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As We See It
by Tom O'Flaherty

The king of Spain seems to be falling down. According to the latest dispatches His Majesty has one foot on a juicy chew of tobacco and the other in an airplane. The monarch who has been a bomb and a battle for the greater honor and glory of monarchy is ready to flee his native land for a far healthier clime. I have read an article in Liberty magazine which represents Alfonso as a courageous fellow who rides or struts through explosions destined to extinguish the royal person as if he were gyrating to the music of the latest tango on a cabaret floor. The "Bourbon Chin" is pictured in all its glory. And what a chin! It looks like what the plumbers call an "elbow"—a device used to connect two pieces of sewer pipe.

The long-awaited Spanish revolution is expected to overthrow the royal terpsichorean at any moment. There is an airplane ready to take Alfonso away from "his people" who love him so much that they are itching to give him the final message. How his haemophilic progeny may have been the cause of the "disease of kings"—so maybe it does not matter much what happens to them. Still, even the one of the princely males is deaf and dumb he would be almost certain of landing frankfurter magnate and the fellow who bleeds at the sight of a gooseberry is quite popular in the United States. It might not be a bad idea for the United States Chamber of Commerce to hire him as a drummer and send him on a good will tour to Latin America in the wake of the Princes of Wales and York, to beg for His Majesty the King of England.

We are informed that Alfonso has been expecting a royal salute of twenty-one Republican guns in his rear for a long time. Once and maybe twice he hoped to be the first president of a Spanish Republic. With a view to continued solvency His Majesty established carpet factories and means of keeping his coffers filled after the Veluz. Should the bourgeoisie straddle the republicans and the republicans straddle the bourgeoisie, the danger of Alfonso going the way of the Czar of all the Russias. But the Spanish workers may get in the saddle and they have no greater love for a Bourbon than the Russian proletariat had for the Little Father. Like the Czar, Alfonso is a bit of a drag on the Spanish bourgeoisie so they have decided that his dancing days are done. His chief support is the church. Here is a "salvation job" for Pope Pius!

Squirrel Food



by A. NUT

"Lo, John Farmer! Suppose you are in meet up with the county agent to see about seed, feed and fowl? Look at those little fellows, I see so many of the blanks all run out. Well I hope you have luck, better luck than you had last year. Don't make much difference if you ever pay back your Uncle Samuel or not, he's got lots of money, and when he runs short there are a lot of fat boys down in Wall Street with wads that they have taken away from you by some hokus-pokus or other."

Put in another crop, John, you may not be able to sell it, but we can eat some of it, and what we can't eat we can feed to the pigs and eat the pigs. No need to let the ground go fallow as you haven't anything else to do, so you might as well raise wheat as to get about and whine, or worry about the Russians. Wheat will probably be worth two bits a bushel but two bits will buy a lot of Savage's next fall—for there is going to be awful drops in prices before congress meets again. Of course your taxes went down, and you nor your debts and interest, and it will take all you raise to pay 'em but you like it John; for you know a lot of you fellows voted for it last election.

And speaking of taxes, that calls to mind the taxpayers association. The members met last week at Antelope and elected some officers, and talked about a lot of legislation that nobody's going to pay any attention to. And, John, I am nutty, I guess, but I don't see what we want any more laws for, when we already got. Now, there is a law about budgets, another about cancelling taxes, another about publishing the examiner's report, and making of sinking fund levies, none of which Frank French pay any attention to. Another law that two won't bother Frank seems to be running. Now we have a public examiner—and men

Arkansas Senators Betray Starving Southern Farmers

Assembly Kills Hydro-electric Gross Income Power Tax Bill

Solons Vote 62 to 28 For the Power Plutes

Senator Schnitzler Gets His Bank Libel Bill Through the Senate after Bitter Fight—Bank Robber Bill Killed—Teachers' Oath Bill Passed Senate—Chancellor's Pay Cut—Easy Divorce Fails—Reapportionment up again.

State Capitol, Helena, Montana, Thursday, Feb. 19, '30
Special to The Producers News—
Monday afternoon after a two hour debate the house of representatives killed the proposal to place a two per cent tax on the gross earnings of hydroelectric power. The roll call was 62 to 28.

The roll call on this bill shows how the members of the legislature represent the people of Montana. It was a test measure separating the sheep from the goats; separating those who serve man from those who serve mammon; from those who put pelf above patriotism; and gives the people of the state a list of those who sell the state of Montana for thirty pieces of silver.

There is no argument against a hydroelectric tax—not an argument. If anything in the state should pay a license tax, and a gross income tax, that is hydroelectric. Figures compiled by the United States government, figures that have not and cannot be disputed, show that the Montana Power company, the leading producer of hydroelectric energy in the state of Montana, made 68 cents net out of every dollar of gross income received from the consumers of power in the state.

Real property is overburdened with taxes; live stock is taxed to the limit; the revenues of the state are not adequate; the state deficit and debt increases each year; while the Montana Power Company ships huge earnings out of the state to New York owners of Montana resources, the Montana legislature votes not to properly tax them.

The roll call on this bill shows in black and white who the traitors to the state of Montana are, who love our institutions and our flag, but yet not enough to prevent the sale of their honor and the interests of their state for a price; there are 68 traitors to the state of Montana in the lower house of the legislature and 28 patriots; 68 men who sell, bind and gag the state of Montana for gold, and 28 who have the courage to stand by the state and do what they took an oath to do.

The 68 have no excuse to offer; they have no argument for there is no argument. Their duty was plain and they knew it. They are just ordinary merchandise.

And yet these poltroons stand up in the legislature of the

state of Montana and talk about reds and the red menace; pass teachers' oath bills and bank libel acts, and what not—these political prostitutes, if one would degrade the word prostitute, would sell the people of Montana in slavery for a very small consideration.

Cigarette Tax
After the vote on hydroelectric tax, the cigarette tax was reported in from the revenue and taxation committee that the bill do not pass. The house refused the report. After prolonged debate, the motion was carried to print the bill and place it on general orders. The bill imposes a tax of 4 cents a package on cigarettes, and 10 per cent of the sales price of all other forms of tobacco. This proposed tax is a tax on the people, a direct tax. The same men who defeated the tax on hydroelectric advanced the bill for a tobacco tax. The bought enunch of the power company voted to put another tax on the people because, Montana must have more money, and if the tax is passed it is easier to prevent the passage of a hydroelectric tax in the future, for if the tobacco tax should provide the necessary revenue to liquidate the state deficit the necessity for the tax will be absent as a pressure and an argument.

Bank Bill
Over in the senate last Saturday the bank bill of Schnitzler came up, making it a felony, if you please, to talk about banks, maliciously.

After considerable discussion in which it was maintained that an organized effort existed on the part of the communists to destroy the financial system of the United States, the senate committee of the whole recommended for passage S. B. 40, prohibiting the willful and malicious uttering or publishing of false statements against any bank or trust company.

A Certain Newspaper

Sen. Schnitzler of Roosevelt, chairman of the committee on banks and banking which introduced

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WESTBY TRIMS CROSBY QUINT

Westby, Feb. 14.—(Special) The A. O. U. W. basket ball team took the fast Crosby Vagabonds into camp on the local floor. Westby started the scoring and lead through the entire game. When the game ended the score read 35 to 23 in favor of the Workmen. Milo Gubrud of Ambrose refereed. This adds another victory to the long string held by the lodge. They now challenge the Greyhound Pups—that is the team that met defeat here on the local floor, for a game at Plentywood.

big noise from an automobile, and a cry in the street made us come out in the plaza. The daughter of Santini from Stallone, a child of six years was run over by an automobile running at high speed, which in turning a crossing on a certain curb, by a miracle it did not go to pieces against the wall that was in front of the crossing, and in the turning and going across the plaza it hit the child, who was crossing the plaza—the plaza in San Quirito.

You know on Sundays there are always people, and several of them recognized Mussolini holding the steering wheel of the automobile, which contained two other persons and did not stop. A little while later another automobile with the public agent came along and seeing this gathering of crowd around the child, who was gravely wounded, it stopped to see what had happened.

"Everybody was deyring 'Duce,' but by the appearance of the police they were very cautious. Only Pulucca and Lazzarini stupidly repeated that they had recognized the 'Duce'."

"The agent took the child and carried it to Grosseto. The child died the following day but of the two men there is nothing more known about them."

DEMAND ACCOUNTING OF RELIEF FUND

New York—FP—Demands that the Democratic and Republican clubs of the borough of Queens account for funds collected for the unemployed have been made by Rabbi Joshua Goldberg, member of the executive committee, Emergency Relief Committee.

The two parties pledged \$225,000, raised some \$80,000 and accounted for \$3,639.09 from the Republican and \$1,293.60 from the Democrats, according to Goldberg.

THOUSANDS GO BACK TO FARMS

Moscow, Feb. 16.—Russia is going back to the farm, according to figures just issued by the government.

