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HOUSE PASSES UTILITY MEASURE



News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon (Copyright, 1935, by Paul Mallon) WASHINGTON, July 2.—General Wood of Sears-Roebuck, rode into the Roosevelt relief allotment board two months ago to the mimeographed hush of the press-agent brigade.

The general ducked out the side door a few days ago with the excuse that he had promised to serve only until July 1.

You will never learn from him the real reason for his sudden departure. He does not talk. But anyone who has sat in on the secret meetings of this allotment board knows at least part of the answer.

It is that this so-called allotment agency did not allot anything except a few chairs and a table for itself. In practice, it developed into a year-board for the President and relief spender Hopkins.

If the truth were known, most members of the board have become so exasperated that they would like to follow General Wood into retirement.

The meetings, called to allot millions of dollars, usually last but 20 to 25 minutes. In advance, the works administration prepares a list of projects to be considered.

When the President calls the board to order, someone usually rises and starts reading the list. Practically all are immediately approved without wasting any time on debate.

The customary practice apparently is for the President to look at one of the board members from time to time. Catching the cue, he rises and moves approval of the project suggested. The "yes" always win.

The board members are supposed to represent the American Bankers' association, industry, labor, mayors of cities. However, they would not now be sobbing secretly about this procedure were it not for the fact that many of the allotments have had to be rescinded or changed.

All the projects passed by the board in the last three meetings were withdrawn later for further consideration by the works administration. Apparently the board has men who could stand it if they were only required to be yes-men, but the strain of being yes-and-no men is almost too much.

It is practically impossible for the allotment board to investigate and debate every project, because all have outside interests. The board will probably be abolished or at least reorganized.

A few Democratic congressmen have become interested in pursuing the identity of the angels of the Democratic national committee. They have dug up data indicating that the James A. McDonough of Boston who gave \$10,000, is secretary to the railroad-stock market-meeting packing financier, F. H. Prince, one of the wealthiest of New Englanders.

Mr. Prince is best known as author of the Prince plan of railroad consolidation, which has been opposed by Rail Administrator Eastman. It may be significant that Mr. McDonough's contribution was given before.

UNCERTAIN FATE AWAITS BILL IN UPPER CHAMBER

Administration Efforts to Save Holding Company Elimination Phase Fail—Conference Fight Looms

By FANK B. HARPER (Associated Press Staff Writer)

WASHINGTON, July 2.—(AP)—Legislation to regulate public utilities was passed today by the house after twice rejecting President Roosevelt's request for a measure to outlaw "unnecessary" holding companies in seven years.

The vote on final passage was 323 to 81, a majority of 242. Earlier, the rebellious house voted 258 to 147 for its own bill, which gives the securities commission discretionary authority over the holding companies. That was on a question of substituting it for the senate measure.

Yesterday it voted 216 to 146 against the senate provision for mandatory elimination by 1942 of holding companies deemed unnecessary. That passed the senate by a one-vote margin.

Despite administration efforts to recoup from the defeat yesterday, the house today gave an even larger majority against the President. The margin was 70 yesterday and 110 today for the motion to substitute the house bill.

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VOLUNTEER CODE AGREEMENTS ARE ARRANGED BY F. R.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—(AP)—President Roosevelt arranged today with the skeletonized NRA and the federal trade commission to carry out with industry voluntary code agreements supplementing the core structure outlawed by the supreme court.

He authorized the trade commission to enter into negotiations with industry on fair trade agreements. The NRA was authorized to assist in voluntary agreements for minimum wages, maximum hours of work and abolition of child labor.

The arrangements for assistance in establishing a voluntary code structure was indicative of a postponement of any administration plan to revive the compulsory code system during the present session of congress.

It was emphasized at the White House that the voluntary set-up was to prevail pending study of proposals for new legislation.

Chairman Davis of the federal trade commission announced after a White House conference that 32 industries, including some of the largest, had submitted requests or inquiries regarding voluntary fair trade practice agreements.

It was said the commission was to proceed immediately to assist industry in negotiations which would have to be on a voluntary basis but with some authority of law for enforcement under the federal trade act.

