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OREGONIAN AFTER FARM BOARD JOB

Ritner, Kepp, and Reynolds Are Candidates, and Sen. McNary May Name Appointee—Recognition For Northwest—President Lauds Farm Act.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 15.—(AP)—Government administration constituents tonight were commenting on the "excellent possibilities" of the Pacific Northwest being represented by an Oregon man on the federal farm relief board created today when President Hoover signed the agricultural relief bill.

Within the past three months three aspirants for one of the eight places on the board, each drawing \$12,000 annually, have been mentioned. The first in the field was Roy Ritner, former Umatilla county state senator, grain grower and former banker.

State officials said tonight the outcome depends largely on the attitude of Senator McNary (Oregon) who had charge of the relief bill and followed closely the desires of the president. They also mention the possibility of President Hoover granting special consideration to the Oregon senator in recognition of his six year effort for farm relief legislation.

Competition from California is seen by constituents because of President Hoover's connections there.

While Frank O. Lowden, former Illinois governor, was in Portland last week, Kipp had a long conference with him. The name of Lowden has been mentioned as a possible member of the board, but he refused to comment either on the possible appointment or the outcome of the farm bill, over which a fight was being waged then.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(AP)—President Hoover described the farm relief bill which he signed today as "a constructive start at agricultural relief" and as "the most important measure ever passed by congress in aid of a single industry."

His formal statement, issued several hours after the actual signing, follows:

"After many years of inaction we have at last made a constructive start at agricultural relief with the most important measure ever passed by congress in aid of a single industry."

"As it would have introduced many cross currents to have initiated any movement toward the selection of the farm board until after the legislation was completed, no steps have been taken in this direction beyond the receipt of several hundred recommendations. It will require two or three weeks to make these selections. The choice of the board is not easy for its members must in a measure be distributed regionally over the country. It must at the same time be chosen so as to represent so far as possible each major branch of agriculture."

"Moreover, the board must be made up of men of actual farm experience and inasmuch as its work lies largely in marketing in conjunction with farm cooperatives its membership should be comprised of men who have been actively engaged in directing farmers' marketing organizations. It is desirable that the board should have in its constitution at least one man experienced in general business and one with special experience in finance."

"I am asking for a preliminary appropriation of \$150,000,000 at once out of the \$500,000,000 that has been authorized, and as congress will be in session except for short periods, the board will be able to present its further requirements at almost any time."

CHICAGO, June 15.—(AP)—The signing of the agricultural marketing bill by President Hoover was the final step in laying the foundation of a national agricultural policy, Sam H. Thompson, president of the American Farm Bureau federation said today.

"It is a policy forecasting an immediate turn in the economic position of the farming industry," he said.

"Farming will become an increasingly profitable business. For the past 150 years the farmers have struggled against inequalities arising from the fact that other groups in our national life existed under an economic system based on governmental aid and protection that resulted to their regular advantage."

When the Yellow Bird Took Off



COMILLAS, Spain, June 15.—(AP)—The three flying men of France, Assolant, Lefevre and Lottl, remained tonight for another sleep on Spanish soil before going on to Paris, goal of their flight across the Atlantic ocean from America.

The Yellow Bird is scheduled to soar away from the beach at Oriembre, at 5 a. m., tomorrow, taking up again its journey from the haven where it alighted at the end of its trans-Atlantic trip last night.

PARIS AGOG TO GREAT HEROES OF OCEAN HOP

Three Musketeers of Air to Arrive at French Capitol Today—Monster Throng Expected—Stowaway to Share In Welcome, Then Be Sent Home.

LE BOURGET, France, June 15.—Paris after standing on tip toe for a second day, tonight was again forced to postpone its welcome to the first Frenchmen to cross the North Atlantic by air.

A large Saturday crowd had swarmed through the gates of the airfield this afternoon hoping to see the Yellow Bird arrive from Santander as another crowd had waited the previous evening for its arrival from Old Orchard. At six o'clock it was announced that the flight had been postponed until tomorrow and in a very few minutes the crowd that had been collecting for hours had entirely dispersed.

M. Lottl, senior, father of the radio operator and backer of the flight, was as philosophic as most of the crowd. "Oh, well," he said, "it is best for the boys to take a rest before they come."

The police, expecting even larger crowds since tomorrow is Sunday, have made elaborate arrangements to keep the people in order.

COMILLAS, Spain, June 15.—(AP) Arthur Schreiber, American stowaway, on the big Bernard monoplane, remained with the French aviators and will be taken by them to Paris.