During the last 10 days in January and the first 10 days in February a total of 726,000 families joined the collective farms, the figures show. This migration is the greatest in history. Development of these farms always has been the backbone of the soviet movement.

The word "joined" is used by the government as meaning these families have made application to enter the collective farms. The majority will be accepted although the kulaks or rich peasants are not permitted to take part in the movement.

In contrast to the present situation, the government was having difficulty in getting families for the farms last year and almost had to force the peasants to return to the soil. Under present conditions according to the authorities, enthusiasm for farm life is so great the government can pick and choose those it wishes to put at this work.

Most of the families who have applied to join the movement come from Caucasus, the upper and lower Volga, from the Ukrainian republic, north, and the German republic. They are expected to move to the farms gradually during the spring in time to get next season's crops planted.

It is estimated the collective farms will cultivate 6,000,000 hectares of land in 1931. The capital invested by the state on the collective farms this year is placed at 3,800,000,000 rubles (about \$1,900,000,000).

ELECTION CONTESTS AT MINOT OVER GAS

Minot, Feb. 16.—That the Minot city election April 7 will find five seats on the city commission contested for is seen as a possibility with petitions asking for recall of Commissioners Kurth, Thomas and LaFleur.

Petitions have been circulated asking for recall of President A. J. H. Bratsberg.

As in the special election of Jan. 27, the question of a natural gas franchise is expected to be the major issue in the election. The commission has been divided three to two against granting a franchise.

Redstone Masons Buy Hall

The Masonic lodge of Redstone has made a deal for the Thomas Kane building and have started repairing it for a lodge hall. The old hall was destroyed by the fire last fall but the lodge fixtures were saved. The new hall will have a good dance floor and a large kitchen.

Nye Plans Montana Election Inquiry Next Month

Washington, Feb. 17.—Sen. Nye said yesterday that his committee on campaign expenditures will go to Montana immediately after congress adjourns in March. He expects to commence hearings there about March 10. The committee will go into the report that a large sum of money was offered and provided for the defeat of Senator Walsh and that some of it is on deposit in Montana now.

Convicted Bomber Gets Severe Prison Sentence

San Francisco, Feb. 17.—Henry A. Isles was sentenced by Judge Isadore Harris, to five consecutive terms in prison for the attempted dynamiting of the Cowles publishing company building in Spokane about three months ago.

LEGGE WILL QUIT FEDERAL BOARD

Chicago, Feb. 17.—Alexander Legge will retire from the chairmanship of the federal farm board shortly after March 4 to re-enter the International Harvester company it has been unofficially announced.

Mr. Legge became chairman of the board July 1, 1929. At that time it was stated that he probably would not retain the post more than a year, as the International Harvester company, which loaned him to the government, desired his return to its service. Mr. Legge then felt a year was all he could devote to the chairmanship. Frequent attacks on his handling of the wheat situation have been made by representatives of farmer groups and others. To all critics he has replied vigorously. But many of his associates believe the attacks influenced his decision to retire from public service, which, in his opinion does not always receive merited popular support.

THE WEATHER

About an inch of snow fell Monday night but Tuesday's warm sun shine caused it to disappear. The weather continues warm and has a spring-like touch when a gentle zephyr kisses the cheek. The temperature about noon today, Friday, was about 50 above.

ALFONSO STILL ON SPANISH THRONE

There has been trouble all week in Spain where the country is in the throes of a revolution and on the resignation of Premier Don maso Berenguer last Saturday, it was believed that the kingdom would be overthrown and King Alfonso would lose his throne. But Thursday a new monarchial ministry was formed headed by Admiral Asanar, staunch royalist, and it appears that the storm is weathered.

The republican and socialist leaders are in jail. The kingdom may be overthrown, however, any day.

ARNOT INSANITY CASE DRAGS ON

The trial of Mrs. Arnot for insanity at the time of the alleged murder of her husband last August, drags on at Glasgow. Atty. George Hurd is making a desperate fight for Mrs. Arnot and John Slattery is fighting hard for the life insurance company.

Brakeman Breaks Leg

Clyde Ramey, who has been braking on the freight train here had the misfortune to break a leg last Thursday while switching in the yards at Madoc. He stepped off a bridge, landing on the frozen ground 20 feet below with such force as to fracture the bone.

He was removed to Seeley and the fracture reduced and the following day returned to his home at Glasgow where he is reported to be getting along nicely.

BIG SEATTLE BANK CRASHES

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 10.—The Seattle Puget Sound Bank, one of the largest savings and mortgage banks went to smash yesterday. They got notice from the state department Saturday ordering discontinuance of payments. The mayor of Seattle called the businessmen together to save the rich depositors' money and to sacrifice the savings of the workers. No news of this bank failure is published in the capitalist press outside of Seattle. The boss press wants to hide the news that many banks throughout the country are flopping. Not a day passes without bank failures, and yet this news does not get into the big dailies.

Red Cross Feeds Family of Five on \$5.00 Per Month

St. Louis—FP—One reason the Red Cross doesn't need federal funds is the menu worked out for the hungry farmers. Under the plan, \$5 will feed a family of five for a month. They'll get no Christmas dinner out of it, remarked a Red Cross official who isn't eating on the schedule.

SENATE PASSES U. S. VET'S LOAN BILL

Hoover Is Expected to Veto—Only Twelve Senators Vote Against Measure—Will Pass Over Veto.

Senate Chamber, Washington, D. C.
Special to The Producers News—
The senate last night, Thursday, passed the world war veteran's loan bill, 72 to 12. Twelve senators did not vote or were paired.

The bill passed congress on Monday, in the face of President Hoover's opposition, with only 50 votes against. The measure went to the White House today for the signature of the President. It is expected that he will veto it and return it to congress at once, and not hold it for a pocket veto which he can do if received inside of 10 days before the expiration of congress which occurs midnight Mar. 3.

If the president vetoes the bill as expected he will return it at once to congress where it will be promptly passed over the veto, the necessary two-thirds vote of each chamber being available.

The bill provides for the loaning to the soldiers on their bonus certificates, one-half of the maturity value of the certificate at 4 1/2% interest. It will take about \$1,700,000,000 to meet this if all take their loans which is not likely. About \$8,500,000 will come to Montana.

BOARD OF MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MET TUES.

The local hospital board held its regular meeting Tuesday night and elected new board members. The hold over officers were C. G. Christianson, Mrs. E. H. E. Helgeson, A. J. Langer and Carl Bull.

The new members are Mrs. Leo Ziedler and Mrs. Koenig and Dr. Roy. At the meeting the matter of adding another story to the present hospital building was considered in order to have more much needed room and to meet the requirements for a state accredited nurses training school.

From the report it was learned the institution had 306 patients in the past year and only 18 deaths. The institution has made excellent progress in every way.

Quitmeyer Man Breaks Leg

Last Saturday night Fred Henke of Daguerre had the misfortune to break his right leg at the hip. It seems that Mr. Henke was carrying a skuttle of coal up from the basement when he tripped over the bucket and fell in such a manner as to cause the break. He was at once brought to the Memorial hospital where he is receiving the best of care.

Boy Killed in Fall of Horse

Last Saturday night while returning to his home from a dance at Griffin School, which is east of Medicine Lake Johnny Harrison of Mrs. Fred Brien of Quitmeyer was thrown from the horse on which he was riding. The body was found badly crushed the following afternoon by the Fielding Bush family. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday and interment was made in the Medicine Lake cemetery.

Rankin Asks Placer Hotel Give Bond to Obey Law

Helena, Feb. 18.—Wellington D. Rankin, United States District Attorney today filed suit in equity against the Placer hotel, here, and three employees, asking that a restraining order be issued under the national prohibition act, preventing the hotel company from violation of the act.

Militant Democrats Jump through Hoop when They Hear their Master's Voice

Hoover Brings Power Magnate Harvey Couch from Arkansas to Washington to Talk to Robinson and Caraway, After Which Democratic Leaders Yield to Administrations on Food Relief to Starving Farmers—Caraway Lays Down in Compromise and Quits the Struggle Without Consulting Allies—Hyde Says, "Nothing in Compromise to Prohibit Loans for Food."

PRESIDENT WHIPS DEMS IN FIRST TILT

Capitol, Washington, D. C. February 17, 1931.

Special to The Producers News—
There have been extraordinary "goings-on" in Washington during the past week over the matter of direct relief for the hungry millions among the unemployed in the cities and the drouth-stricken farmers of 21 states," says Ronald Ramsay in "Labor," the official paper of the Railroad Brotherhoods.

Hoover Victory

Apparently the mighty "battle for food" which for more than two months has shaken the senate, disturbed the White House and splashed all over the front pages of the nation's daily newspapers, is about to end in victory for the administration.

Just a few days ago, Sen. "Joe" Robinson of Arkansas, democratic floor leader, speaking at the behest of all his democratic colleagues, assembled in solemn convocation, announced that six major relief measures, including \$25,000,000 for direct relief, in city and country, must be approved or the administration must prepare to face an extra session.

