

MARTIN SHOWS SYMPATHY FOR FARMER GROUP

Addresses Grange, Pledges Support of Movements To Aid Agriculture

"Eligibility" Tangle Still Confronts Legislators And Also Governor

By SHELTON F. SACKETT
Highly desirous of more pleasant relations with the agricultural population of the state, Governor Martin the past week made obvious overtures to demonstrate his knowledge of and sympathy with farm life. Going out of his way to motor to the Eagle Creek grange in Clackamas county yesterday, he pledged farmers there assembled his support in "every constructive effort for the advancement of Oregon's agriculture."

The previous day, the governor had "conferred" with a Farmers union group called to his office here—a window-dressing conference to give strength to his attempt to align agricultural interests with his program of valley development and rural electrification.

At the conference here—as in the Clackamas county speech—the governor wasn't the general—he was a one-time Illinois farm boy who went barefoot as a lad on his father's farm, who knew how to pitch hay and to milk cows. And the governor took pains—500 words of care—to recount the history of the grange movement, to laud National Master Taber, and to pledge anew his own help in lowering taxes on farm land in Oregon and in securing a lighter load of interest on farm debts.

The Gill, Tompkins, Zimmerman groups have been badgering the new administration from the time during the legislature when Mr. Martin shot a blast at the grange lobby. The talk of recall has bubbled up through farm and labor groups. The overtures of last week were aimed to be a backfire to this coterie.

Gratified at Aid Given by Pierce
Martin was highly gratified with the support Congressman Pierce last week gave the federal power line project the governor had espoused. The eastern Oregon congressman evidenced great interest and hearty support for the governor's plan for federally built power lines.

Boiler as well as Governor Martin's idea that Oregon should get a sizeable chunk of the \$100,000,000 Mr. Roosevelt has set aside for rural electrification.

To heal the breach with Pierce occasioned by the removal of Mrs. Pierce from the board of higher education is feat enough for one week, the executive offices consider. At the same time to win a better position with farm groups in the state through a friendly address at Eagle Creek and a carefully planned goodwill conference at the governor's office, is another accomplishment.

Persistent reports come from Portland that a suit will be instituted there shortly to test the constitutional right of Governor Charles H. Martin to hold office. The agitation was started when Representative Warren Erwin wrote the attorney-general's office asking for an opinion on the matter and the latter refused one on the ground that a representative of the legislature was entitled to opinions only on legislative matters.

Erwin cited Article V, Section 3 of the Oregon constitution which declares: "No person holding any office under the United States... shall file the office of governor." The proponents of the test suit contend Governor Martin, as a retired major-general of the United States army, is a federal officer, subject to call for duty, and to the rules of war and on a 75 per cent salary base.

Should such a suit be brought it would be an ex rel proceeding raised by a district attorney or the attorney-general's office. The latter has scrupulously avoided expressing its views on the moot question in connection with the matter of legislative eligibility. No other public officer in the state is anxious to carry the question into the courts, because the agitators in Portland are men who dislike the incumbent and want to embarrass him. They will be hard pressed to get an official to bring the necessary quo warranto proceedings.

Probably First Filipino Chief



Manuel Quezon, who is believed almost certain of election as first president of the Filipino republic.

CHAIN LETTER MEN GRAVE POLICE AID

Ask to be Closed up When Public Demands Payoff; Spokane Chief Won't

SPOKANE, Wash., May 18.—(AP)—"I guess Barnum was right" was the response of Police Chief Ira Martin tonight as he turned deaf ears to pleas of chain letter brokers that they be closed and to the irate clamor of customers that the brokerages be forced to "come through."

"There's a fool born every minute," Martin commented, refusing to order the police to take action to stop the letter brokers. Entangled in a web of their own weaving, the brokers who roosted in vacant store rooms and offices, pleaded with county and city authorities to extricate them from a situation which hourly grew more menacing as their clients demanded the "pay off."

