

FARMERS UNION CLAIMS PEONAGE SYSTEM EXISTS

Ask F.R. to Dismiss Federal
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Developing Forced Service

Denver, Oct. 3.—(U.P.)—The National Farmers union, through its president James G. Patton of Denver, today alleged that a "peonage system" had been born during wartime in the nation and asked President Roosevelt to have all federal employees who had a part in developing the plan dismissed.

The system has been "enforced by identification and coercion methods of a gestapo type," according to the National Union Farmer, official publication of the organization, which further asserted that it "was emerged from the extension service's administration of the American farm labor program."

Born in War
"Born in war it has proven so satisfactory to large industrial farmers and other beneficiaries from peonage, that steps are already being taken by extension services to maintain and extend it into peace," the publication stated.

Besides the presidential request, Patton said that U. S. Sen. Robert M. La Follette had been asked to make an immediate investigation of the "peonage plan" through his senate civil liberties committee.

Attorney General Francis Biddle was asked also "to investigate the involuntary detention of free American farm workers by county agents through the plan directed by R. A. Polson (official New York state supervisor of the farm labor program)," Patton said.

The National Union Farmer stated that a directive was issued from the Cornell university extension service "which talks of passing supposedly free American farm workers in bundles around under 'deals' between extension service officials; advises county agents to concentrate on the gangs; that 'individuals and families who move on their own are of secondary importance.'"

Extension Service Hit
The extension service, long a target of the National Farmers union, was credited by the organization with a "sloppy job" in the administration of the farm labor program.

Cornell university's president was urged in a telegram sent by the organization to immediately dismiss "all your extension service personnel who participated in and through lack of appreciation or regard for American doctrines of individual liberty, permitted R. A. Polson's directive of August 25 to county agents to go out under Cornell university's imprimatur."

"This is the most shocking document revealing disregard for individual rights and liberties that ever emanated from an American educational institution," the telegram added.

THE GRANGE

Gold Hill Grange
Gold Hill Grange met in regular session Sept. 21 with Master Wm. Howes in the chair. There was a good attendance of members and visitors from other Granges.

It was also voted to have an evening of recreation once a month at the Grange Hall, beginning Oct. 14, at 8:30 P. M. Executive Committee put on the lecture program which was much enjoyed. Lecturer was appointed a committee to prepare a Halloween program for late in October.

Refreshments were served by the Cecil Johnston and the Wigle families. Sept. 30, friends and Grangers gathered at the Grange Hall for the Booster Night program. The hall was packed to overflowing. Main part of the program was put on by Mrs. Prentice and her troupe, and was enjoyed by all.

Everyone was then invited to the dining room and treated to home made apple pie, ice cream and coffee. A short time of dancing was enjoyed after refreshments.

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SALES TAX HELD FAIREST WAY TO FINANCE NEEDS

Portland, Ore., Oct. 3.—(U.P.)—The fairest way to raise funds for public schools and to build post-war reserves is through a sales tax, Dixwell L. Pierce, secretary of the California state board of education, today told delegates from 11 western states at a regional tax office conference.

Pierce, national president of the National Tax association, said the sales tax is the cornerstone in California's revenue structure and has grown in a decade to the 1943 total of \$134,000,000.

The conference opened today as an all-Oregon tax clinic and merged today into the regional conference. Robert W. Sawyer, Bend, Ore., publisher, opened the meeting with a keynote talk, Secretary of State Robert Farrel, Jr., welcomed the delegates. State Representative R. T. Moore of Coos and Curry counties said it was only a question of time until Oregon joins with neighboring states in having a sales tax. Such a measure is on the November ballot, having been defeated several times previously.

Moore described the "Little Townsend" amendment as a "dangerous document" destined to play on the hearts instead of the heads of voters.

DUTCH WARNED OF AIR, FLOOD DANGER

London, Oct. 3.—(U.P.)—Supreme headquarters broadcast a warning to Dutch civilians today that "there is every likelihood that a severe and prolonged aerial bombardment will be carried out shortly" against the islands in the estuary of the Schelde river.

