

Facts on Board Expenses to be Given Senators

First Hand Information on Stabilization to be Presented—Two Men Are to Appear

Washington—Two men who directed the expenditure of farm board millions in wheat and cotton purchases will tell the senate agricultural committee Friday how it was done. These officials—George S. Milner, general manager of the Grain Stabilization corporation, and E. F. Creekmore, general manager of the Cotton Stabilization corporation—had full charge of buying 329,000,000 bushels of wheat and 1,319,000 bales of cotton to maintain sinking prices.

The committee—seeking new ideas on aiding the American farmer wants to know whether the farm board is on the right trail and, if not, what should be done about it. Already it has heard the board's treasury has been lightened by "paper losses" at current prices of \$177,000,000 and possibly \$25,000,000 more on cotton co-operative loans.

Milner and Creekmore also will be questioned closely about the operations of the Farmers National Grain corporation and the American Cotton Co-operative association. These central sales agencies for hundreds of local co-operatives have received millions of dollars in loans from the board.

Pressure is Renewed. National farm organizations early served notice on the committee of renewed pressure in congress for the equalization fee and debenture plans, echoed and re-echoed in legislative halls since 1930. They ask that the farm board be retained and equipped with these additional weapons to bring the farmer on a par with industry. The answer of Senator Norris is: "Don't try to convert us. Convert the white house."

President Hoover is opposed to the debenture and President Coolidge twice vetoed the fee. When the committee concludes its hearings, it will decide whether to sponsor a searching congressional investigation of every farm board activity. The farm organizations have urged one to "clear the air," confident the board

will be stronger than ever. On the other hand, its opponents, including the American Cotton Shippers association, contend such an inquiry would justify its assertion the board is dangerous and is defying every natural economic law. In view of the unified stand of organized agriculture, however, few believe the board's life at this time is in jeopardy, especially with a closely divided congress and a presidential election in the offing.—State Journal.

STATE BUILDS NEW LAKE

Work on the state lake under development near Verdun, Richardson county, is well begun with a dike for a twenty acre lake nearing completion. The work is being done by the Monarch Engineering company of Falls City.

Several springs of good flow will keep the lake supplied with water during all times of the year and during the coming summer, pan fish of several kinds will be planted by the same commission. Secretary O'Connell said. The lake will range in depth from one to ten feet.

Located on a fifty acre, partly timbered tract, the new state lake is adjacent to state highway No. 4, gravelled. It is likely that a concession to rent boats to fishermen and picnic parties will be let by the commission.

GIRL PRISONER RELEASED

Philadelphia—Mary Mazmanian, eighteen, sentenced to six months in the county prison for an automobile accident, will spend Thanksgiving day at home. She was released following upon protest by friends and a number of prominent citizens against her imprisonment.

There were tears in the girl's eyes and those of her parents when Judge Crane, who sentenced her, announced he would release Mary on probation on condition that she pay \$180 damages and a \$10 doctor bill incurred in the accident. She left the court room under a year's probation after having served twenty-one days of the sentence.

WESTERN UNION ASKS TELETYPE RATE APPROVAL

Lincoln, Nov. 25.—The Western Union Telegraph Co. Wednesday applied to the railway commission for approval of its rates on teletype communication service recently inaugurated.

More Strength for Farm Board Plea of Leaders

Tell Senate Group Sitting in Judgment What They Think Is Needed.

Washington—With another presidential election in the offing, farm leaders united Wednesday in a demand upon congress for legislation to increase the effectiveness of the federal farm board. Old remedies mingled with new as the leading farm organizations forgot their differences and joined in urging that the agricultural marketing act be strengthened by adding the debenture, the equalization fee, or some other means.

The demands were laid before the senate agricultural committee, which is sitting in judgment on the farm board's two year experiment. They were presented by Louis J. Taber, master of the national grange; Edward A. O'Neal, president of the Farmers' Union. A fourth witness, J. W. Garrow, of the American Cotton Shippers' association, bitterly attacked the farm board's stabilization operations and demanded a congressional investigation.

Chairman McNary read an estimate by Chairman Stone of the farm board that the board's paper losses on its wheat stabilization operations amount to 102 millions. He figured losses on cotton at 75 millions. This information was requested by Chairman McNary.

Committee Itself Divided. A dozen senators, some members of the committee, and others not, listened to the demands of the farm leaders and questioned them closely on their programs. The committee is sharply divided itself on the various relief plans.

Testimony covered a wide field, including farm credit, money problems, unemployment relief and Muscle Shoals. Taber urged the committee to adopt the export debenture plan which President Hoover vigorously opposed two years ago, but pleaded for some legislation to strengthen the law in regard to the disposition of surplus crops, regardless of the name it carried.