"Barkers" who had promised dividends in 24 hours were absent from many of the places which were jammed with customers as late as last night. There was no effort being made to coax fresh trade into the shops which had been running several days—they didn't know what to do with the crowd who had got in on the ground floor and were due to collect.

County Prosecutor Ralph E. Foley flatly refused to become involved in the tangle. "We are not taking over their troubles," he said in reference to appeals by the brokers that he stop their operations. "They got themselves into this thing and they can find their own way out. If we close the places, we take the blame for losses."

The planning mill of the Hammond Lumber company at Mill City is operating steadily with no prospect of an early shut down according to Frank Taylor who was in the city yesterday. Mr. Taylor has been with the Hammond company for the last 16 years. He said about 150 men were working in the planning mill. Rough lumber is being trucked and railroaded to the planning mill from considerable distances.

Taylor said three new, small mills were soon to go into operation in the Mill City district. The Evans mill which has been operating near Gates is being moved into the Detroit district. Haystack last Chestnut are setting up a shingle mill at Idina while Albany interests are putting in a small mill near Mill City. The main Hammond mill operations at Mill City have ceased and belts have been taken from the machinery. The complete Hammond operations formerly employed 350 men.

Traffic Code to Come up Monday
The city traffic code introduced by Alderman Cuyler VanPatten probably will be reported back to the city council Monday night with several amendments, it was believed last night. Several changes in bus and truck traffic regulations contained in the bill were under fire at the public hearing conducted by the ordinance committee last Monday. Alderman Fred A. Williams, committee chairman, said his committee had not met to decide exactly what report it would make.

WANTS BOUNDARY SETTLED
A suit was filed in circuit court yesterday in which Grace McClellan asked the court to adjudicate and determine boundary lines of real property. Defendants named in the suit were William and Ida Blake.

WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS TO START SOON

Filter Bed on Island Will Be Proposed as Soon as City Owns Works

Larger Mains to Take Care Of Fire Fighting Needs Also Will Be Asked

Prospects of an improved water supply for Salem within the next year exist in the impending purchase of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company's system, it was made known last night by a member of the city council's utilities committee. Also as quickly as possible, plans to lay pipes large enough to provide adequate water flow for fire protection at danger points will be put into effect.

As soon as the city takes over the plant, Alderman Merrill D. Ohling said, the committee contemplates proposing that a new filter bed be built on Mint's island, costing between \$3000 and \$4000. It would consist of an arrangement of sand layers expected to better the quality of the water markedly. The present filter bed is largely a natural gravel one, improved somewhat by the company last summer.

May Be Completed Before Low Season
Ohling said he felt it might be possible to put the new sand filter into operation before the critical period of the summer—extreme low river level—is reached. Complaints about the water have peaked during this period in past years.

The need for larger mains for fire protection was brought forcefully to the city's attention recently by shortage of water with which to combat the capital conflagration. It was outlined in detail by the fire underwriters' report on Salem a few years ago.

The committee will ask the council at Monday night's meeting to give it authority to employ an engineer to estimate the amount of money needed for these immediate improvements. John W. Cunningham, who has handled all water engineering work for the city since 1930, doubtless will be the man selected.

An adjourned session of the aldermen will be called one week from Monday night to authorize sale of water bonds to pay the company \$1,000,000 for the system, finance municipal operation and make improvements, it is planned.

MARTIN SMILES AT ATTACK ON SALARY
Governor Charles H. Martin expressed amusement yesterday over threatened suit to determine whether the chief executive could receive more than \$1500 a year as salary under the state constitution.

"I see where Ed Jory thinks I am making too much money," he commented. "He forgets that I prevented the legislature from preventing half of my 30 per cent reduction in salary."

World News at a Glance

By the Associated Press

Airplanes:
Moscow—Forty-nine killed in crash of Maxim Gorky, world's largest land airplane.
Flint, Mich.—Three die as transport plane crashes at dedication of new airport.
New York—Tomlinson sets four more world speed records for transport planes.

