

FRANK LOWDEN APPROVES FARM AID PROPOSALS

Ideas on Agricultural Relief Endorsed by Illinois Man.

CHICAGO, April 27. (AP)—Frank O. Lowden, former governor of Illinois, who gave a clear field to Herbert Hoover in the republican convention last June after making a campaign for himself for the nomination, has endorsed the president's farm relief program.

"Mr. Hoover, in the campaign

last fall," declared in a formal statement, "stated clearly and unequivocally his opposition to the principle of the equalization fee, as well as to the principle of the debenture plan. He was elected by a substantial majority. The country therefore authorized him to proceed with his own agricultural program. That program was outlined, not only in his speeches, but more fully in his recent message to congress.

"It is to be assumed that upon an issue so clearly decided by the election, congress will support the president. It then becomes the duty of all sincere friends of farm relief to cooperate with the administration in giving effect to its program. It is later should appear that this program was inadequate, the president indicated in his message that the way is open for further action."

YOUNG HERMIT WEARY OF BIG TOWNS; WANTS TO GO BACK TO ISLE

By CARL H. BENNETT
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SAN FRANCISCO, April 27. (UP)—The young hermit of Puka-Puka, lonely isle of the far-away South Seas, has returned to his native land after an absence of ten years to find our mode of living monotonous.

Robert Dean Fribbee, only white inhabitant of Puka-Puka for the past five years, today was counting the days until he will sail on the schooner Tagua for his adopted home, a voyage that will require about 130 days. And Fribbee has only been here five days.

"Certainly I'll return," he said. "Everything I want in the world is there—quiet, solitude and my books. Why should I stay here, or go anywhere but back to Puka-Puka?"

Ten years ago Fribbee accepted a death warrant from a tuberculosis specialist of this country. He sailed for the South Seas to spend his last days on the little islands that attract many adventurers.

Five years later he went to Puka-Puka from Tahiti and set up a trading post, although three men of his own race had died nine months after they went to the island.

While he ridiculed the rumble of industry, the roar of traffic and the din of hammers against steel as signs of new buildings reached up to meet the sky as nerve-racking, Fribbee was wondering what trinkets would be stylish with the natives of Puka-Puka when he returns.

He has earned a living by trading articles produced by modern factories in return for copra and pearl shells. Once every two months a schooner calls at Puka-Puka to take away the merchandise he has collected and bring him letters, newspapers and the latest books.

"There is no accounting for native taste," he explained. "One month it was hair oil, then talcum powder. They used perfumes for several months with reckless and regrettable abandon. The entire island population reeked with it."

"Suddenly popular fancies shifted to marbles. Matrons, flappers, graybeard and sheik all

joined in the game until my little stock was exhausted.

"By the time the schooner arrived with a new stock, the time had passed without return to all day sailors. Chinese kites were held in high regard for several months, but they tired even of these."

Fribbee arrived Saturday on the schooner Tagua, commanded by Captain Andy Thompson, who brought the ship here to have new masts installed. He was first mate and when the vessel came in he and Thompson were the only able-bodied men on board. The native sailors were all suffering from scurvy as a result of the 130 day trip.

The South Sea hermit is still in his thirties. He is tall and slim. One of his troubles has been to dress correctly. Down in Puka-Puka shirt sleeves are always good etiquette and he need not worry whether his suspenders are straight.

Police Differ on Theory of Death Mystery

SALINAS, Calif., April 27.—Determination of causes for the death of Mrs. Marian Metcalfe, 37, of Monterey, found at the foot of a cliff near Lover's Point south of here, was the object of several investigations underway last night.

Sheriff Carl Abbot, after questioning the husband, James Metcalfe, and a neighbor, who found the body, Mrs. Florence Lovett, expressed the belief she had ended her own life but police at Monterey claimed their was evidence she was murdered.

Metcalfe is held in jail, pending outcome of the probes. He and Mrs. Lovett claim Mrs. Metcalfe had threatened several times in recent months to commit suicide.

The woman had apparently been lying on the beach for several hours. Her neck was broken and she had seemingly fallen or been thrown from the cliff.

PRESIDENT FOR NEWS NOTES OF MIDLAND

Executive Issues Appeal for More Beautiful Structures in U. S.

WASHINGTON, April 27. (UP)—President Hoover revealed himself as an expert on architecture in a speech last night at a meeting to consider the development of Washington when he criticized many public buildings here as "eyesores" and appealed for beautiful buildings that express "not only the traditions of the past but the greatness of the future" of the country.

The president stressed the need of new buildings here, citing figures to show present crowded conditions for government workers, and urged that in carrying out the new public building program authorized by congress there be a return to the simple, colonial style of architecture.

Special To The Herald

PAULINE HARNETT, Correspondent

MIDLAND, April 26.—Lloyd Hall has returned home after an extended visit with relatives at Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Hooper have moved into the Midland Hotel.

E. O. Travers was in Klamath Falls Thursday purchasing supplies for the Midland grocery store.

Miss Hazel Short spent Wednesday evening with Miss Nina Helmer in Klamath Falls.

Mrs. E. L. Farber and daughter Mrs. Mrs. Herbert Largent and daughter Betty and Mrs. Harry Mosby called at the home of Mrs. S. L. Burnett.

Pauline Burnett spent Thursday evening with Marjory Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Schneck are receiving congratulations on the

arrival of a son born April 24th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Schneck. Mrs. Schneck will be remembered as Miss Mary Schneck, son being named Richard Plain Schneck.

The Midland school music class will play at Rotary club at Klamath Falls.

J. D. Hooper and son were business visitors in Klamath Falls on Tuesday.

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