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Farmers Lauded—
Mr. Fletcher during my brief opportunity...

Invade Home—
Established John Marsh claims the...

Leader Coming—
L. E. McDonald, in charge of the...

Work Planned—
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Boys Are Sent—
Displays for the Eugene chamber...

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HAUGEN BILL FAVORED

New Arms Conference to be Sought

UNITED STATES BROACHES IDEA TO EUROPEANS

London, Paris, Tokio and Other Cities Report Approaches

'Feelers' Intended to Pave Way for Further Plans For Meeting

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—(AP)—The principal powers have been approached by the United States on the subject of a new arms conference.

Thus far the discussions have not yet reached the advanced point characterized by diplomats as "formal negotiations" but they have been fed up quietly and persistently in all the principal capitals of the world.

Officials here will not discuss what obstacle may have been encountered, or what measure of success may appear to be held out by the exchanges up to the present.

Announcement Made.

The state department, after being advised that an announcement of the move had been made by Foreign Secretary Chamberlain in the house of commons in London revealed that similar conversations had taken place in Paris, Tokio and other capitals but would not comment further.

The "feelers" that have been put out by Washington were intended to develop whether there has been any change in the attitude of foreign countries who blocked at the time of the Washington arms conference, the limitation of any class of land or sea armament, except capital ships.

It is the first desire of President Coolidge to secure an agreement which will end competition in auxiliary naval craft. If something can be done to limit land armament, such a step would be welcome here; but the Washington government is inclined to regard that problem as an European question. It was emphasized today at the White House that the information discussed now in progress do not mean a departure from the policy announced long ago by Mr. Coolidge. He told congress last December he would call a conference if an opportune moment presented itself, but at that time he preferred to await the outcome of the conference project launched by the league of nations.

All recent indications from Europe capitals have been that the move contemplated by Geneva has diminishing chances of success and now faces a possibility of postponement until September at least.

In these circumstances, American diplomatic representatives have asked in an informal way for an expression of view. It was declared at the White House that it would be incorrect to say that the conversations have been any more definite or had gone any further.

Officers are Named by Merchants; Eugene to be Host Again Next Year

Eugene was chosen late this afternoon at the 1925 convention city of the Oregon Retail Merchants association.

The convention delegates re-elected their president, L. L. Thomas, of Portland, and O. F. Tate, of Portland, secretary.

Twelve directors were chosen, four for three-year terms, four for a single year. The new directors are:

Three-year term—E. F. Douglas of Portland, B. E. Sissons of Salem, W. L. Osborne of McMinnville and D. R. Norton of Bend.

Two-year term—Clay Van Fleet of La Grande, George B. Schaefer of Eugene, A. G. Hoffman of Forest Grove and Charles Frazer of Marshfield.

One-year term—J. H. Garrett of Hillsboro, Mr. Schoenfeldt of Portland, A. A. Hill of Corvallis and W. A. Lovelace of Redport.

The delegates adopted a resolution "that the state legislature now in session kill all paternalistic bills requiring foolish regulation of government over business, providing for state inspectors, public ownership of school textbooks, state high school inspectors and the creation of other numerous additional job holders whose only function is to spy on business and snoop into private affairs, create more jobs, increase taxes and discourage private initiative."

The annual report of the bureau of business research was presented by Dr. E. C. Robbins, dean of the school of business administration, as the opening item of the day's business.

In an address on "Credits and Collections," John Knight, of McMinnville, president of the Oregon Collectors' association, said:

"Credit is the result of confidence that you place in your customers plus the desire to sell your goods.

"Thirty days should be the limit for credit," according to Mr. Knight. Quick settlements make toward friendship and although it may seem inconsistent to require this, you make a mistake not to insist for some sort

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KLEPPER BILL FOR CONVENTION GAINS VOTE OF SENATE

STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Feb. 18.—(AP)—With overwhelming approval, the first move for a constitutional convention for Oregon in the year 1930 was taken today when the senate passed the Klepper bill, which is senate bill No. 227. Only Senator Zimmerman voted against the bill.

The house this morning passed senate bill 54, a voluminous measure of 120 pages, amending the present state bank code and incorporating new material taken chiefly from the banking laws of New York and California. No opposition was voiced against the bill.

Sales and possession of revolvers and pistols would be sharply regulated under house bill 452, passed by the house this morning. On persons convicted of having concealed weapons on their person when committing a crime, an additional sentence of not less than five or more than 10 years in the penitentiary could be imposed.

Among bills passed by the senate today were: Senate bill 236, Klepper—extending time of making application under bonus and loan act from December 1, 1923, to June 30, 1927.

Senate bill 195, Klepper and Representative Bailey, providing for state flag.

