

RATIONING COAL IS NOW CERTAIN

Fuel Distributor Announces
His Program for Distributing Coal.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Government plans for distribution of coal during the existing emergency were announced Wednesday night by Fuel Distributor Spencer after conference with Secretary Hoover and the central committee appointed by President Harding. The federal organization in Washington, he said, will cover the distribution of available supplies among the railways, federal institutions and state coal producers. The states will handle local supplies.

During completion of the federal organization, Mr. Spencer said the following intermediate stages will ensure first continuation of their normal business by the operators, then priority buyers under the interstate-commerce commission, and finally, coal orders, placed through the federal fuel distributor, will absorb the entire output of the mines.

District Committees Planned
Provision for district committees to represent the federal distribution administration in the producing fields, with special arrangements for supplying the great lakes section. Detailed instructions were drawn up Wednesday for the states. The instructions including the fixing of all coal shipped into a state upon the governor's committee.

District committees set up in the coal fields are to consist of a naval officer, representing the federal fuel distributor, a representative of the interstate-commerce commission, a representative of the railroads, utilities and the coal operators. Distribution of fuel for the railroads is to be gradually concentrated in the hands of railway coal committee comprised of coal buyers from the different railway groups.

Caring for States.
State fuel committees are to report at once the consumption of coal in their territories by utilities, households and industries, together with a list of those who should receive priority.

Governor's committees were made entirely responsible for the prevention of profiteering and extortion in the sale and distribution of coal within their states and will distribute coal made available to them, according to their judgment.

"Shipments of coal by the lakes," a statement issued after the conference said "to the states of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan and Canada, shall operate through the ore and coal exchange of Cleveland. Orders for such coal on contracts in existence will come through, or be approved by the federal fuel distributor, to the district committees."

Buildings Have Begun To Rise in Prineville

PRINEVILLE, Aug. 4.—Before the Oregon interstate fair opens on October 4, Prineville's biggest store will be housed in one of Prineville's best buildings. If the plans of J. E. Stewart & Co. are carried out.

It will be 80x112 feet in size, one story, of brick construction with white pressed brick front and will contain every modern convenience for the accommodation of customers.

In addition to spacious display and storage rooms, the building will contain a women's rest room, a women's dressing room and a men's dressing room, office, and a telephone booth, all located on the ground floor in easy access to the store.

Mosquito's Strong Wing Muscles.
In proportion to size, a mosquito's wing muscles are equal to strength to an eagle's. A mosquito can fly 50 miles without a halt, and with a helping wind three times that distance.

His Mistake



Gustave Bouvet, French Communist charged with attempted assassination of President Miller, and July 13. He mistook Mr. Staudin, prefect of police, for the president, but his shot went wild.

SWEDISH FOOD DEALERS WARNED

(By Associated Press.)
STOCKHOLM, July 11. (By Mail.)—The profits of the Swedish middleman, dealing in necessities, especially food supplies, are financed as the result of the investigation into the living costs by a commission of experts appointed by the Swedish government. The commission sought information on intermediary profits and their influence on living costs with a view to eliminating unnecessary profits, thus cutting down retail prices, and has just issued its report. It makes some drastic recommendations. Official action is expected.

The commission recommends a reduction in the number of retail stores; that a permanent national statistical bureau be organized by the social board to study producers' prices, and that local commissions be appointed throughout the country to check up on price movements. It suggests that the theory of co-operative work be introduced in retail stores, and that a compulsory subject of study, and emphasizes the importance of closer cooperation between producer and consumer.

The commission criticizes the railroad administration and the municipal authorities of Swedish cities for having neglected in many instances to heed popular demand for suitable and economic organization of the distribution and transport of commodities. The price policies of breweries are especially criticized, while the price of bread is declared to be high, and the profits made by bakers entirely too great.

Irrigationists Will Meet at Bend This Year

PORTLAND, Aug. 4.—Bend, October 5, 6 and 7—between the third crop of alfalfa and potato digging time—are the place and dates for the 12th irrigation congress of the state.

The executive committee selected the dates Wednesday, after being in conference all day in the Imperial hotel. Great care not to conflict with the round-up and fairs was taken.

