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MEYER URGES UNIFIED U. S. BANK SYSTEM

Elimination of State Charters to Restore Business Confidence Proposed.

OPPOSES BONUS BILL

Proper Expansion of Credit Going On Now, Asserts Federal Reserve Head.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 28.—Need of a unified banking system was urged by Governor Eugene Meyer of the federal reserve board, when he appeared today by the house ways and means committee in opposition to the \$2,000,000,000 soldier bonus bill.

Meyer was questioned by committee regarding methods of bringing about business confidence.

Meyer said he would have all banks of the country under a unified system, eliminating state charters.

Before the committee Wednesday Meyer staunchly opposed the new currency plan of the bonus bill as inimical to the return of national confidence.

"Have you considered going to the various states to try to secure legislation to safeguard the rights of depositors?" asked Representative John W. McCormick (Dem., Mass.) today.

"It is impossible to do that," Meyer answered, "remember there are forty-eight states."

Proper Credit Expansion Now

The bankers have not been very interested in the unified system, Meyer said.

More than 90 per cent of the business of the country is done through checks, asserted Meyer.

This widespread use of checks was considered by Meyer as the one real argument for a unified banking system.

"Do you think the country could stand a reasonable and proper expansion of currency at this time?" asked McCormick.

"There is a proper expansion of credit going on at this time," replied Meyer.

Meyer said he "hoped it was a fact" that in the last few months there has been a loosening up of credit.

McCormick asked if the reserve board had any knowledge as to the imposition of political conditions in connection with requested bank loans by cities.

World Gold Supply Bigger

"All I know is what I have seen in the papers," Meyer replied.

McCormick's questioning along this line was cut short when Acting Chairman Harry T. Foley replied that they were not "positioned" to the subject at hand, the bonus bill.

Meyer said he believed "artificial" currency expansion would result in driving gold out of the country.

He believed that the reserve system has in its power any necessary and controlled expansion.

Meyer, questioned by Representative Clement C. Dickinson (Dem., Mo.), said an increase in gold has occurred throughout the world and that \$20,000,000 worth has come out of India in the last six months.

"We have the largest gold supply in proportion to the volume of business in the history of modern times," he added.

SOME BONDS ARE JUST
'PRETTY PAPER,' TOO

Children Stopped Just in Time
From Destroying \$3,000.

TOLEDO, April 28.—J. A. Dunn, Cochran, Pa., breached a sigh of relief today as police restored his \$3,000 block of bonds which three small girls nearly destroyed, thinking they were "pretty paper."

The bonds, stolen two days ago from Dunn's automobile, were found in an alley by Ruth Shasteen, 8; Marjorie Parks, 19, and Virginia Parks, 9, who proceeded to tear them up.

They were stopped just in time by Ruth's father, who turned them over to police.

APPROVE NAVY FUNDS

HOOVER PLANS HOLIDAY

Leaves Saturday for Rapidan, First Rest in Seven Months.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—President Hoover plans to leave Saturday morning for his camp on the Rapidan for his first holiday in seven months, it was announced today at the White House.

\$1,400 Funeral, Tribute
to 'His Best Pal'—a Dog

By United Press
TIFFIN, O., April 28.—Frank Callahan, 55, wealthy turfman, widely known in the grand circuit, today said he had lost his "greatest friend," as he stood by an ornate bronze casket, gazing on the lifeless body of his dog, Baby Ginter, a Pomeranian.

Callahan wept. Hundreds of his neighbors pressed near to the splendor of glistening metal and banked flowers.

Callahan was in Milwaukee when the dog, 11 years old, died. He hurried here and bought the casket, designed for a child. It cost \$400.

Workers were in Callahan's garden building an impressive vault and monument to cost nearly \$1,000.

Baby Ginter will be buried without benefit of clergy. A veterinarian will officiate. Ministers and undertakers frowned upon the elaborate ceremony.

The tomb was prepared beneath a great shade tree. There will be a eulogy to "my greatest friend" on Baby Ginter's tomb.

Callahan said only a "few close friends" would attend the funeral of his dog.

Air Savior

Hoover to Award First
Medal of Honor
to Pilot.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, April 28.—Mal B. Freeburg, Northwestern Airways pilot, will be awarded the first air mailer's medal of honor ever given, the postoffice department announced today.

President Herbert Hoover will make the award, which will be given for Freeburg's heroism and skill flying on April 12, when he and Joe Kimm, co-pilot, were flying eight passengers between Minneapolis and Milwaukee.

With a jolt that shook the whole plane, a portion of one of the side propellers broke off. So great was the immediate vibration that the motor was jerked from its mounting and lodged on the left landing gear strut.