"It is the earnest desire of the supreme allied command that the civil population be spared the effects of this necessary military action to the greatest possible extent," the warning on behalf of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower said.

Dairy Cooperative Meeting Thursday Central Pt. Grange

A dairy cooperative meeting will be held in Central Point Grange hall Thursday, Oct. 5, at 8:30 p. m., it was announced today. The meeting has been called especially for dairymen in the Central Point district, but it is stated that dairymen from all other sections of the county will find the meeting of interest.

Progress on organization of the dairy cooperative is being made in both Jackson and Josephine counties, leaders in the movement state. At the Thursday meeting the feasibility of having two plants or one to serve both Jackson and Josephine counties will be determined after the complete survey now being taken has been completed.

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Johnston Favors Wage Hike Delay Until War Ended

Washington, Ore. 3.—(U.P.)—President Eric A. Johnston of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce today proposed "progressive

wage increases" after the war but strongly urged that present wage and price stabilization policies be continued for the duration of hostilities.

"What we must avoid," he told the War Labor Board at a hearing on the little steel wage ceiling formula, "is both inflation and deflation."

Conceding that "the war has brought increased profits for business," Johnston said it also had produced "increased income for the worker."

"For my part," he continued, "I shall oppose wholesale wage rate reductions after the war. On the contrary, I shall advocate progressive wage increases as

improved methods permit increased production."

But he urged that the stabilization policy be "continued for the rest of the war" because, he said, it is "the only anchor we have against a spiral of rising costs and prices."

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flation now, Johnston continued, will cause "deflation later on."

BELLY LANDING
Hollywood, Oct. 3.—(U.P.)—Six members of Ray Noble's orchestra breathed a sigh of relief today after a flying fortress in