RELIEF WORK LAGS

Less than 20 per cent of the \$80,000,000 emergency fund appropriated by congress for highway construction has been put to work relieving unemployment, according to Col. Arthur Woods, chairman of the emergency unemployment committee working under the direction of President Hoover.

Congress provided that the money should be used to match appropriations by state governments, and many states have been unwilling or unable to meet this requirement.

So far 39 states have accepted \$15,300,000 for specific projects.

Threats of War

Senator "Bill" Borah, progressive republican of Idaho, supported Robinson in a speech which stirred the senate as it has seldom been stirred in recent years.

MAD MULLAH COLLINS, CHIEF OF POLICE, ASSAULTS JOHN BOWLES IN JACK DWYER'S DIVE THEN CALLS TO ANGELS TO COME TO RESCUE

More Whiskey Ring Trouble

Mad Mullah Collins, Plentywood's chief of police, went berserk and ran amuck last Friday afternoon, February 18th. It was an unlucky day for Oscar. The chief was just a little more than half shot and onery. He had been arguing with John Bowles, local knight of the green cloth over who had told the Producers News reporter of the "tip off" at the time Corporal Winters and Patrolman Melvin raided the Jack Dwyer dive, and found nothing.

Bowles was also somewhat inebriated and the two, with others, had ambled into the joint maintained without let or hindrance by the big shot of the Plentywood whiskey ring, to oil their "wizens."

The argument turned on the Irish. Oscar opined Bowles was "Shanty" Irish, while Bowles lowed Oscar was "bog" Irish. Bowles wagged Oscar couldn't "bless himself" and the big chief of police declared he could whip any "Mick" that ever kissed a crucifix, and reached out the long arm of the law and biffed the doughty knight right between the eyes.

The nobleman of the green felt didn't bat an eye but countered on the officer's proboscis and sat him on his beams end, upsetting the stove, knocking down the pipes and turning over other and divers furniture in the operation.

The chief, stunned and surprised, rolled his big blue orbs, and strove to right himself, when the challenged joustier seized a chair and demolished it on the head of the chief. Oscar, bleeding from every vein, is proud knee in suppliance bent, called upon the winged angels to intervene, when Pete Stewart called Ye Count Bowles off, and Oscar, groaning and spitting gore dragged himself onto his feet, when both of the joustiers made dates for future combat.

The minion of the law, wandered dazed into the street, disheveled and bleeding, with a big gash in his head. Owen Howe, acting the good samaritan, went to the damaged officer and led him into the rear of the "Coffee Pot" sandwich shop, where Oscar's face was washed and his wounds were dressed, and a change of linen secured. Bandaged, the chief walked into the street to maintain law and order in this peaceful village.

John Bowles reported at once to his honor, Mayor Storkan, what had occurred and then went to discuss the incident with friends.

That night the chief went to a church social and on Saturday made the rounds a couple of times, and disappeared, and has not been seen in public since. Whether he has resigned as chief or is just recuperating is a matter of speculation. In the meantime the city

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THOUGHTS FOR CHRISTIANS

And one came and asked him, "Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?"

And Jesus said unto him, "If thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." And the man sayeth unto Jesus, "Which?"

Jesus answered, "Thou shalt do no murder, thou shalt not commit adultery, thou shalt not steal, thou shalt not bear false witness; and honor thy father and thy mother: and thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

And the young man answered Jesus, saying: "All these laws have I kept from my boyhood up to now; what yet must I do?"

Jesus said: "If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell what thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven; and come and follow me."

But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, "Verily I say unto you, that a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. Once again I say unto you, it is easier for a camel to go thru the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."—The gospel according to Matthew, Ch. 19:16 to 24 paragraphs inclusive.

NOT SO FOOLISH!

Would it not be a generous gesture for the company that owns most of the dailies of Montana to erect a building at Missoula to house the school of journalism? The students naturally would learn early in life to appreciate the bounties and beneficences of this patriotic organization and later when they stepped out of the school and onto the editorial tripod, there would be no cause to worry over their mental attitude toward the proper guidance of the state's destinies by wise and high-minded industrialists.—Dan Whetstone in the Cut Bank Pioneer Press.

BANKERS, GEOLOGIST, SCHOOL TEACHERS

Gordon Campbell, geologist, discoverer of the Kevin-Sunburst oil field, was made a "goat" and sent to the penitentiary at Leavenworth for following the customary practice in a manner of procuring leases.

While in the "pen" Mr. Campbell observed that he was the only geologist there, while there were one hundred bankers among the involuntary guests. Now comes the Montana legislature, with a display of brilliant ideas, and mandates, that school teachers must hold up their right hands, and that bankers and bankers must be lauded to the skies.

Strictly modern and up-to-date, in the midst of hunger and unemployment, the legislature takes "free speech" away from the people, while crooked bankers take their savings away from them.

A far better remedy for protection of the innocent and the uninformed, would be to remove burglar alarms from banks to school houses, or else to require each convicted banker to take his burglar alarm to the "pen" with him.

IDAHO WAKING UP

The larger press in Idaho is probably as closely muzzled as the press in Montana which is owned by the Anaconda Company and operated by push buttons in the head office of the Montana Power Company. According to The Roberts Sentinel, a small weekly of Jefferson county, Idaho of date, Feb. 12, events are happening in Idaho which do not get over the associated press wires. From this paper one learns:

"A band of more than one thousand farmers cheering at every suggestion of tax relief, marched on the state capitol Wednesday and presented a series of demands for tax relief.

"One of the demands was the passage of the bill taxing power, one mill per kilowatt; another demand was the passage of a graduated income tax; another demand was to make the telephone companies and railroads pay a higher proportion of the tax; another demand was to relieve certain of the smaller farmers from all taxes of every nature."

We also learn that the progressive candidate for governor who was defeated two years ago, H. F. Samuels, mounted the steps of the capitol at Boise and addressed the embattled farmers in support of their immediate demands. The governor C. Ben Ross, attempted to answer the farmers meeting. Many of his statements were met with jeers from the farmers.

It is a pleasure to note that the farmers make DEMANDS and do not make PRAYERS or PETITIONS as they do in Montana.

THE WASHINGTON SCENE

By LAURENCE TODD, Federated Press

SMEDLEY BUTLER OF THE MARINES

Washington.—Gen. Smedley D. Butler of the Marine Corps, whose trial by court martial was first ordered and then countermanded, in political panic, by the Hoover administration, is expected to retire within a year, on account of age. Meanwhile he has asked for leave of absence, next October, to make a lecture tour of the country. His formal expression of regret that

his "indiscreet remarks" concerning Mussolini have "caused embarrassment to the government" has gone into the official record, and he has been sharply reprimanded for having spoken disrespectfully of the fascist dictator, Sec. Adams as mouthpiece for Pres. Hoover—who originally demanded that Butler be given the full legal hazard of trial under charges which could have brought him imprisonment for as much as 15 years—has no

FARMING IN RUSSIA

How Soviet Russia, with a rural population of 120 million, 90 % of whom are illiterate, hopes to farm one-seventh of the earth's surface under centralized control so that no one shall lose money.

By Anna Louise Strong

THE BIGGEST STORY on earth today is the story of Russian farming. While farming in the rest of the world slips into chaotic bankruptcy, subject to risks of weather and the greater risks of markets, the Russian farmer produces on advance orders from his government, with a fixed price and credits loaned him a year ahead. If his crop fails, it is covered by crop insurance. And the time is not far distant when the state will order in advance not only wheat, but cotton, potatoes, hemp, tobacco, livestock, telling each region what kind of crops are wanted and in what quantity.

Dangerous power? Certainly! There will be shortly in the world a nation which could flood the world with wheat, if it so desired. But they will not desire—not at present prices. They don't care to go broke, any more than other farmers. Last year they produced wheat, to solve the nation's bread problem. Next year they turn attention to livestock, cotton, hemp, tobacco. They actually intend to farm one-seventh of the earth's surface by a system of advance orders, fixed prices and crop insurance, taking the gamble out of farming.

LAND IS FLUID

Land today is a fluid in Russia as water rights are in our western irrigation states. A village of a thousand families throws its lands into one big piece of perhaps 30,000 acres. Every villager keeps his "land rights," but he doesn't have a special piece of land any more than our western farmer has a special piece of water from the irrigation ditch. His "land rights" mean the right to a certain proportion of harvest.

To get this share of harvest he has to work, as he worked before. But instead of wasting half of his time wandering from tiny piece to tiny piece, and working with one old nag and a wooden plow, he works in a field gang of his neighbors with modern machines. His "right and duty of work" is also proportioned to his land rights and to his hope of harvest; he works under a field manager whom he himself selects. He finds that it takes less than half the work to produce the same harvest as formerly; then he turns attention to producing a better harvest.

FARMERS CO-OPERATE

I spent the whole of last year traveling to collective farms in Russia. I saw them scattered from Odessa to the Volga and far into Siberia. A little village of 100 families puts its horses and plows together, throws its 50 wooden plows on the scrap heap, uses 50 good plows with a double team of horses, and plows 50 per cent more than the previous spring.

