ROOSEVELT URGES STATE SOIL LAWS

Governors Asked in Letter to Secure Passage of Model Legislation.

By the Associated Press.

President Roosevelt sought yesterday to enlist all 48 States in the national campaign to save farm lands from blowing away in duststorms or washing away in floods.

He asked all Governors, in an identical letter, to obtain passage "of legislation along the lines" of a model soil conservation law suggested by the Agriculture Department.

This "standard State soil conservation districts law" allows a group of 25 or more "land occupyers" to form a conservation district, set up rules for use of land and "compel a recalcitrant minority to comply where it is for the public good."

The Soil Conservation Service of the Agriculture Department has conducted a series of demonstrations to teach farmers how to avoid washing and blowing of soil. But the President indicated these would not bring desired results unless States took action.

"The duststorms and floods of the last few years have underscored the importance of programs to control soil erosion," the President wrote. He added that "the Nation that destroys its soil destroys itself."

"The erodible land in every watershed must be brought under some form of control," he said, and the model law is "imperative to enable farmers to take the necessary co-operative action."

The law provides that proposed conservation measures be submitted to farmers in a local referendum. If approved in the referendum, the regulations would have the force of law within the conservation district.

Land owners in the district could be required to construct terraces, check dams or other conservation projects; follow certain practices, such as contour cultivating, strip cropping and planting of trees or grasses; and refrain from cultivating "steep or otherwise highly erosive lands."

Violations of regulations might result in a fine. If the land owner failed to observe the regulations the district supervisor also could apply for a court order and then enter the land, perform the required work, and collect costs from the owner.

Funds for the districts would be provided from the State or Federal treasuries.

Charity Ball Head Named.

J. M. Burmester of the Mayflower Hotel last week was elected chairman of the sixtieth annual charity ball of the International Geneva Association of Hotel, Club and Restaurant Executives and Employes of Washington, to be held at the Raleigh Hotel April 11.

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no expiration date was set on it. This was only one reason, however.

"Although this last regulation expires March 15, I consider it just as unreasonable as the last, and I declare it invalid."

Former Judge Gus A. Schuldt held a "snow-removal" parking ban invalid last Winter, and his ruling was upheld by the Appeals Court.

Judge Curran's decision grew out of a test case, which came about when Z. Monford Smith, who received a ticket Thursday for parking on Thirteenth street, volunteered to be the subject.

Arraigned before Judge Curran, who was substituting in Traffic Court for Judge Isaac R. Hitt during the latter's illness, Smith admitted he had parked in violation of the regulation, but questioned its validity.

Judge Curran said he would allow the defendant to move to quash the information. With regard to the corporation counsel's office, the jurist said:

"I suppose the same grounds exist which were argued when I declared the previous regulation invalid last month."

The warrants and tickets were ordered nolle prossed by Seal a few hours after Judge Curran's decision. At the same time Police Supt. Ernest W. Brown instructed his men to desist from handing out tickets and obtaining warrants against violators of the 2-to-8 a.m. ban.

Violations of the regulation increased considerably last Monday after Judge Hitt announced he would take personal bonds of all motorists brought in under the night parking rule until snow conditions warranted its existence.