O'Neal advanced the federation's pet plan, the equalization fee that President Coolidge twice vetoed. He

said his organization was ready to "merge its position" with other proper plans. The board's two year record has revealed that the present law is not adequate, O'Neal said. He testified, however, that the stabilization activities were "an earnest endeavor to do something for the farmer" and added that "if any money was lost it was lost for a good cause."—State Journal.

WARNER DEFENDS HIMSELF

Norfolk—Col. Frank A. Warner of Norfolk Wednesday night branded as "political" the action of Attorney General Sorensen in seeking to have him disbarred.

Warner was one of the six Nebraska attorneys against whom disbarment proceedings were filed by the attorney general with the state supreme court. "I believe the action is political as there are various circumstances in this connection," Warner said. Warner said that he had been urged to run for attorney general of the state at the last election and had also been urged to enter the race this year.

Warner, a democrat, also said that he was chairman of an American Legion committee at the Grand Island convention several years ago, at which several remarks were made about the military record of Attorney General Sorensen.

AMBULANCE IS IN WRECK

Chicago—A speeding fire department ambulance, rushing four injured persons to a hospital, was wrecked when it figured in a triple collision with two private automobiles, both of which, police said, were going at high speed. Eight persons besides the passengers in the ambulance were injured. The collision occurred when automobiles driven by Oliver Westcott and Joseph Lobie sideswiped each other when the drivers tried to avoid a collision and one of the cars was thrown into the path of the ambulance. All three cars were wrecked and Lobie and Westcott were taken into custody.

MOVIE OPERATORS END STRIKE IN KANSAS CITY

Kansas City, Nov. 25.—Settlement of the motion picture operators strike, in effect here since Oct. 1, was announced Tuesday night after a conference of union representatives and theater owners with H. F. McElroy, city manager.

Federal Help for Railways is Requested

President Told Short Lines in Bad Way—Hoover is Host to Head of B. & O.

Washington—A warning that adequate railroad service without governmental assistance is "clearly impossible," was placed on President Hoover's desk with a four point program for relief. It came from a delegation of twenty-two members of the American Short Line Railroad association, asking particular aid for the 542 carriers of that class. Two hours earlier, the president had talked of other railroad problems across his breakfast table with Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore & Ohio.

Willard arrived at the white house before 8 o'clock. For more than an hour, over their coffee cups, he and Hoover spoke of subjects not discussed but guessed at. Speculation centered particularly upon the wage controversy. Willard had just returned from a New York conference of eastern railroad presidents at which a virtual ultimatum was agreed upon calling for a voluntary reduction of union wages or forcible action by the roads to effect such a cut. Asserting the short lines were "suffering more acutely than the larger roads from automobile competition," the program presented to Mr. Hoover proposed the following:

1. The establishment by congress, as an emergency measure, of a revolving fund from which loans could be made to small roads.
2. Repeal of the recapture clause of the interstate commerce act, under which half of all profits above 6 percent must be turned back to the government.
3. Interstate commerce commission regulation of truck and bus transportation.
4. The placing of the inland waterways corporation and all other interstate water transportation under the commission.

Bird M. Robinson, president of the association, said the chief executive appeared sympathetic and had asked several questions indicating a thorough knowledge of the situation. He said the relief had been asked as a part of "any plan he may have for rehabilitating the credit of the railroads."

TARIFF CHANGE WANTED

Nashington—Representative Knutson of Minnesota, will ask congress to approve a change in the present tariff on butter so it may be increased and decreased to coincide with fluctuations in exchange. At present, he said, the Canadian dollar is worth about 85 cents in the United States, that in turn actually reducing the 14 cent per pound duty on butterfat to 3 cents.

"Minnesota farmers have been getting a maximum of 34 to 35 cents a pound for butter this year," he said. "With the cost of production running from 18 to 35 cents, you can see there are some dairy farmers who are making a cent. Then, to top that off, the Canadian exchange fluctuates and now is so low that a farmer in that country ships into the United States what is to him a dollar and fifteen cents back."

Since the present law permits no changes to offset exchange differences, he said he would ask the Minnesota delegation to meet shortly, approve a remedial tariff act amendment and work for its adoption by congress.

TRUE BILL IS REPORTED

Chicago—The grand jury investigating the affairs of the twelve south side community banks headed by Joseph Bain, which failed last June 19 with \$13,000,000 deposits, was reported have voted a true bill naming Bain and his son-in-law, W. Merle Fisher, for allegedly withdrawing assets from a trust fund held by one of the banks.

