

Rules Issued to Govern Program of Home Repair

Property to be Improved Must be Free of Delinquent Taxes—Monthly Payments.

Washington, August 15.—The federal housing administration has recently issued rules and regulations under which banks and lending institutions may participate in the campaign to modernize and repair millions of American homes and commercial buildings.

Automatically, these regulations eliminate a sizeable number of property owners from the prospective borrowing by providing that property to be improved must be unincumbered by delinquent taxes or assessments.

For many home owners, however, the rules mean they will be able to get a new porch or install an extra bath on about the same basis as they would purchase a new automobile—on the installment plan.

The government will not advance the money. It will come from lending institutions such as banks and finance companies, which will charge no more than \$5 per \$100 in interest or fees. This approximates the coverage rate for similar loans. All types of residential and commercial structures fall within the scope of the program.

A borrower has only to establish the soundness of his credit and show that his annual income is five times the amount of the annual payments on his loans to obtain funds from a financial institution co-operating in the drive. He need not put up security unless the lender is required by state law to obtain it.

Government Insurance

To the lender the inducement to come into the modernization effort is government insurance against loss up to 20 per cent of their total loans. The housing administration hopes to lose thereby a flow of credit that virtually disappeared during the economic recession and to provide a powerful stimulus to the durable goods industries thru resultant spending.

Lending institutions learned from the regulations that to obtain the insurance they merely apply for an insurance contract issued by the housing administration and good until December 31, 1935. The institutions themselves determine the eligibility for insurance of every note taken by them as security for modernization loans. Notes are insured automatically when accepted by the approved institutions.

The new regulations—an even score of them—cover only national and industrial banks, finance companies and state banks and trust companies. Additional rules will be drafted for savings banks, insurance firms and building and loan associations. The housing administration emphasized in a bulletin that carried the rules to 28,000 lending agencies that it sought an "adequate expenditure to take care of the accumulated demand for repairs, remodeling and modernizing."

Sound Spending Sought

"It is not the purpose of the national housing act," the administration added, "to encourage unwise expenditures of money by property owners in improving property actually beyond the possibility of effective rehabilitation."

Instead, housing officials hope to tap that construction which has been postponed because of the inability of property owners to obtain credit for repairs and improvements. The housing act is designed to make it safe for financial institutions to advance the credit without security.

Any number of separate notes may be made for improving a single piece of property, provided the total of the obligations does not pass \$2,000. And a single property owner will not be permitted to obtain loans of a maximum of \$2,000 each for more than five separate pieces of property without special approval of the housing administration.

Notes cannot run more than three years and must be paid up in monthly installments. Financial institutions will determine the period notes may run and may charge extra in cases where a borrower fails to meet his payments.

WON'T GO TO MARKET

Omaha.—A big, husky pig who refused to go to market caused a furore on the outskirts of downtown Omaha Thursday when he leaped from a truck and set out on a slight seeing excursion. Omaha police, untrained in such emergencies, summoned the humane society to take charge of the porker after motorists had several narrow escapes from becoming impromptu butchers.

TO THE VOTERS OF CASS COUNTY, NEBR.



I want to thank each and every one of you for your fine support in the primary nomination, as I sure appreciate everything you did.

I have always tried to serve the citizens of Cass county in the best way, and if elected this fall will do my utmost to deserve this fine support. Your friend.

d&w REX YOUNG.

NEBRASKA WELLS LOWER

Washington.—The department of agriculture reported that farm wells in Nebraska were five to fifteen feet below normal level. The statement was included in a general report of the drought situation compiled by the bureau of agricultural economics, the weather bureau and the bureau of agricultural engineering. It said pumping for irrigation had not been practiced in Nebraska before this year and that now the water in the areas where irrigation is necessary is ten to thirty feet below the surface. It added that a serious shortage of water existed in the North Platte area, where there is only 25 or 30 percent of the normal supply.

