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FAIR PLAY FOR VETS, PLEA OF LOUIS JOHNSON

Tax-Exempt Securities one Bar to Equality Says Chief of Legion

15 per Cent Limitation was Hope but Action Friday Prevented, States

If the United States government is to economize in veterans' relief costs, let it first call in its tax-exempt securities so that the rich man shall be taxed pro rata with the dollars of the poor man and let it eliminate services that are not needed, Louis A. Johnson, national commander of the American legion, declared here last night. A crowd that virtually filled the armory floor and balconies heard the commander deliver his official Oregon address.

"To me," he said, "the greatest crime of the World War was the issuance by our federal government of tax-exempt securities. . . almost half the wealth of this country is invested in tax-exempt securities. Let our government call in these tax-exempt securities so that the rich man shall be taxed pro rata with the poor man, even the income taxes which the New York bankers don't pay, to carry on this government of ours."

Garner Prevents Limit of Reduction

When the United States senate Friday considered limiting the size of cuts in disability compensation and pensions, senators friendly to veterans intended to defeat the 25 per cent limitation so that they could effect 15 per cent restriction on reductions but Vice-President Garner swung a vote against them, Johnson averred.

Pointing out that the president has ordered a careful review of veterans' affairs, Commander Johnson said he had faith and hope that the truly disabled men of America would "receive the consideration to which they are entitled."

The national commander said the legion is opposed to "gold-brickers" on the veterans' list and that the legion stands dedicated to keep them off so that when the new regulations are set up the truly disabled men will be respected by the people of America. "These goldbrickers are continually being paraded to the detriment of the truly disabled," he asserted.

Veterans Should Unite Against Graft

"Wherever there is corruption or graft or fraud and extravagance in America, let us in the name of our disabled men clean it out and do a good job," Commander Johnson pleaded.

"Thousands of unnecessary pamphlets are printed and mailed at government expense, the speaker declared. "A fair sample of one of those pamphlets is one on the love life of a bull-frog." Loud applause greeted Commander Johnson when he added:

"If we are going to have economy in America at the expense of the veteran, then we want to hear nothing more about the sex life of bull-frogs."

Aside from veterans' relief matters, Commander Johnson repeated his organization's stand on national defense and asserted the legion had been instrumental in preventing drastic reductions in army appropriations and is now working to forestall a \$144,000,000 cut due July 1.

Navy of U. S. Should Be Second to None

And "the navy of Uncle Sam must be second to no other navy in the world," Commander Johnson demanded. The United States would have to construct 135 ships to bring its navy up to treaty strength whereas Japan needs but six more ships, he asserted.

Referring to the legion's Americanization program, the speaker said his organization was fighting communism and had broken a threatened communist uprising in Salt Lake City. He declared recognition of Soviet Russia because of its alleged propagandistic activities.

"To us the sanctity of our government is worth a damn sight more than a few dollars in trade with the Soviet government," he called for public faith in the American legion, the national commander said in conclusion: "The American legion is going right down the middle of the broad highway that is America, with but two guideposts, those fixed by the preamble to the constitution of the American legion, God on the one hand and Country on the other."

Thousands Here to Greet Legion Chief Upon Official Visit

Parade Draws Monster Crowd; Many Also at Ball Game and Armory to Hear his Address; Drum Corps Praised

AFTER being honored here yesterday with the presence of legionnaires from at least a fourth of the 96 posts in Oregon, Louis A. Johnson, national legion commander, departed in company with legion officials last night for Portland where, it was announced, he will remain over an extra day.

PORTLAND BOOSTS DRUM CORPS PLAN

Receipts of dog Races for June 20 all Devoted to Sending Group East

PORTLAND, June 3.—(AP)—Joseph K. Carson, mayor-elect of Portland, was today appointed chairman of a committee of 50 whose purpose will be to devise means of sending Salem's American Legion drum corps, national champions, to the American Legion convention in Chicago this year. Three vice-chairmen, all of Portland, were appointed by Walter W. R. May, manager of the Portland chamber of commerce. They are: Dr. Archie Van Cleave, Robert Mount and Aaron Frank. Twenty of the 50 committee members will be from Portland. The full membership will be announced by Chairman Carson within a few days, he said.