It was made clear that there is no way to force members of an industry into a voluntary agreement.

STEVEDORES OUT IN BAY REGION

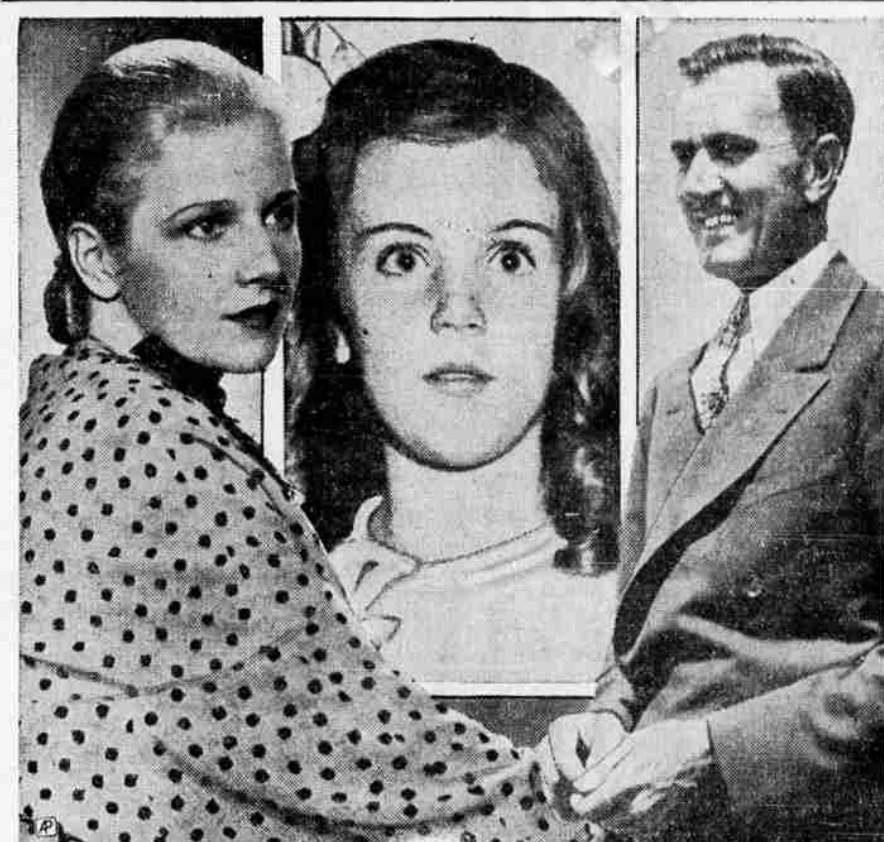
SAN FRANCISCO, July 2.—(AP)—Ted Star, president of the Bargemen's union, announced that about 200 stevedores and bargemen working on San Francisco bay and Sacramento river vessels went on strike early today.

The bargemen voted the strike three days ago after employers declined to accede to their demands for wage increases of from 30 to 150 per cent and shorter hours.

Longshoremen in all Pacific coast ports of the United States today cast ballots to decide whether they will work on boats loaded by non-union workers in British Columbia, one of the principal questions which has kept maritime circles fearful of another huge strike such as tied up shipping last summer.

Air Hotel Opened PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, July 2.—(AP)—To take care of the increased traffic between North and South America, Pan-American Airways opened here today the world's first international air hotel with accommodations reserved for the exclusive use of air passengers.

Daughter Unaware of Custody Fight



While six-year-old Jane Bannister (center) takes her riding lesson, plays and "composes" music, her Mummy and "Daddy"—Ann Harding and Harry Bannister—are fighting in the courts for her custody. But Jane knows nothing of this strife.

HIGH COURT WILL EYE ANN HARDING REFUSAL TO ANSWER QUESTIONS

LOS ANGELES, July 2.—(AP)—The child custody suit between Ann Harding, the screen and her actor-husband, Harry Bannister, headed back to the state supreme court today.

