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Plans Are Being Laid For Farm Legislation

Lawmakers and Others at Work on Details of Relief Measure.

Washington, D. C.—Farm relief legislation is being explored in the administration, in congress and outside of governmental circles in the hope that an acceptable and practical measure can be worked out at the coming session of the house and senate.

Secretary Jardine and others in the administration are giving the subject close attention and President Coolidge has been informed that ex-Secretary Nagle of the commerce department is a member of an unofficial committee which is working out a suggested draft of a bill.

Farm relief has been the foremost subject in the conversations among senate republicans from the western agricultural states and it was disclosed that these senators, making up now only a small group variously referred to as progressives and insurgents, would invite all others from the western states to lend their aid in an attempted solution of the problem.

Some of the senators participating in the conferences are hopeful that an agreement can be reached on a bill which will be acceptable to the farmers as well as to the administration. They concede that the McNary-Haugen bill as such, with its equalization fee, is a closed issue, but they hope to work out from that measure one that can be enacted into law and afford a large measure of relief and aid to the farmers.

As yet the discussions of desirable features have reached only the most general stages, but the talk now appears to be directed at two principal items—taking up the slack between what the farmer gets and what the consumer pays for agricultural products, and creation of a board to administer a federal revolving fund.

LABOR UNION MEN TO ENTER POLITICS

Los Angeles, Cal.—Organized labor closed its annual congress here with a determination to participate actively, but not as a part, in the national political campaign of 1928.

The final admonition of William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, in bringing the 47th annual convention of the organization to an end, was that each member do his share in the big political year.

During its ten days of session the convention declared against communism and fascism; favored modification of the Volstead act to permit sale of "wholesome beer"; condemned the equity court in issuing injunctions in labor disputes, and took action on numerous measures concerning immigration and other problems construed to be relative to the problems of trade unions.

WITHHOLD LOAN CHANGES

President Coolidge Will Keep His Policy on Foreign Deals.

Washington, D. C.—President Coolidge contemplates no present change in the state department policy of extending or withholding its consent to loans by American bankers to foreign governments, although he recently considered abandonment of the practice.

This was stated officially at the White House in connection with the statement issued by Senator Glass, democrat, Virginia, assailing the policy as unauthorized and opening the field both for possible scandal at home and difficulties in the conduct of foreign relations.

The president feels that the advisory contact of the state department with American bankers in such matters should be maintained, as drastic regulatory laws passed by congress might prove embarrassing to the conduct of foreign affairs. He also takes the view that the procedure is authorized by the constitutional provision placing the conduct of foreign affairs in the hands of the chief executive.

Editor's Blindness Is the Cause of His Great Success

(From The American Magazine)

How blindness, with which he had been threatened for twelve years, proved the turning point in the life of B. Frank Irvine, of Corvallis, Oregon, and brought him success and the editorship of the Oregon Journal, of Portland the largest evening paper in the northwestern part of the United States, is told in The American Magazine for November.

"When blindness came upon me," he says, "not one of the things I had thought for years might happen did happen. I did not drop out of the current of life; I did not become a parasite on my family; I did not lose my business. Instead, I began to find out that I could depend upon myself and I began to get a confidence in myself that I had never had before."

Irvine tried out teaching telegraph operating, clerking and dairy ranching before he finally succeeded in getting into the newspaper business in a small way in towns including Scio, where he was born, and later in Corvallis. When a young man and a railway station agent he suffered an unintentional blow in the eye in a friendly boxing match with a railroad fireman. The eye grew worse and incipient blindness barred him from every venture he attempted. An operation restored the eye and he started his Corvallis newspaper but soon the other eye began to dim and both gradually became worse. During another trip to see a specialist in San Francisco, twenty years ago, total blindness came on suddenly.

"Now," he said to himself, "I don't have to worry any more about my eyes. I know what I am up against and I am going straight ahead."

"The article on the Hood River growers, as I remember it, was just a plain explanation of the methods, struggles, and accomplishments of the farmers. Mr. S. C. Jackson, publisher of the Oregon Journal saw it. He wrote at once and asked if I wouldn't write similar articles and editorials regularly for the 'Journal.' I lost no time in getting some copy to him. Every line I sent was used.

"Finally, in September, 1907, he asked me to come to Portland and write editorials for the 'Journal.'