First, Freeburg, flying on two motors, maneuvered the plane over the Mississippi river and shook off the loose motor without endangering those below.

Then he returned twenty-five miles to an emergency field, and though one of the wheels had been wrecked in the accident, managed a safe landing on the other two.

About two years ago Freeburg, then flying night mail, saved Chicago, Burlington & Quincy passenger train from a disastrous wreck.

Seeing that a trestle was afire, and remembering that he had passed a speeding passenger train a few miles back, Freeburg used his emergency landing flares in a successful attempt to flag the train before it reached the burning bridge.

2 DIE AS CRACK FLIER DERAILS

Coach Plunges in Roof of
House at South Bend.

By United Press
SOUTH BEND, Ind., April 28.—Two men were killed and a man and child injured today when the west-bound Maple Leaf flier, crack Grand Trunk express train, was derailed on high embankment here.

The dead were James Groves, Battle Creek, Mich., engineer, and Walter Shimping, Battle Creek, fireman.

The injured were Jeff Bradburn and his son, Marshall, 5, trapped in the wreckage of their house when an express car careened off the embankment and plunged through the roof.

No passengers were hurt.

Seven baggage and express coaches and the engine left the track. One car hurtled off a viaduct into Marietta street. Another crashed off into the Bradburn home next to the embankment. Firemen sawed through the tangled wreckage of the frame house and extricated Bradburn and his son. Neither was believed seriously injured.

The accident occurred on an upgrade, where the Grand Trunk tracks join the main New York Central line. The right-of-way was torn up for more than half a mile by the plunging cars. Inspectors were unable to determine cause of the accident, but believed an open switch might have been responsible.

If the house had rejected the rule attaching the economy bill to the legislative supply bill, the program would have been killed, so far as this session is concerned. Instead it adopted the rule, with the gag limitations removed.

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consolidate bureaus

This will mean, in all probability, adoption of salary cuts on all workers getting more than \$2,500 including the salaries of congressmen.

The increased exemption, incidentally, means \$165 less annual out for congressmen than the committee's plan. The expected general reduction of 11 per cent, applied to them, will reduce their salaries from \$10,000 to \$9,175.

It will mean, also, acceptance of the further economies proposed through retirement of aged employees, prohibition of promotions, and of overtime pay, and possibly elimination of the Saturday half holiday.

In addition, the house is expected to accept most of the plans contained in the bill for consolidation of government departments and bureaus, and part, at least, of the proposed reduction in veterans' benefits.

The \$2,500 exemption voted Wednesday reduces by \$55,000,000 the \$67,000,000 saving the committee proposed to make in workers' incomes, leaving a \$12,000,000 saving to be effected in higher salaries.

Downs Furlough Plan

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The vote, Wednesday, seemed to set the doom of the President's furlough plan which, according to its sponsors, would have reduced incomes of federal workers by \$83,000.

They indicated, however, that the house will continue to accept the senate's 10 per cent pay cuts in annual appropriation bills.

U. S. JURY RECONVENED

More Than 60 Cases Pending With
Federal Probers.

Federal grand jurors reconvened today in a two-day session to dispose of more than sixty pending cases before the summer recess of federal court.

More than forty of the cases to be considered were liquor violations.

Several alleged violations of postal, narcotic and counterfeiting laws were believed to have been investigated by the grand jurors shortly after they opened their session.

Among the cases believed investigated was the Boonville mail messenger robbery about a year ago, in which there men received twenty-five year sentences in federal court at Evansville several days ago.

LIFT PAY CUT BURDEN FROM 'LITTLE MAN'

House Opposed to Reducing
U. S. Salaries Below
\$2,500 a Year.

CITE HOOVER'S ATTITUDE

Leadership Is Trampled by
Both Parties; Rewriting
for Economy Bill.

By RUTH FINNEY
Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The house of representatives is on record today as overwhelmingly opposed to reducing living standards of federal workers receiving less than \$2,500 a year.

To register this opinion it trampled upon the leadership of both parties Wednesday night.

Those who demanded that \$2,500 instead of \$1,000 be exempt from pay cuts repeatedly quoted old utterances of President Hoover to support their contention that prosperity's return is dependent upon maintaining the buying power of the masses, and that government must set an example to industry in this respect.

In the votes, Wednesday, which lifted the pay cut burden from the shoulders of the small-salaried worker, and which opened that way for this action by rejecting gag rule, Democrats and Republicans participated equally.

Leaders of both parties demanded acceptance of the rule and the bill.

