

# POLITICAL PLUMS ON NEW BASIS

### Hoover to Be Honest In Distribution of Federal Patronage, Brookhart—Montanan Mentioned for Agricultural Post; Old Friend Luncheon Guest.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—A revision in the method of handling federal patronage during the Hoover administration was predicted today by Senator Brookhart, republican, Iowa, after a conference with the president-elect.

The Iowa, who is chairman of a senate committee investigating patronage distribution in southern states, called on Mr. Hoover to acquaint him with the work accomplished to date by the committee and of the disclosures it had made.

"I am convinced," Brookhart said, "that the Daugherty and Fall scheme of patronage is over for ever. I am convinced that the Hoover administration will be honest in this respect as it will be in all others."

Brookhart spent more than an hour with the president-elect. In speaking at the committee's work the senator said he did not want to prejudice the situation before the investigation was completed and all evidence sifted. He added, however, that he thought the situation in the three states, Mississippi, Georgia and South Carolina, would result in a shake-up which he was confident would take place in the next administration.

Fortified by his exchange of views with Mr. Hoover, Brookhart said the senate investigation would be carried into other states from which complaints regarding patronage distribution had been received.

On February 23, H. R. Creager, national committee man from Texas, will appear before the committee.

Furthermore, under authority of a special senate resolution, Brookhart declared the committee would sit in the interval between the present and the special session of congress.

The agricultural situation which will figure so prominently in the special session also was minutely covered in the conference. The Iowa senator said the name of Thomas D. Campbell, of Montana, had been mentioned in his conversation with the president-elect as a possible secretary of agriculture. Mr. Brookhart declared he personally would not be very much in favor of such a selection. Mr. Campbell had an engagement with Mr. Hoover late in the day. As for Mr. Hoover's intentions regarding agricultural policy, Senator Brookhart reported that he felt sure that the president-elect had already formulated a concrete and workable plan which he would issue at the proper time and which would carry out all his campaign promises.

All aspects of the special session were exhaustively discussed by Mr. Hoover and Mr. Brookhart. The latter said that it would certainly be convened at the earliest possible time which would probably be nearer April 8 than April 15.

Hugh Gibson, American ambassador to Belgium, was Mr. Hoover's luncheon guest. Mr. Gibson is a warm friend of the president-elect, the two having been associated in Belgian relief work. The ambassador's name has been frequently mentioned as a possibility for the secretaryship of the state.

Mr. Gibson was called to this country at this time to confer with the administration concerning national policies in the forthcoming preparatory disarmament conference in Geneva on April 15 to which he will be the United States' chief delegate.

# GEORGE ANDREWS FAMED IN SONG TO LAST REWARD

George Andrews died at his home on the Oak Grove road last night about 8:20 o'clock, following a paralytic stroke Thursday. He was 63 years of age. Thirty years ago he was one of the foremost baritone on the American stage, and won high honors in the theatrical world, being one of the founders of the famous Andrews Opera company.

He was a sweet singer and a gentle soul, and a man of many friends and noble qualities.

Born at Lake Washington, Minnesota, November 29, 1865. He was the son of a Methodist minister, and of a family of ten children, all musical. Mr. Andrews was the head of the Andrews Opera company up to the time he located here in Medford in 1916.

Since locating in the valley he was interested in the orchard business and resided for a long time at the Barnett orchard on north Pacific highway, owned by his brother, later purchasing the home and orchard in the Oak Grove district.

Mr. Andrews was married twice and leaves a daughter by his first marriage, Mrs. Arlene South of Chicago, Ill. October eighth, 1908 he was married to Ella Stewart of Baldwin, Miss., and to them two sons were born, Charles Darwin, who died in 1912, and today is survived by his wife and one son, George Edward, aged 12 years. He also leaves two brothers, Dr. J. W. Andrews, Mankato, Minn., and Edward Andrews, New York City; also three sisters, Mrs. Mary Stone, and Mrs. Florence Clayton, St. Paul, and Mrs. Alice Parker, New York City.

The funeral services will be announced later. Funeral arrangements in charge of the York Funeral home.

# Millionaire Slain



Edward L. Doherty, Jr. (top) wealthy 28-year old son of the oil magnate, who was shot to death by his confidential secretary, Hugh Plattett (below) in Los Angeles. The latter killed himself. Associated Press photos transmitted by telephone.

# TANKS FILLED IN PORTLAND'S GASOLINE WAR

### Motorists Take Advantage of Cut Rates—Major Oil Companies Await Next Move—General Suit Hearing Set for Today.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 23.—(AP)—It was "Fill 'er up" rather than "Gimme five" in Portland today as motorists took advantage of 16 1/2 cent a gallon gasoline.

