

NEW DEAL ACTS TO STRENGTHEN EASTERN POWER

Lehman's Decision Is Seen as Part of Fight to Win N. Y., Pennsylvania.

By Thomas L. Stokes

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Gov. Herbert H. Lehman's decision to carry the New Deal banner again in New York is one of a series of events and circumstances by which the Democratic command is strengthening its eastern defense. Most bitter will be the fight over the 83 electoral votes represented in New York and Pennsylvania. Their zeal was exemplified in the terrific pressure brought upon Gov. Lehman to run again. At the Philadelphia convention this pressure was whipped up to national proportions, and finally culminated in the successful personal plea from President Roosevelt.

Other developments which may have a favorable effect on Democratic prospects in New York and Pennsylvania:

1. The coming retirement of James A. Farley as postmaster general, which will remove him from the direct line of fire.
2. The steel industry's open declaration of war on John L. Lewis' attempt to organize the industry's workers, which should drive steel labor almost to a man into the Roosevelt camp and add to the already large Roosevelt vote in Pennsylvania and New York—miners, garment workers, and so on. Democrats have a hunch they can win Pennsylvania.
3. Leadership in New York and Pennsylvania by two Governors of force and character—Mr. Lehman, a banker who has become converted to a staunch liberalism by his experience as Lieutenant Governor and Governor, and George H. Earl of Pennsylvania, wealthy ex-Republican who has become a sincere champion of the masses.

Influence to Be Great

The influence of these men is certain to count heavily in the two states.

Already they have fairly outlined the issues in their states, by the speeches they made at Philadelphia, perhaps the two outstanding statements of the whole convention. The speeches elevated each beyond his state into a national figure.

Republican strength in New York and Pennsylvania always lies in the party's appeal—no matter who the candidate may be—to the entrenched financial and industrial interests which have their nerve centers and pocketbooks there, and to the middle classes which absorb the bigger crumbs.

Democrats—and this was true even in 1932—always have adopted a straddling attitude, seeking to win the masses and at the same time to hold that traditional Democratic bloc in big business and finance which supported Al Smith in '32.

Different Approach Needed

Except for a rare specimen here and there, the latter group has now left the party.

Thus a different approach is needed this year, and it is apparent in the two Governors.

Though a banker, Gov. Lehman does not time-wear his keds. He puts his whole emphasis on the common man and the underdog, and raises social security for the worker and the aged as the real issue in this campaign, to be achieved by a Federal constitutional amendment, if necessary.

He dramatized this issue at Philadelphia. He told how Republicans had banded together to defeat his social security bill at Albany, and said the real leader of the national Republican Party, though professing that they would achieve social security legislation through the states, "will be the first to oppose the adoption of unemployment insurance by any single state unless all the other states in the same industrial competitive class have the same status."

It can only be done, he argued, on a national basis in the framework already erected by the President.

As Gov. Lehman is doing in New

THERE'S A BROKEN HEART FOR EVERY LIGHT ON BROADWAY!



\$248,534 WPA GRANT SOUGHT BY AIRPORT

New Hangar, Runways and Radio Tower May Be Built.

A WPA appropriation of \$248,534 is sought for an extensive improvement program at Municipal Airport, Nish Dienhart, superintendent, announced today.

The program calls for construction of a 15-plane hangar, extension of runways and a blind landing lane, and construction of a two-way radio control tower.

A new east-west runway was completed recently with a WPA \$150,000 appropriation. It is to be opened next week.

The new application was filed yesterday with county WPA offices and approval by Wayne Coy, state WPA administrator, national WPA offices and the Bureau of Aeronautics is wanted.

Besides this program, the Army proposed that its services be transferred from Schoen Field, Fort Harrison, to Municipal Airport.

York, so Gov. Earle in Pennsylvania will key the campaign to the common man with no straddling.

It will, in effect, be a class fight led by two men who know well the class with whom they do battle.

Mr. Roosevelt's insistence that Gov. Lehman run again was interpreted as meaning that Democrats are less sure of New York than they profess.

His retirement would have meant a controversy over the nomination which might have split the party sufficiently to endanger its chances in New York. This the President wanted to avoid. Gov. Lehman piled up the biggest majority in history, and he is so closely identified with the New Deal that there is reason to believe that a vote for Lehman in most cases means a vote for Roosevelt.

J. R. RUDDICK HEADS BELL LEGION POST

New Officers Are to Take Over Duties in Fall.

J. R. Ruddick today was the new commander of the Bell Telephone Post 134 of the American Legion. He succeeded J. R. Ferree.

Other officers elected by mail ballot, who are to be installed at the first meeting in the fall, were E. E. Hale, first vice commander; J. C. Belleau, second vice commander; J. O. Emond, adjutant; E. R. Moore, finance officer; C. G. Shriver, chaplain; G. W. Dittmore, sergeant-at-arms, and Vedder Gard, re-elected historian.

Delegates to the state and district conventions are F. A. Montrose, Mr. Ruddick and F. L. Stanley. Alternate delegates are Mr. Ferree, V. C. Gullion and E. K. Ross.

necessitating construction of a separate hangar for service planes.

Test Blind Flying

Municipal Airport now is being used as a testing ground for blind flying.

