

Trade Territory Farm Survey To Be Made

FARM RELIEF BIG PROBLEM OF CONGRESS

Coolidge and Al Smith Mentioned as Most Likely Candidates for Presidential Election—Tax Reduction, Flood Control Big Item of Interest at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Representative Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio was re-elected speaker of the House today.

A 24-hour armistice was signed by the Senate warring factions in the Smith-Vare election contest cases soon after Congress convened.

Senator Norris opened the fight to prevent Wm. S. Vare, Pennsylvania and Frank L. Smith, Illinois, taking their seats because of excessive expenditures. The senators agreed to wait until after the president's message tomorrow before debating.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Prospect that a president of the United States must be elected next year was a dominant factor for 331 legislators composing the 70th congress met here today to adopt a program of tax reduction, flood control and farm relief.

Names of President Coolidge, Gov. Al Smith of New York and the scores of other candidates in the Republican and Democratic parties were spoken on every hand—in cloak-rooms, in the corridors of the capitol and even upon the floors of both houses.

There was discussion of the most formidable legislative program a new congress has faced in years. There were arguments over the tax reduction cut of \$236,000,000 which is being proposed by the House ways and means committee. But trend of the talk skirted the phage of whether Mr. Coolidge would gain prestige by the reduction to force drafting procedure at the convention next June.

There was considerable mention of proposed flood control legislation as a means of harnessing the unruly waters of the Mississippi river, but that too wound about the question of whether Secretary of Commerce Hoover had gained enough votes to carry Arkansas, for instance, if Smith should be nominated by the Democrats.

More politics hinged around the farm relief proposals. Can a compromise farm bill be passed which will calm the Coolidge opposition in the west? Will the farm bloc again put through the McNary-Haugen bill as a boost for Frank Lowden of Illinois just for the purpose of making Mr. Coolidge veto it again? Can Mr. Coolidge be drafted without support of the farming country? Will Vice President Dawes be drawn into the limelight because of his advocacy of the equalization fee despite Mr. Coolidge's objections?

This agitated conditions was still further accentuated by the closeness of the party alignment in the senate. There 48 Republicans, 47 Democrats and 1 Farmer-Laborite are on the rolls with Vice President Dawes ready to cast a deciding vote in case of ties.

Two of the Republicans are Senators-elect Frank D. Smith, Illinois and William S. Vare, Pennsylvania whose rights to their seats are being vigorously contested. They spent large sums of money in their primary elections, Smith about \$300,000 and Vare about \$250,000. Furthermore Smith received a campaign contribution of \$125,000 from Samuel Insull, public utilities magnate while Smith was a

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LINUP TODAY
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—A closer alignment of the two major political parties than at any time since 1911 is registered in the new 70th congress which today assumes legislative control of the nation.

The line-up of the senate: Republicans 47, Democrats 47, Farmer-Labor 1.

The line up of the house: Republicans 237, Democrats 185, Farmer Labor 2, Socialist 1.

NEW NAMES IN SENATE AND HOUSE

Fifty New Representatives and 11 New Senators Listed Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Eleven new senators and 50 new representatives came to the bar of congress today to present their credentials as statesmen elected in November, 1926.

In the senate there are six new Democrats and five new Republicans; in the house 25 new Republicans, and 25 Democrats.

The new senators follow: Hugo Black, Dem., Ala. Carl Hayden, Dem., Ariz. Charles W. Waterman, Rep., Col.

Frank L. Smith, Rep., Ill. Alben W. Barkley, Dem. Ky. Millard E. Tydings, Dem., Md. Robert F. Wagner, Dem. N. Y. Elmer Thomas, Dem., Okla. Frederick Steiwer, Rep., Ore. William S. Vare, Rep., Pa. John J. Blaine, Rep., Wis.

The new representatives: California—Evans and Craft, Reps.

Florida—Vera, Dem. Democrats.

Illinois—Igoe and Majer, Democrats, Hall (Rep.).

Kansas—Guyer and Hope, Reps.

Kentucky—Gregory, Moorman and Warb, Democrats, and Katherine Langley, Repn.

Maryland—Cole and Palmisano, Democrats.

Michigan—Clancy and Bohn, Republicans.

Minnesota—Maas, Selvig, Repn. Missouri—Combs, Williams and Fuhrbright, Democrats and Niedringhaus, Repn.

Nebraska—Norton, Democrat. New Jersey—Wolverton and Hoffman, Repns., and Moore, Dem.

New York—Carley, Sirovitch, Cohen and Fitzpatrick, Dem., and Clarke, Repn.

Oklahoma—Howard, Cartwright and Johnson, Dem. Pennsylvania—Casey and Kent, Dem., and Palmer, Doutrich, Leach, Chase, Swick and Estep, Repns.

