

MEDFORD AND ASHLAND HIGH SPLIT HONORS

Lithia School Wins First in Typing and Local School First in Shorthand in Commercial Tests Held This Morning.

Medford high school won first place in shorthand, both in the novice and amateur divisions, with an average accuracy of 98.5, and Ashland first place in typing, with an average accuracy of 98, in the seventh southern Oregon district typing and shorthand contest for high school students, held at the local high school this morning, beginning at 9 o'clock.

This is Ashland's second year as winner of the typing cup, Medford having held it the year before. If they win it next year, it will be a permanent trophy in Ashland high. The silver typing cup won in shorthand by Medford high was the special gift of Superintendent E. H. Herdick of Medford, and Superintendent G. A. Briscoe of Ashland, and marks the first time a cup has ever been presented in the shorthand contest.

The first individual prize in typing was won by William Furdin of Medford, with an average of 67, for which he was awarded a gold medal. The second place in typing was won by Nedra Bartlett, with an average of 64. A silver medal was awarded to this place. Miss Marie Moon, with an average of 55, won honorable mention for third place. These were in the amateur contest.

In the novice division in typing, Miss Ruth Thatcher of Ashland came first with an average of 60, Esther Crowley, second, with an average of 56, and Harvey VerDean of Medford, third, with an average of 54. A gold and silver medal was won for first and second places respectively.

In shorthand, Medford came first with an average accuracy of 98.9, and Ashland came second with an average of 98.5. Medford won both first places and Ashland both seconds. In this contest, Ellen Galey of Medford won honorable mention in the novice division and Robert Lutz, Grants Pass, honorable mention in the amateur division.

Seventeen schools in the area participated, including, Jacksonville, Phoenix, Ashland, Central Point, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Talent, Rogue River, Applegate, Glad Hill, Troutport, Butte Falls, Kerby, Fort Klamath and Medford.

Other averages in the typing contest besides the 58 mark made by Ashland are: Medford, 52; Gold Hill, 56 and Central Point 55.

HEFLIN SCORES OIL CASE END AS JURY FARCE

Sinclair's Purse Acquits, Senate Told — Country Needs Two Courthouses — One for Rich, the Other for Poor.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—The Sinclair acquittal drew a quick reaction in the senate. Heflin, democrat of Alabama, taking the floor to pronounce the trial as "another farcical performance."

"The verdict is astounding," Heflin said, "in the face of the supreme court decision cancelling Sinclair's oil lease because of fraud and corruption."

"We can't hold the confidence of the people when the rich buy their way out of the court house. I am not condemning court and the jury system but a court and a particular jury."

Senator Heflin declared Sinclair was acquitted "not because he was innocent but because he used the power of the purse to accomplish this dastardly and villainous thing."

"We better put up two court houses in this country," he continued. "One for the rich and one for the poor. Put over the portal of one the words: 'Who enter here leaves hope behind.' Put over the gateway of the latter: 'Here the wealthy are led for cash to the highest bidder.'"