"Reel" Romance



Realism reached another high point in Hollywood studio lots, when Marjorie Lytell, top, and Philip Faversham, bottom, son of the famous stage idol, William Faversham, climaxed a seven-month romance of the sound stages that began when they appeared together in a movie, by rushing off to Yuma, Ariz., and setting married.

STATE BOARD APPROVES SOLDIER RELIEF FUND

Lincoln, Aug. 16.—Governor Bryan met with State Treasurer Hall and Land Commissioner Conkin Thursday as the state board of educational lands and funds. Claims upon the state soldier relief fund, for the benefit of world war and Spanish war veterans and their dependents were approved.

FORESTER IN MONTANA ASSIGNED TO LINCOLN

Dillon, Mont., Aug. 16.—Supervisor A. A. Simpson of the Beaverhead National forest said Thursday he had been transferred to Lincoln, Neb., which has been designated as national headquarters for the Federal Shelter Belt project.

Valuation of Railroads Cut by State Tax Board

\$15,978,292 Lopped Off, Represents 8.7 Per Cent Cut Figured on Basis of Total Stock.

Cutting the total assessed valuation of railroad property in the state from \$183,581,655 to \$167,603,363, the state board of assessment found that the total cut was \$15,978,292, a reduction of 8.7 per cent. State Tax Commissioner Smith said the board used the same formula as last year, a valuation based on market value of stocks and bonds as of April 1, averaged for a period of four years.

Stocks and bonds were higher this year than last, reflecting some increase in business. If a one year basis had been used, the railroads would have been assessed nothing last year on stock and bond values, said Smith.

As a result of the board's work, the assessed valuation of the Burlington railroad is cut from \$80,309,260 to \$74,051,484, or \$6,248,776. Union Pacific is next in line, with a cut of \$3,047,250, and the Missouri Pacific third with \$1,823,652. Other roads are cut lesser amounts.

The cut will be reflected in the amount of railroad taxes to be paid in Cass county this coming year.

TAXI DRIVER HURT

Omaha.—Injured in an altercation with his passenger, Carl R. Erickson, cab driver, has been in a semi-conscious condition at a local hospital since Aug. 4. One side of his body is paralyzed. During the quarrel, Erickson's head struck a brick wall, and then the sidewalk. Police arrested the passenger, who said he was drunk and doesn't remember what happened. He is free on bond.

OMAHA CASTS RECORD VOTE

Omaha.—A new record for primary balloting was set in Douglas county Tuesday when more than 53,000 citizens went to the polls, final returns from the election revealed here Thursday. The new figure tops by more than 5,000 votes the previous best record set in the primaries of 1932.

Interest of Omaha voters Thursday was centered on the close victory of Frank L. Frost, Omaha attorney, who defeated the veteran political figure, Henry Beal, for the republican nomination for county attorney. It was Frost's first venture into politics. The victor had a lead of 208 votes over Beal and it was not expected that mail votes would change the final results.

Charles McLaughlin, former president of the Omaha Bar association, Thursday was considered a clear winner of the Second district democratic congressional nomination over Mrs. Mabel Gillespie of Gretna. McLaughlin finally went definitely into the lead after an error in Sarpy county tabulations had shown that the woman legislator had been credited with an extra 900 votes.

The total vote for McLaughlin and Mrs. Gillespie was 10,160 for the winner and 9,300 for the woman legislator.

STATE BUYS LAND TO GET VOLCANIC ASHES

Lincoln, Aug. 16.—The state highway department has purchased two acres of land on a hill east of Seward, from which to obtain surface volcanic ash which lies there. From 10 to 20 per cent of this ash is being used in the oil-mat mixture to surface six miles of highway between Seward and Lincoln.

Another small deposit has been found near the west boundaries of Seward county. It has been used for polishing silver and for other purposes.

Holds Padlock Law Impliedly Set at Naught

Judge Horth at Grand Island Says Beer Dealer Guilty, But Entitled to Jury Trial.