The Salem corps, of 26 pieces, won the national title at the American Legion convention here last September. Charles Whittemore, drum major of the capital city corps, won the national drum major championship. About \$8000 will be needed, it was estimated, for the trip to Chicago. May said today it is hoped that that amount can be raised through the sale of tickets to the dog races here. Peter O'Connor, president of the Multnomah club, and promoter of the races, has offered the entire gate receipts of the night of June 20, when the drum corps will stage a special drill at the civic stadium, where the greyhound races are held. A crowd of 20,000 persons would raise the needed \$8000, May said.

"Salem has spent \$40,000 in (Turn to page 5, col. 4)

GOLD REPUDIATION BILL PAST SENATE

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(AP)—"Amid cries of 'bad faith' and 'repudiation,' the senate today gave final congressional approval to the administration's resolution permitting payment of all contracts in legal tender money.

An overwhelming coalition of democrats and western republicans drove through a vote of 48 to 20 the measure requested by the administration, eliminating the gold payment requirement from all contracts, public and private, either present or future.

This means that war debts, mortgages and liberty bonds, as well as all other governmental and private obligations, may be settled in legal tender money, obviating the requirement that gold shall be used.

The resolution had already passed the house and needs only the signatures of Vice-President Garner and Speaker Rainey before going to the White House.

Rain, Lightning Follow Burns, Ore., June 3.—(AP)—A dust storm followed by thunder and lightning and a driving rain whipped over Burns today from the west, the weather had been threatening for three days after a brief hot spell here earlier in the week.

REFUSE EIGHT CENTS

ASTORIA, Ore., June 3.—(AP)—Hope for an immediate end of the strike of Columbia river fishermen was lessened tonight when about 400 gillnetters, cannery workers and trollers here voted to instruct their delegates to vote against offers made by two Astoria packers to pay price of 8 cents a pound for Chinook salmon on an immediate end of the strike.

The Columbia river fishermen company today offered an 8-cent price to Aug. 1, paying 5 cents a pound in cash, with the remainder to be paid when the canned stock is sold. Yesterday the Columbia River Fish company agreed to pay 8 cents until Aug. 1, 4 cents cash on delivery and 4 cents when he packed fish is sold.

HELD FOR FEDERALISTS

City police early today were holding James Walter Sepek, who gave his address as Salem, for the United States department of justice, they reported. Sepek was arrested by A. F. Merritt, federal prohibition agent. The charge against him was not divulged.

HAVE TO LEARN 340 NEW LAWS BEFORE FRIDAY

That Many go in Effect on That day; License act Is Important one

Income tax, Power Bill on List; two Institutions' Names are Changed

In order to escape the opprobrium of being dubbed "scoff-laws," residents of Oregon should in the next few days acquaint themselves with something like 340 new laws which, beginning Friday, they will be expected to obey. That many acts of the 1933 legislature will become effective on that date. Another list of new regulations will go into effect July 1.

One of the important new laws is the "gin" marriage act. This law, copied in part from the California act, requires that three full days shall elapse between the time of filing the application and receiving the marriage license. Motor vehicle operators are interested in the new law which calls for a fee of \$1 for operators' permits after June 9. Under this law permits will be issued every two years but examination of applicants will not be required except in cases where there is doubt as to ability to drive. The existing law enacted in 1931 requires examination before new or renewed licenses may be issued. Provision whereby all drivers must have new licenses either under the 1931 act or the 1933 act by September 1. At present applicants are required to submit to an examination, but receive their permits for 50 cents.

Income Tax Boost Will Take Effect

The new income tax law increasing the rate from one to two per cent in the lower brackets and from five to seven per cent in the higher brackets also becomes effective next week, although the tax derived therefrom will not be collected until next year. The tax under the new law will be levied on incomes for 1933. The new law lowers exempted of married persons from \$2500 to \$1500, with exemptions of dependents fixed at \$300 instead of \$400. Single persons will be exempt in the amount of \$800 instead of \$1500 as under the present act. A property tax offset is permitted. Other revised laws provide a tax on gifts and increase the inheritance tax rate.