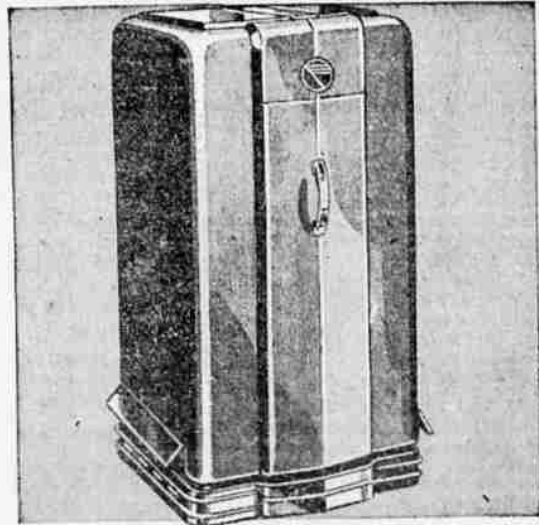
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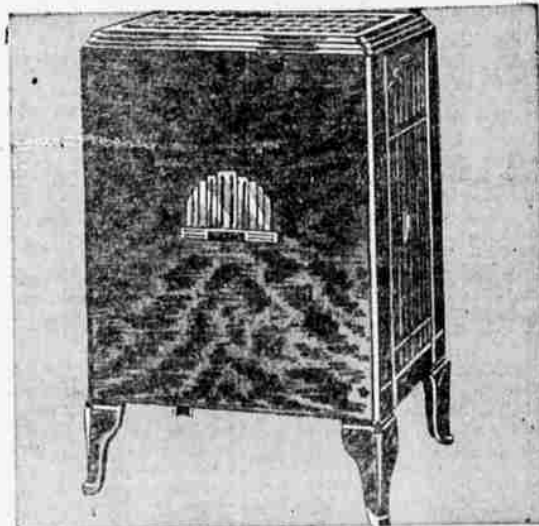
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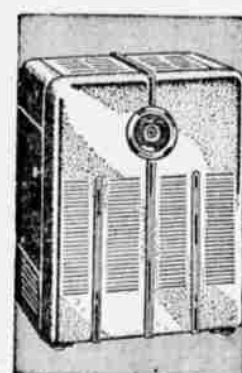
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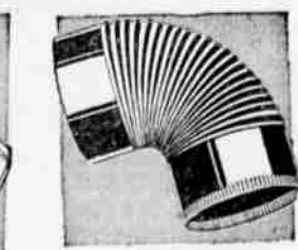
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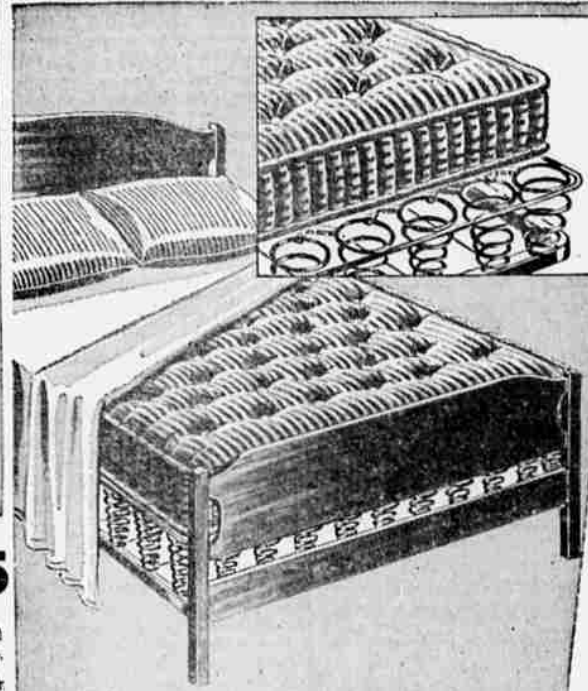
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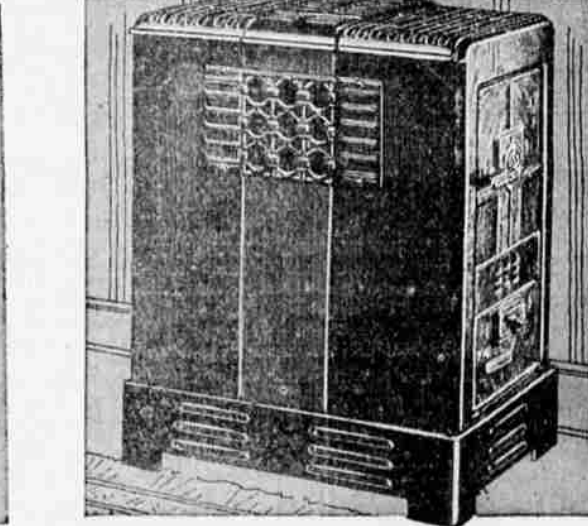


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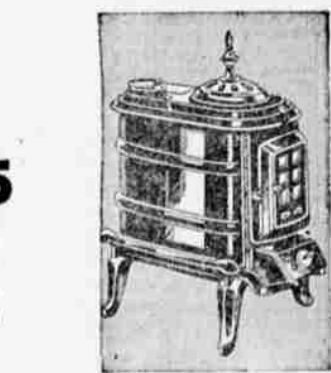
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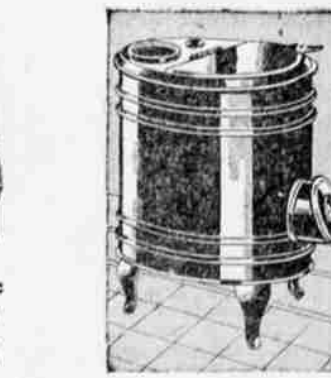
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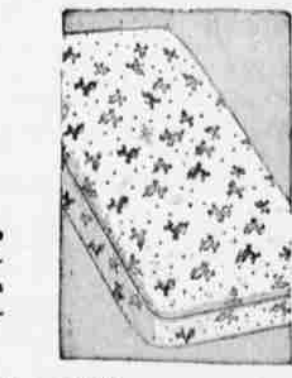
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