Schreiber was invited along with the three aviators who have received themselves to his presence and permit him to tag along as they go from one ovation to another.

Lottl said that they would take him up at the hotel of St. Lottl, senior, let him share in whatever festivities awaited them and when all was over they would send him home.

VISALIA SHERIFF SAYS GUSTAVUS' STORY SHATTERED

VISALIA, Cal., June 15.—(AP)—Sheriff R. Le Hill of Tulare county today returned from Oregon, where he questioned Harvey Gustavus, regarding Gustavus' statement that Mrs. Pearl Franklin, believed to have been slain by her husband, George Franklin, was still alive.

COURT GRILLS FLIP HEAD OF DEFUNCT BANK

Judge Says Sunny Italy May Be Attractive to Di Paola—Once Defied Courts—At Liberty On Bonds.

NEW YORK, June 15.—(AP)—The criminal arm of the state investigation into the collapse of the City Trust company reached out today and placed under heavy bail three officers of the institution which was wrecked several months ago with millions in forged paper in its accounts.

Arrested on charges of third degree forgery, Anthony Di Paola, treasurer, who refused to tell former secretary of state Robert Moses, the investigator how much he was worth, was held in jail of \$24,500 by Supreme Court Justice James C. Crosey, appointed committing magistrate by Governor Roosevelt. He will be given a hearing on June 28.

Louis Tavormina, vice president, and George Zinit, assistant cashier, were also arrested and held in jail. The government vigorously pushed emergency measures. The wealth of the officers and royal air force intended to undertake rain-making experiments shortly. Two airplanes will mount above the clouds and sprinkle them with a powder-chemical known as douline. The chemical has a refrigerating effect which it is hoped will start a heavy rain.

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PLANE AND RADIO RECEIVER ASKED FOR STATE W.O.W.

THE PAS, Man., June 15.—(AP)—An airplane and the radio have saved the life of Mrs. Edward Swaps, Indian woman, who was seriously burned at Pelican Narrows yesterday when her clothing caught fire from a cookstove.

A radio message summoned from the Pas a plane piloted by J. C. Ullman and the woman was carried 220 miles to a hospital where doctors said she would have died had treatment been delayed longer.

HONG KONG OUT OF WATER WILL TRY CHEMICAL

Airplanes Will Scatter Deoline Over Clouds to Make Rain—Liners Bring Water—Situation Is Very Grave.

HONG KONG, China, June 15.—(AP)—Hong Kong's danger from shortage of water continued grave tonight when a heavy rainfall which the weather bureau had hoped would last all night, stopped at eight o'clock.

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DRY FINES MORE THAN ASIDE OF DRY COSTS

Prohibition Chief Issues Estimate to Refute Claim Volstead Act Would Cost Billion—Enforcement Expenses for Year Small.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(AP)—Statistical studies of the cost of prohibition enforcement prepared by Commissioner Moran place the total government expenditure in the nine years since the adoption of the Eighteenth amendment at \$141,178,184, with collections from fines and revenues from liquor put at \$469,022,792.

Doran said the calculations had been made after circulation of a pamphlet by the association against the prohibition amendment fixing a decade of prohibition enforcement costs to the government at nearly \$1,000,000,000. The prohibition unit's calculations have been circulated to state prohibition administrators with the statement that "this information is made available to you that the misinformation recently appearing in the public press can be corrected when opportunity affords."

"It is apparent that the collections by far balance the expenditures," said the Doran letter. "Even if \$72,000,000, estimated as the cost to the department of justice for the enforcement of prohibition should be added, there would still be a balance of \$247,324,307.76 over and above the total expenditures accredited to the enforcement of the prohibition laws."

"During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928, expenditures for the prohibition bureau, coast guard and customs border patrol total \$27,487,200.31. Collections from fines and penalties, the revenue from taxes on distilled spirits and fermented liquors and proceeds from the sale of seizures and fines collected incident to prohibition cases terminated under customs laws total \$21,872,072.17. This showed the total cost incident to the enforcement of prohibition for the fiscal year to be \$5,615,128.14."

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LASKY LIFTS SIX TO FILM HEIGHTS

ST. LOUIS, June 15.—(AP)—Jesse L. Lasky, first vice president and head of production of the Paramount Pictures corporation, today announced the elevation of six screen actors and actresses to the rating of stars, effective immediately.

The six are Gary Cooper, Richard Dix, Nancy Carroll, Evelyn Brent, Ruth Chatterton and William Powell.

