

NEW PLAN WOULD SPUR SUIT OUTPUT

Added Pay, Diversion of Cloth From Women's Wear And Use of Rayon Considered for Program.

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WASHINGTON, April 22.—The civilian production administration is expected to approve a five-point program giving industry the green light in its drive to turn out 28 million men's suits in 1946. Production now is 25 to 30 per cent behind schedule.

At the same time, the commerce department has decided to establish export controls on men's suits, following disclosure more than one million were exported in January and February, according to the New York Journal of Commerce.

Commerce spokesmen still contend commercial shipments are negligible, but they agreed on controls to "eliminate complaints."

Seek New Program

John Lake, assistant CPA textile director, has worked out a program to increase suit production. He was to offer it to Textile Director Herbert Rose today. The men also were to confer with Maj. Gen. G. B. Erskine, retraining and re-employment administrator, who last week demanded "an end to half-way measures." CPA's plan differs only slightly from Gen. Erskine's, which includes:

ONE: Diversion of enough material from women's to men's clothing to restore the normal division of 60 per cent for men's clothes and 40 per cent for women's.

TWO: Freezing of machinery used in manufacturing men's clothing during a "selected base period," probably 1942. In 1942, most machines were used to fill army and navy orders.

THREE: Absorption of overtime into an increased manufacturers' selling price. This would encourage overtime and draw skilled labor from women's clothing trades. Substantial overtime likewise would compensate for a 10 weekly wage advantage now paid women's garment workers.

FOUR: Channeling of rayon lining to suits.

FIVE: Similar channeling of cotton pocket material.

Mr. Rose and CPA Administrator John Small are reported lukewarm to General Erskine's "overtime absorption" proposals, which might increase medium-priced suits by \$5 to \$7.50 each.

They may recommend, as an alternative, certification of men's suits as a "critical product," thereby qualifying suit manufacturers for No. 1 labor priorities.

Remedy Called Temporary

Those who back this plan claim it would be only a temporary remedy, since the average age of clothing workers is about 56 and many are near retirement.

Industry advisory committees will meet this week to draft plans for attracting younger workers. Labor controls may wait until their reports are ready. Many manufacturers already have set up apprentice training programs.

CPA proposes to channel rayon and cotton by setting up preferences for men's suits. Purchasers would be required to certify that the material will be cut only for men's suits, and violators would be subject to heavy penalties. At present, there is a "set aside" policy for rayon and cotton, but CPA reports a "poor delivery accomplishment."

Urge Drastic Control

Lt. Col. Paul S. Lawrence, OPA veterans advisory official, will recommend even more drastic controls. He will demand all manufacturers who made men's goods under contract for the army and navy between 1941-45 be required to continue—or if they have switched to women's clothing, to return—their looms to that work for the duration of the emergency. Skilled labor affected would receive the \$10 wage differential plus overtime.

Colonel Lawrence claims to have discovered another diversion. He charges suppliers get up to 44 per cent higher profit by cutting up material and selling it to custom tailors in 1½-yard lengths, sufficient to make two \$90 to \$100 suits. This, he said, has been a heavy drain on medium-priced suits. He will demand the practice be outlawed by CPA.

ERIC JOHNSTON TALKS AT SOUTH BEND TODAY

SOUTH BEND, Ind., April 22 (U. P.).—Eric A. Johnston, president of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, Inc., was scheduled today as guest speaker at a luncheon meeting of the South Bend Chamber of Commerce.

Johnston's subject was the nation's post-war business and industrial outlook.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

BIRTHS

At St. Francis—Leland, Opal Osborn.

At City—James, Elizabeth Patrick; Aaron, Pauline Wagner and Calvin, Mary Harris.

At Columbia—Harold, Louis Hawkins and Dr. Harold, Doris Jane Stedley.

At Methodist—Loren, Lenora Sims; William, Edna Conner; Lavin, Ann Calver; Evelyn Paperman and Temple, Ruth Wilson.

At St. Vincent's—James, Dorothy McClain; Calvin, Vera Rohndash; Jake, Gladys Wynn; Samuel, Lillian Parker; George, Emma Emma Brenner; Edgar, Evelyn Downey; Jack, Martha Jean Rich and Norris, Marjorie Chambers.

