

PLAN TO REORGANIZE GOVERNMENT HALTS

Strong Opposition Appears to Reforming Bureaus.

FIGHT BEING ORGANIZED

Department Heads, Politicians and Clerks Against Consolidation to Conserve Millions.

BY MARK SULLIVAN.

(Copyright by the New York Evening Post. Reprinted by permission of the publisher.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—(Special.)—The plan for the reorganization of the government seems to have been halted and with each day of delay the aggregate of innumerable oppositions to it grows stronger. When the republicans came into power a year ago Mr. Harding took up the enterprise energetically. He appointed Walter F. Brown of Toledo, O., to lay out the plan. The theory was that he was to rearrange the various departments and bureaus of the government as a private business corporation would have them, with an eye to logical order and economical efficiency.

The government as a business institution has been growing for 130 years without order or symmetry. Congress has been adding a bureau here and a bureau there until the whole of it looked like an irregular mass of barnacles and had the wastefulness that would attend such a lack of system.

Admirable Plan Developed.

Mr. Brown spent about ten months in investigation. He sought the assistance of Secretary Hoover, Postmaster-General Hays, General Dawes and various others familiar with the problem and capable of advising on it wisely. In the end Mr. Brown evolved a report and plan which is described by most of the disinterested who are familiar with it as admirable.

Mr. Brown gave his report to Mr. Harding, and it has been on the president's desk for some time. It is understood the president expects to submit it himself to congress, with any modifications he may want to make. In the near future the reorganization plan merely has been waiting on the president's leisure, until after he should have made his ship subsidy report to congress.

Strong Opposition Felt.

Unhappily, in the meantime a world of opposition has developed. The chief change proposed in the plan, it is reported, is the combining of the war and navy departments into one department, to bear as its name the department of national defense. Although this is said to be the only instance in which the combining of two cabinet departments is recommended, it is not the case that has aroused the most violent opposition.

The most energetic protest has arisen over the proposal that the forestry service should be transferred from the department of agriculture, where it now is, to the interior department.

Forest Service Antagonistic.

This would seem to be a logical change, inasmuch as the interior is the department supposed to administer the national forests, and already has jurisdiction over the national parks, the reclamation service, Alaskan matters, the Indian bureau and the general land office. But the forestry service seems to have developed a distinct disinclination to be weaned from the department of agriculture, which has been its parent ever since it was started. Also, the department of agriculture has shown some sense of outrage at being deprived of its child.

The forestry service always has been a stormy petrel since the time of Clifford Pinchot and the Ballinger case, and a lot of persons outside the government have stirred themselves into partisan opposition. Just now the farm bloc in congress seems more disposed to enlarge the department of agriculture by giving it functions now carried on by other departments than to let their department lose anything.

Other Changes Are Opposed.

Many of the other changes recommended in the Brown report have excited similar opposition. As every clerk who is made fearful of the possibility of dismissal for himself, in the proposed consolidations, has his own congressman, the aggregate of the opposition will be formidable.

President Harding only can recommend the plan to congress, and congress has shown no such disposition to follow the president's leadership as would justify confident hope of success for this move toward economy and efficiency. The time to have made this change was during the first months of the administration, when the president had the maximum of ascendancy over congress, and before heads of departments were likely to develop sentiments of jealousy or proprietorship.

Nation Would Back President.

Nevertheless, this is so good an innovation that if President Harding should care to put his back into it and call on the country for support he could probably run over congress. The immediate saving of cash through the Brown plan would be considerable, and the ultimate saving through increased efficiency would run into hundreds of millions of dollars.

OREGON WINS ONE DEBATE

University of Washington Team Is Defeated at Eugene.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, March 2.—(Special.)—The University of Oregon won a 2-to-1 decision over the University of Washington debate team here tonight in one of the Oregon-Washington-Stanford contests for the Pacific coast championship.

Paul Patterson of Seattle and Ralph Bailey of Salem represented Oregon. The Washington team was composed of Eugene Ivey and Bartlett Rummel. The judges were H. E. Alderman and Edward L. Clark, both of Portland.

The Oregon negative team, composed of Claude Robinson of Portland and Charles Lamb of Tillamook, debated Stanford university tonight in Palo Alto.

