

# Norris To Fight For Farm Bill

## In Spite of Criticism by Hoover Nebraska Senator Will Urge \$100,000,000 Export Corporation.

# Bill Now On Calendar

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, July 4.—In spite of criticism of the measure by Secretary of Commerce Hoover and other government officials, Senator Norris of Nebraska, chairman of the senate committee on agriculture, intends to force consideration in the senate of his bill creating a \$100,000,000 corporation to aid in the exportation of farm products.

The bill, which was introduced only a month ago but has reached the calendar of the senate after hearings lasting for two weeks before the committee on agriculture, gives extensive powers to the proposed corporation. Under its terms the government corporation not only would aid in the financing of exports of farm products but would act as a marketing agency. The corporation is authorized to purchase farm products in the United States and sell them abroad and to act as agent for any person or organization dealing in agricultural products.

The corporation would be managed by a board consisting of the secretary of agriculture and two additional persons appointed by the president. The capital stock, totaling \$100,000,000, would be subscribed by the treasury.

Others Endorse Move. Although Secretary Hoover declared that the government should stay out of private business activity as proposed in the bill, Senator Norris insists that the measure will help to relieve the present situation, both in the United States and in Europe. In this opinion Senator Norris is supported by Carl Vrooman of Illinois, a former member of the federal farm loan board.

As a result of the criticism by E. E. Clark, Chicago, for the Interstate Commerce commission, of a provision in the bill which authorizes the corporation to negotiate with the commission for reduced freight rates on its shipments, the bill as reported to the senate has been amended by including an additional section which grants authority for reduced freight rates on export shipments of agricultural products whether handled by this governmental corporation or not. Mr. Clark objected to granting reduced freight rates to products handled by this corporation as a discrimination against private business.

Will Set Security. Senator Norris, in a report to the senate advocating the bill, declares that the corporation will be able to obtain security from foreign nations which will make the payment for farm products certain.

# Yeggs Scared Away After Blowing Safe

An extra heavy charge of "soup" in the door of a safe at Paulsen Brothers Motor company, Twentieth street and Ames avenue, made such a loud report when it exploded early Monday morning that it frightened two yeggs away.

The outer door of the safe was blown open. Then men took their heels following the explosion, leaving the inner door secured. There was \$1,000 in the safe which was unharmed, the owners of the motor company reported to police Monday.

# Tempest Defied And Conquered By Mail Pilots

## Airmen Conquer Elements in Cross-Country Flights With Pictures of Dempsey-Carpentier Fight.

Battling through the fierce elements of a stormy atmosphere—rain, wind and poor visibility—air mail pilots retained Sunday the standard of the service in speed records by quick dispatch of the Carpentier-Dempsey fight pictures to western cities.

Flying in relays from Chicago to North Platte, three air mail pilots defeated speedy time made by Frank Clark in a Fokker, bound for Los Angeles.

Clark and Air Mail Pilot "Tex" Marshall left Chicago simultaneously at 7 o'clock Sunday morning. Pictures carried by the air mail arrived in Omaha at 12:19 p. m. Sunday.

Clark made the Ak-Sar-Ben field in his Fokker 39 minutes later and remained in Omaha until 2 o'clock, when he hopped off for North Platte.

Mail Planes' Relay Time. Following is the relay time of air mail planes with the respective pilots:

Pilots Arrived	Pilots Departed
Chicago, 7 a. m.	Marshall, 7 a. m.
Iowa City, 9:45 a. m.	Smith, 9:45 a. m.
Omaha, 12:19 p. m.	Collyer, 12:19 p. m.
North Platte, 3:02 p. m.	Collyer, 3:02 p. m.

From North Platte to Rock Springs, Wyo., the pictures were carried by Union Pacific train No. 5. An air mail plane at Rock Springs resumed the flight with the pictures to the Pacific coast.

Heavy rains through Iowa and Nebraska hindered the flights. While Pilot Clark tried to escape the storm at a high altitude, air mail pilots flew low.

Race from Chicago to Omaha. The flight between Chicago and Omaha was a literal race between Clark and the air mail pilots.

Clark and Marshall left Chicago at the same time Sunday morning. Clark climbed high while "Tex" Marshall hugged terra firma for good visibility. Both lost sight of each other. Three minutes after Marshall taxied across the air mail station at Iowa City. Air Mail Pilot Smith hopped off with the fight pictures for Omaha.

Meanwhile, the intrepid Clark in his trusty Fokker was speeding his traverse on a zigzag course over Iowa.

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# High Water Imperils Many Lives

## Firemen Called to Rescue Citizens From Flooded Homes In Many Parts of City—Pump Station Flooded.

Lives of many persons were imperiled and untold damage done to property from flood waters by a cloud burst which deluged the city Sunday night at 10:30.