RAISE WHEAT BY CONTRACT

"If the peasants are autonomous," I asked, "how can the state order them to produce certain crops?"

"The same way all orders are made in business—advance orders with loans. If we agree to produce what the state wants, we get loans for seed and implements—new tractors, threshers, combines. We get reduction of taxes. We know in advance what we'll be paid for harvest. And if our harvest fails, we get insurance."

The fixed price for wheat to the Russian peasant has been from \$1 to \$1.20 per bushel for the past three years. Comparison with American prices is difficult, for America quotes prices on Grade A wheat delivered in grain centers and then deducts for cheaper grades. Russia quotes price for low quality wheat delivered at the railroad and then adds premiums for carload lots, high quality, prompt delivery at a specified point.

RUSSIAN PRICE \$1.20 A BUSHEL

For first class wheat, promptly delivered in car load lots, the collective farms have been getting \$1.20 a bushel.

That's not the whole story. In return for delivering wheat on such contract, the Russian peasant gets machinery and city-made goods also at controlled prices. Often he gets farm machinery below the actual cost of production, while the state factory making machinery runs temporarily at a loss while attaining mass production. It is cheaper for the state to take a loss on a farm implement plant than to raise the cost of wheat.

YOUNG FOLKS ARE PEOPLE

The young man likes it, partly because it frees him from domination by his dad. No longer does he postpone marriage, or bring his young wife into the patriarchal home to be bossed by the Old Man. He works and gets his harvest share and land rights the same as anyone else. "Now is the time when young folks also are people," said one of these young men to me. With one blow the need to slave under dad's orders till the age of 40 and then inherit the family acres, was removed.

This year hundreds of Russian tractors, thus organized, finished one sowing in the south of Russia, and were then thrown north on special trains, at passenger speed, and did a second sowing in the spring in Siberia, a costly method, not to be regularly repeated, but showing what a nation can do when it plans farming as a nation-wide feeding business.

Butler that his troublesome talking "merits and receives the unqualified condemnation of the navy department, and for this utterance, which you admit, you are hereby reprimanded."

Made National Hero

Trial by court martial, in the open light of international publicity for discussion of the savage record of Mussolini, would have made Butler a popular hero. In view of the political situation in Pennsylvania, where James J. Davis seems to be perishing of fright lest he be not re-nominated next year, the general of marines had a good chance of being tossed into

the senate as a symbol of American contempt for Il Duce. Some of the biggest organizations of Italian-Americans were preparing to back his candidacy. However, who go on a big spree and meet a new Jane, let FraFink pay for it out of his own pockets, instead of taking the money out of the tax payers' pockets. And something about Nils Madsen. Let him pay for his own junkies. Those trips Frank and Nils take cost taxpayers about 300 bones. Just the things I called attention to would save the taxpayers about 1,000 bucks a month—another thing:

There are a lot of county poor operations the poor can get along without, and live longer, that costs a lot of money each year, that the taxpayers might look into, and when they have attended to this, we may be able to think of something else.

"Once there was a gal wanted to go for a swim but her mother told her to hang her clothes on a bush and take a sun bath. Some way or other this taxpayers association makes me think of this gal. No, John, Nutt is not against the taxpayers association, carry a bit. Nutt just thinks they ought to function, and probably if they make a noise like they meant business everybody would join."

"Say, John, did yer ever hear of the smart guy who made a mad run for the cat and rat ranch?"

"Yes, I dunno."

"Member he fed the rats to the cats and after skinning the cats fed them to the rats."

"What 'er 'bout him?"

"He's in the headline now!"

"How come?"

"Well, ya see, the rats increased faster 'n the cats and nen the cats starved to death 'count of over production of rats, an' the rats starved to death 'count of so many dead cats."

"Yaw."

My old playfellow Tom O'Flaherty, who usta sit around and talk to me so solemn like sometimes, who is now milling 'round amongst Al Capone's gun men, lows the school marmers are okay 'n that "readin' writin' an' 'rithmetic" aint necessary any more for the less most of the kids read of what's put out nowadays the more they know—readin's a handicap, and deaf and dumb ones can get over what most of 'em are interested in nowadays. You tell um, Tom, you know how!

Train 'em to stand patiently in the soup line, live on 10 cents a day, vote for Hoover, and salute the flag, and you have 'em prepared for a useful life we don't want any of this here communism what makes yer heart pie now instead of in the sky.

Butler only a Soldier

Whatever Smedley Butler's private opinions of the wisdom or fairness of the role he felt himself obliged to play in that shameful drama of imperialism, the fact remains that he was the obedient and cheerful servant of an international crime. He was as much an agent of despotism as any officer on the staff of the Russian, or the minority deputies in the fortress of Brest-Litovsk, or as any Italian army officer, turned jailer for Mussolini. He was the soldier type that does not question orders.

SQUIRREL FOOD

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to examine county affairs who are supposed to know their business, and something about the law, but when one off nose disinterested guys examines the affairs of the county, and finds things so rotten they stick, Frank the tax payer, the examiner is "nuts" and wilder "an a squirrel, and the taxpayers are sure that Frank is right and the examiner is wrong. Sure the examiner is crazier "an a burbug with hokey pokey under his tail. It now takes 20 dozen eggs to pay for a membership in the taxpayers league or five pounds of butter or two bushels of wheat—but see all you get. Purty soon you will get a buttin with Frank French's picture on it to pin on your coat and make you feel proud

"Seems t me like the taxpayers league is good deal like the old dawg 'n us he was that would chase his tail around fer hours. He never got very far nor accomplished very much but he sure got a heap of exercise."

"Now there are a number of things the taxpayers association could do besides chewing snus, and by the way, snus is better chewin' tobacco 'n yer save the tax and now days one should save and spend so as to bring back prosperity. You know, John, if we're going to cut down taxes we just all gotta cut em down, or we don't get em down—funny as it may seem. Some folks thinks that is nutty an maybe tis. But about this thing to get rid of a lot of expense and commence to run the county for less and less for a spell. Course you will have to get along without things some of which we might not miss very much. Now for instance: We could let the printing contract at bids and let it to the lowest bid instead of giving it to Joe without 'em. We could buy the lumber for the county bridges cheaper we do; we can buy oil and gas wholesale and by bids and save a bit like they do in Cascade county; could buy it in North Dakota and haul it over here in county trucks; we could invest every cent of sinking fund money in school district warrants and make a lot. We could pay warrants on the general fund long as there is money in the fund instead of registering the warrants and keeping the money in the bank as old John is doing so as to not take the money out of the banks and worry the bankers. We could get along without a county agent and never miss him, and then we could move the county attorney's office from Jim Wagner's building into where the county agent is, and

HEADED TOWARD ANOTHER DROUTH

Seattle.—Journeying across the flat western farming country one gets a very vivid idea of the plight in which its population find it today and the tragedy by which it may be overwhelmed before this year of our Lord, 1931, and the third year of the reign of Herbert Hoover, super-engineer, is over.

Nowhere in an all day ride did we encounter so much as an inch of snow and except in spots the ground was absolutely bare, and this in the middle of winter when ordinarily the fences are covered with snow drifts. Unless this lack of snow is made up by an extraordinary precipitation during the rest of the winter and spring, next year will see another drouth and crop failure in a country already suffering from a combination of drouth and the low price of wheat.

Even so the Dakota farmers are not yet in the same tragic plight as the Canadian farmers. I am reliably informed that 150,000 out of 250,000 farm families in western Canada are dependent on state or private aid for seed for spring sowing, and for food between now and the next harvest.

Little wonder that there is talk of a 100% Canadian wheat pool and that western American farmers are apparently ready for radical political action. Indeed, there is much talk of a "Canadian farmers' union" to be organized among all groups in the west than in the eastern seaboard states.

The chief spokesman of one of the western railroads said to me: "We fellows on the railroads have been spending all our time the last year figuring out how many men we could get along without. It's time someone was figuring out how to put the men to work elsewhere, or we are heading straight for revolution."

People in all classes are tremendously impressed by the progress Russia is making in both industry and agriculture.

make no difference one way or another, any more than taking the oath to support the constitution, keeps the soldiers or the governor from taking a drink of whiskey whenever it is offered, or keeps John Schnitzler in the narrow path of virtue because he has taken the vows of matrimony—it's just another idiotic symptom of a decadent age, and characteristic of the "sap heads" now at the helm of state; besides it will furnish humor for future generations.

Think how the boys will laugh a hundred years from now when they read how the legislature passed and the governor signed the teachers oath bill.

No More Bills

Last Friday was the last day in the house and Monday the last day in the senate for the introduction of bills without unanimous consent. A final grist of them was thrown into the hopper the last minute. 485 bills were introduced in the house and 129 in the senate. Unanimous consent bill and last minute appropriation bills will probably make the number over 625 for both houses for the session.

