

ENGLAND STRIVES TO ENFORCE LAW ON FARM WAGES

LONDON—(UP)—English farmers are being fined an average \$20 apiece for not paying full "legal wages" to farm workers they employed.

Wages of farm workers in England and Wales are fixed once a year in each county by an "agricultural wages board" made up of an equal number of farmers and of farm workers, plus a handful of "impartial persons" appointed by the ministry of agriculture in London. When the wages for the different classes of agricultural laborers have been fixed, they are sent to the "agricultural wages board" in London, which approves or dissents. Wages vary in the different counties, and the board tries to see that the variations are not excessive.

Then placards in big type are printed containing the wage rates for the county and are posted in every post office in the county. At the bottom, in the biggest type of the local "inspector of agricultural wages," with an invitation to send him any information regarding alleged violations of the wage scale. There are also periodic advertisements of the rates in the local press.

And not only this, but the farmer is required to keep a full record in a book of the wages he pays and the local inspector has the right to demand the production of this book at any time.

It sounds like a law with "teeth" in it, but experts on English farming conditions declare that hundreds and hundreds of farm workers are cheated every year.

The cheating, it is alleged, takes two forms. An agricultural laborer may be hired to do one sort of work at a low rate and be coerced into accepting the same rate for work in a higher classification. Or he may be forced by economic necessity to accept the farmer's suggestion that he sign the wages book at the legal rate while actually receiving several shillings a week less.

The chief complaint is that the agricultural wages board has only a few inspectors to cover the 62 counties of England and Wales and check up the wage relations of 390,000 farmers and 715,000 workers.

There is a periodic agitation in parliament to get the number increased.

JAMES V. M'ABEE OF PHOENIX, DIES

James V. McAbee, well-known resident of the Phoenix district, where he has lived for the past 20 years, passed away at a local hospital Wednesday evening after a very short illness. He had been in good health until last Saturday, and his unexpected death came as a great shock to his family and many friends.

Mr. McAbee was born at Sweetwater, Texas, July 6, 1865. He was a man of fine Christian qualities, a good neighbor and friend, and will be missed by many.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, Mrs. Margaret McAbee; two daughters, Pauline and Janette, and one son, Harold, all at home; one brother, P. J. McAbee of Eagle Point, Ore.; six sisters, Mrs. B. A. Montgomery, Phoenix; Mrs. Dora Craig, El Paso, Texas; Mrs. Jack Blythe, Pecos, Texas; Mrs. W. R. Ellis, Abilene, Texas; Mrs. S. H. Moore, Crossvine, Texas; and Mrs. J. R. Lynch of Sweetwater, Texas.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Per funeral home Saturday afternoon at 2:30, Rev. W. A. Dawes of the First Baptist church officiating. Interment will take place in the Phoenix cemetery.

COOLING IS FORECAST AFTER MAXIMUM OF 79

The mercury shot upward yesterday afternoon to reach a maximum of 79 degrees for the day. This was only one degree below the 80 mark recorded on March 9 and 10, 1934, a maximum that remains an all-time peak for early-season warmth.

At noon today the temperature stood at 67 as against 63 at the same time yesterday. It was thought probable, however, that increasing cloudiness would hold the mercury below yesterday's maximum. Low this morning was 36 as compared with 31 yesterday.

The meteorological bureau predicted cooler weather tomorrow.

Markets

Livestock.
PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—(AP-UBDA)—Hog receipts 200, including 268 direct. Market strong, extreme top drivens 15 cents higher. Good to choice 170-250 lb. weights, \$10.50 @10.60; one outstanding lot \$10.75; 265-375 lb. butchers, \$9.50 @10; 120 to 145 lb. weights mostly \$10; packing sows mostly \$8.25 @10.50; feeders quotable \$10 @10.65.

CATTLE receipts 25, including 6 direct, calves 25, including 19 direct. Scattered sales steady. Good long-fed steers quotable to \$7.50; fed heifers salable to \$6.60 or above; common grades down to \$5; low cutter and cutter cows, \$2.75 @3.75; medium to good, \$4.75 @5.70; bulls quotable \$4.50; few good vealers, \$9; select to \$10.

SHEEP receipts 25, including 2 direct, calves 25, including 19 direct. Scattered sales steady. Good to choice trucked-ins salable \$9.25 @9.75; load lots eligible to \$10; good to choice ewes salable around \$5.40 @6.00.