State's Attorney Swanson, who appeared before the body personally, said the true bill would not be reported in court for several days and that the charge it contains provides for a prison term upon conviction. Bain, South Park commissioner closely allied politically with former Senator Deneen, his attorney in the bank investigation, is the second of his immediate family reported named by the grand jury in true bills. A son, John H. Bain, was named a fortnight ago in true bills charging him and two bank officials with operating a confidence game and receiving money under false pretenses for allegedly substituting valueless securities for good ones entrusted to them by customers of the banks.

NORTH PLATTE WILL BE HOST TO LEGIONNAIRES

North Platte—An annual district convention of the American Legion will be held here next Tuesday. Lloyd Kain, of Lexington, district commander, announced that 250 delegates and visitors are expected. Among state officers to attend will be Robert Flory, Albion, state commander; H. H. Dudley, Lincoln, adjutant; Sam Reynolds, Omaha, national committeeman; Mrs. Lottie Rosencrans, Plattsmouth, state president of the auxiliary. Mrs. Nellie Dickey, of North Platte, will preside over the auxiliary meeting.

TEAR GAS SCATTERS DETROIT UNEMPLOYED

Detroit, Nov. 25.—Tear gas was used to disperse 500 persons who attempted an unemployed demonstration in Grand Circus park and at the city hall Wednesday, in defiance of Mayor Frank Murphy's orders.

Killed Sister's Suitor to Keep Deathbed Pledge

Promise Made to Dying Mother Actuated, at Least in Part, Philadelphia Society Man in Slaying of Would-Be Brother-in-Law.



While Edward H. B. Allen, brother of Rose Allen, charged in Philadelphia with the murder of her suitor, Francis A. Donaldson, 3d, is adamant as to what actuated him in the crime, except that he admits that he promised his mother on her deathbed that he would do all in his power to prevent the marriage of the young couple, his father, Horace Allen, has declared the real reason for the fatal shooting is that Donaldson betrayed 18-year-old Rose. The elder Allen, in trying to help his son with a strong motive, bared the experience of his daughter with the lover which has been taken from her. Donaldson, repeatedly ordered to stay away from the girl and her family, was slain when he visited Allen and his son in an effort to allay their antipathy for him.

Philadelphia, Nov. 21.—Did the fact that he was actuated by filial devotion to keep, at any cost, the pledge made to his mother on her deathbed justify Edward H. B. Allen in snuffing out the life of a fellow man? That is the question which a Philadelphia jury will have to answer when the young man, who killed for the sake of his sister's well-being (as he saw it), stands before a court to fight for his life.

Allen, the 23-year-old son of a wealthy retired woolen manufacturer, shot and killed Francis A. Donaldson, socially prominent clubman, of Wynwood, Pa., after the latter had persisted in paying his attentions to Allen's debutante sister, Rose, against the expressed wishes of the girl's family.

The slaying occurred in the Allen apartment at Tridmore, a suburb of Philadelphia, after a quarrel between young Allen and his sister's unwelcome suitor. Donaldson had come to the Allen home to arbitrate with the family in an endeavor to overcome their objections to his suit. Words led to blows, and blows led to the fatal shooting of Donaldson and the arrest of Allen on a murder charge.

Adamant in their objection to him as a fit suitor for 18-year-old Rose, Horace Allen, father of the accused youth and the pretty girl robbed of her lover, has finally declared that Donaldson betrayed his daughter, according to both of the young lovers' confessions. The young woman apparently was in love with the forbidden suitor and defended him against her family's objections. In fact, she had left home on his account on the very night of the fatal quarrel after an argument with her brother during which he told her that she could not meet her lover in the Allen home.

Arrested and formally charged with the slaying, Edward Allen refused to make any statement to the police, beyond the fact that when his mother was dying last April she expressed a wish that he should do all in his power to prevent Donaldson marrying his sister.

That the mother ever intended her son to go to lengths that have put him in the shadow of the electric chair, is, of course, unbelievable, but she must have had some powerful motive, real or fanciful, for her anti-

BASKETBALL TO START SOON

The passing of King Football from the scene of activities brings on the very popular mid-winter sport of basketball, which has in recent years led all other sports in high school circles for general interest, altho in the colleges, football is by far the most popular.

In this city basketball has always proved the most popular sport of the local high school and has many very strong teams in the recent years. The basketball practice at the Plattsmouth high school will open Monday night when the tryouts will be started for the season.

In addition to the high school activities in the basketball season, there is probable the organization of at least one and possibly two teams in the city. One of the teams proposed is suggested of former grad-

uate of the high school in recent years, John Galloway, Merle McCrary, Garland McCleary, Chet Wiles of the 1931 class as well as Roy Turner '30, who was one of the outstanding players of his team, as well as Francis Yelick, Warren Farmer and others who might be secured for this team.

The other team suggested is that of players of earlier years at the high school as well as players from other schools who may now be residing here which would form a very formidable town team.

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