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Milking the Townsend Cow

NEW testimony is given in the Townsend congressional investigation by an ex-manager of the Michigan Townsend movement. He testifies that he went to Chicago to confer with Townsend officials, was taken to a night club for a \$23 dinner, and was told: "There's a lot of money in this thing for men above the level of organizers. We don't want to get this job done too fast. We want to milk this crowd for two more years."

There has been reason to suspect that the "milking" possibilities of the Townsend movement had proved so attractive that those who have profited therefrom would work along the line of keeping a good thing going as long as possible.

The Townsend cow has proved to be a versatile producer. She gives both money and votes and there has been a great crowding around. The founder of the movement set quite an example in receiving \$77,880 in salaries, expense money and profits during the two years he and Robert Clements ran the thing together. That was Clements' testimony under oath.

While the cheap politicians and the paid officials have been milking the cow for votes and money, the aged needy have been feeding it. The nickles and dimes of poor people have been the major financial source of the Townsend movement.

It is suspected that among the professed supporters of the movement itself there are those who are not anxious to see it enacted into law at any early date, as the Michigan man's testimony indicates. They would probably like to see it revived for several political campaigns.

The idealism of rank and file Townsends, who believe implicitly that the movement will rescue the country from economic distress, cannot but impress the fair observer. But there can be only contempt for those who, lacking sincerity, have sought to use this sentiment and idealism to their individual political or monetary profit.

Plan To Be There

ATTENTION is again called to the community dinner at the Willard hotel Wednesday night when Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor of Oregon's higher educational system, will speak.

This is the annual meeting of the chamber of commerce, but attendance is in no way restricted to chamber members. All who wish to attend may do so, providing their reservations are made soon enough.

Dr. Hunter is going to speak on the relation of higher education to the development of the resources of the state. He is going to tell what is being done by the higher educational system in the application of science to production, and the resultant economic gains for the state.

These are matters of vital interest to every resident of the state. The discussion by a man of such authority as Dr. Hunter should be heard by a capacity group at the Willard Wednesday night. Plan to be there.

Poland Leaves Gold Standard Export Barred

WARSAW, April 28, (U.P.)—Poland Monday abandoned the gold standard when President Ignacy Moscicki issued a decree prohibiting the free purchase or export of gold and foreign currency.

The gold embargo automatically removed Poland from the dwindling list of nations still maintaining the gold standard as basis for their currency. Among the major nations of the world, only France, The Netherlands and Switzerland remain on that basis today and there is doubt in some quarters whether the French republic will remain long on gold in view of growing agitation for devaluation of the franc and the leftist victory in yesterday's elections.

The government said the de-

creed was necessary because speculation in gold and foreign exchange during the past few months had endangered the domestic money market.

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

The Inside Story From The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, April 28. (AP)—The New Deal is developing some smart new inside tricks in its political defense program.

The press agent system, for one thing, is being secretly decentralized. The exploitation organization here is being used less and less for heavy work. More and more dependence (and money) is being placed in the various state and district promotion agencies out in the country. This keeps the big propaganda activities far, far away from the central collection of critics and political observers in Washington.

No one is supposed to know about it, but Harry Hopkins worked out just such a scheme at a confidential gathering of his district publicity purveyors here about two weeks ago. He did it so well that no outsider has yet discovered that there was a meeting.

His boys planned a WPA good will campaign to be conducted locally in each district through the radio and the newspapers, particularly the smaller ones, including the weeklies. They have already started to work.

EXTRAS

Details are hard to get, but a certain WPA publicity agent in one midwestern state is known to have had his allowance increased to \$3,000 per month. He can get a lot of extra good will in his state for the extra \$3,000 a month, because his field is not very large or important. Other increases were granted in other states, presumably on a commensurate scale.

Headquarters here will probably do little except pull the wires on the inside and keep quiet.

The idea is to keep Mr. Hopkins a jump ahead of his opposition in congress, the Liberty league, the republican national committee and others who have their spy glasses trained on Washington but cannot keep track of the nation's outlying precincts.