Motion to Suspend Rules

An attempt to flood the senate with a mass of last minute bills failed when a motion to suspend the rules for the day and permit introduction of measures without previous notice was offered Monday and defeated.

Senator Stewart of Deer Lodge assailed the motion, declaring, "It seems that some of the members have slept on their rights for 42 days and having a day off yesterday, have awakened to the fact that some bills advocated by the constituents back home have not been introduced."

Among the last proposals offered the senate were two designed to regulate salaries of state employees. On would prohibit the state board of examiners from increasing salaries and the other would trim about 10 per cent off all salaries in excess of \$150. The finance and claims committee is sponsor.

Tuesday, Feb. 17

HOUSE

Liberalization of Montana's divorce requirements failed of approval by the house of representatives today.

The measure, which would have permitted suit to be filed after 30 days residence and a decree to be entered after 90 days, was beaten 37 to 55.

The house this morning put the finishing touch to the hydro-electric tax bill by tabling, 67 to 32 the bill to reduce the salary of the chancellor of the greater university from \$10,000 to \$7,500 a year raised the house 64 to 32.

It required two hours and prevented the transaction of much other business, disposal of the hydro-electric tax bill by the house removed one of its larger problems. The bill was beaten by a standing vote of 62 to 28 after 13 speaker had discussed the matter.

McCormick of Flathead supported by Benjamin Toole and others, favored the measure. Delwio of Lake was chief spokesman for the opponents, with Fred of Petroleum, one of the bills signers, and several others enforcing his arguments.

Sponsors of the bill urged it as a source of new revenue which might be used to reduce the state's debt. Its opponents declared the receipts would not be used for debt reduction, that the power companies already were more heavily taxed than other taxpayers and that only a minute proportion of the state's water power has been developed and the industry should not be discouraged from further extension.

Among the house measures recommended was one to require bonds of gasoline dealers as a protection to the state in collection of license taxes.

SENATE

A bill establishing a managerial form of government for counties sponsored by the committee of the whole. A bill to color industrial gasoline yellow was also approved.

On adverse committee reports, the senate killed three house and two senate bills. Among these were the proposal to house women convicts in county jails and to increase the penalty for robbery with a weapon and to permit citizens to accept compensation for the issuance of franchises.

Repeal of the absent voters' law

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The senate session, likewise, was uneventful. Committee reports killed one measure, requiring the state purchasing agent to buy Montana goods at a price not to exceed five per cent over the low bid.

Among those recommended for passage by senate committees were the amendment of the law prohibiting sale of liquor to minors, the proposal to register automobiles with county treasurers, the senate reapportionment bill, a plan identical to which has been killed in the house, and the measure requiring notice of marriage intention to be published.

LAST WEEK—HOUSE

On Thursday of last week McCormick of Flathead and 30 others lobbied against the bill, but the floor of the house and from approaching members at their desks whether the body was in session or not.

The speaker also notified visitors that they must keep quiet or he would clear the floor.

Over in the senate Thursday the members listened to the first reading of house bills and senate memorial to congress to stabilize silver, was introduced.

In the house, the re-apportionment bill, after a battle, was defeated failing 40 to 55. Thirteen members explained their votes. By this measure the house membership would have been reduced by 3 members—from 102 to 99. Six counties would have lost members and three counties would have gained.

The senate recommended a house bill reducing the taxable value of stored grain to 7 per cent. And the teachers oath bill.

FRIDAY—LAST

In the senate a new apportionment bill was introduced identical to the one killed in the house, so the house will probably get an opportunity to kill it again.

Senators Larson and Survant introduced a bill providing for a closed primary—that is requiring a person voting in the primaries to declare his party affiliations which is entered in the poll book and a ballot of that party supplied to voters.

In the house Fairgrave introduced a bill to abolish primaries entirely and providing for the return to the convention system.

Monday, Next, Last Day for Transmission of Bills

Monday, Feb. 23, the fiftieth day, will be the last day for the transmission of bills from one chamber to the other, except appropriation and revenue bills from the house to the senate. As a result both house and senate are putting in long hours now.

The house worked all day last Sunday and held night sessions all week. The senate is now holding night sessions and will hold a Sunday session, Feb. 22. The session on the night of the 23 will be late or until all measures are disposed of in each house that must be transferred.

The speaker has ordered all bills reported from committees in the house.

There will be regular hours in both houses after the 23rd, but the stress will increase as the last day approaches, which will occur March 5th. The last day, however, is sometimes many hours long.

PHILIPSBURG—First Bank Corporation of Minneapolis opened Montana State Bank here recently.

HAVRE—Plans proposed for erecting third story to new Federal building here.

MAD MULLAH

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seems to be without police protection—that is the whiskey ring seems to be carrying on as best it can without the chief's over- and all-seeing-eye. Corp. Teddy Winters has also kept under cover since being occupied in looking after Host Gorman, at Scooby, they say.

And people say, the whiskey dive has been selling only soda pop, root beer, and Hershey bars since the combat.

It seems that the fracas started this way: L. S. Olson, Harry Polk's and Burley Bowler's editor of that outfit's local chain paper, went to Medicine Lake Thursday, Feb. 12 to attend a banquet put on by Cheeley of the Montana Newspaper Association. The on-in-law of the chief, Standish, who works for the association, was with Cheeley, and visited relatives in Plentywood. At the same time the republicans were having a Lincoln's Day banquet and the Medicine Lake post of the American Legion had on a big dance.

There was a big crowd in the Lake. John Bowles went down to see what he could see. Editor Olson, Chief Collins and Editor Dolin of the Wave put on a party, imbibed a lot of "Red Eye" and discussed ways and means of suppressing the Reds. When sufficiently lit up they went on a prowl and ran into John Bowles, when Oscar, feeling onery and mean, started to pick on John.

But Bowles suppressed his ire and bided his time.

In the morning Olson and Collins boarded the train, as did Bowles. The editor and chief were yet somewhat pickled. Oscar passed several slurring remarks in the direction of Bowles, while Lawrence laughed in that loud and raucous manner which suggests a want of wit. Arriving at Plentywood Oscar headed into the whiskey dive, where Jack Dwyer, formerly stoolpigeon and strikebreaker over at Whitefish during the shopenmen's strike, dispensator, had apparently under the protecting wing of the law. Bowles met Pete Stewart and asked him to come along, also his father-in-law, Jim O'Toole. All belied up to the bar and had a drink when Oscar commenced again where he had left off, which terminated as told above.

When Oscar hit the floor with a bump that shook the building, Jack Dwyer, the king of the whiskey ring, rushed out from behind the bar, but Pete Stewart advised him to stand back and Jim O'Toole edged over toward him with a cautioning look in his eye. The Jim has one arm in a sling, the left one in fair condition so the magnate was discrete and the fight continued until Oscar implored the intervention of heaven and when Stewart pulled Bowles off the bottled end.

This fight recalls another that Oscar had with Pete Stewart over at Shelby during the boom days when Oscar came home with a head on, and another incident when Oscar was on the border patrol and was picked up on the prairies and taken to the morgue for dead, after which he was allowed to resign with honors, when he returned to Plentywood and got a job on the police force.

Construction has been completed on the road between Columbus and Reed Point.

ASPIRIN

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS

LOOK for the name Bayer and the word genuine on the package as pictured above

Local Brevities

LOCAL MARKETS

Thursday, February 19, 1931	
Dark Northern	50
Winter wheat	46
Amber Durum	46
Barley	46
Flax	46
Butter	20
Eggs	10
Potatoes	1.00

John Debing and Miss Beatrice spent the week end visiting at Stanley, North Dakota.

O. F. Torno, prominent elevator man of Daleview, was a court house caller Monday.

Jesse Hedges of Antelope was a business caller at the county seat on Tuesday.

Fred Wynia of Navajo was a business caller and shopper in the city Tuesday.

The Misses Gertrude and Gladys Petersen spent the week end at the parental home.

Oberdahl of Antelope was a business caller at the court house Saturday.

Dan Nichols from south of the city was seen on the streets early in the week.

George Points of Daleview motored to the county seat to look after business matters.

Judge Paul spent Tuesday and part of Wednesday on business in Scooby.

Judge Paul has returned from Helena and the Twin Cities. He received treatment for his eyes in the city.

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Want Ads

Ads in this column are charged for at the rate of two cents for each word. Minimum charge for any ad 25 cents. Remittance should accompany copy for the advertisement.

FOR SALE—Bred sows to farrow in March or April, eight to 10 cubs a pound. A. M. Hagan, Redstone, Mont. (46-2tp)

FOR SALE—Good clean Blain seed flax. \$2.50 per bushel. H. Huffman, Raymond, Mont. (46-7tp)

WANTED—Two working girls want work either on farm or in town. References if desired. Mabel Tooten and Gerda Sorenson, Ford, Mont., c/o Art Kvisth. (44-4t)

WANTED—To rent good farm from 400 to 800 acres and pasture. Olaf Shea, Raymond. (47-1tp)

FOR SALE—Blain Seed Flax, clean, right from registered stock. Geo. Overby, Plentywood. (47-2tp)

FARM FOR RENT—160 acres with buildings, 155 acres under cultivation. A-1 land, 160 acres adjoining can be had in connection. Ideal place for right party. Only reliable parties with good references need apply. Care Producers News, Plentywood. (47-2tp)

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Paul M. Madsen of Dagmar motored Monday. He called at the Nielsen Madsen home.

