

# FRUITMEN ASK MARKETING PACT

## UNANIMOUS PLEA FOR INTERVENTION BY GOVERNMENT

### 300 Crowd Hearing at Portland—Wenatchee Growers Take Exception Some Proposals in Agreement

PORTLAND, Aug. 22.—(P)—Unanimous approval of government intervention through trade agreements in the marketing of northwest tree fruits, was expressed by witnesses at the opening session here today of the formal hearing on a proposed agreement, before representatives of the agricultural adjustment administration.

More than 300 persons from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana tried to crowd into the courtroom for the hearing, making it necessary to transfer the afternoon session to the council chambers in the city hall.

Agree to Principle.  
The opening session was devoted exclusively to discussion of the desirability of some marketing agreement to which the government would lend the cooperation of its enforcement agencies made possible by the marketing adjustment act. To this principle all witnesses subscribed, although notice was given by growers from the Wenatchee district that they would oppose some provisions of the specific agreement presented today.

Presiding over the hearing here was William P. Staley, Portland, representing the office of the solicitor in the United States department of agriculture. In active charge of the hearing are Porter W. Taylor, senior marketing specialist from Washington, D. C., and Victor Anderson, council for the A. A. A., who also took part in the informal hearing here yesterday.

Schoenfeld, dean of agriculture at Oregon State college, recently called to Washington to assist in formulating trade agreements for the fruit industry, acted in an advisory capacity today.

Taylor read the proposed marketing agreement for northwest tree fruits, but said it was not presented with the full backing of the A. A. A., but represents a compromise between the recent majority and minority reports submitted to Washington, D. C., as the outgrowth of preliminary organization meetings at Spokane.

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## EXTRA SESSION NEED DEBATED ON MEIER CALL

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—The question whether the Oregon legislature must be assembled in special session to provide funds to carry on relief work in this state, was to be determined at a conference to be held here this afternoon under the call of Governor Meier.

The source of state funds for further unemployment relief was the immediate reason for the conference. Federal officials declared unless Oregon advances \$2 for every dollar of federal money, there will be no more federal aid for relief of the unemployed.

During the past two years about \$4,000,000 in federal money has been available for relief in Oregon. Relief funds in the state face exhaustion at an early date and it is estimated that at least \$1,000,000 will be required for relief in November and December.

## SHORB APPOINTED LOAN BANK HEAD

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—C. J. Shorb of La Grande was today appointed manager of the La Grande branch of the Home Owners' Loan association. The announcement was made by J. P. Lipscomb, Oregon manager of the corporation.

LA GRANDE, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—C. J. Shorb, appointed manager of the La Grande branch of the Home Owners' Loan corporation today, is editor and publisher of the Eastern Oregon Review, La Grande weekly newspaper.

He came to La Grande last year from Joseph, Ore., where he published the Joseph Weekly Herald. Shorb also has been active in American Legion affairs here.

He formerly published the Gold Hill News at Gold Hill, Ore.

## 'Torch Death' Victim



Several persons, including his former wife, were questioned in connection with the death of Earl Hanson (above) of Rockford, Ill., whose body was found in his blazing automobile. (Associated Press Photo)

## BARTLETT PICKING AND PACKING PUTS 1800 ON PAYROLL

Picking and packing of the Bartlett pear of the Rogue River valley, will be in full swing by tomorrow morning. A number of the packing plants in this city operated part time Monday, and several will operate all this afternoon, as the picking gets under way in the orchards.

The seasonal labor will provide work for 1800 people, all residents of this city and county. California labor is not employed in any of the plants or orchards, it is said, the work being dispensed to home folks—men and women. Transient labor is not employed this year, packing house managers announce. The work is expected to last until mid-October, or longer. Wages for pickers vary from 20c to 25c per hour, in orchards.

Minimum wages paid in the packing plants are: Packers, 4c per box; sorters, 2 1/2c per hour, and common labor 30 cents per hour.

The wages are on a par with those paid in California and Washington districts, it is said, and slightly higher than last year.

