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FULL SCHOOL YEAR IS PROMISED



By PAUL MALLON
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Gunn.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Chicago milk situation has the new dealers thoroughly flabbergasted.

Those who tried into it say the only practical solution is for the government to hire its own gunmen and send them out to enforce the code.

They are convinced gangland is in the milk business almost as deep as it was in beer. And for the same reason—big profits.

Seriously, the government is at a complete loss as to how to proceed.

Its evidence indicates the price cutting independents are making 100 per cent out of selling milk at seven cents. The large combine charges around 11 cents.

The little fellows are quite content with 100 per cent profit. They swear no code is going to make them change more. Their prices run all the way down to five cents.

One had his store bombed, but he charged that up to profit and loss.

It happened the day after a gruff fellow called him on the telephone and suggested he was not very smart selling milk so cheap, because he might awaken some morning and find his store strewn all over the street.

It was, within a few hours.

The gruff fellow suggested on the stand that jealous independents had done the job.

Maybe it was spontaneous combustion.

Pleasure.

Francis White took the primrose path out of the New Deal.

As a Republican, he was excited to be minister to Czechoslovakia. He left here in March or April, presented his credentials at Prague and immediately started on a tour of Europe.

He saw all the sights, and as 4000 as he was through, he returned to Czechoslovakia and presented his resignation.

That might not have been so bad, but he had the facetious audacity to announce he was resigning because the Roosevelt dollar policy had cut his salary in half.

The laugh is that White's salary is probably the smallest part of his income.

Business.

Diplomatic machinists in the state department thing they know a lot of better reason why White quit.

He was quite displeased because he did not get the Cuban ambassadorship or a South American ambassadorship or his dignity in the first place. He found the State job wholly unattractive to him in 18 years of experience in Latin American affairs. It was a waste of time anyway because he will rate an ambassadorship if the Republicans ever win again—but not before.

By quitting now he said his Republican opposition causes a good publicity favor. It enabled him to claim the money policy on his way out.

Bonds.

The administration put one over on Prof. Sprague in the December 15 financing. It was somewhat costly, but probably worth the money from their standpoint.

Financial technicians say the interest rate offered was probably 3/4 of one cent more than the possible rate bottom rate. That estimate may be a little high, but certainly considerable margin was added to make sure that the banks gobbled up the offering. They did.

It proved Dr. Sprague was wrong when he said no one wants government bonds.

The truth is it all depends on the interest rate.

Sugar.

They are cooking up a new sugar plan back in the White House kitchen.

The idea is to mix up a little home-made candy and the Congress do the made candy and the Congress do the cutting.

The original plan was to put a processing tax of one-half of one cent on sugar. Agriculture Wallace got flinty about the legal aspects.

His experts told him the tax could be levied under the law, but there was doubt whether it could be distributed to the beet and cane producers as a bounty. It would have to be levied as a compensating tax on corn (that would be the legal excuse for it), so the proceeds would probably have to be given to the corn farmers.

Candy.

To obviate the legal difficulties, the administration may ask Congress in January to provide a way for the beet boys to get their money.

That also will obviate the political difficulties by turning the whole confused problem over to Congress.

What probably will come of it eventually is a processing tax on sugar to be distributed among beet and cane farmers who promise not to increase their acreage.

Notes.

Ford sources say his business was not hurt during his NRA scrap, but that may be accepted with a grain of salt. It is all over now.

It is generally believed that Chairman A. E. Morgan of the TVA is losing more inside facts than he is winning. They say Harcourt Morgan is really the chairman.

SALES TAX HOLDS REMEDY IF FOES LET BILL STAND

Supt. Hedrick Says Danger Curtailed Term Averted by Legislature's Action — Will Relieve Property

Good news for parents, teachers and school-goers was brought to Medford today in the announcement of Supt. E. H. Hedrick that this city will have a full year of school, instead of the four and one half months, for which contracts were signed last spring. The remaining four and one half months of school have been made possible by passage of the sales tax, Mr. Hedrick stated.