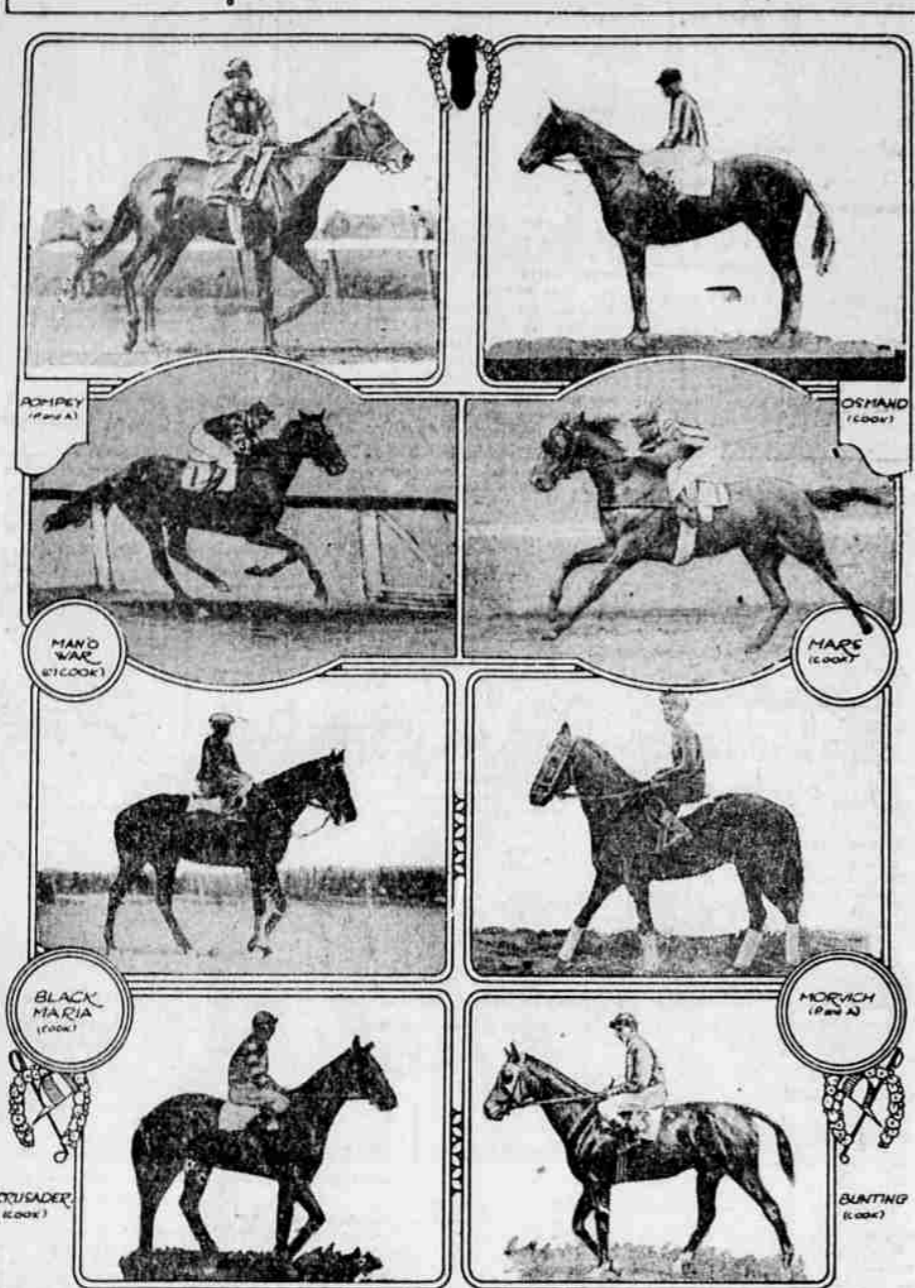
Casualties of the Air Service

FRESNO, Cal., April 21.—(AP)—George Faw, pilot for the Beacon Airways, Inc., of Fresno, and Ray E. Duxin, 24, a student pilot, were killed today when their plane fell six hundred feet to the ground. The accident occurred a mile and a half from the city airport.

Oregon Weather.

Fair tonight and Sunday, but cloudy, northwest portion. Heavy frosts in east portion. Moderately southerly winds on the coast becoming variable.

Eastern Racing Season Opens



Some of the famous and valuable turf stars whose stables have been protected from lightning fire hazard by copper rods.

With winter horse racing drawing to a close the curtain rings up on the eastern season with boots and saddles sounding at Bowie, Maryland. The Metropolitan season will be ushered in by the United Hunt Racing Association at Aqueduct, New York, on April 19th. Other race tracks in the east and west follow closely these openings.

Some of the fastest horses that ever sported silks on the American turf will face the barrier in the more important stakes. Above are pictured some of the turf kings and queens who will be campaigned during the season. Crusader, champion of 1926-27 and Black Maria, turf queen for the past two years, will make their first start of the season at Jamaica. Some of the other thoroughbreds pictured have been retired to the stud. They won many of the more important stakes during their spectacular careers.

Millions of dollars are invested by the leading sportsmen and sportswomen of this country in their breeding farms and racing stables. During recent years some of these owners have suffered heavy losses when lightning struck their barns killing valuable horses. In the last few months, the owners have been having copper lightning rods installed on all their barns. Practically every important breeding farm and most of the stables at the principal race courses will soon be protected from this hazard by copper lightning rods. These rods effectively protect the barns on which they are installed and the valuable runners in which they are housed. All the famous horses in this picture are now protected from lightning by copper rods.

