

GUARANTEE OF CROP COSTS IS HOTLY ARGUED

Roosevelt Cites New York Minimum Wage Law as Beneficial Move

Five-day Week Plan Backed By Miss Perkins Though Changes Proposed

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—Engulfed by differences over how the farmer can best be helped, congress writhed through debates today while administration forces hastened preparation of mighty legislative projects yet to come.

Despite the interlude provided the president and many legislators by the opening baseball game, a check-up tonight revealed an all-most bewildering procession of developments significant in the drive to better national and world economies.

In messages to the governors of 13 industrial states, Mr. Roosevelt cited New York's pending minimum wage law as "a great forward step against lower wages," and advocates like action by more states.

His secretary of labor, Miss Frances Perkins, at a closed session of the house labor committee endorsed the principle of five day week legislation, but suggested changes in present bills. Enactment appears certain.

His secretary of commerce, Daniel C. Roper, disclosed the forthcoming bill for relief of the railroads verges on completion, one phase yet to be disposed of relating to how much power should be vested in the "coordinator" to be proposed.

Senatorial administration allies wound up their work on the Urban home mortgage refinancing plan, slated to be introduced tomorrow.

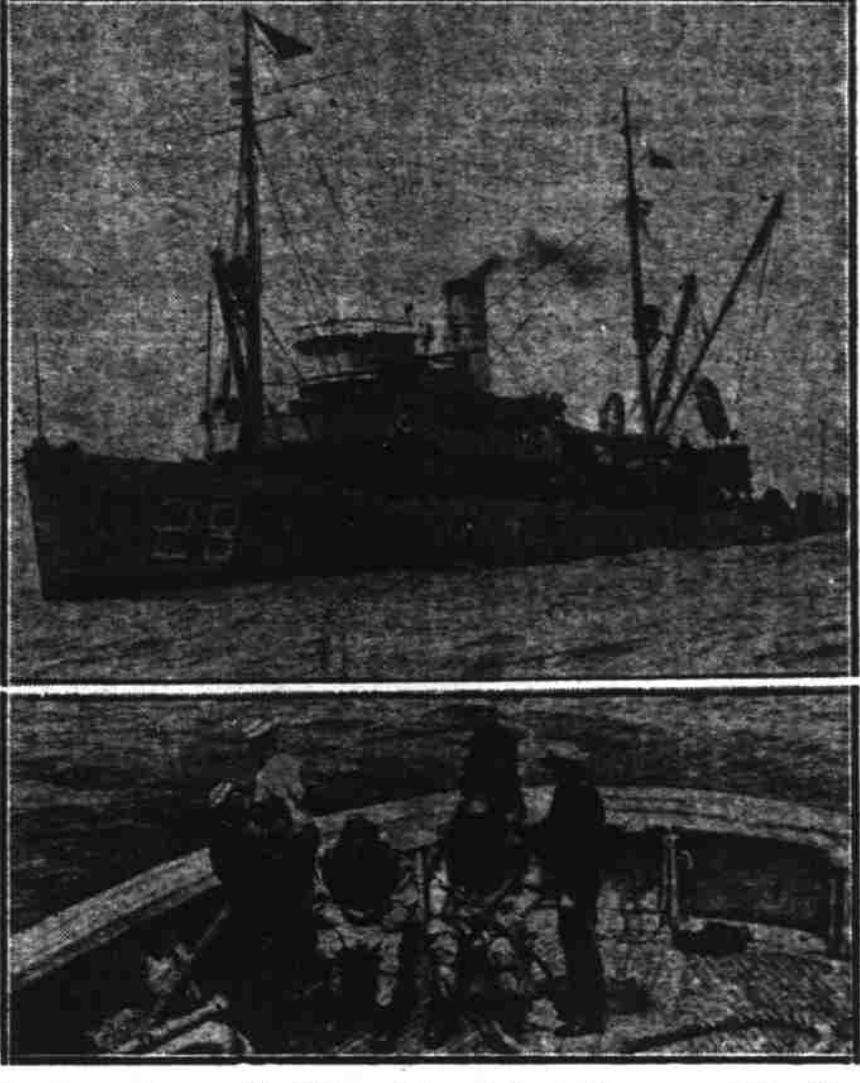
Likelihood of banking reform legislation embracing a deposit insurance plan appeared enhanced, after the president conferred with the chairman of the senate and house banking committees, Fletcher of Florida, and Steagall of Alabama. Some confusion was still evident, however, as to just how far Roosevelt is willing to go on the insurance feature.

