

CREDIT TO BE MADE EASIER FOR FARMERS

Government Promises Relief to Agriculture Through Elastic Rules.

BANKERS GIVEN NOTICE

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The Government has taken a decisive step to relieve the credit dangers that menace the farmers, officials explained today. Greater banking support for the producers is assured as a result of the Administration's firm purpose to bring about more liberal accommodations, through the banking system, to various branches of agriculture.

Substantial and immediate financial aid to the farmers, therefore, through the more or less elastic rules of the banking system, and with the approval of those in control of their policies has been determined.

Concurrence of the Currency Crisscross' new policy, it is announced, will be to stimulate bankers' credits to agricultural purposes, and to bring about a more liberal attitude on the part of the bankers in granting renewals on outstanding obligations as a means of enabling the producers to tide themselves over the present emergency.

Plans for relief of the farming industry, which are not yet far gone to the point of requiring any changes by the Federal Reserve board in its established rules, the word has gone forth to bankers everywhere that the farms must be saved through banking help, and through a more generous measure of credit aid, which, it is possible for bankers generally, to take in the form of new loans.

The attitude of the leading officials today is that interior bankers in the big crop growing sections of the country must recognize it as their duty now to sustain their industries, on which the banks themselves primarily depend. Official records offer proof, officials said, that huge sums of bankers' funds instead of loans, have been loaned to alleviate the pangs of home industries, have found their way to highly speculative uses and that much money is being employed at this time. Release of such credits, it is expected, will help solve some of the financial troubles of the producers.

HOW MALE BIRD OF 'LOVE NEST' HOPES TO FLUTTER FREE

Puts Faith in Word 'and' Inserted in Connecticut Law 200 Years Ago.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., April 23.—The word "and" inserted in the State bigamy law by legislators nearly 200 years ago makes it possible for plural marriages to be contracted in Connecticut with practical impunity, from the law, according to leading lawyers here today.

When Herbert Thornton Andrews, New York broker, who lived with two wives in Jersey City, appears for a hearing next week in Greenwich, where he is alleged to have married the second woman, the practitioner here said, will be led by the defective statute, it was said.

"A clause in the State bigamy law makes it virtually impossible to convict a person who has left one State to marry unlawfully in another unless it is proved that he cohabited in the State in which he registered," Earl Garlock, assistant State's attorney, said in an opinion on the law.

This clause reads:

"Every person who shall marry another if either be then lawfully married, and shall live with each other as husband and wife shall be liable to a fine."

"Co-habitation is the thing which, when proved, will sustain the conviction," Garlock continued. "If it can be proved that any person already lawfully married comes into Connecticut, married unlawfully and then establishes a residence in this State, that person can be prosecuted under the existing law."

"But if he comes merely to Connecticut for the purpose of marrying unlawfully, he can't be convicted, as one State from which he came, conviction is very uncertain, because he hasn't cohabitated in this State with the unlawfully wedded person."

J. P. Young, Veteran Newspaper Man, Dead

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—John P. Young, managing editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, dean of the managing editors of the coast, died at his home early today. He was stricken with paralysis three days ago and failed to rally.

Young had completed forty-four years' service as managing editor of the Chronicle on April 1. He was well known as an author, a story-teller and a nationally recognized as an authority in history and economics. He was born in Philadelphia in 1849 and came to California twenty years later. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Myrlam G. Young.

N. Y. Central Slashes Pay of Skilled Help

NEW YORK, April 23.—All skilled workers of the New York Central Railroad had notice today that their pay would be cut 20 per cent May 20, when there also would be a rearrangement in working conditions. Conferences with the men affected will be held. This move follows closely the 13 per cent cut in unskilled workers' pay recently announced.

Meetings

The Social Club will give a public card party tonight in Muscatine hall.

St. Philip Neri Social Club will give a dance Tuesday night at North street and Eastern avenue.

CLUB PROPERTY ORDERED SOLD.

Judge Solon J. Carter of Superior Court, Rockford, has ordered sold the property of the Indianola Athletic and Canoe Club following the appointment of a receiver for the club. The property has been appraised at \$4,000.

SUITS AFTER CRASH.

School corporations, may not pay damages for the early completion of buildings but may do so under contracts who do not complete their work within the specified length of time. S. S. Lesh, attorney general, ruled today in answer to a question by Jesse Eschbach, chief examiner of the State board of accounts.

TWO SPEEDERS FINED.

Jack James, 341 North Illinois street, and P. L. Tenbrink, 2706 Burton street, were fined \$15 and costs each in city court today by Judge Walter Pritchard on charges of speeding.

BIG AMERICAN DEAL LEADS TO HUN REQUEST

German Appeal to Harding Guided by Group of Financiers.

LEADERS FORCED TO ACT

BERLIN, April 23.—The mammoth of American business loomed today as the guiding spirit that prompted the German appeal to President Harding.

The correspondent is able to disclose the substance of the mysterious negotiations that resulted in Germany's dramatic action in directly soliciting the mediation of the President of a country with which she is still technically at war.

A group of American attorneys representing American cotton growers, bankers and holders of vast estates of raw materials, have concluded financial agreements for credits amounting to \$150,000,000 and then came to Germany to sell and put over a gigantic American deal.

GERMANY CONFRONTED BY INVASION DANGER.

They found Germany confronted by serious danger of a fresh French invasion.

They heard of vague threats of allied confederation of nations shipped into Germany from elsewhere as part of a scheme to coerce the Germans. They found the German government apparently at a standstill. Thus, they arrived at a dead stop in the negotiations, which required only international guarantees against confiscation.

So they forced the leaders of the German industries which depended on their deal to prevail upon the German government to act.

The German government got in touch with the American attorneys who gave their viewpoints as Americans and urged immediately new proposals by Germany if she would avert a catastrophe.

These conferences directly led to the appeal to President Harding.

MISSION ONE.

The Americans say they are here on a strictly business mission and that they took a hand in the political arena only because of the necessity of securing guarantees for their big industrial group. That group is representative mainly of financiers in the South and the Pacific.

The attorneys are L. H. Deffries, international lawyer with offices in New York and London, and L. M. Hoefer, lawyer Dr. Richard Moldenke of New York is consulting engineer.

The mission is staying at the Deutscher Garten here.

SEEK PROOF IN WALL ST. BLAST

Italian Anarchist Is Held for Identification.

SCRANTON, Pa., April 23.—The case against Tito Ligi, Italian anarchist, held on suspicion of being implicated in the wholesale bomb murders in Wall street, hung today on whether three men brought here from New York could identify him.

The three came here after they had looked at a photograph of Ligi and found in it a resemblance to the man who drove the wagon containing the incendiary machine to the corner of Broad and Wall streets.

After the explosion a man believed to be the wagon driver climbed to a scaffolding on a building in course of construction next door to the Stock Exchange and said excitedly:

"That's my horse lying dead down there."

He referred to the horse that had drawn the bomb wagon.

Raymond Clark, foreman of a gang of laborers, heard the remark. He was one of those who looked at the photograph and who will confront Ligi here.

FEINERS DESTROY TRAIN.

DUBLIN, April 23.—Sixty Feiners yesterday tore up the railroad track at Glaslough, County Monaghan, which derailed a freight train. Forty-one cars from Belfast were burned.

RARE BIRD, THIS OFFICEHOLDER!

Revenue Collector Joyously Visions the Day He'll Quit.

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Above: Mrs. Clara Yost Below: Mrs. Frank Walters.

Clara Yost, widow of Frank Walters, who was a member of the board of directors of the Merchants' Association, has been elected to the board.

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