing Controls Signed By President Gives Reluctant Approval

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Truman today signed legislation killing all controls on installment buying Nov. 1, 1947.

The President said he regretted that Congress did not allow the recommendation of the Federal Reserve Board and of the Council of Economic Advisors by enacting legislation to provide for continuing as long as necessary regulation of consumer credit, a means of helping to promote economic stability.

Mr. Truman had asked for specific peacetime authority to regulate the American installment known as the "payment plan," at bulwark against inflationary tendencies.

But Congress, instead, sent him a bill intended to force an end to the credit curbs in three months.

LEGISLATION

In a statement criticizing the legislation the President said:

"It is unfortunate that the Congress has failed to take prompt action on the recommendation of the Federal Reserve Board and of the Council of Economic Advisors by enacting legislation to provide for continuing as long as necessary regulation of consumer credit, a means of helping to promote economic stability.

Mr. Truman observed that continued economic control during the next three months has been "permitted and implied by Congress," and he added that "this is preferable to immediate abandonment of these restraints."

"For that reason," the President continued, "I have signed the joint resolution."

He said it would be "far better to reduce prices rather than to relax restraints on seeking customers."

The restraints on installment buying were instituted in wartime under economic control authority within the Trading-With-The-Enemy Act. The President said that he believed the curbs were no longer there should be specific peacetime authority from Congress. If the curbs were not continued, he said.

EXISTING CONTROLS

Existing controls, which continue until Nov. 1, require one-third down payment on installment contracts running no longer than fifteen months on automobiles, radios, mechanical washing machines, refrigerators, washing machines, radios and other household appliances.

A 20 per cent down payment, with installments limited to fifteen months, is required for furniture and other household goods.

Under the new legislation, the President could restore the controls after Nov. 1, if a national emergency or time of war.

Last Of German Prisoners Leaving

NEW YORK—(AP)—Three German captives who had been held in New York for Bremer-bank robbers in the next few days are the last, except for a few minor captives, of 43,033 German and Italian war prisoners brought to this country, the State Department announced today.

The three were taken yesterday to Camp Holman, N. J., to await shipment.

In hospitals are eleven Germans and one Italian, and who escaped still are being sought.

Midwest Controls Off Somewhat

CHICAGO—(AP)—After 112 heat deaths, the Midwest had a cooling off period today.

Fever temperatures persisted however in the South. It was less warm in the West and Northwest, and was almost too cool.

The Chicago Weather Bureau predicted scattered showers from the Rockies to New England. The 100-degree region included Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana where Shreveport is 106 degrees.

Midwest and Eastern temperatures were in the 80s, and in Washington, Oregon and Iowa low 80s of last night were expected again tonight.

Agriculture Department In Estimate

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Agriculture Department today forecast this year's production of cotton at 11,844,000 bales of 500 pound gross weight.

On the New York Cotton Market futures slumped as much as \$5 a bale. The trade had been looking for a crop estimate of about 11,500,000.

This estimate, based on conditions of Aug. 1, compares with last year's abnormally small crop of 8,460,000 bales and with last year's (1935-45) average of 12,290,000.

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SAYS BRICKER HEARD

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Brewster said he asked to see the "public and private" press in which he had been so criticized.

He said he had been fired by Hughes as how Brewster could know his statement that he knew Bricker was present at the hearing of TWA and Pan American, with articles Hughes read from him to stop. He became enraged and violent and threatened to kill the hostess. He also threatened to kill her.

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By SAM G. HARRIS
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McMath declared he was requesting Circuit Judge Clyde E. Brown to call a special meeting of the grand jury to investigate and was requesting appointment of a coroner to preside at the inquest.

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