He described the bill as one which will also go further toward benefiting real property than any action taken in the history of the state legislature, when listing the benefits to be realized by the schools under the two-year emergency law.

Like California Law

The bill provides for a one and one-half per cent tax on retail sales of tangible personal property and is modeled closely after the California law, but also includes one and one-half per cent tax on gross earnings of utilities. No tax is levied on personal or professional service or wages.

It will give no more money to the schools as a whole in this state than they would receive under the present system if taxes due were collected.

Tax delinquencies, however, have made it imperative, Mr. Hedrick explained today, that some other channel be tapped for keeping schools open to Oregon children.

Relieve Property

Every cent raised by the sales tax, passed at the special session, will go to relieve real property and to finance schools. The real property will be relieved from one-fourth to one-half of the tax now borne for school purposes in county and district, it is figured.

The budget will be drawn up as usual and turned over to the county assessor, who will be required to subtract from the property tax the amount of money forthcoming from the sales tax for school purposes.

Responding to the claims of Ray Gill, master of the Oregon State Grange, that the grange is opposed to the sales tax, C. C. Hoover, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Pomona Grange of Jackson county, today stated that granges in the Rogue River valley are not opposed to this particular measure, which provides for a sales tax for school purposes only. While the grange has always fought a sales tax, he explained, it has also always been for the advancement of public schools, which at the present time are dependent upon such a tax. Grangers are more anxious to see their children educated than they are to evade payment of a sales tax, he concluded, with the statement, "Ray Gill does not express the true sentiment of the grange."

Mr. Hedrick made no mention of a possible referendum of the measure, which has been discussed in several circles, nor of the effect such action would have upon the status of the school situation. He stated that although the measure would not go into effect immediately, its passage would tend to loosen up credit to such an extent that the benefits would be immediate.

LINDBERGH'S STAY IN MANAOS TODAY

MANAOS, Brazil, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh plan to remain here today and tonight. Pan-American Airways announced they will leave about 5 a. m. (eastern standard time) tomorrow on another stage of their flight to reach home for Christmas.

Their immediate destination was not known, but intimates said they would go by way of Trinidad and Puerto Rico.

They came down here yesterday afternoon at the end of a 922-mile flight from Para, Brazil, a coastal city at the mouth of the Amazon. The hope required 7 hours and 37 minutes.

FIVE INJURED WHEN BUS OVERTURNS NEAR G. PASS

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Five persons suffered broken bones and internal injuries early Monday when a United States Lines bus overturned at Miller's gulch, 13 miles south of Grants Pass on the Pacific highway.

The injured were: Raymond Mar-kell, 29, New York city, broken nose and possible internal injuries; Jose Pacheco, 26, San Francisco, injured back; Mrs. Hilma Duquette, about 40, Riverside, Cal., bruises and possible

internal injuries; Mrs. John Peterson, about 40, Seattle, broken collar bone, cuts on head and left elbow; John Wagemann, 32, Eugene, broken collar bone.

On the highway caused the bus to skid and overturn when it struck the soft dirt, according to state police. The driver of the bus, M. V. Elyard, of Eugene, was reported to be unhurt.

The fourteen stage passengers were given first aid at the home of a farmer near the scene of the accident before being brought here.

First Soviet Envoy



The above picture of Alexander Antonovich Troyanovsky was made after he had been appointed as first ambassador to the United States from Soviet Russia since recognition of that country. (Associated Press Photo)

SEVEN TRAFFIC CASES HEARD IN JUSTICE COURT

Seven cases, all involving infractions of traffic and auto license laws were heard before Justice of Peace William R. Coleman this morning, and fines and costs assessed.

The court granted the defendants additional time in which to pay the money.

Three more auto violations were scheduled to be heard this afternoon.