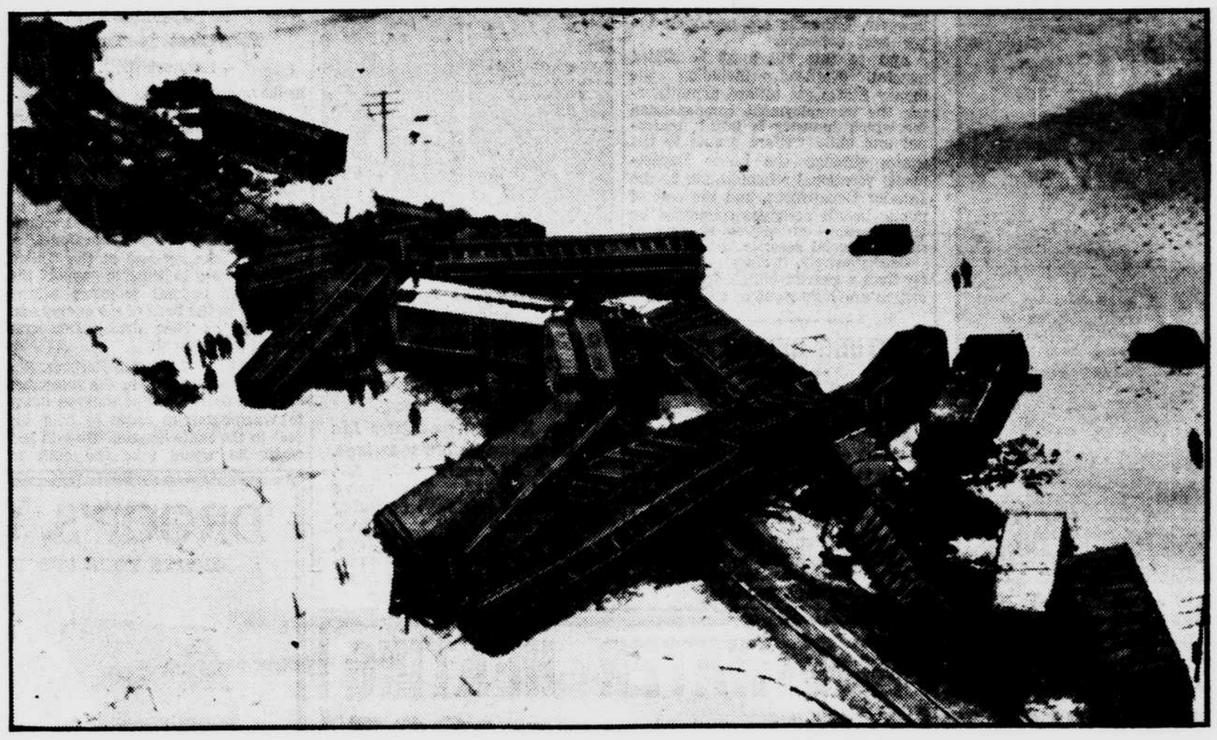
On Wednesday police began obtaining some 300 warrants daily, and more than 1,000 had been issued before noon yesterday. Motorists had been slow, police said, in posting collateral when given "snow-removal" tickets, probably because they hoped to "get off" in court.

In announcing he would apply to the Appellate Court for a writ of error, Seal said he welcomed a showdown on the controversy.

"For three years," he pointed out, "the Commissioners have been trying to regulate parking on downtown streets and important thoroughfares at night, so that plows could work unobstructed in event of snowfalls.

"I want a ruling on the question from a higher court, so I can advise the Commissioners whether they have or have not the authority to regulate parking with a view to snow removal."

Freight Cars Strewn Like Toys in Wreck



Scene near Des Moines, Iowa, yesterday, when 27 cars of a Great Western freight train piled up. Edward Noble, 20, who was "bumming his way," was trapped beneath a carload of sewer pipe. Air shot shows how cars were strewn about.
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Beard

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James T. Gallagher, Timothy H. Noel, Sidney Kaplan and Lewis L. Levy.

They were convicted of setting up a gaming table and of conspiring to violate the District gambling laws. On the first charge they were sentenced to serve from one to three years on each of two counts, and on the conspiracy charge they were sentenced to serve from four months to two years, the sentences to run concurrently.

They continued their battle in the courts for release or probation, but failed in these efforts. The appeal to President Roosevelt followed.

The group will be eligible to apply for parole on April 17 next, it was said at the Department of Justice. They will be eligible to apply for "good conduct" releases next August.

