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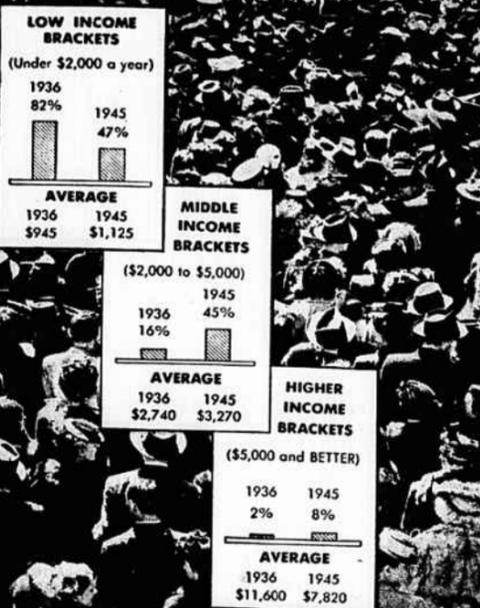
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U. S. INCOMES RISE



HOW THE AVERAGE INCOMES of American families have risen and how these incomes have been more equally distributed is indicated in this comparative chart of the semi-depression year of 1936 and the postwar year of 1945. The figures show that millions of families have joined the middle income groups although 70 per cent still fall below \$3,000 a year. In the very low brackets (those making less than \$1,000) the total has dropped from some 18,000,000 families to about 9,000,000 families. In 1945, the middle group received \$67,000,000,000—some 56 per cent of the total income distributed. Some 17,000,000 families got from \$2,000 to \$4,000 and 3,150,000 ranged from \$4,000 to \$5,000. And while, in 1936, the average income in selected groups was about \$11,600, only 2 per cent were included. Now 8 per cent average \$7,820. (International)

Cordon Is Imposed Around Haifa Port

Immigrants Seek To Destroy Ship; Tension Mounting

Haifa, Aug. 19. — (AP) — British troops clamped a rigid cordon around the port area of this city today following a tumultuous week-end in which a group of illegal Jewish immigrants attempted unsuccessfully to scuttle a transport assigned to deport them to Cyprus.

Tension mounted throughout the Holy Land as a result of the British deportation policy and reports were published in London that all underground groups in Palestine were scheduled to launch a nationwide offensive today.

The first infantry division, using Bren carriers, mounted guard in this city, after the Cyprus-bound transport Empire Heywood returned to Haifa following the attempt to scuttle her yesterday.

Tear Gas Is Used.

The British had used tear gas and fire hoses to drive 640 illegal immigrants from the transport Fenice, on which they arrived here from Europe last week, onto the Empire Heywood for transshipment to a refugee camp being prepared for 10,000 persons on Cyprus. The Empire Heywood finally left port yesterday morning but returned less than an hour later after two small bombs exploded in her hold.

A British announcement said the bombs caused no damage or casualties. But were "introduced into the hold with the apparent object of blowing a hole in the side of the vessel."

Texan Endorses Move To Reduce Entrance Quotas

Washington, Aug. 19. — (AP) — A move to slash immigration quotas took shape in a back-fire to President Truman's announcement that he may ask Congress to let more European refugees enter the United States.

Rep. Gossett (D) of Texas, said he will re-introduce a bill as soon as Congress reconvenes calling for a 50 per cent cut in all quotas. Telling a reporter he has "wide-spread backing" for his proposal, the Texan said a similar measure was defeated by only two votes in the House Immigration Committee this year.

Mr. Truman said in a statement last week that he was contemplating asking Congress for special legislation to authorize the entry of a "fixed number" of displaced persons from Europe, including Jews.

Assorted Stocks Rule In Market

New York, Aug. 19. — (AP) — Steels, motors and assorted industrials were subjected to further light selling in today's stock market although a few favorites attracted timid bidding. Slow dealings ruled from the start but declines of fractions to a point or so were well in the majority near the fourth hour.

Epidemic Feared In Calcutta

Moslems And Hindus Killing Each Other At A Slower Pace

Calcutta, Aug. 19. — (AP) — Moslems and Hindus killed each other at a slackened pace today in the stinking streets of Calcutta which in four days have been strewn with 2,000 to 3,000 corpses.