The first this morning was as follows:

Catherine Moore, Plum street, city, fined \$3 and costs on each of two charges, failure to have operator's license, and failure to give right-of-way at street intersection; fines suspended, and 30 days allowed in which to pay the costs.

William C. Wilson, 43 and costs, no operator's license, two weeks to pay.

Frank P. Turvey and Harry Raymond Waddell, each fined \$25 and costs for failure to have Public Utility Corporation license. Thirty days were granted by the court to pay the assessment.

O. J. Walters pleaded guilty to having improper license plate on his auto, and decision was reserved indefinitely.

Steam Schooner Reaches Safety

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Rescued at a time when she appeared in danger of being swept ashore in a storm off Grays Harbor, the Steam Schooner A. M. Baxter, her engines totally disabled, was today anchored safely near Ronquo Point in the Columbia river, awaiting repairs.

WHEAT GROWERS LAUD SALES TAX PASSAGE

MORO, Ore., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Approval of the sales tax and compensation of the state highway commission for resisting further bond issues, was voted by the Eastern Oregon wheat league, in annual meeting shortly before it elected officers and adjourned late Saturday, to meet next year at Arlington.

Merchant Prince Dies

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—(UP)—George Lyton, president of the Hub, State street department store, died last night in Passavant Memorial hospital. He was born in Grand Rapids, Mich., 59 years ago and educated at the Michigan Military Academy and Harvard university. He entered the store, which his father had founded and became its head.

TRoublesome Sheik To Bother No More

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Dec. 11.—(UP)—Sheik Fahri, known as a sacker of villages and kidnaper of the prettiest women in the neighborhood of Diarbekir, was killed with his entire body-guard of 14 men today, after a 24-hour battle with the gendarmes ordered to arrest him on sight. Five gendarmes were killed and seven wounded during the battle. Fahri had nine wives.

4 OUT OF 5 BILLS SOUGHT BY MEIER GAIN ENACTMENT

Bonneville Dam Power Commission Plan Dies in Senate—Bus and Truck Law Only Slightly Modified

SALEM, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Clerk hire, per diem cost and mileage for members of the Oregon legislature in special session, cost the state \$23,103, it was computed by the secretary of state's office today. The legislature appropriated \$45,000.

Clerk hire totaled \$13,816, of which \$9000 was charged to the house. Per diem, or pay for senators and representatives totaled \$5,458, while mileage costs amounted to \$5,734.

By CLAYTON V. BERNHARD, Associated Press Staff Writer.

SALEM, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Four of the five specific actions requested by Governor Julius L. Meier were enacted by the Oregon legislature prior to adjournment of the extraordinary session early Sunday morning, and they now await the signature of the executive before becoming effective at once or within 90 days, depending upon attachment of the emergency clause.

Final action on the major issues was taken in the closing moments of the special assembly. This late action resulted in the defeat of the one proposal falling enactment—the Bonneville dam power commission. This proposal died in the senate

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COURT FIGHT OVER LEGACY TO ALLEN OPENED IN LOS A.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Trial of two contests to the will of Miss Margaret Keith, wealthy spinster who lived as a recluse in a palatial estate in Palms Verde, overlooking the ocean, began in superior court today with the drawing of a jury panel.

Her will had bequeathed most of her property, appraised at \$327,271, to Albert C. Allen, Jr., farmer of the Rogue River valley in Oregon, and nephew of Miss Keith.

Miss Keith, who died last April after inhaling an anesthetic and placing tall baskets of flowers at each end of her bedchamber, willed only small amounts of money to a group of other relatives.

Attorneys for Allen suggested today that the two groups of contesting heirs be forced to consolidate their cases and the court expressed the opinion this should be done, although a ruling was postponed until later.

Both groups contended Miss Keith was of unsound mind. In the two years prior to her death she was said to have given about \$2,000,000 to charity.

Albert C. Allen is a son of H. C. Allen, and well known in this community, where he attended school and has since resided.

