

FOOD CRISIS PAST; BIG CROPS IN SIGHT

Outlook This Year Is for Ample Food for United States and Its Allies.

HOOVER VIEWS SITUATION

Administrator Informs Grain Dealers That Only Government Action Averted Riots in Congested Centers of America.

NEW YORK, April 30.—If the Government had "allowed the commerce in wheat to take its untrammelled course, flour would be selling at the mill door today for \$20 to \$25 a barrel instead of \$10 to \$15.50, and probably rioting would have taken place at all our centers of congested population, of a violence that leads to blood in our gutters," declared Herbert C. Hoover, Federal Food Administrator, in an address here today.

"At the present moment our crop prospects are for 600,000,000 to 650,000,000 bushels of wheat. The harvest of the allies also looks promising.

"With this prospect we now have ground for hopes for plenty for ourselves and our allies and instead of famine we can look forward to an entirely different economic situation this year from that which confronted us in the summer of 1917."

Mr. Hoover spoke at a conference of 150 representative American grain dealers and officials of the Food Administration's grain division called to discuss grain exports and regulation of cereal consumption in this country.

Economic Life Dislocated. Asserting that when flour went to \$15.75 a barrel at the mill door last May and the resulting hardships dislocated our entire economic life, Mr. Hoover said he did not accuse the grain trade of having been responsible for the situation, but rather blamed the fact that the allies had to have wheat and were prepared to pay any price for it.

"A series of speculations sprang up that were deplorable beyond words," he said, "but only a microscopic portion of the speculation was of deliberate or vicious nature. There was no concerted manipulation."

If price levels had been allowed to rise without restraint the poor would have paid in suffering and the rich in price, he said, adding that "any repetition of rising price levels such as those of the 1916-1917 harvest year would have meant an enormous profit to the middleman and would have inspired the foundation of social discontent from this reason alone, if no other."

Self-Sacrifice Praised.

Therefore, he said, "the Government had placed reduction in consumption on a voluntary basis."

"I do not believe there is another nation in the world in which the proportion of individuals who are willing to make a voluntary self-sacrifice is so high as in this country and nothing has demonstrated it more finely than the foundation of social discontent from this reason alone, if no other."

PERSONAL MENTION.

- C. C. Bohnstedt, of Salem, is at the Seward.
Sid Saylor, of Umatilla, is at the Palace.
Ben Cooley, of St. Helens, is at the Palace.
J. C. Burch, of Gold Hill, is at the Portland.
W. E. Johnson, of Madras, is at the Imperial.
E. T. Dixon, of Roseburg, is at the Imperial.
S. H. Cornelius, of Turner, is at the Cornelius.
Mack Anderson, of Prineville, is at the Easton.
F. W. Whitburn, of Astin, Nev., is at the Ritz.
A. W. Stone, of Hood River, is at the Oregon.
M. D. Warren, of McMinnville, is at the Oregon.
F. H. Falls, of San Francisco, is at the Carlton.
E. C. Boyle, of Springfield, Ill., is at the Oregon.
G. W. Dixon, of Oakland, is at the Multnomah.
H. I. Ladd, of Newark, N. J., is at the Portland.
S. D. McLain, of Nampa, Idaho, is at the Portland.
W. J. Marchette, of Kelso, Wash., is at the Eaton.
Roy J. Cunningham, of Reno, Nev., is at the Ritz.
S. T. Bixler, of Newberg, is registered at the Eaton.
Mrs. E. Crashtait, of Marshfield, is at the Carlton.
C. H. Preble, of Carthage, Mo., is at the Cornelius.
C. E. Adams, of Seattle, Wash., is at the Perkins.
H. Hay and Mrs. Hay, of Seattle, are at the Perkins.
H. C. Dickson and Mrs. Dickson are at the Nortonia.
Miss Cora Randall, of Minneapolis, is at the Carlton.
A. C. J. Gaffney, of Dowagiac, Mich., is at the Benson.
G. C. Winstanley, of Olympia, Wash., is at the Benson.
Emma Welman, of Spokane, Wash., is at the Perkins.
E. T. Alexander, of New York, N. Y., is at the Cornelius.
Mrs. Harry K. Clark, of Grants Pass, is at the Seward.
E. R. Wnek, of Spokane, Wash., is at the Multnomah.
C. Ross and Mrs. Ross, of Dufur, are at the Multnomah.
F. J. Cook, of McCleary, Wash., is at the Washington.
W. H. White, of Tacoma, Wash., is at the Washington.
George Trumbull, of Eugene, is registered at the Seward.
G. C. Beggs, of Arlington, is registered at the Oregon.
F. S. Johnson, of San Diego, Cal., is at the Washington.
E. B. Blyer, of Trenton, N. J., is registered at the Imperial.
John H. McNary, an attorney of Salem, is at the Seward.
Theodore F. Warren, of Fresno, Cal., is registered at the Ritz.
Kenneth Beach, of Lewiston, Idaho, is registered at the Benson.
D. Johnson, of Tacoma, Wash., is registered at the Cornelius.
Charles R. Dillon and Mrs. Dillon, of Gresham, are at the Palace.
F. K. Shelley, of Seattle, Wash., is registered at the Washington.
W. A. Taylor, of Los Angeles, Cal., is registered at the Portland.
Leonard Kaufman, of Camp Lewis,