Rhode Island—Monast, Repn. West Virginia—O'Brien, Dem., and Hughes and England, Repns. Wisconsin—Kading, Repn. Hawaii—Houston, Repn.

All other state delegations of the 69th congress are retained.

"SHOE DEN" IS PLANNED

J. H. Murray Takes Over Shoe Stock At McGee's

J. H. Murray, who since September has been in charge of the shoe department at the McGee store, announced today he was taking over management of the shoe department which in the future is to be known as the "Shoe Den," extensive remodeling which will mean the building over of the present quarters into a real "den" is planned.

Queen Quality and Hagerty shoes are to be featured by Mr. Murray who is an experienced shoe salesman and has expressed himself as pleased with the generous patronage of the shop since he has been in this city.

OIL MAGNATE ADMITS JURY WAS WATCHED

Sinclair in Petition Filed in Defense Today in Action for Contempt of Court, Says Court Has No Jurisdiction Over Her Actions in the Matter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—The six defendants in the Burns-Sinclair contempt case today filed separate formal defense petitions when their trial opened in the District of Columbia supreme court.

Harry F. Sinclair, oil magnate and principal in the Fall-Sinclair trial, admitted in his brief that he had engaged Burns detectives to watch the jurors who heard the original mistrial, but claimed this was no offense and that the court had no jurisdiction over his action in the matter.

The shadowing of the jurors led to the contempt charges filed against the principals and against the head of the famous detective agency, and so-called lieutenants of Sinclair.

The first step to bring to order the confused status of the Fall-Sinclair-Teapot Dome case and subsequent jury-tampering charges will be made by the government today, when these five men appear before Justice Siddons at Washington "to show cause why they should not be cited for contempt of court." They are Harry F. Sinclair, millionaire oil man; William J. Burns, head of the Burns Detective Agency, and his son, W. Sherman Burns; Henry Mason Day, alleged "blatant man" between Sinclair and detectives shadowing the Fall-Sinclair jury, and Sheldon Clark, right-hand man of Sinclair.

FAKED STORY OF HOLD-UP

Man Said He Told Story to Secure Aid From Lodge Brothers

SALEM, Dec. 5.—(AP)—J. D. Sullivan, who reported to police he was held and robbed of his automobile and \$180 and a watch and chain and three suit cases, by three men north of here today, admitted the story was faked in order to get financial aid from fellow lodge members. Sullivan, according to his story, was on his way from Spokane where he was supposed to be an employee of the Washington highway department and headed for San Francisco. At the time of the alleged holdup he secured substantial aid from lodge men on the basis of his story. He left today, headed south.

New Member of Commission Is Elected Today

SALEM, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Charles E. Miller, Portland lumberman and well known sportsman today was named a member of the state game commission succeeding I. N. Fletschner, Portland, who died last week.

Salesman Is Transferred

J. E. Burnett, area salesman for the Standard Oil company, who has been located in Ashland was recently transferred to Medford, and will make his headquarters in that city.

The local business during the winter season is to be handled by Earl Crow, district manager and J. A. McGee, salesman.

THEY MUST SHOW CAUSE



HARRY F. SINCLAIR
W. SHERMAN BURNS
SHeldon CLARK
HENRY MASON DAY
WILLIAM J. BURNS

CARS CRASH ON HIGHWAY

Two Klamath Cars Damaged on Greenspring Road Sunday Evening

O Ford car and Hudson crashed on the Greenspring highway Sunday evening, Mrs. C. D. Cloud, Klamath Falls, driver of the Ford, suffered from nervous shock and reported her condition quite serious to officers.

Mrs. J. W. Thrasher, of Klamath Falls, was the driver of the Hudson, and escaped uninjured. According to a report made of officers Mrs. Cloud, who was a bound toward Klamath, was driving on the left side of the road and drove her Ford directly head-on into the Hudson, causing considerable damage. Officers C. P. Talent said today Mrs. Thrasher would file suit against Mrs. Cloud, charging her with driving on the wrong side of the highway.

A Great Impersonation



FINE SERVICE FOR MEMORIAL

Elks Dead Honored at Annual Service Held Yesterday

Beautiful and impressive Memorial service for departed brothers were held by members of Ashland Lodge, No. 948 B. P. O. E. Sunday afternoon. Services were well attended.

Brother Elks who has passed on in the last year were Geo. T. Watson, Charles Haight, Otis O. Helman, F. C. Buckley, Frank E. Mix, H. G. Enters, Sr., Chas. W. "Burr" Evans and Herman Matern.

A beautiful Memorial address, was delivered by Rev. P. K. Hammond, past exalted ruler of the local lodge.

