

Washington Loses Sixteen Lettermen

SEATTLE, (U.P.)—Sixteen lettermen were missing when University of Washington football coach James Phelan called for spring football training.

He looked to reserves and 1934 freshmen to plug some of the holes left by graduation in the team that tied for second place last fall. Biggest losses were Capt. Woody Ulin, left tackle; Tony Burke, center; Chuck Mucha, guard; Jay Hornback, Art Ahonen, Matt Muczynski, Burl Burkin and Paul Sulkosky, backs.

CITRUS GROVE WILL BE SHOWN AT CENTENNIAL

McALLEN, Tex. (U.P.)—A living citrus grove from the Lower Rio Grande Valley will be one of the major exhibits in the 1935 Texas Centennial exhibition in Dallas, according to plans formulated here.

Tentative plans call for transportation of living, bearing grapefruit and orange trees to the exposition grounds.

Tall palms, papaya trees, banana plants and other semi-tropical plants will also be included in the exhibit. The exhibit is being planned by representatives from Starr, Willacy, Cameron and Hidalgo counties.

Luggage Problem Solved by Dodge



Gone are the days—at least for owners of new Dodge models—when motorcar passengers had to share the comforts of the tonneau with grips, suitcases and other travel apparatuses. It is different now. Not only luggage, but the spare wheel and tire are carried in the rear, in the space which, when closed, looks like a trunk and affords room for more things than a motorcar trunk ever held before.

An idea of the manner in which the luggage question has been solved in the new Dodge models, is given in the accompanying illustration showing the right hand touring trunk divided into two sections, the upper one serving as luggage space, the lower one as spare tire compartment.

In cases where the owner prefers to carry the spare tire equipment forward, in fender wells, the entire trunk compartment is available for luggage.

Police Get Portable Radio Sets
VICTORIA, B. C. (U.P.)—Portable radio sets, weighing only 300 pounds yet having a sending and receiving radius of nearly 400 miles, are the latest equipment of the British Columbia police.

Idahoans Snowed In 4 Months
BOISE, Idaho, (U.P.)—People who live in Stanley Basin have been snowed in for four months. Now they are eagerly waiting for the highways to be opened so they can drive their automobiles again.

News From Washington

By Your Congressman
CHARLES J. GOLDEN

The Naval bill passed the House authorizing extensive improvements in the navy yards at San Diego, Mare Island, Puget Sound and Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands. The heaviest improvements were authorized in the Hawaiian Islands because from the navy viewpoints, that is the most important point of defense on the Pacific coast.

I presented the claims of a navy yard for San Pedro and Los Angeles harbor before the naval affairs committee and again on the floor of the House, but was unable to change the program as it came from the navy department.

I see no good reason why there are four navy yards for capital ships on the Atlantic coast—at Boston, Brooklyn, Philadelphia and Norfolk—within a few hundred miles of each other, and only one on the Pacific coast at Bremerton, Washington. There are no facilities for the big battleships either at San Diego or at Mare Island. In fact, the channel at Mare Island is only 30 feet deep and not navigable for the big ships.

The distance is something like 4,000 miles from the Panama Canal to Bremerton and that is a long way for a battleship to travel for over-hauling and repairs. It sounds like good sense and in the interest of the navy to have a yard in Southern California—our nearest shore to the Panama Canal. In addition, it costs \$3,800 to send a battleship from San Pedro to Bremerton and return which in itself is a considerable item.

But Congress turns a deaf ear to many new propositions that are afterward considered and adopted and the only thing to do under the circumstances is to keep hammering away.

However, the naval bill is not yet out of the woods for the reason that it merely authorizes these improvements but no money is appropriated therefor. It must jump the rules of the Senate and the committees on appropriations in both houses before it becomes really effective.

On the eighteenth anniversary of the United States' declaration of war against Germany, the House debated the McSwain bill, the purpose of which is to take the profits out of war. Congressman McSwain has been hammering on this bill for 17 years. He has been turned down on many occasions but at last his voice has been heard. The chances appear good for the passage of his bill by the Senate and a long step will have been taken to prevent war.