BOWLING COLUMN

PORTLAND, Ore., April 21.—(AP)—Vancouver, B. C., was selected for the next annual Northwestern Bowling congress today following the close last night of the sixteenth congress here. Will Anderson of Vancouver was elected president. A. J. Brink, also of Vancouver, vice president. Members of the executive committee elected were Tom Perry, Portland; Conroy Heimhiger, Walla Walla; Paul Fredson, Shelton, Wash.; V. Stolker, Salem; W. Duncan, Tacoma; Joe Sternstrom, Spokane; P. H. Reichert, Seattle, and Al Ferrier, Aberdeen. G. H. Hudson, Seattle, secretary-treasurer, holds over under a four-year term.

The championship in the five-man event was won by the Duncan Garage, Tacoma, with 2983; Puckett Company team, Seattle, with second with 2950; Mammy's Shack, Portland, third, with 2940; Scheel's Clothing, Salem, fourth, with 2910; E. & M. Hatters, Tacoma, fifth, with 2893.

Louis Votalich, Tacoma, took the all-events with 1909. Colonel G. E. Votaw, Portland, made the best singles, with 695. Raymond and Woods, Portland, took the doubles honors.

DEATH TOLL IN DENVER BLAST 9

DENVER, Colo., April 21.—(AP)—The death toll from the explosion and fire which wrecked a part of the plant of Alexander Industries near here yesterday, mounted to nine today with the death of George Rowe, an employe.

Ten other persons, one of whom is expected to die, were in hospitals from injuries suffered in the blast, which consumed the wing shop of the airplane manufacturing plant, while investigations were under way of charges that the ill-fated structure was a "fire trap."

FLIES OVER POLE

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pilot of Captain George H. Wilkins' Arctic expedition, celebrated the success of the flight it has watched with unusual interest. Eielson is 29 years old and spent his boyhood in the outdoors of North Dakota before studying at the University of North Dakota.

Georgetown university and the University of Wisconsin.

DETROIT, April 21.—(AP)—The hazard faced by Captain George H. Wilkins and Lieutenant Carl H. Eielson in flying from Point Barrow, Alaska, to Spitzbergen, "has never been exceeded by any in the history of aviation," A. M. Smith of the Detroit News who accompanied Wilkins on his 1927 expedition, said today in writing of the achievement.

"They took a course never before charted," Smith said, "and under arctic conditions of ice and weather which are more difficult to overcome than any other known flying conditions in the world, with the one assumed exception of conditions to be met by Commander Byrd at the South Pole."

BURIANK, Cal., April 21.—(AP)—Alan L. Lockhead, head of the Lockheed Aircraft corporation, builder of Captain George H. Wilkins' plane, received here today the following message from Captain Wilkins at Svalbard, Spitzbergen:

"Twenty and one-half hours flying. One stop, five days, account of weather. Machine hand-died last episode. Congratulations. Keeler, Lockhead, Norrarp, Borge, Jay, Stadelman and boys in shop, Wilkins, Eielson."

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Ray E. Shreck of San Francisco received a cablegram from Captain George H. Wilkins this morning, saying he had arrived safely and was feeling fine. Mrs. Shreck and her husband have been friends of Wilkins for years.

During Captain Wilkins' preparations for his trans-polar hop, he was in frequent communication by radio with Mrs. Shreck. She said today his plans in the event of a successful flight to Spitzbergen, were to take a boat from there, probably to Lanton, as soon as possible. He expected to take the first coaling boat that could carry his dismantled plane. Eventually he expects to come to the United States. Beyond that, Mrs. Shreck said she was not acquainted with his plans.

"I know that Captain Wilkins is the happiest man in the world today," Mrs. Shreck said. "He has long wanted to be the first to fly a heavier-than-air craft over the pole. His cablegram indicates he had a delightful trip. But he did not say whether he had seen land."

"Wilkins' low wave radio set was furnished by a San Francisco firm."

BOSTON, April 21.—(AP)—The name of Captain George H. Wilkins will go down in history as one who has done a great deed. Commander Richard E. Byrd pre-

dicted today when told by the Associated Press of the Australian explorer's successful flight across the North Pole area from Alaska to Spitzbergen.

