

### G. O. P. Leaders Would Use Bonds to Finance Bonus

#### Thirty Republican Members Favor Use of Foreign Securities—Opposed to Sales Tax Plan.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Thirty republican members of the house of representatives, prominent in the group opposing the sales tax, came formally in favor of using the refunded foreign bonds to finance the soldiers' bonus.

In a joint letter to Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee, they say the use of these bonds would "remove a grossly unjust proposal, prevent the political overturning of congress and will be just to ex-soldiers who saved for us these foreign debts."

The bonus should be passed without any obnoxious tax and should be passed without delay," added the letter, which was framed by Representative Frear of Wisconsin, and signed by 29 other members, mostly from western states.

"Your action of yesterday, supported by members of the subcommittee, in discharging any sales tax on the bonus bill," the letter said, "will receive the hearty support of members of congress generally. We believe the bill, which had a vote of 7 to 2 against such a tax, is a close index of whose sentiment on the subject."

**Would Penalize Ex-Soldiers.** "A sales tax would penalize every ex-soldier and compel him to pay toward his own meager bonus. Nine hundred thousand jobless ex-soldiers will be obliged immediately to pay consumption taxes under any sales tax law."

No sales tax law could get through the house and senate in less than 90 days, if passed at all. Ninety days more would be required to secure a clerical force to put the law in operation, thus talking until September or October of this year.

Congressman Longworth is authority for the statement that when British bonds are received in June or July, next, these can be used with the approval of the president to finance the bonus, or several months before any sales tax fund would be available.

"Semi-annual interest on this debt amounting to \$125,000,000 has been voted in the British budget, and is understood to be collectible by June 1, next."

**Plan Vigorous Campaign.** With this letter, sales tax opponents gave notice that their campaign would be vigorously waged despite the rejection of the tax proposal by the subcommittee.

The republican membership of the ways and means committee will meet Tuesday to consider the subcommittee action, and the fight of consumption tax opponents will go on, at least up to that time.

Chairman Fordney declined to say whether he would consult with President Harding before the committee meeting Tuesday, but the impression gained today at the capitol was that Mr. Harding would be advised of yesterday.

The subcommittee is rejecting the sales tax adopted by the executive and voting to report out a bill without any provision for providing the needed revenue.

Some pressure to speed up the bonus bill in the house is being exerted now, but leaders generally, apparently, are not inclined to rush the legislation.

### Keep-Well Club Organized: Girls Seek to Gain Weight

Aurora, Neb.—Nebraska's first Keep-Well club, recently was organized here under the direction of Miss Jeanette Bradley, county Red Cross nurse, and R. H. Camp, county extension agent.

The group was organized as a state club with eight active members, all girls. Four of these members are underweight and each desires to reach the average in weight-for-height and in health habits.

A boys' Keep-Well club soon will be organized, the agents announce.

### Deaths

Mrs. Sarah E. Ferguson, Grand Island, Neb.—The widow of a long time resident of this city, died at the General Hospital in this city following a long illness of pneumonia and complications. She was 84 and was survived by four daughters, one son, one sister and one brother. Her funeral was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Stitt, of St. Paul, Neb., on Monday, Feb. 26.

Sylvester H. Clark, Grand Island, Neb.—The home of Mr. Clark, a member of the Soldiers' Home at Burket, Neb., died at that place on Monday, Feb. 26. He was 84 and was taken to his home at St. Paul, Neb., for burial.

Carl Repper, Grand Island, Neb.—Carl Repper, 72, died at the General Hospital in this city following a long illness of pneumonia. Surviving him are his wife and several children. Funeral services were held from the home of the undertaker and burial was in the Grand Island cemetery.

### Proposals Made to End Textile Strike

Providence, R. I., Feb. 26.—The state board of mediation and conciliation called on mill owners and strikers to end the deadlock which has closed many Rhode Island textile mills for the last five weeks by placing the entire dispute in the hands of Judge J. Jerome Hahn, an sole mediator. Judge Hahn is chairman of the board.

### Bovine Tuberculosis Tests Start in Butler

David City, Neb.—Dr. L. I. Hines of the State Bureau of Animal Industry has been assigned to take charge of the bovine tuberculosis eradication work in Butler county. He will start actual testing of cattle February 27. The Federal Bureau of Animal Industry, the State Bureau of Animal Industry and Butler County Farm Bureau federation are co-operating. Work will be started in Alexis township. One township will be taken at a time until all of the county is covered.

### Anthracite Operators to Meet Union Chiefs

Philadelphia, Feb. 26.—Anthracite coal operators announced here that they have agreed to meet representatives of the United Mine Workers in joint conference in New York March 15, to negotiate a new wage agreement.

S. D. Warner, chairman of the policies committee, said it was the unanimous feeling of the operators that there must be a deflation in coal prices and that the mine workers, for the sake of their own prosperity and the general good all around, must share in this deflation.

### Harding Takes Steps to Avoid Miners' Strike

#### Davis Directed to Call Conference of Operators and Union Chiefs to Consider New Agreement.

Omaha, Feb. 26.—President Harding is insistent that the government do all in its power to avert the threatened coal miners' strike on April 1.