At Home—Marion, Ruth Mayo, 2631 N. Capitol.

DEATHS

At St. Francis—Herschel, Margaret Lowe; Paul, Norma Green; Edwin, Arvin Bowman and Robert, Angus Bar.

At City—Allen, Mary Ventresca.

At Columbia—Fred, South First; Arnold, Mary Agnes Nelson; Jay, Jane Boyer; Malcolm, Jeanette Hall, and John, Thomas Hagerty.

At Methodist—Albert, Mary Janowitz; Robert, Mary Baylis; Robert, Catherine Van Staden; John, Marjorie Hoffman; Frank, Lorene Spivey; William, Fleta Heath; Omar, One Ashbury; Gladys, Margaret Mendonhall; Roscoe, Mildred King; Richard, Ruth Harbeck; Louisa, Hazel; George, Peter; George, Harriet Madera, and William, Makine Agner.

At Home—Garland, Loren Harrison, 1110 English, and Laurence, Elmer Morris, 2519 Colorado.

Vivian Linn, 59, at City, cerebral hemorrhage.

Carroll Henry Peters, 3, at Riley, polycystic liver.

Bert Clark Gruber, 60, at Long, portal cirrhosis.

Nellie Murphy, 76, at St. Vincent's, chronic liver.

Amelia M. Throm, 70, at 251 E. Iowa, cardio vascular renal.

Paul Brandt, 72, at 1506 S. Alabama, uremia.

Earl Hitchen, 76, at 1221 N. Colorado, cerebral hemorrhage.

Charles W. Wolf, 70, of 627 Parkway, acute myocarditis.

Alfred Dan Merrill, 71, at Methodist, cerebral hemorrhage.

Beatrice Reahard, 62, at St. Vincent's, bowel obstruction.

Caroline I. Beckman, 73, at Barton Hotel, coronary occlusion.

Harry L. Small, 57, at St. Vincent's, carcinoma.

Ida Noll, 75, at Methodist, bronchopneumonia.

Katherine M. Miller, 85, at 236 Bickins, chronic myocarditis.

India Waugh, 76, at 1802 Ruckle, influenza.

John Heise, 80, at 333 N. Delaware, chronic myocarditis.

Isaac Robinson, 68, at 944 S. Kenwood, coronary occlusion.

In Senior Play



Joan Praed

James M. Kelley, class president, and Joan Praed, class historian, will play leading roles in the Speedway high school senior play, "Hobgoblin House," to be presented Friday evening at the school.

Other members of the cast are Josephine Boner, Clona Basch, Jane Wagle, Joan Mason, Marian Bruce, Eugene Tsareff, Richard Becker, Albert Wagner, Robert Hanen and William Cramer. Anna Marie Thompson and Norma King are serving as student directors.

HAD SUGAR MONOPOLY

WASHINGTON—Portuguese, who settled in Brazil early in the 16th century, planted sugar cane and shipped sugar to Portugal in 1526 for sale in Europe.

Y. M. C. A. CLASSES REGISTER TONIGHT

Registration for spring term evening schools at the Y. M. C. A. will be held tonight at 7:30 p. m. in the Central "Y," 310 N. Illinois st.

Paul Carmichael will teach commercial classes assisted by Elwood Miller.

Other courses and the instructors are geometry, C. E. Liechty; algebra, P. K. Churchill; English, Miss Dorcas Harger; and social study, Donald Scheick. L. E. Hall will conduct vocational tests each Thursday evening.

Regular high school classes will meet Monday through Thursday each week, according to A. F. Williams, educational director.

CANE SUBS FOR AUTO

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 22 (U. P.).—A would-be customer asked auto dealer Steve Hicks would he please speed delivery of his new car because his left foot was swollen from walking so much.

Hicks sent the client his regrets and a cane.

Safety Head to Address Club

R. P. Blake, Washington, D. C., acting safety and health division chief, U. S. labor department, will discuss "Safety as It Relates to Production Problems" at a dinner-meeting in the Columbia club tomorrow night.

Sponsored by the Industrial Safety club of the Indianapolis Safety council, the session will be attended by safety directors, plant superintendents, safety committeemen and other supervisory personnel of industry here.



