

GROUP BANKING BENEFITS SEEN

Association Asked to Amend Stand Against Merger Trend at Meeting

CLEVELAND, Sept. 30—(AP)—The increasing difficulty of some banks, especially smaller ones, to operate profitably as independent units, held the attention of the resolutions committee of the American Bankers' association tonight.

The committee had before it a recommendation the association modify the stand it has taken in opposition to branch banking. The recommendation was made by the association's economic policy commission, which is the association's chief advisory body.

As an indication of the advisability of giving recognition to the branch banking movement, the report of the commission, presented by R. S. Hecht, president of the Hibernia Bank and Trust Co., of New Orleans, and chairman of the commission, cited the increasing number of failures of unit banks and the growth of the group banking movement.

Public Opposition Given Recognition
The commission took into consideration opposition of many people to large banking monopolies and said that while the question should not be ignored, it did not believe it presented a real menace.

Hecht said the movement of group banking is not a measure of Wall street or any financial region to wrest control of this country's finances, but it arises out of present day economic necessities.

"Official records show that in the year ended June 30 this year there were 758 bank suspensions with deposits of \$353,500,000," Hecht said.

"In points of numbers this is the highest mortality in any year since the war, except 1924 when there were 915 suspensions and in 1927 when there were 831. In point of deposits it was the highest, even exceeding the \$297,900,000 reported in 1924 and \$266,600,000 in 1927."

He said during the last ten years about 5,700 banks have suspended.

Rural Banks Have Most Difficulty
The bank failure problem has been mostly that of rural banks. About 92 per cent of the failures were in places of less than 10,000 population.

Economic factors have recently arisen to hamper the operation of the small independent, Hecht said. "One is the constant shift of business from smaller to larger centers, thus leaving many country banks without sufficient economic support and making more difficult than ever the struggle of those banks to show sufficient earnings to keep them in sound, healthy condition."

There have been some recent signs that business is on the up grade. John G. Lonsdale, president of the Mercantile Commerce bank and Trust Co., and president of the association, told the convention. He said there are numerous adjustments to be made in business operations before permanent prosperity is assured.

Flying Boat Will Cross Ocean Soon

ALTERNRHEIN, Switzerland, Sept. 30—(AP)—Crossing the Atlantic coast on the flying boat DO-X, the first flight of which is scheduled for October, will differ in one important respect from a Zeppelin flight: smoking will be permitted.

In fact, a smoking salon or lounge has been installed amidships, directly behind the diminutive bar. A ventilation system has been provided which prevents the smoke from distressing passengers who may want to sleep in the four double beds immediately adjoining the smoker.

The sleeping compartments remind one of the American Pullman sleeping car. The DO-X compartments are separated by curtains. There is no upper berth, but each berth is so wide that two can comfortably sleep. During the day, the beds are converted into comfortable seats.

The general hall in which the passengers spend most of their time and also take their meals, is really a succession of the salons seating respectively forty, eight and sixteen passengers comfortably. They are partitioned off from each other sufficiently so that parties may reserve a section.

Three different colors are used to decorate the three sections of the general hall: A Japanese yellow with Japanese designs in the largest, for 40 persons, green in the smallest, for eight persons and mahogany in the section farthest back, for 16.

Behind the third of these lounging sections are, on one side, the electric kitchen, and on the other two lavatories.

For the trans-Atlantic flight it is not intended that a cook shall be taken along. "Whoever of us can cook best will probably be asked to prepare the meals," said operator, Henry Kiel, said, "if Lady Grace Drummond Hay will consent to do the cooking, so much the better. She told me she was a good cook."

CHANEY WILL FILED
LOS ANGELES, Sept. 30.—(AP)—The will of the late Lon Chaney, screen star, disposing of a \$560,000 estate, was admitted to probate today. The bulk of the estate went to his widow, Mrs. Hazel C. Chaney, who was appointed executrix.

San Mateo county, Cal., markets over \$10,000,000 worth of cut flowers yearly.



Edward Everett Horton in a moment from "Once a Gentleman" which is now showing at the Elsinore. Lois Wilson is the feminine star.



"Leathernecking" and a glimpse of what it is all about. Irene Dunne and a group of her "assistants" will appear at Bligh's Capitol today.