Among bills passed by the house: House bill 444, authorizing county courts to pay for certain culverts which legally could not be done heretofore, the measure particularly affecting Umatilla county.

H. B. 458, providing for the grading of eggs offered for sale in Oregon.

Senate bill 73, providing more severe penalties for persons driving automobiles and having accidents while in an intoxicated condition.

NATURE SEALS FLOYD COLLINS IN CAVE TOMB

Rescue Shaft Settles Down as Timbers Give way to Pressure

Cement Fails to Arrive, so Nature Takes up Work at Cavern

CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 18.—(AP)—Sand cave hill, torn open in the struggle to rescue Floyd Collins from the grip of an underground trap, was slowly closing in again today upon his body, without human assistance.

Unable to release him from the clutch of nature, the volunteers, who fought to save him joined his family in brief simple funeral services at the top of the rescue shaft, and six of his friends fulfilled the legal formalities by announcing his identity and accidental death.

The cement with which it was planned to seal the boulders over his rocky grave did not come and the sagging of the rescue shaft and its lateral tunnel indicated nature's intention to seal him up forever. The mud and rocks, held back for a few days by heavy timbers in the rescue shaft, were setting back upon him.

LAWS FOR DISPLAY OF LICENSES CITED

Car owners of the state in many cases having their license plates attached in such a way that the number cannot be read as the car approaches, will be asked to observe the law, according to an order received today by Earl Humphrey, state traffic officer.

A campaign will be started at once to have the plates conform to the law which requires that they be displayed where they can be read distinctly, is the report.

The campaign will be started at once and cars that are parked and are found in violation of the law will be honored by having a "notice of violation" tagged on the steering wheel to be read by the owner when he returns. This will not be a campaign of wholesale arrests, the state order states, but a strict observance of the law is to be maintained.

Recruiting Officer To be Transferred

Sergeant Frank Kenna, who has been in charge of United States army recruiting here for the past year and one-half, will soon be transferred to San Francisco where he will rejoin his regiment, the 29th infantry, according to orders received today. Another recruiting officer is to be appointed for the Eugene office and the service here will not be closed, is the report. A naval recruiting office will be opened at the postoffice building within the next week as enlistments are again open in this branch of the service, is the announcement.

Railroad Asks for Settlement Soon

Asking that the county court of Lane sign an agreement with the Southern Pacific railroad for use of part of the rail right-of-way near Divide by the Pacific highway, a communication was received today. This matter of the right-of-way has been pending for some time as the rail company claims that the highway encroaches for 20 feet on the company right-of-way for about one-half mile near the Lane-Douglas line.

The agreement is said to be simply to protect the company's right-of-way by having the county acknowledge that the highway is partly on the railroad property. No action has yet been taken by the county court in the matter.

MR. JARDINE FAVORED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The senate confirmed today the nomination of William M. Jardine of Kansas to be secretary of agriculture.

CROWDS PACK BUILDING TO VIEW AUTOS

More Than 2,000 Spectators Enjoy Opening Night of Armory Event

Program and Style Show Also Prove to be big Attractions

Crowds packed the armory to capacity last night for the opening of Eugene's 1925 auto show. More than 2,000 spectators came and went during the course of the evening, it was estimated. Electric light trouble kept the building in darkness most of the evening, but not until many of the crowd had an opportunity to inspect the scores of automobiles assembled in the big room.

Aside from the automobile, the bathing beauties, singers and dancing girls proved the most popular attraction. Spotlights were improvised from the headlights of automobiles while the young women promoted up and down the runway, working overtime to please the crowd. The bathing girls drew prolonged applause.

Novak's Vaudettes, the young woman's jazz orchestra, wore red uniforms and black hats, and made a big hit with the crowd. Gowns and coats from Gilmore's women's wear shop were displayed by the group of models. Tonight the models will wear creations from Beard's department store.

"Everyone who visits the show tonight will be assured of an entertainment worth while," says John Stark of Portland, the manager. "We know a lot of people were disappointed last night, and we expect them all back tonight. The lights will function tonight without interruption, we are assured by the city light board."

One of the features of the show is the exhibit of auto accessories in a room in the southwest corner of the armory.

The automobile show was visited by a large number of people this morning and afternoon, and the evening show will begin at 9 o'clock.

W. C. T. U. to Hold Farm Home Benefit

To raise funds for the Lane county cottage at the W. C. T. U. children's farm home at Corvallis a rummage sale will be held here March 7 and 8, according to announcement today of Mrs. Roy Loomis, president of the Lane county W. C. T. U.