"My dream had come true. I accepted on the spot, rushed back to Corvallis, leased the 'Times' for a year and returned with my family to Portland. I later sold the 'Times.'

Mr. Irvine would rather be editor of the "Journal" than governor of Oregon. He proved it once when he headed off a spontaneous movement for his nomination that was sweeping the state.

"The things I see" he declared, "are the secret of my happiness. 'If, by touching a button I could restore my sight, I would hesitate a minute or two while I took leave of the beautiful world I'm living in now. I am blind; but I see a side of life that many do not see.

"A kind word, a touch, a deed—every day some beautiful token of human kindness comes to me. There is so much more goodness and kindness and fairness in the world than most people realize.

"People are kind to me. When I speak in public, they applaud out of all proportion to my merits as a speaker—and I know why; They see a man who has been through difficulties, and they applaud him for the struggle he has made.

Irvine, who was an excellent swimmer before he became blind, has found that he is still perfectly at home in the water and swims a half-mile or a mile every day at the Multnomah club. Next to swimming he is fond of dancing and moves with ease in the most crowded ball room without jostling other dancers. He insists that despite his blindness he is more mentally capable than before.

"I can shut myself up in my mind" any time, anywhere. Concentration has become a habit, because I can't look out of my window and see something to distract my attention," he declares.

"I can't imagine myself more helpless than the average man in the dark. Many times friends who visit me in the office at night have to call on me to lead them through the halls and down the stairs to the street.

"Except for the sympathy I feel for my friends, or when it stops the 'Journal's' presses, it means nothing to me when the lights go out. All time is mine to use."

Athena Boy Scouts Enjoyed First Hike Up Wild Horse Creek

Twelve boys participated in the Scout hike on Saturday of last week. Breakfast was cooked on Wild Horse in the Henry Koepke pasture. Smoke from six campfires floated upon the early morning air. The aroma from sizzling bacon stimulated the olfactory sense to a degree of activity.

After breakfast the hikers continued up the creek. Dinner time found them at a point about two miles above the market road in the thickets, where a Scout is at home.

Again the most skilled fire builders were first to hear the welcome sizzle of fresh meat, accompanied with "taters and onions."

The result of the hike is summed up about as follows—dirty faces, blistered feet, sore limbs, but happy boys and better Scouts.

614 New Families Settle on Oregon Land

Six hundred and fourteen new families settled on Oregon farms during the year ending October 1, according to a report prepared by W. G. Ide, manager of the land settlement department of the Oregon State Chamber and the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Of these families, according to the report, Pacific coast states provided 208; the Intermountain states set 108 families; Middle Western states, 132 families; Southern state 15 families; Canada, 25; Eastern states, 5; Philippine island, 1, and Alaska 1. Eighty-one families that had been living in Oregon cities moved onto farms during the year.

Ide said correspondence on file indicated that the arrival of new settlers will continue indefinitely.

Entertained at Bridge

Mrs. Francis Lieuallen entertained at bridge Friday evening at her home in Adams, the occasion being in honor of her husband's birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. James Cresswell, Miss Hilda Dickenson, Miss Edna Pinkerton, Mr. Mose Banister of Athena; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duff, Mr. and Mrs. Revella Lieuallen, Mr. Paul Lieuallen of Adams, were the guests besides the honoree and hostess. Miss Pinkerton received high ladies score and Mr. Douglas the high gentleman's score.

Destroying Weed Growth

Athena farmers have been battling a prolific weed growth on summer fallow as the result of the heavy September rainfall. As a rule discing or spring-toothing the fields has been found necessary before the "sickers" could be brought into use, for the reason that soil is heavily crusted. Seeding will become general as soon as the fields are cleared of weeds. Farm workers are reported scarce, and it is reported that a wage of \$3 per day is being paid by farmers for help.

Horse Show Offers \$35,000.00



FAMOUS SIX-HORSE TEAM Owned by Portland Damascus Milk Company, J. D. Huston, Up.

As in years past one of the spectacular attractions at the 1927 Pacific International Horse Show will be the contest between the drivers of the Northwest's famous six-horse hitch. These contests probably bring the audience to a higher pitch of enthusiasm than any other of the starling events of the Show. The 17th Annual Pacific International Livestock Exposition with which the Horse Show is combined, will be held in Portland October 29 to November 5, inclusive.