Ball Game Today
House Completed Five Hours
debate on the farm mortgage refinancing plan, but deferred a roll call vote until tomorrow in view of absences occasioned by the opening game here of the baseball season.

The senate found itself ensnared in dispute over the attempt to guarantee the farmer production costs in the farm bill, with Senator Norris (R., Neb.), arguing for it and a democratic coterie determined and seemingly confident that it should be and could be rejected.

The senate agriculture committee swiftly approved the Norris bill embodying the Roosevelt plan for Tennessee valley development submitted only yesterday.

Search for Akron Victims' Bodies And Dirigible Wreckage Goes On



The navy salvage ship Falcon (above) is at the scene of the Akron disaster searching for bodies of the seventy-one victims of the dirigible crash. Lower shows divers aboard the Falcon preparing to descend. Twenty experienced divers are taking part in the search.

RUTH BRYAN OWEN CHOICE CONFIRMED

Successor to Eugene Meyer Upon Federal Reserve Board is Talked

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—Only a few hours after President Roosevelt broke precedent by naming a woman to the diplomatic corps, the senate tonight speedily confirmed Ruth Bryan Owen, as minister to Denmark.

It acted without debate after Senator Fletcher (D., Fla.), had asked unanimous consent for Mrs. Owen's confirmation without the usual procedure of committee action. There was no objection.

The senate also approved the nomination of Joseph W. Wood. (Turn to page 4, col. 8)

WORKERS URGED TO JOIN BONUS MARCH

Termining President Roosevelt's cuts in veterans' compensation the "biggest single attack the government has ever made on living standards of the American working class," Richard Lovelace of Portland last night adjured members of the local Workers' Ex-Service Men's League at Workers' center to join the "bonus march" upon Washington, D. C., prospecting for this summer. The local organization will meet at Workers' center again tonight to talk over the march plans.

Lovelace, state organizer, advocated using national war department funds to pay "pensions, disabled veterans' allowances and other compensations, as well as unemployment insurance to all the unemployed."

Criticizing the president's forest camp relief program, Lovelace asserted that the nation's "youth will be mobilized there as cannon fodder for the next war."

Astoria extended an invitation to the organization to hold its next year's convulse there.

AKRON GIRDERS WERE TO HAVE BEEN REPAIRED

Strengthening Where Deal Said Collapse Started Was Ordered, Said

Overhauling was Planned After Flight; Reason Not yet Divulged

LAKEHURST, N. J., April 12.—(AP)—The doomed U. S. S. Akron, a naval court of inquiry learned today, took off on its last flight after plans had been made to strengthen its structure at the very point where one of the three survivors saw a girder buckle as the ship took its dive to destruction.

The testimony came from Lieutenant Commander Edwin F. Cochrane, assembly and repair officer at the naval air station here, and was subsequently corroborated by Thomas L. Blakemore, the station's aeronautical engineer. The work was ordered done between April 7 and 13; when the dirigible was to have had a general overhauling.

The strengthening alterations, Cochrane said, were among nine repair items decided upon prior to the flight in a conference among Commander F. C. McCord, the ship's skipper, his first lieutenant, its engineer and Cochrane.

The alterations called for the reinforcement by cross-bracing of intermediate frames in the middle third of the ship, or between main frames 57.5 and 147.5, covering bays 5, 6 and 7.

Cochrane said longitudinal girders 5, 6 and 7 were involved in the projected work. Longitudinal 7 was the girder which Richard Deal, enlisted man, said he saw part at frame 152 in the Akron's final descent. Moody-Erwin, the other crew survivor, also testified he saw girders break at this point, but did not identify them by number.

Neither Cochrane nor Blakemore was able to state how much strength the reinforcements would have given the areas in question. Blakemore said there was no record by the manufacturers of the ship and approved by the navy had been ordered. He said, however, that the ship was damaged because two girders had buckled farther aft on the starboard side of the Akron during her west coast trip last May.

