

# MILLION NEW JOBS IN INDUSTRY AIM OF NRA CHIEFTAIN

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Today's federal reserve governor's approval for a capital credit expansion plan, on a steady employment gain in the heavy industries as soon as the money gets out.

NRA and its critics both agree that revival in machinery, equipment and construction lines is the biggest recovery need at the moment.

**Business Men Doubtful**  
The several thousand business men in the code sessions carried on their discussions today. Yesterday they launched a barrage of arguments against general hour shortening almost immediately after President Roosevelt declared for shorter hours.

In some spots the business men critics were aided by men within the NRA organization.

Johnson pitched into the argument last night at the session on labor questions, after finding one of his own economists, A. J. Hettlinger, of Detroit, in the midst of a speech expressing doubts of the economic feasibility of blanket hour shortening.

The administrator at once started a give-and-take cross examination. Hettlinger held to his stand as Johnson suggested a flat cut with exemptions for industries unable to make the grade.

**Labor Leader Backs Plan**  
Then William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, reasserted his belief in shorter hours, saying:

"I challenge the leaders of industry to find a better way to put people back to work."

The long-term credit plan of the federal reserve will not actually get moving until after a national survey of its possible contribution to recovery. The survey may be completed by Monday.

Secretary Morgenthau, spurring on the plan, said its potentialities for creating jobs would be the yardstick of its worth.

The cry for capital goods revival in the NRA meetings was led off yesterday by Secretary Perkins herself, Ralph E. Flanders, New England industrialist and NRA advisor, agreed, although opposing further hour shortening. NRA labor spokesmen voiced no dissent. Hettlinger, the NRA economist, regarded it as a key-stone to recovery. John W. O'Leary, head of the Machinery and Allied Products Institute, joined in, too.

And the applause from the packed meeting rooms showed that only a number of factory owners wanted to see their wheels turning faster and longer.

**Solons Favor Chiseling**  
While the labor topic held the greatest interest, a flurry was raised in the assembly dealing with small business problems when C. C. Shepard, Louisiana lumberman, said he had photostats of letters from members of congress advising constituents to disregard their codes. With that sort of thing, he said, "there is not a chance for our code to survive."

The presiding NRA officials asked for the copies, but would not make them public before consulting the administrator.

At the session on price control two leading industrialists, Geo. H. Mead, head of a big paper concern, and Herman Lind of the machine tool industry, depended open price associations and price uniformity. Both plans have been much complained against. Testimony from sellers was generally for price control, with buyers opposed.

First disagreement over desirability of continuing code provisions for cutting down production developed in another session, with James W. Dean of the fertilizer code authority saying allocation of available orders among the operating mills would make business stagnant to the detriment of the efficient. Lumbermen were found to speak both for and against production control as written in their code.

**Boy Of 10 Admits Starting Big Fire**

Cecil Kiper, 10-year-old boy of Springfield, Ill., confessed to authorities that he set the blaze which caused \$900,000 loss and destroyed the Illinois state arsenal. (Associated Press Photo)

**Lady Lings to Meet**—Lady Lings will meet for covered dish luncheon and bridge tomorrow at the home of Mrs. H. W. Conger, 715 West Main street, at 12:30 o'clock.

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# Society and Clubs

Edited by Eva Nealon Hamilton

## Birthday Dinner Event of Monday

Mrs. J. W. Pruett entertained Monday evening with a 7 o'clock dinner, honoring her daughter Margaret on her birthday. George Washington decorations made the table very attractive.

Games were enjoyed by those present, and prizes were won by Roberta Reames, Herbert Gregory and Oliver Obenclain.

Those present were: The Misses Roberta Reames, Bernice Reames, Merle Hedgepath, Ruth and Phyllis Turpin, Measa, Herbert Gregory, Melford Hood, Irvin Hall, Marion Caster, Harry Eiden and Oliver Obenclain. Many lovely gifts were received by the honored guest.

## Reports Given at Supper Meeting

At the meeting held last evening of the Circle and Hi-Triangle societies of the First Christian church reports were given by delegates who attended the state missionary convention recently. Reports were given by Price Shafter, Dorothy Cully and Mrs. A. H. Gregory.

A covered dish supper was enjoyed by the group.

## Pythian Sisters Plan Card Party for March 14

The Pythian Sisters have announced plans for a benefit card party to be held March 14. Pinocle, bridge and 500 will be played and prizes awarded the winners in each.

All members of the lodge will sell tickets for the affair. Mrs. Klein, the general chairman, will be assisted in the party plans by Mrs. Yarbrough and Mrs. Pisk.

