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SAB Raising Prime To 10%

Southern Arizona Bank and Trust Co. announced yesterday that it will raise its prime lending rate to a record-matching 10 per cent tomorrow.

Applauders for five other Tucson banks that offer prime rates in their larger borrowing categories said their rates would remain at 9 1/2 per cent, but each added that bank offers are watching the moves to 10 per cent closely.

The prime rate began its latest rise about Mar. 22, when banks announced the rate to a per cent from 9 1/2. It continued to climb to the now 10 per cent rate, which matches the record high set last December.

James S. Douglas, president of Southern Arizona Bank, agreed with other bankers that the rate could go above 10 per cent if the rate charged banks by the Federal Reserve Board also increases again.

On Monday, federal funds were being quoted in the 10 1/2 to 10 3/4 per cent range.

Israeli Jet Lost Over Golan; Tanks, Guns Clash

An Israeli fighter-bomber went down in flames over the embattled Golan Heights last Monday, and the two pilots bailed out and were captured in Lebanon. It was the first Israeli warplane lost over the front since the October war.

Tank and artillery duels ranged from dawn to dusk along the length of the 40-mile Israeli cease-fire line for the 20th consecutive day. No casualties were reported.

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U.S. Ambassador John A. Scali praised the emergency force as having played an "indispensable role" in re-establishing peace in the Middle East, but he did not mention the dispute over the Israeli tank.

The 15-member council vote was 13-0, China and Iraq did not take part. The resolution said that "in the present circumstances the operation of the U.N. Emergency Force is still required."

In Damascus, informed sources said Syrian delegates will leave for Washington on Tuesday for talks with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger on disengagement with Israel on the Golan.

They said the Syrian team will be headed by Brig. Gen. Hammad Chelabi, chief of Syrian army intelligence, and will include a few military and foreign ministry experts.

Syria's diplomatic representative in Washington said that his country's forces were shelling Israeli positions on the Golan Heights to prevent Israel from fortifying and settling the area.

"The minute the Israelis get any land or territory they fortify and settle in order to create an iron fist," said Kibbutz Sabab. "After a while they consider it an Israeli territory and then the world is large after a year or two, thanks it is Israeli territory, as happened with the Golan Heights and in the Sinai."

In Jerusalem, Premier Golda Meir spent the day consulting with her Labor Party on whether to get rid of Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, whose departure from the cabinet could bring down the government.

The crisis focused on the report of a government-appointed committee investigating Israel's lack of preparations for the October war. The committee blamed the chief of staff, Lt. Gen. David Elazar, and his intelligence director - who both resigned - but cleared Dayan.



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Ceremony For Two With Labor Secretary Peter Brennan seated behind him, President Nixon signs into law a new federal minimum wage bill similar in most respects to a measure he vetoed six months ago. Under it, most covered workers will be paid a minimum of \$2.30 an hour by Jan. 1, 1976. The minimum goes to \$2.00 an hour on May 1. (AP Wirephoto)

Wage Floor Bill Signed Into Law

WASHINGTON (AP) - Legislation raising the federal minimum wage on a stage from \$1.60 to \$2.30 an hour was signed into law Monday by President Nixon.

Nixon had vetoed similar legislation last year, and vetoed revisions about the measure sent him by Congress. But for said he was signing it because "raising the minimum wage is now a matter of justice that can no longer be fairly denied."

The measure raises the minimum wage for 36 million workers covered under the 1966 minimum wage law from \$1.60 to \$2.30 an hour. It will be effective for all affected workers by 1976.

In addition, the legislation extends federal minimum wage and overtime requirements to 7.4 million additional workers.

When fully effective, the new law will cover 43 million workers.

In a written statement distributed by the White House, Nixon said the new wage schedule fits his inflation criteria for "reasonable increases" - phased in so that the very poor cash increases are intended to help do not feel themselves suddenly priced out of the job market.

AFL-CIO President George Meany said the AFL-CIO is pleased that Nixon has signed "virtually the same minimum wage bill he vetoed six months ago." Meany added in a statement.

"It is regrettable, however, that I think six months to decide American employers should trust their worst-paid workers with some measure of decency."

The last legislation raising the minimum wage was enacted eight years ago.

The additional coverage goes to 3 million federal, state and local employees, 1 million domestics and additional retail store employees, service industry employees and farm workers.

Trial Ordered For Bar Owner In Indian Death

By JUEL MILSON Staff Writer

SANFORD - A tavern owner was ordered Monday to stand trial in Superior Court on an open charge of murder in the shooting death of the son of a prominent Apache Indian.

Justice of the Peace Ruth Bates ruled that evidence presented at yesterday's pre-trial hearing indicated probable cause for the indictment.

Mayfield fatally shot Vernon "Lucky" Wesley Mayfield III in a tavern just off the San Carlos Apache Reservation.

Mayfield, 31, will remain free on his own recognizance until the trial that will probably be held in about 90 days, Mrs. Bates said.

The 19-year-old Wesley was the son of Edmund Wesley, tribal vice chairman, and grandson of Clarence Wesley, a former tribal chairman and former president of the National Congress of American Indians.

