

GERMANY SHOWS INTEREST OWENS FINANCE PLAN

BERLIN, Mar. 9.—(By Associated Press.) The plan of Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma for the establishment of an American federal reserve foreign bank has been carefully considered by German bankers, financiers and industrial leaders, who admit an interest in the suggestion, but have generally reserved expressions of opinion as to its practicability.

Senator Owen who has been making a tour of Europe to determine the attitude of continental states toward his businessmen toward his proposal has advocated the establishment of a banking institution with a capital of \$500,000,000 gold to supply Europe with a gold basis for a medium of exchange for international and domestic business.

"Senator Owen's proposal can be of real interest to Germany," said Herbert Gutmann, director of the Dresden bank, "only if it is recommended by the Geneva conference, or if later an intelligent workable plan for German reparations and obligations is clearly defined. So far as is known, details of Senator Owen's plan do not lead to the formation of a judgment that Germany can expect complete relief. His European bank assuredly carries the danger that in countries of low money valuations, it will establish the American dollar as a standard of currency to the injury of those nations. This will result in price levels in countries of low money valuation being immediately boosted to the level of world prices, thus bringing on a new economic convulsion."

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M'NARY BILL IS PRESENTED WITH REPORT OF PRAISE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—Chairman McNary of the senate committee on irrigation and reclamation formally presented to the senate yesterday the new federal co-operative reclamation act with a report from the committee that described the measure as having been designed as a "permanent and constructive policy on reclamation."

The report declared the measure, "which would open uncalculated thousands of acres of land for agricultural production," to be legislation "filling a long-felt want," and predicted that it would prove to be true initiation of federal aid in reclamation.

"This government, embarking upon a national reclamation program," the report stated, is not doing something contrary to the spirit of a progressive people as is manifest the world over. It is doing something exactly in line with that spirit.

"The lands subject to irrigation are lying idle and of no value, the waters subject to drainage in the same condition—a menace to health and inconvenience to transportation. *** There are practically no more public lands in their present state, subject to entry, that can be profitably farmed."

"Our country, having adopted a policy of no further territorial expansion, should develop the waste lands within its borders. The north and the east should welcome the opportunity to assist in the upbuilding of the west and the south, especially when they would add to their own prosperity."

PRESIDENT MEXICO IS NOW A PROHIBITIONIST

CHICAGO, Mar. 9.—President Obregon of Mexico, Senor Calles, head of the department of the interior in that country; Adolfo de la Huerta, secretary of finance and Licenciado Jose Vasconcelos of the department of education, are all "out and outers for temperance education, and for ridding Mexico of the alcohol menace," according to a letter received here from Miss Anna A. Gordon, world and national president of the Women's Christian Temperance union, who is visiting in Mexico.

FALL INSISTS ON FOREST TRANSFER TO INTERIOR DEPT.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—Development of the oil and mineral resources of Alaska by the department of interior is provided for in a bill introduced yesterday by Delegate Sutherland of the territory. The measure would authorize an appropriation of \$3,000,000 to begin work.

Coincident with the introduction of the bill, Secretary Fall, discussing the conflict which has arisen between his department and the department of agriculture as to jurisdiction over Alaskan and other forest reserves, declared that if in the reorganization of governmental departments the forest service was transferred from the agriculture to the interior department, "the policy of the conservation of timber" would be continued.

The introduction of the Sutherland bill and the statement by Secretary Fall, served to intensify interest in the whole question of jurisdiction as to forest reserve in particular and public lands in general.

Delegate Sutherland's bill would direct the secretary of the interior through such agencies as he might select to arrange for the drilling for oil and mining of other minerals on the public lands in Alaska, and in event of discovery to dispose of the projects through competitive bidding or other means. Broad powers are given incident to expenditures in general work of carrying out exploring undertakings which prove valuable.

Secretary Fall, in discussing the forest service matter, declared that if the forest service should have continued jurisdiction over the forest reserve then the land office, the bureau of mines and the geological survey and other bureaus of the interior department should also be turned over to the agricultural department as the functions of those bureaus in administering the public domain were all intimately related to the question involved in the administration of the forest reserve wherever other questions of timber were involved.