A two-way radio tower, Mr. Dienhart explained, would enable a ground station the airport to control efficiently air traffic.

Extra traffic by Army service planes could be handled without difficulty with a radio control tower, he said.

UNION TO CONSIDER LEWIS AFFILIATION

Typographical Head Ignores A. F. of L. Summons.

Industrial union problems are to be considered by the International Typographical Union when it meets Sept. 12, it was declared today by Charles P. Howard, union president.

Affiliation with a group headed by John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, for pressing the cause of industrial unionism is to be sought, according to Mr. Howard.

He said he will not appear before the American Federation of Labor in Washington July 10 to explain his attitude toward setting up a dual labor organization.

Mr. Howard was one of 10 A. F. of L. union heads summoned to appear before the A. F. of L. to explain adherence to the Committee on Industrial Organization. He pointed out his work with the committee was of individual nature and did not commit his union.

Shotgun Wounds Fatal

HUNTINGBURG, Ind., July 2.—Injuries suffered yesterday when his shotgun was discharged accidentally were fatal to Robert Helers, living five miles south of here.

NORTH CAROLINA PASTOR LINKED WITH FLOGGINGS

County Solicitor Says He Knows Leader of Terror Band.

By United Press

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 2.—Evidence that a fanatical back-country preacher leads the hooded, Columbus County night riders and plans to extend the organization along Ku-Klux Klan lines led Solicitor John J. Burney to take personal charge of an investigation of 11 floggings today.

Burney said he had proof that the band had whipped, and in some cases otherwise tortured, Mrs. Bertha Fowler, 35, and her 14-year-old daughter, who is mentally incompetent; Lillie Fowler, a paralyzed, 65-year-old farmer, unrelated to Mrs. Bertha Fowler; Fowler's three daughters, and John Crib, a young farmer.

Mrs. Fowler is a tenant farmer. She and her daughter live in a two-room cabin. The night riders pulled them from the cabin on the night of June 4, took them in motor cars to an isolated field.

With the body of the band ranged in a circle around them, two sheeted and hooded raiders stripped both mother and daughter to the waist. A man flogged them with a harness strap. Then the women clipped Mrs. Fowler's hair close to the scalp and branded a cross on her head.

BANDIT HOLDS UP BANK

Muncie Institution Loses \$481 to Man During Noon Rush.

Times Special

MUNCIE, Ind., July 2.—A lone bandit took \$481 from the First Rural and Loan Co. and escaped yesterday when the noon crowds filled downtown streets. Miss Blanche Mullen, assistant secretary, was the only person in the bank.

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U. S. Expenditures Blamed on Congress, High Court, Relief

Morgenthau Defends Record Spending of New Deal in Talk on 'Fiscal State of Nation.'

By United Press

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The New Deal defended its record expenditures today and attributed the increased Federal deficit largely to Congress, the Supreme Court and unemployment relief.

Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr.'s address on the "Fiscal State of the Nation" appeared certain to become the Democratic text for campaign argument against charges of waste and extravagance.

Long strides have been taken in the past two years toward bringing ordinary Federal expenditures within the Federal income, Morgenthau said. In the 1935 fiscal year ended June 30 Federal income was above estimates and expenditures below, he said.

Supporting his contention of improved fiscal conditions, Morgenthau said the national income is increasing; Federal expenditures are on the decline and business is showing steady improvement.

Immediately applauding Morgenthau's statements, Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.) said "two more good years like this one reported by Morgenthau, combined with the repayment of government loans, will reduce our public debt to where it was when the Roosevelt Administration began."

"More than 50 per cent of the increased public debt has gone out in the form of investments which will be repaid by such loaning agencies as the HOLC, RFC, RHA and FCA," O'Mahoney said.

Explaining the increased public debt, to a total of about \$33,750,000, Morgenthau listed as "extraordinary" expenditures during the 1935 fiscal year:

1. For recovery and relief, \$3,300,000,000.
2. Borrowings to pay bonus, \$1,700,000,000.
3. To reimburse the Treasury for processing tax losses, \$444,000,000.

The bonus was voted by Congress

ROAD'S SINKING WPA PROBLEM

56th-St Construction Job Delayed in Swampy Section.

Constant sinking of part of the street makes completion of a 56th-st WPA construction project difficult, Herbert Bloemker, county surveyor, said today.

The new road is to extend on 56th-st from Winthrop av to Keystone-av.

Built through a former swamp, the road sank below water level, and was refilled three times, he said. Recently it became covered with water for about 300 feet. Another attempt is to be made to build the road level above that of the water, Mr. Bloemker explained.

Each time the road fell, different methods were used to build it up. If the fourth attempt fails, wood pilings are to be driven along the road right-of-way to hold the weight, the surveyor said.

Built along an old wagon road which disappeared in 1916, the new highway crosses a peat bog.

REPORT ALGERIA CLASH

Governor General Leaves for Paris; Calls Situation "Critical."

By United Press

ALGIERS, Algeria, July 2.—New clashes between Arabs and Jews and rival demonstrations by leftist and rightist elements created a serious crisis in Algeria today.

Gov. Gen. M. Le Beau took off by seaplane for Marseilles en route to Paris to consult Premier Leon Blum and Minister of Interior Roger Salengro concerning what he termed "a critical racial and political situation."

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