

BOWLES URGES OPA RENEWAL

Chaos Ahead Otherwise,
He Tells House
Group.

WASHINGTON, April 12 (U. P.).—The emergency price control act must be renewed "substantially in its present form" to prevent price chaos, Price Administrator Chester Bowles told congress today.

Testifying before the house banking and currency committee as the first witness on legislation to extend the price control program beyond its present June 30 expiration date, Bowles said that under the program:

1. The cost of living per average family has risen "only 6 1/2 per cent since price control was first introduced at retail in May, 1942."
2. The cost of living has been held in check with no rise whatsoever for the past 12 months.
3. Corporation and farm profits are at "record levels," and "business failures are at the lowest point in 50 years."

Bowles anticipated amendments which will be proposed by opponents of the present program, and said one of these would be designed "to make it mandatory for the office of price administration to establish prices which are profitable to each of our 3,000,000 business concerns."

Any such amendment, he said, "would cause unforfeitable increases in the cost of living—increases which would fall heavily on those of our citizens who could least afford to pay higher prices."

WALDENMAIER RITES TO BE HELD FRIDAY

Services for Mrs. Elizabeth K. Waldenmaier, 5102 Madison ave., will be held at 2 p. m. Friday in the Haskell & Morrison funeral home in Vevey.

Mrs. Waldenmaier died yesterday in the King's Daughter's hospital at Madison. She was a member of Prospect chapter 452, O. E. S.; the Indianapolis chapter of American War Mothers, and the Olive Branch Christian church.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy M. Davis; a brother, Otto Kopp, both of Indianapolis; a son, Bernhard A. Waldenmaier, Morehead City, N. C., and six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

GEN. KOENIG IN LONDON
LONDON, April 12 (U. P.).—Gen. Joseph Koenig, French war hero appointed by Gen. Charles de Gaulle as official military delegate of the French national committee of liberation, was in London today for conference with Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, commander of allied western invasion forces.

Cadets Study Plans for Flight



Aviation cadets Emory V. Schlake, 517 W. 46th st., and Robert C. Wendling, 3034 N. Pennsylvania st. (left to right), pore over cross country flight plans at the Frederick army air field, Okla. The two are slated to win their wings and commissions as bomber pilots May 23.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST SET MEETING HERE

Twenty-four Disciples of Christ missionaries, on furlough from China because of the war, will come to Indianapolis from all parts of the United States Friday and Saturday to attend a conference of post-war missionary plans.

The missionaries are in the employ of the United Christian Missionary society, 222 Downey ave., where the conference will be held. Discussions will deal with the church's program in China after the war.

The board of trustees of the society, in session today at the missions building, presented three new missionaries. They are the Rev. and Mrs. Keith Hall, both Butler university graduates, and Miss Hazel Hughes, Indiana school teacher. All have had recent graduate work at Yale, and will go to India as soon as transportation is available.

They will be officially appointed at ceremonies at 11:30 a. m. tomorrow in Graham chapel of the missions building. Dr. Robert M. Hopkins, United society president, will present their certificates.

NO. 1 WIFE SAYS "NO"
NEW YORK, April 12 (U. P.).—Edward Kautsky's second wife, charged with bigamy, said she would give him back to wife No. 1 so he "could have another chance." Wife No. 1 was prompt to reply "I don't want him."

NEW GUINEA HIT FROM SEA, AIR

American Forces Seize Five
More Marshalls
Bases.

By UNITED PRESS
American forces, tightening the pressure on the Japanese in the Central and Southwest Pacific, seized five more bases in the Marshall Islands while U. S. destroyers joined in the almost continuous aerial bombardment of enemy supply ports on the northern New Guinea coast, it was revealed today.

A fleet of destroyers, under cover of Lightning fighter planes, shelled the harbor areas around Hansa bay, New Guinea, Sunday, and heavy Liberators followed up with a 227-ton attack which a communiqué said left the enemy installations "thoroughly gutted and covered with smoke."

The destroyers also shelled Madang and Aleshaafen, about 100 miles southeast of Hansa bay, while the Liberators bombed gun positions in Uligan harbor, 12 miles north of Aleshaafen.

