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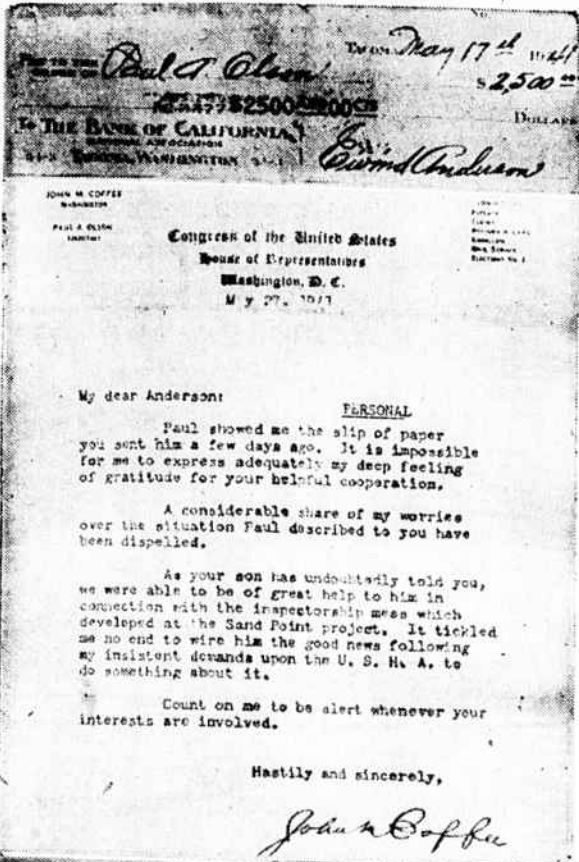
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FIGURE IN SENATE WAR PROBE



PHOTOGRAPHIC copies of the check and letter above have projected the name of Rep. John M. Coffey (D-Wash.) into the Senate War Investigating Committee probe in Washington. The check (top) for \$2,500 was made out in 1941 to Paul A. Olson, secretary to Rep. Coffey, and signed by Eivind Anderson (left), Tacoma, Wash., contractor. The letter, written by Coffey and dated ten days after the check, was sent to Anderson. Together with a copy of another letter, written by Olson to Anderson, the three exhibits were made public by Sen. Owen Brewster (R-Me.). (International)



New York Judge Is Heard By Senate Investigators

Dickerson Tells Of Getting Phone Call From Murray Garsson

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—Judge Samuel Dickstein of the New York Supreme Court told the Senate War Investigating Committee today that it was "possible" he had telephoned the Washington office of the Erie Basin Metal Products Co. from New York in 1942, but only on a social matter.

Dickstein formerly was chairman of the House Immigration Committee.

He said he had no recollection of having talked with Murray Garsson, one of the promoters of Erie and its associate companies now under war profits investigation, but added that he "may have talked to Joe Freeman." Joseph Freeman was Washington representative for Erie.

"He wanted me to get him some tickets to a theatre or something," Dickstein recalled, "I may have received the call but that's about all."

The committee meanwhile held out to Rep. Andrew J. May (D) of Kentucky, an offer to meet "morning, noon or night" so he may testify without interference with his duties as a legislator.

Wolves No Longer Exist In Detroit (Legally, That Is)

Detroit, July 23.—(AP)—One Detroit police precinct put a bounty today on the masculine leer that usually precedes or follows the passage of a pretty girl.

Officers announced that an ancient city ordinance has been invoked to ticket and fine men guilty of "ogling" the female form.

Several men already have been ticketed, according to Lt. Charles Withrither, who said he had instructed his patrolmen to crack down on wide-eyed males within the precinct.

Market Leaders Drop 4 Points On Selling Wave

New York, July 23.—(AP)—The Stock market today suffered one of its worst spillovers of the year as heavy selling hit virtually all sections and knocked over leaders one to more than four points at the close.

Consolidated on the down side were U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Republic Steel, Chrysler, General Motors, U. S. Rubber, Montgomery Ward, and Boeing Aircraft.

Bonds and most commodities slipped.

Statue Of Liberty Abused By Crowds

Chicago, July 23.—(AP)—Directors of the Monument Builders of America, incorporated, today termed a "national disgrace" the "present dilapidated and unkempt condition of the Statue of Liberty."