## SEVEN FARMERS KILLED IN CRASH AT R. R. CROSSING

LUMBERTON, N. C., Aug. 22.—(P)—Seven Lenoir county farmers were killed and three critically injured here today when their tobacco truck crashed into a Seaboard Airline gas-propelled passenger train, running from Hamlet to Wilmington.

The truck, loaded with tobacco for the Fairmont market and occupied by a group of farmers from Deep Run, 10 miles from Kingston, crashed into the side of the train. Bodies of three of those killed were strewn along the tracks for 300 yards.

Names of those killed were given by police as: Jesse Davenport, Louis Davenport, Wesley Davenport, Burchard Smith, Dick Harper, Walter Smith and Clyde Taylor.

## DAVIS ORDERED BACK TO GENOVA CONCLAVE

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Norman H. Davis was ordered back to the Geneva disarmament conference today by President Roosevelt with instructions to support the French proposal for a commission of supervision and control of arms throughout the world.

## LINDBERGH'S HOP FOR SECRET DESTINATION

REYNOLDSVILLE, Iowa, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh hopped off from Reynoldsville today, refusing to reveal their destination, but it was believed here that they were not leaving Iceland immediately.

Call Warrants  
SALEM, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Call for endorsed state warrants dated July 5 to July 15 inclusive, amounting to \$201,851 was sent out today by the state treasurer for payment tomorrow.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Harry Parano, 54, a resident of Butherlin, was brought to the hospital here this afternoon suffering from injuries which it is feared will prove fatal. He was engaged in pulling logs with a tractor when one of the logs rolled down the grade and struck him on the head.

## PROBE OF SLAYING WILL COME FIRST FOR GRAND JURY

### Case of Fred Wolf, Accused of Shooting Wife's Admirer, Given Investigators On Opening Session

The grand jury, Theodore N. Bell, Jr., of Talent foreman, convened this morning. The district attorney's office announced that the first matter considered would be the case of Fred Wolf, of the Gold Hill district, held in the county jail since last May, charged with the slaying of William Sheldon, as the culmination of a triangular love affair, involving the accused man's wife. Wolf is alleged to have shot and killed Sheldon while the latter was walking with Wolf's wife through a pasture, and returning home from milking the cows. The shooting occurred on May 4, last, in the late afternoon.

Neighbors Called.  
A number of residents of the district, and neighbors of Wolf, have been called as witnesses.

Other matters scheduled to come before the grand jury for investigation, include the case of Charles W. (Chuck) Davis. Davis is alleged to have engaged in a street altercation with Joseph B. (Bud) Johnston, resulting in the latter's death. An argument over the ballot-theft convictions is reported as the cause of the tragedy, Davis, one of those indicted for ballot-theft, entered a plea of guilty. Sentence has been deferred on this plea, pending the outcome of the more serious charge.

Hunting Cases Wait.  
Hunting and killing will also be considered by the grand jury, including the case involving Milroy Charley of the Antelope district. Charley is alleged to have slain a calf belonging to Fred Luy, and to have made a statement to the district attorney's office. Charley was drawn as a juror in the trial of J. Arthur La Dieu, first of the ballot theft defendants to be convicted. After long questioning whether or not he attended a "Congress" picnic at Lake Creek, Charley was excused by the state on a pre-emptory challenge.

Several other matters of a criminal nature will also be aired, including the case of a north-end of the county resident, accused of a statutory offense involving young girls. He is reported as now absent from the county.

First Since Turnout.  
It is the first session of the grand jury since last March, when indictments were returned against L. A. Banks, former local agitator, now serving life in state prison, and the ballot theft defendants.

The personnel of the grand jury is: Theodore N. Bell, Jr., Talent, foreman; Mrs. Marie Iverson Putney, Medford, secretary; Leo Jammerthal, Ashland, C. B. Dixon, Talent, Miss Alice P. Pratt, Medford; Joseph H. Beck, Medford and George N. Flak, Medford.

## PENNEY SAYS RAIL RATES WEST HIGH

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(AP)—J. C. Penney, Inc. New York City, today filed a complaint with the interstate commerce commission that westbound railroad rates on less than carload lots of cotton goods are higher than eastbound and asked that eastbound rates be put into effect on westbound traffic.

