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FARMER FACING GRAVE PROBLEM SAYS WALLACE

Returns Not Commensurate With Yields; Youths Going to Cities

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—American farmers, comprising about one-third of the country's population, find themselves, notwithstanding their hard work and large production this year, still laboring under a serious disadvantage as compared with other groups of workers because of the distortion of relationship of prices, Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture told President Harding and congress today in his annual report.

"There is food in superabundance," Wallace said, "and this contributes to the prosperity of business and industry for a time, but the inadequate return which the farmer is receiving, and has for three years, inevitably must result in readjustments in the number of people on the farms and in the cities, which will not be for the continuing good of the nation."

Many Leave Farms

There has been a greatly accelerated movement of farmers, and especially farmers' sons from the farms to the cities and industrial centers, the secretary reported, declaring that best estimates "indicate that during July, August and September twice as many persons left the farms for the cities as normally."

The secretary renewed his recommendation for rural credit legislation, asserting that action should be taken promptly to increase the maximum which a farm-loan bank may loan to an individual from \$10,000 to \$25,000. He advocated also a readjustment of the term loans may run, saying a system should be established by which the farmer could borrow for periods of from six months to three years. Creation of a new bureau of home economics was urged by the secretary, to enable the department to extend its efforts toward better economic systems in the rural community.

Forests Needs Protection

Another problem requiring immediate attention, the secretary said, was "the necessity of working out and applying a comprehensive plan of protecting, regrowing and utilizing our forests." He declared forest legislation should be enacted extending federal co-operation to the states in the protection of forests, co-ordinating state and federal service in the growing and distribution of forest-planting material, extending purchase of timberland, "as rapidly as the condition of the treasury will permit," and converting into national forests some areas now comprised in Indian reservations.

This year would be a prosperous year for agriculture, and consequently a prosperous year for the nation, if the relationship of prices now was such as existed before the war, Secretary Wallace said. There has been some increase in prices of farm products, but there has not been much improvement in the general relationship between the prices of the things the farmer produces and the things he buys.

Causes Shown

Among the causes which contribute to the abnormal relationship of farm prices to the prices of other things, Secretary Wallace mentioned these:

- Over-production of many farm crops.
- Continued high freight rates.
- Maintenance of industrial wages at near war-time levels.
- Economic depression and depreciated currency in European countries.
- Interference with the efficient functioning of necessary industries.
- Unreasonably high costs of distribution of some farm products.

SAMMY HALEY SOLD

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 5.—Sammy Hale, Portland third sacker was sold today to the Philadelphia Americans for players and cash amounting to \$75,000. The announcement was made at the minor league convention here.

POSTMASTER RENEWS HIS CAMPAIGN FOR U. S. OWNED BUILDINGS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The campaign for government ownership of postoffice buildings throughout the country was renewed by Postmaster General Work in his annual report today to congress. Not only would a policy of public ownership relieve the government of much of its present housing congestion, the Postmaster General said, but it also would make for financial economy since rentals of more than \$12,000,000 now being paid over annually without tangible return could be invested instead in property of a permanent value.

INQUEST IS BEING HELD AT CRESCENT IN SHOOTING CASE

Sheriff and Coroner Go From Here; Woman Who Killed Companion May Be Brought Here

An autopsy and inquest is being held today at Crescent by Sheriff Low, Coroner Whitlock and Dr. H. D. L. Stewart in the case of Robert Greer, 45, who was shot and killed at the Summit stage station Saturday by his companion, Mrs. Mabel Nichols, 23, who gave herself up to the sheriff at Bend after a 50-mile drive from the scene of the shooting. Mrs. Nichols will probably be brought here for trial.

Greer had been drinking heavily and Mrs. Nichols had had a drink or two, she told the sheriff. They quarreled and Greer threatened her. She snatched a pistol and fired. Greer fell and she, convinced of his death, although not stopping to ascertain if definitely, threw a suitcase full of clothes into Greer's touring car and drove to Bend, making the trip over rough roads and in a bitterly cold wind in slightly more than four hours.