Still another important law gives the state utility commission additional powers in the regulation of utility operations. Twenty or more of the new laws relate to the licensing of collection agencies, dentists and public contesters, dealers and manufacturers of carbonated beverages and changes in brokerage licenses. In most cases (Turn to page 5, col. 3)

LEGION EXECUTIVE WINS PRAISE HERE

National Commander Louis A. Johnson of the American Legion, impressed his hearers at the armory last night not alone by his words but also by his military carriage and forceful personality. Tall above average, yet rotund, broad-shouldered, he matched his physique with a deep-toned, expansive voice that carried to all parts of the hall.

Virtually devoid of eccentricities, alternately serious and humorous, gesturing vigorously at times, he won the admiration of the men who are his fellow members in the legion. His anecdotes evoked roars of laughter from the audience; his declarations drew applause.

Commander Johnson appeared on the platform in a conservative-styled dark brown suit, striped tie to match, white shirt, and white kerchief in breast pocket. The only insignia he wore was his commander's pendant, hanging below the kerchief.

Requirements of Projects Listed By State Leader

PORTLAND, Ore., June 3.—(AP)—Requirements that public works projects must meet before they are given a place on Oregon's list of projects eligible for federal public works money, in the event the bill now before congress is adopted, were made public here today by Raymond B. Wilcox, head of Governor Julius L. Meier's reconstruction advisory board.

The projects, Wilcox emphasized, must be of wide public benefit, be of greatest need in the planned growth of the community, have the real support of the public and be readily adaptable for immediate undertaking.

ROOSEVELT TO PLEAD REPEAL CAUSE, BELIEF

Anti-Prohibition Leaders In dry and Doubtful States ask aid

Indiana Vote This Week is Expected to be Close; Illinois Ballots

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(AP)—A direct appeal to the states to carry out the democratic campaign pledge and ratify repeal of the prohibition amendment is expected of President Roosevelt by democratic leaders.

With seven states already in line for repeal and two others to vote on the question next week, members from dry and doubtful states have appealed to Mr. Roosevelt to join his postmaster general and national committee chairman—James A. Farley—in making a personal appeal for action. They have gained the impression that he will do so.

Already the president has obtained a provision in the tax section of the industrial recovery bill which will allow the abolition of the special taxes it carries when and if revenues begin to flow into the treasury through a reinstatement of the liquor taxes that obtained before prohibition.

Mid-western democrats have urged that the president speak his mind before Indiana votes next week. Southerners have asked that he make the appeal before Alabama steps out July 18 as the first southern state to vote.

Illinois will vote with Indiana next week.

Twenty-three other states have set their voting dates definitely for this year and there is a possibility of action by the 36 necessary to ratify before the end of the year.

EVANGELICAL MEET WILL CLOSE TODAY

The 50th annual session of the Oregon conference of the Evangelical church will close this afternoon at 3:30 with the reading of the ministerial appointments by Bishop G. W. Epp. The reading of the appointments will be preceded by a band concert by the Salem First Evangelical church band at 2 p. m. and an ordination and missionary service at 2:30.

Bishop Epp will deliver the morning address at 10:30 at the First Evangelical church and Rev. C. P. Gates, district superintendent for the Salem district, will preach at the evening church service.

The conference was declared by members to have been highly satisfactory and has opened new possibilities for expansion in the future. Approximately 65 pastors and lay delegates were in attendance at the conference sessions.

CHOIR ON PROGRAM FOR FLOWER SHOW

The last day of the Willamette Valley Flower Show association will be observed in Marion square today. It will be open all day to the public and a brilliant array of flowers and interesting displays is to be seen.

The afternoon program will be featured by the appearance of the Willamette Philharmonic choir, under the direction of Prof. Cameron Marshall. This event should be particularly beautiful as an open-air concert. It will be given at 2:30 o'clock.