Mesdames Albert Kollman, Otto Donaldson and Jack Courtney were joint entertainers at bridge honoring guests at sixteen tables. The Catholic church parlors were beautifully decorated in yellow and green. The pleasant affair occurred Tuesday evening. Mrs. Blain Dean received high honors. Mrs. Timmerman second and Mrs. Mike Falubick third.

CHURCH NOTES

LUTHERAN CHURCH
O. M. Stundson Pastor

Services Feb. 22 at Plentywood at 8 a. m. Raymond at 2:30 and at Outlook at 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Ueland spent Wednesday shopping and visiting with friends in Plentywood.

Nels Sorenson drove up from Dagmar last Saturday to spend the day.

The benefit supper given by the men of the Congregational church Saturday night was very well attended and a neat sum was realized.

Among the Raymondites who attended the seed loan meeting at the court house Saturday were Art Dureby, John Lindbloom, Jack Stewart and Frank Raymond.

Miss Wort, home demonstration agent is confined to her bed this week suffering from a severe cold and is under the care of a local physician.

Mr. Noble of the "White Coffee Pot" received a visit from his mother and father and a sister over the week end. They drove down from Scooby.

Miss Ingeborg Knutson will enjoy a vacation from her duties as nurse at the local hospital after the recent death of her father. She will accompany her sister Mrs. Bishop to Portland, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Van Hee and Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Howell spent Sunday visiting and outing at and near Brockton. They also spent some time in Culbertson on the return trip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Helgeson and son Kermit motored to Crosby Saturday evening to spend the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Al Hanson and family. They returned Sunday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Ziebarth entertained the town and country club at their home Sunday night. Cards was the diversion of the evening and a bounteous lunch was enjoyed by all.

Among the Dagmarites to take in the seed loan meeting on Monday were Chris Kiles, Anton and Nels Sundsted, Art and Christ Petersen and son and Conrad Conradson.

Sven Petersen, secretary of the Dagmar Farmer Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and son Emil drove up from Dagmar on Tuesday. The Producers News acknowledges a pleasant call.

Word has been received that Mrs. Harry Larson underwent a serious operation at the Trinity Hospital at Minot. She is doing as well as can be expected and her friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Collins enjoyed a short visit from their son-in-law, John K. Standish, who is employed by the Montana Newspaper Association at Great Falls.

The Misses Tronson and Brix were hostesses at a bridge party given at the P. M. Ziebarth home Saturday evening. Three tables were in play. Hector Martin was awarded men's prize and Mrs. P. M. Ziebarth, ladies' prize.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Debing and daughter Beatrice drove to Minot last Sunday to visit with Mrs. Harry Larson who is in the hospital. They report Mrs. Larson as being critically ill but doing as well as can be expected so soon after the heavy operation.

Misses Gertrude and Gladys Petersen were pleasantly surprised when their friends L. C. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Miller and sons of Burns, Mont., called on them Friday enroute to Dagmar last Friday. The visitors, accompanied by the young ladies, drove to the home of Nels Petersen where they spent a few days.

Mrs. Gustafson entertained her Wednesday club at three tables of bridge having an extra table for honor guests. Mrs. Gustafson carried out the valentine color scheme of red and white. Miss Braden won head prize. Mrs. A. McLean second and Mrs. Campbell out prize.

Last Monday afternoon and evening at the home of Mrs. Stegner occurred a very unique bridge party. Mrs. Stegner, Mrs. Bull and Mrs. Campbell were hostesses. The valentine scheme of pink and white was carried out, each place being favored with a corsage of beautiful cut flowers. Six tables were in play at both sessions. The prizes awarded were first, second and third respectively to Mrs. Morck, Mrs. Timmerman and Mrs. Kollman. The evening prizes went to Mrs. C. C. Johnston, Mrs. Gustafson and Mrs. Dahlen.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rongstad and daughter visited with Mr. and Mrs. E. Smith Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Christ Willumsen and family, Miss Tillie Lentz and Mrs. E. Smith, were guests at the church on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Olsen were hosts to the former whist club last Friday evening.

Sophus Christensen visited with Henke brothers Friday evening.

Miss Marie Jensen sponsored a dance Saturday night at the Wilson school.

Mrs. Carl Jacobsen of Dagmar was in the city last Saturday where she underwent an operation on Thursday evening at Good Samaritan hospital. Her many friends here will be glad to know she is convalescing.

School was in session at H. C. Anderson on Saturday.

The many friends of Miss Elizabeth Nielsen were very pleased to learn that she is able to be up and about once more. She was given a valentine shower on Feb. 14 to which a number of her friends responded.

There was a card party given at Sunny Hill school Saturday evening which was well attended.

A very deplorable accident befell Fred Henke on Saturday evening. He had been to the basement for coal and returned to the kitchen when in some manner he fell and in the fall his leg was broken just below the hip. He was removed to the Plentywood hospital where the injury was treated.

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FROM AROUND SHERIDAN COUNTY

McELROY RESERVE

Several of our tax paying residents from the Anderson and McElroy which will probably be in the Legion dance in Medicine Lake last Thursday night.

G. W. Wolbert of Williston was a guest at the Gibbons home last Thursday.

Harold Borge who has been assisting at the Gibbons store a couple months returned to his home in Donaldson, Minn., last Sunday. He and Hans Tjomsos drove to Kennan Sunday and Mr. Borge took the train from there. We are sorry to lose Mr. Borge as he made many friends during his short stay in town.

Hans Tjomsos and Harold Borge were six o'clock dinner guests at the Gibbons home Friday.

George Lund made a drive to Poplar last Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Tjomsos and children of Fred and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Peterson of the Dagmar county were Sunday dinner guests at the Gibbons home.

Last Saturday evening the Bachelor's Club entertained their friends at a progressive party and dance. Twenty tables of whist was played. The men's high score was won by Geo. Asved; the ladies' high score by Mrs. Martin Larsen. The whist game terminated at ten o'clock. The floor was then cleared and dancing commenced to the music of the Christensen-Hollquist orchestra. A very large crowd attended and the music was enjoyed by all. A number of Raymond farmers went to Plentywood Monday to attend a farmers meeting.

Miss Margaret Johnson gave a valentine party at her school Saturday afternoon. It was attended by quite a number of the children's parents and all the children.

Lina Anderson had the misfortune of falling and breaking his arm near the elbow. He went to Plentywood Monday to have it cared for. Martin Reinertson of Plentywood has the section house ready to move and expects to move it some time this week.

A number of the Raymond boys attended a dance in Outlook Saturday night.

Pete Fink was up to Outlook to which some feed ground at his brother Ed's place.

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THE PRODUCERS NEWS

McELROY RESERVE

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G. W. Wolbert of Williston was a guest at the Gibbons home last Thursday.

Harold Borge who has been assisting at the Gibbons store a couple months returned to his home in Donaldson, Minn., last Sunday. He and Hans Tjomsos drove to Kennan Sunday and Mr. Borge took the train from there. We are sorry to lose Mr. Borge as he made many friends during his short stay in town.

Hans Tjomsos and Harold Borge were six o'clock dinner guests at the Gibbons home Friday.

George Lund made a drive to Poplar last Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Tjomsos and children of Fred and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Peterson of the Dagmar county were Sunday dinner guests at the Gibbons home.

Last Saturday evening the Bachelor's Club entertained their friends at a progressive party and dance. Twenty tables of whist was played. The men's high score was won by Geo. Asved; the ladies' high score by Mrs. Martin Larsen. The whist game terminated at ten o'clock. The floor was then cleared and dancing commenced to the music of the Christensen-Hollquist orchestra. A very large crowd attended and the music was enjoyed by all. A number of Raymond farmers went to Plentywood Monday to attend a farmers meeting.

Miss Margaret Johnson gave a valentine party at her school Saturday afternoon. It was attended by quite a number of the children's parents and all the children.

Lina Anderson had the misfortune of falling and breaking his arm near the elbow. He went to Plentywood Monday to have it cared for. Martin Reinertson of Plentywood has the section house ready to move and expects to move it some time this week.

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GENERAL CONDEMNATION OF THE STARVATION POLICY BRINGS A STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT

Red Cross Payne, in Answer to Hoover Inquiry, Assures President that Red Cross Funds are Ample to Feed Starving Millions—That all Needs Have been Supplied and Will be 10 Cents a Day per Person—Senators are Amazed as People Die off Daily by the Hundreds from Starvation.

By Laurence Todd, National Capitol, Washington, D. C.