Stopped For Gasoline

She stopped at La Pine for gasoline and near Bend picked up a pedestrian, but told no one of the shooting until she confronted Sheriff Roberts. Then she broke down, relating her story with difficulty, and became hysterical when she was taken to a cell in the county jail. To Deputy Sheriff Terrill she declared that she had shot in self-defense.

Before being taken to the jail, Mrs. Nichols told Sheriff Roberts that she and Greer had come to central Oregon from Ellensburg, Wash., six weeks ago and had been living at the Summit stage station. They had operated a large moonshine plant, marketing their product in Bend, she said.

Brought Weapon

Mrs. Nichols brought with her the weapon with which she believed she had killed Greer. It is an automatic and had three shells left in a clip which would hold eight cartridges. The weapon is believed to have been Greer's. As far as could be learned from the hysterical woman, she had fired only one shot.

Mrs. Nichols' maiden name was Davis, the sheriff learned from her. She has a sister and a 5-year-old daughter in Seattle.

Greer Has Married Daughter

Greer, it was ascertained from papers brought in by Mrs. Nichols, has a married daughter, Mrs. Irene Smith, living in Ellensburg.

LUSITANIA REPORT

5400 Cases of Ammunition Bar No Explosives or Troops Carried

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Cunard liner Lusitania, sunk by a German submarine in 1915 off the Irish coast, carried neither guns, troops nor explosives, but did carry 5400 cases of ammunition, the official report of the vessel's cargo, made public by Dudley Field Malone, collector of the port at the time, shows, according to a copyrighted story in the New York World.

The cases of ammunition, the report stated, were carried by specific permission under rulings of the department of commerce in force since 1911.

NEW BOX PLANT WILL BE BUILT AT CHILOQUIN

Chiloquin Lumber Company Planning Extensive Improvements

Klamath's lumber industry has taken another forward stride. A new box factory and planing mill is to be constructed by the Chiloquin Lumber company at Chiloquin. It became known here today.

The new plants will be operated in connection with the sawmill of the company at Chiloquin. The sawmill has a capacity of about 50,000 feet daily at present, but it is understood that this may be increased. The firm's railroad, extending about 10 miles eastward into the timber, will be pushed 10 miles further.

Headed by Blockinger

The Chiloquin Lumber company is headed by E. A. Blockinger of San Francisco. Other stockholders are A. Gravenstein and Frank Swasey of San Francisco and W. C. Van Emon of this city. Van Emon returned last night from San Francisco where he transacted business in connection with the contemplated improvements.

Construction work will start shortly after the first of the year. The capitalization of the company will be increased from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

TO CUT ALL WINTER MODER LUMBER COMPANY SAWMILL PLANS ALL-YEAR OPERATIONS

Operations will continue all winter at the sawmill of the Modoc Lumber company at Pine Ridge, near Chiloquin, according to L. K. Porter, who returned from there today. Porter is erecting for the company a new dry kiln having tiled walls and concrete roof. He is employing 40 men and expects to complete the work by Christmas if the weather is favorable.

"KRATER" OUT TODAY

Second Issue of H. S. Newspaper Is Devoted to Gymnasium News

Devoted largely to gymnasium news, the second issue of "Krater," the high school newspaper, will be published this afternoon. The students will outline the work done toward obtaining a gymnasium and plans for future activities. The paper will be placed on sale at newsstands.

LOS ANGELES JAILS FILLED WITH AUTO SPEEDERS; 281 HELD

Terms Served Are From One to 100 Days; Physicians, Screen Actors and Teachers Held

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Two hundred and eighty-one persons found guilty of traffic violations during the past two weeks have served or are serving jail terms of from one to 100 days. Police Judge Joseph F. Chambers led his bench associates in a campaign to curtail accidents on November 29 by imposing six jail sentences in lieu of fines.

Publicity Starts Drive

The drive was started following the publication in newspapers here of figures showing that, in proportion to population, Los Angeles leads the nation in the number of automobile fatalities.

On the fourth day following the opening of the drive 49 drivers were ordered locked up. Only eight were sent to jail yesterday. The judges assert they will continue to deal severely with offenders until the city is made safe for pedestrians and motorists.