Sunday afternoon will also be featured by a talk by Miss Edith Schryver on vase and basket arrangement of flowers, and a talk on rock gardens in the high Alps by Ernest Luffer, president of the Salem Garden club.

Late Sports

PORTLAND, June 3.—(AP)—West Linn today won the first Oregon State High School Athletic association swimming and diving championship, held at Lake Oswego, with a score of 25 points. Benson high of Portland was runner-up with 18 and Milwaukie third with 15.

Francis Lovette of Silverton, won first place in the fancy diving event, George Reed of Silverton, placed third in the 100-yard breast stroke, won by Kenneth Lawrence of Benson.

Ahead of Post - Gatty Schedule On Solo Dash Around the Globe



Though reports on his progress were meager, Jimmy Mattern was believed to be well ahead of the schedule made by Wiley Post and Harold Gatty on their 8 1/2-day dash around the globe, early this morning. He is expected to appear over the coast of Ireland by noon today. Mattern, noted Texas flier, is pictured beside his speedy monoplane at New York. Inset the plane, "Century of Progress," is shown over New York in a test flight.

SHARP QUAKE FELT AT SAN FRANCISCO

Heavy in Outlying Sections But Mild Downtown; no Damage Reported

SAN FRANCISCO, June 3.—(AP)—An earthquake of considerable intensity was felt by residents in the outlying sections of San Francisco at about 6:45 o'clock tonight, while persons in the downtown section observed a slight tremor.

There were no reports of damage. Residents in the districts bordering the ocean said there were two distinct shocks, one of slight motion, and the second of severe intensity.

The shocks apparently were of local character, as nearby cities did not feel the disturbances. Perry Byerly, associate professor of seismology at the University of California, said instruments at the university recorded the quake at 6:44 p. m. He said it was of slight intensity and that he was unable to estimate its distance.

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VISITORS BARRED AT SHOALS PLANT

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(AP)—Visitors have been barred from the power house at Muscle Shoals, Ala., by order of Major General Lytle Brown, chief of army engineers, because of recurring reports of intended sabotage there.

General Brown, asserting no such activities had occurred as yet, tonight expressed concern lest they take place and ordered that none but known and recognized individuals be admitted.

He said his course was dictated solely by reports that such activities were threatened and that his decision had been made to protect the government's gigantic \$150,000,000 property from any who would seek to harm it.

Truckmen Further Plans To Fight New Regulations

Two to three hundred truck owners and members of executive committees from 11 units in the state, gathered here yesterday to further their organization. The objective of the Truck Owners' and Farmers' Protective association—the formal title of the new group which is being formed throughout the state—is to prevent enactment of 429, 1933 session laws, from becoming effective.

A. C. Anderson, chairman of the meeting, said that more than 700 men had already become members of the association and scores of new members in the state today. Minimum fees for membership are set at one dollar.

The first step of the association will be to seek a court injunction of the new truck and bus bill. Truck owners in the association claim this bill will force 10,000 haulers out of the business, cease operations in the state and thousands of unpaid-for trucks will be forced back to dealers' hands and thousands of men will be put out of work. The association asserts that the common carriers—trucks and railroads—will gain through the new law's operation a virtual monopoly on hauling of goods in this state.

While the association members yesterday expressed antagonism to the new law which is to become

ACCIDENTAL DEATH THEORY ADVANCED

Eye-Witness to Tragedy on Stanford Campus now Claim of Defense

SAN JOSE, Cal., June 3.—(AP)—Arthur M. Free, attorney for David A. Lamson, charged with slaying his wife, Allene, issued a statement today saying he had found an eye witness to the girl's accidental death in her bathroom Tuesday morning.

Free declared he had in his possession a written statement by the man asserted to have seen the girl fall, that the statement was signed, but that he would not reveal the writer's name at this time.

"I will produce this man at the proper time," Free declared. "His statement reveals that he entered the Lamson home on the Stanford campus on some trivial matter, and not to commit any crime. Mrs. Lamson was bathing, saw him in the house, screamed and fell, striking her head against the faucets in the tub. The man became frightened and fled.