Alarmed by the eagerness with which senators, the galleries and the reading public welcomed Sen. Borah's denunciation of his neglect and indifference toward the wholesale starvation among the drouth victims in the south, Pres. Hoover took

refuge on Feb. 3 behind his agent, John Barton Payne of the American Red Cross. He issued a letter which he had secured from Payne, asserting that relief is now being given, and that sufficient funds are in hand or in prospect, from private donations. On the basis of this letter, Hoover issued a long declaration against federal relief, and protested that both the drouth victims and the unemployed will be looked after without taking a penny from the federal treasury.

Payne's Letter
Payne's letter, answering an inquiry from Hoover, stated:

"Relief is being given to the drouth sufferers throughout the drouth areas by our local chapters and branches. These are manned by the most public spirited and helpful people in the different counties and states; neighbors and friends of the drouth-stricken who know them personally, are sympathetic with them, determine their needs and give them an order on the local store for their requirements. . . .

"From the beginning we have not withheld support from a single drouth sufferer from want of funds. Sufficient funds for current needs have always been on hand and relief where necessary has been given. . . . We are confident of our ability to raise sufficient funds to continue adequately to meet the needs."

Ignores Reports of Starvation
Payne ignores the thousands of letters received in Washington reciting the actual starvation in Arkansas and Kentucky, the utter insufficiency of funds administered by his organization, the Associated Press estimate of 10 cents a day as the amount allowed in the average case for food, or the estimate of 42 to 50 cents a week quoted by Sen. Caraway. Nor does he hint at the fact that a few days ago he had told a senate committee that his \$4,500,000 fund would handle the entire emergency, he appealed for an additional ten million dollars.

Defends Rich Tax Payers
Hoover defends the rich taxpayers by re-stating his "conviction that if we break down this sense of responsibility of individual generosity to individual and mutual self help" which is private charity, and vote public funds for relief of victims of a great national calamity, "we have not only impaired something infinitely valuable in the life of the American people but have struck at the roots of self government. Once this has happened it is not the cost of a few score millions but we are faced with the abyss of reliance in the future upon government charity in any form or other."

He calls private charity "the American way," and asserts that "the country is successfully meeting its problem in the American way today."

Charity Adequate and Efficient.
Not only the drouth victims but the unemployed in the industrial districts are being successfully dealt with, Hoover declares. He says that "in every town and county voluntary relief agencies have been strengthened and created and generous funds have been placed at their disposal. They are carrying on their work efficiently and sympathetically."

But if "Charity Fails"
However, the president is not quite convinced by his own statements, for he adds that "if the time should ever come" that private charity and local and state governments are unable to cope with hunger and suffering "in my country," he will ask for federal aid.

Forced Red Cross Refusal of Aid
Senators from the drouth states were amazed at the assertions of Payne and Hoover that the Red Cross is feeding the hungry and has adequate funds in sight. Sen. Caraway, who had challenged Mr. Hoover to disclose the drama behind the Red Cross council's refusal to handle federal funds, prepared to renew his demand for the facts. The report going the rounds of the capital was that Hoover not only forced that resolution thru the council, against a hostile minority vote, but that he announced the decision some hours before the vote was taken! In short, it was indicated that Hoover had forced the Red Cross to refuse to perform its normal duty of distributing enough food to keep men and women and children alive, and had then gotten from Chairman Payne the shattering denial that the hungry have been neglected.

ARKANSAS SOLONS HEAR A "MASTER'S VOICE" ABOUT FOOD

Washington—Pres. Hoover is credited by Sen. McNary with having brought Harvey Couch, Arkansas power magnate and banker to Washington to "reason" with Sen. Caraway and also with Sen. Robinson of that state, to prevent them from carrying out their threat to force an extra session of Congress if their people are left by Hoover to starve.

Couch was received at the station by a White House emissary, and later had talks with both Arkansas senators. It appeared he was called in because he has been accustomed to telling these senators what to do about power and financial issues. As head of the Electric Bond & Share company in the lower Mississippi valley, he was counted on to bring the militant senators to heel.

At the same time, Caraway asserted that there would be no compromise unless Hoover agreed to relax the rules which Secretary Hyde has thrown around the use of funds lent for feeding farm animals. For example, it is illegal for a farmer to use any of the present loan funds for feeding his milk cows or pigs or a handful of mill-feed intended for mules, that act is a criminal offense.

Intimations have gone out from G. O. P. headquarters that a lot of patronage jobs and "adjustments" can be secured by senators if they will abandon plans for a special session. Owen Young's visit to Washington is said to have resulted in spreading this hint among corporation democrats.

Washington—Fear expressed by progressives in Washington that Senators Robinson and Caraway would listen to "their master's voice" when Pres. Hoover brought Harvey Couch, Arkansas power magnate, to the capital to argue with them, were realized when they accepted a compromise measure for a \$20,000,000 loan to farmers in the drouth regions.

In his radio speech of capitulation Robinson asserted that this compromise "supplemented by the relief afforded by the Red Cross to those who cannot obtain loans, will prove satisfactory and highly beneficial. He did not venture to say it would be adequate."

By stopping the fight over food relief to starving farmers, Hoover avoids having the Bourbon democratic group in the senate assist the progressives in working for an immediate special session of the new congress, which would almost certainly vote considerable appropriations to aid the hungry farmers and the unemployed.

He also would save the power companies from the danger of rate reduction activities by state commissions, stimulated by the power trust debate which the new congress will promptly begin.

Whether the power senators will be able to save Hoover from a special session still very doubtful. None of the chief appropriation bills had been enacted into law when but 15 days of session remained.

Failure of any of the 11 regular appropriation bills to pass by noon of March 4 will compel the president to summon the new congress in time to enact that bill before the end of June.

ert Strand of Comertown, Montana for the last few years.

He lives where non can mourn and weep, And calmly shall this body sleep Till God shall death himself destroy, And raise it into glorious joy.

Then let us leave him to his rest, And homeward turn, for he is blest; And we must well our souls prepare, When death shall come, to meet him there.

Recalls Experience
The death of Alvin Carlberg recalls an experience of the youth and his brother, Glenn, when they were tots in the woods of northern Minnesota, which is of human interest now. The following story is reproduced from a Twin City daily:

CHILDREN, 5 AND 6, LOST IN NORTHERN WOODS 20 HOURS
Wet, Chilled, Without Food, Deer River Boys are Found by 250 Searchers

Wet, chilled, but not exhausted, after being without food or shelter for 20 hours, Glenn Carlberg, 5 years old and his brother Alvin, 6, were found in a swamp near a farm seven miles west of Deer River, Minn., by a searching party composed of more than 250 men. The swampy land into which the two boys had strayed two miles from their home, is covered with virgin timber and heavy underbrush.

The boys are sons of Carl Carlberg, a farmer and widower with nine children. At the time the boys were lost their father was in town buying supplies, and the children were in care of a 14-year-old sister. Physicians pronounced the vitality of the boys most remarkable.

Church services were suspended and a community dinner was arranged for the family as a rejoicing.

ARKANSAS

(Continued from front page)

of the Arkansas Power Company, came to town and Sen. Robinson ran up the white flag and accepted a compromise without submitting it to a conference of his democratic associates.

The coalition was thrown into confusion; the progressive republicans felt they had been betrayed; Old Guard leaders grumbled, complaining, the hungry millions in city and country were left "up in the air."

It was a marvelous exhibition of what a business man of the right type could do when he knocked off his regular work and devoted a little time to running the government.

The "surrender" encountered "rough sledding" in the senate. Bitter criticism.

Brookhart of Iowa referred to it as "The Arkansas compromise." He recalled that the Missouri compromise had been declared unconstitutional by the supreme court and declared that the Arkansas compromise would be "overthrown by the supreme will of the people of the United States."

Glass of Virginia, a conservative democrat, said, "It is not a compromise, it is a surrender, and while no odium necessarily attaches to a surrender, this is a surrender disguised with pretence, it is a surrender that is saturated with covert insincerity on the part of those who would administer the proposed fund."

Blain of Wisconsin twitted the Arkansas senators about the activities of the powerful Mr. Couch and suggested that Senator Caraway should reconvene the lobby committee, of which he is chairman, and ascertain to what extent Mr. Couch had lobbied to bring about the compromise.

Caraway admitted that Couch had come to Washington and had interviewed the Arkansas senators. "Mr. Couch came to me," said Caraway, "and said the president was willing to make certain concessions. We said we would make certain concessions and finally it resulted in the agreement written."

Both Caraway and Robinson maintained that under the bill, the loans could be made for the purchase of food. This was hotly denied by the opposition and they cited a statement by Secretary of Agriculture Hyde to the effect that "this program avoids does or direct charity from the federal treasury, or any implication thereof."

Mr. Hoover's Letter
To offset Hyde's declaration, Robinson hastened to the White House and induced the President to give him a letter in which the chief executive promised that the legislation would be "sympathetically" administered, but carefully avoided saying anything about the purchase of food.