NECESSITY

Mr. Hopkins' stealthy exploitation venture was smothered by necessity.

For some time it has been evident that not only his, but the other, press agencies here have not been getting results. For one thing they are too obvious. Whenever they issue a statement or make a move, there are 500 newsmen and 500 more anti-New Deal press agents, lobbyists and opposition congressmen ready to pounce on it. These oppositionists not only expose, but sometimes deliberately misinterpret and exaggerate, so that even a routine detail sometimes becomes an orgy. Thus central publicity exploitation has become a New Deal liability in some ways rather than an asset.

But out in the country it will be different. The local press agents will be able to get away with murder, or mayhem at least, and run little risk of getting caught. If they do, it will be their own responsibility.

Note—This WPA stride matches similar progress toward decentralization in FMA recently. Instead of issuing a statement from its headquarters here, FMA sent identical letters to its district housing administrators out through the country, had each administrator

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"She's just dumb enough to scare all the boys away, by making the best grades in her class."

sign the letter as his own and send it to newspapers.

CAUSE

The hidden explanation for many an international development may be found in the list of international loans. For example, British banks and investors hold approximately \$210,000,000 in long term German credit and around \$250,000,000 in short term credits. Italy, on the other hand, owes only around \$10,000,000. Foreign offices take these practical matters into consideration in choosing their friends.

RESTLESS

Bad news has been seeping out of Vienna. It has not yet reached the publication stage, but wise diplomatic authorities here would not be surprised to hear of a new uprising before the end of the summer.

Evidence is accumulating that the Nazi element is getting out of hand—even Hitler's hand apparently. They say Der Fuere does not want the coup just yet for fear it will spoil Britain's friendship. But Austrian Nazis, encouraged by the ease with which Hitler seized the Rhineland, are becoming impatient.

The Austrian government is supposed to have curtailed munitions for its own troops lately for fear that some of the bullets may shortly be fired against it.

FUSE?

There is a wise old bird in the tallest tree on the capitol grounds who will tell you that Governor Ely, the Massachusetts democratic pal of Al Smith, is considering coming out for Senator Borah. Other similar breaks among conservative democrats are being talked of, any one of which might place a

slightly different color on the existing political situation.

RELATIVITY

President Roosevelt criticized columnists and interpretive writers in his confidential talk with newspaper editors not long ago, saying that it was humanly impossible for any columnist to write a good column out of Washington every day. He was 100 per cent right about that, but he neglected to add that it is humanly impossible for anyone to be a good editor every day—or a good president.

Three per cent of the faculty of Massachusetts Institute of Technology wear beards, 22 per cent wear mustaches, and the other 75 per cent are clean-shaven.

TODAY FRANCHOT TONE



GENTLEMEN ARE BORN
 FRANCHOT TONE, JEAN MARCUS
 RAINBOW

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 A Columbia Picture

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The Klamath Veteran

News Notes on Activities of the Local Veteran Groups

Klamath Post No. 8 American Legion

At the next regular meeting, Tuesday, May 5, the post will observe Forest Fire Prevention week. This campaign is under the chairmanship of Hal Ogile, who is our forest and conservation committee chairman. Hal has secured the services of government and state forestry officials who will be present at our meeting and give short talks on the care and prevention of forest fires.

The next regular meeting of the 40 at 8 will be held Tuesday, May 5, at the Legion hall, at 8 o'clock. Special business will be the Oregon caves trip, to be taken up. All 40 at 8 are urged to be in attendance.

The auxiliary will hold its second annual War Mothers' dinner next Tuesday, May 5, at the Legion hall at 8:30 p. m. All Legionnaires are urged to attend and bring a veteran's mother as a guest.

ordinances calling a special election to pass upon the proposed amendment to the city charter. The vetoed measure provided for an election to be held on May 21, at the time the voters would select county, state and national officers.

Believing that a matter as important as that of adopting a charter that will change the form of government of the city should not be before the people at a time when it might be used "by the politicians and candidates to cloud the issue with their various personalities," and since there is a certainty of a special election at an early date, the mayor states that the object sought could best be gained by submitting the new charter at that time.