Commander Byrd was in charge of the first air expedition to the North Pole two years ago. "I have been following Captain Wilkins' activities very carefully," he said. "I have felt that his determination would eventually accomplish for him something big. I have not the details of his flight, but the fact that he has flown from Point Barrow to Spitzbergen means that he has undoubtedly done something great, which will send his name down in history."

"He could not have failed to have explored some previously unexplored areas in the Arctic ocean. I congratulate him most heartily and also the Detroit News and the City of Detroit, who have so generously and loyally backed him."

Wilkins began his career in aviation in 1912, after having studied engineering in Australia. He earned his way around the world through work with his camera, taking pictures from airplanes. He served in the Vilhjalm Stefansson Arctic expedition in 1912 and when the World War broke out, commanded the Australian photographic section on the western front.

As second in command he sailed to Graham's Island with the British Imperial Antarctic expedition in 1921 and on this cruise, made a 200-mile trip through Antarctic winter in a whaleboat.

Sports

RODGERS MANAGES TO FLOP CLAPHAM IN HARD TUSSLE

Sam Clapham of Portland, British champion, 183 pounds, met defeat last night at the Hilarity hall wrestling pavilion at the hands of Stanley Rodgers of Medford, 180 pounds, who won the first and last falls, giving Rodgers the opportunity of meeting Ted Thy, world's light-heavyweight champion, if such match can be arranged.

By turning apparent defeat into victory, Rodgers won the first fall in 12 minutes by placing a punishing toe-hold on the British wrestler, who gave up the struggle by patting the mat. Up until he managed to secure the winning hold, Rodgers was a victim of a series of headlocks, which had made him so groggy that when he managed to obtain the winning hold he held on desperately and fared it viciously.

Picking the local Lithuanian up and giving him a short airplane spin, Clapham won the second fall in 13 minutes when he threw Rodgers to the mat, pinning both shoulders down with the aid of a body press. The deciding fall came in four minutes when Clapham's shoulders were pinned down, giving Rodgers the match, much to the dissatisfaction of Clapham, who claimed that Al Karasick, the Russian Lion, refereed the match unfairly by giving all the breaks to the local man. Clapham made a short speech from the ring and challenged Karasick to a match, "to take place immediately, but I am such that Karasick was suffering from an injured hand sustained in an auto accident, the challenge was not taken."

Clapham declared last evening that he is willing to meet Clapham here next month if proper arrangements can be made. Rodgers' style of wrestling pleased last night's crowd, making a hit with the spectators, who included a few women. Through brute strength he broke numerous dangerous and painful holds, and in filling Heine Manush's shoes in the Frank Burns and Prof. T. Higgam bout, the other half of the main event, was a match between a speedy wrestler and a wrestler who took his time and was much stronger. Burns was slow and strong and Higgam could do but little, when he placed an arm-bar on Burns, who could not break it. Both men worked hard throughout their bout, but the match was slow and Higgam did not seem to be up to his usual form.

In a preliminary, Buford, children of Talent, defeated Cecil Woods of this city in nine minutes, with the Medford boy unable to secure any punishing holds on his stronger opponent. A curtain-raiser preceded the preliminary.

In two weeks a high class boxing smoker is to be presented and details will probably be announced. Tonight's exhibition boxing night's smoker included E. C. Jerome, announcer; Al Karasick, referee; Warren Conrad, referee; Oscar Dunford, timekeeper.

CHICAGO, April 21.—(AP)—A 22-year-old Detroit rookie, Paul Easterling, is far ahead of the field in the race for individual batting honors in the American league.

Unofficial statistics of the junior circuit, including Wednesday's games, show Easterling, who is filling Heine Manush's shoes in the Tiger outfield, has been at bat 11 times in which he has batted 7 hits for a total of 13 bases and an average of .636. This average is 107 percentage points ahead of the slugging New York Yankee veteran, Bob Meusel, who is second.

"Columbia Lou" Gehrig of the Yankees was third with an average of .470. Other leaders, in order of their standings, Joe Sewell, Cleveland, .467; Harry McCurdy, Chicago, .444; Rice, Washington, .437; Bluege, Washington; K. Williams, Boston; Miller, Philadelphia, and Barrett, Philadelphia, .412; Langford, of Cleveland and Rollins, Boston, .400 each.

