

McNary-Haugen Relief Measure Gaining Allies

Cotton and Script Amendments Overcome Blocs—House May Get Bill This Week.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Washington, April 20.—Slowly but surely the house agricultural committee is rounding the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill into a form that will eliminate much of the opposition to it. Within another week, it is expected that an amendment will be added that will relieve minds of certain small elevator and mill men as to the effect it will have on their business.

In the last week, framers of the bill, guided by Charles Brand of the United States Department of Agriculture, agreed to eliminate cotton from the products to be controlled by the corporation to be set up under terms of the bill at the behest of southern democrats opposed to the bill for economic reasons.

Their objection to inclusion of cotton was prompted by the fear that the ratio price to be fixed for cotton might be below the market of that product. Framers of the bill hope that the elimination of cotton will break the solid southern opposition to the bill. It is believed that any number of southern congressmen were really anxious to afford relief for the west, providing cotton was eliminated. However, there is a determined number who will look upon it as a republican measure and will vote to kill it to discredit the administration.

Another opposing bloc has been won in the last week by insertion of an amendment making it optional with the corporation whether script shall be used. The compulsory script provision of the bill was opposed bitterly by certain members who believed the work could be carried on without script. Under the amendment, it is left to discretion of the corporation heads to use it or to handle the proposition in a different way.

Next week, the committee will consider an amendment which, it is hoped, will pacify certain millers and

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A story of a Spider and a Fly.

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May On Sale

Oil Firm Asserts Dome Lease Valid

Mammoth Company Denies Government Allegations of Fraud.

Cheyenne, Wyo., April 20.—The issue between the United States of America and the Mammoth Oil company concerning the validity of the Mammoth's lease on the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve, Wyoming, became joined Saturday when the Mammoth filed its answer to the government's bill of equity praying annulment of the lease on ground that it was obtained through collusion and fraud.

The Mammoth oil company filed in United States court a direct answer denying all allegations of fraud and asserting the validity of its lease, thereby bringing the suit squarely to issue at a date to be set by Judge T. Blake Kennedy of the federal district court.

Similar answers previously had been filed by the Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing company and the Sinclair Pipe Line company, joint defendants. The Mammoth's answer prays that the government's bill in equity be dismissed. It contains sweeping denial of the government's charges that the Teapot Dome lease was executed by Albert B. Fall, then secretary of the interior, without legal authority, or that there was any illegal collusion between Fall and Harry F. Sinclair concerning the lease.

Should the government's bill be granted and the Teapot Dome lease be annulled the Mammoth's answer asserts that the corporation should be reimbursed for the \$5,000,000 it has spent in development of the lease and for all obligations assumed in connection with the lease. Date for hearing of the case will be set after the government's special counsel, Atlas Pomerehne and Owen J. Roberts, assisted by United States District Attorney Albert D. Walton of Wyoming, have had opportunity to reply to the Mammoth's answer. The period for reply will expire May 2.

ORATORY CONTEST HELD AT GENEVA

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Geneva, Neb., April 20.—Winners in the declamatory contest of the southeast Nebraska association held here Friday were:

Dramatic: First, Madeline Whitman, Fairfield; second, Vera Stephenson, Aurora.

Oratorical: First, Howard Westwood, Tecumseh; second, Peter Bond, Aurora.

Extemporaneous: First, Howard Hamilton, Geneva; second, Wyman Kennagy, Beatrice.

Humorous: First, Ruth Oliver, Superior; second, Doris Sickles, Davenport.

Winner of first place in each class received a silver cup for his school and a gold medal for his prize. Winners of second place received silver medals.

Adele Garrison "My Husband's Love"

Why Madge Told Lillian About Her Tut With Dicky.

The voice of Lillian and Mrs. Marks died away down the hall, then sounded again close to my ears, and I realized that they had come into the bedroom of the Marks apartment, separated from my kitchen only by the thinnest of walls.

"I can see you there on the bed," my neighbor said, "and thank you, dearie, for helping me down with 'em. And I'll remember everything" you said. But I'm scared."

"I'll see you again soon," Lillian assured her, and in a few more seconds I heard the Marks door close upon another excited conversation that Lillian was "as square and fine as Mrs. Graham, and that's saying something."