Alluk Seized
In the Central Pacific, American forces seized Alluk, Rongelap, Likiep and Utiirik atolls and Mejit (New Year) island, to complete a solid, 600-mile front between the isolated Japanese positions in the Marshalls and the enemy-held Carolines.

The occupation left only four important bases in Japanese hands—Wotje, Jaluit, Mili and Maleleap. A communiqué said four unidentified Japanese positions in the Marshalls were hit with 55 tons of bombs Sunday by army, navy and marine fliers.

Truk Raid Reported
Southwest and Central Pacific bombers combined again in attacking the Carolines, and the Japanese said that Truk itself was raided by 20 American bombers at dawn yesterday. The targets around Truk announced by American quaters ranged from Woleai, 500 miles to the west, where two cargo vessels were damaged, to Ponape, 385 miles to the east, and Uluk Island, 150 miles northwest.

American ground forces on Bougainville in the Solomons pushed their lines two miles east of the Tokorika perimeter, and a spokesman disclosed the Japanese lost 5370 dead in the month ending April 8 in their futile attacks to penetrate the Empress Augusta bay beachhead.

It also was revealed that 442 Americans were killed, 1062 wounded and 10 were missing in the campaign on New Britain, in the Bismarck archipelago, where allied armies continued their almost daily attacks on Rabaul, last important enemy base on the island.

SERVICES SET FOR CAVE-IN VICTIMS

FT. WAYNE, Ind., April 12 (U. P.).—Funeral services were arranged today for three women and three men who were trapped and killed yesterday when a wall from the Sears, Roebuck store collapsed into the Ft. Wayne National bank.

Victims of the cave-in were: Samuel L. Wass, 41, and Clifford Jones, 40, receivers of the old First National bank; Carol Davis, 28, Thelma Pifer, 22; Wilma Myers, 21, all bookkeeping employees of the bank; John Pearson, 31, of the Superior Advertising Co.

City and state fire officials had not yet determined what was responsible for the cave-in, but it was believed that high winds and heavy rains aided the disaster. The Sears store was closed for repairs following a fire on March 27, which did \$250,000 damage. The two top floors of the building had been burned away leaving the brick wall standing alone, and the state fire marshal had ordered cables attached to the wall to avoid any collapse.

Four bank employees also were injured when tons of brick, mortar, and other debris crashed in on the mezzanine floor of the bank. Two rescue firemen also were hurt but none of the injuries were serious.

FILE MORE CHARGES IN TULSA HEX CASE

TULSA, Okla., April 12 (U. P.).—Two additional charges of obtaining money under false pretenses and subornation of perjury were filed yesterday by County Attorney Dixie Gilmer against Mrs. Carolann Mary Smith, central figure in Tulsa's strange "hex house" case who already faced three felony accusations.

The middle-aged woman was arraigned in common pleas court today on the two new complaints. She pleaded not guilty and bond was set at \$2000 on each of the two charges.

Mrs. Smith was given until noon Wednesday to post the bonds, and was permitted to remain at liberty on the \$9500 bail she has made on the previous one federal and two state charges.

Gilmer announced he was considering seven additional charges "which I can, and may, file."

MARLENE IS GIVEN YANKS' PROTECTION

ALGIERS, April 12 (U. P.).—Actress Marlene Dietrich joined soldiers on the Algiers water front last night to watch distant flashes of battle as enemy aircraft attempted an attack on convoys moving along the North African coast.

Miss Dietrich had just finished her first show for the army at the Algiers opera house when the air raid alarm sounded. It was, she said, her first real air raid alarm. The soldiers surrounded her protectively on a blacked-out water front.

Cherry Blossoms and Spring in Washington



The famous cherry blossoms around the Tidal Basin in Washington are out in full beauty—and so is that certain something to which a young man's fancy turns—even in wartime, judging by photo above.

GLOBE CIRCLED FROM MEMPHIS

150 Types of Planes Ready
To Fill Orders From All
Allied Nations.

By DANIEL M. KIDNEY
Times Staff Writer

MEMPHIS, April 12—Here on the banks of the Mississippi is one of the greatest military airports of the world. Here are a thousand pilots ready to fly any one of 150 types of planes to any part of the world where Americans can land.

It is the home of the longest regularly flown air route in the world—28,000 miles round trip to India. They make that round trip in just eight days from the official takeoff at Miami. It is done "pony express style" with crews shifted instead of ponies.