OPPOSE OAKHURST ZONE CHANGE PLAN

Residents in the vicinity of 21st and Market streets voiced vigorous protest to the city planning and zoning commission yesterday afternoon against the proposed change of a part of lot 24, Oakhurst addition, southwest corner, from Class I residential to Class III business district. The commission, holding a hearing in the city hall, elected David Pugh president, received petitions for and against the change and announced it would hold another hearing next week.

Grounds of the protests were centered on alleged plans of a service station operator at the corner in question to engage in the auto wrecking business there.

Report Favoring Municipal Wharf Plan is Forecast

The utilities committee probably will report favorably to the city council Monday night on applying for an R. F. C. loan to finance construction of a municipal dock and warehouse on the river front. Alderman S. A. Hughes, chairman, indicated last night. Hughes spent the day at Portland going over plans for the project and investigating costs. He said it was not yet certain how large a loan would be requested.

The council last week rescinded its authorization to the mayor and recorder to seek a \$75,000 loan when proponents of the project announced its cost would approximate \$20,000 more than first estimated.

Charles Kimzey Convicted Upon Robbery Charge

BEND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Charles Kimzey, arrested recently in Kallispell, Mont., after a nine-year search, has been indicted by the Deschutes county grand jury on charges of assault and robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon. Police accused him of robbing W. E. Harrison, a taxi driver, August 21, 1923, and of throwing Harrison into a dry well in the desert east of Bend.

To be Governor Of Philippines



A recent photo of Frank Murphy, fighting mayor of Detroit, who has been appointed governor general of the Philippines by President Roosevelt. Mayor Murphy, one of the original Roosevelt men in Michigan, will succeed Colonel Theodore Roosevelt. The post was originally intended for Homer Cummings, whom the president has decided to retain at attorney general.

ROONEY TELLS OF TRIP WITH MOORE

Left Slayer and Victim at Arlington, he Relates; Confession is Read

HOOD RIVER, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—The testimony of Sergeant-Major Terrence Rooney that he was a passenger in the automobile of Harold F. O'Connor, shortly before the young Brooklyn, N. Y., tourist met his death last August 30, was a feature today of the trial of William J. Moore, 24, on a charge of first degree murder for O'Connor's slaying.

Moore's confession to police that he shot and killed O'Connor on the Columbia River highway a few miles west of here, concealed the body in brush near the highway after carrying it several miles toward Portland in the dead man's automobile, and then took the car and O'Connor's money orders, was read by Ray D. Shoemaker, Portland court reporter who recorded the statement.

Sergeant-Major Rooney, who came here from St. Louis, Mo., to appear for the state in the trial, said Moore was already a passenger in O'Connor's car when the Brooklyn tourist gave him a "lift" near Baker, Ore. Rooney said he left the other two at Arlington, hailed a ride from another motorist, and "that was the last I saw of O'Connor."

Girl-Slugger Suspect Held At Corvallis

CORVALLIS, April 12.—(AP)—Police tonight reported they were holding Howard S. Ketchum, 29, whom they suspected of slugging two women on the Oregon State college campus last fall.

Estelle Schultz of Corvallis, student at the college, identified Ketchum, police said, as the man who struck her over the head last October while she was crossing the lower campus at night. The officers said the man denied having slugged anyone. Miss Schultz told police when she reported being struck that she would be able to identify her assailant.

Millcent Walker of Corvallis, was also struck over the head there last fall, and a widespread fear for the safety of college and Corvallis women walking through the city alone after dark resulted. Police said that Ketchum, arrested last week end on a morals charge, would be held for grand jury investigation. They said their suspicion that he might have been the man who assaulted the two women were aroused when they went to his room for some clothing and found a "sag" loaded with sand.

Late Sports

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Ira Dern of Salt Lake City defeated Bob Kruse of Oswego, Ore., two falls out of three in the main event of tonight's wrestling card here. Dern weighed 210, a pound less than Kruse.

OREGON'S PROHI LAW NOT ISSUE FOR JULY VOTE

Election Call Contains no Authority for Initiative Measures, is Ruling

Discrepancy Between Title And Body of act Differ Van Winkle Asserts

Attorney General Van Winkle ruled yesterday that proposed repeal of Oregon's constitutional amendments establishing state prohibition cannot be submitted to voters at the special election to be held July 21. Petitions circulated after the 1933 legislative session have been signed by more than 40,000 voters.

