

## FARM LEADERS 'DISAPPOINTED'

President Fails to Give Davis, New Food Chief, Power Over Prices.

WASHINGTON, March 31 (U. P.)—Farm organization leaders were disappointed yesterday because of the meager authority given Food Administrator Chester C. Davis over important farm problems, especially prices.

"Unless Davis is given more power, I am sorry for him," said one farm organization official. "He appears to have been left holding the same bag Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard held for months."

The farm leaders were especially disappointed because of their failure during a conference with President Roosevelt yesterday to obtain from the president a commitment that Davis would be given authority to control farm prices.

The farm leaders were accompanied to the White House by Wickard and Davis, neither of whom expressed any particular satisfaction with the situation. It was Davis' first interview with the president since he assumed his new duties.

### Farm Heads Puzzled

President Edward A. O'Neal of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Albert Goss, master of the National Grange, and Ezra Benson, executive secretary of the National Council of Farmer Co-operatives, all said they pleaded at length for a farm price commitment from Mr. Roosevelt.

At his press conference a few hours later, Mr. Roosevelt was asked if the farm leaders brought up the question of giving Davis power over farm prices. He replied: No, they were not dumb enough.

The farm heads were puzzled by his statement. They said they had talked price control at length.

When plans for the White House conference were disclosed last Monday, Wickard's name was not mentioned. A few hours before the conference he was included.

### Lumber Dealer's Services Today

Funeral services for Edward S. Hobart, lumber and coal dealer, who died of a heart attack in his car Monday, will be held at 2:30 p. m. today at the J. C. Wilson chapel of the climes. The Rev. Ralph O'Dell, assistant pastor of the Tabernacle Presbyterian church, will officiate. Burial will be in Crown Hill.



### NELL DUNCAN'S SERVICES SET

Died Yesterday at Home of Niece; Born in Brown County.

Funeral services for Mrs. Nell Frances Duncan, who died yesterday at the home of her niece, Mrs. J. V. Shannon, 3208 Forest Manor ave., will be held at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow at the Royster & Askin funeral home. Burial will be in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

Mrs. Duncan, the widow of Guy Duncan, was born in Brown county and had lived in Indianapolis 30 years. She was 65. She was a member of Edwin Ray Methodist church.

Survivors, besides Mrs. Shannon, are two sisters, Mrs. Samuel Jones of Indianapolis and Mrs. Roscoe Allison of Connersville, and three brothers, Frank Poling of Canaan, Joseph Poling of Indianapolis and Michael Poling of Los Angeles.

### MINNIE F. O'BRIAN IS DEAD IN EAST

Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie Fox O'Brian, 53, who died in Montclair, N. J., Monday, were to be held in the East today with cremation to follow.

Mrs. O'Brian was the wife of Robert J. O'Brian, former proprietor of the St. Moritz restaurant, 109 N. Pennsylvania st., and resided at 620 W. 38th st.

She was ill more than three months at the home of her brother, George Fox, in Montclair. She and Mr. O'Brian had been active in affairs of Memorial post of the American Legion.

In addition to the husband and brother, a stepdaughter, Miss Bette O'Brian of Los Angeles, survives her.

### HOOSIER GUNNER CITED

Herman Gentry Houchins of Morgantown, a naval armed guard gunner, has received a letter of commendation for heroic action while on duty. He holds the rank of seaman first class.

### Illness Is Fatal To Photographer

JAMES S. KURL, photographer, 3630 Roosevelt ave., died yesterday following an illness of eight weeks. He was 64. Mr. Kurl, who was a native of Paris, Ill., had operated a studio in his home here for 30 years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Wana Kurl, Indianapolis.

Funeral services will be at 1 p. m. tomorrow at the home. Burial will be in Memorial Park cemetery.

### BODY FOUND IN CANAL

The body of a man identified as Ezra Fleming, Noblesville, was found in the canal late yesterday near 620 W. Market st., by William Barkdale, Indianapolis Water Co. employee, as he was cleaning the racks. The body was sent to the People's funeral home to await claim.

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### William P. Sloan Funeral Friday

RITES FOR William P. Sloan, 75 years old, of 425½ Massachusetts ave., who died yesterday after an illness of two months, will be held at 10:30 a. m. Friday at the Harry W. Moore peace chapel. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

Mr. Sloan was born in West Virginia and had resided in Indianapolis 26 years.

Survivors are four sons, Alfred Lee Sloan of Fennville, Mich.; Ernest and Robert of Benton Harbor, and Gene of Hammond, W. Va., and two daughters, Mrs. Mollie Della Young of Indianapolis and Mrs. Viola Stump of Benton Harbor.

### FORMER RESIDENT IS DEAD IN WEST

A former Indianapolis resident, Mrs. Brenda Stage, died Sunday at her home in Culver City, Cal. She was 50 and the wife of Elmer Stage.

Born here, Mrs. Stage lived here 30 years before moving to California 20 years ago. She was a member of the Christian Science church.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Frances Coryell, 2154 Broadway; a brother, Warren M. Bird, 3223 Washington blvd., and another sister, Mrs. Ida Stephens of Evansville. Burial will be in California.

### HOLDUP SUSPECT REMOVED TO WEST

Richard Britton, 19, of 429 N. Hamilton ave., will be taken to Beverly Hills, Cal., today to face charges of robbery and auto theft in connection with a recent \$100,000 holdup in a hotel there.

Three others from Indianapolis are under arrest there on the same charges. They are Robert E. Fowler, 18; Oscar Rugford, 26, and Roy Drake, 19. The three also are charged with escaping jail.