Lasky made the announcement in connection with a discussion of the new season's products at an international convention here of executives and other representatives of the Paramount corporation. He said Paramount plans to release 65 all-talking pictures for its season from August, 1929, to August, 1930, and also announced new issues of the Paramount news reels in sound.

SIGNBOARD HIDES BODY OF WOMAN

LAGUNA BEACH, Calif., June 15.—(AP)—The body of an unidentified woman, who apparently had been strangled to death, was found behind a signboard 150 feet from the coast highway on the southern edge of this city today.

Deputy Sheriff A. L. Steward of Orange county, who made the first investigation after the body had been discovered by a workman, said facial discoloration indicated the woman had been strangled. He said the woman evidently was between 25 and 40 years old. Tracks of an automobile on the roadside and a path through grass near the signboard indicated, Steward said, the body had been dragged from an automobile to its hiding place.

LONDON, June 15.—(AP)—A 350,000 home for girls, half the cost of which was contributed by Queen Mary, has been opened at Sionditch. The queen attended the dedication.

HAIL DAWES AS AIDE OF PEACE PLAN

Conference With British Premier Today Step to Settle Disarmament Problem—Baptist Convention Speaker Says McDonald Another Lincoln.

LONDON, June 15.—(AP)—Charles G. Dawes, new American ambassador to Great Britain, left tonight for the Scottish highlands to meet Premier Ramsay MacDonald in a conference widely hailed as pregnant with great events. He previously had presented credentials to King George at Windsor castle.

The ceremony at Windsor today was strictly according to tradition, but Ambassador Dawes' expeditious journey to Scotland in performance of a special mission is as novel as it is dramatically momentous.

Fired with enthusiastic interest by the brusque mid-west American's "hustle," the British public is watching General Dawes with the keenest interest. Englishmen are firmly convinced that he brings from President Hoover to the British prime minister an invitation freighted with incalculable possibilities for world peace.

Well-informed British sentiment forecast tonight that as a result of tomorrow's luncheon chat between the two statesmen, Premier MacDonald will visit President Hoover in Washington for a face to face discussion of the disarmament problem.

British opinion, optimistic as it is, is eager, holds to the belief that such a meeting of the heads of the two great English speaking nations will eliminate the primary causes of irritation between the two peoples and pave the way to international security and world peace.

DENVER, Colo., June 15.—(AP)—Ramsay MacDonald, British prime minister, was compared with Abraham Lincoln in an address before Northern Baptists in convention here today by Rev. James Rushbrooke, M. A. D. D., London, general secretary of the Baptist World alliance.

Like Lincoln, MacDonald had had to break "his birth's individual bar," like Lincoln, by sheer grit, without adventitious aid, he has "grappled with his evil star," "made by force his merit known and has eventually attained the loftiest position open to him in his own land," said Dr. Rushbrooke.

"Rely upon it, that in all noble adventure for human well being, young Mr. Hoover will find a worthy comrade in our Mr. MacDonald."

Rev. Rushbrooke said that Baptists had been persecuted in Russia and that the soviet government in the past few months had imposed severe restrictions upon the Baptist church.

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PRICE OUTLOOK FOR BARTLETTS IS QUITE ROSY

California Pear Growers to Fix Canning Price Next Tuesday—Von Hoevenberg Reports Valley Situation Looks Good—Visits Fruit Sections and Attends Pest Fly Meeting.

The California Pear Growers association will fix the price of canning pears next Tuesday. The meeting was originally scheduled for yesterday. Local fruitmen are following the advice of the Fruit-growers league, and selling no Bartletts, or signing contracts for sale of Bartletts until the California price is fixed. It was reported during the week that offers of \$70 per ton and \$75 per ton had been made to local growers, and refused. Buyers have been in the field the past week. The general situation for valley Bartletts looks good.

H. VanHoevenberg, Jr., Sams Valley orchardist, who has been on a tour of California fruit districts, in a telegram estimates that the Sacramento pear crop will be 30 per cent of last year.

He estimates the Auburn, Newcastle and Placerville district at 90 per cent of last year, but considerably frost marked. The Suisun district crop is figured at 90 per cent of last year, and badly frost marked.

Fruit authorities visited by VanHoevenberg estimate the entire pear crop at 70 per cent of last year, not counting the frost marked fruit, but VanHoevenberg thinks this is too high.

The preliminary agreement on the pear price is from \$70 to \$75, but Mr. VanHoevenberg states that some of the growers are holding out for \$80 to \$100 per ton.