Judge Horth of the district court at Grand Island, holding that the defendant had sold intoxicating liquors stronger than 3.2 percent but that the 3.2 beer law repealed by implication the penalties of the state's old prohibition law, has notified Assistant Attorney General Chaney that he refuses to grant the attorney general's prayer for a writ of injunction against Rudolph Kuester, a Grand Island 3.2 beer dealer and that he declines to order the sale of the dealer's fixtures and padlock the building for one year. These are the penalties under the prohibition statute. Chaney said the attorney general will appeal to the supreme court of Nebraska.

In effect, said Chaney, the judge holds that while the defendant has violated the 3.2 beer law he cannot impose the penalties of that law, which would amount to a maximum of a \$1,000 fine, as the suit brought is a civil suit and the defendant is entitled to a jury trial, which he has not had. The judge also holds that the injunction and padlocking penalties of the old state law are by implication repealed by the 3.2 beer law. In support of this holding he cites a decision of the United States supreme court in the suit of the United States vs. Yuginovic, 256, U. S. 450.

Judge Horth holds in a lengthy opinion that it was not intended by the legislature to preserve the old penalties under the law passed when Nebraska became a dry state, but it was the intention to enact new penalties as set forth in the 3.2 beer law.

BREAK UP SMUGGLING GANG

Phoenix, Ariz.—Government agents, operating in Texas, California and Arizona, said here they apparently had broken up an international narcotic smuggling and counterfeiting syndicate with a series of arrests. Five alleged narcotic law violators are under arrest awaiting grand jury action, Earl A. Patterson, government narcotic agent said. Patterson said the narcotic smugglers operated from a base at El Paso, trafficking between the United States and Mexico.

NOTHING TO DO WITH BEES

Minden, Neb.—C. G. Binderup, democratic nominee for congress in the Fourth district was robbed of a measure of the glory of victory thru mistaken identity, he said. The nominee, a former theater operator, said that from the state papers he learned to his surprise that he is a "bee-keeper." Binderup protested that he has never meddled with bees and is in fact, slightly afraid of them.

1,131 BANKS SIGNED UP

Washington.—The federal housing administration announced that 1,131 banks, with total resources of more than 8 billion dollars, had signed contracts to make loans for property improvements and repairs.

The banks have agreed to make loans of from \$100 to \$2,000 in the first stage of the government's campaign for home modernization and new building. The government insures against loss up to 20 percent.

LINCOLN COMPANY GETS ROAD GRAVEL CONTRACT

Lincoln, Aug. 16.—The Abel Construction Co. of Lincoln was low bidder at \$1,051 a ton for 970 tons of road gravel for bituminous mat surfacing on highway No. 77 north of Lincoln.

Burke Victory Unites the Party, Says Quigley

Democratic Rule in Nebraska Assured for Twenty Years as Result, Declares Leader.

The following statement was issued Wednesday by James C. Quigley of Valentine, state director of the Burke-for-senator campaign.

The tremendous vote given Congressman Burke must be attributed to the confidence of the people in him and in the New Deal. The smashing victory is a sweeping endorsement of President Roosevelt. Common sense and sound judgment ruled the day.

The heavy Burke vote in the rural communities shows the farmers' appreciation of what Burke actually has done for them as a member of congress. For years they had lived on promises and kind words, but with the arrival of the New Deal they were given concrete, dollars-in-the-pocket help.

Burke led in this fight for the farmers and Tuesday they marched in mighty thousands to the ballot boxes to thank him.

While the vote was of great national significance, it is of even greater importance to the democratic party in Nebraska.

To the party in Nebraska it means the end of factionalism. Edward R. Burke has become the undisputed leader and spokesman of the party in the state, a leader in support of whom all factions can and will enthusiastically unite.

I think he will lead the entire party to victory in Nebraska in November. A ticket of strong candidates will be headed by a strong man.

The dominance of the democratic party has been assured for the next 20 years.

I wish to express my personal appreciation and sincere thanks to the thousands of men and women in every county in Nebraska who so loyally co-operated throughout the campaign.

Thompson Says He will Support Burke for Senate

Says No One Has Discussed With Him an Independent Race for U. S. Senator.