Blunt refusal of the actress to answer questions concerning her private affairs prior to January 3, 1935, during the taking of a deposition in court yesterday, sent the case to the high court for a decision July 22.

It was on last January 3 that Miss Harding won absolute care of the couple's seven-year-old daughter, Jane, in action brought in a Reno, Nev., court. Miss Harding and Bannister were divorced in Reno in 1932 and the actress was awarded custody of the child 10 months of each year.

She now contends the California court has no jurisdiction in inquiring into her affairs prior to the January 3 action in Reno. The case went to the California supreme court several weeks ago on a question of jurisdiction. The court held that Bannister had a right to proceed with his action to gain custody of the child in this state.

BASEBALL

American. R. H. E. New York 8 13 0 Philadelphia 5 10 2 Batteries: Broaca, Murphy and Jorgens; Blasholder, Dietrich, Benton, Caster and Richards.

Washington 5 6 1 Boston 3 7 3 Batteries: Linko, Russell and Bolton; Walberg, Hockette and R. Ferrell.

Cleveland 3 7 2 Detroit 8 12 0 Batteries: Stewart, Winegarner and Pytlak; Bridges and Cochrane.

National. R. H. E. Boston 0 3 1 Brooklyn 5 8 0 Batteries: Brown, Jorgens and Spohrer; Bengt and Phelps.

Philadelphia 4 8 2 New York 8 10 2 Batteries: E. Moore, Pessulo and Wilson; Parmelee and Mancuso.

Chicago 9 18 0 Cincinnati 3 7 2 Batteries: Carleton and Hartnett; Johnson, Herrmann, Hollingsworth and Campbell.

\$5000 FOR STUDY OF OREGON FOREST ILLS

WASHINGTON, July 2.—(AP)—The President today allotted \$5000 to the forestry service for studies of tree diseases in connection with work by the Christian Conservation corps.

Allotments included, Oregon \$3,000; Idaho \$5,000; California \$19,125.

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PARTY GIRL RECEIVED \$9 SHARE IN MURDER MONEY

DETROIT, Mich., July 2.—(AP)—Nine dollars was the share allotted to Florence Jackson of the \$34 taken from the slain Howard Carter Dickinson, and with it she purchased a \$5 dress, \$2 shoes, 70-cent stockings, 10-cent gloves and a 90-cent hat.

"My God, murder," she wailed after she and three others had made confessions implicating them in the robbery and killing. "And I got \$9 for my part."

Held with the young woman are two other "party girls" and William Lee Ferris, 26. The girls and Ferris have been acquainted about two months and during that time had been in the business of "picking up men we thought had money, getting them drunk then rolling them."

Florence Jackson and her sister, Loretta, told detectives they met Ferris two months ago in a cafe where they were engaged in a "later act."

Loretta Jackson is 27 years old, divorced and the mother of two children. Her 24-year-old sister is married but separated from her husband, Jean Miller is 23, and separated from her husband, William Miller.

Ferris came to the attention of Detroit police about five years ago when he was tried for the murder of his room-mate, Albert Burke, 22. Ferris was acquitted.

Ferris' natal name was William Schweitzer, but he adopted the name Ferris before his marriage six years ago. His wife, Violet Ferris, 22, is an expectant mother. She has said she would stand by her husband, who left her three weeks ago.

22 FIRES IN JUNE BRING SMALL LOSS

There were 22 fires in Medford during the month of June, three of which were residences and the rest garages or sawdust fires. Fire Chief Roy Elliott reported today. The loss for the month was only \$15.

The fire chief stated that property whose fires were reported during the month totaled \$7000 in value and was covered by a total of \$48,000 in insurance.

Chief Elliott urged that all burning of rubbish and grass be done before the Fourth of July to alleviate the fire hazard when townspeople leave for the holiday and the danger from firecrackers that may be fired near inflammable material.

BLACK RUST STRIKES NEBRASKA WHEAT CROP

LINCOLN, Neb., July 2.—(AP)—Fleeting weather, which destroys crops with drought last year, and flooded farmlands this year, today threatened an unofficially estimated \$7,000,000 loss to Nebraska's wheat from black stem rust plague.