SHINGLE DUTY WANTED

Senate Committee to Be Asked to Take Product Off Free List.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., March 2.—After having decided to put shingles on the free list in the new tariff bill, the senate finance committee is to be asked by Senators Jones and Poin-

dexter of Washington to execute a mental flip-flop.

The Fordney bill passed by the house carried a shingle duty of 50 cents a thousand, while the senate finance committee was about to approve when Senator Kellogg of Minnesota appeared and said this tariff was not needed by northwestern shingle manufacturers. Kellogg was backed up by Senator Scott of Utah, who said the committee that Canadian shingles were selling higher than the American product, which made protection of American manufacturers unnecessary.

Sensors Jones and Poindexter are amassing data to be presented to the committee to prove that both Kellogg and Scott were misinformed. The two Washington senators have increased the tariff on eggs from 6 cents, the rate carried in the house bill, to 12 cents.

ROADS ASK RATE REVISE

APPEAL MADE TO INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

Oregon, California, Idaho, Arizona and New Mexico Lines File Protest.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—Railroads operating in California, Oregon, Idaho, New Mexico and Arizona applied today to the interstate commerce commission for a modification of the rate schedule for grain to establish rates 10 per cent lower than the wheat schedules for transportation of corn, barley, oats and similar grains, declaring that this was the proper charge under normal practice before the war and that the products had only been put on a parity during the government control.

The western roads today declared that the commission had refused to accept their schedule made under the war and grain decision because the lower charge was not included on oats and barley. They contended that the differential set up in the hay and grain decision had been intended by the commission to apply only to the middle west and to bulky shipments of corn. Prior to the war one rate was in existence for all types of grain through the territory, and the differential was not established, and asked that the commission recognize this and modify its former order to allow a continuation of the practice and to accept the existing schedules.

Rejuvenation Is Faced.

In addition, he said, the country now faced a "rejuvenated agricultural and industrial fabric and the prospect of general employment of American labor in American industries."

It displays a promise on all sides, Mr. Fess added, of a resumption of our happy and promising stage which preceded the inauguration of the democratic foibles of the new freedom and policies of suspicion and persecution of success.

Replying to Mr. Fess in a five-minute speech Representative Garner, democrat, Texas, declared that widespread labor in American industries ranks over accomplishments of the last year had prompted the Ohioan to defend the administration. He referred to Mr. Fess as "the distinguished doctor," and as a "camouflage artist from Ohio."

Republicans Are Attacked.

Charging republicans in congress with inaction on important matters the Texas member asked:

"Who is going to apologize for the failure of the senate for eight months to get anywhere with the tariff or with the failure of the house and senate to act on a soldiers' bonus?"

"I know and you know," Mr. Garner added, "that Warren Harding is much stronger than his party."

Concluding his speech, Mr. Garner declared the republican party failed to bring prosperity to the farming and industrial communities and declared that 4,000,000 men were hunting for employment because of business depression.

Asserting that the achievements of the arms conference formed "part of a programme of international comity without a parallel in our history," Representative Fess, in his address, said:

"It will be no offense to any open-minded citizen to state here the generally accepted fact that the administration of the diplomatic relations by the president, head of the state department is the most outstanding success in the nation's history."

Outstanding among the administration's accomplishments in the domestic field, Mr. Fess declared, was legislation to the farmer, including the emergency tariff. Present upward trend in agricultural prices, he said, attest to the substantial effect.

Farmers Get Aid.

Outstanding among the administration's accomplishments in the domestic field, Mr. Fess declared, was legislation to the farmer, including the emergency tariff. Present upward trend in agricultural prices, he said, attest to the substantial effect.

Marshfield Elks Elect.

MARSHFIELD, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—A. L. Martin last night was elected exalted ruler of the Elks lodge of this city; H. E. Burnmaster, North Bend, was named leading knight; Herbert Bustorff, Marshfield, was named leading knight; and Dorsey Knutson, was named trustee and Frank McHoffert, Tyler, was named treasurer.

The election was spirited, 250 members being present. The secretaryship went to Thomas Harvey of Marshfield.

Old Offender in Jail Again.

ALBANY, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—Albert Nyhus, many times in the custody of local and county officers for various charges, is once more in the county jail for forgery. Nyhus was taken to Corvallis by Sheriff Kendall this afternoon, where he is wanted by Benton county authorities.

