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BANKS FIRST DEFENSE WITNESS

Day's News

By FRANK JENIKNS

HERE is a black headline from yes-terday's papers:

"Industry Ready for Team Work Co-operation Drawn by Leaders."

The blackness of the headlines indicates the importance, in the minds of many news editors, of the atory.

This is the "scheme"—if that is the word that should be applied to it. "Plan," this writer thinks would be a better word. "Scheme" carries the implacation of skulduggery of some sort.

Anyway, what the leaders of industry have in mind us such relaxation of the anti-trust laws as will enable people in the same line of business to get together, figure out probable markets, adapt production o the normal requirements of these markets and probably fix prices at a figure that will show a profit,
All this, you know, is illegal now

as the Sherman anti-trust law speeifically forbids such things.

We don't care much what it is, just so something is done.

CIRCUMSTANCES alter cases, as the proverb aprly informs us. When the Sherman anti-trust law preventing "big business" from mak-

enough to pay good wages to large numbers of workers, for we have learned by hard experience that good tions. wages can't be paid without profits.

A ND here is another headline: "Re-turn to Jobe Sweeps Country." What the headline writer means to say, within the limitations imposed by making the type fit the column, inthat all over the country jobs are increasing in number and men and women are going back to work.

Boy! Don't that sound good! Here's hoping it's every word true

PRICES are rising in many lines, and we hear it stated in a learned sort of way that inflation is responsible-depreciation of the value

that as yet all we have done is TALK about inflation? We haven't really done any inflating yet to speak about.

ing headache.

line for you. The story goes on to I object to the lengthy telling of Banks' life story and the accusations set that growers with hops still reheat the shurling from the witness stand." maining in their hands aren't much are inclined to hold for 75 cents. Jury

WELL, here's hoping they get it.

The poor devils of hop growers have had grief enough in the past on in the face of discouragement are entitled to some wild prices.

BERLIN, May 12—(AP)—The German trade unions, now controlled by
B, the nazis, inaugurated a new anti-sessetic campaign today when various his flewapaper defeated, and saved the cott had twice threatened Banks life.

COURT OVERRULES International Tariff Truce Is Unanimously Agreed MOVE TO DISMISS

This sub-head follows: "Scheme for Agitator Opens Story From Stand With Arrival of Kin On Mayflower - State Objects to Rambling

> EUGENE, Ore., May 12.—(P)—In a sudden, bold move that surprised the courtroom. Liewellyn A. Banks was placed on the witness at and here loday by his attorneys as the first defense witness in his murder trial.
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> A short time before the court had

denied a defense motion for dismissional of the first degree murder charges against Banks and his wife. Edith Robertine Banks, accused of siaying Constable George Prescott of Medford, an auditor for the State Industrial Accident Insurance commission, was the death threat uttered by L. A. Banks in his own home, on the morning of Tuesday, March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday, March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. March 14 last—two days before the siaying of the morning of Tuesday. moments before by Ralph Moody, warrant, Banks and his fut degree murcer at the mouth. Now, we regard it as merely another device intended to restore prosperity, and are inclined to think rather highly of it.

There are intimations that President Roosevelt had some such idea in mind when he suggested "co-operating arrangements" permitting industry to function more efficiently—if you will pardon just this once, the use of so many big words in one sentence.

Moments before by Ralph Moody, a "coward hiding on trial here, on a first degree murcer, are constantly as a worder. Banks began the story of first degree murder, was called as a witness Thursday morning by the state.

Pleasant at Start. Thomas testified he went to the Banks home to discuss securing the Payrolls of the Black Channel Mines, and the served his community as a justice of the peace for many years and until the time of some to discuss securing the Payrolls of the Black Channel Mines, inc., for auditing. He said Banks in a rocking chair, and Thomas opposite him.

"I told him, it would be necessary to secure the payrolls, and collect the fees." Thomas testified. "Otherwise it will be necessary to issue a sub-pound of the payrolls and collect the fees." Thomas testified. "Otherwise it come and many times watched justice cases being tried in the front come of our home."