Surveys in other states indicated only minor infestation so far in Kansas and South Dakota. Agricultural college experts said heavy rains and cool weather were responsible for the rust menace.

200 JAPANESE DROWN WHEN SHIP GOES DOWN

OSAKA, Japan, July 2.—(Wednesday)—Nearly 200 Japanese were believed to have drowned in the sinking of the little passenger steamer Midori Maru early today.

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MOUNTIES SUBDUED RIOTING RELIEFERS AFTER ONE DEATH

REGINA, Sask., July 2.—(AP)—Three thousand relief camp strikers, who battled Royal Canadian mounted police in a riot during which a municipal officer was beaten to death, were subdued today by tear gas and gunfire.

A second officer and a striker were injured critically. One hundred persons were hurt before police quelled the crowd, arrested 41 persons and dispersed the others, pursuing them relentlessly through the streets. Property damage of \$25,000 resulted from the clash.

The riot broke out after the mounted police and city officers charged a mass meeting of the strikers, halted by lack of funds in their march on Ottawa to protest against relief camp conditions. The strikers faced removal to a dominion camp, pending return to their homes.

Routed by the steel-helmeted officers before a barrage of tear gas, the strikers attempted to return to the scene, hurling stones and other missiles as the mounties swung their batons.

Repulsed again, the strikers plunged into renewed combat. Police fired over the heads of the strikers during the second clash, and the opposing ranks slugged freely in hand-to-hand fighting.

AIMEE McPHERSON IS VISITOR AT AIRPORT

AIMEE McPHERSON, lady evangelist who recently announced that she will never marry again, stopped in Medford this afternoon on the United Airlines northbound plane which cleared for Portland at 2:25.

The evangelist got out of the plane and walked about the airport during the stop here. Airline officials could not say where she was traveling.

G. PASS POST OFFICE BID CALL AUTHORIZED

GRANTS PASS, July 2.—(AP)—Long-awaited call for bids for the \$130,000 Grants Pass postoffice was received here today with authorization of advertisements. The bids will be opened in Washington, July 31.

Gas Truck Driver Gazes At Death Escapes Unharmed

PITTSBORO, N. C., July 2.—(AP)—Charles Morton, gasoline truck driver, almost shook hands with death, but not quite.

While unloading gasoline at a filling station, a cigarette was tossed near his truck and the fuel began to burn. Horton jumped on the truck and drove the machine two blocks away where it could burn or explode without injury to anyone—except perhaps Horton.

Just as he alighted, an explosion ripped the front seams of the tank, spraying burning gasoline in all directions. Horton wasn't even touched.

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR FIRST HALF OVER LAST YEAR

Taxes and fees collected by the tax collection department of the sheriff's office for the first six months of 1935, ending June 30, amounted to \$785,773.58. This is \$8,829.72 more than collected for the same period in 1934, when the total was \$776,943.87.

Current 1935 taxes, up to June 30, amounted to \$529,808.13. Tabulation of the taxes, by years, is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Tax Collection Department. 1935 taxes \$529,808.13, 1934 taxes 114,560.61, 1933 taxes 57,621.99, 1931 taxes 42,292.56, 1930 taxes 26,083.30

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FOUR KILLED IN DAKOTA TORNADO

MINOT, S. D., July 2.—(AP)—Four persons were reported killed, and several injured as the result of devastating tornadoes which swept the northwestern section of North Dakota late yesterday, causing property damage estimated at thousands of dollars.

Striking in the northern section of the badlands south of Watford City, the tornado traveled east to Banish where it dipped down again and then jumped north to the vicinity of Ross.

Those listed as victims were: Wilbur Hansen, 20, employed at a CCC camp near Watford City, killed when his truck overturned as the storm struck.

John Rehen, farmer near Ross, whose body was found today in the wreckage of his home.

Vivian Rehen, 20, daughter of John, killed when the home was destroyed.

Otto Flah, 65, killed when buildings on the Tom Wood farm near Manitowish were he was employed, were razed.