WIFE OF CCC MAN KILLED IN CRASH OF AUTO SUNDAY

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Clark county officials today were investigating the death early yesterday in an automobile accident of Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, wife of a regular army sergeant, and the injury of her companion, Mrs. Martha Shelton, also a sergeant's wife.

Mrs. Thompson's body and the unconscious Mrs. Shelton were found in Mrs. Thompson's wrecked automobile which was in the ditch. The car apparently had swerved across the highway and crashed sideways against a telephone pole.

The two husbands are detailed to CCC duty in southern Oregon, it was said at the barracks.

Sergeant Thomas B. Thompson, who has been on duty at the Pistol River CCC camp, left there yesterday for Vancouver, Wash., upon receiving word that his wife had been killed in an automobile accident. Sergeant Thompson has been on duty in that camp since June 28, according to district headquarters, and Mrs. Thompson visited here about a week in August.

Sergeant John B. Shelton is on duty at the CCC district headquarters, and said today that he did not plan to go north unless the condition of Mrs. Shelton was serious. Her mother was with her immediately following the accident, according to Sergeant Shelton.

RIVERSIDE WORK CONTRACT IS LET

Contract for the widening of the Pacific highway under Riverside avenue through this city under the National Industrial Recovery act has been let to Ernest C. Hall of Eugene, it was announced here today by City Councilman George Porter following his return from the north. The bid was \$19,097.

The sum of \$20,000 was programmed for this project and since that time materials have advanced considerably in price, so the project may be shortened to keep within the money set aside. Work is to start in the immediate future.

November Auto Sales Far Over Month In 1932

DETROIT, Dec. 11.—(UP)—Sales of new passenger automobiles in November this year were approximately 115 per cent higher than the same month in 1932, R. L. Polk & Co., estimated today on figures received from 14 states.

Total sales for the month will approximate 100,000 units which would be 28 per cent lower than October of this year in the same territories.

Motor truck sales reported from 13 states were 92 per cent ahead of November, 1932. Truck registrations, however, dropped 32.6 per cent from the previous month.

KANSAS KIDNAPER LODGED IN PEN TO FOIL MOB THREAT

HUTCHINSON, Kas., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Jack Wisdom, 26-year-old cowboy, was brought to the Kansas State reformatory today to save him from possible mob violence and was said by W. O. Lyle, Wichita Detective captain to have made an oral statement that he participated in the kidnaping and killing of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pritchard of Wichita.

Lyle said the prisoner declared the actual killings were done by one Buck Smith, and that Wisdom was present. Officers expressed belief that Smith was a vicious character.

Wisdom, Lyle said, related that the couple was shot to death at a point about a mile and a half north of Wellington, Kas., and that the woman was slain first. The bodies then were placed in the back of Pritchard's car, covered with blankets and driven southward to a point near Bison, Okla., where Mrs. Pritchard's body was concealed in a culvert.

The woman's body was found yesterday shortly after Wisdom was captured at a hideout near Jay, Okla. Wisdom was brought to the reformatory here for safe-keeping after Governor W. H. Murray of Oklahoma had called out national guardsmen at Enid and Kingfisher, Okla., upon hearing reports that a mob was forming in an attempt to lynch the cowboy.

A man's body identified as Pritchard's was found today along a highway northeast of El Reno.

FLOODS SWIRL THROUGH CITIES OF WASHINGTON

Highest Waters in Years at Longview, Auburn and Tacoma—Hundreds of Families Leave Homes

(By the Associated Press)

Under gloowering skies, a score of western Washington cities and towns had the highest flood waters in years swirling about and through them today, and authorities hoped only a few lives had been lost.

The high waters were described in various districts in these terms: Longview.—"Covet's highest since flood of 1896". Auburn.—"Worst in 21 years." and at Tacoma, by Inter-County Engineer B. P. Thomas, "The worst flood in the history of the Puyallup and White rivers."