Notable speakers will read papers on irrigation subjects at the congress. Colonization, crop production and methods of paying for projects after they have been financed will be among the subjects. The executive committee is drafting changes in the constitution to be submitted at the Bend congress.

A Memory.

"You talk about the good old days and the fun you used to have. Why, you didn't have moving pictures; but we had living pictures."—Indiana.

PORTLAND SCALES GIVEN A TEST

In a communication to the Evening Observer from Public Service Commissioner H. H. Corey he has the following to say:

"It will, no doubt, be of interest to the grain growers of the state to know that the Public Service Commission has just completed a testing of all grain scales located in Portland and used by its Grain Inspection Department."

"This inspection was the most thorough ever undertaken. The Commission's scale expert, Mr. George H. Kainer, accompanied by Mr. W. A. Dalziel, State Sealer of Weights and Measures, and Mr. E. D. Jones, City Sealer of Portland, during the month of July, inspected and caused to be placed in first-class condition, ninety-five scales, seventy-five of which belonged to the grain dealers. These tests were made with a test load of 750 pounds of certified weights. The Commission contemplates further inspection in the future."

"We are also installing a Master Track Scale and as soon as completed all large Hopper Scales will be tested with several car loads of grain in order to get a correct test on these large scales."

"We will also have a meeting of all employees of the Grain Department at an early date and have them thoroughly instructed in the use and care of scales used in the weighing of grain and a careful supervision will be had over both the weighing and inspection of grain."

HORSE HEAVEN IS TO BE FINANCED

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Aug. 4.—Announcement of the formation of a syndicate which immediately will take over the \$28,000,000 bond issues of the Horse Heaven irrigation project and allow work to begin immediately was made Wednesday by John L. Eberhardt, manager of Morris Brothers corporation, on his arrival here from the east.

Fifty-six of the country's largest financial institutions have subscribed to the issue, he said. Work on the building of the plant flume and pipeline which will carry water to a 340,000 acre tract along the Columbia river will be started at once Mr. Eberhardt stated.

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Miss Nadanla Stancloff is the pretty and first secretary of the Bulgarian legation in Washington. Before Premier Stamboulski of Bulgaria appointed her he required assurance that she would not marry a man of another nation thus losing her Bulgarian nationality.

Her wedding to Mr. Eberhardt will be started at once Mr. Eberhardt stated.

SPOKANE STAMPS IT ON LETTERS

(By Associated Press.)

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 4.—Every letter and postal card leaving Spokane will soon carry a stamped reminder of the Columbia basin project if plans of Postmaster Thomas Smith, which are being considered by United States Senator Miles Poindexter, are followed. The plan is to have an extension of the cancellation carry a notice of the Columbia basin.

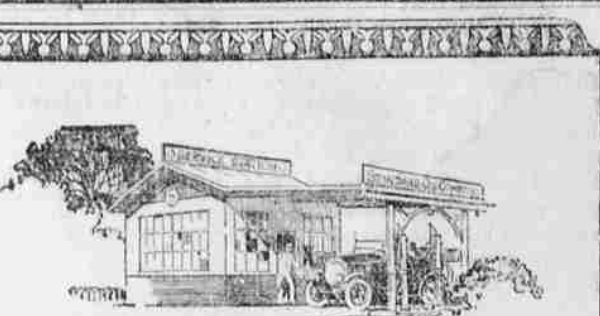
"This matter has been presented to me, and I shall give it attention," Senator Poindexter said. "Several designs have been drawn and it is expected that the plan will be submitted by Senator Poindexter to Postmaster General Work. Under recent rulings only projects or enterprises in which the government is interested can be stamped on letters, and it is believed that passage of the Poindexter bill in the house of representatives, which will mean federal recognition of the project, will enable adoption of the plan."

"This plan would give widespread publicity for the project," according to Postmaster Smith. "Spokane mails almost a hundred thousand letters and postal cards a day, which means that thousands of people throughout the United States would read the notice daily."

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The successful man jumps at a chance while the other fellow is balking at a logical conclusion.—Boston Transcript

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