

FARMERS REQUEST PROBE OF TRUSTS

Loss of Seven Billions Is Laid
to Credit Defects.

CHICAGO BOARD ASSAILED

Head of National Organizations De-
clares Agriculture of Nation
Faces Bankruptcy and Ruin.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 11.—In-
vestigation of the operations of the
federal reserve board, the chamber
of commerce of the United States and
the great trusts, such as the steel,
coal, credit and money trusts, was
asked of a joint congressional com-
mission today by C. S. Barrett, chair-
man of the national board of farm
organizations and president of the na-
tional farmers' union.

The commission is charged with
making a general survey of agricul-
tural conditions. Mr. Barrett said that
all of these great aggregations of
capital are engaged in operations
which affect agricultural interests.

Charles A. Lyman, secretary of the
national board of farm organizations,
told the commission that agriculture
was facing bankruptcy and ruin.
A policy of restriction of credit, was
instituted by government agencies, he
said. This policy, dramatically car-
ried out, has resulted in a loss to
farmers during the past year of
\$7,000,000,000.

Causes Are Named.
The commission was told by Smith
W. Brookhart of Iowa, speaking for
the national farmers' union, that
profiteering by middlemen, specula-
tive gambling, arbitrary restriction
of farm credits by federal reserve
banks, "extortionate" railway rates
and a breakdown of foreign markets
were among the causes of present
agricultural conditions.

Farmers have invested in land im-
provements and other resources
\$8,000,000,000, he said, but received
for last year's crops "not a single
cent in net revenue."

The witness estimated that agricul-
ture received last year 14 per cent
of the total of \$14,000,000,000 of the
loans and discounts shown by na-
tional banks, manufacturers, 21 per
cent, merchandise, 26 per cent, and
speculation and miscellaneous 39 per
cent. This, he said, was in spite of
the fact that farmers furnished 59
per cent of the deposits in national
banks during the year; labor 20 per
cent and other business 20 per cent.

Board of Trade Assailed.
The Chicago board of trade is one
of the most offensive of trusts, Mr.
Brookhart stated. "Credit control forced
down to cents a bushel of wheat and
23 cents to starving Europe. More
than 200,000,000 persons are now
starving and we cannot export our
surplus."

A co-operative banking law under
which farmers could organize banks
and regulate the interest rates, Mr.
Brookhart said, would remedy in large measure
present conditions under which farm-
ers have no voice in the matter of
loans and which have added to the
deflation possible, notwithstanding
needs of agriculture for credits to
harvest and market crops.

BONUS OFFICE NOW OPEN

ORGANIZATION OF FORCE IS
UNDER WAY AT SALEM.

Captain Brumbaugh Busy Pre-
paring to Administer Funds to
War Veterans.

SALEM, Or., July 11.—(Special.)—
Officers for administering the so-called
soldiers' bonus law are reported to
be in the process of organization at
this place today. Captain Brum-
baugh, until recently connected with
the Portland Railway, Light & Power
company, is in charge. The work of
assembling an office force is now
under way, and the organization of
application for loans and bonuses pro-
bably will begin within the next ten
days or two weeks.

The office of the soldiers' aid com-
mission adds the headquarters of the
adjutant-general. The latter of-
fice is in the possession of the war
records of all men who served from
Oregon, thereby simplifying the work
of the secretary of the commission.
The last legislature appropriated
\$20,000 with which to pay the costs
of administering the bonus law, but
it is not believed that this sum will be
sufficient. In the state of Wash-
ington more than \$40,000 already has
been expended in investigating the
qualifications of applicants and pay-
ing cash bonuses amounting to \$6-
000,000.

The first work of the commission,
following organization of its office
force, will be to appoint attorneys and
abstractors in the various counties of
the state. Another meeting of the
commission will be held here Thurs-
day.

CONGRESS TO HEAR CHIEF

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suggested the European nations apply
toward their debts "money they now
are spending in fights over there."

"Since this great league of nations
came along," said Senator Norris,
the European nations have been
more in warfare and in attempting to
subdue rebellious people than would
pay all the interest they owe."

Senator Watson, republican, Indiana,
objected to the provision of the
North amendment creating a secre-
tary of the treasury to collect the
interest due on foreign loans, ex-
plaining that the provision might be
a direction to the treasury to pay
Senator Wadsworth, republican,
New York, described as "a grave
mistake" the institution of the sys-
tem whereby men in service during
the world war were paid to turn
over a portion of their pay as allot-
ments to their dependents. He pro-
posed that the government return to
the men the money turned over for
allotment purposes. He said he had
been advised this amounted to about
\$250,000,000 and was needed by those
seeking a bonus.

Plans to delay consideration of the
bonus measure were attacked by the
legislative committee of the American
League in a statement tonight. It
referred to the letter of Secretary
Mellon urging that consideration be
deferred as "intellectually dishonest"
and politically treacherous.

"Postponement," it added, "is mere-
ly a subterfuge, a play for time,
through which its enemies hope ul-
timately to defeat the measure."