Ten Years Ago In Klamath

NEW world's record price for yellow and sugar pine was set this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock when W. P. Robinson, Grants Pass timberman, successfully bid for the Modoc Point reservation timber unit at \$7.29 a thousand. In round numbers, Robinson bid \$571,950 for the Modoc Point unit, which aggregates 62,000,000 feet of merchantable timber, according to government cruise. Mayor Goddard has vetoed the

Four-H News

MALIN COOKING CLUB

The Up and Doing Cooking club of Malin had a weekly meeting on April 23. The girls worked on their books. After the meeting Eulafaye Woodley and Marie Hanel practiced their demonstration on "How to Make Vanilla Drop Cakes." They gave their real demonstration in the evening at the local leader's house. The guests invited to the demonstration were Mr. and Mrs. Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Short, Miss Eschenbeck, Miss Redkey, Miss Garfield, Miss Stringer and Miss Wood, our local leader. After the cooking were baked they were served to the guests. Eulafaye and Marie are going to practice their demonstration at our next meeting for the club girls. These two girls think it is fun to demonstrate. They both hope to be good cooks.

MARIE HANEL

"CHILQUIN 'GOODCOOKS'"
 The "Goodcooks" of Chilquín school held a meeting Thursday, April 23, 1936. We had a demonstration given on how to measure by Marian Campbell and Kathleen O'Donoghue. We are getting ready for the May Festival. We ended our club by singing our club song. We have finished our work 100 per cent.

PHYLLIS DEPUY, News Reporter.

Great Britain abolished the pillory 98 years ago.

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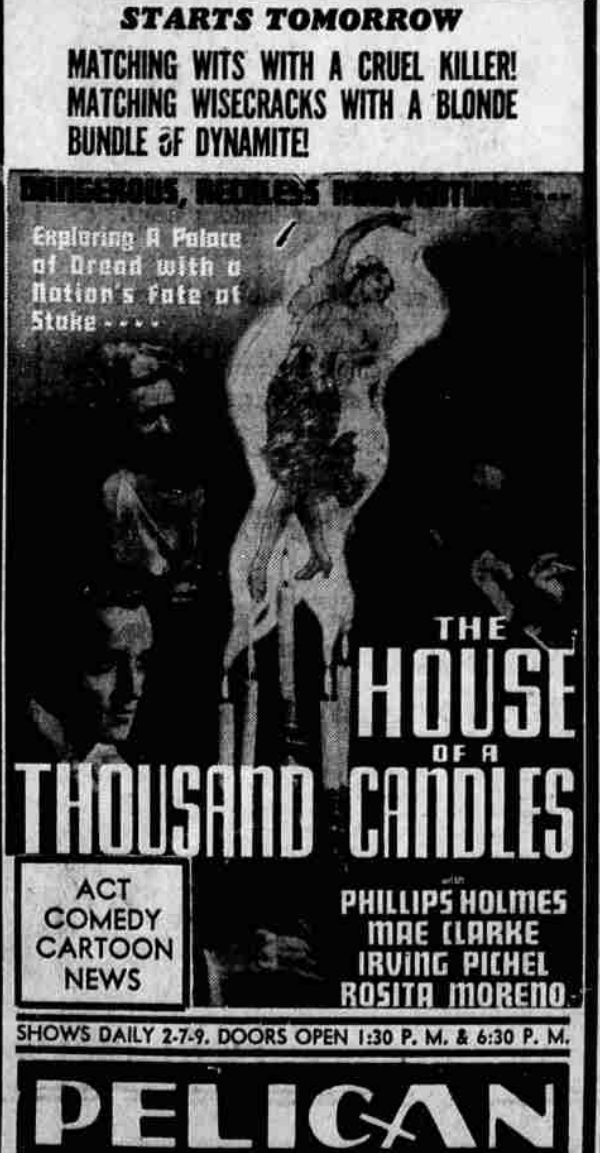


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 PINE TREE

LAST TIMES TONIGHT



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