Helpless residents had to be carried from their homes to escape the rising water in many parts of the city. One woman, waist deep in water, was rescued from the basement of her house by neighbors.

Fire departments were kept busy answering calls to take persons from their residences or to pump water from rapidly filling basements. Pedestrians and autoists stranded in the streets were carried to safety into the fire station at Sixteenth and Nicholas streets.

The severe electrical storm, accompanying the cloudburst, played havoc with electric light and power lines, throwing parts of the city in darkness and adding confusion.

Districts affected most by the flood waters were in the neighborhoods of Clark street, Twentieth to Twenty-second; Sixteenth and Nicholas streets; Twenty-fourth and Patrick avenue; Eleventh and Pacific; Thirty-fourth and P streets, South Side, South Side, Seventeenth and Howard and other lowlying sections.

Woman Taken From Basement. The fire department at Twenty-ninth and Dorcas streets responded to a call that Mrs. Mattie Micklenburg, 1107 South Twenty-seventh street, was drowning in her home. When they arrived at the house the firemen found that George E. Davis, a neighbor, had rescued the woman from nearly four feet of water in the basement. The water was rising rapidly.

Policeman Nelson carried Mrs. H. Carlson, 1109 South Twenty-seventh street, from her flooded home. Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kelly and their two children were rescued from their residence at 2019 Clark street by firemen from the Twenty-first and Lake street station, after water had flooded the street to a depth of six feet. Mr. and Mrs. B. Weiner also were rescued from their grocery store at 2023 Clark street, as were other residents living in the vicinity. The main floor of the grocery store was inundated, and basements of many homes on the street contained several feet of water.

Sewers Flooded. A layer of mud from six inches to a foot deep was washed into the street by the water which flood sewers were unable to carry away as it fell.

Firemen at the Sixteenth and Nicholas streets station were kept busy bailing water out of the basement. Between times they carried into the building pedestrians who were caught on the streets in the cloudburst and were in danger of being washed away by the water which formed a veritable river several feet deep.

Water covered the main floor of the station to a depth of six inches. Numerous automobiles attempting to navigate the flood at Eighteenth and Nicholas streets were stalled when water reached the engines and electric circuits in ignition systems. Women occupants were carried into the Nicholas garage and the Highland apartments, the basements and main floors of which were flooded. Downtown buildings were an easy mark for the high waters.

Flatiron Hotel Flooded. Three hours after the cloudburst broke, firemen from station No. 3 were pumping water from the basement of the Flatiron hotel, Seventeenth and Howard streets. Muddy water covered the lobby to a depth of three feet at the peak of the flood and the basement was filled to within six inches of the main floor at a late hour. Pumps gained little headway, as water flowed into the building as fast as it was forced out.

Van Back, proprietor of the Flatiron hatshop and beauty parlor, announced that her loss would exceed \$3,000. Hats stored in the basement were ruined. Sewing machines, tables and chairs were also badly damaged.

The night manager of the Flatiron hotel and the guests entered the hotel via the fire station at Nineteenth and Harney streets and appealed for a ladder. "My guests can't get in the lobby," he asserted. "I have to have a ladder so they can climb up to the fire escape." A ladder was furnished and the guests entered the hotel via a second story window.

Eighteenth street between Harney and Howard was covered with six inches of mud.

Basements of the M. E. Smith Co., Brandeis Stores and W. O. W. buildings were among those to receive more than their quota of aqua pura. A foot of water covered the floor in the barber shop and cafeteria of the W. O. W. building.

The Metropolitan Water district subwater pumping station at Twentieth and Pierce streets was flooded, shutting off the relay of water to the South Side. The Walnut Hill station was immediately switched on to supply the relay work and kept the supply, preventing danger from fires.

Basement Flooded. The water entered the station from the rear and quickly flooded the basement. Engineer Newman was prevented from shutting off the electric motors on the floor, but removed the fuses in time to save the machines from burning out. The compressed air pipes are thought to be

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Denver Man Drops Dead As Firecracker Explodes. Denver, Colo., July 4.—Robert Knott, 55, a wealthy Denver real estate operator, was standing at the corner of Eighth and Horn, was severely shocked by lightning at the farm home southeast of Beaver City. The effects soon passed off, however, and her condition was not dangerous. Lightning also struck the house of R. Jacobs. William Hodges lost a cow and Ellery Shattuck a horse in the storm.

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# Elevator Employee Killed by Live Wire

J. H. Beckman, 25, 725 Sixth street, Council Bluffs, was instantly killed Monday morning when he came in contact with a live wire at the Drogge elevator, where he had begun work the night before.

Beckman, whose home was at California, Mo., quit work at 7 a. m. He reached up to place a pair of gloves on a shaft and his hand touched the wire carrying 2,300 volts. He was found dead a few minutes later, still clinging to the wire.