Mary Galey, Madge and Marie Mitchell, and L. H. Hansen furnished the musical numbers on the program. Opening exercises were in charge of Wm. M. Briggs, Exalted ruler of the lodge and E. B. Dunn, acting exquire.

Roll call of "Our Absent Brothers" which included the names of all members of the local lodge who have passed on since its organization, was made by J. Edward Thornton, secretary.

The altar memorial services were in charge of the officers of the Lodge: Wm. M. Briggs, exalted ruler; Clyde G. Young, esteemed leading knight; E. J. Burnett, esteemed loyal knight; E. O. Gillings, esteemed lecturing knight; J. E. Thornton, secretary; F. Provost, treasurer; E. E. Miller, tiler; Edwin Dunn, exquire; P. K. Hammond, chaplain; E. J. Smith, inner guard and O. Winter, organist.

SLAYER FOUND SHOT IN HEAD

Search for Youthful Murderer Ended Early Today

CONDON, Ore., Dec. 5.—(AP)—Searchers today found the body of Ray Ferguson, 21, murderer of Viola Richmond, his sweetheart, behind the desk of the Richmond school about 13 miles west of here.

Miss Richmond was teacher at the school. The love-crazed youth shot himself in the head with the same shotgun he used to kill Miss Richmond Friday night on a lonely road about a mile and a half from the schoolhouse. The body was found after Evelyn Turner, a rancher's daughter, reported seeing a bloody hat in the school building. The school closed today for the funeral of Miss Richmond, held this afternoon.

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Two bloodhounds from Pendleton with officers picked up a trail along the river, followed it a short distance then lost it. Ferguson still has the shotgun with which he killed the girl and wounded Velma Ramey, her companion.

MAN HELD AS SUSPECT

Fred Cillford Reavis, who served a term in the Oregon State Training school, after he had stolen several cars in Jackson county and robbed a grocery store, was recently arrested in Los Angeles, charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor and held as a robbery suspect. The man is well known to local officers having been held on a charge of auto theft and burglary here.

CONCERT IS TO BE GIVEN

Swedish Bell Ringers at Normal School Thursday Night

A unique and unusual program will be presented at the Southern Oregon Normal School Thursday evening, December 8, by the Swedish Bell Ringers, a troop of six men ringing 150 bells with remarkable dexterity and producing music which is outstanding in beautiful harmonious combinations.

The concert bell orchestra was perfected after great handicaps had been overcome, the greatest having been the difficult of shifting bells to a new position for each number of music to be played. In order for each player to memorize the different positions of the bells a limited number of musical pieces could be used. A new system was worked out, the bells arranged chromatically for each set of players. This arrangement requires a much larger set of bells and great training.

The Bell Ringers come to Ashland as a part of the Entertainment program of the Normal school and deserve generous patronage.

CLIMATIC, SOIL, CROP CONDITIONS WILL BE STUDIED

Farmers of Ashland District Have Indicated They Will Cooperate With Chamber of Commerce in Making Extensive Study of Needs of Agricultural Districts—Questionnaires to be Prepared.

Within the next few days a committee of the chamber of commerce headed by H. D. McNair will start an agricultural survey of southern Jackson county which will be the basis of the deliberations of a group representing experts from Oregon Agricultural College and Ashland farmers, bankers and leading business men to find out what are the crops and products most adapted to the climatic and soil conditions of this end of the county and which will bring the highest returns to the farmers.

Blanks have already been prepared on which this information will be noted. The first information will consist of the different varieties of fruits grown here. The age of the trees, acres planted, distance apart, the yield for 1927 as compared with the normal yield, where the apples were marketed and the price received will be ascertained. Next will come the berry crop which will also contain the varieties of berries, prices received and where marketed. The different vegetables will be listed and the varieties which the farmers have had most successful in growing and selling. Poultry, livestock, dairy products, grains and hay crop will also be tabulated.

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When the survey blanks have been filled out properly through visits to the farm homes by Ashland business men who will do this work, a meeting will be called in Ashland to which representative farmers from the different sections of the county and who represent different fruit growing sections, the poultry raisers, dairy men, grain growers, etc., will be invited to confer with the

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TRAPEZE ON STREET

At 7:30 o'clock tonight, somewhere on Main street, possibly at the Plaza, the trapeze troop which will furnish free acts each evening at the big carnival, will present an out-door street stunt, according to announcement made today.

The aerial artists, who are said to be outstanding, are expected to reach Ashland this afternoon and be in readiness for the street stunt this evening, according to Clyde Young, high flier of the Lithians.

Immediately following the street stunt, at approximately 8 o'clock, the doors of the armory will be opened for the beginning of the big celebration.