At the close of the three-hour preliminary hearing, about 100 Apaches slowly and quietly filed out of the courtroom, apparently satisfied with Mrs. Bates' ruling. Most 12 American Indian Movement (AIM) members were present.

Kathy Wesley, an aunt of the slain Apache youth, said later she was content with the ruling, adding that there will be a mass demonstration at the Graham County Courthouse the day of the trial.

She said it would include AIM members, Indians from the National Indian Youth Council in Albuquerque and others.

James Yellowback, an AIM member from Phoenix, called the ruling "the second major victory here in Sanford," referring to last month's coroner's inquest. However, he said he was disappointed that Mayfield remained in jail. He said he heard only one shot fired.

Franklin Cheney, 21, testified he heard one shot fired. (Continued on Page 4A, Col. 2)

Probers Check For Fraud In Nixon Returns

WASHINGTON - The impeachment inquiry of President Richard M. Nixon is investigating whether fraud may have been involved in President Nixon's handling of his personal income taxes.

John M. Deor, chief counsel of the state, told committee members at a hearing Monday that the question of fraud is clearly part of their investigation. He said Internal Revenue Service records dealing with the President's tax matters have been requested, along with other tax information.

Earlier statements by the Judiciary Committee's chairman, Peter W. Rodino, D-N.J., and other senior committee members, had indicated that the committee was prepared to consider the question of fraud but would concentrate instead on whether the President's handling of his personal tax matters had diminished confidence in the Internal Revenue Service.

The joint committee on internal revenue taxation, whose staff found the President's returns included a deficiency of \$14,000, refrained from any judgment on the question of fraud. The IRS, which has ordered that he pay \$42,000 in back taxes, plus penalties, said it had no basis for assessing a fraud penalty.

Meanwhile, the White House, citing grounds of privacy, turned aside questions Monday on whether a negligence penalty was included in the Internal Revenue Service's assessment for back taxes owed by President Nixon.

"It's a closed book," Deputy Press Secretary Gerald B. Warren told reporters when questioned about the IRS assessment of \$22,200 against Nixon received at a news briefing.

"The President is going to pay the full total of that assessment, and that's all I'm going to say," Warren said, adding that there must be "some element of privacy maintained about the matter of the President's taxes."

Warren explained that he was referring to Nixon's dealings as a taxpayer with the IRS in speaking privately.

The fraud investigation was disclosed at a hearing in which Deor also reported that the White House has agreed to reply by today on the committee's request for tapes of 41 of 42 presidential conversations involving the Watergate cover-up.

Although the contents of that reply will not be known until today, the White House is expected to agree, at least in part, to the request and thus hand off a major contribution to Congress. Rodino had been prepared to seek authority to issue subpoenas should the White House fail to meet the deadline for a yes-or-no answer at today.

In fact, Rodino said Monday he would submit a meeting of the full committee for later this week to consider a subpoena about the response of the White House be unsatisfactory. However, a source familiar with the recent dialogue between staff members and the White House said later Monday that the committee "will probably eliminate the work for any consideration of a subpoena."

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License Ticketing To Start Monday

PHOENIX (AP) - The Arizona Highway Department warns motorists that tickets will be issued starting Monday for vehicles not displaying 1974 license tags.

Philip Thoresen, chief acting supervisor of the motor vehicle division, said his office received confirmation from all county assessors that the processing and distribution of the tags has been completed.

Traditionally, tickets are not issued until all county assessors have finished the distribution. Fines can range from \$10 to \$100. (Continued on Page 18A, Col. 6)

Weicker Says White House Got Tax Files

By JAMES M. VAUGHAN Washington Post Staff Writer

WASHINGTON - Sen. Lowell P. Weicker Jr., in a report to the Senate Watergate hearings, made public Monday documents showing that the White House had frequent access to confidential Internal Revenue Service files on public utility firms and foes of President Nixon.

The Republican senator from Connecticut told three Senate subcommittee hearings held last week that the White House had frequent access to confidential Internal Revenue Service files on public utility firms and foes of President Nixon.

Heading from a thick stack of documents obtained last year by the Senate Watergate committee, of which he is a member, Weicker recited a number of new details about alleged White House misdeeds. They included the following charges:

-An administration task force set up in mid-1969 to gather tax information on "critical organizations" had collected files on more than 100 taxpayers before the unit was disbanded late last year.

-John J. Caulfield, a former Treasury Department and White House official, gave John W. Dean III, the former White House counsel, information in 1971 on Internal Revenue Service audits of Bill Graham, the ex-governor of California, and other individuals, two presidential supporters of Nixon.

-A review of 1971 memos from Caulfield to Dean outlined preparations that the White House would undertake to assist "discreet IRS audits" of Emilio de la Botz, the producer of a film - "Militarism: A White Comedy" - lampooning the President, and distributors of the movie. The memos also referred to possible release of "derogatory" FBI files on De la Botz.

"Clearly, this is not material that should be in the hands of anyone but the taxpayer and the IRS," Weicker declared.

He outlined for some two hours before the public subcommittee an administrative practice and procedure, the privacy protective on confidential rights and the bureau's records subcommittee on surveillance.

Weicker, who said he had permission from the Watergate committee to release confiden-