# Sims Pleads for Right to Oppose Military Plans

## Admiral Contrasts Conditions in United States and Europe in Speech at Newport.

Newport, R. I., July 4.—The attitude of the United States, which he said not only had always neglected to provide for public criticism of officers of the armed forces but has actually forbidden it, was contrasted with that of some European powers by Rear Admiral William S. Sims in an address today before the Rhode Island branch of the Society of the Cincinnati, in which he urged public discussion as a safeguard to public interests. In some continental countries, he declared, criticism was recognized as so vital to efficiency that it was rewarded when it proves beneficial.

The American people, Admiral Sims said, know less about the elements of war and about the actual condition of their military forces than the people of any other great power, adding that "though this has militated against our preparedness for war in the past, and although we have, nevertheless, always attained our object in war without very serious loss, still must be evident that a similar attitude cannot be maintained in the future without very serious risk. In a country governed as ours is, the efficiency of its various departments must necessarily depend very largely upon the interest the people take in this efficiency."

Recalls Washington's Army. "It behooves us, therefore, seriously to recall the admonitions of our great first president in regard to preparation for war and adopt the necessary measures to insure that the public shall at all times be adequately informed of their progress through public discussion carried out under such regulations as to safeguard the public interests."

Washington's injunctions, Admiral Sims declared, modified "the immutable fundamental principles of the art of war and their application to national security." They have been insisted upon by military and political historians, he said, but they have failed to take hold of the minds of the people.

"I believe," he continued, "that the reason for the dangerous lack in our people of a proper solicitude for our national security is due chiefly to our belief that our geographic isolation renders us practically immune from serious attack."

"America has never been defeated in war and suffered humiliation or loss of territory. Our independence has never been in danger and we have always heretofore had the feeling that it is never likely to be, though this feeling has been somewhat shaken by recent events."

Contract of Rules. In some countries of Europe, the admiral said, officers not actually on duty "are at liberty to publish any criticism they please of the actions of the government or of any of its departments."

"In the United States," he continued, "we have not only neglected to provide for public criticism of our officers, but we have actually forbidden it."

"More than a year ago a senate committee completed an investigation of a matter of vital importance to our first line of national defense. Practically all of the naval witnesses testified that the organization of our navy department is such as to make it impossible effectively to prepare for war or to conduct war."

Notwithstanding the importance of this investigation, the report of the committee has not yet been made. Are our people losing any sleep over this? They are not.

"The missing element in Americanism is that it does not include adequate solicitude for our safety, the people, resent criticism of anything American."

Admiral Sims expressed the hope that his hearers would "be kind enough to consider me an American notwithstanding the title has been given me by certain unfriendly critics of the most popular British admiral in the American navy."

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# More Space Than the Battle of the Marne

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# Babies of Poor Sick in July Heat

## Need Milk and Ice to Keep Alive During Hot, Sultry Days.

July spells heat. Heat means many sick babies. Sick babies need milk and ice to keep it fresh.

Poor people can afford neither. So The Bee instituted an annual milk and ice fund.

The Visiting Nurse association administers the fund and decides who shall receive the milk and ice in what quantities.

The fund now stands at \$632.12. More money is needed. Send checks to The Bee milk and ice fund. It will be acknowledged in morning and evening editions within 24 hours after receipt.

# Bandits Rob Men in Auto Party, But Are Lenient With Girls

The automobile bandits who terrorized Omaha last year by holding up occupants of numerous cars are at work again and the new police administration will have more grief on its hands.

Early Sunday morning two bandits held up B. A. Curley, 1945 North Forty-first street, and H. C. White, 4536 Franklin street, who were riding with two girls, and relieved them of \$80.

"Now if you girls keep quiet we will not harm you," one of the bandits addressed Corinne Love, 4536 Franklin street, and Josephine Jenkins, 2604 Wirt street, who were seated in the machine.

Although the girls had money and jewelry, nothing was taken from them. The bandits drove up to Curley's machine in a large car. They made the two men get out at the point of revolvers.

# No Word Received From Mexico-Bound Airplanes

Lincoln, July 4.—Anxiety was expressed tonight by officers of the Nebraska Aircraft company over safety of C. V. Pickup, Frank Palmer and E. L. Sloniger, aviators, who, with L. A. Winslip and E. C. Hammond, left Lincoln a week ago Saturday in airplanes destined for Mexico.

No word has been received from the party since it left Laredo last Wednesday. From Laredo they planned to travel over a wild, desolate country where landing was difficult and where aviators often have experienced difficulty.

# Two Pinned Beneath Auto Overturned at Culvert

Beatrice, Neb., July 4.—(Special.)—Haron and Martha Lenz, living south of the city, were pinned underneath the car in which they were riding while en route home, when it struck a post at the end of a cement culvert, five miles south of Beatrice on the Cornhusker route, and turned over. Claude Gotschall of Beatrice, in returning from Wymore, found the occupants under the machine, released them and brought them to town. They escaped without severe bruises. The car was not badly damaged.

