

MAY BE ARBITRATED

Federated Trades View of Strike Situation.

WILLING TO REFER THE MATTER

Oregonian's Suggestion of Names of Men to Hear the Case Finds Favor With Labor Leaders.

"The demand for a nine-hour day in the planing mills is a just one," say members of the Building Trades Council, and last night the following communication was received by the Oregonian:

The following resolution was passed unanimously by the Building Trades Council: Resolved, That the secretary be instructed to notify the Oregonian that the Building Trades Council is willing that the difficulty between the planing-mill owners and the Amalgamated Woodworkers' Union be placed in the hands of Judge George H. Williams, H. W. Corbett and George M. Olson, as suggested in The Morning Oregonian, to see if there is a case for arbitration, and that the result of this investigation be published in The Oregonian. Yours truly,

From the start the strikers have announced themselves as willing to arbitrate their difficulties, and, now, so convinced have they become that their case is just that they are eager to have the matters under the controversy investigated by impartial parties, and the result of their investigation made public.

For some time past many people affected by the strike have thought that a conference between the millowners and the strikers would be desirable, and after some trouble a meeting was arranged for yesterday afternoon.

The situation was discussed at length, and the various points of controversy warmly debated, but nothing was accomplished that in any way could have a tendency to bring about a settlement. Neither side offered to make any concessions, and when the meeting was over, the situation was unchanged, except, perhaps, that both sides were a little more determined to stand their ground.

In speaking of yesterday's meeting, one of the employers said: "The millowners did not ask for a conference, and did not consent to meet the union with a view to arbitration. In a joint meeting of the saw-mill and planing millmen Saturday, Johan Poulsen, of Inman, Poulsen & Co., reported that it had been proposed to him by certain individuals that some of the striking employees had a grievance which they desired to talk over with their former employers, and he thought it would only be fair and just to meet these men in a personal conference for the purpose of hearing what their grievances were. The planing mill owners stated that they had held numerous interviews with these men, but no one had mentioned any grievances. In order that this matter might be fully canvassed, however, Mr. Poulsen was told that the planing mill owners would meet the men on Monday."

The conference was accordingly held yesterday in the office of the Oregonian and was attended by the various employers, and eight or 10 mill hands, besides Mr. Poulsen and Mr. Francis, of the sawmills, and Mr. Lewton, of the planing mills. Mr. Lewton, of the planing mills, called the meeting to order and explained that it had been called at the request of Mr. Poulsen to hear what grievances, if any, the former employees had.

Mr. Ammon, acting as spokesman for the employees, stated that they had notified the mills several months ago that, beginning with May 1, they would work on a day's wage, and that the wages should remain the same as were then being paid for 10 hours' work; that the owners had refused the demand, and that was their grievance. Mr. McFarland then inquired if that was their only grievance, to which Mr. Ammon replied: "Yes, that is all; we think the owners should have, on the notice they received, been ready to comply with the request, and also recognize the union."

"Mr. McFarland briefly stated that this had been gone over heretofore, and that the millowners had discussed it fully with their men and in the press, and that there was absolutely no room to argue that point further; that this was not a local proposition, and for that reason Portland mills could not pay more wages or work less hours than the mills on Puget Sound or the stock mills of California and hold the trade that was necessary to hold in order to keep the mills in operation."

The results of the conference with the millmen were brought up at the Building Trades Council, but no further action will be taken until the results of the resolution passed last night are heard from.

STEEL TRUST JOINED.

Temporary Injunction Secured by a Stockholder Is Made Permanent.

NEWARK, N. J., June 16.—Vice-Chancellor Emery today gave an oral opinion making a temporary injunction secured a week ago by Miriam Berger, of Sullivan County, N. Y., permanent. The injunction restrains the United States Steel Corporation from retiring \$250,000,000 of preferred stock and issuing \$250,000,000 in bonds instead.

In his opinion the Vice-Chancellor held that the retirement of the stock constituted a preferential reduction of the corporation's capital among those assenting to the plan, and a corresponding impairing of those not assenting. According to the Vice-Chancellor's decision, preferred stockholders have vested property rights which cannot be impaired by a board of directors without the consent of the holders of preferred shares.

TAXPAYERS SAY NO.