The complaint said cotton goods from New England to California cost \$3.40 a hundredweight while the eastbound charge would be only \$2.40, a difference of \$1. The company claimed it had been injured to the amount of \$15,168 by the rates.

It asked that westbound charges not be in excess of the eastbound rates of \$2.40 on cotton piece goods and \$2.75 on clothing, woolen blankets and hosiery other than cotton.

## Two Killed In Factory Blast

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 22.—(AP)—An explosion in one of the buildings of the Celluloid company in Ferry street killed a man and a girl today and injured six other workers, three of them so seriously they may die.

The dead are: Suede Calbrese, Newark, Christian Jette, 45, Union township.

## Milk Ordinance Hearing Tonight

Hearing on the city milk ordinance will be held in the council rooms at the city hall this evening, before the city council, Mayor E. M. Wilson said today. J. D. Mickel of Portland of the state dairy department, will be at the meeting, to aid in straightening out a number of problems. All persons who are interested in the city milk ordinance, are requested to be present.

## BASEBALL

BOSTON, Aug. 22.—(P)—Walter Berger's 22nd home-run of the season, in the 14th, gave Boston a 5 to 4 decision over Pittsburgh today, after Walter Hoyt had held the Braves to two hits in 11 innings or relief pitching. The victory gave Boston undisputed possession of second place as the Pirates dropped to a tie with the Cubs for fourth place.

The score: R H E  
Pittsburgh 4 10 1  
Boston 5 7 1  
Smith, Hoyt and Finney; Frankhouse and Spohrer. (14 innings.)

American. R H E  
New York 4 9 2  
Cleveland 3 4 0  
Gomez and Dickey; Jorgens; Harder and Spencer.

First game: R H E  
Boston 1 7 1  
Chicago 8 13 0  
Rhodes and Ferrell; Lyons and Grube.

(Second game)  
Boston 0 6 2  
Chicago 4 8 8  
Brown and Gooch; Heving and Berry.

Washington 8 15 0  
Detroit 10 14 2  
Weaver, Russell, Crowder and Sewell; Sorrell, Fischer and Hayworth.

## RUSH MORE MEN TO FIGHT BLAZE IN FINE TIMBER

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Calls for additional men to relieve the 1500 fire fighters now making a desperate stand against one of the most disastrous forest fires in Oregon's history, were sent out today by the district fire warden's headquarters.

Nearby camps of the civilian conservation corps have been emptied, and the men dispatched to the fire lines. Three trucks of Mount Hood CCC men were rushed through here last night, and other reinforcements were on the way today. Farmers and ranchers have joined the battle against the flames which have swept through many thousands of acres of excellent virgin timber with consequent heavy property loss.

During the night some progress was made in halting the march of the flames, largely because of a heavy, mist-like dew. But daylight saw great columns of smoke billowing furiously upward as the fires took a fresh start on the dry forests.

On the Tillamook county side of the fire smoke was so dense that no report was received during the morning on the progress of the fight. The principal sector lies along the Washington-Tillamook county line in the mountain regions in the Wilson river country.

Calls were received here today for compasses to enable fire crews to find their way about in the smoke. First aid kits also were in demand as minor injuries were reported among the fire fighters.

## LAMSON JURY CHOOSING SLOW

COURTHOUSE, SAN JOSE, Cal., Aug. 22.—(AP)—A battle for selection of the jury to try David A. Lamson on charges of slaying his pretty young wife, continued today with fifty men and seven women tentatively approved as this morning's session closed. There was no indication that a jury would be chosen today.

The gaily decorated, black and gold box on the desk of the clerk of Judge R. R. Syer's court containing the names of the prospective jurors, whirled repeatedly as the parade of takers to and from the jury box continued.

## NEW SLEEPING SICKNESS OUTBREAK IS WORST YET

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The epidemic of "sleeping sickness" in this vicinity was described here today by Dr. J. P. Leake of the United States public health service as being by far the most serious outbreak of the country has ever known.