House Breaks From Control

The house broke from control as completely as it did during the tax fight, and it apparently will rewrite the economy bill on the floor as it rewrote the tax bill. The debate is expected to last several days.

Debate on the first day of the economy bill fight showed the house still determined to effect economies in the federal budget, though unwilling to attach the method of saving so laboriously prepared for them by their committee and the President.

The Democratic leadership of the house announced its intention to force a separate record vote on each amendment to the economy bill, which makes any material change in the measure.

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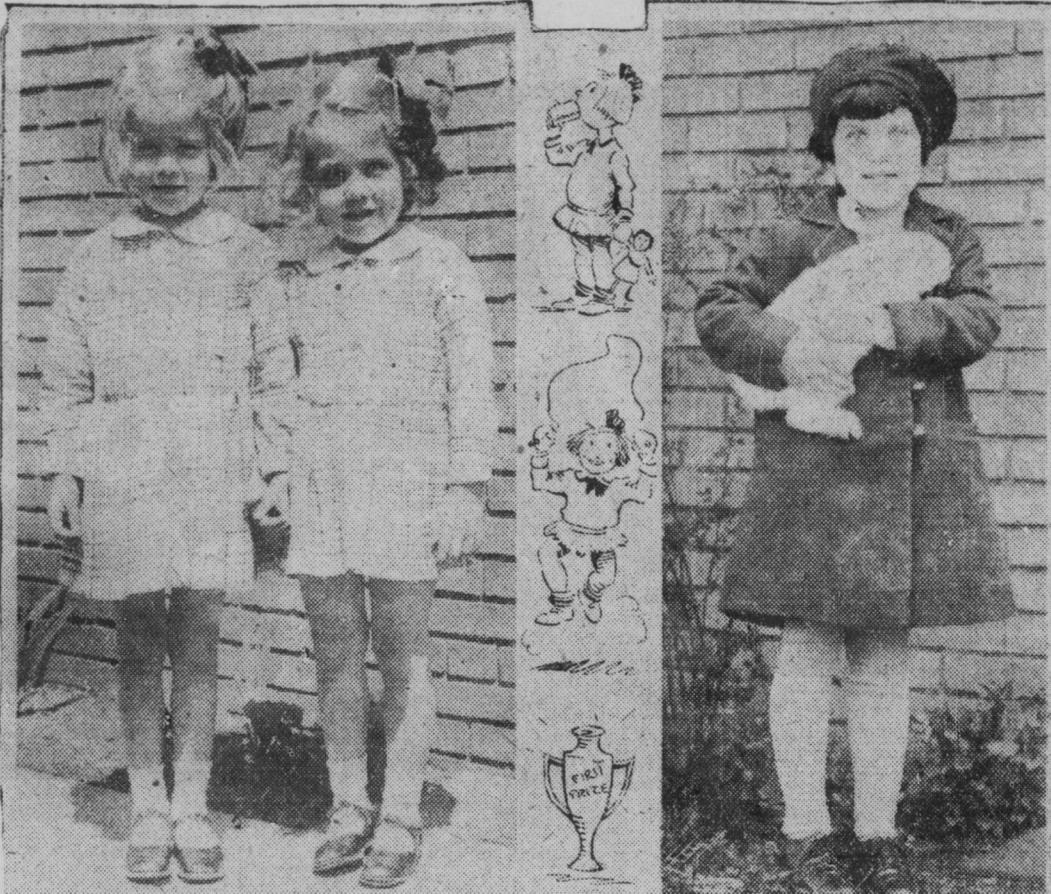
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Health Champions!

Health is wealth to these misses, who today were among recipients of blue ribbon health awards presented to kindergarten children at the Brookside community house.

At the right is Joan Meyers, 5, of Wallace kindergarten, who not only was awarded a blue ribbon, but honored for her perfect attendance record. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Meyers, 730 North Decatur street. The blond twins are Mary Jean (left), and Myra Jane Briggs, 5, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ray H. Briggs, 2823 Sutherland avenue. They attend Fall Creek kindergarten and are one of the two pairs of twins to receive awards.

The other pair is Jack and James Durham of Holladay kindergarten. Other details on Page 3.



JURORS DEBATE FATE OF KILLERS AFTER DARROW'S RINGING PLEA FOR MERCY

Courtroom Throng in Tears as Master of Eloquence Voices Appeal for Acquittal of Quartet.

STATE'S REPLY BLUNT AND SAVAGE

Four Verdicts Are Possible in Hawaiian Honor Slaying; Insanity May Free Massie.

BY DAN CAMPBELL
United Press Staff Correspondent

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