

# BIG BANKS TO BATTLE SMALL OVER REFORMS

Branch System Proposal to Be Important Issue in Change Plans.

Following is the second of a series of stories dealing with impending banking reforms.

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(Copyright, 1933, by United Press) WASHINGTON, March 20.—Prompt action to prevent a recurrence of the recent banking crisis and to stop speculative abuses is to be sought at the present session of congress by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

He has made known that he will seek action before congress recesses. Exact recommendations apparently have not been decided upon.

Without waiting for a perfect, all-inclusive ideal plan, President Roosevelt is prepared to move step by step, plugging up gaps now and continuing later the further task of general permanent legislation.

Big and Small to Clash

Senator Robert J. Bulkley (Dem., O.), after conferring with the President, speculated that the Glass banking bill would be the basis of "reforms."

One of the main features of this bill is the provision to extend branch banking. Many believe that this issue will be one of the first to come up. Another important provision would require commercial banks to drop their bond and stock selling affiliates.

The branch banking fight will provoke another historic clash between Wall Street and Main Street.

Wall Street Wants Change

The issue is the small, neighborhood, independent corner bank, as against the giant city bank reaching out through its branches into smaller communities.

Wall Street—and most federal authorities and many students of banking and economics as well—wants banks brought into the federal reserve system, with banking highly centralized in a small number of giant banks operating through branches.

Main Street—and many of its senators and congressmen—resentful of the implied reflection on the capabilities of neighborhood banks, retorts that big city bankers have caused most of the trouble by fancy financing.

## JESSE M. GASTON, EX-BANKER, DIES

Funeral Services Are Held Today in Home.

Funeral of Jesse Minor Gaston, former president of the Forty-second street State bank, were held today in his home, 4230 Broadway. Burial will be in Westport.

Mr. Gaston, one of the organizers of the Marion County State bank, died Saturday after a long illness. He had been retired three years.

## SHOT; HELD PRISONER

Police Probe Wounding of Man Who Says He Did Not See Assailant.

Roy Smith, 42, of 2025½ West Vermont street, suffering from shotgun wounds in the left arm and side, is held prisoner today at city hospital pending outcome of an investigation of the shooting by police.

Police were called to the Vermont street address on a report that a man was ill. They found Smith, who said a person he did not see, shot him while he was walking on the Rockville road near the city.

Smith said he had called on a woman friend near the scene of the shooting and deciding not to wait for a bus to go home, started walking.

8,000 Invited by Grocers

More than 8,000 independent grocers will be invited to attend the Indiana Retail Meat Dealers' and Grocers' Association convention April 23-25 at the Lincoln. Edgar Ruegenstein, Indianapolis Retail Meat and Grocers' Association vice-president, is local convention chairman.



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# White's Scandals Is the Biggest Theater Buy Yet

Willie and Eugene Howard, Loomis Sisters and Eleanor Powell and Fine Chorus Glorifies the Indiana.

BY WALTER D. HICKMAN

It is not even a cautious remark I make when I tell you that the Indiana now is offering the biggest and best buy I have ever encountered in the movie theater.

On the stage is George White's Scandals with such stars as Willie and Eugene Howard, the Loomis Sisters, Eleanor Powell, one of the best tap dancers I have ever seen and a dancing chorus that is perfection.

On the screen is Douglas Fairbanks Jr. and Bette Davis in a melodramatic picture flickering under the title of "The Parachute Jumper." From



Fairbanks, Jr.

This is the show that has done so much to make the song, "Life Is but a Bowl of Cherries," tuneful to the ear and colorful to the eye. Only George White could be relied upon to make a gem (even the comedy or the burlesque) out of this number.

And the Loomis sisters, Voice, poise and showmanship—all equal a hundred per cent. There are several other effective song numbers, especially the modern treatment of the Negro spiritual number. Here is White in his most extravagant mood.