Two deaths during the last twenty-four hours have brought the number of victims of the strange malady of encephalitis to fifteen, while 149 persons were reported ill with the disease.

Dr. Leake, who was dispatched here from Washington when the outbreak first became serious, said there was no reason to fear the epidemic could resume proportions of a plague, however, and that there should be no undue alarm.

"The situation in St. Louis, nevertheless, must be regarded as serious,"

## WARN RETAILERS DISCOURAGE WILD PRICE ADVANCES

### NRA Chief Aims to Head Off Runaway Market Threats—Reasonable Increases Are Necessary Under Plan

By JAMES COPE,  
Associated Press Staff Writer  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Coal's code of competition apparently delayed for another day the national recovery administration centered its attention today upon retailers who a reiterated demand that prices be kept within bounds of the upward trend.

Hugh S. Johnson, the administrator, went before the retailers at the outset of the hearing on a retail trade code to urge that merchants take active steps to prevent increased merchandise costs.

Promise Support.  
The retail trade was urged by Johnson to resist price increases in the near future from jobbers who supply them with their goods.

"I say," Johnson said, "resist these price increases and we will support you."  
The recovery administrator asserted so far as speculative price rises were concerned his administration considered it "our duty to see that there is no runaway market."

He said the national industrial-recovery act would increase prices to meet new costs imposed by compliance with the trade charters, but just because of this "there is no reason to go way beyond reason. If you do this you just kill the goose that lays the golden egg. The house that we are trying to build will collapse like a house of cards."

Coal Code Sought.  
He turned immediately back to the endeavor to seek final action on a code for the bituminous coal industry. At the office of Deputy Administrator R. W. Lea, conferences continued on the code for the automobile industry, in which the question of maintaining open shop policies by code declaration was at issue.

Donald Richberg, general counsel, has taken the position that no restrictions to the industrial control laws grant of a free right to organize labor unions was possible, but a somewhat different attitude has been taken by Johnson. Indications today were that the question remained unsettled.

To Probe Need.  
Behind Johnson's plea for keeping prices down there was being shaped a thorough investigation of the effects upon retail prices of increased payments to the Department of Agriculture under the NRA and other price-raising elements of the new laws, to determine whether the consumer was being given a square deal by manufacturers and merchants.

Both the newly-created central statistical board of the government and the NRA's own consumers advisory board were occupied with the task.

## HOOVER DECLINES TESTIFY ON BANKS

DETROIT, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Officials of the one-man Detroit bank jury today declined an invitation to testify before the Hoover committee, asking him to appear as a witness before the jury investigating the closing of two national banks here.

A decision "as soon as possible" was asked of the former president.

PALO ALTO, Calif., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Former President Herbert Hoover today declined an invitation to appear personally at Detroit, Mich., and testify regarding the attitude of his administration toward the closing of two national banks.

## JACK BURNS' BACK BROKEN IN CRASH

Jack Burns is in the Sacred Heart hospital suffering from a broken back, as a result of an accident late Saturday night on the Medford-Jacksonville highway, Dr. L. D. Inspeck reported this afternoon. Burns, who was taken to the hospital Saturday night to receive treatment for some severe cuts went home, and returned to the hospital Monday when it was found his back was broken.

Burns was riding in the automobile being driven by Noah Lenderman who suffered a broken shoulder in the wreck. The Lenderman report at the city police station says that he went into the ditch to avoid a head-on collision with an automobile coming toward him, on the wrong side of the highway.

Miss Pauline McNeill, who was injured in another accident early Sunday morning on the same highway, has both arms broken and a slight chest injury, the doctor said this afternoon. She is reported to be getting along as well as can be expected.

## On Trial in Wife's Death



David A. Lamson, sales manager of the Stanford university press, on trial in San Jose, Cal., on a charge of slaying his wife, Alene, in their campus home last May. The prosecution contends that Lamson beat his wife to death after a quarrel and simulated the circumstances of a fatal fall in the bath tub to conceal the crime. Superior Judge Robert H. Syer (below) is presiding at the trial.—Associated Press Photo.