Many Enforced Vacations

Physicians, a motion picture actress and a high school teacher are among those given enforced vacations. Upon the solemn pledge that she will adhere exclusively to horseback riding for the next 90 days and not put her foot on the accelerator of her machine, Elyth Sterling, screen actress and circus equestrienne, was released on parole from the city jail yesterday, after having served three days of a five-day sentence for speeding 27 miles an hour.

MURPHY WINS RACE

250 Mile Championship Captured By California Speed Demon

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Jimmy Murphy won the 250-mile championship automobile race held Sunday at the Beverly Hills speedway, completing 200 laps of the 1 1/4 mile oval in 2 hours, 10 minutes and 53.10 seconds. Earl Cooper took second place and Harry Hartz finished third.

Maintaining his lead at 1 1/2 miles, Murphy completed this distance in 1 hour 18 minutes 7.11 seconds.

Murphy's average time for the distance was 114.6 miles an hour or 3.4 miles faster than the record set on a 1 1/4 mile oval at San Francisco last year when he completed 250 miles at an average speed of 111.2 miles an hour. Murphy won by less than a car length, with three other drivers within 20 feet of him at the finish.

HAMMER SLAYER MAKES DARING PRISON ESCAPE

Clara Phillips, Convicted Of Killing Mrs. Meadows, Saws Steel Bars

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Clara Phillips, sentenced to 10 years to life imprisonment for the Hammer murder of Alberta Meadows, escaped about 2 a. m. today from the women's section of the county jail where she was held pending an appeal.

The bars of her cell were sawed through with steel saws, probably with the aid of other inmates, said the sheriff.

After crawling through a window she dropped to the roof of an adjoining building, climbed down a fire escape, and disappeared.

The matron in making the rounds found Clara's bed vacant and discovered the sawed and twisted bars. No saw filings were found beneath the sawed bars, leading to the belief that the bars were sawed several days prior to the escape.

A dragnet has been placed over all Southern California.

LONG BEACH, Cal., Dec. 5.—A car similar to that worn by Clara Phillips during her trial was found in an abandoned automobile here today. Authorities are trying to determine whether she put to sea in a motor boat or is here with friends.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Armour Phillip, husband of the woman, disappeared yesterday from his local stopping place. Efforts to find him today were unavailing. Investigation showed that at least three persons aided Mrs. Phillips' escape. At least two aided her to the roof and one or two more waited for them in an automobile in the street.

LEGION NOMINATIONS

Candidates for Office to Be Named Tonight; Election December 19

Nominations for officers for the ensuing year will be had at a meeting tonight of the American legion. Officers to be nominated are commander, vice commander, adjutant, treasurer and an executive committee of five. Election will be held December 19 and newly-elected officers will take office at the first meeting in January.

GEORGES CLEMENCEAU PAYS RESPECTS TO PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Clemenceau today paid his respects to President Harding. Arriving at the White House three minutes before 10, the hour at which the president was to receive him, he was ushered immediately into the executive offices. The "Tiger" looked jaunty, wearing a high hat for the second time since his arrival in America. He was accompanied by Ambassador Jusserand. Late tomorrow Clemenceau is to call on Wilson.

FIRST VICTORY OF PROGRESSIVE BLOC WON IN CONGRESS

Favorable Report Returned by Senate Committee on Resolution To Amend Constitution

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The new progressive bloc won its first legislative victory today by obtaining from the senate agriculture committee a favorable report on a resolution to amend the constitution to provide the direct election of a president and vice president, a change of inauguration from March 4th to the third Monday in January, and to provide that members of the senate and house begin their terms the first Monday in January after the biennial elections. Congress would meet in regular session annually on the first Monday in January, according to the resolution.

WHO IS THIS RILEY?

Lecturer Who Will Speak Here December 11 Nationally Known

Who is Frank Branch Riley? He is the man who can make an audience laugh or weep or cheer, be that audience composed of United States senators, farmers or of average people. He is an Oregon man and his home is in Oregon City. He is—or was—a practicing lawyer and was interested in the abstract business. He writes poetry as well as he speaks and has published a volume or two.