Fruit Angle Enters.

Banks aid he was born and raised in Ohio and his father had a "small fruit farm and a large family." His there word subpoena, the wit-payroll and the father with the first that the father with the first that the father word and the served his fruit on a consisting the payrolls and the served his fruit on a consisting the payrolls and the served his fruit on a consisting the payrolls and the served his fruit on a consisting the payrolls of the Black Channel Mines, and Thomas opposite him.

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the use of so many big words in one fruit farm and a large family." His feet making a motion as if to pick up ment basis and many times young ment basis and many times young ment basis and many times young a weapon, pointed at the fateful door and bitterly voiced the dire threat. Thomas testified further:

provide jobs for those who are now without jobs, and so get some buy
without jobs, and so get some buyhis year's crop of fruit.

In Onio and a large family." His feet, making a motion as if to pick up a weapon, pointed at the fateful door and bitterly voiced the dire threat. Thomas testified further:

"I said to him: Surely, Mr. Banks, you wouldn't be foolish enough to do a thing like that."

Just then a knock came at the he and

that "when I grew to manhood I front door and Thomas left, he said in conclusion.

In would buy and sell fruit for cash and give the producer and grower a fair return for his produce."

Banks then related how he entered the fruit growing and selling business in Oblic making a considerable (Continued on Page Five)

was passed, we were intent upon ness in Ohio, making a considerable fortune. He came to California and preventing "big business" from making too much money—especially at our expense.

Now we want businese, big and which delivery could not be made, the had given \$25,000 cash in advance and to get his money out of it, ne had to take over a farm property near Medford and assume its other opera-

Animosity Claimed.

Eventually he began packing fruit and encountered the animosity of the Medford packing concerns which have since been fighting him, he said Banks testimony was expected to last several hours, although Prose-

last several hours, although Prosecutor Moody was occasionally objecting to the "rambling story."

The ruling against the dismissal of Mr. and Mrs. Banks climaxed a morning of bitter controversy between state and defense counsel. Judge Skipworth ruled there was sufficient evidence to hold Mrs. Banks and that it was for the jury and not the court to decide on the merits of the evidence.

two weeks ago.

and was known to be out to "get"

Knew Arrest Near. sponsible—depreciation of the value of the dollar, you know so that more dollars will be necessary to pay for a given amount of goods.

But have you stopped to think shewer the door in answer to Prescott's knock because he knew the of-ficers would get him."

Moody argued that there was sufficient evidence to hold the woman. Frank Lonergan, chief of the defense IP MERE talk of inflation is sufficient to start prices up, with increasing business activity following in the wake of the rise, maybe we won't really have to USE MUCH North and the control of the cont

Moody objected to Banks' testimony and asked that it be barred. "The "There is another interesting headall of its questions in that direction." maining in their hands aren't much interested in the 65-cent offers and are inclined to hold for 75 cents.

Skipworth ruled that Banks' testimony would be heard, but that the jury would not accept it either as truth or untruth, but as an oral "pic-

when so clearly guess, they'll probably be inclined to hold out for \$1. It goes that way when prices get to jumping.

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WELL here's hoping they get it. Story should not be interrupted, and the fighting in Jackson county, and the defense regarded it as jumping. The poor devils of hop growers and the defense regarded it as jumping. The poor devils of hop growers and the defense regarded it as jumping. The poor devils of hop growers and the defense regarded it as jumping. The poor devils of hop growers and the defense regarded it as jumping. The poor devils of hop growers and the defense regarded it as jumping they get it. nortant because it would seek to prove officers of the law. portant because it would seek to prove officers of the law."

In scathing terms he attacked threatened, leading inevitably to a condition of mind that resulted in fragedy.

Banks reviewed his life in Medford after time Banks denounced Codding.

under three divisions: Pirst, his fight as well as Assistant District Attorney mbers refused to continue working city of Medford \$235,000, and thirdly, a fight against the franchise drawn Banks.