I opened the kitchen door cautiously as Lillian came past it, and noiselessly followed her to the living room. "I am simply burning with curiosity," I whispered when I had closed the door. "Of course I know you helped her carry the furs back, and from her words and reflections I can see you have her sitting out of your hand, but what did you find out? Or don't you want to tell me?"

Lillian is reassuring. I added the query because I had caught a familiar expression in Lillian's eyes, one which means that she wishes to work out a problem on her own. I had not realized that Mrs. Marks and her peculiar surroundings presented anything more to Lillian than a chance to aid me in dealing with Dicky's proteges. But in Lillian's suddenly lined forehead I saw that something beyond any personal problem was interesting her and I regretted my quizzing.

"Frankly, I—don't—just now," Lillian replied slowly. "I've stumbled upon—something—surprising—to me, and I want not only time, but the sense of being absolutely unhampered by personal relations while working the thing out. I will tell you this, however," she flashed a brilliant smile at me—"you were partly right about those fur garments. They are not half as gilly as they look."

A Timely Interruption. "I am glad of that," I returned heartily, hoping that Lillian would not see my involuntary chagrin that Mrs. Marks evidently had confided far more to her than she had to me. "I knew you would be," Lillian answered, and followed her assertion with a question.

"When is Dicky going to Michigan with his mother?"

"Just as soon as Mother Graham can get ready, probably in two or three days."

"And when is Dicky going out to the farm?"

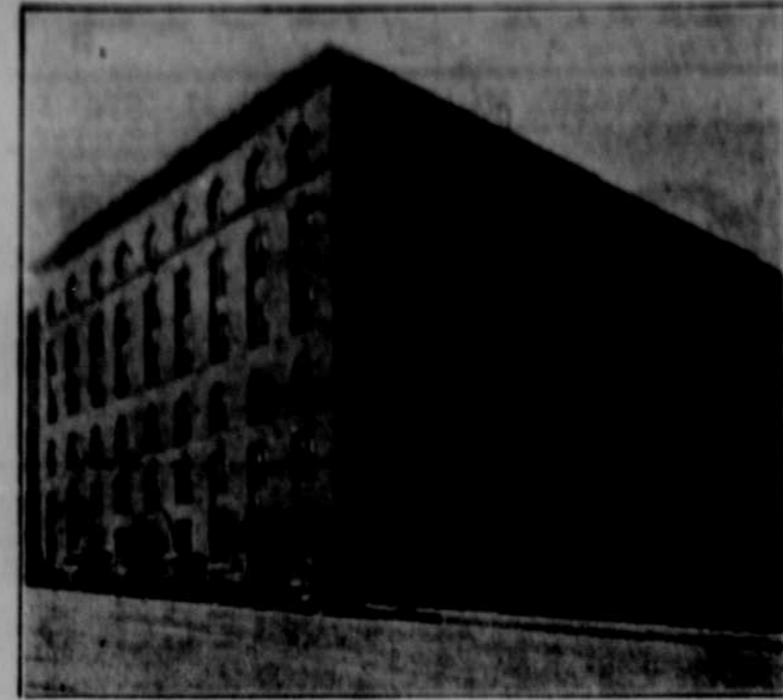
"I don't know," I replied. I had not confided to Lillian the details of Dicky's abrupt departure. She threw a shrewd glance at me. "How would you like to sublet your apartment to me while Dicky and his mother are gone and you are at the farm?" she queried with a smile at the word "sublet." She knew that if she had used the word seriously I should have been deeply offended.

I grinned involuntarily. "It was what Dicky suggested when he went away this evening," I said demurely. "It will be an especial—delight—to me to tell him that I have followed his advice."

She gave me an answering grin. "You sure are learning how to gentle that broncho," she said. "When do you expect him back?"