The Memphis municipal airport has become the home field for the 4th ferrying group of the air transport command. The eight-day round trip to India has won this command more than 110,000 miles of air routes. The pilots stationed here flew 110 million miles in 1943. All this sounds vast, but to listen to the officers reporting here from the Americas, Europe, Asia and Africa, it seems a simple operation. For Uncle Sam has built air fields around the globe, some of which make the Memphis field seem somewhat modest.

Facilities in Pacific

Lt. Col. Earl Johnson, who is the commanding officer here and proud of the layout, says he has landed at places in the far Pacific where the width of the landing strips built by the U. S. seem to equal the length of the great runways at Memphis. His descriptions of what has been accomplished by Americans in making coral reefs into huge landing fields for our forces is breath-taking. He likes to talk about it, as do the dozens of other men who have been around this new wartime "one world" more often than Wendell Willkie.

In the officers club there is a great globe which serves as a chandelier. Col. Johnson points to it to illustrate that 80 per cent of the land of the world lies north of the equator.

To Col. Johnson that means that the U. S. A. and U. S. S. R. must work together to find peaceful solutions to air transport problems when the war is won, for they have the land upon which these air armadas can be based. "The northern route is the only all-land route we have to travel 'round the globe,'" he points out.

Fly Through Storms

In the "map rooms" the vast Pacific and Atlantic over-water routes loom large. Flying them in all weather appears vastly difficult. But Col. Johnson says that the toughest flying anywhere is right here in the United States.

"If a pilot can navigate a ship around this country he can fly anywhere," he says. "They can skirt around Pacific and Atlantic storms, usually, but often we have to fly right through them here."

There are 1600 officers operating this great airport. They ferry freight and passengers anywhere at any time. They even operate their own domestic airlines.

The pilots come from civilian flight schools and from combat men who have come back war weary for non-combat flying. Every allied nation places orders here and gets delivery. Col. Johnson says the pilots here are "always students" for they are learning to fly new ships and new (for them) routes constantly. Their losses are one-third that of the army air force as a whole.

"Who owns all these fields that we have built around the globe?" Col. Johnson was asked. "Damned if I know," he smiled in reply. "We Americans just built and operate them." Until the war is won the ATS is too busy to argue about anything except getting the land to land on."

700 PUPILS IN CONTEST

MONTICELLO, April 12 (U. P.).—Monticello today prepared to entertain more than 700 pupils of 10 high schools Saturday in the musical contests of the Northern Indiana School Band, Orchestra and Vocal association.

FEDERAL VOTE BACKED BY CIO

Lawmakers Asked to O. K.
Service Ballot Cast
Under U. S. Plan.

The Indiana C. I. O., in a statement placed on all legislators' desks, today called upon the special session of the general assembly to authorize the counting of the federal soldier vote ballots in the election this fall.

The G. O. P. soldier vote bill, approved by the Republican legislative caucus, does not authorize the counting of the federal ballots and provides only for the casting of the regular federal, state and county ballots by Hoosiers in the armed forces.

While stating that the G. O. P. bill is "fairly acceptable," the C. I. O. pointed out that in case the regular ballots are lost in transit "as happens regularly" then the individual applying will have lost his right to vote.

(Under the federal law the soldier can cast a short federal ballot only if he has applied for the regular state ballots and does not receive them.)

Asks "Second Chance"

After pointing out that all nine Hoosier G. O. P. congressmen voted for the federal soldier vote law which does permit the casting of the short ballots, the C. I. O. said: "Certainly then, Indiana's general assembly in adopting a measure to make it easier for the service man to vote, should adopt a bill that provides for a second chance to the men and women in the service and should not repudiate the federal bill."

"Certainly the proposed bill should be amended so that if the soldier does not receive his state vote ballot he may then use the federal ballot. 'The members of this legislature cannot feel in their hearts that they have done their full duty for our servicemen if they do not give them this second chance.'"

GAS 'DOPES' UNPROVED

WASHINGTON, April 12 (U. P.).—The National Automobile Dealers Association said today that government tests so far have failed to establish any beneficial qualities in the so-called gasoline "dopes" used by motorists in hope of making their small gasoline rations go farther.

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