

LET'S
GET IN THE
SCRAP

Farmers Asked For Scrap Iron

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18. —(AP)—Secretary Charles Brannan said Sunday field officers of the agriculture department have been asked to aid in a scrap drive sponsored by the commerce department.

The object is to get farmers to comb their places for scrap and sell it to dealers. Brannan and Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer said farm scrap is "particularly desirable as much of it is of heavy cast iron, which is scarcer than steel scrap."

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Civil War Medal of Honor Winners Noted for Modesty as Well as Valor

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON—Sagas of extraordinary heroism are reflected in a collection of correspondence concerning Civil War Congressional Medal of Honor winners gathered by Charles Kohen. Mr. Kohen owns a cluttered two-by-four hobby shop a couple of blocks from the White House.

He invited me to look over his collection of correspondence upon learning of the Army's publication of similar data concerning World War II medal winners. He said he had bought the bulk of it from relatives of one James Otis, of Portland, Me., who originally collected it in 1892-93 while preparing to write a book.

Some of the writers go into great detail. Others are reluctant to tell their story. There was Maj. Gen. Julius H. Stahel, who was awarded the medal "for distinguished gallantry at the Battle of Piedmont, W. Va., June 5, 1864." There was Gen. A. L. Grant, assistant secretary of war, who said the query on how he won the medal "could better be answered by some one else." Sixteen-year-old drummer boy Benjamin S. Levy of Yonkers, N. Y., didn't say how he'd won the medal. He didn't ever refer to it.

Irish-born Edmond Welsh, one of the storming party of seven who volunteered from the 54th Ohio Infantry, received the medal for conspicuous gallantry in ac-

tion at Vicksburg, May 22, 1863. George W. Roosevelt, who later became U.S. Consul at Brussels, also was a Civil War Congressional honor winner. A third cousin of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, he was decorated for gallantry at the battles of Bull Run and Gettysburg.

Outstanding Valor
One of the most interesting letters is that of Maj. Gen. Lew Wallace, commander of Union forces in Maryland, who wrote on behalf of one of his captains, George Evans Davis of Burlington, Vt. Wallace, the author of "Ben Hur," had to decide upon destroying a bridge on the pike from Fred-

erick, Md., to Washington. In so doing he cut off Captain Davis and a detachment of skirmishers.

"Nearly 30 years have passed, yet I remember as if it were yesterday the struggle I had with myself to have the match applied to burn the structure—but, to save Davis was to lose Washington." Wallace learned later, however, that Davis and some of his men had escaped.

How he escaped, Wallace said he never knew until he read an accounting of it in Chittenden's "Recollections of President Lin-

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RECORD HIGH WAGE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—(AP)—The labor department reported

coln. "That he would attempt to cross the river by the railroad bridge stepping from tie to tie, under fire at close range, and 40 feet in the air, never occurred to my mind—it was one of the bravest things of the war."

yesterday that average hourly earnings of factory workers reached a record high of \$1.36 in mid-September.

NOTED AUTHOR DIES

EAST ORANGE, N. J., Oct. 29. —(AP)—Martha Tarbell, 86, author of many religious books and Bible guides, died yesterday after a five-day illness.

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It's Not the Man, Nor His Party — But What
the Man Stands For.

The chief issue between Wilson and Cordon is:

Timber Profits for a Privileged Few

vs.

Real Forest Conservation for All the People

**DO YOU KNOW WHICH MAN STANDS
FOR WHICH?**

Manley Wilson, candidate for U. S. Senator on the Democratic ticket, vigorously denounces the government timber policies which his opponent endorses, including "cooperative sustained yield agreements."

Which One Is Right?

GUY CORDON

"In the 20's the Forest Service . . . adopted the policy of withholding the stumpage on the national forests from sale in order that private enterprise might have an opportunity to safeguard the integrity of its own investment.

"I applaud that decision on the part of the federal government. That was sound thinking."

* From a speech by Cordon printed in the Proceedings, American Forest Congress, 1946, pp. 115-116.

In plain language Cordon applauds the policy which is chiefly responsible for the present shortage and excessive high price of lumber. He thinks it was "sound thinking" to permit billions of feet of choice timber to die and rot to waste on the public forests. He praises the action of big business controlled politicians for leaving private forest owners to destroy their forests with no government effort to help those owners put their forests under sustained yield.

Cordon, moreover, is one of the originators of the present monopoly plan for government timber which has aroused small business, farmer, labor, and public protest throughout the West. Cordon prepared that plan when he was attorney for the Western Oregon counties. He lobbied to get it through congress. That plan makes no provision for logging roads and provides for monopolistic cooperative sustained yield agreements. He has publicly admitted that the plan was suggested to him by lumber interests.

There you have it and the issues are clearly drawn. You will agree, we believe, that this issue involves a question of right and wrong, transcending party politics, and requiring each to make his decision without regard to normal party affiliation. We are going to vote accordingly.

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"I likewise deplore the present plans for special privilege and for monopoly of government timber. That evil plan is being sold to the public under the good name of sustained yield. If we let a privileged few get away with that plan, Oregon's future will be dark indeed. But we don't need to let them get away with it.

"Small business, farmers, sportsmen, veterans, and labor organizations have already started a great fight to prevent them from getting away with it. The surprising degree of harmony among these diverse and broadly representative groups in this timber fight is one of the most significant things that has ever happened in Oregon or anywhere else. I am referring especially to the unanimity of these groups on what ought to be done to preserve our forests. There is today in Oregon, a united voice of the public saying: 'Put the government timber under real management with a complete system of logging roads, and equality of opportunity, under free competitive enterprise. Provide incentives and assistance available to all private owners to encourage and aid them in practicing conservation on their own lands.'

"I am proud to campaign for office on that forestry program of the people of Oregon. It is the main issue of my campaign. It is an issue that is vitally important to the welfare of all the people of Oregon. It will be my main objective when I am in the U. S. Senate, to get the timber monopoly laws off the books and to replace them with the forestry program that has been hammered out cooperatively by small business, labor, sportsmen, veterans, and farmers, in our great State of Oregon."

(signed) MANLEY WILSON.



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