\$35,000.00 is to be given this year in Premiums for the Horse Show, making this event for the fourth time in succession, the greatest Horse Show in America. The stakes and their donors include Olympic Hotel, Seattle, \$1,000.00, with the balance all coming from Portland, Oregon, as follows: Oregon Journal, \$3,000.00; Multnomah Hotel \$2,999.00; Portland Chamber of Commerce, \$2,000.00; Portland Hotel, \$2,000.00; First National Bank, \$2,000.00; Benson Hotel, \$1,000.00; W. F. Turner, \$1,000.00; United States National Bank, \$1,000.00; American Security Exchange Bank-Lumberman's Trust Co., \$1,000.00; West Coast National Bank, \$1,000.00; Imperial Hotel, \$500.00; H. Liebes & Co., \$500.00; Supporter of the Pacific International Horse Show, \$500.00.

The amount of the Premiums offered for this year's Pacific International Livestock Exposition totals \$100,000.00. The Exposition combines great Livestock Show, Dairy Products Show, Land and Manufacturers' Products Show, Northwest Fox Show, Wool Show, Industrial Exposition, and a splendid Boys' and Girls' Club Work Exhibit presented under the name of "Camp Plimmer." The railroads of the entire Northwest are offering a special fare-and-one-third rate for the round trip to the Exposition.

High School Notes

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Student Body.....Emma Ringel
Society.....Mildred Street
Grades.....Areta Kirk
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Sports

Athena was defeated 12-6 by the Walla Walla second team last Friday on Walla Walla's grounds. Our team put up a good fight from start to finish; some say they played better than they ever did before. The first real accident in a long time happened in this game when "Mike" Wilson, plucky little center, got a muscle wrenched in his back. The team started to play with Eldon Myrick, left half; Lawrence Knight, right half; Ray Johnson, full; Arthur Crowley, quarter; Mike Wilson, center; Roy DeFreece and John Kirk, guards; Clifford Woods and Walt Huffman, tackles; and Weldon Bell and Wilford Miller, ends. Substitutions were made with Emery Rogers at tackle and Walt Huffman at center.

Friday October 21 Athena will try her luck against Weston, on her grounds. Lets all go!

Student Body

The six weeks' grade reports were given out Monday morning. The system of grades used this year is: A (95-100), B (90-95), C (80-80), D (75-80), E (70-75), and F failure.

Those who are on the honor roll for the first six weeks, which means all grades either A or B are: Alberta Charlton, Jessiedean Dudley, Kathleen Radtke and Doris Schubert.

Alumni

Edna DeFreece attended the Oregon-California foot ball game in Portland.

Don Johnson, accompanied by Roll Morrison of Adams, went to Portland for the game Saturday.

Wilber Harden and Phyllis Dickenson attended the Oregon-California game.

Personal

Thelma Schimpf spent Saturday morning in Pendleton and Saturday afternoon in Walla Walla.

Sarah Belle Jantzen spent Sunday afternoon in Walla Walla visiting relatives.

Jessiedean Dudley went to Umatilla Saturday.

A number of high school students attended the foot ball game at Walla Walla Friday afternoon.

Virgie Moore was in Pendleton Saturday.

Mildred Street is in the hospital recovering from a minor operation for removal of her tonsils.

Roland Wilson, better known as "Mike" Wilson, was injured in the

Milton-Freewater Annual Apple Show Opens Wednesday

The Milton-Freewater community will open its seventh annual Apple Show for two days of instructive entertainment Wednesday morning October 26. This is the community's way of proving to their home folk, as well as to outsiders, their justification for their pride in the adaptability of this area for fruit and vegetable growing and other closely allied enterprises. The exhibits, demonstrations and entertainment features will afford the visitor a pleasant diversity of interests, and he will leave with a feeling of having been well repaid for the time spent in taking them in.

The show itself this year will be quartered in the block between the Bank of Freewater and the Hendericks auto sales room. Programs and other information may be had at the Information booth. It is regretted that one feature of the show, the baby clinic, will not be held this year. The rooms of the Federated church had been offered for this purpose.

