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Platform of Vets Committee Drawn

DES MOINES, June 17.—(AP)—After three days and four nights of noisy debate and electioneering, the American Veterans Committee ended its first national convention, but there still were items on the agenda today that were undone or undecided.

Before adjourning Sunday the organization hammered out a constitution, complete, with possible minor exceptions; a platform, re-elected Charles G. Bolte, New York City, as chairman; elected Gilbert Harrison, Los Angeles, vice chairman, and named eight regional vice chairmen.

An organization exclusively for World War 2 veterans, the AVC announced it is seeking a

membership of 1,000,000, and Bolte said he believed AVC was "ready to furnish a leadership which will give it numerical importance alongside the older veterans organizations."

Platform planks adopted included support for international control of atomic energy, a United Nations Veterans League, unification of the armed forces, creation of river valley authorities modeled after TVA, a guaranteed annual wage, unemployment insurance payments to workers on strike, and government control or ownership of industries "where enforcement of anti-trust laws does not insure adequate competition."

Three Honorary Degrees Conferred by U. of O.

EUGENE, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—The University of Oregon conferred 479 degrees at Commencement exercises last night, including three honorary degrees for meritorious public service to the state.

Mrs. C. S. Jackson, active in promoting the George White service center in Portland preserving Myrtlewood forests, and William Simon U'ren, leading in advocating the Oregon system of government, received master of arts degrees in public service. Robert H. Baldock, Salem, received a doctor of science degree for his work in the state highway system establishing roadside parks and preservation of archaeological discoveries unearthed by highway construction gangs.

Wage Ceilings Fixed For Cherry Pickers

PORTLAND, June 17.—(AP)—Unit wage ceilings for cherry picking in Marion, Polk and Yamhill counties have been set at 31 cents for sweet and 21 for sour cherries by the Department of Agriculture Wage Board.

Producers having low yield orchards or unusual working conditions may ask higher rates from the board, which set the scale after a hearing at Salem June 6.

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGE LICENSES
RASMUSSEN-RASMUSSEN — Ray Abraham Rasmussen and Alys Marie Rasmussen, both of Sutherlin.

VINING-TISCHER — William Joseph Vining, St. Louis, Mo., and Susan Tischer, Sarasota, Fla.

DIVORCE COMPLAINTS
KREIGER — Rhea vs. Claud Harrison Krieger; arrived at Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 19, 1917; cruelty.

MEESE — Lois May vs. A. F. Meese; married at Seattle, Wash., Jan. 26, 1942.

During a hard, prolonged rain, a cultivated field may lose two inches of topsoil.

Butter, Milk, Cheese Prices Upped by OPA

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cheese follow by 10 days an OPA order raising the cost of milk a penny a quart. Bowles has estimated that these dairy product price hikes will cost housewives at least \$250,000,000 a year.

He said the increases were prompted by higher grain costs and "apparent congressional determination to slash food subsidies."

Increases in manufacturers' ceilings announced today amount to 10 cents a pound for butter, five cents for cheese and 35 cents a case for evaporated milk.

Prices Vary in Zones

On milk for manufacturing purposes, OPA set ceilings at 40 cents above the November 1945 average price paid to each producer for 100 pounds of milk or 3.5 per cent butterfat content.

In addition, the agency established an "under-riding" ceiling of \$3 a hundred pounds and an "over-riding" ceiling of \$3.20 in zone 1, and an under-riding ceiling of \$3.10 and an over-riding ceiling of \$3.30 in zone 2. No over-riding ceiling is established for zone 3. No sales are required to be made at less than the under-riding ceilings. Zone 1 covers the Midwest states, zone 2 the Rocky Mountain states and zone 3 the Pacific, Southern and Atlantic coast states.

While manufacturers are not required to stay above the under-riding ceiling when purchasing milk, they may not exceed the over-riding ceilings.