Grand Island.—Senator Thompson, staunch friend of Governor Bryan, will support Edward R. Burke of Omaha for the United States senate, he said Thursday.

Thompson, who was appointed United States senator by Bryan, overwhelmingly defeated for the senatorial nomination in Tuesday's primaries, had been mentioned as a possible independent entry in the general election contest, with support of the Bryan faction, which bitterly opposes the democratic faction led by Former National Committeeman Mullen. Burke was supported by Mullen in the primary contest.

"I have heard reports that my candidacy as an independent has been suggested, but no one has discussed such a plan with me," Thompson said. "I plan to support the democratic ticket in the general election and of course I'll support Burke. I can't see how I could support the party ticket and not support Burke," Thompson said.

POSTOFFICE SITE CLEARED

Breckenridge, Tex.—Perspiring sheriff's officers forcibly evicted J. W. Roman and his ramshackle vegetable stand from the site of the new Breckenridge postoffice without submitting the matter to President Roosevelt.

After the stand had been torn down and piled beside the vegetables in the street, Roman loaded his belongings on a hired truck and, because the city would not allow him to set up his business downtown, moved his stock and stand to his home for the time being.

About a week ago when the time came for preliminary work on the postoffice site, squatters were ordered to move out. Roman objected and said officials had no authority to evict him. Aske what authority he would obey, he said, "President Roosevelt's."

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Cattle to pasture. Harvey Shipley. Rt. No. 1, Plattsmouth, Nebr.

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BEHIND the SCENES in HOLLYWOOD

HOLLYWOOD — Joan Blondell's baby, expected in October, will be worth ten times its weight in gold. Figure it out for itself. Waiting for the stork will keep the star off the Warner payroll for nearly six months. I don't know what Joan's exact salary is, but \$1,000 a week is a fair guess. Twenty-four weeks off the screen means a loss of \$24,000 to the star. In addition Joan and George Barnes are remodeling their house to put in an elaborate nursery. Then, too, there are doctor and hospital bills, which, in the case of a film celeb, soar plenty high.

Say the baby weighs 7 pounds. That much gold is worth about \$2,430 (according to my figures). But Joan and George's baby will represent an investment of more than \$3,000. And worth it, too, to them.

The Marion Nixon-Bill Seiter marriage may come off almost immediately or it may be delayed several months. Bill says he and Marion haven't got as far as naming the definite date. But they are in love—as if Hollywood needed to be told—and both are now free to marry. Laura La Plante's foreign divorce gave Bill the immediate right. And Marion's divorce from Eddie Hillman recently became final.

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Down at Wilmington, the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer company is building an exact replica of the ship described in "Mutiny on the Bounty." The vessel will be thoroughly seaworthy, as it will be sailed to Tahiti for the filming of the picture. Amusing to let the fancy play on this voyage. An ancient ship suddenly looming out of the mist before astonished eyes of a skipper on some tramp steamer's bridge.

Interesting comment of R. C. Sheriff . . . about why American pictures are more successful in England than the British-made product. "It is amazing," declares the English author, "how your producers have made film people seem fascinating. Our studio heads have overlooked this point. For this reason, American pictures appeal much more to the dreamer and to the person hun-

gry for fantasy and adventure but without the means to satisfy it."

Uncanny, these youngsters. Bert Wheeler's daughter, Pat, has been living with him while her mother is in the east. The other night, Bert took her for a ride before bedtime. "Where are you going now, daddy?" she asked as he delivered her back home. Bert confessed he was taking a girl to the lights. "Is she pretty?" asked the youngster. Bert nodded. "Is she blonde?" "Business of another nod. "That's what I thought," said Pat demurely.

What big-time director, out of the kindness of his heart, just paid out \$3,000 to settle the bills of a woman scenario writer, once well known but now broke and harassed by creditors?