C. P. Reynolds of Toledo Ohio, president of the group told the directors that the famous statue "littered and defaced with refuse and lipstick drawings and knife carvings is a tragic indictment of the American public and an indication of Washington's apathy toward one of the world's most famous shrines."

In addition, Reynolds said, thousands of persons who visit the monument daily must approach the statue via a "grassless terrace littered with partly eaten fruit, sandwiches, and soda bottles."

The M. B. A. in a resolution urged Congress to provide adequate funds for the immediate rehabilitation and future maintenance of the statue and its grounds.

Casualty Toll In Holy City Climbs To 93

Gang Is Denounced By Jewish Agency; Troops Patrol City

Jerusalem, July 23.—(AP)—A swelling outcry of indignation rose in the Holy Land today as the toll of dead and missing in yesterday's terrorist bombing of the King David hotel climbed to 93.

As workmen sifted through a glastly pile of debris for additional names, the Jewish Agency expressed horror at the bombing and denounced the "gang of desperados" responsible.

Police placed the blame on "Jewish terrorists" and eye-witnesses said that eight young men who played milk cans of explosives in the hotel were dressed as Arabs but spoke Hebrew.

41 Known Dead.

The Palestine government said the known dead totaled 41, with 52 missing, and 53 seriously injured. The missing include 12 senior British officers of the government secretariat.

The explosion blasted the secretariat and the headquarters of the British army, located in the hotel building and damaged nearby structures including the YMCA across the street. Windows were shattered throughout Jerusalem.

Troops Patrol City.

Fully armed British troops patrolled the city, which was placed under a strict curfew immediately after the blast. Bren gun carriers passed through the streets.

Expressions of horror and bitterness were voiced by British sources. A British officer said: "You see that wreckage? That's the wreckage of the Jewish State."

A British police officer, wounded in the arm, said: "Three of my buddies are on the slab from this and God knows why I fought in Germany with those lads."

"Hell To Pay."

A British soldier, watching the removal from the wreckage of the body of a British army woman's auxiliary, asserted: "There'll be hell to pay about our girls."

The attack was blamed by responsible Jewish sources on "either the Irgun Zvai Leumi or the Stern gang," underground organizations.

All facilities of the United States consulate were offered to the Palestine government by Malcolm P. Hooper, acting American consul general.

Twenty five rooms on five floors of the hotel were destroyed by the blast, which was described as equivalent to that of a 500-pound bomb.

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New York Cotton

New York, July 23.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 10 to 35 cents a bale higher.

Noon prices were 95 cents to \$1.70 a bale lower, October 35.53, December 35.62, March 35.27.

Vacationists Are On Move—Toward North Carolina Too

BY LYNN NISBET, Daily Dispatch Bureau

Raleigh, July 23.—Predictions that the summer of 1946 would be a record breaker for vacation travel have been borne out by reports from all sections of the country, and especially emphasized by experience of North Carolina resort centers. It is true that the warning of overcrowded conditions might have been overdone in some instances to the point of keeping tourists away, but despite the warnings they are coming in droves.

Illustrating the point is the experience of your reporter on a quick trip to Newfound Gap and Chimney Rock in the Great Smokies National Park last Thursday. The party arrived about three o'clock in the afternoon and learned that the "rush" for the day was over. Yet within the hour and a half required to make the trip from the park entrance to the Dome and bank automobile license tags were seen from 22 states and the District of Colum-

Long Trip Soloist



HANGING on to a bag and his toy animal, little Dan Sprague, 2, arrives in San Francisco from Australia after making the trans-Pacific trip alone. Unwanted by his Australian mother, Danny's on his way to his dad, a former Marine corporal, at Amsterdam, N.Y. (International)

Corn, Wheat Crops Might Set Record

Bumper Production May Bring Easing Of Restrictions

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—Prospective record smashing crops of corn and wheat raised the possibility today of whiter bread, larger loaves and, perhaps, more beer, once the harvest are in.

At the same time, the bumper crop outlook put pressure on government officials to decide soon whether to resume buying of grain for famine relief.

An Agriculture Department official told a reporter it is possible there may be some easing of domestic restrictions on consumption of grain if the excellent crop of prospects are realized.

Present regulations:

- 1—Prevent flour millers from producing for domestic demand more than 85 per cent of their 1945 output.
- 2—Require extraction of 20 per cent of wheat when flour is ground instead of the normal 72 per cent.
- 3—Cut bread loaf weight by 10 per cent.
- 4—Restrict use of grain in the production of alcoholic beverages.