Domestic:
Washington—Veto of bonus bill likely to be upheld by congress, survey shows.
Washington—Glass challenges President Roosevelt to press for passage of Morgenthau's government-owned central bank proposal.

Foreign:
Munich—Police seize contributions collected by Catholic charities.
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia—Emperor Haile Selassie, ruler of Ethiopia, abolishes serfdom.
Krakow, Poland—Foreign Minister Laval of France and General Goering, Hitler's right hand man, confer, presumably on eastern security pact.

Wet, England—Condition of Col. T. E. Lawrence, author and famed adventurer, hurt in motorcycle collision Monday, takes critical turn.
VETO WILL PREVAIL CHECKUP INDICATES
No Votes Changed in Upper House; Personal Appeal Of F. R. May Help

WASHINGTON, May 18.—(AP)—While President Roosevelt completed a sternly worded bonus veto, a check of senate votes today disclosed that his rejection of the inflationary \$2,200,000,000 Patman bonus bill almost certainly would be upheld.

A virtually complete survey failed to show a single change in the 35 votes registered or announced against the inflationary bill when it passed the senate early last week, despite the intense anti-veto campaign conducted by its friends. Should 33 vote with the president the veto would be upheld.

On the other hand, several senators who voted for the bill originally appeared to be wavering in view of the president's dramatic show of determination to kill the bill. The executive's intention to appear personally to present his veto, a hitherto unprecedented action, was held by administration leaders to have already made itself felt.

SUES ON NOTE
Suit to collect a mortgage note for \$2500 was filed yesterday in circuit court by Georgia L. Kappinger against Joseph Nebler and others. She alleges that interest on the note has not been paid for more than a year and that five years' taxes are past due. The note is secured by a mortgage on 38 acres of land.

Farmers Plan to Help in Breaking Lumber Strike
SHERIFF CONNELL BLAMED "30 or 40 communists" for interfering with operations in the county and said both mill operators and mill workers had sanctioned the reopening.

PLANE CRASHES TAKE 53 LIVES IN SINGLE DAY

Stanley Hausner, Noted For Atlantic Attempt, Dies While Stunting

49 Killed Near Moscow as Biggest Land Airplane Figures in Smashup

(By The Associated Press)
Fifty-three persons were killed in three airplane crashes here and abroad Saturday, 49 dying when the huge Maxim Gorky, world's largest land plane, collided with a smaller ship near Moscow.

At Detroit, Mich., Stanley Hausner, 35 year old Polish-American aviator, died in the wreckage of his monoplane, which crashed and burned as he stunted at Memorial services for the late Marshal Josef Pilsudski of Poland. The pilot and two of 10 passengers in a transport plane were killed at Flint, Mich., as the pilot attempted to take off during the dedication of a new airport.

Forty-eight of those killed at Moscow were passengers in the mammoth Maxim Gorky itself, including eight women and six children. The pilot of the escorting ship which rammed into the Maxim Gorky also lost his life. Soviet officials denied a report that the great plane exploded, although it fell to the ground in fragments after the impact.

Hausner, who in 1932 was rescued from his drifting plane in the Atlantic ocean when he failed in an attempted trans-ocean flight to Poland, had planned a Detroit-to-Warsaw flight for next month.

