

U. S. MOVES TO CRACK DOWN ON HOT OIL OUTPUT

Cummings Sends Aid to
East Texas, Center of
Price War.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Spurred by an epidemic of gasoline price-cutting wars on the Atlantic seaboard, the government today moved with speed and vigor to stamp out "hot oil" production in east Texas and save the petroleum code from threatened collapse.

Unless an impending reduction of 50 cents a barrel in the price of crude petroleum at the wells can be averted, the industry faces a daily loss of \$1,250,000. Crude is now bringing about \$1 a barrel, with daily production about 2,500,000 barrels.

On instructions of Attorney-General Homer S. Cummings, L. R. Martineau, special assistant in charge of "hot oil" prosecutions, arrived in Tyler, Tex., today, to start legal proceedings against alleged violators of the production quotas laid down by Interior Secretary Harold L. Ickes as oil code administrator.

"Gas wars" in several eastern states are attributed by government officials to the continued running of east Texas "hot oil." It is estimated not less than 125,000 barrels daily are being produced in excess of quotas prescribed by the state rail road commission of Texas, in conformity with the code.

Marland Urges Action

Failure to enforce the code has been blamed on both the government and the state authorities. Now, however, co-ordinated action has been effected by the justice department and the bureau of investigation of the interior department, under Louis R. Glavis, and the government is proceeding on a united front to save its stabilization program.

Mr. Glavis and representatives of the petroleum board have been in east Texas for several weeks gathering evidence. Mr. Martineau recently went to Texas to obtain first-hand information. As a result of his report to Mr. Cummings, he has been sent back to Texas with full authority to start actions against code violators.

Representative E. W. Marland, Democratic nominee for Governor of Oklahoma, has asked the White House to take notice of the situation and enforce the code.

Prosecutions Promised

Prosecutions will be brought, it is stated, under Section 9-C of the code, which authorizes President Roosevelt to prevent the shipment in either interstate or foreign commerce, of crude oil produced in excess of allowances.

Independents engaging in the price wars say they are due to attempts of the major companies to wipe out code differentials. Price cutting would be impossible, however, it is claimed, if cheap oil produced in east Texas in excess of quotas did not find its way to refineries and then into the market, at prices ~~damaging to refiners~~ who abide by the code.

The code planning and co-ordinating committee, now in session here, is reported considering a request to Mr. Ickes to exercise the price-fixing authority given him under the code but as yet unused.

RADIO DIRECTOR



Gray Burdin

A university radio program, to be heard at 5:30 each Thursday over WFBM, will be directed by Gray Burdin, 806 North Riley avenue, Butler university senior, it was announced today. H. Otis Pruitt, 5528 College avenue, teaches at the Arthur Jordan conservatory, will have charge of the music for the broadcasts which will feature talks by professors, dramatic productions and musical numbers.

POLICE MERIT PLAN BACKED

Legislators Favor System
Free of Politics, Truck
Group Told.

Questionnaires sent to all Indiana legislative candidates by the Motor Truck Association of Indiana asking their views on a six-point legislative program show there is almost unanimous sentiment to divorce the state police system from politics and place it on a merit basis. E. W. Abraham, organization secretary, announced today.

The registration fees from all motor vehicles would be allocated to the state police by statute, under the program.

The replies also indicate that about 60 per cent of those questioned are in favor of repeal and an additional 20 per cent are in favor of reduction of the \$1 tax on each 100 pounds of "for hire" motor vehicles. This is another point in the truck association program.

Approximately 90 per cent of the replies favor the elimination of the state license fee on passenger cars and a return to the original registration fee of \$3 a year. About 75 per cent are in favor of similar action in behalf of motor trucks, Mr. Abraham said.

Practically all replies, he said, are against diversion of the gasoline tax to other highway purposes, but many indicate that a portion of the counties' share should be used to retire gravel road bonds.

Navy Conducts Speed Test

By United Press
CRISTOBAL, C. Z., Oct. 24.—The Panama Canal was closed to commercial traffic today while ships of the United States fleet raced through the locks from the Atlantic to the Pacific in a speed transit test.