## Pythian Sisters Meet Wednesday Evening

The Pythian Sisters will meet for a social evening and initiation, Wednesday, March 7, at 8 o'clock. The early evening will be devoted to the initiation and regular lodge session, after which a program will be presented and refreshments served.

Mrs. Wolf is chairman of the committee for the evening. Other members are Mesdames Walden and Worsman.

## Church Ladies Plan Rummage Sale

Ladies of the Sacred Heart Catholic church have announced they will conduct a rummage sale at 125 West Main street Friday and Saturday of this week.

Persons with contributions are requested to telephone either 405-X or 750-W.

## Government Leaders Subject for Club Session

"New Leaders in Government" will be the subject presented tomorrow at the meeting of the Wednesday Study club, by Mrs. H. E. Snedcor. Mrs. L. B. Humphry will review "Biography of a Leader" at the same session.

## Mrs. Morrow Hostess On Wednesday

Mrs. Harry Morrow will be hostess at her home, 531 North Bartlett street, Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock to members of the auxiliary to the National Association of Letter Carriers.

## League of Writers Schedule Meeting

Oregon League of Western Writers will meet in the parlors of the Hotel Holland Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Roll call will be answered by the members, with current event topics.

## Thimble Club Business Meeting

Chrysanthemum Thimble club will meet at the home of Mrs. Jones, 433 King street, on Thursday for a business meeting. It was announced today.

## Mrs. Simmons Guest From Washington

Mrs. Laura Simmons of Green Acres, Washington, is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Reynolds, and Mr. Reynolds, at their home 719 West Eleventh street.

## Mrs. DeLameter Leaves Tonight

Mrs. E. A. DeLameter, who has been visiting friends in the valley for the past week, will leave for her home in Oakland, Cal., this evening.

## Carnation Club To Meet Thursday

Mrs. Katherine Smith will be hostess Thursday to members of the Carnation club, at her home, 707 West Eleventh street.

## Mr. and Mrs. Kenly Return From East

Mr. and Mrs. F. Corning Kenly have returned to Medford from several weeks spent in Chicago and eastern cities.

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### Figures That Speak

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# SUICIDE THEORY DISCOUNTED BY CORONER'S JURY

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carried her into the house," Wert said. The scaffold, that had been used in the butchering of pigs, is about 85 feet from the house, officers testified.

Artificial respiration was administered by Wert for about a half hour, after which he went to Gold Hill, and telephoned Coroner Frank Perli, testimony showed.

In the course of the questioning, it was revealed Wert met Mrs. Cook in Yuba City, Calif., in the fall of 1932. He also testified that her health had not been good since he had known her, but on the morning of her death, she had seemed much better.

## In Good Health

"She was feeling good, and waved good-bye to me when I started to Wheeler. I told her I would see her in a little while," Wert testified.

Coroner Perli testified at length, as to the finding of the rope, which had broken in two at the scaffold, and had apparently been tied in a slip knot around Mrs. Cook's neck. Wert had said he returned to the Cook place about 11:30, and Perli said he received the telephone call from Wert at about 1:15 o'clock.

It was necessary for Perli to walk into the Cook place for a distance of about a mile and a quarter off the Meadows road in the Evans creek country. Perli said Wheeler was the nearest neighbor.

Although there were a number of ropes extending from the scaffold, Perli testified that it was easy to identify the one from which the piece had broken, as the others were of different material. The small rope used in the apparent hanging, was of cotton, "but looked strong to me," Perli said.

## Stood on Crate

Much questioning centered about the scaffold, indicating Mrs. Cook had stood on it before jumping or falling to the ground. Although in photos the box did not appear as substantial, Coroner Perli testified it was of sufficient strength to hold her weight.

Sergeant Clarence C. Williams of the state police, who visited the scene of the tragedy on Sunday, testified as to the measurements made about the place. He said from information given him, the head faced in a southerly direction, with the feet about thirty inches from the bottom of the scaffold.

Another witness called was Mrs. Cook's son-in-law, George Caton of Redding, who testified that about two years ago Mrs. Cook attempted to commit suicide by jumping in the river. He said she had not been well for about three years, and that this illness was the reason for the act.

## Death by Strangulation

Clarence Wheeler and Charles Duke, neighbors of Mrs. Cook, were called to testify concerning Wert's visit to their ranches, Saturday morning. Dr. C. I. Drummond, county physician, who conducted the autopsy, testified that Mrs. Cook's death resulted from strangulation.

The hearing was conducted by District Attorney George Coddling, who this morning announced that further investigation of the case would be carried on by the sheriff's office and state police.