Mr. VanHoevenberg attended the meeting of Sacramento business men, bankers and state officials, to outline plans to combat the Mediterranean fruit fly. The present situation gives no cause for alarm, but California is making elaborate preparations for any emergency along this line.

The stone fruit crop, the local orchardist reports as "almost a total wreck."

Mr. VanHoevenberg expects to return Monday or Tuesday.

A telegraphic report to this city yesterday said that Libby, McNeil & Libby were buying Yakima valley Bartletts at \$75 per ton.

Another report stated heavy rains in California had damaged the cherry crop.

GUARDSMAN HURT, GOES UNDER KNIFE

ASTORIA, Ore., June 15.—(AP)—An injury to James Hedgoc, Portland, national guardsman at Camp Clatsop, though it was minor Friday, today sent him to a hospital for an immediate operation, and tonight he was in a hospital seriously ill.

Hedgoc, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hedgoc, Portland, fell from a horse and landed on his rifle he was carrying. Early today he developed internal injuries.

FINAL MEET PEAR DRIVE ON JUNE 26

Good Progress Made In Comparison to Broaden Bosc Market and Increase Use of Winter Varieties—Report By D. R. Wood—Confer with Prof. Hartman Monday.

Final plans of a campaign by the Fruit-growers League to broaden the market for Bosc pears and to educate the nation to the edibility of the winter varieties of pears, will be made at a meeting to be held Wednesday, June 26, it was decided at a meeting held yesterday at the Hotel Medford.

The board of directors of the Fruit-growers League will confer Monday with Prof. E. T. Hartman of the Oregon State college, upon securing his services for the purpose of going to New York City, to make an exhaustive study of storage conditions there and gather data upon the temperatures at which the winter varieties of pears ripen, and when they should be placed upon the markets.

An assessment of one cent per box, for all winter varieties has been agreed to, by forty per cent of the winter variety growers, and 55 per cent of the Bosc growers have signed contracts for an assessment of five cents per box. This amounts to 4000 cars of Bosc and 538 cars of the winter varieties.

A canvass of the growers will be made the next ten days, and it is expected, according to a tentative report by David H. Wood, chairman of the committee, that 75 per cent of the Bosc growers and 70 per cent of the winter variety growers will sign.

The Bosc growers have designated Detroit, as the new market for Bosc pears, the coming season.

David Wood, in his report, set forth that a campaign of education was necessary among the Eastern dealers, so that the "Winter Varieties" would not be sold firm, green, and almost unfit for human consumption because of their hardness.

He favored educating the housewives of the land, so they would make pies of and bake the late pears. He cited the tastiness of the Bosc when baked, as a criterion, and urged that the late pears be placed on the market, "only when ready to eat." This he said would increase the consumption.

The valley has been divided into four districts. During the meeting the names of all growers, who had not signed for the advertising and educational campaign, were called, and designated as to districts. Canvassers will call upon them within the next week or ten days.

The meeting Wednesday, June 26, will be held in the evening, so that it will not interfere with orchard work, now at its height.

At the conclusion of the regular meeting, President Albert Burch, called a meeting of the board of directors, to discuss plans for a luncheon to be held next Tuesday, for members of the Board of Regents of Oregon State college, who will visit the city and valley, on a tour of inspection on that day.

A letter asking support of H. Phillips Portland, recently secretary of the farm board, recently carried by the passage of the new farm bill was presented, and no action taken.

The full text of the report of David H. Wood, chairman of the Pear committee is as follows:

It is the opinion of your winter pear committee that large quantities of pear of all varieties are being offered to the public when hard green, utterly inedible and in such a condition as to preclude their use by the public in contrast with such fruits as apples, oranges and bananas.

"The housewife does not use the pear freely in salads and pies because of its uncertain condition. We all know that an apple in juicy condition when properly baked is a very attractive dish. A Bosc pear in good condition when baked is equally attractive and in the opinion of many local people surpasses the apple, as it appeals to the palate, but this fact is not known to the average citizen of the United States.

Looking at the pear from the angle of the producer, our anxiety to sell so many boxes at so much per box wholesale and at a price which makes us a profit, we are apt to overlook the difficulties of the retailer at the other end of the line when he attempts to ring the cash register with our produce.

The consumption of pears must be based on their appeal to the public. Offer them an attractive, juicy pear, ready to eat, your sales will increase. Offer them a hard, indigestible article or an article ready for the garbage can, your sales will dwindle, as in the final analysis the public is interested

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