Clark Gable still has confidence in his horse, Beverly Hills, and plans to enter it in the Arcadia races this year. . . . Friendliest of the estranged couples in Hollywood are the Dudley Murphys. She goes about with him half the time. . . . Ann Harding is THAT proud because her 5-year-old daughter, Jane, saved up money to buy Ann two silver candle-sticks on her birthday. . . . Norma Shearer's uncle, Edwin Percival, is up from Texas to visit her. . . . It's still on between Genevieve Tobin and Lyle Talbot. They were together to hear Gene Austin open at the Coconut Grove. . . . Preston Foster and a pal have bought the 55-foot yacht Ernie Westmore bought from profits in the make-up business. Westmore goes to England to represent his firm there.

Did You Know—That Joel McCrea's family, a couple of generations back, of course, trekked across the plains to California in the days before the Gold Rush?

La Garbo continues to unbend. For the first time during her contract at M. G. M., the star has permitted the number of her dressing room to be listed in the studio directory. And there's a wild rumor that she attended her first baseball game the other night.

Helen Hayes started something when she gave out that momentous statement: "Those of us who were reared in the theatre should return to it from time to time for our own good and for the allegiance we owe it."

Hollywood has been divided into two camps ever since. Some laud the diminutive star. Others shudder at Katharine Hepburn's experience in "The Lake."

Ann Harding, who cut her theatrical eye-teeth on the stage, offers a

slightly different point of view: "I shall never be able to repay in full the real debt I owe to the theatre, but (and she emphasized this) not to the commercial theatre. I have been allowed more liberty in the films than on the Broadway stage. It is in the Little Theatre that my allegiance lies. It taught me everything I know and I shall always go back to it."

And, so far, Ann has been as good as her word. She makes regular pilgrimages back to the Hedgerow theater in Pennsylvania, where she got her start as an actress.

Living a precarious existence, motion picture extras must learn all the tricks of the game. One of the more amusing comes to light with every dialect picture. When an English story is announced, every voice on the other side of the casting window has a British accent. If the picture be of Scotch locale, as R-K-O's "Little Minister," the burrs are so thick you can hardly understand them. They are the same extras applying for both jobs.

What blonde star, with a reputation for temperament, has put herself definitely on the spot by walking out on a local newspaper interviewer an hour before they were scheduled to do a broadcast together?

Most embarrassed woman in Hollywood was Ann Harding's sister, Edith Nash, when autograph seekers mistook her for Ann and mobbed her at the preview of "The Fountain."

Funny part of it is there isn't much resemblance, other than blonde hair. . . . Honeymooners Gloria Stuart and Arthur Sheekman are back in town, he to work on the Cantor picture and she to wait Universal's call. . . . More encouraging reports from Mae Clarke. Doctors hope she will be out of the hospital before long. . . . C. B. De Mille got the thrill of a forced landing near the Grand Canyon. No harm done, however. . . . Gossips have their eyes on Cecilia Parker and Carlyle Moore, Jr., who are constant swimming partners these warm days. . . . As soon as he finishes "Biography of a Bachelor," Bob Montgomery is flying east to vacation on his farm. . . . Frank Lawton, chosen to play David Copperfield, is organizing a Hollywood tennis tournament for the early fall.

That Myrna Loy's first stage appearance was as "The Spirit of Northern Ice" in a Sid Grauman production for Charlie Chaplin's comedy, "The Gold Rush."

Too Young for Movies



Pretty Marie Diversi, 17-year-old Lynn, Mass., girl, wanted to become an actress in the movies, and so she went to New York City to start her career. But her mother thought Marie was a bit too young yet for any kind of a career, so Marie was taken back home, where she poses for this photo.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Frank McCarthy, old time resident here and for many years in the local shops, came in this morning to visit with old friends. Frank was reared in this city where his parents came at an early day and has a host of friends among the old time residents of the community. He has made his home in Los Angeles for the past few years.

DEAD MAN GETS VOTES

Tiffin, O.—A dead man received 487 votes in the primary. Judge Hoke, candidate for the democratic nomination for state representative, died July 28, too late for the withdrawal of his name from ballots. Election officials said they were puzzled by the heavy vote for him.