An exceptional variety of high class entertainment will feature the evening program. Pendleton, Adams, Athena, Weston, Umapine, the Ferndale community, College Place, and Walla Walla, as well as the Milton-Freewater communities, are all contributing to this part of the program. Max Walters' orchestra from Milton, the DeMolay boys' orchestra and vaudeville troupe from Pendleton, the College Place band and other instrumental numbers will be interspersed with the readings and vocal numbers contributed by other communities.

Return from Hunt

Sam Pambrun, Marion Hansell and Fay LeGrow returned Saturday from their hunt in the Selway district of Idaho. Their hunting party were rewarded for their trip by securing elk, deer and bear. Most of the time they encountered snow and rain. They outfitted at Grangeville, Idaho, and went from there to the hunting district by pack train.

Premium List Adopted

The premium list, which includes prizes for a new class of seed potatoes, Mountain Seed Netted Gems, was adopted at a recent meeting of the potato growers of the Weston district. Cash prizes are equal for the three classes, Certified, Standard and Mountain seed potatoes. Interest is centering on making the annual potato show at Weston this year one of the best yet held.

Two Cases at Pendleton

Two infantile paralysis cases are reported at Pendleton, Bobby, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Livermore was stricken Saturday, the disease affecting his throat and rendering him speechless. The second case is that of Bobby Dewey, paralyzed in the right arm and leg, and who is convalescing and out of danger.

Ask for Blanket Fee

Wool growers and cattlemen using the Blue Mountain forest reserves for grazing purposes have united in recommending a blanket fee for all who use the reserve. Proposals to charge according to allotments were rejected at a meeting in Walla Walla, after considerable discussion of the worth of the various allotments.

Grades

The fifth and sixth grades are planning a weiner roast for Saturday morning, October 22.

Faculty

Miss Sellars spent the week end in Walla Walla visiting friends at Whitman college.

Miss Sellars, accompanied by Mrs. Barrett, motored to Walla Walla Thursday evening to see "Ben Hur."

Classes

Those who have the best typing papers for the week ending October 14 are: Francis Cannon, Alberta Charlton, Emma Ringel and Helen Hansell.

A new portable Victrola has been received and is in use in the typing class. Regular Rational Rhythm records are used and a more regular rhythm and greater speed are easily obtained.

Athena Foot Ball Team to Play at Weston This Afternoon

Athena-Weston gridiron rivalry will blazon forth on Weston field this afternoon when the two teams meet in their first encounter of the season. There is not much surface dope on the strength of the Weston gladiators, but suffice to say that the lads over the hill can always be counted on to give any team a red hot scrimmage, and under the tutelage of their present coach they have had a splendid opportunity to master every detail of the game.

Coach Toole's Athena warriors have been showing up well, both in practice and contest. Saturday at Walla Walla, Athena played Dimmick's second string Wa-Hi bunch to a standstill, trooping through to the end of the torrid afternoon fray with a glorious 12-6 defeat—glorious in defeat because weight and a vast surplus of substitute players, turned the balance against them in a battle gamely fought every inch of the way.

Athena will go into the game at Weston tomorrow, minus the fleet and versatile little center, Mike Wilson, who had a muscle in his back wrenched in the Walla Walla contest.

West is Taking Lead from East in Aviation Work

Portland—(Special)—"The West, and particularly Oregon, is taking the lead in the development of aviation in the United States," declared Tex Rankin, president of the Rankin Flying school here, in a review of the progress of flying before a civic club meeting last week. Rankin, a veteran flyer, has just completed an extensive tour of aviation fields in the Middle West and the East.

\$9,000,000 is being spent in the large cities alone and probably one-tenth that much in the smaller towns for aviation purposes. There are more fields on the Pacific Coast than in the East or Middle West" said Rankin in pointing out the advancement here. "By January, to show the great strides taken, a complete line of giant passenger ships, carrying eight passengers and two pilots, is projected to operate from one end of the coast to the other and by May this line will be connected with Chicago and Eastern cities."

The activity in aviation is not confined to the large cities for practically every town in Oregon is either planning or has partly constructed a landing field. Fields at Medford and Eugene, on the direct mail routes are known all over the country. Other towns want some of this publicity and are going to get it.