To this end he has directed Secretary of Labor Davis to call a conference of bituminous coal miners and mine owners in the near future to consider a new agreement.

The government holds that the agreement reached in 1919 under federal auspices binds the mine owners and miners to consider a new agreement to succeed that which will expire April 1.

The attorney general has notified the president that the contract binds the parties to such a conference and that nothing has intervened to invalidate this provision of the agreement.

**Warned to Stock.** Chicago, Feb. 26.—Heads of big industries were warned by coal operators and dealers to stock up as heavily as possible in preparation for the coal strike, which now seems inevitable on April 1, when present contracts with the unions expire.

For the first time in history of the country, the proposed strike will hit both the bituminous and anthracite fields simultaneously. Previous coal strikes have involved either anthracite fields of the east or the middle west bituminous mines. When a tieup came in either field, coal consumers in the field affected have been able to get supplies from the fields still in operation.

### Conference on Marketing of Wheat Called

#### Nebraska Co-Operative Leaders Will Attend Meeting in Denver February 25—New Body Possible.

All state-wide or national co-operative wheat marketing associations in the United States have been invited to a farmers' conference in Denver February 25. J. Osborn, president of the Nebraska Farmers union, will be among those attending. J. L. Hull of Holstein, head of the Nebraska Wheat Growers' association, is also expected to attend, and representatives of the United States Grain Growers also have been invited.

George C. Jewett, general manager of the Northwest Wheat Growers' association, issued the call to other wheat marketing organizations. This concern, which has its headquarters in Portland, Ore., is the central selling organization for the four state wheat growers' associations of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. It maintains a terminal elevator, and with the possible exception of the Equity association at Pull, Iowa, is the only actual successful farmers' wheat marketing system.

Out of the Denver conference farm leaders expect to develop at least a movement for co-ordinated selling and financing activities. Some feel that there is a possibility that the ground work may be prepared for a unified central wheat marketing association. There has been considerable difference of opinion among the different farm organizations, and while the meeting will not result in an amalgamation, it is expected to develop at least a common program for all of the marketing bodies.

Among the farm bodies included in the meeting are the state organizations of Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, the United States Grain Growers, Inc., and the Equity pool.

Wherever the Sengalese soldier goes his wife accompanies him, whether on a campaign or in a military post.

### Farmers' Union Notes

A meeting of representatives of all the co-operatives livestock commission houses established by the self-help farmers' organizations has been called to convene at the Castle hotel in Omaha March 15. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the formation of a national federation of co-operative livestock commission houses. Organizations that have joined in the call are: Equity Co-operative exchange, operating commission houses in South St. Paul and Chicago; Missouri Farm clubs and Farmers unions of Missouri and Illinois, operating a house in East St. Louis; Kansas Farmers union, operating a house in Kansas City; Colorado Farmers union, operating a house in Denver, and Nebraska Farmers union, operating houses in Omaha, Sioux City and St. Joseph.

**Conference on Finance.** A conference and school of instruction in regard to the Farmers Union Co-operative Finance corporation was held in Lincoln last week by the board of directors of the state Farmers' union. Members of the state legislative committee and the staff of organizers were called in to learn the details of the new company and to confer on methods of securing subscriptions to capital stock. E. M. Williams, newly elected manager of the company, and J. H. Broady, attorney, also took part in the conference. It was shown that a finance corporation of this kind is necessary as a supplement to co-operative marketing, in order that farmers may market their crops and other products in an orderly manner, and not be forced to dump them for lack of reasonable credit. The hope was expressed by President Osborn that similar companies would be organized in other states, and that in time these state companies might be federated for nation-wide action.

**Hold Oyster Supper.** Winslow—Farmers union local No. 210 held an oyster supper and meeting at the home of Harry Denesia in Portland, Ore. The meeting discussed Farmers union matters and the new Farmers' union finance corporation. The rest of the evening was spent socially. It was reported that this local purchased \$1,500 worth of goods from the Farmers Union State exchange in 1931. C. P. Nelson is president and Ray Malloy, secretary.

**Elevator Makes Profit.** Graff—The Farmers' Grain company of this place has no debts, showing which is a record among elevator concerns at this time. This is the first company ever audited by the Farmers' union audit department of Omaha which has such a record.

**Meeting at Osceola.** Osceola—The regular quarterly meeting of the Polk County Farmers' union will be held here March 9. The afternoon session will be devoted to business and the evening session will consist of an address and an entertainment.

### Two Butler County Pig Clubs Are Organized

David City, Neb.—The Garrison Poland China Pig club has completed its organization and is the first of its kind to be started in Butler county this year. More than half of the boys have already begun work, each having a pure-bred sow. Frank Patton, breeder of Polandis, is head of the club. Ed Krul, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants bank at Garrison, also is helping the boys. He has agreed to finance any member of the club.