Stands on Chair

Riley is short in stature and very dark. When he speaks at club luncheons, or the like, he usually mounts a table or chair. And should he choose to be humorous there is certain to be a roar of laughter follow his every sally. Like Mark Twain, Riley has the faculty of "cracking" a funny joke without smiling, then to permit an expression of bewilderment to spread over his countenance as the laughter breaks. As a humorist he has no peer in the country.

Riley has been the ambassador of Oregon in eastern states for a number of years. In the largest cities he has drawn packed houses, night after night, an outstanding accomplishment in itself. His lecture, "The Lure of the Great Northwest," has probably done more to advertise Oregon than any other means.

Will Fulfill Hopes

People who attend the lecture at the Pine Tree theatre December 11, expecting to hear a dry, uninspired talk are doomed for disappointment. The ones who hope to hear a brilliant lecture, as inspiring as words can be inspiring, and sparkling with original humor delivered by a master, are certain to have their hopes fulfilled.

The lecture is sponsored by the Rotary club, the Kiwanis club and The Evening Herald.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The barometric pressure, as indicated by the Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy, has been falling since the early hours of morning. Indications are that the storm will continue tonight, accompanied by brisk winds. Forecast for next 24 hours: Cloudy unsettled weather. Snow tonight. The Tyco recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today, as follows:

High	36
Low	31

NEW POLITICAL PARTY IS HELD IMPROBABILITY

Attempt By Progressives to Get Control of G. O. P. Seems More Likely

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Is a third party coming in American politics? Or is some other new political alignment imminent? A survey by NEA Service gives "No" as the answer to the first question and "Yes" as the answer to the second.

The questions are paramount because of these incidents:

- Increased strength of progressives and "independents" in the senate.
- Ascendancy of Senator LaFollette as leader of the "people's bloc."
- Discussion of such names as LaFollette, Senator Borah, Henry Ford and W. R. Hearst as third party presidential candidates.
- Suggestion by a republican that Bernard M. Baruch, democrat, lead farmers and manufacturers in a new political party.

Seek G. O. P. Capture

Leaders of progressive thought in Washington hope for capture of control within the republican party rather than the rise of a third party.

Says LaFollette: "The time has come for the organization of a well-defined group, cooperating in support of accepted progressive principles and policies."

Senator Borah says the future of the progressive movement does not necessarily demand the organization of a new party—unless a "liberal and sane" legislative program laid down by the progressive group is rejected by the party in power.

"I clearly foresee a new political line-up," says Lindley M. Garrison, former member of President Wilson's cabinet. "The political division which is ahead of us will take this cleavage: The conservatives of both parties against the radicals of both parties; and it will be safer if this is done by the above-board formation of a third party under a new name, and by scrapping one or both of the old parties, or perhaps welding them under a hyphenated name."

Constitution Dividing Line

Garrison would call it the Liberal Conservative party with the constitution acting as a sort of dividing line between conservative and radical opinion.

Similar methods, in some respects are advocated by Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, who says:

"The overwhelming majority of republicans and the overwhelming majority of democrats who are in substantial agreement on all fundamentals should speedily find ways to take such steps as may be necessary to form a democrat-republican party, which would represent the predominant idealism of our people."

"Over against such a progressive liberal party there would naturally be organized a distinctly radical party to which should go all those who now call themselves demagogues or republicans, but who are in reality neither."

Samuel M. Vauclain, president of the Baldwin Locomotive works, replies laconically to the survey questionnaire: "I can see no necessity for a third political party."

Not Feasible

The same reply is made by George L. Record, friend of Theodore Roosevelt and Bull Moose supporter, and recently a New Jersey senatorial candidate on the republican ticket. Record thinks a new political party is not "feasible," but will come gradually after the fashion of the creation of the republican party.

Smith W. Brookhart, now senator from Iowa, agrees. He says: "I do not believe any necessity exists for a new party. What I believe should and will come is progressive control of the republican party."

Like Record, Senator Lodge of North Dakota thinks history will repeat. He says: "No three parties are continuously possible. The people will either take over one of the"

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