# New Yorkers in Protest Parade Of Prohibition

## Nearly 20,000 Brave Boiling Sun in Demonstration for Personal Liberty—Mayor Hyland Reviewer.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. New York, July 4.—Wet with perspiration, something less than 20,000 men, with a decided sprinkling of women, braved a broiling sun and marched up Fifth avenue from Washington arch to Sixtieth street this afternoon in protest against the Volstead act and the 18th amendment to the United States constitution.

It was a demonstration for wine, beer and personal liberty, which fell somewhat short of the expectations of the American Liberties league, which promoted it. Frank C. Drake, director general, declared there were at least 75,000 men and that more than 100,000 others had assembled, but did not march because of the heat.

Mr. Drake's figure was obviously an overstatement, for the parade took just one minute less than two hours to pass Mayor Hyland on the reviewing stand at Madison Square. At that point, the demonstration was as much pro-Hylan as anti-prohibition, for the marching groups without exception cheered the mayor as they passed the stand, many of them being apparently under the impression that his re-election will legalize the sale of wine and beer.

Prohibitionists under the leadership of William H. Anderson, state league, stood near the reviewing stand and held comptometers on the parade. Mr. Anderson said that there were less than 15,000 persons in line. "We would have conceded that they could have obtained many more marchers, if they had not held the parade at all," he said.

# Aviatrix Killed at California Forest Fires Extinguished

San Francisco, July 4.—Numerous grain, forest, brush and city fires in northern and central California, which caused damage estimated at more than \$1,500,000, were reported extinguished today after most of them had burned for 48 hours.

Lon Angeles, Cal., July 4.—A brush fire in northern Los Angeles county today resulted in one death and more than 200 fire fighters sought to prevent its spread. Chester Hallett of Los Angeles, an aviator seeking to aid the fire fighters, backed his machine over an embankment and was instantly killed.

Nelson is the son of Frank Nelson and wife, farmers living near Griswold. The son has been spending the last few weeks at home. He left for North Platte immediately on receipt of news of his wife's death.

# Aviator Badly Hurt When Plane Falls at Storm Lake

Fort Dodge, Ia., July 4.—Francis Senn was seriously injured this morning when his airplane fell 200 feet near Storm Lake. He was doing stunt flying when he fell. Hospital physicians say he probably will die.

# Withdrawal Of Troops Is Big Issue

## President Must Face Two Warring Factions on Occupation Plans Now That Peace Is Restored.

# Proclamation Expected

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING, Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, July 4.—The question of withdrawal of the American troops from the occupation of German territory on the Rhine bids fair to become an important issue, now that peace with Germany has been restored, unless President Harding should act immediately to bring the forces home.

The president will return to Washington tomorrow to begin consideration of the next moves on the peace program, the first of which is expected to be an executive proclamation formally declaring the war at an end.

Some administration officials are of the opinion that the president's next step after issuing the peace proclamation will be an order withdrawing the American troops from Europe. There are, however, some extremely influential members of the cabinet who will counsel the president to leave the army of occupation on the Rhine pending the conclusion of negotiations between America and Germany and America and the allies on questions arising from the war.

May Force Move. If the president does not signify his intention of withdrawing the troops soon, a resolution will be introduced in the senate, probably by Senator Johnson of California, instructing the secretary of war to order the forces home.

This is the move contemplated upon by the senate irreconcilables. They hold that congress may constitutionally instruct the secretary of war, though not the president, and they have considered the contingency of the president directing the secretary of war to ignore the instructions of congress, thus precipitating a clash between the executive and legislative branches of the government. It is more likely, however, that if the president desires to retain the troops in Europe the administration leaders would block passage of withdrawal resolution by congress.

Under the terms of the peace resolution, all rights acquired by the United States under the armistice and the Versailles treaty are reserved and one of these rights is the occupation of German territory by American troops. So, there is authority to retain the troops on the Rhine and the only question is how long it is to the interest of the United States to keep them there.

Interested in Settlement. The president has declared the United States interested in the German indemnity settlement and it is pending the consent of the reparations commission that the reparations terms that allied troops are to remain on the Rhine for 15 years. Coblenz, where the American troops are stationed, is to be evacuated in 10 years if the treaty terms are fulfilled by Germany.

Mr. Harding has detailed representatives to the reparations commission and other bodies to deal with questions of purely American interest, but whether he will consider it necessary to keep the troops in Europe in connection with that purpose remains to be seen.

The troops are being maintained at the present expense of the United States, though Germany is to foot the bill under the treaty terms. Germany now owes about \$250,000,000 for the American occupation