And there are minutes and minutes of other things in this show of equal merit to what I have pointed out. And if you have to stand, you will like it and love it, just as I did. And I stood and loved it.

The movie, "The Parachute Jumper," comes under the head of pretty comfortable melodrama. Now at the Indiana.

The Palace this week is playing a return engagement of Jean Harlow and Clark Gable in "Red Dust." This movie was reviewed at length in this department when first shown at the Palace.

The Ohio has extended the run of the German language picture, "Zwei Menschen," one more day. It ends its run at the Ohio tonight.

# ROOSEVELT TO FACE FIGHT ON FARM AID PLAN

Some Senators Think That 'Honeymoon' Is Over With Congress.

BY MARSHALL McNEIL Times Special Writer

WASHINGTON, March 20.—The fear that the Roosevelt experimental farm relief bill may end the administration's "honeymoon" with congress was entertained by some in the senate today.

But while at least two alternative plans for agricultural relief have been proposed by senators, opinion there will not crystallize until the house acts on the measure, probably this week.

This delay will permit those who oppose the bill to lay their case before senators, but it also will give Democratic leaders more time to consolidate their forces.

The house agriculture committee will meet early this afternoon, and leaders believe it will report out the Roosevelt bill with few changes. In that event, the measure can be brought to the floor Tuesday.

But if plans of the Democratic leadership go through, the bill will be opened wide to amendment, and thus the Roosevelt strength will be put to an important test.

Floor Leader Joe Byrns (Dem., Tenn.) has declared that after pushing through the banking and economy bills, he will not ask the house again to discard its deliberative procedure to provide farm relief.

The Republican minority, which co-operated in passing the banking and economy bills, likely will do its utmost to defeat or amend the Roosevelt farm plan.

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# Constance in Smart Play on Apollo Screen

Constance Bennett when she has a glass showcase role (meaning a wardrobe) and smart, modern sophisticated conversation to hand out—then Constance just is in her element.



Constance Bennett

Such a role she has in "Our Bitters," which has been handled in a comedy and a satirical way, instead of heavy problem drama. As Lady Pearl Graystone (who does not rely upon hubby to furnish all of the necessary funds to keep the wolf from the door, as well as a mob of servants in the house) Miss Bennett has a role which is much to her liking. She will dazzle you with her gowns and her rapid observations on marriage, morals and the like. Watch the work of Violet Kemble-Cooper as the duchess who never has heard that there is such a thing as a sex holiday. Here is extreme acting, but it is advanced comedy because she jumps the gutters, never spending a night in them.

You will receive a grand new wow when Ernest (Tyrell Davis) lands on the scene. Ernest always is ready to bake a cake or dance. Gilbert Roland is amusing as Exhibit A in the collection of lounge lizards of the Duchess.

Grant Mitchell is just right as Thornton Clay whose checks are not clay.

Somerset Maugham first wrote this as a play. And that is a pretty good guarantee that it is not dull. Now at the Apollo.

AUTHORS MUST BE EASY TO GET

It only took ten authors to write "The Woman Accused." Some of the authors used to create this story are Rupert Hughes, Zane

Grey, Vicki Baum, Gertrude Atherton and Ursula Parrott.

As the movie stands, the cast shows up in a much better light than the literary cooks who created the story. And for the life of me, I can't tell you where Vicki Baum started in or where the influences of Zane Grey are felt. As this is a mystery story, I am not going to tell you the story. The authors have supplied the confusion and an unreal quality to the story. The actors have given it realism and lot of

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speed. The make-believe trial scene on board the ship is well handled by Cary Grant, Miss Carroll and John Halliday as Stephen Bessemer, best friend of the murdered man, Leo Young, played by Louis Calhern. A big whip in the hands of Cary Grant gets the truth out of one of the characters and Nancy and Cary are free to marry.

The thing that really interests me at the Circle this week is the work of Mercedes and Mile. Stanton at the piano. Mercedes walks on the stage and Mile Stanton is blindfolded at the piano.

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