

Price Squeeze on Farmers Causes Serious Trouble Within Administration



RETURNING TO BUENOS AIRES, two Roman Catholic prelates, who were deported by since-deposed dictator Juan Peron, will take over their former offices. Rt. Rev. Monsignor Ramon Novoa (left), pro-vicar of Buenos Aires Archbishopric, and Most Rev. Manuel Tato, auxiliary bishop, were deported by Peron on June 13. New Argentine government restored to church all privileges it lost during dictatorship and Catholics may worship without fear. (International)

Cabinet Divided; Day Near When Ike Must Be Told

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Washington — (U.P.) — There's serious trouble deep inside the Eisenhower administration. If the President has not yet been informed of it, the day is near when he must be told.

The cabinet is divided and actively disputing what should be done about the price squeeze on farmers. The farmers' costs remain high. At the same time they are getting less for what they produce and sell. This is notably true of farm machinery and of hogs.

Corn-hog producers and the great mid-western corn-hog states long have been the bedrock of the Republican political structure. Falling pork and lard prices have jarred foundation and structure with an earthquake shock.

Vice-President Richard M. Nixon, Attorney General Herbert Brownell Jr. and Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield are among those battling to force Agriculture Secretary Ezra Taft Benson's hand in behalf of hog raisers. Benson has been standing pat, confident that President Eisenhower will support him and equally sure of the powerful support of Mr. Eisenhower's younger brother, Milton.

President Must Act
This all adds up to a political conflict of major proportions which is reaching the point where the President must act if he is to avoid a bruising public row within his own administration. If Brownell failed during his week end visit to Denver to lay this one in Mr. Eisenhower's lap, it must have been only because the doctors insisted that the bad news be withheld.

Benson is being urged to use some of the large and unallocated funds at his disposal to bail out the corn-hog producers. Benson says the time is not yet for that. He has argued that hog prices must go lower before government can intervene successfully.

Benson is willing to do something for hog raisers, but he has preferred to wait whereas Nixon and some of his cabinet colleagues want instant action. The blue chips are down in this dispute. Benson's opposition landed a haymaker during the recent Republican governors' conference in Des Moines, Ia.

Labor Writer Reports
Willard Shelton, a discerning reporter who contributes a column to the "CIO News," relates it this way:

"The GOP governors were greeted with a banner headline in the Des Moines Register, over a copyrighted story by the Register's chief Washington correspondent, Richard L. Wilson, saying that Nixon's viewpoint was that Benson must 'act' on the farmers' problems, and that Nixon had an appointment to tell Benson as much.

"That was a dagger launched from the shadow," said Shelton. There is no doubt in Washington that Nixon gave the story to correspondent Wilson. The vice-president is too alert a politician to underestimate the political implications of his act.

Shelton and the CIO, of course are delighted. The CIO is gunning for Benson and so will be some Republicans around town if things fail to improve on the farm front. The current word is that Benson may act in a matter of days or weeks.

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Stevenson Accused of Bowing To Pressure Over Farm Issue

Washington — (U.P.) — Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall has accused Adlai E. Stevenson of bowing to pressure from Democratic party bosses by doing a "flip-flop" on the farm price support issue.

Hall in a statement Sunday blasted Stevenson and New York Gov. Averell Harriman for endorsing the rigid 90 per cent price props.

Hog Buying Program

Both Stevenson and Harriman endorsed the rigid supports in statements over the week end to a Democratic farm conference in Des Moines, Ia. They called for a federal hog-buying program and 90 per cent of parity price supports.

Hall said that on Oct. 7 in a speech at Green Bay, Wis., Stevenson said that a 90 per cent program "was not the answer to the farm problem." But on Friday, he said, Stevenson sent a statement to the 12-state meeting endorsing 90 per cent supports.

Stevenson, when contacted at

his farm in suburban Chicago, declined comment on Hall's statement. But an aide, Harry Ashmore, said "I'm not surprised that Mr. Hall is panic-stricken."

Following the Des Moines conference, Iowa's GOP state chairman Don Pierson said, "You can

Marjorie Smith Trial Reopens in Yamhill

McMinnville — (U.P.) — Trial of Mrs. Marjorie Smith, Portland, resumed here today with opening statements from defense and prosecution.

The 35-year-old widow is accused of planning the car-bomb slaying of her husband, attorney Oliver Kermit Smith, last April.

A jury of nine men and three women, and two women alternates, was empaneled Friday. Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker is presiding.

The trial was moved from

put all they (Democrats) know about farm economy in your eye and not blink."

Knight for Ike

On another political front, Gov. Goodwin Knight of California said Sunday the GOP has "a score or more" of men who could win the presidency next year but he is for President Eisenhower "first, last and always."

The Republican governor said that if Mr. Eisenhower decides not to run he (the President) should pick the candidate he wants if he thinks such a course is wise.

Knight declined to discuss the presidential qualifications of Vice-President Richard M. Nixon, a long-time political foe in California politics. He denied he is "fighting with the vice-president or he with me."

Multnomah to Yamhill county on a defense motion because of the widespread publicity given the case.

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