Residents Escape.

Despite hundreds of families being marooned, however, or being forced to evacuate hurriedly or be carried to safety in boats, no verified reports of flood deaths had been obtained early today. Thousands of acres of land were under water, and virtually all main highways were closed.

The only two deaths indirectly attributed to the floods were those of John Corbett, 63, a watchman patrolling a washed-out highway near Renton, who suffered a paralytic stroke, and Miss Mary Berry, 16, of Seattle, victim of an automobile in the rain.

The fatality list was low, compared with the severe Pacific northwest storm of last Monday and Tuesday, to which 11 deaths were attributed, five of them fishermen, two logging camp fatalities, and four auto deaths.

Heavy Rainfall.

Nearly all week long, however, rain had been falling, drenching the area and melting snow in the Cascades. In 48 hours at Longview, 4.77 inches of rain fell; and at Aberdeen 10 inches fell in the first 10 days of the month.

In the Puyallup, White, Cowlitz and Snohomish river valleys, the conditions were "serious" today, while Centralia and Chehalis had several feet of water in a main district. The City Harbor district, including the cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam, was also hard hit.

At Olympia, the state capital, outlying districts were under water. With highway traffic cut off in all directions, it was believed doubtful if the special session of the state legislature could convene today, not having enough members present for a quorum.

Ranchers Marooned.

In the Puyallup and White river valleys, rich agricultural districts, many ranch families were marooned. Scores of cattle, a conservative estimate, had been lost. The old Puyallup river bridge, on the valley highway, was down, after scores of men had rushed to safety when its timbers snapped.

At Tacoma, Inter-County River Engineer B. P. Thomas said the Puyallup was running about 25 per cent more water than in 1917, when flood losses of approximately \$1,000,000 were incurred. He forecast a larger loss from this flood.

Conservative views said the loss would be "upwards of \$2,000,000."

Track Washed Out.

Partial service had been restored.

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Endurance Flight Halted By Winds

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Inability to refuel their plane because of high winds today forced down Viola Henry and Mrs. Frances Harrell Marshall, who are attempting to set a refueling endurance airplane record here. They took off at 2:32 p. m. yesterday and landed at 11:50 a. m. today. The women plan a new flight to start tomorrow.

Two Die In Plane Crash.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 11.—(UP)—A. V. Kennedy, pilot, and Dr. Allan J. Throp, a passenger, were killed in an airplane crash 20 miles north of here Sunday.

3 MARATHON DANCERS DIE IN BLAZING HALL

HAMPDEN, Me., Dec. 11.—(AP)—The gay and stormy history of Hampden's marathon dancing contest has ended in tragedy.

Fire, breaking out last night while a blizzard howled outside the pavilion and the footcote contestants rested in their coats, cost the lives of at least three and brought injuries to many more.

From the blazing Paradise dance hall, where they had plodded many weary weeks amid the applause and cheers of their supporters, the thinly clad dancers fled into the bitter gale to plunge knee-deep in snow drifts piled high by a 30-hour storm.

Pajama clad young men and women, bare foot and many of them

painfully burned, milled about in the snow and near-zero temperature seeking partners and friends. The charred bodies of three were found in the ruins early today.

The victims were tentatively identified as: John Ryan of New York City, Emilie Pelletier of Waterville, Me., Gertrude Sousa of Dracut, Mass.

Many of the survivors suffered severe frost bites, in addition to their burns.

The cry of "fire" aroused the drowning dancers shortly after 11 p. m. So rapidly did the wind-driven flames sweep through the barn-like dance hall, that none of the group was able to stop for clothing or belongings.

Files Divorce Suit

Mary Pickford (above), famous motion picture actress, filed a suit seeking a divorce from Douglas Fairbanks, film actor and globe trotter, in Los Angeles courts. (Associated Press Photo)

SIX KILLED WHEN GERMAN AIRPLANE FALLS IN LANDING

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Six persons, including a Mr. and Mrs. Barber of the United States, were reported killed today in a crash of Luftwaffe passenger plane D1403 on the Berlin-to-Hamburg route at Puhlsbuetel airbase near Hamburg.