Secretary Fall's idea in seeking the transfer of the forest service, he said, was to obtain co-ordination of efforts between the various bureaus handling public lands.

F. P. Obee was fined \$10 yesterday in Justice Taylor's court after entering a plea of guilty to a charge of driving a truck without a rear view mirror as required by the state law. State Motor Traffic Officer J. J. McMahon made the arrest.

Sports

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Portland boxing commission has completed plans for another boxing show to be staged Saturday night. Battling Ortag will meet Joe Swahn, Flat Clark, a Chicago lightweight, will take on Joe Dunn of Tacoma, and George Brandon and Mike Depinto will meet.

PORTLAND.—Oscar Butler and Rosanna Singh, middleweights, who wrestled to a draw here a short time ago, will meet in a return engagement next Tuesday night, March 14.

BEARDSTOWN, O.—Sam Langford, negro heavyweight, and Fred Fulton signed for ten-round no-decision fight March 21.

CHICAGO.—Prestina, heavyweight wrestler, threw Bill Demetral, Chicago in seventh round of 15 round match.

VANCOUVER.—Regina defeated Vancouver in first game in western championship hockey series 2 to 1.

HOT SPRINGS.—Young Fitzsimmons, Oklahoma City middleweight, knocked out Freddie Nelson, St. Louis in sixth round of scheduled ten-round bout.

EL DORADO, Ark.—Young Siwash of Davenport, Ia., won decision over Frankie Murray, Toronto, Canadian bantamweight champion in ten fast rounds. Jimmy Dunn, Salt Lake lightweight, given referee's decision over Young Wallace, New Orleans, in fourth round of scheduled eight round go.

DAVENPORT.—Dennie O'Keefe, Chicago, and Morris Schaefer, Omaha, signed for ten round bout here March 24.

Debs Launches Drive For I. W. W. Prisoners

CHICAGO, Mar. 9.—The national headquarters of the socialist party began sending out communications from Eugene V. Debs to all its members and affiliated organizations urging them to work for amnesty for all political prisoners.

A statement accompanying Mr. Debs' letter said that all socialists who were federal prisoners now are free, but that many I. W. W. and others still were held in penitentiaries.

It is planned through the appeal to obtain one million signatures to a petition asking their release.

The statement urged that letters and telegrams be sent to President Harding, Chairman Vostead of the house judiciary committee, all senators and representatives and that committees be formed to co-operate with the I. W. W. in this movement.

60TH ANNIVERSARY OF GREAT NAVAL FIGHT CELEBRATED

NEW YORK, Mar. 9.—Sixty years ago this morning the confederate iron-clad Merrimac steamed away from her anchorage in Hampton Roads to attack what was expected to be a defenseless union fleet. Instead she met the Monitor, later called the "Yankee cheesebox on a raft," and engaged in the first battle between ironclads, which changed the whole naval strategy of the world and which has been described as the most momentous sea engagement ever fought.

Today the cities of New York and Stockholm, Sweden, united in doing honor to the memory of John Ericsson, who designed the Monitor.

A tablet was to be unveiled under the auspices of the American Society of Swedish Engineers at the house at 36 Beach street, where Ericsson lived, and later another tablet was to be unveiled at 260 West street, the site of the Phoenix foundry, where the parts for the Monitor were turned out and where Ericsson spent his last active years.

Court News (Published by the Jackson County Abstract Co.)

Circuit Court
Roy Higgins vs. G. C. McAllister. Motion.
Farmers & Fruitgrowers Bank vs. S. H. Short. Demurrer.
J. E. Miser et al vs. Wm. L. Greenleaf et al. Reply and trial brief.

Probate Court
Est. Lennie Luella Morgan et al (minors). Answer and reply.
Est. Pat Kelly. Admitted to probate.

Real Estate Transfers
Jackson County bank vs. City of Medford, lot 12, blk. 2, Newtown Add. to Medford.

Bertha R. Hanev et vir to T. L. Taylor, N^o 1/2 lot 2, S^o 1/2 lot 3, blk. 64, Medford.