Nyhus was once convicted of forgery in this county and has been in the state school for feeble minded and in the state industrial school. He was at one time sent to the government hospital at Tacoma, but did not stay.

Portlanders Get \$1 Judgment.

ASTORIA, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—The circuit court jury in the case of R. V. Lewis of Portland against William Schoenebeck and Mary Tews returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff a judgment for \$1. The action was brought to recover \$240.31 damages and \$58, special damages, resulting from the injury of his car in an automobile accident on the Columbia river highway.

Firemen to Give Ball.

PRINEVILLE, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—The firemen's association of this city, recently organized, will give a mask ball here Saturday evening to raise funds to further its activities. Two squads have been formed with George A. Holmes and Joe Howard as captains.

You Need Not Have a Cold if you will take Laxative BROMO QUININE TABLETS when you feel the first symptoms of a cold coming on.—Adv.

S. & H. green stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co. coal and wood. Broadway 6555, 560-21.—Adv.

REPUBLICANS SCORE TRUMPHS IN YEAR

President Harding Achieves Notable Results.

NATION ON SOUND BASIS

Peace Accomplished, Debt, Expense Cut; Representative Fess Reviews Accomplishments.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—The republican party, presenting the record of this administration for the "people's decision" gladly adopts the "challenge of our friends, the enemy, to take their stand on the issue of nations for their remedy in readjustment."

Representative S. D. Fess, chairman of the republican congressional committee, declared in a speech in the house today reviewing the achievements of the first year of President Harding's administration. Of the result, he added, "there can be no doubt."

"One year ago," Mr. Fess declared, "President Harding found the nation where relations with many foreign countries were strained to almost the breaking point, her fundamental principles under discussion, her historic significance in question, her population surfeited with the profits of war and wild extravagance, her industries inflated and problems of reconstruction complicated and imminent. Today she sees peace again established with all countries, foreign relations resumed with honor to ourselves and a parity during the government control."

The western roads today declared that the commission had refused to accept their schedule made under the war and grain decision because the lower charge was not included on oats and barley. They contended that the differential set up in the hay and grain decision had been intended by the commission to apply only to the middle west and to bulky shipments of corn. Prior to the war one rate was in existence for all types of grain through the territory, and the differential was not established, and asked that the commission recognize this and modify its former order to allow a continuation of the practice and to accept the existing schedules.

Rejuvenation Is Faced.

In addition, he said, the country now faced a "rejuvenated agricultural and industrial fabric and the prospect of general employment of American labor in American industries."

Replying to Mr. Fess in a five-minute speech Representative Garner, democrat, Texas, declared that widespread labor in American industries ranks over accomplishments of the last year had prompted the Ohioan to defend the administration. He referred to Mr. Fess as "the distinguished doctor," and as a "camouflage artist from Ohio."

Republicans Are Attacked.

Charging republicans in congress with inaction on important matters the Texas member asked:

"Who is going to apologize for the failure of the senate for eight months to get anywhere with the tariff or with the failure of the house and senate to act on a soldiers' bonus?"

"I know and you know," Mr. Garner added, "that Warren Harding is much stronger than his party."

Concluding his speech, Mr. Garner declared the republican party failed to bring prosperity to the farming and industrial communities and declared that 4,000,000 men were hunting for employment because of business depression.

Asserting that the achievements of the arms conference formed "part of a programme of international comity without a parallel in our history," Representative Fess, in his address, said:

"It will be no offense to any open-minded citizen to state here the generally accepted fact that the administration of the diplomatic relations by the president, head of the state department is the most outstanding success in the nation's history."

Outstanding among the administration's accomplishments in the domestic field, Mr. Fess declared, was legislation to the farmer, including the emergency tariff. Present upward trend in agricultural prices, he said, attest to the substantial effect.

Farmers Get Aid.

Outstanding among the administration's accomplishments in the domestic field, Mr. Fess declared, was legislation to the farmer, including the emergency tariff. Present upward trend in agricultural prices, he said, attest to the substantial effect.

Marshfield Elks Elect.

MARSHFIELD, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—A. L. Martin last night was elected exalted ruler of the Elks lodge of this city; H. E. Burnmaster, North Bend, was named leading knight; Herbert Bustorff, Marshfield, was named leading knight; and Dorsey Knutson, was named trustee and Frank McHoffert, Tyler, was named treasurer.