All members of the Lane union are asked to contribute to the sale and if no odd clothes or other articles are available to make articles for sale such as aprons and other wearing apparel or cakes and other food stuffs. The place of the sale has not yet been selected.

"The campaign for funds is progressing in a satisfactory manner and it was hoped to have it completed this month but the goal has not yet been reached," Mrs. Loomis states.

February Permits Mount to \$217,275

Granting of a \$7000 permit to C. H. Mosk today to erect a modern residence at 1800 Fairmount boulevard brought the total of building permits in Eugene for the month to \$217,275, it was announced by W. H. Alexander, city inspector of buildings.

"With the coming of clear weather I expect a greater number of applications for permits to build new homes," said Mr. Alexander. Of the 25 permits for homes granted so far this year, 15 were granted this month.

House Farm Leader



L. J. DICKINSON

Representative L. J. Dickinson, of Iowa, is leader of the house farm bloc. He has also been a leader among the critics of the president's agricultural commission and its recommendations for the improvement of conditions among the farmers.

CONVENTION BILL IS DEFEATED BY BALLOT IN HOUSE

STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Feb. 18.—The house this morning by a vote of 37 to 18 defeated the primary convention bill introduced by the Jackson county delegation.

Representative Cowgill, Jackson county, explained that he desired to see the bill passed and sent on to the senate where objections might be brought out against the bill.

"It will probably be put to sleep as has the Mills bill," he said, "but it will give opportunity to bring out points of the measure and later I hope to be able to draft another measure."

Representative Shughway of Morrow and Umatilla counties opposed the bill on the grounds that it would tie a candidate's hands before he ran for election on a party ticket.

The house yesterday reconsidered its negative action on house bill 420 providing for a remission of tax penalties for 1921 to 1923. Following a short explanation by Representative Carlin of the real intent of the bill designed to help farmers, who found themselves unable through bad crops or low prices to pay their taxes on time, the house gave the measure a favorable vote. Provision is that remission of penalties shall not be made unless the original amount of taxes is paid by December 31, 1925.

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SPECIAL RULE TO BE SOUGHT FOR MEASURE

Committee Completes Work on Plan, and Gives out Final Oke

Little Difficulty Expected In Obtaining Passage Of the Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—(AP)—The house agriculture committee has ordered favorably reported to the house today the Haugen bill to establish a favorable cooperative marketing board along the lines recommended by the president's agricultural conference. The committee completed work on the bill, which has been considered at lengthy hearings, and gave it a final stamp of approval at a session last night.

To expedite action on the measure, Chairman Haugen was authorized by the committee to seek a special rule to take it up Friday. Committee members expected little difficulty in obtaining its passage.

Calling for an appropriation of \$500,000 to set up the proposed board, the bill was approved by the committee as previously amended to provide for five instead of three members to be appointed by the president from lists of nominees submitted by cooperative organizations. Ex-officio membership would be held by the secretary of agriculture.

The Capper bill, framed to carry out the same recommendation of the conference was before the senate agriculture committee today. The committee considered the bill at a session last night, but without taking action on it.

Opposition to federal regulation of cooperative marketing agencies was voiced today before the senate committee by Walton Peet, secretary of the National Council of Cooperative Marketing Agencies.

"Any plan for federal regulation is objectionable to farmers' organizations," Mr. Peet said, "because it is felt they would be discriminated against in being brought under federal jurisdiction, which doesn't apply to the business life of the country as a whole."

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BULLETINS

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—The Canadian steamer Coal Harbour, seized as a liquor runner by the coast guard cutter Cahokia near Bolinas Bay last night, was towed into port here today; the 14 members of her crew placed in custody aboard the vessel and the work of checking her cargo begun. A preliminary estimate by customs officials placed the cargo at 10,000 cases of liquor, valued in market prices at more than \$600,000.

PROLONGED EARTHQUAKE IS REPORTED KINGSTON, ST. VINCENT, Feb. 18.—Advices received here from Grenada (British Island in the Windward Group) announce that a prolonged earthquake was experienced there at 10:40 o'clock last night. The advices make no mention of casualties or damage.

FORMER CONGRESSMAN DIES IN FLORIDA WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Feb. 18.—Messages from Crescent City, Fla., brought news today of the death last night of William Ryan, former congressman from New York, a reputed founder of the city of Denver, as well as operator of the first printing plant in Colorado, and a banker at Fort Chester, New York.

SENATE POSTAL PAY PLAN REFUSED WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—By a vote of 234 to 120, the house today refused to accept the senate postal pay and rate increase bill as a substitute for the measure it passed last week.

SUM FOR VETERANS IS REPORTED WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The house veterans committee today reported a \$10,000,000 hospital construction measure which would permit the director of the veterans' bureau to use the money where needed.