One of the most outrageous crimes against society is the tremendous profits made by the manufacturers of war munitions and their constant propaganda to arouse the passions and prejudices of nations in order that they may enrich themselves. One of the tragedies of the World war was that it produced 22,000 millionaires in the United States alone.

The story unfolded by the Nye committee of the Senate on the investigation of the munitions industry is one that riles the blood and fevers the brain of the peoples of the world. Can there be any greater crime than arousing public opinion by false propaganda and plunging nations into war in which many lives are lost, many are crippled and maimed and diseased, and the population impoverished and burdened by taxation, in order that a few may grasp immense fortunes? It might be a good public policy after each war to line up the profiteers against a wall and give them a few shots of their own medicine.

The relief and recovery bill finally muddled through the Senate. It was passed by the House in four days but it took the Senate two months to pass the measure. The Senate did a lot of patching and fiddling and hundreds of pages of talking, but the bill came back to the House with very few material changes. There was considerable juggling in the conference committees and a lot of bark and sniping at the bill by the opposition, but the final roll call in the House gave the bill 318 votes and only seventy in opposition. The California delegation of 20 votes was registered solidly for the bill.

In the final discussion, Congressman James P. Buchanan, chairman of the appropriations committee of the House, scored the Senate for dilly-dallying with this emergency bill for 60 days and finally returning it to the House with practically no material changes. Congressman Buchanan further stated that the Senate was merely making gestures to mold public opinion in favor of the Senate and at the same time, discredit the House.

There is a much underground opinion that one of the causes of the delay was a bitter fight carried on by the public utility companies in an effort to prevent the federal government from using funds from this appropriation for the building of more power plants, and the proposed plan for rural electrification.

The Rayburn bill, the administration measure for the control of the holding companies of the utility corporations is promising to be one of the most bitterly contested issues before Congress. It looks like a last ditch fight on the part of both sides and it is creeping into other issues, particularly in the bill for relief and recovery.

Some people think this old age pension problem is as easy as A B C, but I have not found it so. I have been doing some research work and the more I dig into it, the bigger the problem gets.

Dr. Townsend and Congressman McGroarty evidently have had the same experience. When Dr. Townsend started his campaign in Washington, he declared for a \$200 per month pension or nothing. I received thousands of letters in support of this program which reminded me of the slogan of covered wagons when I was a boy in northwest Missouri that were labeled, "Kansas or bust." A couple of years later, a number of these wagons were on their return and instead of "Kansas or bust," they bore the simple inscription "Busted." Should the administration bill be enacted providing for a \$15 per month pension, which must be matched by the states, making a total of \$30 per month, there will not be a "bust" although Congress might increase this amount.

The discharge petition to bring out the first McGroarty bill received but 59 signatures. Falling to receive the required 218, it has no chance of being brought out of the committee. The new Mc-

NEW PIPELINE PROJECT RECALLS HISTORIC FEAT

A recent announcement that General Pipe Line Company, wholly-owned subsidiary of General Petroleum Corporation, marketers of Mobiloil and Mobilgas, is about to start construction of a new million-dollar pipeline stretching 90 miles from Lebec to Torrance, recalls one of the most historic petroleum engineering feats ever undertaken.

"Explosives" Are Found In a Field

F. E. Simons, 1337 West El Segundo boulevard, reported to Sub-station No. 3 on Monday that he had found some "explosives" in a field 100 yards west of Western avenue near Rosecrans. The "explosives" were described as a box containing sawdust and paper wrappers off sticks of dynamite. According to Simons the ground at the spot where the articles were found had the appearance of being disturbed as if the box and contents had been dug up. Sheriff's deputies were unable to find anything more dangerous than the sawdust and wrappers.



E. L. ADAMS
Vice-President, General Pipe Line Co.

73 Rattles in One Den

SAN DIRGO, Cal (U.P.)—Seventy-three rattlesnakes, ranging two and a half to five feet in length, were captured in a single den in the Imperial Valley recently. They were brought here for exhibition at the forthcoming California-Pacific International Exposition.

Groarty bill does not specify the amount of old age pension to be paid per month. It merely states, "not to exceed \$200 per month." The new bill, like the old one, still provides for a two percent transaction tax but also adds an income tax of one-tenth of the present rate to be used solely for old age pensions, and also a two percent tax upon gifts and inheritances. It also limits the pension to those whose income is less than \$2,400 per year.