"I don't know," I returned truthfully. "He shook the dust of the establishment from his feet when he left, and announced that he would

Terminal Firm Saves Shippers Money

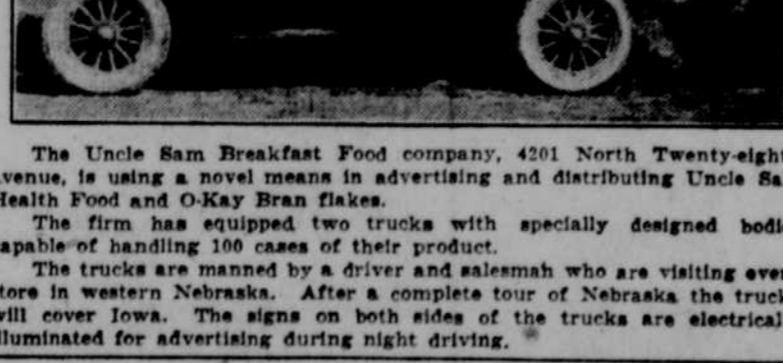


The picture shows one of Omaha's largest and most centrally located warehouses, the Terminal Warehouse company, Tenth street and the viaduct. The building is equipped with commodious offices, enabling the broker or sales agent to carry spot stocks under the same roof. The firm points out the convenience of this system to the agent which enables him to supervise and obtain samples of his stock near the office.

The Terminal Warehouse company has also a furniture department devoted to packing, storing and shipping household goods. This department has met with much popularity due to its method of "Pool Shipping." The firm collects household goods from a number of persons shipping to the same destination, making a carlot. The cost is then divided among the shippers.

Estimates on the cost of packing, storing and shipping will gladly be given.

Novel Breakfast Food Trucks



The Uncle Sam Breakfast Food company, 4201 North Twenty-eighth avenue, is using a novel means in advertising and distributing Uncle Sam Health Food and O-Kay Bran flakes.

The firm has equipped two trucks with specially designed bodies capable of handling 100 cases of their product.

The trucks are manned by a driver and salesman who are visiting every store in western Nebraska. After a complete tour of Nebraska the trucks will cover Iowa. The signs on both sides of the trucks are electrically illuminated for advertising during night driving.

Bostwick to Show Pictures. Pictures of the Caribbean sea will be flashed before the Omaha Triangle club by Louis Bostwick at the club's meeting Tuesday noon at the Fontenelle hotel.

"Your vantage point the front window," Lillian commented with an amused, but kindly, grin. "Wise lady! You can learn a lot from that station. Then you think he'll be back tonight?"

"No," I answered, "but I imagine he will telephone."

As if punctuating my answer, the telephone rang.

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SCREENS NOW ARE GOOD INVESTMENT

Prepare for fly time by having screens made or old screens repaired now, says F. H. Turney of the F. H. Turney Screen company, 707 South Twenty-seventh street. The firm operates one of the most modern equipped factories in the city devoted to making screen windows, doors and screened porches.

"Do not wait until you see a fly in the house," warns Turney. The way to keep them out is to have screens put on now.

"We expect a large demand for screened porches this season," said Turney. A screened porch not only adds another room to the home, but provides a retreat from the hot summer evenings. Estimates will gladly be furnished on screen work by the firm.

BATTERY FIRM IS MOTORISTS' JOY

The Omaha Battery company, 2212 Harney street, is distributor in this territory for the famous Gill piston ring. The firm reports a large demand for this ring during the last month, due to the fact that many motorists are overhauling their motors and replacing the old rings with Gills.

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The Reach official baseball guide for 1924 is now out and can be obtained at the Nebraska Motorcycle and Bicycle company store, 1512 Howard street.

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A complete stock of Reach baseball goods is on display at this store. The firm also features the famous Bill Donk baseball gloves and Louisville Slugger bats, both of which rank high in the estimation of all ball players.

Two Barns Burn. Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. St. James, Neb., April 20.—A bonfire, carried by a strong wind, lodged against a barn owned by William Russell, burning this barn and another belonging to Robert Newton.

The loss of the barns amounted to several thousand dollars.

Blue Springs—Alva Thoman, rural route letter carrier of Pickrel, for the past seven years, has been appointed to the route out of Blue Springs formerly carried by the late Ralph Forsythe, who died two weeks ago.

AUTOS "FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH" FOUND

Omaha will see more new looking cars this season than ever before, said A. R. Hollenberger, expert auto trimmer, 812 South Twenty-fourth street. Motorists find that new top and seat coverings do as much in brightening up the car as painting, explained "Holly." He is one of Omaha's most well known auto trimmers, having been in the business for 23 years. The shop can well be named the "Fountain of Youth," for the automobile. It is here that the old sagger and torn tops, the old worn out seat cushions and backs of cars are given new life and pep. Hollenberger is stocked with a new and exclusive line of seat covering materials and will furnish an estimate on upholstering, top or seat covering work to any one interested.

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