Buying Equality Sought

OPA said establishment of ceilings on bulk cream "is expected to restore equal buying ability for all manufacturers and users of cream and should help maintain better distribution of cream."

Ceilings set are the highest prices charged per pound of butterfat by each seller, f.o.b. his plant, during the period from May 1 to May 15, 1946. As in the case of manufacturing milk, bulk cream is also subject to over-riding and under-riding ceilings.

The under-riding ceiling is 63 cents a pound of butterfat and the over-riding ceiling is 77 cents in zone 1. In zone 2, the under-riding and over-riding ceilings are zone 1 maximum prices plus the carload freight differential from Chicago.

The new regulation also provides a ceiling for cream handlers other than first seller. It is the actual price per pound of butter that a handler pays to the first seller, plus the handlers' customary mark up during the period May 1 to May 15, 1946. The ceiling for subsequent handlers is their suppliers' maximum price.

Doctor, Lawyer

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 17.—(AP)—State's Attorney John W. Curran reported the telephone awakened him shortly after midnight.

"This is Mrs. —" began the late called. "I've got fallen arches, swollen ankles, varicose veins, diabetes and a bad heart." Curran gulped.

"Someone threw a brick into my yard," the woman continued, "and I want you to investigate." Promising action, the prosecutor went back to bed—with a headache.

Major General Gaffey Killed in Plane Crash

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since its radio had failed. Then it took off again but developed engine trouble as it came in here for a landing.

The post relations office said the plane apparently was out of control when it touched the runway here. It overshot the landing strip, mowed down trees and plunged over an embankment.

General Gaffey commanded the "Hell on Wheels" second armored division in Sicily and Italy and the fourth armored division un-

der General George S. Patton in France and Germany. He served Patton as chief of staff on two occasions. He won several military decorations.

He is survived by his widow and one daughter, a student at Texas University.

Union Control Plan Believed Out for 1946

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the words of Howard T. Colvin, assistant conciliation service director—one dark cloud held portents of a fresh storm.

The CIO-dominated committee for maritime unity undertook a \$2,000,000 fund-raising campaign pointed to the September 30 expiration date of the contract covering Harry Bridges' West Coast Longshoremen.

Bridges' men came out with the smallest gains of any union in the strike-averting settlement hammered out by the government even as some crews were quitting their ships last week, and the fiery Pacific Coast labor leader has made clear he went along only because his contract has only little more than three months to run.

Congress May Ban Action

The West Coast Longshoremen demanded a 35-cent an hour pay boost but settled for the 22 cents recommended by a presidential fact-finding board.

Unless there is some hitch in present plans, however, congress will have closed its doors for the year by the time any new crisis develops on the nation's waterfronts. Current arrangements call for adjournment in about four weeks.

On top of Colvin's cheery view of the labor situation was the forecast of another Labor Department official who said privately he looks for "at least six months of good output in basic industries."

Portland Checkers Excluded From Pact, Remain Off Jobs

PORTLAND, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—Only famine relief ships were being loaded in Oregon harbors today as CIO maritime workers stayed off their jobs pending settlement of a dispute called by failure of the national maritime agreement to specifically name a Portland union.

Ernest Baker, president of the Portland area longshoremen, reported all unions affiliated with the Portland Maritime Unity Committee had agreed "not to go back to work" until the cargo checkers were satisfied. A "stop-work" meeting was set for 8 A. M. today.

He explained the national maritime agreement failed to list the Oregon checkers, but had named California affiliates as receiving a 22-cent-an-hour increase.

Russell Ferguson, manager of the Waterfront Employers' Association, called the work stoppage a "strike" and reported employers would meet today to determine what to do regarding a union demand for a written promise to pay raises given California checkers.

The CIO supercargo and marine checkers yesterday asked a signed promise that wages would equal the national agreement, but the employers' spokesman said the informal demand was unprecedented.

Ferguson declared the Oregon

employers have privately indicated they would meet the national agreement terms. He could not explain the failure of the agreement to name the Portland local.