"The interest in the development of aviation on the Pacific coast has been so keen that the larger cities, Portland and Oakland in particular, are now using port funds for the construction of facilities, working on the assumption that a port is a port, whether the commerce comes in through the air or by water," Rankin continued. "Portland is spending \$1,250,000 on Swan island, a magnificent new field near the Columbia river and Seattle is spending \$500,000 on Sand Point field."

Standard Theatre Picture Programs

Tomorrow night the Standard Theatre offers as its feature attraction, Jackie Coogan in "The Bugle Call." The play has to do with United States cavalry troops and Indian fighting in the days of the old West, and Jackie's support includes superb acting by Claire Windsor and Herbert Rawlinson.

"Bigger Than Barnums" comes to the Standard Sunday night in a throbbing tumult of thrills. The greatest circus picture you ever saw, the greatest circus picture ever made; with Ralph Lewis, Viola Dana, George O'Harra and Ralph Ince.

Mary Roberts Rhinehart and Avery Hopwood's compelling mystery drama, "The Bat" is the special mid-week attraction at the Standard next Wednesday evening, at regular admission prices. As a story, the book was read by millions, as a stage play it is still running, and as a photograph everyone is waiting to see it.

Home from Hunt

Frank Chamberlain returned from hunting Friday morning with another large buck to his credit. Mr. Chamberlain having bagged one the first of the season. Elmo Russell was successful in bringing down a three-point buck.

Washington Road Engineer Is Jailed

Humes Held in Contempt of Court for Withholding Records.

Olympia, Wash. — Samuel Humes, state highway engineer, was taken to the Thurston county jail by Sheriff Claude Havens, following the filing of a state supreme court decision holding him in contempt of court.

The court ruled that Humes must stay in jail until such time as he shall deliver the minutes and other books of record seized by the department of efficiency for auditing purposes after Webster Hoover, former state highway commissioner, was discharged and Humes appointed in his place.

The court's decision precludes exercise of the governor's pardoning power, it was said.

It is the first time in 38 years of statehood that a state officer disobeyed the court and was held for contempt. The case opened September 6 when the court called on Humes to deliver the records. On September 20 Humes was cited for contempt. The case was heard before the supreme court October 7. Lawyers for Humes contended it was physically impossible to deliver the records because they were held in a safe by A. R. Gardner, director of efficiency.

Governor Hartley ordered the investigation May 3 and the findings showed alleged irregularities in the handling of highway funds. It was charged that more than \$70,000 of road money had been spent without auditing or accounting.

In ordering the arrest of Humes, however, the court emphasized that the main issue at this time was compliance with a court order.

TARIFF AGREEMENT BARRED BY RIDER

Washington, D. C. — The French compromise proposal in the tariff discrimination dispute with this government was found to carry a rider which may prevent complete acceptance by the United States.

According to the French note, decided by the state department, France will postpone the discriminatory tariff rates as demanded and return temporarily to the rate in effect before September 6, except where these are lower than the new minimum rates on German goods, but France wants in return assurances that the United States will lower certain American tariff rates and lessen sanitary restrictions which France protests as prohibitory.

An agreement depends on French willingness to accept as adequate the government's promise to investigate the rates and restrictions and to change them if such changes are justified under the American law.

FRENCHMEN FLY ATLANTIC

Brazil's Coast Reached from Africa by Costes and Le Brix.

Rio de Janeiro.—Dieudonne Costes and Lieutenant Lebriz, French aviators, arrived at Port Natal, Brazil, completing the flight from St. Louis, Senegal.

When the fliers landed they completed the first flight made from the mainland of Africa to the mainland of South America.

The flight across the South Atlantic was made in very good time, the French aviators traveling the 2,125 miles in about 22 hours.

Although their start and most of the flight was fine, the aviators said, disaster threatened them when they were almost to their goal.

"When we were near the mainland, we noticed that something had gone wrong with the propeller," Costes said. "For a time we thought we would be forced down, but the motor and the propeller held out and we continued."

Seventeen Killed on Way to Dance.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Seventeen persons, five of them women, were killed when the automobile trailer in which they were riding to a pre-Halloween barn dance was smashed to pieces by a Muncie-to-Indianapolis interurban car at the edge of the city. Five others were so seriously hurt they may die. About 50 were in the party. The men were members of the drill team of the Sahara Grotto of the Masonic order.