The situation was the quietest since Friday when the rival factions started the most sanguine riots in Calcutta's turbulent history, quarreling over differences regarding Britain's offer of independence.

Sporadic shooting continued. Eerie cries rang through the streets. Bodies were piled here and there, many of them dead four days, and picked by vultures. Many were bloated. The danger of an epidemic which might dwarf the present number of casualties mounted by the hour.

Thousands Wounded.

Several thousands lay wounded. The food situation worsened as stores remained closed.

Looting was rife.

Police blotters were filled with accounts of women raped, mutilated, then butchered or burned with their families. One seven-year-old rape victim was removed to a hospital in a critical condition.

Fifty colts, owned by Hindus, were buried on the Ganges river. Troops with tanks strove to restore order.

Hindu and Moslem leaders tried to regain control of the mobs. They met yesterday and hostilities ceased for a few hours but soon erupted again.

Disposal squads were extending their routes in picking up bodies in areas where the combined might of troops and police had restored order, generally on the main streets. The hungrier and poorer Indians could see fruit, vegetables and eggs rotting in railroad platforms and in barred stores.

President Visits R. I. Air Station

Seven Or Eight Colored People Being Sought

Quincy Point, R. I., Aug. 19. — (AP) — President Truman arrived a while at this New England naval air station today to thumb through White House correspondence and greet official callers.

He described the visit of Gov. John O. Pastore and Solicitor General J. H. McGrath at 10 a. m. as strictly a friendly call and without political significance.

The President, tanned by sun and sea winds, docked here at 4 p. m. Sunday aboard the U. S. S. Williamsburg after a slow cruise from Washington.

Talking with reporters, he refused to be drawn into any discussion of either politics or affairs of state, emphasizing that this is simply a summer vacation cruise and nothing more.

He bristled when a New England reporter asked if significance could be attached to "his failure to invite" Senator Theodore Green (D) of Rhode Island to call tomorrow.

Senator Green, he said, is one of the best friends he has in the world. He added too, that he had invited nobody since he was concerned solely with the enjoyment of his 18-day vacation.

Navy Secretary James Forrestal was a surprise caller when the vacation ship docked here. He happened to be at his summer home at Newport, he said, and dropped over to call on the President.

DISLIKE LANGUAGE OF DIPLOMACY



IF YOU'VE FOUND the verbal pyrotechnics at the Paris Peace Conference pretty long-winded, you'll probably applaud the criticism of the proceedings voiced by New Zealand delegate W. J. Jordan (left) and Sen. Tom Connally of Texas (right). The former appealed to the orators to cease the "quack, quack, quack" and get down to business. Connally, about to leave for the parley, shook his head and remarked: "All you do is sit all day, going yah, yah, yah." (International)

AUTO UNION ASKS PRICE CURBS



TOP-RANKING LEADERS of the United Automobile Workers union are shown at a meeting in Washington where they said new wage demands against Chrysler and other companies would be made unless the government restored effective price controls. They are (l. to r.) R. J. Thomas, G. F. Addes, and Walter Reuther, president. (International)

Procedure Dispute Snarls Conference

Two Federal Price Panels Racing Time

Tuesday Is Deadline For Decontrol Board To Disclose Decision

Washington, Aug. 19. — (AP) — Two government agencies — OPA and the price decontrol board — hustled today to complete major assignments in the time allotted them by Congress.

With "substantial progress" toward a decision reported, the three-man decontrol board resumed deliberations on whether price ceilings should be restored on meats, dairy products, grain, cotton seed, soy beans and hundreds of items made from these commodities.

The board, which may wind up discussion by nightfall, is planning to announce its ruling at 7 p. m. EST Tuesday — just five hours before the deadline set by Congress.

Unless it acts by midnight Tuesday, ceilings automatically go back on the five categories of commodities the next day.

OPA, meanwhile, raced time on two fronts.

It must place in effect by Saturday more of the price increases required by the new price control law. These include a price hike of at least 2.5 per cent on refrigerators, and higher ceilings for virtually all kinds of building materials.

Coal prices may have to be raised, too, and so in recess may be ordered for woolen textiles and garments.

