

Tariff Experts Ready to Begin Farm Inquiry

Prepare Questions to Ask Wheat Growers and Others Connected With Marketing of Grain.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 4.—After a conference with millers and grain men here today experts of the agricultural division of the tariff commission, were ready to go into the wheat growing states of the northwest to begin an exhaustive survey of production costs as a basis for determining whether the 30-cent tariff will be raised.

William S. Culbertson, vice chairman of the commission, met the leading millers and grain dealers in an informal conference. The attitude of grain and milling interests toward a revision of the tariff to provide a further barrier against the influx of Canadian grain in competition with American was sought by Mr. Culbertson.

A final draft of questionnaires to be filled out by farmers, bankers, county agents and elevator men in the northwest states was completed by Mr. Culbertson and tariff commission experts yesterday.

"The wheat tariff problem, with the possible exception of the sugar tariff, which has been under investigation for eight months, is the most important task now before the commission," Mr. Culbertson said.

"We plan to expedite the investigation so that possibly by the middle of January our inquiry will be finished. Then we will hold a public hearing in Washington at which all persons interested will be invited to present and state their views."

Mr. Culbertson said that the wheat farmers of the northwest can be assured that the investigation will be as complete as possible before the tariff revision is deliberated by the commission.

The Red river valley will probably be the first place where the investigation will begin. There will be three groups of field agents, Mr. Culbertson said, one group consisting of experts attached to the agricultural division of the tariff commission, another group from the United States Department of Agriculture, and a third consisting of men commended by agricultural colleges of the northwest states.

Annual Corn Show Is Being Held at Syracuse

Syracuse, Neb., Dec. 4.—The second annual Otoe county corn show is being held here in connection with the annual meeting of the Otoe county farm bureau and a fine display of corn is on exhibition as well as some highly interesting educational exhibits of corn and the results of corn club experiments and of the rough and smooth variety tests conducted in Otoe county this season. The speakers are Prof. W. H. Brokaw and Mary Ellen Brown of the state agricultural college. The show is being sponsored by the Syracuse Business Men's association, working with the farm bureau.

Golf Expert Reported Engaged to Movie Actress



Gene Sarazen, national professional golf champion, and Miss Pauline Garon, movie actress, his reputed fiancée, at Briarcliff, New York.

Nebraska Youth Wins National Essay Match

Lincoln, Dec. 4.—Mr. Ralph G. Brooks, a junior at Nebraska Wesleyan university here, who won the Nebraska Peace Oratorical contest last year, has been notified that his essay has won first prize in the national contest. A check for \$60 was enclosed with the notice. The selection was made from two hundred manuscripts, which included all those eliminated in the various state contests.

Two years ago, H. J. Sheirik, then a senior at Nebraska Wesleyan university, won the national Pi Kappa Delta Oratorical contest.

Camp Fire Destroys Ice Plant, Loss \$2,500

Columbus, Neb., Dec. 4.—A fire kindled by a tramp is believed to have caused the destruction here of the Columbus Fuel and Storage company's ice house, resulting in a loss of \$2,500 today after the fire department fought for two hours before getting the fire under control.

Ella E. Gratton Dies

Ella E. Gratton died yesterday at Des Moines. She is survived by her husband, W. E. Gratton, and one sister, Mrs. H. E. Mahaffee of Omaha, and two brothers, A. C. Month of Martin, Mich., and G. C. Month of Chicago. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at the Crosby-Moore funeral home. Burial will be in Forest Lawn cemetery.

Julia Hansen Dies

Julia Hansen, 69, died yesterday at her home, 1811 Castellar street. She is survived by her husband, N. J. Hansen, and five daughters, Miss Dagman Hansen, Miss Borgal Craw-

Holdup Turns Out to Be Free-for-All Fight

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 4.—After investigating the reported attempted holdup of Robert Noakes in West Beatrice last night, when he was struck over the head with a piece of gas pipe, Chief of Police Acton announced today that it was nothing more than a free-for-all fight between three men. No arrests have been made.

Metcalf Funeral Held

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 4.—Funeral services for Mrs. Myrtle Metcalf, 41, who died at her home east of the city last week, were held Monday from the Christian church, conducted by Rev. M. Lee Sorey. The body was taken to Auburn, Neb., for burial. She is survived by her husband and three children.

Metcalf Funeral Held

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Disease Sweeps Valley Hog Herds

Swine in Loup and Platte Valleys Ravaged by Flu.

Columbus, Neb., Dec. 4.—Influenza and old-fashioned typhoid fever are literally sweeping through the hog herds in this section of the lower Loup and central Platte valleys, according to Dr. J. A. Abart and Dr. L. B. Cassin, local veterinarians, who say that the disease in many instances is not fatal but leaves the hog skinny and totally unfit for marketing.

Dr. Cassin said today the feeding of hogs with musty corn might be a factor in making them more susceptible to the disease. The majority of hogs subject to the disease are pigs under 50 pounds. The complication lasts from five days to a week, first appearing as a sort of flu and complication of other diseases and often after they are attacked by typhoid.

That the disease is infectious is the opinion of Dr. Abart, who declares he does not think the weather conditions have anything to do with the sickness.

A most delightful gift for the woman whose hobby is her home, is an old rose puff beautifully quilted that comes neatly folded away in a case of rose satin lined with blue. This puff would be a charming accessory for the guest room.

Klansmen Arrested Under Anti-Klan Law

Webster City, Ia., Dec. 4.—Two masked men, alleged to have been wearing Ku Klux Klan regalia were arrested at Stanhope, Ia., last night by Sheriff C. D. Carl of this city, under the provisions of the anti-mask law passed by the last session of the Iowa legislature.

The arrests took place outside of a school house in which the Klan was holding a meeting and were made at the instance of a Stanhope man who said he had been threatened by a band of masked men.

The men arrested, Theodore Peterson and Carroll Kent, both of Stanhope, later were released when a group of about 50 men appeared at the county jail and furnished bail. It is believed they will not be held to the grand jury.

"Heavyweight" Husking Title Claimed by Mead

Mead, Neb., Dec. 4.—R. C. Johnson, 35, weight 280 pounds, of Mead, claims the heavyweight husking record. On November 30 he husked 170 bushels and 55 pounds in 9 hours and 53 minutes. This corn being picked in his own field, yielding between 55 and 60 bushels per acre.

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Jerry Leary Dies.
Jerry Leary, 65, died yesterday at his home, 501 North Forty-first avenue. He is survived by his wife and three sons, James, Ted and Dr. William J. Leary and one daughter, Mrs. James Savage, also of Omaha. Funeral services will be held Thursday morning. Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Corn Market Crowded.
Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 4.—A great amount of corn is being marketed in Beatrice and other points in the county. A number of farmers finished husking last week and some of them marketed most of their grain direct from the sheller. They are receiving 35 cents a bushel, the price being 5 cents lower than a week ago.

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