The election was spirited, 250 members being present. The secretaryship went to Thomas Harvey of Marshfield.

Old Offender in Jail Again.

ALBANY, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—Albert Nyhus, many times in the custody of local and county officers for various charges, is once more in the county jail for forgery. Nyhus was taken to Corvallis by Sheriff Kendall this afternoon, where he is wanted by Benton county authorities.

Nyhus was once convicted of forgery in this county and has been in the state school for feeble minded and in the state industrial school. He was at one time sent to the government hospital at Tacoma, but did not stay.

Portlanders Get \$1 Judgment.

ASTORIA, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—The circuit court jury in the case of R. V. Lewis of Portland against William Schoenebeck and Mary Tews returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff a judgment for \$1. The action was brought to recover \$240.31 damages and \$58, special damages, resulting from the injury of his car in an automobile accident on the Columbia river highway.

Firemen to Give Ball.

PRINEVILLE, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—The firemen's association of this city, recently organized, will give a mask ball here Saturday evening to raise funds to further its activities. Two squads have been formed with George A. Holmes and Joe Howard as captains.

You Need Not Have a Cold if you will take Laxative BROMO QUININE TABLETS when you feel the first symptoms of a cold coming on.—Adv.

S. & H. green stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co. coal and wood. Broadway 6555, 560-21.—Adv.

fect of this legislation. The law establishing the budget system, Mr. Fess declared to be "one of the most important pieces of constructive legislation in the last quarter century."

Estimating that the total of appropriations asked for the fiscal year 1922 would be reduced to \$2,500,000, Mr. Fess said that if this were done the United States "will be the only country in the world that is living within its revenue."

The foreign debt refunding act, Mr. Fess said, was an announcement to all countries that these obligations must be respected and will induce Europe to set her house in order to meet the situation by the balancing of budgets.

After Representative Fess had concluded, Representative Thomas, democrat, Kentucky, took the floor and characterized him as the "evasive and slippery gentleman of Ohio, who seeks to open here his campaign for the basis of senatorship by entering a decree of confession and avoidance for the republican party."

LAND BILL VETO IS URGED

STATE DELEGATION REVERSES ATTITUDE ON DEAL.

President Asked to Kill Measure After Work of 3 Years to Obtain Legislation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—After having obtained the passage of a bill for the exchange of lands in the Clearwater, St. Joe and Selway national forests, the entire Idaho delegation faced about today, in response to a demand of their constituents, and requested the president to veto the bill.

The bill, which had been sponsored for more than three years by Representative French, and which was drafted in the interior department and approved by three secretaries of the interior and exactly the same number of secretaries of agriculture, became within the last week a genuine scandal in certain sections of Idaho, and was made the subject of numerous mass meetings, at which the Idaho delegation were adopted and sent to Washington.

Back of all of the hullabaloo appears to have been a bit of jealousy between some of Idaho's leading sheepmen and bankers.

It appears that the exchange would have eliminated from the three national forests in the Idaho panhandle approximately 250,000 acres of Northern Pacific land, the grant lands on which Fred Gooding of Shoshone, Idaho, brother of Senator Frank Gooding, held an option of purchase at \$1.50 an acre.

Crawford Moore, Boise banker, who finances many of Gooding's competitors, started the fight on the bill after it had reached a conference of the house and senate.

About this time Fred Gooding came to Washington and informed the Idaho delegation that he did not desire all of the land on which he held an option, and that a committee could be appointed to make a distribution. He would be satisfied, he said, with only a small acreage, because he could use no more.

This satisfied the Idaho delegation, the fight kept up, and today Governor Davis telegraphed, asking the delegation to request a veto of the bill.

The result is a victory of Crawford Moore, who finances sheepmen, against Fred Gooding, who buys, feeds, fattens and sells sheep.

West Point Alternates Appointed.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., March 2.—Senator Stanford has made the following appointments to the United States military academy for the entrance examinations March 7: Fred M. Laz-

arus, Corvallis, and Byron Lane, Cascade, first alternates; George E. Williams, Corvallis, second alternate.

Candidate Quotes Bible.

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Jonah Kumulaa, maker of ukuleles and independent democratic candidate for the delegateship, addressed a mass meeting a few nights ago in the city of Hilo and quoted the Bible to show that the end of the world was drawing near as punishment for the rich men. He said he was independent of any financial aid in his campaign.