"It is doubtful if the increase can be granted until the men go back to work," he said.

Army-Navy Unity Plan Faces Congress Barrier

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the Army, Navy and Airforces not being cabinet members."

These three offices would be subordinate to the Secretary of National Defense under the administration plan, and Robertson, a member of the Senate Naval committee, told a reporter: "I am fearful of one-man control."

The Wyoming Senator said he was glad to see that Mr. Truman "decided to leave the Marines in being" and that the Army had bowed to the Navy in favor of the present joint chiefs of staff.

Nearly Like Truman Plan

Aside from the decision to retain the joint chiefs instead of setting up a single military commander to be rotated among the services, the entire new merger plan differs in few major respects from the proposal Mr. Truman first submitted to Congress last December.

But Robertson said he thinks the Naval committee "has the right to hold open hearings and go into this whole matter thoroughly."

That committee recently called several top-flight Naval officers to closed-door sessions to hear the Navy's opposition to the merger bill.

In sending his plan to the chairman of the Senate and House Military and Naval committees last Saturday, Mr. Truman said the program had his "unqualified endorsement." He added that Secretary of the Navy Forrestal and Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, chief of Naval operations, had promised to support it along with Secretary of War Patterson and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Army chief of staff.

Marines' Status at Issue

Of the 12 "basic principles" for merger outlined by Mr. Truman, he had to resolve disputes between Forrestal and Patterson on four of them. And on only one of the four did the Navy get the full nod.

That point concerned the future of the Marine Corps as "a constituent part of the Naval service" to conduct limited land operations, in seizing or defending advance bases and prosecuting a Naval campaign. The Army had opposed the use of Marines in actions involving "sustained land fighting."

Otherwise Mr. Truman sided with the Army and against the Navy on the matter of a single department of national defense, on the three coordinated branches within that department and on granting the air forces control over long-range reconnaissance and anti-submarine warfare now conducted by the Navy.

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POULTRYMEN ATTENTION

From a news item in the Roseburg News-Review we copy the story below. Please draw your own conclusions and PLEASE, PLEASE, write or wire your congressmen—Senators Cordon and Morse and Representative Ellsworth. We haven't got and can't get grain unless you raise heck in Washington.

SEATTLE, June 11.—(AP)—John W. Wilson, manager of the Pacific Northwest Feed Association, yesterday accused Agriculture Secretary Anderson and his department of "playing cheap politics" in the current livestock and poultry feed shortages in the Pacific Northwest.

Already, Wilson told interviewers, one World War II veteran, S. W. Beitzel, Yakima, Wash., has "lost his shirt because he cannot get grain to feed his poultry flock, while Anderson promises relief when he knows it is not available."

Beitzel was due in Washington, D. C., today for appointments with President Truman and Secretary Anderson, arranged by the American Legion. Beitzel had informed Wilson he obtained a GI loan with which to enter the poultry business but has had to dispose of its flock for lack of feed. Wilson said Beitzel has lost all his savings and must repay his loan. He has a wife and two children.

NO SHIPMENTS READIED

Wilson termed as a "falsehood" Anderson's promise of May 27 that 500 cars of grain and between 250,000 and 500,000 bushels of hominy were ready for shipment.

"They didn't have the 500 carloads nor the hominy and they didn't know where they could get them," Wilson asserted. "All the grain elevators in the Midwest are full of wheat, awaiting export by the Commodity Credit Corp., and there is no room in them for any grain that could be collected in that area."

He said that as of May 12, there was an urgent need for 3,000,000 bushels of feed but that only 50,000 bushels have been supplied this area since April 11. An additional "drop in the bucket" of five cars of oats and 11 of gluten feed are en route, Wilson added.

RODEO TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Douglas County Sheriff's Posse announce the following prices which will prevail for the 1946 Rodeo:

General Admission 1.50 adults
1.00 children
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