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## NO SENATE AGREEMENT ON PACT IN SIGHT

### KENDRICK HITS AT PACKERS IN SPEECH TODAY

Wyoming Senator Tells Live Stock Association Whole Nation Concerned In Fight Against "Big Five."

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 27.—Discussion of legislation to curb the activities of the big meat packers, expected to develop one of the warmest contests of the present convention of the American National Livestock association, was launched by United States Senator John B. Kendrick of Wyoming, president of the association in his address at the opening session here today.

Senator Kendrick, author of a bill in congress intended to circumscribe the business activities of the packers, presented the affirmative side of the argument for restriction, declaring that he was speaking not alone with the interests of the livestock producers in view but because "it is a question of the ultimate good of the entire nation and there is not a hungry child in the humblest home in America who is not vitally concerned in the solution of this problem."

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Iowa Farm Editor To Be Named Secretary Of Agriculture When Present Incumbent Steps Out; Has Public Record As Candidate For Congress And Governor; Nomination To Be Sent To Senate Today.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Edwin T. Meredith of Iowa, editor of "Successful Farming," will be named secretary of agriculture to succeed Secretary Houston, who is to become secretary of the treasury in the place of Carter Glass.

### Supreme Court Upholds State Banking Laws

The state banking laws making the granting of a charter for a new bank discretionary with the state banking board based upon the needs for the proposed institution, are upheld in a supreme court opinion by Justice Johns today in which the decree of Judge George A. Bigham of the Marion county circuit court ordering the state superintendent of banks to issue a charter to the S. A. Mulkey and others interested in the organization of a new bank at St. Johns, is reversed.

### Quarantine Law To Be Enforced Thruout Salem

Instructing the city health officer to enforce the quarantine law as it relates to the isolation of homes in which contagious diseases are existent, the police committee of the city council has assured that officer that they stand squarely behind him in his enforcement of the law and that they will do all within their power to punish violators of the quarantine law.

### Damage to Fruit Small in Santiam Bottom Says Lewis

While at Crabtree, last week, C. I. Lewis, field manager of the Oregon Growers association, made visits of inspection to various orchards in the Santiam bottom lands and makes the following observations concerning frost damages to fruits in that district:

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### Compromise Efforts on Article 10 Fail and Committee Adjourns

Refusal Of Republicans To Modify Reservations After Seeking To Reach Agreement Ends In Deadlock Which Threatens To Disrupt Conference Of Leaders And Send Fight Back To Open Session.

### Case An Old One

The case dates back several months to the original application by Mulkey, L. A. Bass and associates for a charter for a new bank at St. Johns to be known as the Bank of Commerce. The application was refused by Will H. Bennett, state superintendent of banks, on the ground that the needs of St. Johns were already well supplied with the two banks then in existence and that conditions did not justify the institution of a third bank.

### Not Class Legislation

In his opinion today reversing the decree of the lower court, in which he is concurred in by Chief Justice McBride and Justices Bean and Bennett, Justice Johns declares that the state banking laws, the constitutionality of which was being attacked in the mandamus proceedings, "is not class legislation" and that until such time as the applicants are able to allege a strict compliance with all the requirements of the state banking law, "no constitutional question is presented and they have no legal right to complain."

### Opponents Blamed

"The democratic members of this conference have considered the announcement made by Senator Lodge that he and his associates are not willing to consider any compromise on the Lodge reservation concerning article 10 nor on that relating to the Monroe Doctrine," said Senator Hitchcock in the democratic reply to the republican ultimatum.

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