The opinion was requested by Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, in connection with a law enacted by the 1933 legislature providing for holding a special election July 21.

Chapter one of the act read: "A special election shall be held in the general voting precincts throughout the state of Oregon on Friday, July 21, 1933. At such election all proposed amendments to the constitution of the state submitted by the 37th legislative assembly, regular session, and all measures or enactments passed by said assembly, and which are or may be referred to the people shall be submitted to the people for approval or rejection."

Attorney General Van Winkle held that from the provisions of this chapter the special election was called only for the purpose of voting upon measures therein specifically enumerated, and that it was not an election for general purposes.

"Clearly the language of the act does not contain anything which can be construed as including measures which were not enacted by the legislative assembly," the opinion read.

The title of the act contained provision for referring the initiative measures, but such provision was not included in the body of the bill.

"This might well result from various reasons," the opinion continued. "The legislature or those (Turn to page 4, col. 6)

DRY LAW FOES TO NAME CANDIDATES

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Eight representatives, two from each of four organizations favoring repeal of the 18th amendment, will meet here tomorrow to select 34 candidates for delegates to the constitutional convention here next summer. The delegates will be chosen at a special election July 21.

The four organizations are the women's national organization for prohibition reform, Oregon league for repeal of the 18th amendment, the association against the prohibition amendment, and the crusaders. At a meeting of spokesmen for the organizations, held here today, it was decided that the group of eight should be charged with selecting the candidates.

Those at today's meeting agreed that the four organizations should work as a unit in election of delegates. Several Willamette valley hopgrowers attended today's meeting.

MUETZEL ON TRIAL

GRANTS PASS, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—The testimony of state police, the county coroner, the sheriff and one of his deputies was given for the state today in the trial of Otto Muetzel on a charge of first degree murder for the death of Sol Stone February 4.

Reaction to Roosevelt's Program Noted by Mott

Efforts of Salem and state highway groups to have construction of 18 miles of Salem-Portland highway pushed in spite of the president's emergency program "is but a sample of the wholesome reaction," in connection with some of the half-baked legislation that has gone to make up the president's so-called program," Congressman James W. Mott, states in a letter to the Salem Building congress.

The letter followed a telegram received early last week in reply to a query of the local group on the road project.

Eastern Youth Loath To Join Forest Corps As West Rushes Plans

Jury for Trial Of Harry Riley Finally Picked

BURNS, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Selection of a jury to try Harry Riley on a charge of first degree murder for the death of his wife, Hilda Thornburg Riley, was completed today after nearly three full days of examination. A total of 83 veniremen were questioned before the 12 men and an alternate were selected, the defense using all of its 12 peremptory challenges and the state, five of its six.

RECOGNITION FOR RUSSIA IS URGED

Borah Declares Soviet Land Participation Needed In Economic Meet

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—The question of Russian recognition flared into the open in the senate today for the first time this session and culminated in a fervent plea by Senator Borah (R., Idaho) for inclusion of the soviet government in all international conferences for betterment of world conditions.

"I do not know how to formulate a program without that nation," said the Idahoan, long an advocate of American recognition of Russia. Borah's speech was prompted by Senator Robinson, (R., Ind.), who in a prepared address vigorously denounced advocates of recognition and asserted such an event at this time would be equivalent to "placing a gun in their hands with which to shoot us."

Robinson said with an embassy in Washington, Russian leaders would utilize it as a "central point for carrying on their admitted efforts to destroy the American republic."

Asserting that he had no intention of destroying the government of the United States and I know perfectly well they couldn't destroy it if they wanted to," Borah said:

"We are about to engage in a world economic conference. How are we going to adjust the world economic affairs and leave Russia out? We are in a disarmament conference. How are you going to reach a decision without taking Russia into consideration?"

GANGSTERS CORNER BEER, REAP PROFIT

PITTSBURGH, April 12.—(AP)—The post-graduate bootleggers and racketeers have cornered thousands of cases of Pittsburgh's diminishing beer supply, reaping fat profits by selling the brew at three times its market value.

The newspaper states that the racketeers, foreseeing the inability of brewers to satisfy the early demand, started hoarding beer as soon as its sale became legal.

Underworld characters were quoting beer at as high as \$5.80 a case, and \$35 a barrel, in Pittsburgh today, the paper reports.