Washington, is registered at the Nortonia.
J. B. Smith and Mrs. Smith, of Salem, are registered at the Palace.
Hart L. Brown, of Camp Lewis, Washington, is at the Nortonia.
J. C. Scott, of Walla Walla, Wash., is registered at the Multnomah.
Joseph A. Mace and Mrs. Mace, of Seattle, Wash., are at the Eaton.
H. G. Newport, a contractor of Hamilton, is registered at the Perkins.
N. F. Prenton and Mrs. Prenton, of Sheridan, Wyo., are at the Nortonia.
R. N. Stanfield, candidate for United States Senator, of Stanfield, is at the Imperial.
F. C. Borchard and Mrs. Borchard, of Los Angeles, are registered at the Carlton.
Alex Polson, a prominent logger and timber operator of Hoquiam, Wash., is at the Benson.

STUDENTS TO CONTEST

MILITARY TOURNAMENTS WILL BE HELD THURSDAY AT CORVALLIS.

Members of Cadet Regiment Will Compete in Exercises Which Will Feature Junior Week-End Fete.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, April 30.—(Special.)—Junior week-end festivities at Oregon Agricultural College will open Thursday night with a military tournament in which the entire cadet regiment of 450 men will participate. About 200 men will take part in races and other competitions. The tournament is the first to be held since 1916. Various companies, non-commissioned and commissioned officers and privates will compete, and officers of the regiment will judge the events.

The list of events is in charge of a number of boys and is as follows: Parade and review; competitive manual of arms, Captain Martin Kurtz; obstacle race between privates of each company, Lieutenant Lee Couch; battalion drill, call-theory, bomb throwing for distance, Lieutenant Ferguson; tug-of-war, First and Second battalions, Captain Raymond Selph; equipment race, Captain A. S. Woodcock; saber drill, commissioned officers, Captain Schlotz; three-legged race, Lieutenant L. B. Gable; bagpiper company, Captain Walter Kooker; hospital company in action, Captain Curry; assembling of rifle parts, race, Captain Fife; manual of arms to music, Lieutenant Earl Chapman; back-to-back race, Lieutenant Waterman; wall scaling, Lieutenant Charles Beattie; tug-of-war, Second and Third battalions; standing broad jump, Captain L. Chellis; battalion drill, Major Lloyd Coleman; human tower, Captain Stanley Myers; signal corps work; relay race, Captain Coleman; bugle call.

BELT LINE TO BE BUILT

Astoria Provides Transportation to Industrial Plants.

ASTORIA, Or., April 30.—(Special.)—In order to provide suitable transportation facilities for the industrial plants in Astoria, the Port of Astoria Agricultural Commission this morning authorized the immediate construction of the first section of a proposed belt line. The line will encircle the water front from Tongue Point around Smith's Point to Fairfield Point on Young's Bay.

BILL HANLEY VOLUNTEERS

Services in Any Capacity Tendered to United States Government.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 30.—"Bill" Hanley, of Oregon, is in Washington, offering his services to the Government in any capacity in which the Administration believes he can be most useful. Accompanied by Representative Sinnott, Mr. Hanley today called on the Secretary of Agriculture and tendered his services, without compensation.

CITY TO GIVE AWAY FISH

Halibut Heads May Be Had for Asking at Municipal Market.

Halibut heads, suitable for making fine chowder, are to be given away free today at the city's fish market. Third and Washington streets. One head will be given to each person appearing at the market with a basket to carry it away.

Coos Electrician Burned.

MARSHFIELD, Or., April 30.—(Special.)—Walter Hill, an electrician and millwright at the Smith establishments, today was seriously burned while repairing a steam pipe. The pipe burst and the force of the steam and water hurled him from a platform to the floor of the mill. The principal burns are about his face, shoulders and side.

German Sailor to Be Interned.

ASTORIA, Or., April 30.—(Special.)—Carl W. Hopp, a German who has been sailing on coasting vessels with a passport, saying he was a Hollander, was taken to Portland tonight for internment. He was formerly a member of the crew of the old German bark Kurt.

Archbishop Ireland Better.