Banks Homicidal Threat Dramatic Point in Trial Former Local Agitator

> Serving of Subpoena Would Mean Death Officer Was Declaration Two Days Before Murder of Prescott

EUGENE, May 11.—"G— D— you! I'll cut your heart out with that rifle, or the heart of any man who comes to that door (pointing to the front door of the Banks home) with a subpoena for me."

BY WIFE ADVISED

this murder trial, which the state said here today. this murder trial, which the state contends was written by Mrs. Banks to Mr. Banks, was denied admission by a court ruling Thursday morning, on the grounds its introduction as an executions on chattel mortgages was sent by Reno from Des Moines. would constitute a glaring last night.

error and grounds for reversal in a nigher court."

Only a sentence in the note was read by the court, and it was as fol-

The court held the note was not class" or person, and no proof of authorship by either defendant. Assistant Attorney-General Moody.

has a string appeal, declared the note was "a link connected with Mra. Banks" "proceed in order" note and Banks "threat of bloodehed" letters, and showed deliberation, premeditation and preparation on the part of these tree defendant who compared those two defendants, who conspired those two defendants, who conspired together for the commission of this murder. The note was found in the pecket of a cost in the Banks home. "The two of them prepared and planned for the death of any officer who came with warrants, and the note shows conspiracy, it was declared.
"The letter gave advice on how to

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stances of "a jealous and suspicious" attitude of Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and won a divorce from him. Her divorce, ending what has been referred to at times as Hollywood. "perfect marriage," was granted by Judge Minor Moore. She gave testimony largely reiterating complaints made in her divorce suit filed about FAKE LINDBERGH FILE CANDIDACIES

FARMERS' STRIKE CALLED DESPITE

Massive Measure Gives Ex-Mortgage Load, Manage Currency, Control Yields

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP) President Roosevelt expects to sign the \$500,000,000 direct relief

ST. PAUL. May 12—(AP)—The national farm strike will start tomor row despite President Roosevelt's ac EUGENE. May 11.—The oft-mentioned "Mother to Daddy" note of

WASHINGTON MAY 12 - (AP) ows:
"If you are going to fight, fight in ordinary inflationary powers and enabling easement of the agriculture nortgage burden

In taking over this unprecedented management over currency, he had made it clear he was ready to use it "when, as, and if it may be neces-

BETTY STENNETT TAKEN BY DEATH

IS MEANS' CLAIM this morning at the residence, and South Riverside, as a result of stomach and kidney diseases from which

BASEBALL

traordinary Power to Ease st. Louis

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP) President Roosevelt favors the proposed \$3,300,000,000 public works program and is looking for new taxes to help finance it.

President Roosevelt this afternoon signed into law the massive bill to raise farm prices, giving him extra-

Legislation gives him power to increase paper monies, reduce the gold content of the dollar and to fix a ra-tio between gold and silver. The farm provision gives the ad-ministration wide latitude to control

production either by acreage allotmenta or by the leasing of lands to withdraw them from production. The refinancing of agricultural mortgages allows for a lower interest

Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Stennett, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Stennett of this city, died early

FILE CANDIDACES

SALEM, Ore., May 12—(AP)—Two
more candidates today joined the few
who have filed for election July 21
to "dry" delegates to the state convention on national prohibition reneal.

Charles C. Hoover and W. H. Paine
tided at the secretary of state's office
today as "dries." Jesse L. Thompson
added his name to the large list of
"wet" candidates.

PROPERTY OWNERS TO
HOLD MEET TONIGHT
The Property Owners association
will meet in the county court office
this evening, due to the fact that
the Garden club has a very interesting out-of-town speaker and desires
the use of the courthouse auditorium
for that purpose.

Moultons Have Daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Allison Moulton a daughter, weighing seven
pounds at the Community hospital
today, Mother and baby are getting
along nicely.

Jim Washington. May 12—(AP)—
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An Lindbergh burn by one "Wellington
Henderson"—whom he had identified by Charles
a Plant, according to information he said had
reviously as one of the kidnapers.