Also on tap is a decision whether ceilings on new automobiles — boosted an average of 7.3 per cent last week — should be raised another 3 per cent. Officials said this latter adjustment may be handled on an individual dealer basis and that all car dealers may not qualify.

Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy and warmer with scattered showers over east portion tonight, followed by fair and not so warm Tuesday.

Economic Committee For Italy Tangles Over Treaty Terms

Paris, Aug. 19. — (AP) — The peace conference went into its fourth week in low gear today as the Italian economic committee became involved in a lengthy discussion of how various chapters of the Italian treaty should be divided between it and the political committee.

Committees for the Finnish and Hungarian treaties also began deliberations.

France touched off the discussion with a suggestion that the economic committee include on its agenda article 72, which sets up a conciliation commission in care of disputes over Italian restitution of Allied property.

Russia supported the proposal, and Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky said it should be adopted as a general principle that all questions "of a predominantly economic nature" should be considered as falling within the committee's scope.

Brazil, Yugoslavia, the United States, Greece, Belgium and White Russia all joined in the debate, agreeing that practically all chapters of the treaty have both economic and political aspects and that consultation with the political committee was necessary to establish some line of demarcation.

6 Per Cent Hike In Refrigerator Prices Approved

Washington, Aug. 19. — (AP) — OPA today authorized a retail price increase of approximately 6 per cent on household mechanical refrigerators.

On a standard box, OPA announced the increase will be from \$10 to \$12.

Consumers will pay the higher prices, OPA said, as soon as dealers receive refrigerators ticketed with the new ceilings.

The increase for refrigerators follows price hikes of from 3 to 12 per cent on radios, washing machines, vacuum cleaners and a long list of other household items.

OPA said the new increases result in part from a new price hike of 3.5 per cent granted to manufacturers today, and in part from requirements of the new price control law.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Aug. 19. — (AP) — Cotton futures opened 10 to 65 cents a bale lower. Noon prices were 75 cents to \$1.25 a bale lower, October 35.65, December 33.78 and March 35.63.

U. S. Charges Yugoslav Troops Entered Trieste, Attacked GI's

Washington, Aug. 19. — (AP) — The U. S. charged publicly today that on July 12 Yugoslav troops entered the Allied zone around Trieste and fired "without provocation" upon American forces investigating their presence.

The American view of the clash was made known with the release by the State Department of a note delivered to the Yugoslav foreign office last week. The note emphatically rejected the "distortion of evidence" alleged in Yugoslavia's earlier complaint about the incident.

At the same time, the State Department disclosed a three-month-old rejection of Yugoslav complaints about American and British administration of the Allied zone.

A State Department official said in this connection that "we have known for a long time that the Yugoslavs have been doing what they can to discredit U.S. Allied admin-

Eastern Leaf Belt Opens '46 Season; Average Is 51-53¢

Prices Generally Range From 45-62 Quality Very Good

By The Associated Press.

Heavy sales were registered throughout the eastern North Carolina leaf-cured tobacco belt, the world's largest today, and in Raleigh the federal-state agriculture department's reports said the average ranged from 51 to 53 cents.

Prices generally ranged from 45 to 62 cents, the report said, with good leaf, cutters, fine and choice lugs bringing from 62 to 64 cents. Some grades averaged around 66, with nondescript dropping to 3 cents.

The staple offerings consisted of fair to fine lugs, and fair to good cutters. General quality was better than last year's opening. There were few rejections.

Quality Generally Even.

Quality generally was the same at all the 16 auction markets.

Kinston, one of the largest markets in the eastern or new bright belt, had a range from 35 to 67 cents a pound, with the bulk going for an expected average of about 54 cents. About two and one-half million pounds were on the floor and about one and one-half million were expected to be sold today. Cutters and best grades brought up to 60 cents. There were no reports of tanned lugs, by which a farmer declines a bid.

At Kinston and elsewhere, it appeared that today's opening average would exceed the 52 cents a pound brought on opening day on the Carolina's border belt.

Goldboro had more than 500,000 pounds on its floors, consisting mostly of lugs and tips of good quality. Sales were brisk, with first averages well over 50 cents.