The statement asserts that the bill

"is a measure of elemental justice,"
and will "not affect disastrously or
even harmfully the finances of the
country," but will rather add to the
nation's economic power by placing
hundreds of thousands of bread win-
ners back on their feet."

Argument Held Unreasonable.
The statement said that the league
"is irrevocably committed to it,
popular opinion is behind it and con-
gress should pass it and get it out
of the way."

"Secretary Mellon's diatribe," the
statement said, "is nothing more than
a mere rehearsal of the objections long
ago interpreted by his predecessor in
office, ex-Secretary of the Treasury
House."

"There is nowhere in the Mellon
statement," it added, "any reasonable
justification for the theory that a bill
not designed to become financially
operative until July 1, 1922, would
ruin the country if passed now, but
be safe and sound if passed in No-
vember or December."

WOMEN FIGHT FOR JOBS

ACTIVE CAMPAIGN CARRIED ON
BY NORTHWEST WORKERS.

Olympia and Seattle Women Want
to Get Membership on Em-
ployees' Commission.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU,
Washington, D. C., July 11.—Women
do political things much like men, the
two senators from Washington are
now inclined to admit. When they
want anything they believe in carry-
ing their fight right up to the gates
of the national capital. In other
words, they believe in being on the
ground just like some of the men who
are supplicants for government jobs.

Mrs. C. E. Van Eiten of Olympia,
well-known in club work in the north-
west, and an active republican cam-
paigner, is here making a drive for
an appointment to the United States
employees' compensation commission.

She is pitted against her for this job
Mrs. W. E. Burleigh of Seattle, who
is widely known in the northwest as
a public speaker. Mrs. Burleigh so far
has trusted her campaign to the mails
and the telephone.

Mrs. Van Eiten and Mrs. Burleigh
are contesting for a place on the em-
ployees' compensation commission
which was long held by Mrs. Francis
C. Axtell of Everett, the first woman
to obtain an important government
post.

Mrs. Estelle G. Mendenhall of Seat-
tle has arrived here to prosecute her
campaign for a position in the post-
office department.

The first woman to reach Wash-
ington when the new administration took
charge and to get her name in the
pot for patronage was Miss Birdie
Campbell of Seattle, who sought to
be named chief of the women's bu-
reau. She made a good campaign and
failed, but the post of assistant chief
of the same bureau was offered. This
she declined, to return west and be
married.

FORESTS IN IDAHO AFIRE

Foresters Report Conflagrations
Under Control.

BOISE, Idaho, July 11.—(Special.)—
A forest fire is reported to have
broken out near the Pine ranger sta-
tion, according to information from
the local forestry officials. It is thought
the fire was not serious.

A forest fire between Daguer and
Schaffers creek was reported under
control. State Fire Warden Hooten
at Idaho City reported two fires in
his territory and added that both
were under control. One of the fires
was at the mouth of Blue creek, which
empties into Granite creek, and the
other is on Goose creek, which empties
into Grimes creek.

Persons in Boise are speculating on
the cause of smoke overhanging the
hills north of the city. Forestry of-
ficials are of the opinion that it may
be caused by grass or sagebrush fires
and not by forest fires.

PRINTERS PLAN TRAINING CENTER.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 11.—A
training center for printers to supply
the industry in the northwest may be
established in Spokane, according to
J. T. Turner, secretary of the Spokane
typographical union. It is planned to
ask the northwest employing printers' league
to foster the enterprise when it is
further developed. Mr. Turner said
the plant would not be conducted on
the basis of apprentice training such as
carried on by the unions, according to
Mr. Turner, but would offer courses
covering all branches of the trade.

Carlton Hotel to Reopen.

CARLTON, Or., July 11.—(Special.)—
After being closed since last Novem-
ber the Brooks hotel will be opened
this week under the management of
S. D. Blackwell of Portland. The
rooms have been newly furnished.
The dining room also will be opened
under the same management and a
specialty dinner for automobile
parties will be made.

Kelso Legion Chooses Delegates.

KELSO, Wash., July 11.—(Special.)—
Sanford Lord and Lake Davolt were
selected as delegates to the American
Legion state convention at Hoquiam,
starting July 14, by Guy Rathbun
past, American Legion, of Kelso.
Stewart Down and Waldo Harris
were chosen as alternates.

London Wool Sales Reopen.

LONDON, July 11.—The wool auc-
tion sales reopened today with an
offer of 12,245 bales of good selection.
Demand was slow. Merinos and fine
cross-breeds were 1 1/2 per cent lower
and scored 1 per cent down from the
last price.

Clam Digger Lands Salmon.

SEASIDE, Or., July 11.—(Special.)—
Sam Lee, a local clam digger, while
digging clams on the beach today
found a 28-pound salmon in a crab
hole. After an exciting time he land-
ed the salmon on the beach.

PARIS COURT GIVES AMERICAN 10 YEARS

Blackjack Thug Sentenced to
Solitary Cell.

CRIME WAVE IS REASON

Heavy Punishment Expected to
Cause Robbers to Think Twice
Before Attacking Victims.