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## PRODUCE DEALERS GALE CONTINUES ACT IS ARGUED IN RESTRAINER MOVE EASTERN REGION

SALEM, Aug. 22.—(P)—Although theoretically on vacation, four members of the state supreme court today heard arguments on the motion for a preliminary restraining order against enforcement of the produce dealers and peddlers act, passed by the 1933 legislature, until the state court could pass upon the constitutionality of the law.

Chief Justice J. L. Rand and Justices J. U. Campbell, H. H. Belt and P. R. Kelly heard arguments of Gus Moser and Richard Slate for the plaintiff in the case entitled, Campbell et al. vs. the Department of Agriculture. Assistant Attorney-General Willis Moore argued for the defense.

Circuit Judge James W. Crawford of Multnomah county held the act constitutional in lower court, from which the plaintiffs will appeal. The motion today was for an order to prevent arrests pending the outcome of the appeal which will be heard next month.

Plaintiff's attorneys argued the act, known as H. B. 221, was unconstitutional as passed by the legislature, and that the measure signed by the governor was not the one passed by the house and senate. The bill, he declared, was recalled from the governor and the amendment affecting foreign peddlers stricken out.

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## GANDHI GROWS WEAKER ON SEVENTH FAST DAY

POONA, India, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The Mahatma Gandhi grew weaker during his seventh day without food today but the legislative council was told that his condition had not yet become critical.

The remark was made in reply to a question as to why his wife is compelled to leave her husband's bedside at 8 o'clock each evening.

## PLANS TO BROACH BIG PORK BARREL GIVEN BODY BLOW

### Public Works Advisory Board Turn Thumbs Down On Indiscriminate Building of New Public Structures

By GEORGE BURNO,  
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WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—The pork barrel has taken quite a sock behind the closed doors of recent meetings of the Public Works Advisory board.

A lot of the boys had envisaged a Roman holiday in public-building allotments all over the country. They are finding to their sorrow that the spigot has been capped.

Secretary of Interior Ickes, who administers public works, and Budget Director Lew Douglas, who administers economy first, last and always, are responsible.

The first proposed program for new federal buildings that reached the board was well in excess of \$100,000,000 and included tentative authorizations for just about all the post-office, court houses, customs houses, etc., that haven't been built.

Assistant Secretary of Treasury L. H. "Chip" Robert, Jr., submitted this first proposal. He wasn't to blame that it wasn't broken down. Senators and congressmen had given him general information and suggested that he get a bulk appropriation from the public works fund with authority to administer it himself—guided by the office of supervising architect.

Administrator Ickes called no dice on such a turn. He said the program should be itemized closely and each item passed upon by the public works board.

## 5 MILLION PIGS GOING TO BLOCK

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Uncle Sam prepared today to swap dollars for hogs in an effort to reduce a troublesome surplus and raise farm prices in the cornbelt and other pork producing regions.

Tomorrow he will open his pocket-book to buy up to 4,000,000 pigs and a million sows at six midwest stockyards—Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Paul, Minn., Sioux City and St. Joseph, Mo. By Monday purchasing will get under way at other markets.

Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, in announcing the plan here last week said it was expected to cost about \$55,000,000 and to be paid for by processing tax on pork products, beginning October 1.

The hope is to eliminate the fall crop of pork and farmers willing to sell now, due to farmers will receive the market price, plus a flat premium of \$4 a head. The first premium will amount to \$2 to \$4 a hundred pounds.

## WILL ROGERS SAYS:

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—My friend Johnson, the code man, was going too fast for me so I left him. His code for himself and staff is 35 hours (not a week but a day.) If he ever goes to sleep he won't wake up till Christmas.

All the big oil men, of course were there, and that, of course, meant a big poker game. Any time two oil men meet they don't open a filling station—they open a poker game. Then an oil man never travels without his big lawyer. Then in another room the lawyers have a crap game.

In the poker game for the first time it was all cash on the table; no checks. They didn't trust each other. That's their new code. The lawyers used their same old code for cash. They had never trusted each other.

Will Rogers

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