55 Cents At Rocky Mount.

Nearly one and one-half million pounds were expected to be sold at Rocky Mount, where first piles went for about 55 cents a pound average. Quality was generally good, although some showed the effects of excessive rain.

Wendell reported first sales of the more than 350,000 pounds averaged around 55 cents a pound. Quality was good.

Washington, its floors heavy with good quality leaf, reported first sales averaged slightly more than 50 cents a pound.

Greenville, one of the largest markets, reports it had more than two and one-half million pounds on its floors, with averages between 51 and 55 cents a pound. Better grades were selling from 12 to 15 cents above last year, while nondescript was off 3 to 4 cents. Some grades brought up to 70 cents.

Supervisor John Price at Tarboro said he expected 750,000 pounds would be sold today for an average of about 50 cents. The range was from 4 to 60 cents.

At Wilson, the first 164 baskets at one warehouse averaged 53.17 cents and the first row in another house, 46.50. About 2,000,000 pounds were on the market, with fair quality, and a range of from 10 to 60 cents.

First sales at Asheville averaged 57.05, with the highest sales at 70 cents.

U. S. Army Plane Hours Over-Due Over Yugoslavia

Trieste, Aug. 19. — (AP) — An American army plane on route from Vienna to Udine was hours overdue this afternoon and the last message from the plane said tracer bullets were streaking past it.

This came a day after official disclosure that another American transport plying the same route was forced down Aug. 9 in Yugoslavia by Yugoslav fighter planes which fired bursts of machinegun fire into it, wounding a passenger.

The plane overdue today was assigned to the European air transport service.

Back from Palestine



FORMER senator Guy M. Gillette, president of the American League for a Free Palestine, is shown at LaGuardia Field, N. Y., after his arrival from Palestine. He said that the country is an "armed camp" at present. He asserted that Palestinians are being deprived of life, liberty and property by the British imperial policy. (International)

Rift Hinted Within CIO Over Strike

NMU Seamen Launch Determined Effort To Halt Shipping

Detroit, Aug. 19. — (AP) — A rift appeared within the CIO today as CIO seamen opened a determined effort to push all freight shipping off the Great Lakes by next Sunday.

On the fifth day of the partially effective Great Lakes strike, this was the picture:

1. An official of the CIO National Maritime Union denounced CIO steelworkers at Lackawanna, N. Y., for "damaging" the strike by unloading iron ore vessels at a steel mill.

2. NMU leaders prepared to sit down today with two employers in New York and Chicago to talk over their demand for a reduction in the work week from 56 to 40 hours.

Extent Is Confused.

3. The present extent of the strike was still confused, but strike headquarters in Detroit said the outlook was "excellent for an entirely effective strike-bound Great Lakes within a week."

Most lake sailors are unorganized. The NMU has already tied up some unorganized vessels by pulling their own members off and hope to persuade many non-union men to join the struggle for a 40-hour week.

Though today's negotiations were only with two firms, settlements could conceivably influence the rest of the industry. NMU President Joseph Curran was in New York to reopen talks with the Bethlehem Transportation Co. This firm, a subsidiary of Bethlehem Steel, operates about 12 ore and coal vessels, most of which are strike-bound.

Other NMU leaders were in Chicago to talk with Standard Oil of Indiana which operates a tanker fleet.

SAL Engineer Fatally Injured

In Derailment

Norfolk, Aug. 19. — (AP) — Engineer N. M. Kirkland of the Seaboard Air Line railroad train Robert E. Lee was fatally injured and Fireman M. C. Clark, severely hurt, when their locomotive and four express cars were derailed seven miles north of Hamlet, N. C. today at 7:50 a. m. headquarters of the line here reported.

No passengers were injured.

According to a statement issued by Charles Sauls, general manager of the railroad, the accident occurred in a double track.

The passenger train in derailling sideswiped a northbound freight train, causing several freight cars to leave the track but causing no injury to any of the crew of the freight.

Kirkland, a resident of Hamlet, lived only a short time after the accident.

The Robert E. Lee, train No. 56, was southbound from Washington to Birmingham.

Work was in progress on clearing the line, but no definite word was available as to when it would be open.