### Sixteen Held Up at Gun Point by Bandits

(Continued From Page One.) he had most of the money with him, he ran down and hid in the cellar. They got \$40 from the cash register. The life savings of Mr. and Mrs. James Dorn, 422 Cedar street, totaling \$718, was stolen by prowlers who gained entrance to the home, and, after ransacking the place, found the hiding place.

**Thought Bands Unsafe.** Mrs. Dorn said that she was afraid of banks and usually carried the money in her stocking, but following the advice of her sister, she hid the money in the bureau.

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**Police Force Inadequate.** The force of holdups followed closely on the heels of a statement made by Police Commissioner Dunt that 15 police officers from the precinct inadequate force would be relieved of their duties because of the shortage of funds.

### Walbach Claims Youngest Dealer in Pure Bred Hogs

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### With the County Farm Agents

#### THURSTON COUNTY.

Walsh—Farmers who plan to sow clover and other crops should be certain of what they are buying. Advice of H. E. Houston, county extension agent, is to buy clover seed from a reliable source. He has a low germination test, and many farmers have introduced poisonous weeds on their farms by buying and sowing low priced seed. It usually is better to buy a little more expensive seed from a reliable source than to buy a large quantity of cheap seed from a questionable source.

The advantages of the hot lunch at schools in Thurston county is being stressed by children at the request of the county agents. The children in their own fashion insist on the following benefits of hot lunches: "A cold lunch makes one unhealthy. It is hard to digest, causes a headache and is not appetizing. It teaches the girls to set table properly and how to be clean and neat. It helps in study; it warms you up before going out to play; it is more nourishing and it helps to get one's lessons."

#### MADISON COUNTY.

Battle Creek—The bulk of Madison county 1931 seed oats has been contracted. R. A. Stewart, county extension agent, declares. Available reports, he says, show the crop to be superior in yield to the different local varieties.

Four reactors were found in 208 head of cattle tested for tuberculosis in highland township last week. The work will be completed in about two weeks.

#### CLAY COUNTY.

Club work, cost of production records on both wheat and corn and a comparison of the 1921 yields and some common varieties of oats, are a few of the plans adopted by the township bureau for the coming year. A pocket pocket campaign also will be conducted.

#### THAYER COUNTY.

Edmore—The 1932 hens of 11 accredited poultry flocks in Thayer county produced 32,025 eggs during January at an average of 29.7 per hen. The record for this county was slightly more than 12 cents to the hen, L. C. Christie, county extension agent, announced. The county record for a net return of \$61.89. The flock average for a single month was slightly under the record for December, and a little more than the average for last November. The 1932 flock average was 1474 hens, which produced 16,742 eggs or an average of 11 eggs per hen. Christie declared.

#### SEWARD COUNTY.

Seward—The resignation of H. P. Riddon has left Seward county without an agricultural agent, until the board can locate a new one. In the meantime, J. L. Thomas, a former agent and now a Lanham county farmer, is acting for Riddon. Poultry is a live topic at this season of the year. Mr. Thomas states, as well as it being a good time to prune the fruit trees and vines.

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Blair, Neb.—Dress form work is becoming as popular as any new style ever became among the women of Washington county. In addition it has the hearty support of the membership which very few new styles can boast about.

#### CASS COUNTY.

Wespring Water, Neb.—The boys of Anna have formed a sow and litter club under the leadership of Paul Willis. There are seven members in the club, and Byron Horn, Paul Willis, Hillard Nutman, Stanley and Leonard Schroeder. One of the girls, Mrs. John J. Kaffenberger's son and litter club bought a gilt at James Ferryberg's market and she was one of the best ones sold at the sale. The sale was a success, 42 head made an average of \$47. The club of Murdoch bought two Duroc gilts at Henry Peterson's sale, so now the boys will soon be supplied.

#### FILLMORE COUNTY.

Geneva, Neb.—Four days of military school will be held in Fillmore county beginning March 1. Announcements for the extension division of the agricultural college, which will have a maximum of 12, two from each county, will be made at a meeting of all county agents, which will be held in the project.

#### SAUNDERS COUNTY.

Wahoo, Neb.—The farm bureau board of Saunders county has come to the conclusion that under present conditions, \$29 per month will be a reasonable price for single farm hands. The board has also decided to issue a circular to all farmers for married men, with the regular convention furnished by County Agricultural Agent Roberts announces. Several farmers have inquired of the bureau about what the average price for farm hands will be this year.

#### OTOE COUNTY.

Syracuse, Neb.—H. Hopport, horticulture specialist from the state college of agriculture spent two days in Otoe county. His work at this time has been given over largely to pruning fruit trees and vines of various kinds with special emphasis on the grape. A pruning demonstration was held at F. W. Hahn's orchard in Red Creek, where several neighbors gathered for information along this line. Similar work was carried out at Mr. Goodman's of Oage precinct.

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### SUNSWEET CALIFORNIA'S NATURE-FLAVORED Prunes

an entertainment. W. F. Dale of University Place, a member of the organizing staff of the state Farmers' union, will be the speaker of the evening. G. E. Samuelson of this place is president of the county union and Glenn Anderson of Stromsburg is secretary.

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