Colds Epidemic in Prineville.

PRINEVILLE, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—Prineville is suffering from an epidemic of colds and a gripe. More than 60 children are out of school and several of the teachers have been ill.

Phone your want ads to The Oregonian. Main 7078. Automatic 560-95.

Right on the spot

When tomatoes can't get to Heinz quickly enough to preserve their red-ripe freshness, Heinz goes to the tomatoes. Where tomatoes grow best you will find Heinz gardens and Heinz Tomato Ketchup kitchens.

HEINZ TOMATO KETCHUP

EAT Fresh, Full-Flavored

TOKE POINT OYSTERS

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

tor, started the fight on the bill after it had reached a conference of the house and senate.

About this time Fred Gooding came to Washington and informed the Idaho delegation that he did not desire all of the land on which he held an option, and that a committee could be appointed to make a distribution. He would be satisfied, he said, with only a small acreage, because he could use no more.

This satisfied the Idaho delegation, the fight kept up, and today Governor Davis telegraphed, asking the delegation to request a veto of the bill.

The result is a victory of Crawford Moore, who finances sheepmen, against Fred Gooding, who buys, feeds, fattens and sells sheep.

West Point Alternates Appointed.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., March 2.—Senator Stanford has made the following appointments to the United States military academy for the entrance examinations March 7: Fred M. Laz-

arus, Corvallis, and Byron Lane, Cascade, first alternates; George E. Williams, Corvallis, second alternate.

Candidate Quotes Bible.

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Jonah Kumulaa, maker of ukuleles and independent democratic candidate for the delegateship, addressed a mass meeting a few nights ago in the city of Hilo and quoted the Bible to show that the end of the world was drawing near as punishment for the rich men. He said he was independent of any financial aid in his campaign.

Colds Epidemic in Prineville.

PRINEVILLE, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—Prineville is suffering from an epidemic of colds and a gripe. More than 60 children are out of school and several of the teachers have been ill.

Phone your want ads to The Oregonian. Main 7078. Automatic 560-95.

Right on the spot

When tomatoes can't get to Heinz quickly enough to preserve their red-ripe freshness, Heinz goes to the tomatoes. Where tomatoes grow best you will find Heinz gardens and Heinz Tomato Ketchup kitchens.

HEINZ TOMATO KETCHUP

EAT Fresh, Full-Flavored

TOKE POINT OYSTERS

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

tor, started the fight on the bill after it had reached a conference of the house and senate.

About this time Fred Gooding came to Washington and informed the Idaho delegation that he did not desire all of the land on which he held an option, and that a committee could be appointed to make a distribution. He would be satisfied, he said, with only a small acreage, because he could use no more.

This satisfied the Idaho delegation, the fight kept up, and today Governor Davis telegraphed, asking the delegation to request a veto of the bill.

The result is a victory of Crawford Moore, who finances sheepmen, against Fred Gooding, who buys, feeds, fattens and sells sheep.

West Point Alternates Appointed.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., March 2.—Senator Stanford has made the following appointments to the United States military academy for the entrance examinations March 7: Fred M. Laz-

arus, Corvallis, and Byron Lane, Cascade, first alternates; George E. Williams, Corvallis, second alternate.

Candidate Quotes Bible.

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Jonah Kumulaa, maker of ukuleles and independent democratic candidate for the delegateship, addressed a mass meeting a few nights ago in the city of Hilo and quoted the Bible to show that the end of the world was drawing near as punishment for the rich men. He said he was independent of any financial aid in his campaign.

Colds Epidemic in Prineville.

PRINEVILLE, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—Prineville is suffering from an epidemic of colds and a gripe. More than 60 children are out of school and several of the teachers have been ill.

Phone your want ads to The Oregonian. Main 7078. Automatic 560-95.

Right on the spot

When tomatoes can't get to Heinz quickly enough to preserve their red-ripe freshness, Heinz goes to the tomatoes. Where tomatoes grow best you will find Heinz gardens and Heinz Tomato Ketchup kitchens.

HEINZ TOMATO KETCHUP

EAT Fresh, Full-Flavored

TOKE POINT OYSTERS

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway 70

Edler's Fuel Co. Phone Broadway