Washington. May 12—(AP)—
Geston B. Means completed his story
of the Lindbergh kidnaping this
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A. Rover refused to crease examination
"No cross examination," Rover said
as the former justice department
agent finished his atory of his active
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VETERANS HAND

(Eleven innings). Mooney, Dean and Dilson; Brandt and Spohrer. R. H. E. 4 13 3 8 10 1

Philadelphia Cleveland 3 4 2
Mahaffey, Grove and Cochrane;
Ferrell and Myatt.

SEEN BY LEADERS AS NEAR REALITY

By PAUL MALLON

(Copyrighted by McClure Newspaper Syndicate) WASHINGTON, May 12—Higher-ups here all believe the depression is

Only a few have the nerve to say Only a few have the nerve to eay so publicly. They know what hap-pened to the Hoover administration officials who started cheering before the game was finished. They will bide their time for that reason until the

revidence is indisputable.

They are privately counting on the fact that the president has power for the first time to pull the strings if things start asgging again. He can adjust more credit and wices to adjust money, credit and prices suit the demands of the hour. If all that ballast cannot keep the

ahip on an even keel, nothing can. Reasoning that way, they are willing to bet you 2 to 1 that the sailing will be smoother from here on.

It can be told now that the federal reserve bank governors were not manimous for the Roosevelt inflation program. Four voted against him. Eight approved. The eight included Gov. Harrison of the New York bank. He is the big shot of the system and could have embarrassed the program if he had wanted to.

Some resignations may be forth-coming shortly among the four who

oming shortly among the four who hearing talk about "Roosevelt luck."

HOOD RIVER GOLD

Success of prospectors in striking pay sand in Indian creek just south of this city has led local people to consider plans of obtaining the services

sider passet of an experienced miner of an experienced miner in an attempt to locate the stratum which produces the gold dust.

Prospectors have reported working Indian creek from far up in the west side hills to Rood River, panning out from 50 cents to \$1.50 a day where it he creek crosses the places of R. E. Scott, Dr. H. D. W. Pineo and P. H. L. Von Luhken.

SALES TAX GIVEN

LUMBER ORDERS CHEER NORTHWEST INDUSTRY

COOL TURNDOWN

Roosevelt Move to Enlist Organizing Committee World Jobless Ex-Service Men in Forest Corps Flouted-\$1 Per Day Not Enough

cool turndown was the first reaction Malone, Neison, Richmond and Hartnett; Berly, Collins, Liska and of the assembled bonus seeking vetmove to enlist 25,000 unemployed

R. H. E former soldiers in the civilian conservation corps.

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None of the men are going to do
Cochrane; any work like that for \$1 a day," said
Maurice Miller of Chicago, a group
leader at the big encampment set up
under the president's orders at Port
Hunt, Va. Others echoed his state-"In my candid opinion the men

"In my candid opinion the men would be fools to work for a dollar a day," said E. W. Peach of Cleveland Ohlo, and Joseph Boec, a Chicago clerk, chimed in: "Not for me. It's like being sold into slavery."

Gilbert Seilers, one of the organizers of the march and previously a labor organizer, said:

"I hope the men will have enough sense to demand more than that."

The hundreds at the camp, however, were happy enough under their tents and loud in praise of the army breakfast served them this morning. Eggs, baked potatoes, coffee, bread

breakfast served them this morning:
Egga, baked potatoes, coffee, bread
and jam.

The self-styled "right wing" group,
which refused to accept the Fort
Hunt accommodations and clustered
miserably in the center of the city,
launched a movement to get Palham
D. Glassford, former Washington
chief of police, to head their organization. There was no response to zation. There was no response this from the Fort Hunt veterans.

SALEM. May 12—(AP)—Jackson ounty today paid its full share of he 1932 taxes for the first half, a otal of \$43,679. Linn county is the only other county which made pay-ments in full to the state treasurer. ments in full to the state treasurer.
Other payments received today, all
partial included a second payment
of \$15,000 from Lane county; \$2504,
second payment from Lake county;
and Douglas county, \$22,727.