Meanwhile the Department of Justice has under advisement applications for clemency in behalf of Charles Harris, convicted murderer of Milton ("Milsie") Henry; Thomas Jordan, slayer of Mrs. Lizzie Jaynes, cashier of the Garden Theatre, and Homer Cummings, colored, convicted of murdering a meat wagon driver.

Harris is serving life imprisonment at Lewisburg Penitentiary under a commuted sentence. The Department of Justice reopened his case after belated discovery of the murder gun in an automobile used by the killers. G-men are trying to trace ownership of the weapon—a shotgun.

Jordan and the colored man are scheduled to die in the electric chair at the District Jail on March 19.

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as much as 25 years in its present form."

Similar hope for those communities where development is too slow to allow amortization within the 20-year period was expressed by Representative Rankin, Democrat, of Mississippi, long an advocate of public power ownership, who also addressed the meeting.

"I'm out to electrify America," the Mississippian declared, "and I'm not worrying much about how long it takes to pay it back."

Representative Rankin told the group that he will exert every effort to see that the T. V. A. rate yardstick is applied to every one of the great Federal power projects now under construction.

Continuing the attack upon the private corporations, Representative Pierce, Democrat, of Oregon told of the fight being waged by these interests against full development of the Bonneville and Grand Coulee projects in the Pacific Northwest.

"Their friends," he said, "are in position of authority in political, legislative and administrative groups. They have a great advantage in control of publicity. Their agents are present even when little groups of country people are meeting in their grange halls. The battle is being fought at every crossroads."

During the day numerous other speakers contributed to the mass attack upon the private power interests with the Supreme Court coming in for incidental condemnation. From James J. Bonbright, professor of finance at Columbia University, came the charge that the court is enforcing "economic voodooism" by "judicial fiat" in its persistent espousal of a utilities rate-making theory which has been declared unsound by nearly every reputable economist in the country.

Two members of Congress are scheduled to address the conference in a closing session this morning, these being Representatives H. J. Voorhis, Democrat, of California and G. J. Boileau, Progressive, of Wisconsin. Other speakers this morning will be Marion Hedges of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of America and Prof. Carl Raushenbush of New York University.

Extradition Fight May Bar Reformed Convict's Pardon

Ohio Fugitive Is Found Father of Family in Pittsburgh.

By the Associated Press.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, February 27.—Immediate return to the prison bars he fled 15 years ago with the possibility of a quick pardon and return to his family in Pittsburgh vanished tonight for Torrance J. Cannon.

The 38-year-old mill foreman decided in Pittsburgh to fight extradition and separation from his wife, Martha, and their two daughters, who didn't know until four days ago he was an escaped convict.

"That'll make it that much harder for him," said Warden James Woodard of Ohio Penitentiary. Woodard had asked Cannon to waive extradition and said it was likely that the convicted Akron robber would have received a quick pardon from Gov. Martin L. Davey.

Woodard said Davey would be asked Monday to requisition Gov. George H. Earle of Pennsylvania for the return of Cannon to serve out the remainder of a 1-to-15-year robbery sentence. Cannon had served three years when he escaped from an honor camp in 1921.

Cannon's wife, who came here Friday to appeal to Gov. Davey in her husband's behalf, indirectly caused his plight by having him arrested following a domestic quarrel. A police check of his fingerprints disclosed the escape.

Wray Bevins, executive clerk of Gov. Davey, is studying Mrs. Cannon's plea for a pardon.

Machinery Records Fall.

Armament orders caused machinery production in Germany to break all records last year.

BRITISH SEAMEN IGNORE ALL PLEAS

Still Balk at Carrying Cargo of Nitrate From Virginia to Spain.

By the Associated Press.

BOSTON, February 27.—The crew of the British freighter Linaria today stood firmly by its refusal to transport nitrate to Fascists in Spain, rejecting the advice of an American agent for the National Union of Seamen of Great Britain who suggested the men should abide by their signed articles.