Lillian M. Kinder et vir to Willard C. Jones et al, lot 12, blk. 4, Ross Add. to Medford.

Med. Masonic Bldg. Co. to Medford Service Station, lot 1, blk. 2, Medford.

Fred C. Page et ux to Medford Service Station, lot 1, blk. 2, Medford.

Mary F. Stephens to Jos. W. Williams, lot 2, blk. 60, Medford.

W. H. Everhard to C. M. Wisely et ux, lot in Ashland.

Jackson County to W. M. Blair, lot 2, sec. 1, tp. 40, S. R. 1 E.

Alfred Boggis et ux to Gold Ray Investment Co., N^o 1/2 of NW sec. 24, tp. 36, S. R. 3 W.

John F. Porter et ux to C. A. Johnson, land in sec. 11, tp. 36, S. R. 2 W.

John R. Gibson to John H. Erskine et ux, land in sec. 8, tp. 32, S. R. 1 E.

R. A. Johnson et ux to James Taylor, lot 4, blk. 1, Tuttle's First Add. to Medford.

R. A. Johnson et ux to James Taylor, lot 5, blk. 1, Tuttle's First Add. to Medford.

F. E. Springer et ux to T. J. Bell et al, land in D. L. C. 64, tp. 38, S. R. 1 W.

Jonas Barrett et ux to L. J. Shepp, land in D. L. C. 64, tp. 38, S. R. 1 W.

James C. Gibson et ux to F. E. Springer, land in D. L. C. 64, tp. 38, S. R. 1 W.

F. I. Pearson et vir to S. E. Pearson, land in sec. 32, tp. 32, S. R. 3 E.

F. M. Decker et ux to W. F. Shaw et ux, land in D. L. C. 43, tp. 38, S. R. 1 W.

F. I. Pearson et vir to Harry V. Aiken, land in sec. 32, tp. 32, S. R. 3 E.

Frances I. Pearson et vir to G. H. Aiken, land in sec. 32, tp. 32, S. R. 3 E.

Fred Pratt et ux to E. G. Coleman et al, SW of NW sec. 29, tp. 38, S. R. 1 W.

S. S. Aiken to F. I. Pearson, land in sec. 32, tp. 32, S. R. 3 E.

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PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 9.—Portland is making extensive plans for presenting in a big, elaborate manner the season of grand opera to be staged at the Portland Public Auditorium by Mary Garden and the Chicago Grand Opera Co., March 22 to 25. With the box office sale of seats now on in Portland and with mail orders still pouring in from all over the northwest, the success of events which is to be the greatest in the history of the northwest, seems assured.

The demand for seats has been so heavy that already a contract has been let for enlarging the seating capacity of the auditorium by about 1000 seats. This is being done by the erection of huge steel elevations in the side assembly rooms directly off the main floor. This will furnish 1000 additional seats where the opera may be both seen and heard as well as in any part of the auditorium and will increase the capacity of the building to about 6000 for every performance. Plans also have been made for special traffic regulations, street car, hotel and train service during the engagement, for the special benefit of the people coming in from out of the city.

The mail order seat sale which has brought in upward of 4000 orders from points outside Portland has taken about 10,000 of the available seats to date. The performances in which Mary Garden appears have had the strongest appeal so far, but the other performances in which appear such other world stars as Mucatore, Raima, Baklanoff, Manon, Van Gordon, Lamont, Rinaldi, Johnson, Lazzari, Claessens, Polacco and others have had tremendous sale and the Portland management expects a sell out for every performance. If this is accomplished, the engagement will pay its own way. If not, the business men of Portland who have underwritten the attraction will have to pay the deficit. The company is to receive \$12,500 for the five performances.

The 311 artists making up the Chicago company, traveling in three special trains with an additional special train of 17 cars of scenery, costumes and equipment, will close its eastern season in St. Paul March 18 and will then move directly across the country to Portland, arriving on the morning of March 21. After the Portland engagement the company will go to San Francisco and Los Angeles and then back to Chicago. The western season will be closed in Portland.

Opera headquarters have been established at the Sherman Clay music store at Sixth and Morrison streets in Portland.

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