

SOCIAL SECURITY STUDIES BOOST IN WIDOWS' PENSIONS

Roosevelt for Change to Benefit Families of Workers Who Die Before Reaching Retirement Age

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(AP)—A new pension system for widows and their minor children is receiving study by the social security board at the request of President Roosevelt. It was learned today.

Benefits would go to the families of workers who pay social security taxes, but who die before reaching the retirement age of 65.

Under present law, the heirs of a worker who dies before the retirement age receive only a sum equal to 3.5 per cent of his earnings from January 1, 1937, to the time of his death.

\$10 to \$20 in One Plan.

The board, however, is seeking some means of giving more substantial aid to widows and children. Although no one plan has been accepted, one of those receiving serious consideration would provide monthly payments of between \$10 and \$20 to the children until they reach 18 years of age.

The widow would be pensioned for life when she reaches 60, getting between \$20 and \$40 a month. Her pension would be determined by a percentage of the average annual wages of her husband.

This pension system would be separate from the grants which the board now makes to help states pay needy widows for the support of dependent children.

Other proposals before the board would grant the widow her pension for a limited number of years immediately after her husband's death. Instead of pensioning her at 60 for life.

Would Advance Start.

The board also was asked by the president to consider advancing to 1940 the beginning date for paying monthly pensions to retired workers over 65. These pensions now are scheduled to begin in 1942.

Farmers, seamen, domestics, government employes and workers in educational or charitable institutions are not now included in the social security act, and little change in this list is contemplated, it was learned.

PORTLAND-CHICAGO AIR LINK MAY 15

SEATTLE, May 4.—(AP)—Linking Portland with Chicago over the northern transcontinental air route, daily airmail and passenger service will be inaugurated by the Northwest Airlines on May 15. A. G. Kinnaman, northwest manager, announced here today.

A second daily trip will be installed a short time later, he said. The service will be with the new sky zephyr planes, with a flying time of about 11 hours between the cities.

His announcement followed one at Washington by Harlowe Branch, second assistant postmaster general, that the company had been granted an extension on its Fargo-Seattle route from Yakima, Wash., to Portland.

New Bullet Train Makes Fast Time

TOLEDO, O., May 4.—(AP)—The new bullet type train of the New York Central railroad, which will supersede the twentieth century limited on the New York-Chicago run June 15, in a test run yesterday, between Elkhart, Ind., and Toledo, made the 134 miles in 67 minutes, or an average of 120 miles an hour. The present century averages 70 to 80 miles an hour for the same distance.

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LOAN BANK OFFICIAL LAUDS LOCAL S. & L. IN TALK WITH KIDD

C. M. Kidd, president of the Jackson County Federal Savings & Loan association returned to Medford Sunday night from Portland where he spent a week on association business.

While in Portland Mr. Kidd conferred with Frank Johnson, new president of the Federal Home Loan bank which has supervision over all federal savings and loan associations in the northwest states.

Mr. Johnson spoke highly of the Jackson County Federal Savings & Loan association, pointing to its capable management and rapid growth in the past four years. Mr. Kidd said:

"It is not generally known but we have grown from a small institution of \$50,000 to the fifth largest federal savings and loan association in Oregon." Mr. Kidd stated.

"We now have assets of \$848,000 and a surplus of \$50,000. Investors are protected through a guarantee of deposits up to \$5,000 by the Federal insurance corporation, an agency of the federal government. Our money is all invested in first mortgages on improved real estate in Medford and vicinity. The association is a real asset to the community because it helps residents to own their own homes."

Mr. Johnson said he planned to come to Medford this summer and promised to give a public talk while here, Mr. Kidd related.

AGREE TO DEFER ACTION ON BANK HOLDING BILL

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(AP)—Members of a senate banking and currency sub-committee said today they had agreed "unanimously" to defer action for this session of congress on the Glass bank holding company bill.

The action has the effect of killing the bill unless there should be a special session of congress before next January when the present congress dies. To be considered by the new congress it must be reintroduced.

KLAMATH ONLY PLACE OBJECTING TO M'NARY FOREST SAVING PLAN

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(AP)—Senator McNary (R-Ore.) said today the only complaint he had received since the proposed institution of conservation practices on all forest lands of the United States—both public and private—came from his own state.

The Klamath Falls chamber of commerce, he said, had written that his plea of "taking no more from the forests each year than the forests can produce" would be ruinous to the Klamath area.

McNary emphatically denied this, asserting his proposal would bring stability to Klamath Falls and other lumber communities by insuring a perpetual supply of timber.

"Sustained yield practices," McNary asserted, "will preserve the resources for all times and assure continuous operations of mills."

By providing for the future, the senator said, the day of "ghost mill" towns would pass. Communities would continue to thrive around a stable industry. They would not face evacuation with depletion of lumber resources.

McNary emphasized that his plan, presented to congress recently, provided only for voluntary cooperation of private owners with the federal government, which has for many years carried on "selective cuttings" or "sustained yield" practices on the national forests.

ASSISTANT POSTMASTER ARRESTED IN SHORTAGE

BOISE, Idaho, May 4.—(UP)—Charles Nelson, assistant Boise postmaster for 28 years, was lodged at the county jail last night on a complaint charging falsification of accounts in connection with a reported \$18,800 shortage in postoffice funds.

The complaint, filed by Albert Paisley, postoffice inspector, alleged that Nelson had changed his financial records in such a way that the non-deposit of the missing sum was covered.

ASHLAND SELECTS COMMITTEE HEADS FOR CELEBRATION

ASHLAND, May 4.—(Spl.)—Initial plans for a rousing Fourth of July program and celebration were given an initial send-off at the first meeting of the year, Monday evening in the office of the local chamber of commerce.

With committee members present from the various organizations backing the 1937 celebration and H. L. Claycomb as general chairman, plans were outlined to incorporate the best features of the past several celebrations, as well as to add new attractions. Included in the latter were tentative plans for mass chorus singing in the park, followed by a short patriotic program and band concert.

Other chairman appointees who will be asked to immediately appoint their helpers, and report at the next meeting, scheduled for Monday, May 9, are as follows: V. D. Miller, parade; Walter H. Leverette, advertising and publicity; Ralph Koozer, finance; Ward V. Croft, music; C. D. Corry, decorations; Clint Baughman, fireworks; William Briggs, concessions; Bill Auland, sports; Mrs. Marshall Stansbury, treasurer.

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COMMONWEALTH HIT BY OSBORNE

PORTLAND, May 4.—(AP)—Ben T. Osborne, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, described the Oregon commonwealth federation today as the "back door to the CIO" and declined to support the political candidacy of any persons associated with it.

A letter to this effect was forwarded to all state AFL labor councils. The statement was in reply to a request from the Salem Trades and Labor Council for an endorsement of a supreme court candidate whom Osborne said was active in the commonwealth.

"We assume you are familiar with the recommendations made by President William Green only a few weeks ago relative to keeping aloof from the Lewis so-called national nonpartisan league which is the national counterpart of the Oregon commonwealth federation," Osborne wrote.

KENNEDY'S DAUGHTERS WILL BOW TO LOYALTY

LONDON, May 4.—(AP)—Two of United States Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy's daughters will be among

the seven Americans to be presented to King George and Queen Elizabeth at the May 11 court.

The embassy announced the list today, under the ambassador's decision to keep debutantes at home and limit those presented to members of

families of American officials in Britain or persons actually living in this country.

The daughters are Rosemary and Kathleen.
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