After the debate had raged for three days, Borah of Idaho once more came to the rescue of those who were demanding direct relief. He said he believed the compromise was broad enough to cover loans for food but in view of the conflicting interpretations some one in authority should say just what was meant.

Therefore he presented a resolution asking the secretary of agriculture to communicate to the senate his interpretation of the law and to state specifically whether

CARD OF THANKS
We, the undersigned, wish to thank those kind and considerate friends and neighbors whose sympathy and brotherly deeds in this time of bereavement, softened the sorrow and assisted so much, at the time of the sickness, and untimely death, and at the funeral of our beloved brother and nephew, and take this manner of expressing as far as possible our appreciation therefore.

We wish to express our gratitude to the quartette, Messrs. Rosstad, Raen, Fortney and Rev. Almstad, and the high school chorus for the songs rendered and to Mrs. Rostad who accompanied on the piano. And we wish to thank each and every one for the floral tokens of affection and tribute to the memory of our dear one.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Strand, Ethel Strand, Glen Carlberg, Murry Hunstberger.

HAS THE LAXATIVE IN YOUR HOME A DOCTOR'S APPROVAL?

Some things people do to help the bowels whenever any bad breath, feverishness, biliousness, or a lack of appetite warn of constipation, really weaken these organs. Only a doctor knows what will cleanse the system without harm. That is why the laxative in your home should have the approval of a family doctor.

The wonderful product, known to millions as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a family doctor's prescription for sluggish bowels. It never varies from the original prescription which Dr. Caldwell wrote thousands of times in many years of practice, and proved safe and reliable for men, women and children. It is made from herbs and other pure ingredients, so it is pleasant-tasting, and can form no habit. You can buy this popular laxative from all druggists.



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Hyde's Final Interpretation
The administration supporters, with the assistance of Robinson, had succeeded in mustering enough votes to pass the compromise, but they could not resist Borah's suggestion. It was unanimously adopted and the senate adjourned to await Secretary Hyde's reply.

The secretary was out of town but he wired that in his opinion there was nothing in the compromise to "prohibit loans for food, clothing and medicine," but he said nothing about making loans for those purposes.

Instead, he reiterated his view that the Red Cross is taking care of the needy farmers. Norris said that the Hyde message reminded him of the Wickersham report on prohibition.

While Mr. Hyde's reply is far from satisfactory to many senators, there is every reason to believe that the proposal will go through.

Government's Terms Harsh
If Mr. Hyde administers the "compromise" as he has the \$45,000,000 appropriated to provide the drouth-stricken farmers with loans for the purchase of seed, fertilizer and food for work animals, it will be of slight benefit to those who are in greatest need of help.

According to reports from the drouth areas, the government is refusing to make loans unless it can secure first mortgage on the farmer's crop. As the farmers have already placed mortgages on everything they possess, or hope to acquire, they find it difficult to meet Uncle Sam's terms.

Those southern senators who are supporting Robinson argue, however, that the "compromise" will cause the administration to assume a more liberal attitude, and that regulations will be materially modified.

Wall Street Speaks
While Mr. Couch played the star role in bringing about the triumph of the administration, he is not entitled to all the credit.

At about the time Mr. Crouch appeared on the scene, that small group of rich men in New York, who contribute to democratic campaign funds, began dropping into Washington. They warned the democratic leaders in the senate not to force an extra session and made it clear that "Big Business" wants the meeting of the new congress postponed as long as the constitution will permit.

It is high time the country became better acquainted with Mr. Couch. He is "big potatoes" in more ways than one.

Mr. Couch's Holdings
He has a firm grip on the power situation in Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi; is a director of a number of powerful banking institutions, owns railroads and dabbles in newspapers and is said to dominate the "regular" democratic organization in Arkansas.

Sen. Robinson's law firm counts Mr. Couch among its most valued clients.

According to Martindale's directory of attorneys, the senator is a member of the firm of Robinson, House & Moses in Little Rock, and among his clients are: The Arkansas Power and Light company, the Louisiana Power and Light company, the Mississippi Power and Light company, the H. L. Doherty & Co., one of the most powerful of the power trust group; the Little Rock Gas and Fuel company, the Southern Ice and Utilities company and the Southwest Telephone company.

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Outlook School Notes

by Margaret Simonet and Emma Wollan

On Friday, Feb. 13, the Freshmen honored the rest of the high school with a very interesting program. Some very superior talent was exhibited by the members of the class.

Tuesday, Feb. 10, the Outlook High School basketball team played Comertown on the local floor. A very decisive victory was won with a score of 24 to 0 in favor of Outlook.

Friday, Feb. 13 the first and second teams of Outlook motored to Medicine Lake. Two exciting games were played. The first game ended with a score of 8 to 7 for Outlook. The second team also won with a score of 4 to 2 after playing an overtime period.

Feb. 16 the agriculture class went out to Andrew Ueland's farm to judge beef cattle.

Miss Eva Buzzard substituted for Miss Craig Tuesday and Wednesday of late week while the latter had an operation on one of her fingers.

Mr. Bitts, spoke to the high school students on Thursday in behalf of the Montana Children's home at Helena.

The Outlook debate team will have their next debate with Brockton on Feb. 27. No decision has been made definitely as to the place at which they will debate.

The high school basketball team will leave for the tournament Wednesday afternoon. Eight teams will take part in the tournament. They are Scooby, Bainville, Froid, Outlook, Whitetail, Medicine Lake, Culbertson and Plentywood. The first game which Outlook plays is on Thursday morning against Culbertson. The winner of the first three games will take part in the district tournament which will be held at Glasgow on the 26th and 27th of this month.

FIRST GRADE NOTES
We are papering and furnishing a new room for the doll house. The boys sawed the door and are making furniture.

We made frames in red, white and blue for Lincoln's picture. The name of the picture studied was "Abraham Lincoln and Tad."

Since Saturday was Valentine's day we had a Valentine box on Friday and made Valentines. Everyone got 100 in spelling so we had a surprise Friday.

COMERTOWN
Joe Marsh and Christ Cuffen were Westby business callers Tuesday.

Ernest Bruvold, Arnold and Jermel Hanson attended the party at Frank Hupper's home Saturday night.

John LaVerdure spent a few days at Edvin Bergenboken's on business.

It is reported that Tommy Trobesh who is in the hospital at Helena is able to be up and around.

The only thing is he will have to go thru one or two more operations. Mrs. Trobesh and children drove up some time ago to be with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith and family from Raymond spent a few days this week with Mrs. Smith's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace LaVerdure spent Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson. The evening was spent in playing cards.

The funeral of Alvin Carlberg was well attended last Friday afternoon. The services were held at the school house at 2:30 and interment was in the Comertown cemetery. There were many beautiful floral offerings. The bereaved uncle and aunt, brother and sister of the deceased have the sympathy of their many friends and neighbors.

Dave, the well digger, was out to John Foley's Monday on business.

Erick Olson who fell and hurt his back here a short time ago is able to be up and around again. Cub Grunvel did the janitor work at the school house while Erick has been laid up.

Andrew Volt was a Comertown caller Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Christ Michelson were callers at Horace LaVerdure's Wednesday afternoon.

The Comertown school had a lovely Valentine box Friday. The children received many pretty valentines.

Frank Maush was a caller at the home of Pete LaVerdure Friday.

Mrs. Cecil Johnson was on the sick list the first of the week.

The A. O. U. W. lodge held its business meeting at the school house Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

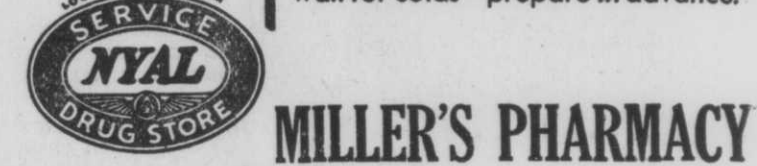
The Luther League had a business meeting Sunday night at the school house.

HELP CHILDREN QUIT COUGHING

NYAL

HONEY and HOREHOUND

It's a syrup. Children take to it like candy. Just good old-fashioned Money and Horehound of NYAL quality—one of the best cough medicines in the world. Small bottle at NYAL Drug Stores for 25c, but better get the large 50c size because the whole family will use this standard medicine-chest item. Don't wait for colds—prepare in advance.



MILLER'S PHARMACY
house. New officers were elected. score was 24 to 0 in favor of Outlook. The choir will practice every Thursday evening.
The basketball team played Out-look Tuesday night at Outlook. The and family this week.

Tasty Cold Meats

DO YOU WANT TO SEE SOMETHING to arouse your appetite? Just gaze on our tempting Cold Meat array.

FORMAN'S MEAT MARKET

PLENTYWOOD

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Which is the larger of these two white squares? Don't trust to your eyesight alone.

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The BEST Gray Hair Remedy is Home Made

To half pint of water add one ounce bayrum, small box of Barbo Compound and one-fourth ounce of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Apply to the hair twice a week until the desired shade is obtained. It will gradually darken streaked, faded or gray hair and make it soft and glossy. Barbo will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off.



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