"It is a peculiar case," Coddling said "and the jury was not satisfied with the evidence."

Coroner Perli said this morning.

# On Trial For Murder



Dr. Sarah Ruth Dean is shown entering court at Greenwood, Miss., during her trial for murder. She is accused of poisoning Dr. John Pres- Kennedy, Greenwood surgeon, who died last August after a strange 10-day illness. (Associated Press Photo)

that from the result of information brought out at the inquest, the hanging was reconstructed last night, and from the lengths of rope found, the measurement of the box, and the height of Mrs. Cook, her feet would have been twelve inches from the ground, if she had hanged directly from the scaffold, by the rope.

The jury, Perli said, was apparently much interested in the position of the body after the rope had apparently broken.

Members of the coroner's jury were Darrel Huson, George Robertson, Tom Glenn, Ted GeBauer, J. E. Crawford and W. H. Burton.

Visitor in Medford—Russ Lawson flying to Portland from Los Angeles, was an overnight guest in Medford, leaving here yesterday in his Breeze for the north. Lawson is a representative of the Pilsener Breweries.

To Portland—Mr. and Mrs. Glen J. Birk accompanied by Mrs. H. A. Barris, are spending today in Portland, having gone north last night. Today Mr. Birk is attending a meeting of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, for which he is district manager with headquarters in Medford. They plan to return this evening.

At Shoe Box—Forrest McKay, formerly associated with the College Boot shop in Eugene, arrived in Medford the first of the week to accept a position as assistant to U. J. Carpenter in the shoe department of The Band Box and Shoe Box.

To Tennessee—George Dickey of this city left yesterday for Harriman, Tenn., making the journey by train.

# MERRY STRUGGLE LOOMS FOR SEATS NEXT LEGISLATURE

Big G. O. P. Majorities May Be Reduced in Both Houses — Senate Control Believed Democratic Goal

SALEM, Ore.—(UP)—Political complexion of the state legislature may be changed considerably in the coming election, reports indicated today.

Large Republican majorities in both houses may be reduced. Should the Grand Old Party maintain its control and a Democrat be selected governor, the old days of the Walter M. Pierce regime might return. His term was marked by frequent clashes with a Republican legislature.

**16 Senate Vacancies.**  
Sixteen senatorial seats will be contested during the year's elections. Of this number 14 are held by Republicans and two by Democrats. Of the remaining 14 senators, who serve until January 7, 1937, nine are Republicans and five Democrats.

All 60 seats in the house of representatives will be contested. Membership of the 37th legislative assembly included 42 Republican representatives, 17 Democrats and one independent, Henry Semon, Klamath Falls.

Democrats are expected to concentrate on securing a majority of members in the senate. Control of the upper house would give the party a group which would be more easily united and controlled than a lower house bloc, where the unexpected usually happens.

**House Hard to Control.**  
Members of the lower house bolt more frequently than those of the senate in most state legislatures. Senatorial seats now held by several members may be resigned should they decide to seek other offices.

Following is a list of senatorial vacancies which will be contested:

Now held by Republicans—District 1, Marion, Sam H. Brown and Charles K. Spaulding; District 2, Linn, Clyde E. Williamson; District 3, Lane, H. C. Wheeler; District 4, Lane-Linn, Joel C. Booth; District 5, Jackson, George W. Dunn; District 10, Yamhill, W. E. Burke; District 11, Washington, Arthur Ireland; District 12, Clackamas, Linn E. Jones; District 13, Multnomah, William F. Woodward; District 14, Clackamas, Columbia-Multnomah, Joe E. Dunne; District 15, Clatsop, F. M. Franciscovich; District 19, Morrow-Umatilla-Union, Fred E. Kiddle, and District 20, Umatilla, L. L. Mann.

Now held by Democrats—District 9, Benton-Polk, J. N. McFadden, and District 23, Baker, W. H. Strayer.

SALEM, March 5.—(UP)—The National Guard headquarters here today announced the promotion of Philo H. Anderson of Baker from first sergeant to first lieutenant in company F of the 186th infantry.

Coin Harvey Ill.  
MONTENE, Ark., March 5.—(UP)—W. H. (Coin) Harvey, 83-year-old tree silver advocate and candidate for President of the United States on the Liberty party ticket in 1932, is ill of erysipelas at his home here. His physicians said his condition is not dangerous but he "is a sick man."

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Delicious refreshments were served following the dance at an appropriately decorated banquet table, where short speeches of appreciation were made by the numerous guests.

The gathering was pronounced a 100 per cent success, with members of the fire department looking forward to another gathering.

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