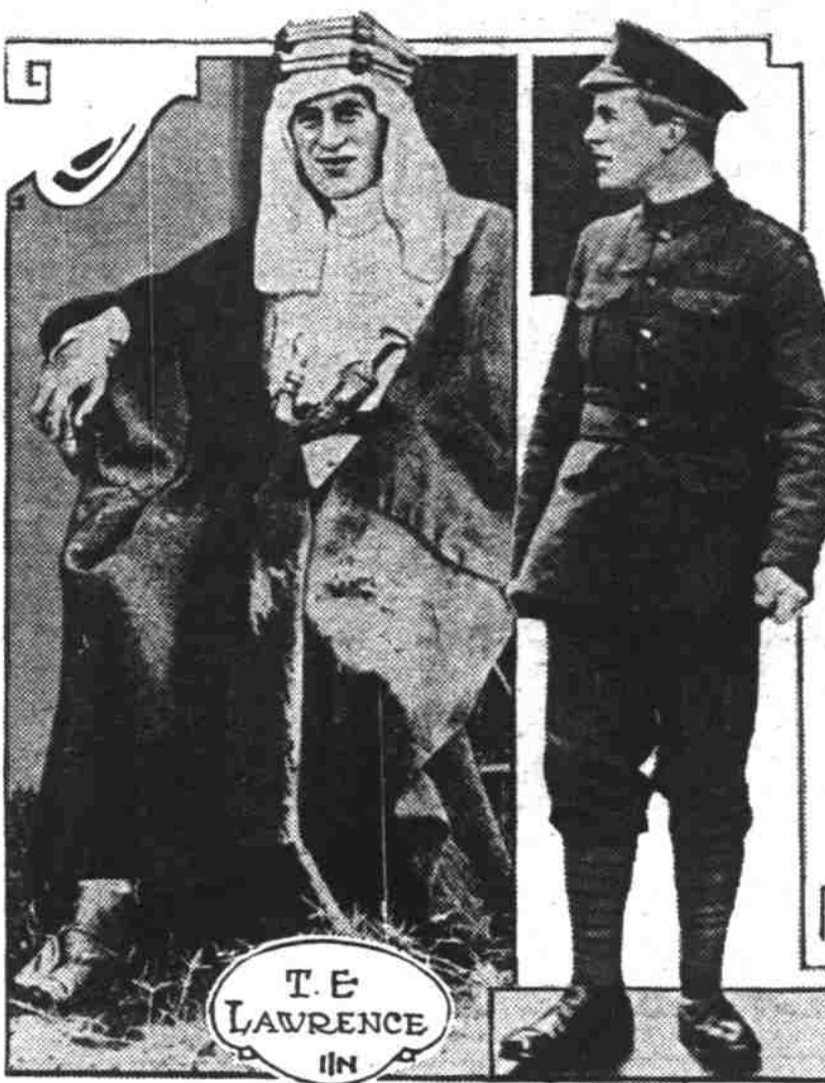
Observers said the right wing of his plane apparently loosened at an altitude of 1000 feet. The ship crashed with an ear-splitting explosion, bursting into flames and setting three houses afire. The transport ship which fell at Flint had reached an altitude of some 100 feet when, witnesses said, both wing motors failed and the plane crashed to the ground and nosed over.

FLINT, Mich., May 18.—(AP)—A pilot and two passengers were killed and two other occupants of a tri-motored transport plane were seriously injured here today when the plane crashed during dedication of a new airport.

BUILDING RECORDS SINCE 1930 FALL
Building department records of at least five years' standing topped last week when 23 permits valued at \$78,197 were issued by E. C. Bushnell, city building inspector. That sum alone would make the building total for May here exceed that of any month since early in 1930. The total for the month, however, is \$185,482.

A single permit, for the \$70,000 Fry warehouse at Front and Trade streets, served to set up the record. Four others over \$500 were issued during the week: Methodist church, 1330 North Winter street, to alter church building, \$3000; Salem school district, repair Olinger pool and bathroom, \$1350; J. J. Karst, erect house at 105 East Owens, \$1965, and Hunt Brothers, alter cannery at 165 Division, \$600.

Lawrence of Arabia, Colorful Soldier of Fortune, Is Called



WOLL, Dorsetshire, Eng., May 19.—(Sunday)—(AP)—Colonel T. E. Lawrence, the world-famous "Lawrence of Arabia" died today of injuries received in a cycling accident.

Lawrence, who figured in countless adventures in the Arabian desert had been unconscious since his motorcycle collided with a bicycle ridden by a young boy on a peaceful English countryside last Monday.

