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Editorials - On the Day's News

POTATO prices, which opened fairly high, have fallen off materially as the digging season has got under way. This decline in price raises two questions: 1—Why has the price fallen off? 2—Will it STAY DOWN?

QUESTION No. 1 is answered fairly well by the bureau of agricultural economics of the department of agriculture, which says in its bulletin of September 15:

"Heavy shipments of potatoes have been forthcoming as a result of the comparatively favorable price situation during recent weeks. This increase in forwardings has depressed prices paid to farmers in local markets about 25 per cent."

THE price, in other words, was pretty good when digging began. Growers, in all probability, were short of money with which to harvest their crop. So they sold a lot of potatoes AT ONCE. As a result of this situation, the supply of potatoes on the market exceeded the immediate demand, and as always happens in such cases the price WENT DOWN.

When there are more sellers than buyers, the price always goes down.

WE NOW come to Question No. 2: Will potato prices STAY DOWN?

In an effort to find an answer to that question, let us take a look at the figures.

The figures are important, because they show the relationship of supply and demand, and it is the relationship of supply and demand that determines the price.

ACCORDING to the October 1 estimate of the department of agriculture, the total potato crop of the United States for 1933 will be about 307,000,000 bushels.

This compares with a total crop of 357,000,000 bushels last year, and a five-year average crop of 355,000,000 bushels.

Production for 1933, that is to say, is OFF about 15 per cent.

LET us put it in another way: This year's potato crop is down about 50 million bushels from the five-year average. That amounts roughly to a reduction of a HALF BUSHEL per person in the supply of potatoes available for consumption, as in the case of potatoes there is no carry-over from the previous year.

PUTTING it in round figures, the five-year average crop of potatoes in this country has amounted to about three and a half bushels per person. This year it amounts to only about three bushels.

A reduction of that size ought to insure fair demand throughout the marketing season.

NOW let's sum up: The price is down from the opening figure because heavy supplies have been rushed onto the early market in order to take advantage of fairly high opening (Continued on Page Four)

PIONEER DIES

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 12. (UP)—Frank Nibler, 99-year-old Civil War veteran and pioneer, died today at his home at Gervais. He was born in Bavaria in January, 1834.

Will Rogers Says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Oct. 12.—Editor The Klamath News: Poor Mr. Roosevelt. He no more than gets one national thing straightened out than a long comes something else. Just getting the codes out of the way, when along comes Kansas and almost beats Notre Dame. Now he has to drop everything till he gets Notre Dame straightened out.

Manager Terry of the Giants was sentenced to five years in New York. Looks like Cronin was really the winner. He was only sentenced to one year in Washington. He is young yet and will be when he gets out. Say, did you know our popular governor, Jimmy Rolph, who has worn boots all his life is not well? Some crazy doctor made him put on shoes. Yours, Phil Rogers.

MEXICO. INTER-CONTINENTAL STRIKE

Federal Justice Agents Reported en Route to California Districts

Mexican Officers Ask State to Disarm Militant Growers at Once

VISALIA, Cal., Oct. 12. (UP)—Highway police said tonight that Tulare county ranchers had threatened to shoot any striker who entered their cotton fields tomorrow or thereafter. Captains W. E. Riley of Visalia and B. W. Olivas of Madera reported the threats. They described the situation as serious and said they had asked for tear gas bombs for use in case of a new riot. Reports that ranchers and strikers were buying ammunition caused the sheriff to post 20 additional deputies in the cotton belt tonight.

FRESNO, Calif., Oct. 12. (UP)—The United States and Mexican governments intervened in the strike of 10,000 California cotton pickers tonight to forestall further bloodshed and prevent suffering among strikers.

The national labor board appointed George Creel, NRA director, to carry through a federal ultimatum that the state of California stop violence in the strike area.

U. S. Has Full Power Creel immediately notified Governor James Rolph, Jr., that "immediate suspension of hostilities is imperative." He warned that if state officials fail to effect peace at once, the government will take a hand.

The governor was told that the full power of President Roosevelt's labor mediation board is available in obtaining industrial peace.

Creel said he was "most interested in learning the truth or fallacy of reports that cotton growers had been encouraged to take matters into their own hands by laxity of authorities. Two Mexican strikers were killed allegedly by farmers at Pixley and a third was killed at Arvin."

The governor assured him, Creel said, that he hoped soon to settle the controversy that has paralyzed the state's cotton industry.