PARIS, July 11.—(Special.)—Paris
authorities decided to set a real ex-
ample in punishment for crime on the
part of foreigners in France when
the case of Charles Russell, 24, of
New Haven, Conn., came up before the
assize court of the department of the
Seine here.

Russell staged an ordinary New
York crime wave stunt in Paris and
his fate of ten years in solitary con-
finement has been the subject of
much comment in the Paris press as
that which awaits any other for-
eigner who attempts to teach the
French criminal element new modes
in obtaining easy money.

In comparison with New York, even
though misery among the poor exists
here due to unprecedented prices, Paris
is virtually crimeless. It is the
boast of the French police that Paris
criminals are always well in hand,
and it is their intention to keep for-
eign elements in the same condition.

Penalty Fits Crime.
It was not that Russell was an
American that he received such ter-
rible punishment for a common rob-
bery with a blackjack. If he had been
a Frenchman he would have suf-
fered the same penalty, and perhaps
worse. But heavy punishment is the
reason that French criminals think
twice before they use physical vio-
lence or resort to murder in robbery.

Some time ago Russell returned to
France after being discharged from the
American navy. His war service
had given him a knowledge of France.
He took a room in a Paris hotel and
unable to find work, was eventually
forced to leave. He pleaded that he
had been eight days without food
when he entered a small jewelry
store at 25 Rue St. Honoré with a
piece of lead pipe concealed in a
twisted newspaper. As many New
York robbers have done for months,
he asked to see a ring. The clerk
produced a tray of jewelry and Rus-
sell struck her down with his im-
provvised blackjack. He then pro-
ceeded to loot the store and as he
was about to leave the woman re-
mained consciousness and screamed.
He struck her again and again until
she was quiet and ran from the door
which he gathered, however, and
he was caught.

Sentence Sets Example.
The crime left nothing to be de-
scribed in the matter of evidence. The
French prosecutor pointed out that a
foreigner living in France had trans-
gressed French laws in a brutal way
and that extenuating circumstances
could not be considered.

Russell's crime is one of the first
of its kind in Paris with which the
French police and judicial authori-
ties have had to deal without coun-
sel from the American authorities.
Paris has served as an ex-
ample for others and, with the pub-
licity involved, will doubtless allow
Paris to live up to its comparatively
crimeless reputation. In addition to
serving ten years in solitary con-
finement, the young American must
now serve 20 more years of police sur-
veillance if he remains in France.

While French and American uni-
versities are at the beginning of an ex-
change professors, matters of inter-
national cordiality might advance a
step further and provide for an ex-
change of French and American
criminal judges. The method of deal-
ing with a typical New York crime
in Paris might serve as a good pre-
cedent and bring good results.

RECALL PETITIONS OUT

Public Service Commissioners Tar-
get of Committee.

SALEM, Or., July 11.—(Special.)—
Word was received at the offices of
the Oregon public service commission
today to the effect that petitions have
been placed in circulation in different
parts of the state asking for the re-
call of Fred A. Williams, H. H. Corey

PLANT SLATED TO EXPAND

Hood River Vinegar Company Plans
Increase in Capital Stock.

HOOD RIVER, Or., July 11.—(Spe-
cial.)—The Hood River Vinegar
company has called a meeting of
stockholders for July 19, when plans
for increasing the capital stock of
the concern, a pioneer apple by-
products company of the northwest,
to \$150,000, an increase of \$50,000,
will be considered. It is proposed
to make the increased stock 8 per
cent, preferred, cumulative and non-
voting.

The by-products concern, launched
about 15 years ago by C. J. Calkins,
now president and manager, has made
a steady growth.

TROLLING BOAT BURNS

Explosion Starts Blaze and Owner
Is Forced Overboard.

ASTORIA, Or., July 11.—(Special.)—
A trolling boat belonging to E. H.
Huribert was destroyed by fire about

4:30 yesterday.

The craft had been
anchored just inside the south jetty
at the mouth of the river and was
waiting for the weather to clear be-
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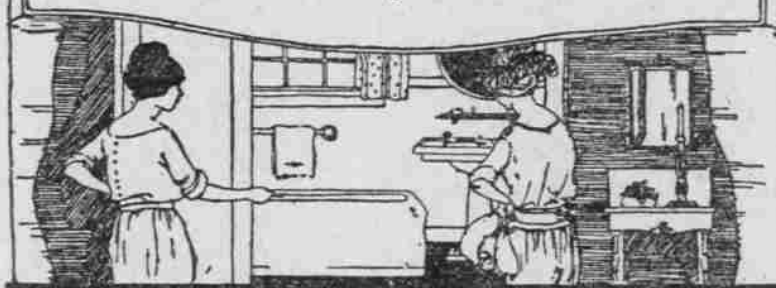
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and Fred G. Buchtel, the three mem-
bers of the commission.

The proposed recall election, it was
said, is the outcome of a decision of
the commission some time ago au-
thorizing an increase in the rates of
the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph
company.

Petitions previously were placed in
circulation for the recall of Mr. Will-
iams, but not enough signatures were
obtained to warrant the secretary of
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