The Yankees, who could not get in training exhibition games, resumed their traditional perch at

CANADIAN LEADS DERBYISTS TODAY

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., April 21.—(AP) Thomas Ellis of Hamilton, Ont., led the better water caravan into Springfield today covering the 33.5 miles from Miller in 4:25:29. His elapsed time for the 184.14 miles is 41:55:49.

Andrew Payne, Claremore, Okla., and Peter Gavuzzi, Southampton, England, in first and second place respectively, finished the route together and finished in a dead heat and landed in tenth place in today's lap. Their time was 5:37:41. Payne's elapsed time is 308:05:25 and Gavuzzi's is 308:41:25, a difference of 36 minutes.

Allan Currier, Grants Pass, Ore., finished last night in 10:31:10, and 39:17:54, elapsed time.

Paul Smith, Gates, Ore., finished last night in 9:36:44, and 45:56:21, elapsed time.

Major League Leaders

(By the Associated Press) Including games of April 20: National. Batting—Grantham, Pirates, .600. Runs—Frisch, Cardinals, 10. Runs Batted In—Frisch, Cardinals, 10. Hits—Grantham, Pirates, 15. Doubles—Grantham, Pirates, 4. Triples—Thompson, Phillies; Riconda, Dodgers; Bottomley, Cards, 2 each. Homers—O'Doul, Giants; Webb, Cubs; Frisch, Cards, 3 each. Stolen bases—Frisch, O'Farrell, Bottomley, Cards; Maguire, Cubs; Barnhart, Pirates; Tyson, Carey, Dodgers, 2 each. American. Batting—Easterling, Tigers, .600. Runs—Jameson, Indians, 12. Runs Batted In—Sevell, Indians, 10. Hits—J. Sewell, Indians, 15. Doubles—Meusel, Yankees, 5. Triples—Regan, Red Sox, 4. Homers—K. Williams, Red Sox; Easterling, Tigers, 2 each. Stolen bases—Meyer, Red Sox, 4.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—The American Red Cross today transmitted \$5000 through the state department to the Bulgarian Red Cross for relief of earthquake sufferers.

Latest Dope on the Big Leagues

NEW YORK, April 21.—(AP)—The first eight days of play in the National league saw George Grantham of the Pirates jump to the top of the batting list with an average of .579 for five games. Delany and Urban of Boston both topped this figure, but each played in only three games and neither rates as a regular. Grantham's average was compiled through his solving rival pitchers for eight singles and three doubles in 19 official times at bat. The Pirate infielder also drove in five runs.

Frankie Frisch shares offensive honors with Grantham. The Cardinal infielder not only led in runs batted in with eight, but tied for the lead in home runs and steals. Andrew Cohen, the widely advertised Jewish second baseman of the Giants, was a close second in sending runners across the plate. His total was seven.

Veteran pitchers are not supposed to strike their best until long after preliminary gestures are over in the championship season, but Grover Cleveland Alexander, starting his National league campaign, took the play away from the rest of the field, young and old.

Alexander got only an even break in his first two starts, but he pitched his 90th major league shutout in his first effort and forced the Cubs to go 10 innings to shade him, 3 to 2, in the second.

Larry Benton of the Giants, Red Lucas of the Reds and Dazy Vance of the Robins tied for the lead in games won and lost with two victories each and no defeats. Twelve other National league boxmen each scored one victory without a loss.

In the matter of home runs, the National league showed the way, temporarily at least, to Babe Ruth. Frisch, Frank O'Doul of the Giants and Earl Webb of the Cubs, tied for the lead with three circuit blows each.

Allison and Max Carey of Brooklyn tied with Frisch in base thievery with two steals each.

Scoring 15 runs in the final three innings, San Francisco buried the Oaks under an avalanche of hits and tallies to win, 19-8. Six bases on balls, 20 hits and four errors contributed to the Oaklanders' defeat. Batteries: Duff, Gould, Daella, Ault and Boal; Mitchell, May and Sprinz.