The Mexican government acted through Consul Enriquez Briso of Monterey, who demanded that California disarm militant growers. (Continued on Page Six)

Mine Code Fight Nears Settlement Of Difficulties

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12. (UP)—The troublesome captive mine code fight appeared to be near a final settlement tonight, but difficulties were cropping up in other sectors of the bituminous coal industry.

Steel magnates who control the captive mines told President Roosevelt in a letter that they were ready to put into operation a quality control system which would enable the United Mine Workers and other unions to collect dues directly from the companies, the amount being deducted from pay envelopes before delivery to the miners. This is the point which has led to industrial strife in the captive fields.

Lumberman Seeking Longer Work Hours

DALLAS, Ore., Oct. 12. (UP)—Seeking increased working period for his mill, George Gerlinger, president of the Willamette Valley Lumber company, was on his way to Washington, D. C., tonight to confer with NRA officials.

Gerlinger will appeal for a two-shift basis for the Dallas mill. The plant was ordered to operate 120 hours in October and November. It is now working twice that number of hours in two shifts.

Two Children Burn In Blazing Barn

ERIE, Kan., Oct. 12. (UP)—Trapped in a blazing barn, Darrel Justus, 5, and his brother, Cecil, 3, were burned to death today.

Their mother, Mrs. C. B. Justus, attempted to enter the flames in a futile attempt to save the children. Marion Edwards, 17, a neighbor youth, was credited with saving her life.

Portland Railroad Man Dies Thursday

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12. (UP)—Richard P. Habersham, since 1880 a prominent figure in northwest railroad circles, died at his home here today. He retired in 1930 after serving the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad for 35 years. A son, Stephen E. Habersham, Seattle, survives.

Germany Threatens to Withdraw from Parley, Refusing Arms Treaty

GENEVA, Oct. 12. (UP)—A threat of Nazi Germany's withdrawal from the disarmament conference proceedings was seen tonight in the summary recall of Count Rodolph Nodolny, chief German delegate, by Chancellor Adolf Hitler in Berlin.

Hitler dispatched a special airplane which Nodolny is to board at Basle, Switzerland at 6 a. m. He will fly to Berlin for a crucial conference with the Nazi chancellor. In German quarters, it was admitted that the count might not return in time for the reconvening of the arms conference here next Monday.

Indicates Crisis Nodolny's recall was regarded as an indication that Hitler had come to the conclusion that the time for decisive action had arrived—that Germany either was to continue at the arms parley in the hope of gaining some measure of her arms equality demands, or get out.

Recall of Nodolny followed the decision of the former allies—United States, Great Britain and

France—to proceed with the preparation of a draft resolution, to be presented at the arms conference on Monday, categorically declaring that Germany cannot remain above the drastic limits set by the treaty of Versailles at the end of the World War.

Shorter Period Favored This restriction, however, would be only for the four years of the proposed trial period of international control of arms.

Members of the United States delegation still were hopeful that by compromise Germany's support to the resolution could be obtained, but the British and French were determined to present it, even if Germany abstained.

The United Press understood that the Americans, headed by Norman H. Davis, favored reducing the trial period of arms control to 18 months or two years, rather than four, for the purpose of obtaining Germany's consent to no rearmament during the first such test period.

SMITH FAVORED FOR RELIEF JOB

Decision Expected Today By League on Post of High Commissioner

GENEVA, Oct. 12. (UP)—Former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York appeared tonight to be the favorite candidate for the post of League of Nations high commissioner to aid German Jewish refugees.

A decision tomorrow on the selection was expected. An effort was understood being made to ascertain whether Smith, now in New York, would accept the commissionership.

It was recalled that he had taken a leading part in the denunciation against Nazi persecution of Jews. For this reason it was felt in league quarters that the former governor might be willing to come to Europe to aid the refugees in a practical way.

Former President Herbert Hoover, former Governor General Theodore Roosevelt and Nicholas Roosevelt, diplomat and journalist, were also among those considered. It was evident that the league preferred to select an American. If not, it was believed probably that Lord Cecil of Great Britain would be offered the commissionership.

The council acted quickly in organizing the league's movement to aid Jewish refugees. It decided to invite the following nations to name representatives on the governing board of the refugee movement: The United States, Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, France, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Switzerland, Denmark, Italy, Great Britain, Sweden and Spain.

The German delegates on the council abstained from voting on the selections.

Dollfus Moves Toward Fascism In Government

VIENNA, Austria, Oct. 12. (UP)—Chancellor Engelbert Dollfus moved swiftly today toward the organization of a thoroughly fascist type system of government in Austria.