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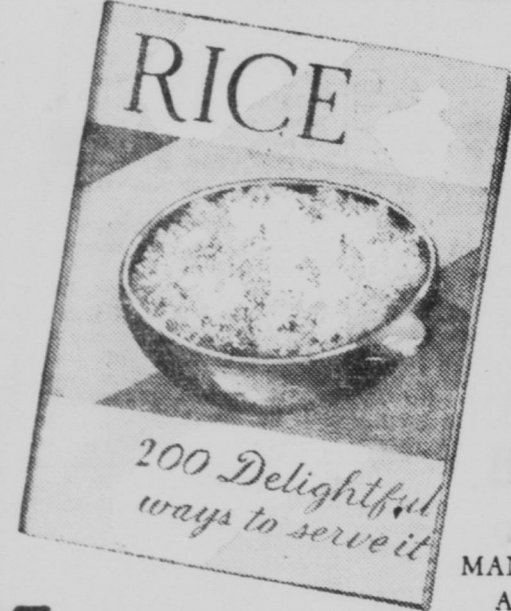
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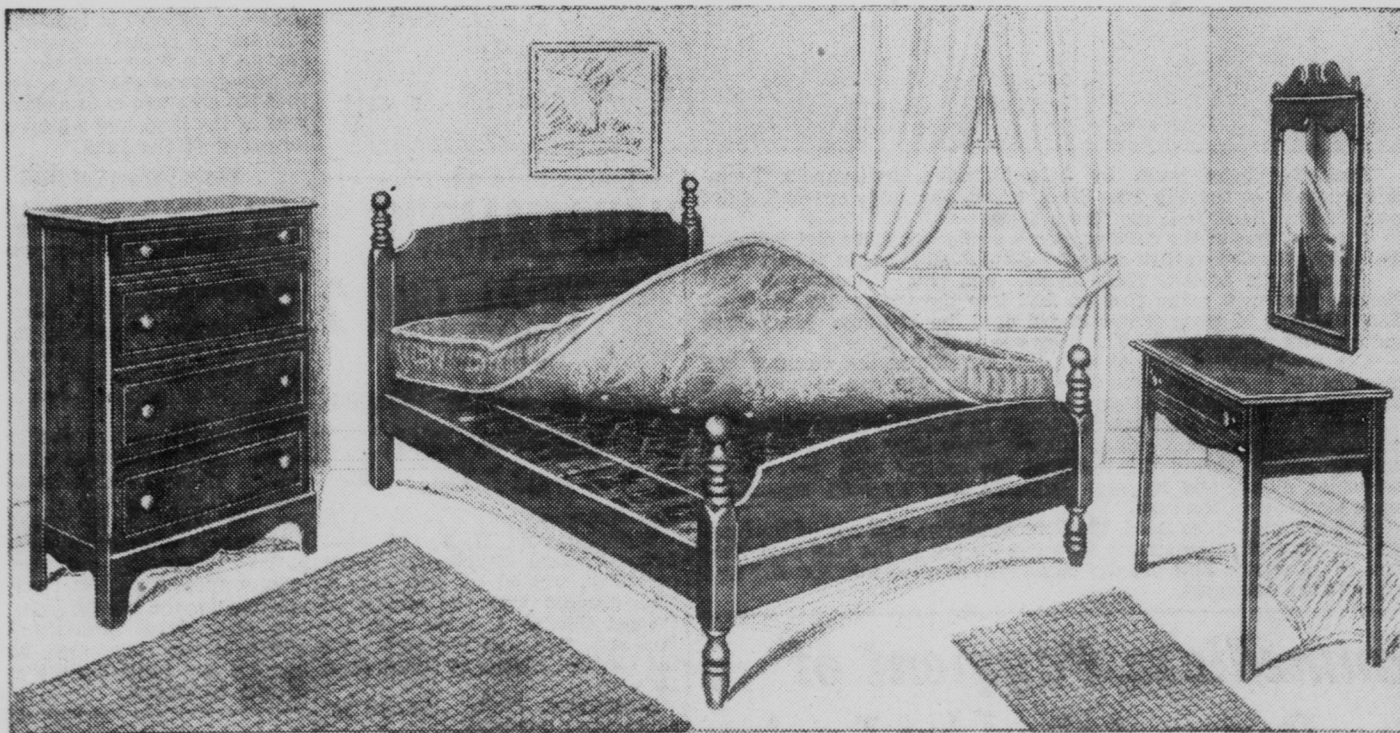
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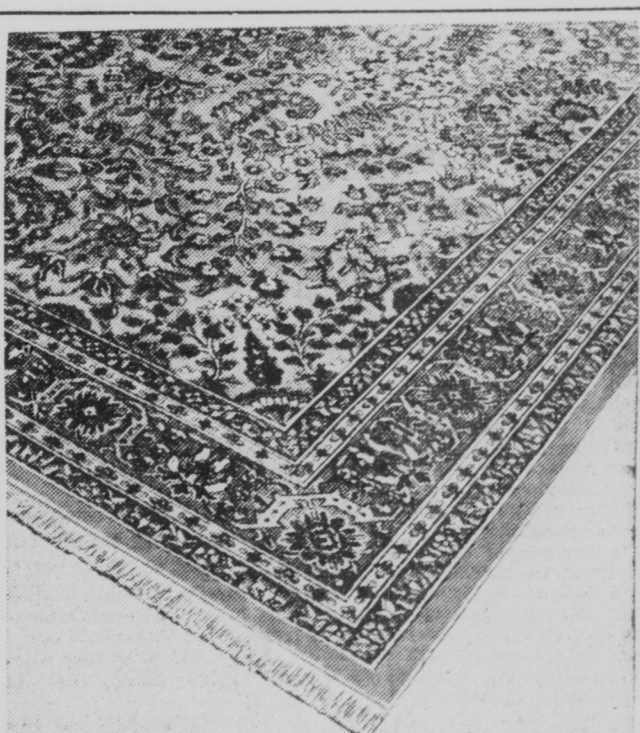
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