Fights Last Night

(By the Associated Press) PHILADELPHIA—Marty Gallagher, Washington, stopped Wid Matthews, Baltimore, (4). BOSTON—Sergeant Sam Baker, New York, defeated Clyde Hull, South Dakota, (10). DENVER—Al Webster, Billings, Mont., technically knocked out Charlie Long, Omaha, (10). Tony Caponi, Rock Island, knocked out Joe Hand, Los Angeles (3). HOLLYWOOD—Bert Colima, Whittier, Cal., won by technical knockout over Lew Chester, Pennsylvania, (7). SAN DIEGO—Raymond Montoy, San Diego, and Flash Hastings, Nebraska, drew (10).

USUAL RESULT IN BEAVER GAME

(By the Associated Press) The Missions and the Beavers went 12 hectic innings before Harry Green, Mission outfielder, got a toe hold on one of Bert Cole's fast ones, and cracked it out of the park, driving three runners home ahead of him. Green's wallop gave the Missions their third straight win over Portland, 9-5. Batteries: Holling and Laidwin, Whitney; French, Warhop, Cole and Teeko, Almsmith.

Three Seattle pitchers ascended the mound in the first inning against Hollywood, before the side was retired and only one of them, Graham, proved effective. The Stars scored nine runs in that opening frame and the margin proved enough for an eventual victory, 10-5. Batteries: Murphy and Agnew; Teachout, Martin, Graham and Schmidt, Parker, and Kuehler.

Led by Schulermerich with five singles in as many times at bat, Los Angeles slugged a trio of Sacramento hurlers mercilessly and coasted to an 11-4 victory. Batteries: Shea, Singleton, Canfield and Koehler, Harris; Plitt and Sandberg.

YANKEES BEATEN BY ATHLETICS IN FIRST HOME GAME

(By the Associated Press) The unending battle between pitcher and batsman, found the former holding a temporary advantage today. Yesterday effective pitching was the rule, rather than the exception it had been the previous day when 15 home runs and an avalanche of lesser blows drove major league game.

Aided and abetted by Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker, the left-headed speed ball ace, Robert Moses Grove, pitched the Philadelphia Athletics to a 2 to 1 victory over the New York Yankees and spoiled the world's Champions' opening day for a majority of the 50,000 who saw the game. It was the first victory of the season for the winners.

At Cleveland, the Chicago White Sox turned on the Indians and hammered out an 11 to 1 triumph, after losing the first two engagements of the current series.

The Washington Senators remained in a second place by bowing to the Boston Red Sox 6 to 5 at the national capital. Goose Goslin's third home run of the year was the high spot.

Successful circuit drives by Marty McManus and Easterling—the latter's third in as many days—gave Detroit three runs in the second inning against St. Louis. That was all the scoring the Tigers did, but it was plenty, for Earl Whitfield blanketed the Browns, with only four hits.

In the National league at Chicago, Eppa Rixey, elongated left-hander, threw the ball past the hard-hitting Chicago Cubs with monotonous regularity and the Cincinnati Reds galloped off Wrigley field with a 6 to 0 decision.

Five runs in the seventh enabled the St. Louis Cardinals to register their second win in a row over Pittsburgh, 6 to 2. Burleigh Grimes was knocked out of the box during the Cardinal uprising.

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Windows and Doors

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The Stewart Fruit Company, acting through its Receiver, under the direction of the United States Federal Court, says "prompt" means AS SOON AS RECEIVED—AT ONCE. By the use of the air mail all through the fruit season, money deposited in the Growers' Trust Funds in Eastern cities, is transferred in two days to the Growers' Trust Fund in San Francisco. It is then paid to growers as soon as checks can be made out.

The average time for a car to go from Oregon to the Eastern markets by freight is thirteen days. One day is needed for sale, two days for transfer of the money and from one to two days for accounting and getting the money to the grower. That is, seventeen days on an average are really needed from the time a car rolls until the grower should have his money.

Well, seventeen days is just the average time it took the Stewart Fruit Company to pay its growers during 1926 and 1927 for eight shipments sold in Eastern markets. On cash Oregon sales the time was, of course, much less. The same plan will be used in 1928. If you shipped with other companies during the past two seasons we suggest that you check up on the average time of payment or ask your neighbors for their experience.

If a grower doesn't get his money promptly, WHERE IS IT? WHO IS USING IT? WHAT IS HE DOING WITH IT? DOES THE GROWER GET INTEREST ON IT WHILE IT IS BEING USED?

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