The Call Board . . .

By OLIVE M. DOAK

BLIGH'S CAPITOL
Today—Irene Dunne and Ken Murray in "Leather Necking."

ELSINORE
Today—Edward Everett Horton in "Once a Gentleman."

THE GRAND
Today—Alexander Gray in "Spring is Here."
Friday—Richard Arlen in "Light of Western Stars."

THE HOLLYWOOD
Today—Maurice Chevalier in "The Big Pond."
Friday—Buck Jones in "The Lone Rider."

Today marks the official commencement of operation of the Greater Theatres company in Salem with the Elsinore and Bligh's Capitol as representative show houses. For some time past consideration has been made of some outside corporation that would come in and handle the two houses but the final decision of the company officials has been, for the present at least, to manage the two houses through two theatre men well known to Salem, Archie Holt at Bligh's Capitol and Verne McIntyre at the Elsinore.

Col. D. E. Dow, a Fox company official, which company is leaving Salem, has been manager at the Elsinore and will remain here until his company sends further orders to him. This will perhaps be a week or longer.

The new management through Manager Holt and Manager McIntyre announce the following shows to begin today: At the Elsinore there will be "Once a Gentleman" with Edward Everett Horton and Lois Wilson as leads. Irene Dunne and Eddie Foy, Jr., managed to keep a lively story of nonsense which happened in Hawaii with private masquerading as officers, love affairs, and final discovery of the private masquerade.

Horton is a butler in the play; he gets all-mixed up as a friend of his employer, falls in love with a pretty housekeeper and other wise manages to keep things in confusion and funny.

At Bligh's Capitol the Marines have the stage in another comedy. Ken Murray, Louise Fazenda, Irene Dunne and Eddie Foy, Jr., managed to keep a lively story of nonsense which happened in Hawaii with private masquerading as officers, love affairs, and final discovery of the private masquerade.

VALLEY STREAM, N. Y., Sept. 30—(AP)—Frank Hawks, who holds transcontinental air speed records in both directions, flew here from Detroit today in two hours and 41 minutes which is believed to be the fastest time ever made over such a distance.

Hawks estimated he flew 640 miles, giving him an average speed of 254.7 miles an hour. He said he had flown faster for a short distance but never so fast over such a long distance. He was flying the little scarlet monoplane in which he established the two cross country records.

DANCE
With TED DELMARTER and His CASCADIANS (8 Pieces)
Hazel Green
October 4

'PUBLIC ENEMIES' TUSSELE WITH LAW

Government, State and City Officers Pile Charges On Five Gangsters

CHICAGO, Sept. 30—(AP)—Danny Stanton, Jack Guzik, Terry Druggan, George "Red" Barker and William "Three Fingers" White—"public enemies" all—wrestled with the authorities today before the bars of justice.

Stanton walked out of a courtroom where charges of vagrancy were continued until October 16 and into the arms of detectives who produced a warrant charging him with the murder of Jack Zuta at Delafield, Wis., last August 1.

Guzik was nabbed by federal agents. He was alleged to have evaded payment of tax on income amounting to \$62,000 in 1928. Druggan was sick abed with at least a dozen ailments and he sent representatives to federal court to explain he could not be present to answer charges of income tax evasion. The government ordered its own physician to make an examination.

Barker and White appeared with Clarence Darrow as attorney for the former before Judge John H. Lyle who set hearing on their petition for change of venue for tomorrow. They were picked up on Judge Lyle's vagrancy warrants directed against all 26 of the "public enemies" named by the crime commissioner.

While Wisconsin waited for Stanton, police waited for Guzik and Druggan and the government waited for Barker and White. At least summons were issued for the latter two, who face questioning about their incomes. Stanton was linked with the Zuta slaying by ballistics tests made on bullets fired from a gun which was taken from him two weeks ago. The experts said the bullet matched some of those found in the body of Zuta. Stanton is said to be the head of Al "Scarface" Capone's labor department racket.

Three weeks ago he flew from here to Detroit in three hours and three minutes, beating the best previous time for that flight, which was made by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh. It was from Col. Lindbergh that Hawks took the west-east transcontinental record. Hawks flew at 10,000 feet today to get the benefit of a brisk tail wind and was above the clouds most of the way.