PRICES ON PRUNES ARE SET BY BOARD
No Change From Last Year On Green Produce; Dry Figure is Delayed

The prune control board set the minimum price after meeting with canners of prunes in Washington and Oregon. Prices on dried prunes will be announced later.

The prices set by the board are for fruit delivered to the buyer at the customary place of delivery in the grower's locality. When the crop is transported a greater discount is allowed.

Southwest's Storms Kill At Least Six
Brown waters of Turkey Creek, boiling through the Harmony community of southwestern Oklahoma, drowned two persons and severely injured five missing also had perished.

Twisters and floods in widely separated sections of north and central Texas killed six. Driving rains, swelling small streams into torrents, accompanied the tornadoic Texas winds.

Salem Boy Scouts Capture Honors, Dallas Camp-o-ree
DALLAS, May 18.—(Special)—Salem Boy Scouts swept through Cascade area's first annual camp-o-ree patrol competitions here today to win the two "A" and nine "B" certificates presented at the honor court and campfire program held tonight in a natural amphitheater near the city park.

Mrs. Herrick Is State Leader of Business Women
Mrs. Winnifred R. Herrick was elected president of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women's club at the state convention which is being held at the Dallas this weekend.

3000 EXPECTED FOR BIG LODGE CONCLAVE HERE

Odd Fellows, Rebekahs Will Begin Arriving Today For State Session

Raising of Colors Today at 4 p.m. on Courthouse Lawn First Event

Salem was ready today to be host to the grand lodge of I. O. O. F., and its affiliated bodies who will start a conclave tonight which will continue until Thursday afternoon.

Advance registrations indicated 3000 men and women from all parts of the state would be here for the lodge sessions. Charles P. Poole, Eugene, grand master of the lodge, E. A. Harris, Brooks, grand S. W. March of the grand encampment, Grace Christiansen, Portland, president of the Rebekah assembly, and Brigadier-General John Oliver, commander of the department council of the patriarchs militant, were expected here by noon today, in the van-guard of the groups of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs whose arrival will be spread over the next two days.

The convention will be opened officially at 4 o'clock this afternoon when colors of the lodge will be raised at the headquarters established at the courthouse lawn. Registration will also begin at that time at the headquarters in the chamber of commerce rooms on North Liberty street here. Visiting delegates will there be assigned to rooms in homes throughout the city.

Will Attend Church At First Christian
At 7 p. m. tonight chevaliers, ladies and other members of the patriarchs militant and the auxiliary are to march to the First Christian church where Rev. Guy Drill, member of the order, will preach.

Monday will be given over to affairs for the patriarchs militant branch of the lodge with a military banquet at the Queen at 6 o'clock highlight of the day. At 8:30 p. m. Monday all members of the order will assemble at the Salem armory where the decoration of members will be conferred on members followed by an Odd Fellows dance.

REPORT OF RELIEF PROBE DUE MONDAY
Report of the special committee, named by Governor Martin on March 18 to investigate relief activities here, was expected at the statehouse tomorrow. The report has been in the governor's hands for ten days with printed copies being prepared for release to the public.

Senator E. A. McCracken of Lane county headed the committee with Verne Dusenberry and Grace Phelps of Portland the other members.

LEAGUE TO PROBE WALLS' CONDITION
Special engineers will be retained by the four members of the Marion County Taxpayers' league this coming week to check the condition of the walls of the old capitol building. The league attorneys representing the men in the injunction proceedings against the state board of control, announced yesterday. If these engineers report the walls are sound and can be used in reconstruction, the four litigants—Ed Jory, Willard Stephens, Henry Zorn and Martin Rostvold—will appeal their case to the supreme court.

Martin said the plaintiffs in the injunction suit would appeal from Judge L. G. Levelling's decision that would not bring a new suit in the name of the state as the court suggested in its memorandum opinion last week. "Taxpayers are the only persons affected in this proceeding," Martin declared. "They are the proper persons to bring suit."