All was quiet on the "gas war" front, although major oil companies were eyeing each other for the next move in the price slashing frolic. The General Petroleum corporation, which started the most recent "war," maintained its 16 1/2 cent quotation with other concerns and the Portland Retail Gasoline Dealers' association, dropping its line.

The General Petroleum suit, filed against the Richfield Oil company and Frank Cornwell, service station operator, charging that Cornwell while under contract to the corporation sold Richfield products, will be heard today. An injunction restraining Cornwell from selling other than General products is asked.

# BILL BANS DAM

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against it. He thought its provisions were too drastic and questioned the constitutionality of some of its features. Peters and Lockwood also opposed the bill.

Senate joint resolution No. 16, which provides for a committee to investigate and study the needs and operation of the workmen's compensation law and to report to the governor its findings and recommendations was adopted. House joint resolution No. 19 providing for the investigation of public schools also was adopted. Carlin explained that there was need of putting school finances on a

# ARREST TRIO FOR THEFT OF BUICK

With the arrest yesterday and last night of H. C. Spurr, Willard Spurr, and Joe King for the theft of the Buick coupe, stolen Friday night from Ben Hitzler, the city police department last week arrested eight persons on felony charges, making the biggest week in the way of felony arrests for the year.

The three alleged auto thieves have confessed to stealing the coupe, according to Police Officer Joe Cave last night, and the car was recovered yesterday afternoon from its hiding place under the Jackson Street bridge, where it was left after it had been driven to Grants Pass and returned to this city. The two other motorists, recently of Myrtle Point, were arrested several hours before King for breaking into a Sixth Street hamburger stand and taking candy and supplies.

Others arrested last week included Pat Bishop, forger; Glenn Shell, robbery; Donald Grantham, violation of Mann act and auto theft; Otto King and Alfred Tremaine, possession of moonshine still.

# VICE FUGITIVE IS HELD IN EUREKA

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 23.—(AP)—The arrest in Eureka, Cal., of Ralph Hammond on a secret indictment returned by the Multnomah county grand jury, in connection with an alleged vice ring in which schoolboys figured, was announced by police here today. The information placed before the grand jury, and upon which the indictment was based, said Hammond built up a vice ring among 11 or 12-year old pupils of the Arleta school here.

The first complaint was furnished the district attorney by the mother of an 11-year old boy, at whose home Hammond resided.

Deputy Sheriff Talley was on his way to Eureka today to return Hammond to Portland.

# GUARD INSPECTION EARLY IN MARCH

The men of Company M, 186th Infantry, the local National Guard with keen anticipation the annual unit are all on their toes, waiting federal inspection of the command the first week in March. The officers and men of the company expect it to pass one of the best federal inspections in its history, owing to the intensive training program that has been on for weeks past.

It is possible that on the night of the inspection five or six service medals will be presented to a number of members of the company, whose present personnel numbers fit.

Colonel C. C. McMurray of the United States army and stations at the Vancouver barracks will be inspecting the company. The officers of the regular army, stationed at the Presidio, will make the inspection of the ordnance material. Some of the high ranking officers of the 186th Infantry are also expected to be present.

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modern basis and a study of the situation undoubtedly would lead to improved school finances. A committee is to be appointed to make the survey.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 23.—(AP)—Senator Norblad's bill directing the state to assume the lease on Camp Clatsop, summer training grounds for the Oregon National Guard, was passed by the senate today.

Senator Norblad explained that at the time the training camp was established in Clatsop county the people assumed the lease of the property at a rental of \$252 a year. As the result of financial reverses, he said, the people of Clatsop county had requested that the lease be taken over by the state and they be relieved of further payments. Senator Norblad said the citizens of Clatsop county also had expended \$25,000 in constructing a road from Astoria to the camp, and had made other substantial improvements. Governor Patterson recommended that the lease to camp Clatsop be taken over by the state in his message to the legislature.

A house bill by Representative Swift demanding protection for dealers carried on the fenders and running boards of automobiles was re-referred after a spirited debate. A majority of the committee which investigated the bill reported against it. Senator Joe Dunne said he favored the bill for the reason it would avoid serious accidents and protect human life.

A bill by Senators Butt, Bailey authorizing the appointment of a secretary for the state highway commission also was considered and approved.

The senate also approved a bill by Moser tightening up the blue sky law. The senator explained that this bill would protect the public against unscrupulous salesmen and save investors many thousands of dollars annually.

Senator Upton's bill authorizing the organization and opera-

tion of rural fire protection districts also received favorable consideration. Amendments inserted in the bill since it was first introduced made it impossible for the construction of a memorial building at Clatsop park. A bill carrying an appropriation of \$125,000 for this purpose is now before congress.

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