"Later, when he saw that David Lamson had been charged with the murder of his wife, he became conscience stricken and sent his signed statement to me. It completely exonerates young Lamson of any wrong-doing, and corroborates my contention that his wife's death was pure accident."

Groshong Breaks Jail Furniture, Goes to Hospital

R. L. Groshong, whom city police took into custody several weeks ago on a charge of attempted assault upon a local physician and who exhibited suicidal tendencies when jailed, was arrested again last night on a charge of being drunk. When he began destroying furnishings in the jail, police returned him to the hospital from which he recently had been paroled.

RECORD SHIPMENT OF LUMBER TO GO

PORTLAND, June 3.—(AP)—The steamer San Julian, idle at Portland since May 15, 1932, will be sent here in July to load the largest cargo of lumber taken from the Columbia river in four years, Kenneth D. Dawson, general manager of the Quaker line announced here today.

The steamer will load 7,000,000 board feet of lumber, the equivalent of 12,700 tons. With demand for lumber cargoes increasing, Dawson said, no one mill in the Columbia-Willamette district will be able to supply all the cargo, and the vessel will be shifted from one mill dock to another until her holds and deck space are entirely filled. The lumber will be delivered at Atlantic ports.

Dawson said the largest lumber cargo ever carried in the inter-coastal trade was one of more than 8,000,000 board feet loaded on the steamer Lewis Luckenbach several years ago. That cargo, however, came from both the Puget Sound and Columbia River districts.

The San Julian will be the 23d ship ordered back into service between Portland and Atlantic coast ports because of a heavy increase in the demand for cargo space.

INEBRIATION CHARGED

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WEATHER GOOD AS MATTERN'S PLANE AWAITED

Report From Ireland Highly Favorable; Round-World Hop Well Started

Gains Time by Failing to Stop at Newfoundland; Paris First Goal

LONDON, June 4.—(Saturday)—(AP)—The air ministry reported weather conditions off the coast of Ireland good for Jimmy Mattern's transatlantic flight in an official statement issued today.

It is said the weather is mainly fair with few clouds and a good visibility of six to 12 miles. Across the Atlantic a good westerly air current of 25 to 30 miles per hour was reported. At longitude 20, said the ministry, Mattern would strike southerly winds and more clouds.

LEBOURGNET, France, June 3.—(AP)—Authorities at the flying field here expect James Mattern, the American world flier, to arrive here by noon Sunday. An oil company has received a request to prepare to refuel the plane and to provide a place for the aviator to get five hours rest.

NEW YORK, June 3.—(AP)—Bound around the world alone, Jimmie Mattern soared over Newfoundland and headed out over the open sea tonight.

With the wind behind him and fair weather all about, the 28-year-old Texas aviator was reported late today to have been sighted over the Wadams islands off the extreme northeastern coast of Newfoundland.

Earlier, slightly more than seven hours after he left New York—Mattern was seen over Lewisporte, Newfoundland, some 1200 miles from the start. He had left Floyd Bennett field, Brooklyn, at 4:20 a. m., Eastern Standard time.

By not landing at Harbor Grace—the customary stopping point for fliers before they attempt the Atlantic—Mattern regained almost four hours advantage on the round-trip—a world record of eight days, 15 hours and 51 minutes set by Wiley Post and Harold Gatty in 1931.

Following the Lindbergh route, Mattern's first scheduled stop was Paris, which he expected to reach within 27 hours. Then, after six hours' sleep, straight on to Moscow, dipping over the Trepelhof airfield in Berlin, en route.

The bullet-shaped plane, resembling a mighty eagle with its wings dappled in red, white and blue, carries no radio and further word of Mattern's progress east from Newfoundland must come from ships at sea until he noses over Ireland.

"I'll be back in a week," the San Angelo trap drummer-turned-aviator cried out to a small crowd of well-wishers as he climbed into his plane, Century of Progress, and inaugurated the 1933 transatlantic flying season.

The sleek 700-gallon motor plane is sufficient to remain aloft for 28 hours. Its cruising speed is 150 miles an hour, pushed up to around 170 with fair winds.

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