GRAND SPRING IS HERE

HOLLYWOOD
Home of 25c Talks
TODAY and THURSDAY
Tonight is Radio Night
Bring Your Tickets
MAURICE CHEVALIER
The Big Pond
Also Talking Comedy, Review and News

NORTHCOTT STILL CLAIMS INNOCENCE

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Gordon Stewart Northcott, condemned to die Thursday for the murder of four boys on his chicken ranch at Winesville, Riverside county, Cal., today saw his mother and father for the last time, and, confronted by Mrs. Christine Collins, mother of one of his supposed victims, reiterated his innocence of any crime.

Mrs. Collins, who came here from Los Angeles to confront Northcott in his last hours, had hoped to draw some admission of the youth's fate from the supposed slayer. She never has given up the belief her son actually is living.

After a final visit with Cyrus Northcott, his father, and Mrs. Sarah Louise Northcott, his mother, who is serving a life term in the prison for complicity in her son's crimes, Northcott was taken to the death cell where father visitors will be denied him.

Mrs. Collins characterized her interview with Northcott as worse than useless. She said he seemed dazed and nervous, unable to meet her eyes and after denying he was guilty of murder, told several conflicting stories of slayings on his Riverside ranch.

Tonight Northcott was in the death cell, a few feet from the blue painted gallows where he will expiate his crimes Thursday morning.

BACK FROM ALASKA
AURORA, Sept. 30.—Roland Warster, after graduating from the Normal school at Monmouth, went up to Alaska, where he was employed during the summer. He returned in time to enter the fall term at Oregon State college.

BLIGH'S CAPITOL THEATRE
TODAY THROUGH FRIDAY
MARINES! . . . on rampage in the grass-skirt belt
SEVEN MAD COMEDIANS
NED SPARKS
KEN MURRAY
LOUISE FAZENDA
BENNY RUBIN
LILLYAN TASHMAN
EDDIE FOY, Jr.
IRENE DUNNE
A CARNIVAL OF MAD GAGS WITH DAMES FROM ALL CREATIONS.
SOUND NEWS
Talking Comedy
"GOLF SPECIALISTS"
CARTOON COMEDY
Matinees 2 to 5
Evenings 7 to 11
Afternoon 5c
Evenings 5c
Kiddies 10c
LEATHERNECKING
RADIO'S ALL STAR FEATURE COMEDY SENSATION!

THE ELSINORE
TODAY - THURSDAY - FRIDAY
Screens' Funniest Comedy!
with Edward Everett Horton and LOIS WILSON, KING BAGGOT
Matinees 2 to 5
Evenings 7 to 11
Afternoon 5c
Evenings 5c
Children 10c
SOUND NEWS
THE MUSEUM
TWO REEL TALKING COMEDY
A JAMES CRUZE Production
Once a Gentleman

Today's the day to switch to Winter Super Union

Now our gasoline is 26% quicker starting with No Loss of Mileage

Get it wherever you see the Blue and White UNION pumps

BEGINNING today the UNION OIL COMPANY offers you the finest winter gasoline within the reach of science.

It meets every demand of a winter fuel.

First—WINTER Super UNION is 26% quicker starting than the average of other gasolines. Tests in the laboratory—on the block—and in the ice chamber of a great ice plant, prove this.

Next, it gives you instant acceleration, on hills, in traffic, or on the boulevard—in low, intermediate or high gear.

Third—special attention has been given to reduce disagreeable odors sometimes noticed at high speeds. This is important to you in winter when the car is often entirely closed—especially so if rings are worn considerably.

Also, WINTER Super UNION overcomes the slow speed bucking that you've noticed in other so-called winter fuels. The secret is a special refining process.

Yet all these advantages have been obtained with no loss of mileage. The same high heat unit content that accounts for the extra mileage of previous Union Gasolines is fully retained in this Winter Super fuel.

Switch NOW!

Early mornings and late evenings are getting chilly. Winter has sounded its warning blast. Heed it by switching NOW to WINTER Super UNION—the Gasoline that gives you 26% quicker starting without loss of mileage.

Get it wherever you see the blue and white UNION pumps.

(NOTE: Now Super Union—Starts in Winter Super Union plus the proved and knock advantages of Erunt.)

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