Fear Boys are Wanted For war Reported In Some Cities

Oregon Envoy one of Several to Attend Capital Session

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—Attempts to speed up enrollment of the forest conservation corps were revived today as reports from army conditioning camps indicated that fewer than 10,000 men had been received during the week since recruiting was begun.

Representatives of western states who will be in charge of enrollment in that section arrived here by plane today for conferences with the labor department, the prelude to recruiting in the western area. They planned to hurry home shortly to get the enrollment started.

Meanwhile, the war department took a hand in an authorization by General Douglas MacArthur, chief of staff, telling corps area commanders to designate one captain and two lieutenants of the regular army for each forestry camp of two hundred men. He also authorized calling to active duty, with their own consent, three medical officers from the organized reserve personnel for each 1000 men in the conservation corps.

Claim Recruits Are Wanted For War
From several cities where recruiting is underway reports came today of a variety of obstacles slowing the enrollment. At Baltimore, the family welfare association reported it found it necessary to combat rumors "that the country is expecting war and is taking these men to train for the first draft."

Officials who will be in charge of enrollment in western states now attending conferences here, included Charles F. Ernst, Olympia, Washington; P. P. Carver, Boise, Idaho; I. C. Spaulding, Helena, Montana, and Raymond B. Wilcox, Portland, Oregon.

All represent state relief organizations which will have general charge of the recruiting in their areas.

SCOUT BODY PUSHES ON TO PAY UP DEBT

A well-attended meeting of the executive board of Cascade area council of the boy scouts held last night, discussed the problems, chiefly financial, confronting the organization. Faced with a growing deficit it was voted to reduce operating expenses and decided to launch a drive for funds to pay up past obligations in order to place scouting on a firm basis for the future. The drive has been begun and it will now be pushed with vigor.

Regarding the back compensation for the scout executive, O. P. West, a settlement was made provided the funds may be obtained for prompt payment. He will continue to serve until July 1 without additional compensation. The interview will give the board opportunity to consider the problem of reorganization after July 1. Members present deplored erroneous news reports which had been published, and expressed determination to maintain scouting work here for boys.

Regional executive W. L. Hayward of Spokane was present and discussed the problems with the board.

The Day in Washington

(By the Associated Press)
President Roosevelt in Pan-American day address asked reduction of world trade barriers and declared undeclared wars in South America.

Senate agriculture committee approved Norris bill embodying administration plan for Tennessee valley development.

Senate confirmed Ruth Bryan Owen of Florida, as minister to Denmark, Mayor James M. Curley of Boston nominated ambassador to Poland.

Senator Robinson (R., Ind.), denounced Russia and Senator Borah (R., Ida.), replied by urging soviet inclusion in international conferences.

President Roosevelt in telegrams to governors of 13 industrial states recommended New York state's pending minimum wage law.

Oregon Briefs

Banks Pleads Not Guilty McMinnville Man Suicide Ex-Justice is Convicted O. S. C. Professor Called

BEFORE SKIPWORTH

MEDFORD, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Llewellyn A. Banks, former Medford editor, and his wife, Edith R. Banks, pleaded not guilty to charges of first degree murder when they were arraigned in circuit court here today. A defense motion for a change of venue was filed.

The charges were placed against the two in connection with the death of Constable George Prescott March 16, fatally shot when he attempted to serve a warrant on Banks at his home.

BOUCK USES RIFLE

McMINNVILLE, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—John T. Bouck, 75, died today from a gunshot wound in his head. Police said the elderly man shot himself with a rifle, apparently while temporarily insane. His body was found lying on the bed, the rifle nearby. His widow and two sons survive.

LARCENY IS PROVEN

PENDELTON, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—J. S. West, former justice of the peace at Hermiston, was convicted by a circuit court jury last night of larceny of public funds. Sentence will be passed Monday. West was alleged to have neglected to turn over to the account of the office \$1,500 which he had collected.

MISS JOHNSON DIES

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Professor A. Grace Johnson, 53, head of the household administration department in the school of home economics at Oregon State college, died today in Salt Lake City, friends here were notified.

Miss Johnson, one of the most widely known and best-liked women on the faculty, was on Sabbatical leave this year and had recently returned from southern California. She was on her way to Ames, Ia., to take advance work, and was visiting with friends in that city. She suffered a sudden stroke yesterday and died soon after midnight.