Total tax collections for Jackson Total tax collections for Jackson county for the first half, payments of which were delinquent May 5 amounted to \$293,324.58, according to information received from the first half of last year were \$411,788, or over \$100,000 more than this year. The total amount of tax to be collections for the first half of last year were \$411,788, or over \$100,000 more than this year. The total amount of tax to be collected is about \$100,000 less for the first half.

Approximately \$668,000 would have

Approximately \$666,000 would have been collected for the first half if all taxes had been paid, which, with less than \$300,000 collected, leaves the county 50 per cent delinquent on first half payments, or more than \$300,000 short. The payment made by the county

to the state, May 10, for the county's first "rube" to visit it, I know share of state taxes, was \$43,679.35,

or defraud the estranged wife of the former Washington published of \$33,000 in connection with the case. Today he said that New Jersey hootleggers who sold beer at the Lindbergh home had been involved in the Reif Pinneral nome, with Wm. Hamilton, rector of St. Mark's Epistopal church in charge. Further, and the West Coast Lumbermens association today as when lumber industry with what seem referred to the people by legislative act for vote July 21, was represed here today by the attorney compared the West Coast Lumbermens association today as when lumber industry gaining in market strength every spaper.

CIRL SCOUT AWARDS

GIVEN OUT SATURDAY

Tomorrow afternoon from 2:30 to 5 o'clock the Girl Scout court of St. and an increase in the mill price. May 12 was postponed by the attaining and an increase in the mill price. May 12 was postponed by the attaining and an increase in the mill price. Sing Has Rheumatism.

CONTRACTS

AFTER CONGRESS ACTS

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SALEM, Ore, May 12—(AP)—Letting of highway contracts set for vote July 21, was represented from publishing and the teachers hadn't been mounting pile of unfilled orders association today as when lumber industry gaining in market strength every spaper.

AFTER CONGRESS ACTS

Economic Conference Acts Quickly - German Envoy Talks With President

LONDON, May 12. - (AP) - The American proposal for an international tariff truce was unanimously adopted today at a meeting of the organizing committee of the world conomic conference.

The Armistice was agreed upon after the representatives of the eight nations on the committee had been in session more than three hours Norman H. Davis, President Roose-velt's negotiator came from the con-ference room in the foreign office, his face wreathed in smiles.

"It is good news," he said. WASHINGTON, May 12.—(AP)—A joint statement issued today by President Rocsevelt and Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, German representative, said oth were convinced that the world economic conference could not be

success unless "along with economic disarmament, there is military disarmament."

"We emphasized the necessity of a speedy elimination of the obstacles to international trade," the communication and ico international trade," the commu-nication said, "and we feel that the creation of stable conditions in the monetary field is equally important. "Economic and monetary questions are so interdependent that the adjust-ment of both must necessarily go hand in hand."

hand in hand."

The statement issued at the conclusion of the informal parleys with Germany's representative preparatory to the world conomic conference in London, said that "quick and farreaching solutions are necessary to save the economic life of the world."

UNDER LAST YEAR PAPERS ARE FILED

Incoporation papers for the forma-tion of the George A. Hunt Theaters. Inc., were filed at the county cierk's office yesterday, the corporation to have a capital stock of \$25,000. George A. Hunt, Enid M. Hunt and Orin Schenck were named as stock-

The purpose of the corporation, as set out in the petition, is to operate any type of theater.

Hunt recently took possession of the Craterian and Rialto theaters here, after having leased the theaters to the Fox corporation for three years.



CHICAGO, May 11.-Been looking at the great Chicago world's fair, which opens two weeks from Saturday. I am the you will say what's it all about and why don't they pay their teachers.

Well, I am just like you about the teachers, but this fair is just an association and it's not the city itself doing it. I do TITLE ON BALLOT the city itself doing it. I do think it would be a generous thing if it did make any money and the teachers hadn't been

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