In the opinion of some, the bill would be further improved by omitting the transaction tax on the necessities of life and increasing the rate by a graduated schedule on luxuries, salaries and incomes, gifts and inheritances. Such taxes, by crashing down heavily on salaries and incomes of \$100,000 or more, and upon gifts and inheritances of a million or more, would not only provide additional revenue for pensions for the aged, the widowed mother, the blind and the physically incapacitated, but would be a prevention of the menace of concentrated wealth.

Why any one wants a million is beyond me. Society can be economically classified as those who have two eggs for breakfast, those who have but one egg, and those who have no egg for breakfast. If the eggs were properly distributed, there would be plenty for all. Of what personal value is a fortune that enables a few to have a thousand eggs for breakfast which they cannot eat, or a thousand suits of clothes when but one can be worn at a time? Proper and just distribution of wealth is the great problem of our country.

But my opinion is but one of 435 in the House and there are 86 to be heard from in the Senate and there's the President at the other end of the avenue.

The new McGroarty bill provides that five months after the collection of the aforesaid taxes begins, the amount accumulated each month is to be equally divided among those who are over 60 years of age and are eligible for the pension. This provision was inserted in the bill for the reason, that serious doubts are held as to the ability of a two percent transaction tax to raise anything like the amount required by the original Townsend bill.

and carried to successful completion in Southern California. Back in 1912, just two years after Captain John Barneson formed the Esperanza Consolidated Oil Company from which General Petroleum later was to spring, there were no pipelines running from the Midway and Coalinga fields to Los Angeles harbor. Oil companies operating in the Los Angeles and Orange county fields had such lines, but all Midway and Coalinga crudes, except those shipped by tank car, flowed to the San Francisco region by pipelines. Captain Barneson and his associates thought it an opportune time to break into the Southern California field. In 1912 the name General Petroleum Company was taken and at the same time the General Pipe Line Company of California was organized as a subsidiary for the purpose of constructing a pipe line from the northern fields to tidewater at or near Los Angeles. Exports shook their heads sadly when the young company announced that it would lay a line from the San Joaquin valley wells over Tejon pass and down to the sea.

They believed that it was impractical if not altogether impossible. It would be necessary to pump the heavy oil of the Kern, Midway and Coalinga districts more than 150 miles, and to raise it from an elevation of 500 feet to 4,200 feet within a 23-mile section. But the company went ahead with construction under the supervision of R. A. Maynard, as chief assistant engineer. During most of 1912 the crews pushed ahead; 16 pumping stations were built along the route from the desert, over mountains and to the sea; the first oil was moved in May, 1913; and the line has been operating successfully ever since. Maynard is dead, but Adams is still with the General Pipe Line Company as vice president and general manager and will play a leading part in the great new engineering project.

The new line will not supersede the original one, but will give General Petroleum a more direct route from its large holdings in the San Joaquin valley into its mammoth refinery at Torrance.

Torrance Students Compete For Honors

Two students at the University of Southern California from Torrance will compete for student body offices when the elections are held May 10.

Rudolph Huber, 1444 Post avenue, will be a candidate for the office of president of the School of International Relations. He is a graduate of Torrance high school and a sophomore at Troy.

Alice Slaughter, 1229 Madrid avenue, is a candidate for the presidency of the School of Pharmacy. She is a member of Lambda Kappa Sigma, national professional pharmacy fraternity.

SECOND ATTEMPT TO BURY MARTHA WAS SUCCESSFUL

LONDON, (U.P.)—The second attempt to bury Martha Southwell, 88, was successful.

Martha was a lifelong inmate of the Romsey poor law institution, and the first time they tried to bury her was back in 1885. The coffin had almost reached the side of the grave when the bearers heard a knocking. They dropped the coffin. It came apart and out of the wreckage stepped Martha. She walked back to the institution and immediately resumed her work. She used the lid of her coffin as an ironing board. She ironed out the 19th century and 35 years of the 20th. She finally died where she was born, having left the institution only once for illness.

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