This was the interpretation generally placed upon his appointment of the Prince Ernst von Stachenberg, head of the powerful Heimwehr (home guard) organization, as "vice-leader of the fatherland front."

Simultaneously, the little chancellor announced the incorporation of the entire Heimwehr of some 100,000 well trained men into the national front. The term "front" implies a political organization in Austria, under its present usage.

Inquest Continues In Fire Disaster

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 12. (UP)—A two-day inquest into the deaths of at least 28 charity workers in the Griffith park fire disaster ended today with the conflicting testimony of scores of witnesses before the coroner's jury of nine experts.

The jury will hold its first deliberation tomorrow, after studying recommendations presented by an investigating committee of five forest fire prevention experts who have been holding independent hearing since the October 3 tragedy.

Portland Officer Commits Suicide

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12. (UP)—Portland police officers tonight mourned the suicide today of Captain John T. Moore, for 39 years a member of this city's police force.

Captain Moore, who had been in retirement since a year ago, shot himself through the mouth after having the neighborhood barber come to his home to shave him.

TWO LUNATICS CAPTURED NEAR SALEM ON RIVER

Three Criminally Insane Still at Large After Hospital Break Sunday

Suspect Is Held at Red Bluff; Master Crook Among Those Missing

MEDFORD, Oct. 12. (UP)—A suspect, believed to be Dean Welch, one of six criminally insane men who escaped from the Salem state hospital, was being held in Red Bluff, Cal., tonight, state police were informed by the California sheriff late today.

SALEM, Oct. 12. (UP)—Search for William O. Bowen, master crook, and two other criminally insane men who escaped from the state hospital was redoubled tonight following arrest of two more maniacs today.

The pair, George Farren, 64, and Adolph Bauer, 53, were captured by a state police speedboat on the Willamette river near Wheatland. The men had stolen a rowboat and fled downstream. They surrendered without resistance.

Stolen Gervais Boat Elmer Becker was captured at Gervais Monday night less than 12 hours after he had escaped with five other inmates.

Bowen, said to be one of the most dangerous criminals in the west, with a police record in 47 states, Alvin Carter and Dean Welch are still missing.

Three boats had been reported missing along the Willamette river within 36 hours after the six men escaped.

Ranchers told state police of seeing two men with their feet bound in sacks near Hubbard. The boat in which they had attempted to flee was stolen from Ernest Todd of Gervais.

SALEM, Oct. 12. (UP)—Captain McClain of the state police dispatched officers to the Wheatland ferry district of the Willamette river this afternoon to return George Farren and Adolph Bauer, two state hospital escapes, who were apprehended between there and Fairfield.

McClain said they were awaiting extradition. (Continued on Page Six)

National Defense Appeal Delivered By D. A. R. Head

An appeal for adequate national defense was voiced by Mrs. John Y. Richardson, Portland, state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in an address before the Klamath Falls Kiwanis club Thursday noon at the Willard hotel. Mrs. Richardson also spoke before Klamath Union high school students Thursday afternoon and was guest at a number of functions arranged by the local chapter of the D. A. R.

Mrs. Richardson cited the low per capita cost of defense—\$6.75, as compared with the per capita cost of luxuries and amusements. She read statistics showing the size of the American army, in proportion to population, far below that of other leading powers. She told how American shipbuilding activities had lagged behind those of other nations, and demanded that the U. S. navy be built up to treaty strength.

The D. A. R. leader decried (Continued on Page Six)

Calling of Bonds Taken As Warning To Inflationists

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12. (UP)—The decision to refund nearly \$2,000,000,000 of fourth liberty loan bonds was interpreted in some quarters tonight as a warning to inflationists that the White House will not tolerate tampering with the currency at the next session of congress.

Success of the refunding operation is contingent upon a "sound money" program. Holders of called bonds are being asked to accept new bonds bearing a lower rate of interest.

The program will not be completed until next April, thus, administration leaders will be in a position to influence inflation agitation in congress by emphasizing that expansion of the currency might result in bondholders demanding cash and thus frustrating the refunding operation and jeopardize the credit of the government.

Bomb May Have Caused Plane Crash

VALPARAISO, Ind., Oct. 12. (UP)—Possibility that explosion of a time bomb concealed in the mail may have caused the wreck Tuesday night of a United Air Lines plane, killing seven persons, was being investigated tonight by Carl Davis, coroner of Porter county.