Besides Mr. and Mrs. Barber, who were not otherwise identified immediately, the others killed were Prussian State Counselor Wagemann and Pilot Grutzbach.

Six other passengers in the airplane were injured.

Two of these died soon after they were taken to a hospital. They were Radio Operator Wien and a passenger named Schmarrenberger.

A brief announcement said the plane struck an obstacle while in the act of landing because of sudden bad visibility.

SPANISH REBEL FORCE SUBDUED

MADRID, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Government troops, moving under a merciless barrage of gunfire, early today charged and captured the Villa-Nueva military barracks in which rebel forces had held out against a heavy bombardment for hours. At least seven of the rebels were slain.

These known dead brought to 83 the number slain in the anarchist revolutionary movement which broke out Friday and which flared with new violence in central and northeastern Spain yesterday.

Swarming over the walls of the improvised fortress, formerly a convent, the soldiers quickly took over the barracks, which had been the most bitterly contested point in the more than three days' scattered fighting.

MRS. CLARK TO SPEAK AT ROTARY MEETING

Mrs. Donald E. Clark will speak before the Rotary club tomorrow at luncheon at the Hotel Medford in the interests of the sale of tuberculosis Christmas seals, it was announced today. The local drive is progressing favorably under the leadership of Mrs. Alex Sparrow, chairman.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 9.—U. S. cabinet members can change but when Notre Dame changes coaches you are getting into real news.

Anderson just run into bad breaks. I bet he will go somewhere else and turn out a great team, and Elmer Layden will come in there and do great, for he won't be following Rockne. There just didn't happen to be anybody living that could follow Rockne, and while we are on football and off the gold, this Columbia college that's coming here New Years, being New Yorkers, they never was away from home, so naturally they are not known out here.

But we have heard of Nicholas Murray Butler, so we want 'em to bring "Nicholas" with 'em. We will hear a good speech even if the game is bad.

Will Rogers

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Mary Pickford (above), famous motion picture actress, filed a suit seeking a divorce from Douglas Fairbanks, film actor and globe trotter, in Los Angeles courts. (Associated Press Photo)

FARMERS ON WAY BACK TO NORMAL SAYS ROOSEVELT

Message Read Before Farm Bureau Federation Advises Continued Co-operation With Administration

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—(AP)—President Roosevelt told the farmers of America in a message today that "we seem to be on our way" but counseled them to continue cooperating with the administration's program for a "controlled agriculture."

The president's message was read before the annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation assembled here to discuss the complex problems of agriculture and the multi-fronted attack of the administration against them.

Edward A. O'Neal, president of the federation, pledged himself in an address delivered after reading the president's message to stand squarely behind the Roosevelt agricultural program, the NRA, and the administration's monetary policy.

President Roosevelt told the farm leaders that the "maladjustment between supply and demand," to which he attributed economic unrest in farming, had been years in the making and could not be cured overnight. "Nevertheless," he continued, "in a few short months the whole complexion of the agricultural outlook has been changed."

"Money is getting into the hands of the people who need it; it is coming from higher prices for the things farmers have to sell; it is coming in the form of government checks for those cooperating producers who are willing to swap a hazardous present for the immediate improvement and a stable future."

"The money is paying bills; it is putting men back to work in the cities producing the things that farmers buy, and enabling those men in turn to buy things that farmers produce."

PILOTS 'BAIL OUT' WHEN ICE FORMS

PORTAGE, Pa., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Braving a raging storm to get the mails through, two planes of the Transcontinental and Western Air Lines crashed in the snow-swept Allegheny mountains early today, the pilots bailing out safely.

Wings encrusted with ice under a falling temperature the two mail ships,