When the Agriculture Department immediately stopped purchasing meat and wheat for foreign relief.

The withdrawal was due in part to the desire not to add to demand at a time when there were no ceilings, and in part to not knowing whether foreign governments would pay the higher costs.

Controls On Rent Would Be Slapped Back To June 30

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—An official said today OPA plans to re-establish June 30 rent ceilings if the pending bill, to revive controls becomes law.

The OPA official told reporters that the former rent ceilings would be restored in 520 areas which were under control when the law lapsed.

When the OPA legislation pending at the Capitol, he explained, gives OPA authority to order refunds in the case of any rent increases already collected by landlords for the period when rent controls were not in effect.

UN's Atomic Talks Start Wednesday

Creation Of Atomic Development Group To Be Chief Topic

New York, July 23.—(AP)—Delegates to the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission will begin discussion tomorrow on the key proposal in the United States atomic control plan—creation of an atomic development authority.

Although this proposal already has been discussed both formally and informally, the delegates have now reached the stage where they intend to reach a yes or no decision on the broad question of principles involved.

Closed Session.

The discussions will take place in a closed meeting of committee No. 2, which has been set up to make specific recommendations to the atomic commission on questions of control. Other committees are considering problems such as development of atomic energy for peaceful uses and complex legal issues such as the veto.

At the initial meeting of committee 2 last week, it was decided to dispose of the general question of whether to create an atomic development authority before discussing Russia's proposal for an international convention outlawing the production and use of atomic weapons.

10 of 12 Approve.

Although at least 10 of the 12 delegates already have expressed approval of the U. S. plan in principle, some of them expressed belief that the discussions might be prolonged by Russian opposition.

Russian Delegate Andrei Gromyko indicated last week that he would speak tomorrow on the lengthy United States memorandum dealing with the question of relations between the atomic development authority and the organs of the United Nations.

This memorandum not only would settle the whole question of what powers the authority should have and how its regulations should be enforced, but also proposes that the five permanent members of the Security Council should agree by treaty to give up their veto rights on atomic matters.

Opponents Of OPA Launch Final Drive To Prevent Revival

New OPA Bill At-A-Glance

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—Here are major provisions of the new compromise OPA bill as it went to the House and Senate for floor action today:

- 1—Revises OPA until June 30, 1947.
- 2—Prohibits price ceilings before August 20 on meats, dairy products, grains, cotton seed and soy beans, and food and feed products made from them, tobacco and its products, and petroleum and its products.
- 3—Empowers a new three-man control board to be named by the President and confirmed by the Senate, to decide before August 20 whether those items will be restored to price control or left free of ceilings.
- 4—Provides that if this board fails to set one way or the other, OPA on its own initiative may restore controls on meats, dairy products, grains, cotton seed and soy beans, and food and feed products made from them.
- 5—Permits OPA, on direct authorization of the board, and only on that basis, to remove ceilings on poultry, eggs, food and food products made from them, tobacco and its products, and petroleum and its products.
- 6—Revises without change Federal rent controls which expired June 30 with Mr. Truman's veto of the original OPA extension bill.
- 7—Provides for "reasonable profits" to manufacturers in a pricing formula based on the industry-wide average cost increase since 1939.
- 8—Fixes March 31, 1946—instead of June 29, 1946, as the Senate had voted—as the basis for percentage discounts and mark-ups to be allowed wholesalers and retail distributors in setting their maximum prices.
- 9—Transfers price controls over farm commodities to the Secretary of Agriculture.
- 10—Grants an additional one billion dollars for subsidies, but bans any food subsidies after April 1, 1947.
- 11—Guarantees automobile and appliance dealers full pre-war margins and discounts until sales return to the 1939-41 average.
- 12—Kills OPA's maximum average price regulation which was introduced to insure a supply of low priced clothing.

Final Vote Due In Both Houses; Signing Certain

House Passes OPA Bill

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—The House today approved the new compromise OPA revival bill. The action sent the measure, worked out in a Senate-House conference committee, to the Senate for action there. The plan was to obtain Senate action later this afternoon, so that the measure, if finally approved might go the White House by nightfall. Passage was on a vote of 210 to 142.

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—OPA's opponents began a final drive in the House today to prevent a revival of price controls.

Ben Brown (R) of Ohio told the chamber that such a revival would "be a step backward to scarcities and black markets."