SECOND-HAND EYE GRAFTED ON BOY

CHICAGO, July 2.—(AP)—Equipped with a "second hand" eye, a 14 year old boy lay in a Chicago hospital today while surgeons awaited the outcome of a feat of modern science—grafting of a woman's eye to prevent blindness in the youth.

The boy—Stanley May of Independence, Mo.—injured his left eye five years ago, losing sight in that eye. Dr. Sanford Gifford, head of the department of ophthalmology at Northwestern university, told the boy's parents he believed sight could be restored by grafting a healthy cornea into the injured eye.

This week the opportunity for the operation appeared when a woman doomed to blindness and facing possible death from a tumor was brought to Dr. Gifford. She agreed to the delicate operation, knowing blindness was inevitable. Dr. Gifford said.

Today Stanley told newspapermen he was "feeling fine," but wanted to be up and playing baseball again. He expects to be able to play better with two eyes than one.

GRADUATED PAYMENTS ON WHEAT APPROVED

WASHINGTON, July 2.—(AP)—A new graduated plan for making benefit payments to signers of the proposed four-year wheat production control—tracts was approved today by farmers attending a conference with AAA officials.

REED GIVEN HOPE BY GOVERNOR OF LATER CLEMENCY

Immediate Pardon for Man Serving Life in Murder of Ashland Policeman Is Denied After Hearing

The full text of the governor's letter to Attorney Gus Newbury, in which hope of commutation from a life term are held out for Albert W. Reed, convicted slayer of Victor Knott, Ashland policeman, November 18, 1932, was received today by the district attorney's office.

The letter sets forth that Reed has no previous criminal record and any future clemency will depend upon his conduct in the penitentiary. It is recommended that Reed avail himself of opportunities to improve his education by reading courses and University of Oregon correspondence course.

Points raised against Reed in the letter are:

Even though Reed, as evidence tends to show, was at a luncheon stand 1700 feet from the scene of the shooting at the approximate time of the murder, "I am unable to see that it absolves Reed from responsibility for this murder."

"Reed admits that with his companions, Paul McGuire and Lee Jackson, he had burglarized a store in California. He aided them in bringing the fruits of their crime into the state of Oregon."

"Finally, I cannot overlook the fact that the defendant, Reed, after he knew the crime had been committed presumably by his companions, failed to aid the authorities in their apprehension, but, on the other hand, showed considerable ingenuity in his own escape from the scene."

The governor's letter in full is as follows:

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EDDIE CANTOR TAKES HOT VERBAL POKE AT MICROPHONE PRIEST

LOS ANGELES, July 2.—(AP)—Leveling a scolding attack on Father Charles E. Coughlin, Detroit's radio priest, Eddie Cantor today had temporarily shelved his funmaking antics for serious discussion.

The comedian, addressing 1,000 delegates of the fourth district grand lodge of B'nai B'rith, pleaded for unification of all Jewish people in the country, and in a sidestep at Father Coughlin, charged that the priest "has not an atom of sincerity in his entire system."

"Free speech is a wonderful thing," the comedian continued, "but through the radio we are permitting many like him (Father Coughlin) to address millions."

"We are living in precarious times," Cantor said, "you know the situation in Europe, as far as our Jews are concerned, but I doubt if any of you know how close to the same situation we are here in America. We must recognize the facts. We must stand united."

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2.—(AP)—Federal Judge Walter C. Lindley issued an injunction today temporarily restraining collection from seven large Indiana packing and milling plants of the processing tax levied under the agricultural adjustment act.



WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., July 1.—It's getting the time of year in Washington, D. C., when the old senator or congressman begins to wonder if his opponent wasn't really the winner after all. If those babies oozed knowledge like they will perspiration for the next month, they would be a great nation.

Mr. Roosevelt got the laugh on 'em. He has a swimming pool in the White House, and he just sends 'em a message and then dives off into a nice cool pool while they sweat and cuss and fight off the professors.

You know this administration has shown that there is no insect that can bother a statesman like a professor.

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