### 7 HOOSIERS HELD PRISONER BY JAPS

Seven Hoosiers are among 201 U. S. soldiers held as prisoners by the Japanese. The names were released today by the war department. They are Pvt. Russell E. Beasley of Terre Haute; Pvt. Valentine R. Ellines of Washington; Pvt. Scotte H. Brownfield of Terre Haute; Pvt. Samuel G. Carr of Monticello; Pvt. James A. Howell of Marion; Pvt. Charles L. Owens of Elwood, and Pfc. Archie E. White of Dublin.

### FRANCES CLARK, ILL 3 WEEKS, IS DEAD

Frances Clark, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Clark, R. R. 20, died late yesterday at Riley hospital after an illness of three weeks.

She attended county school 13 on S. Lynnhurst dr. Surviving are her parents, four brothers, Carl, Grider, Earl and Robert, and a sister Marie. Services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday at the Farley funeral home, 1604 W. Morris st., and burial will be in Floral Park.

### HOWE HIGH SENIORS WILL PRESENT PLAY

Howe high school seniors will present the play, "June Mad," Friday evening, April 2. The play will be directed by Darrell Good.

Members of the play cast will be Betty Lou Roth, Don Masters, Ellen Kroll, Bob Woerner, Joe Weaver, Nancy Ostrander, Elaine Reed, Tom Lyett, Bob Gwynn, Ian Laing, Anne Todd, Henry Wollenweber and Marjorie Metcalf.

### State Deaths

ANDERSON—Mrs. Elizabeth Flora, 65. Survivors: Husband, William; sons, Omer, Jim and William; daughter, Mrs. Hazel Haines; Mrs. Ethel Koenig; Mrs. Hazel McManus; Mrs. Bertha Bobbinette and Mrs. Helen Marie Flora; sister, Mrs. Myra Flora; Mrs. Louis Breuer; son, Bill; Mary Adams, and a brother, Charles Danner.

Pearl C. Hopper, 88. Survivors: Daughters, Mrs. Lowell C. Johnson, Mrs. Margaret Lane, Mrs. Sophia Groover, 72. BLOOMFIELD—Frank Groves, 77. Survivor: Wif.

CONNERSVILLE—Mrs. Alvina Bress, 83. Survivors: Three sons.

EVANSTON—Anton Fred Hertwick, 78. Survivors: Daughters, Mrs. L. A. Hobgood and Mrs. J. C. Davis; sons, Richard and George; stepson, John Hobgood; Mrs. Mary E. Sauerheber; Survivor: Brother, William Hobgood.

Mr. and Mrs. August Schnautz, and a sister, Mrs. Sophie Heizer.

WILMINGTON—Survivors: Wife, Minnie; daughter, Miss Helen Selen; sons, Rupert, Leon, Adon and Raymond; sisters, Mrs. Edna Grayson, Mrs. Ora Timberlake and Mrs. Mary E. Kibler; and a brother, Henry.

Mrs. Mollie Tinkerton, 68. Survivors: Daughters, Mrs. John Tinkerton and Miss Gladys and Margaret Tinkerton; son, Charles, "Albion" and Mrs. Helen; stepson, Charles Kibler; and a brother, August Kibler.

Miss Gertrude Scherholzer, 85.

PT. BRANCH—Mathew Peacock, 73.

PT. WAYNE—Adolph L. Poellinger, 54. Survivors: Wife, four children and a brother.

GREENTON—O. M. Kinsey, 79. Survivors: Son, Dr. Charles M. Kinsey; daughter, Mrs. Florence Julian; Mrs. Bessie Lord, Mrs. Fred Downing and Mrs. George Lord; and a sister, Mrs. Rosa Tucker.

LAPEL—Mrs. Ethel Bowers, Linton—John W. Brown, 67.

MARION—John Haupthof, 68. Survivors: Daughters, Miss Wynona Haupthof, Mrs. Mary Haupthof and Mrs. Marion Haupthof; and a brother, August Haupthof.

MEADOWOOD—Wm. H. Hesemann. Survivors: Wife and two daughters.

LINCOLN—H. Jones, 83. Survivors: One daughter, Mrs. Mary J. Jones, 57.

REEDVILLE—Mrs. Mary J. Reed, 87. Survivors: Two sons, two daughters and a brother, Mrs. Scott.

Mrs. Mary E. Sauerheber. Survivors: Daughter, Mrs. Hazel Hertwick; stepdaughter, Mrs. Edna Hobgood; and a brother, William Hobgood.

WILLISTON—Wm. E. Carroll. Survivors: Wife, Phil Jones; son, Lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force; and a brother, Mrs. Thomas Geraghty and Mrs. William Michaels.

SEYMORE—Adolph Robert Smith, 61. Survivors: Wife, Leonora; sons, Alvin, Farrell Ray, Robert Lee, Edward Edward and Randolph Jr.; daughters, Margaret and Mrs. Donald; stepdaughter, Mrs. Helen Russell; Mrs. Ethel Burrell and Mrs. Lois Curry; stepson, Orville Scott; brother, Mrs. Edward Carroll; and a sister, Mrs. Lizzie Taylor; Mrs. Ollie Hiser; Mrs. Myrtle Taylor and Mrs. William Michaels.

Mrs. Alice Jane Thompson, 29. Survivors: Daughter, Mrs. Jeannie Taylor; sons, Thomas Egan, Leonard and Burnie Thompson; and a brother, Edward Armstrong, and a sister, Mrs. Julie Sherrill.

SUMMITVILLE—Mrs. Nancy A. Kay, 87. Survivors: Son, the Rev. A. Kay.

VINCENNES—William V. Sullivan, 63. Survivors: One son.

WASHINGTON—Mrs. Mary A. Whitehead, 80. Survivors: Two daughters.

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