There was talk in the cloak rooms of an effort to whittle down the compromise legislation to an authority over rents, with all other controls eliminated.

The Ohio member said that he hoped the House would have the "courage" to vote down the compromise bill.

Hope Is Expressed.

Administration leaders meanwhile voiced hope that OPA, dead for 23 days, would be reborn by midnight.

Administration leaders drove hard to get the House and Senate okay that would put the compromise legislation on President Truman's desk by midnight.

The President's signature then would restore trimmed down price controls and full rent controls authority immediately.

Capitol Hill felt certain Mr. Truman would sign the measure even though (1) he vetoed the first congressional attempt to turn OPA's powers, and (2) the new compromise bans price ceilings on major foods for at least 30 days.

If OPA is reborn, the agency must determine immediately at what levels prices are to be enforced pending full computation of the new and in many cases higher prices called for under the bill.

These need not be announced for 30 days.

Showdown votes were set today, first in the House and then in the Senate.

The House meeting at 10 a. m. was expected to get quickly, but there were some possibility Senate foes of the price agency might wish to do a lot of talking in advance of the vote in that chamber.

Anti-Poll Tax Bill Placed On Senate Agenda

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—The anti-poll tax bill landed firmly on the Senate calendar today.

Democratic Leader Barkley of Kentucky promised that before Congress adjourns he will call up the measure to outlaw State poll taxes as a requirement for voting in Federal elections.

Barkley's pledge was made after Senator Morse (R) of Oregon tied the Senate in knots for two hours yesterday by offering the poll tax repeater as a rider to legislation to give the states title to ocean tides.

When the Southerners headed by Senator Russell (D) of Georgia threatened a filibuster, Barkley moved to pigeon hole Morse's rider. The Senate responded with a 54-1 vote to put it on the shelf.

But Barkley said he will help proponents get the measure up on its own merits in a few days. Southerners who oppose it said they expect to talk as usual until supporters, who claim a majority favors the bill, finally decide they can't get a vote and give it up.

President Signs Money Measures For OPA, UNRRA

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—President Truman signed into law today a bill providing seventy five million dollars for OPA operations during the fiscal year which started July 1.

The measure contains a ban on use of "propaganda" by the agency in support of price controls.

The legislation also includes approximately \$2,000,000,000 for the Veterans Administration and a new \$405,000,000 contribution to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

The UNRRA allocation contains a provision permitting the Secretary of State to deny use of the funds in any countries which he finds do not send "a reasonable number" of accredited press representatives to report on the agency's operations without censorship restrictions.

Bodies Are Taken Down In La Paz

La Paz, July 23.—(AP)—At the insistence of a woman civic leader, the bodies of a President Gualberto Villarroel and his aides were removed from the night and taken to a morgue today to await burial "as Christians."

The bodies had been lying in front of the presidential palace for over 24 hours, where they were viewed by thousands of persons. Villarroel and his aides were killed Sunday at the conclusion of a four-day revolution which resulted in 2,000 casualties.

Maria Theresa Solari, chairman of the women's civic union, decided that the bodies be removed despite the fact that she had opposed Villarroel's strong man regime since 1944.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Partly cloudy and little chance in temperature tonight. Scattered showers Wednesday.

Bolivia Becomes Country Of Men Without Neckties

La Paz, July 23.—(AP)—Neckties disappeared today from the apparel of Bolivia.

Student revolutionists started the fad by discarding the neckties as a "symbol of servility and conformity." All revolutionists soon adopted the "off the necktie" gesture for identification. Other Bolivians regardless of political sympathies, complied to prevent hostility.

Even the Chilean ambassador and other diplomats appeared without neckties.

GREEK TRAGEDY HAS HAPPY ENDING



HIS MOTHER DIED of starvation in Patrae, Greece, during the war years in which everything facing Christos Chamis, 10, appeared hopelessly tragic. But there's a happy ending to his story as Christos arrives in New York to be greeted by Papa James Chamis, of Middletown, Conn., and sister Helen, 13, who had come to America before him. By way of celebrating, Christos sips from a milk bottle. (International)



A DESIGNER'S conception of music forms the motif of this new hat of opaque plastic in bright fuchsia. It embodies an orchestral crescendo in the sweep of the brim and the flare of a horn in the side roll. Despite its fragile look, the hat is made to withstand cleanings. (International)