Mr. Blake

AIR SPEED INDICATOR

WASHINGTON.—True air-speed indicator basically consists of three separate units, air-speed indicator, altimeter and air thermometer, combined in one inter-acting assembly. The pilot merely reads the true speed on a dial, all computations being made automatically by the instrument.

MAE BUSCH, STAR OF SILENT FILMS, DEAD

HOLLYWOOD, April 22 (U. P.).—Mae Busch, 44, who started in pictures as a Keystone comedy bathing beauty and rose to stardom, died during the week-end after a long illness.

At the height of her career, Miss Busch was known as the "versatile vamp" and appeared opposite the top leading men of two decades ago. She played with such early-day stars as Thomas Meighan and Francis X. Bushman.

The actress retired from films more than a decade ago but after an absence of years made a comeback as a featured player in 1945 in "Stork Club" and "Masquerade in Mexico."

She was the wife of Thomas C. Tate, civil engineer. Her former husbands, from whom she was divorced, were Francis McDonald, silent film star, and John E. Cassell. She married Mr. Tate in 1936. She was born in Australia and appeared in vaudeville and on the stage before entering pictures.

Says Bomb Could Wipe Out 2 States

BRIGHTON, England, April 22 (U. P.).—One of America's "new" atom bombs could devastate all of Illinois and Indiana, and five could destroy the entire area of the United States south of the Mason-Dixon line, according to Harold J. Laski, chairman of the British labor party's executive committee.

Laski, addressing a meeting yesterday of the British Co-operative party conference, said he learned of the new bomb on a recent trip to America. He described U. S. control of the weapon as "iniquitous" and said the policy of secrecy was an "onslaught on the well being of the human race."

He called on the conference to direct its efforts toward ending this evil practice of secrecy which threatens to poison every channel of our international relations.

"It is an iniquity," he said, "that three men in a room at the White House should be in a position to determine the fate of mankind."

BOAT EXPLOSIONS INJURE 3 HERE

Three persons were recovering today from serious burns received when two motorboats exploded yesterday afternoon on White river near Ravenswood.

Police and firemen did not determine cause of the explosions. Seriously burned was Kenneth J. Smiser, 31, of 120 N. DeQuincy st., who jumped from his 17½-foot boat after an explosion. Elmer P. Lahman, 41, of 2851 E. Thompson rd., was knocked out of the boat but escaped injury.

Fifteen minutes earlier, James L. Rogers, 38, and his 13-year-old daughter, Joan Rogers, both of 5309 N. Illinois st., jumped onto a dock after their boat exploded. They were treated for first and second degree burns. Spectators standing nearby poured buckets of water on the flaming boat.

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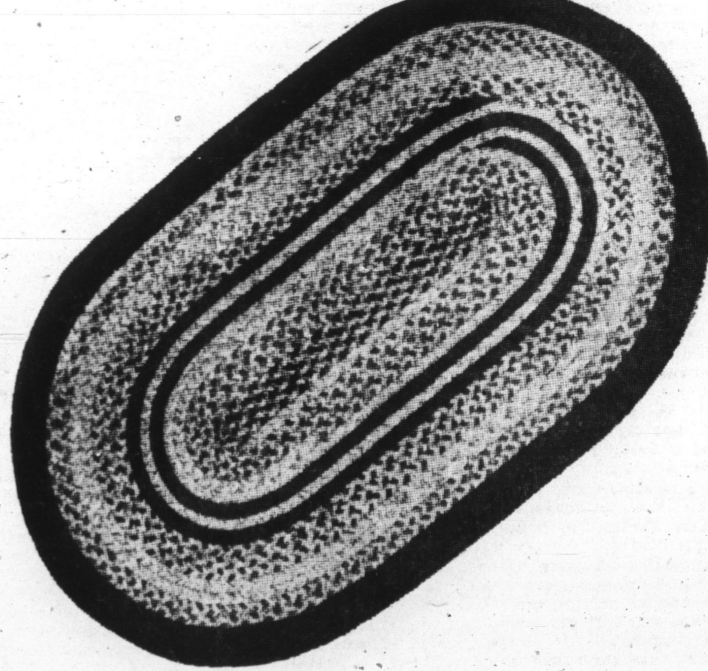
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