Davis said authorities still had no clue to the cause of the accident, but admitted he was giving attention to the bomb theory. It was pointed out that baggage, stored in a rear compartment of the plane, was scattered over an area 1,000 feet square.

Bend Youth Shot By Gun Customer

BEND, Ore., Oct. 12. (UP)—Frank Brader, 19, employee in a gun repair shop, was in a hospital today because a customer tried out a revolver and "didn't know it was loaded."

Winston Livingston, owner of the gun, picked up the gun, which Brader had loaded after repairing. He snapped the trigger and sent a bullet into the clerk's neck.

LOST RANCHER FOUND ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 12. (UP)—Henry Lieberling, Little River rancher, believed lost while en route to Roseburg to deliver cattle, was found in a local rooming house today.

Judge Sentences Kellys To Life, Suggests Law Permit Death Penalty

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12. (UP)—George (Machine Gun) Kelly, desperado sentenced to life imprisonment in Oklahoma City for the Urschel kidnaping, will be confined in an inescapable penitentiary on Alcatraz Island in San Francisco bay, which the department of justice soon will take over for desperate criminals, it was announced tonight.

A super-prison will be established on the island, now used as a military prison by the war department, Attorney General Cummings, revealed.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 12. (UP)—Congress should add the death penalty to the Lindbergh law, Federal Judge Edgar S. Vaughn said tonight after sentencing to life imprisonment the last of the gang that kidnaped Charles F. Urschel.

This statute—the government's weapon to beat down predatory crime—saved George (Machine Gun) Kelly from the gallows, the veteran judge revealed. Life imprisonment is its maximum penalty. This was noted out summarily today to the terrorist and his wife, Kathryn.

Viewed as Murder "I believe in capital punishment," Judge Vaughn said. "I would have sentenced Kelly and Albert L. Bates to the gallows as quickly as I would take a drink of water."

Bates was one of the four sentenced to life in prison in the first trial of the kidnapers of the wealthy oil man, who paid \$200,000 ransom for his release.

"My view is that kidnaping is the same as murder because the type of person who kidnapes would murder the victim without hesitancy if the occasion arose," Judge Vaughn added, revealing that gangland's threat of death hung over him during the trials.

Justice Given Swiftly The two trials are but an opening wedge in the government's war on crime, federal authorities declared.

There was no letdown, however, in the activity of agents of the division of investigation who rounded up the 14 persons indicted in the Urschel case. Captures and conviction of a gang more ruthless than the famed Jesse James and the Daltons of the frontier southwest was effected in less than three months after July 22, when Urschel was seized.

Covered by the stern verdict and sentence, the Kellys were held in the county jail. Agents planned to take Kelly to Leavenworth penitentiary by airplane, possibly tomorrow, to begin serving the life term which he received with a gesture of silent rage. His wife will be transferred soon to a prison for women.

LABOR UNIONS REELECT GREEN

Organization Against Inflation, Criticizes Parts Of Recovery Policy

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12. (UP)—William Green was reelected unanimously president of the American Federation of Labor today, and pledged his untiring efforts to obtain a 20-hour week and higher minimum wages in recovery codes.

San Francisco was selected as the 1934 convention city. Reaction of the stocky, partly bald labor leader had been assured for weeks. His name was placed in nomination by John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, and the 53rd annual federation convention roared its approval. No other nominations were offered.

Session Closed The present executive council also was reelected. Green would hold the presidency (Continued on Page Six)

Americans Living In Berlin Happy Over U. S. Action

BERLIN, Oct. 12. (UP)—Americans living in Berlin today enthusiastically welcomed Washington's firm attitude against current hostilities of United States citizens by Nazi storm troopers and other zealots.

The German foreign office said that the American representation reported coming up from Washington had not yet been received. The move was praised loudly in American quarters and would be a signal for similar action by other governments.

The British already have protested strongly against the Nazi assault on a British subject named Koenig, from South Africa. There were indications that possibly Spain and Holland would protest attacks on their nationals.

Texas Acts Upon Gun, Kidnap Bills

AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 12. (UP)—A bill prohibiting sale, lease or gift of a machine gun to any person not an officer was unanimously passed by the Texas senate late today.

The house has already approved the measure. It now goes to the governor for signature along with a bill providing a death penalty for kidnaping in Texas.

Cummings Orders Action on Hoarders

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12. (UP)—Attorney General Cummings said today he had instructed 15 district attorneys throughout the country to begin criminal proceedings against 44 alleged gold hoarders.