ST. PAUL, April 30.—The condition of Most Rev. John Ireland, Roman Catholic archbishop of St. Paul, Minn., was announced as "improved" today. Two doctors said they were beginning to have hopes that Archbishop Ireland might recover.

Advertisement for Ben Selling Morrison at Fourth, featuring a man in a suit and the text: 'If You're a Young Man Come and see the new double-breasted and single-breasted models; they look so well we enjoy showing them, even if you don't buy. They're really new; models freshly designed on military lines, such as you've not seen in previous seasons. Very artistic, designed to meet the young demands. Graceful, elegant, snappy models. \$15 and Upwards Shown on the Second Floor Ben Selling Morrison at Fourth'

MANN ACT INVOKED

Ex-Professor and Officer's Wife to Face Federal Jury.

CHICAGO CASE REVIVED

More Trouble Seems in Prospect for Sociologist at One Time Connected With University at Illinois City.

CHICAGO, April 30.—(Special.)—The Government's case against William I. Thomas, erstwhile University of Chicago professor, and Mrs. Pearl Granger will be taken before the Federal grand jury Wednesday by District Attorney Charles F. Cline, and indictments will be asked for under the Mann white slave act.

ORE PROFITS TO BE FIXED

Administration Bill Giving Government Control Passes House.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The House today passed the Administration bill authorizing Government control over the production of ores essential in the manufacture of war materials. It removed the grant of arbitrary powers to the President to fix profits and reduced the proposed revolving fund from \$50,000,000 to \$10,000,000. The bill now goes to the Senate.

56 MILLIONS EARNED

U. S. Steel Reports Decrease for First Quarter of 1918.

HEAVY TAXES DEDUCTED

Corporation Declares Regular Dividends on Both Issues of Stock and Extra Disbursement on Common.

NEW YORK, April 30.—Total earnings of the United States Steel Corporation for the first quarter of 1918, issued today, amounted to \$56,961,424 after deducting expenses incident to operations, including \$31,585,198 for Federal income and war excess profits taxes. This is a decrease of \$2,752,701 from returns of the previous quarter.

198 Get Licenses to Wed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 30.—(Special.)—In April, 1918, 198 marriage licenses were issued. This is an increase of 11 over 1917, when 187 licenses were issued.

McARTHUR HAS PATRIOTIC RECORD

Portland Congressman Supports All War Measures and Opposes Prussianism.

STANDS "ACID TESTS" ON AMERICANISM

Puts Welfare of Country Above All Else and Refuses to Play Politics



C. N. McARTHUR, Congressman From Third Oregon District, Who Seeks Renomination at Republican Primaries on May 17.

"Pledges Continued Support to America's Great Task—The Winning of the War"

To the People of the Third Oregon District: The city of Portland and the entire state of Oregon have made prompt and generous response to every appeal to patriotism sent out by the National Administration since America's entrance into the war of nations, a year ago, and it is most gratifying to the people of this community to know that, while they have been offering their sons, their substance and their moral support to the great cause to which our Nation has pledged itself, the Third Congressional District of Oregon has been represented by a man who appreciates his responsibility and whose record clearly shows 100 per cent Americanism.

PATRIOTIC RECORD REVIEWED.

Here is Congressman McArthur's record on important war and pre-war measures, as the same appears in the Congressional Record of the 64th and 65th sessions of Congress: Opposed the infamous McLemore resolution, advocated by Von Bernstorff and other emissaries of the Kaiser, the passage of which would have branded the United States as too cowardly and too contemptible to hold her place among the nations of the world (Cong. Record March 7, 1916).

Supported Gardner amendment to the military appropriation bill, which amendment provides for short-term enlistments, with the view of increasing the size and strength of the standing Army of the United States (Cong. Record March 23, 1916). This amendment was defeated.

Supported Senate amendment 238 to the naval appropriation bill providing for more adequate and comprehensive naval programs (Cong. Record August 15, 1916). This amendment was adopted.

STANDS BY SOLDIERS AND SAILORS. In addition to the foregoing, Congressman McArthur supported the soldiers and sailors' insurance bill, the soldiers and sailors' civil rights bill, all appropriations necessary for the maintenance and support of the Army and Navy and all other legislation looking to the welfare of the men in the service and promoting the safety and security of the country. He was the author of the amendment to the espionage bill, requiring foreign-language newspapers in the United States to print parallel columns containing English translations.



Making the Wheels Move Faster

BUSINESS is still speeding up. We're going forward with bigger things in Oregon. Payrolls still mounting—crops storing up a vast granary of wealth.

We've gone 'over the top' on Liberty Bonds—yet every state is going over, so don't stop now. Let's show that it wasn't just a spurt. Have your Liberty Loan button on today!

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