The men signed up in December for two years. They contended the nitrate was to be used for munitions of war and not for fertilizer as announced.

After conferring with the striking seamen, Joseph Dobbyn of New York, the union representative, cabled his London headquarters:

"Talked to men. Absolutely refuse to go to Spain with any sort of cargo which might be used for war materials."

Dobbyn immediately conferred with J. G. Hall & Co., agents of the Stag Line, owners of the Linaria, and the Linaria's captain, Joseph Robinson. Later Dobbyn, Capt. Robinson and a representative of Hall & Co. met with Hugh A. Ford, British consul general.

Without making an announcement, Ford left the consulate with the three, apparently for another meeting at an undisclosed place.

Ford previously had told the men that the shipment of nitrate, which was to be picked up at Hopewell, Va., was not prohibited under the British and United States neutrality acts and that the men had signed aboard the Linaria for two years last December knowing that the vessel could be sent to Spain.

Alex Robson, a fireman and spokesman for the crew, said, however, that Ford was siding with the ship's owners to send the men into the war zone. The nitrate was consigned to Seville.

The crew remained aboard the Linaria, heatless and without lights, at its Charlestown mooring. They were supposed to have sailed last Thursday.

Representative Mahon Speaker.

Representative Heyward Mahon of South Carolina will be the principal speaker at the monthly meeting of the Palmetto State Voters' Forum to be held at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Colonial Hotel, Fifteenth and M streets. His subject will be "Resident South Carolinians of Washington and the Part They Can Play in State Government."

PEGGY STILL IRKED BY MISSING BAIL

Dressed and Ready to Leave Jail, She Needs Only the $2,500.

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, February 27.—Peggy Garcia cried tonight for bail instead of balm.

The winsome blond, whose $500,000 breach of promise suit against Violinist Dave Rubinoff was thrown out of court Wednesday, needed $2,500 to gain freedom of a bigamy charge.

All afternoon she fretted and fumed in the House of Detention, waiting for some one to bail her out.

Miss Garcia, who was arrested Thursday night with Michael La Rocca, a tombstone salesman, said the indictment charging them with bigamy was "just too foolish."

The State contends she already had a husband when she married La Rocca last September, and that La Rocca had a wife and three children.

"But I wasn't a married woman," she insisted today.

She also denied a suggestion by District Attorney William C. Dodge that a blackmail ring might have been behind her suit against Rubinoff.

"Why, the idea of such a thing," she pouted. "It was my own idea. My very own."

Visitors, who found her all dressed up and ready to leave at a moment's notice, asked what she planned to do when released.

"I'm going to start rehearsals of my sketch," she said. A Bronx cafe has signed her to appear in a "musical version" of her life.

She said the policemen at the House of Detention were "adorable," the matrons "grand" and the food "lousy."

La Rocca was in the Tombs, saying nothing.

Miss Shoemaker to Speak.

SILVER SPRING, Md., February 27 (Special).—The March meeting of the Woman's Improvement Club of Silver Spring, scheduled for Monday night, has been postponed until March 8. Miss Ruth Shoemaker, member of the Maryland House of Delegates from this county, will discuss pending legislation.

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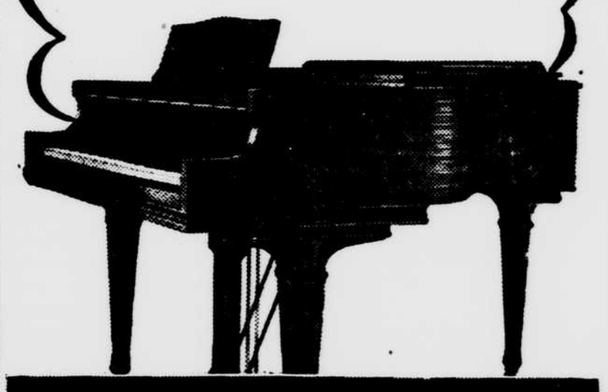

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