Orders demanding "prompt attention" included San Francisco, Los Angeles, Denver, Chicago, Des Moines, Kansas City and Houston.

Dam Work to Be on Separate Contracts

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12. (UP)—Bonville dam construction work will be handled through individual contracts in major phases of the project, rather than one general contract, Charles E. Grimm, chief civil engineer for the project, said today.

SHERIFF SLAIN IN JAIL; BANK ROBBER FREED

Jailer Killed by 6 Desperadoes, Liberate Confederate in Cell

Officer's Wife, Deputy Locked up by Bandits After Stealing Guns

LIMA, Ohio, Oct. 12. (UP)—Desperadoes stormed into the county jail tonight, shot and fatally wounded Sheriff Jess L. Sarber, liberated John Dillinger, alleged bank robber, from his jail cell, stole all guns and ammunition in the jail and raced from town in two automobiles.

The sheriff, struck in the abdomen by one of two shots fired by the bandits, died 20 minutes later in a hospital.

Three Enter Jail The gang, consisting of six men, had planned the jail break expertly. At the only time of the night when Sheriff Sarber usually was alone, the bandits entered. They drove into the city in two automobiles, which they parked on Main street, near the jail.

Three of the men entered the jail with guns drawn. They met the sheriff's wife and Deputy Sheriff Wilbur Sharp, in addition to the sheriff, that apparently being the only detail in which their plans went wrong.

The men demanded that Dillinger be freed.

All Guns Stolen An argument ensued. The men became violent in their demands. Sheriff Sarber tried to fight them. The two shots were fired. One went wild and the other struck the sheriff.

The gangsters took the jail keys from Sharp, freed Dillinger and herded Mrs. Sarber and the deputy into the cell which Dillinger had occupied. They locked the door.

The three men and Dillinger then stole all guns and ammunition in the building, rushed out and were whisked away by their confederates.

The two automobiles were last seen speeding westward out of town toward Fort Wayne, Ind. Believed Escaped Convicts

A pedestrian, attracted by shouts from the jail, ventured in and found Sheriff Sarber lying on the floor. He summoned the chief of police who freed Mrs. Sarber and Deputy Sharp from their prison and then rushed the sheriff to a hospital (Continued on Page Six)

Liquor Flowing Freely in Great New York City

NEW YORK, Oct. 12. (UP)—Repeal of prohibition awaited by the rest of the country, appears to be an established fact in New York City, where liquor now flows as freely as the waters that surround the Island of Manhattan.

From the bullrushes of Sheepshead bay to the hilly streets of Yonkers there are no more tales of speakeasy raids, of whiskey trucks being set upon by blackjacks, or druggists being jailed for illicit distribution of bonded grog, or of men making small fortunes in the manufacture of fake labels.

Prohibition has so thoroughly deserted New York's largest metropolis that the assassination of a gangster now is regarded as a major item of news.

Audit for State Hospital Records Will Start Today

SALEM, Oct. 12. (UP)—Audit of the state board of control records dealing with insane patient collections will be started here tomorrow by Otto Kuhn, auditor of the state department.

The audit was scheduled as a result of the confession of Albert G. Malzel, 27, he had misappropriated \$2,900 of state funds during the past 14 months. He pleaded guilty to the charge late Wednesday.

Funds under Malzel's control included money levied against relatives, estates and county courts for the care of insane patients at Oregon state hospitals.

California Season On Pheasants Open After November 15

The China pheasant season opens in California on November 15, and will remain open for five days, according to Federal Game Protector Hugh Worcester. The limit will be two roosters per day.

Worcester said many hunters are under the erroneous impression the California pheasant season opens October 15. The quail season opens the same day, November 15.

Press Time News Flashes

WAYLAND, Mass., Oct. 12. (UP)—Johnny Farrer, 1928 United States open champion, led the field of 110 today in the first 18 holes of the 36-hole qualifying round of the eastern open golf championship at Presidential Country club.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Oct. 12. (UP)—Wholesale suspension of varsity football players at Texas Christian university, last year's southwest conference champion, was threatened tonight as a result of hazing at the institution.

DETROIT, Oct. 12. (UP)—The "open shop" automobile industry, excepting Henry Ford, is meeting the collective bargaining provisions of the NRA with company-organized employe-management councils.

CHICAGO, Friday, Oct. 13. (UP)—Morris Cohen, convicted slayer of Policeman Joseph Hastings during a robbery on navy pier last August 12, died in the electric chair at 12:10 a. m. today.