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LONDON—(UP)—British private creditors of Tsarist Russia will be reimbursed to the extent of 10 per cent of their \$1,250,000,000 claims if plans reported as now under consideration by the British government materialize.

A majority of the creditors are holders of bonds of companies which owned railroads before the Russian revolution. Others possess Russian municipal bonds.

The plan to pay to creditors 10 per cent on their claims depends upon the fate of the proposed British loan to the Soviet government. Moscow, however, insists that part satisfaction of British creditors shall in no way be connected directly with the proposed loan and must not involve Soviet recognition of demands of creditors of the Tsarist regime.

In the face of this, it is proposed that the British government itself pay \$125,000,000 to these creditors. Financing of the project, as contemplated, would be to grant a loan to the Soviet of from \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000. The interest rate, not definitely fixed, would not exceed 5 per cent.

In return for this loan it is proposed that the Soviet renounce its claim to \$8,000,000 to \$75,000,000 which belonged to the Tsarist royal house and which was deposited in British banks. One London financial house holds \$35,000,000, and another \$40,000,000 is distributed among other London banks. There is an informal understanding between Great Britain and the Soviet that this money may be disposed of only with the consent of both governments.

Besides acquiring these millions for the twofold purpose of financing a loan to Moscow and giving 1 per cent compensation to British creditors of the Tsarist regime, the British treasury would float a public loan internally, probably at 2 1/2 per cent. If the Soviet government pays 5 per cent interest, the difference could be applied to creditors' claims.

These proposals are still in their formative stages here, it is learned, and have not been the subject of joint governmental discussion. Moscow is known to be reluctant to permit any explicit reference to Tsarist debts. The Soviet government's objection is based on a precedent that might be established that would permit American, German and French creditors to press their claims.

It is recalled that in 1924 the Soviet ambassador to London, Christian Rakovsky, offered to satisfy British claims to the extent of 20 per cent. The government declined.

GOVERNMENT CAMP, Ore., March 20.—(AP) Skating conditions were fair here today, forest rangers reported. The temperature was 36 degrees. The highway was clear.

TOO MUCH STRESS PUT ON VITAMINS SAYS DISCOVERER

LONDON, (UP)—The man who discovered vitamins, Sir Frederick Gowland Hopkins, criticizes people who pay too much attention to vitamins.

Sir Frederick says a large proportion of the prospective army recruits rejected as unfit suffered from defects which might well be due to faulty nutrition in childhood or adolescence. In a considerable proportion it almost certainly contributed to their unfitness.

"The public," he said, "is rapidly assimilating, though not always to its profit, the fact that a fault in quality of food may be as deleterious as a failure in supply. Indeed, one section of the public is so perverse in its views concerning food that it is almost necessary to remind it that quantity still counts.

"We cannot live on vitamins alone. A more intelligent section of the public seems to assume that so much scientific talk about food may lead to individuals being dragged down regarding what they shall or shall not eat. It is unthinkable that there should be any such dragging. The intelligent public will learn to apply the new knowledge of nutrition without discomfort to itself.

"I am tempted to add that what the English housewife needs most to be taught is the art of simple but good cooking. In this country more than perhaps in any other, is good food ruined and its nutritional value impaired by unintelligent treatment in the home."

NATHAN ANDERSON OF BT. FALLS DIES

Nathan Anderson died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Desie Cummings, on the north Midway highway, Thursday noon of heart trouble and dropsy. He was born at Astoria, Ore. July 1, 1869, and had been a resident of Butte Falls for the past 24 years.

For years he was employed in the forest service.

He leaves his wife Roale and two daughters, Mrs. Desie Cummings and Irene Anderson of Medford, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the grave side in the Butte Falls cemetery at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, Rev. Smith officiating. Funeral arrangements in charge of the Perz funeral home.

Snow Plow Leaves—The big new snow plow for service in Crater Lake national park was taken under its own power to the mountain resort today by Martin Palmer, chief mechanic. It will be given its first trials tomorrow under Mr. Palmer's supervision. The new plow will replace the present one in clearing the road from park headquarters to the lake rim. The old machine will be utilized in clearing a parking area near headquarters in preparation for the winter carnival scheduled for April 26.

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