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Adams was elected Director for three years to succeed himself, in spite of his desire to retire, and John Gable was elected Director for one year. D. R. Young was elected Clerk. Retiring Clerk F. S. Fields read his report, which showed 36 children of school age. His financial report showed that receipts had been for the year, \$19,739.33, and disbursements, \$18,492.36. Total value of the property of the district was placed at \$14,059.

J. O. Hall, principal, submitted his report, which showed the following pupils on the honorary roll for the year:

First grade—Julia Johnson, Alverda van Harnum, Mabel Sunderland, Dean Hunter, Jeanne Murdoch, Agnes Ball, John Pratt; second grade—Herbert Laidlaw, Rattle Price, Max Johnson, Doyle Thomas, Adore Frances Alspaugh, Paul Coleman Adams, Raymond Weaver Alspaugh, Dora Ames Bum, Sylvester E. Lawrence, Robert B. Sprague, Edith E. Ruttle, Richard R. Tipton; third grade—Helen Hall, Viva Oshy; fourth grade—Myrtle Black, Carrie Fitzpatrick, Ralph

CONVICTS ON THEIR WAY

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off," was again the Portland party's counsel, and the watchword was: "Press on to Salmon Creek between Brush Prairie and Battleground." Deputy Sheriff Skipton, Walter Lyon, private secretary to Governor Gear; Guard Ferrell's brother, Deputy Sheriff Lou Wagner, of Multnomah County, and another guard whose name could not be learned, were sent one way to head the convicts off. Sheriff Marsh and Detective Day jumped into a buggy, searched the country as far as St. Johns, Wash., and worked up to the



HENRY TIEDE TELLING HIS STORY.

Salmon Creek section. Detectives Snow and Kerrigan worked in another direction, while a fourth party, composed of Fireman Castle and Emil Glutche, worked together. Four ex-United States soldiers, dead shots, were sent to wait for the outlaws near Salmon Creek bridge.

In the meantime Tracy and Merrill did not put in an appearance and were evidently sleeping off the effects of their morning meal somewhere in the darkest woods. Then happened the unfor-

convicts, and weary, suddenly someone in the Salem party saw two men, who afterward turned out to be Morris and Seal, with guns in their hands, sitting on a log in the woods about 500 yards away. An idea got into the minds of the Salem people that the two men were the escaped convicts. Tracy and Merrill, who were now in the vicinity of Vancouver, were referred to Governor McBride, who is the commander-in-chief of the state militia, but up to a late hour tonight the Governor had not received any word from Sheriff Marsh. Late this afternoon Mayor A. B. Eastham, of Vancouver, telephoned Governor McBride, asking for the use of the bloodhounds kept at the Walla Walla Penitentiary, stating that the convicts were surrounded within a few miles of Vancouver, and that it was expected, with the assistance of the bloodhounds, they might be speedily captured. Major Watson immediately wired Governor McBride, who is attending a meeting of the regents of the Agricultural College at Pullman, and it is probable that the Governor at once wired Warden Catron to send the hounds to Vancouver, to assist in the capture of the convict-murderers.

DURBIN GETS A LETTER.

"Fake" Served Purporting to Be From Convicts.

SALEM, June 16.—Sheriff F. W. Durbin is in receipt of a letter from Seattle, purporting to have been written by Tracy and Merrill at Seattle. But it is believed to be a reasonable certainty that the communication is a forgery. The letter was mailed at Seattle at 1 o'clock last Friday afternoon, and is formed of several abusive and indecent statements in a disconnected manner. Salem officers are satisfied the epistle was written by Harry Wright, the supposed accomplice of the fugitive murderers, and since it is in violation of the postal laws, an effort will be made to locate the writer and turn him over to the authorities. The letter was poorly written and is signed, "Tracy and Merrill, the Blooded Men." After boasting of having escaped the vigilance of the Oregon officers and reaching Seattle, the Oregon officers and reaching Seattle, the writer of the letter states that within two hours the murderers would have started for British Columbia. Sheriff Durbin and the members of the posse are abused in unparliamentary terms. In conclusion, the writer wishes the posse all success in its chase, and states that the capture of the brace of convicts will never be accomplished.

Sheriff Cooke Is Doubtful.

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Cooke returned late this afternoon from Clark County, Wash., where he has been with the posse in search of the escaped convicts, Tracy and Merrill. He regards the ultimate prospects of their capture as remote, and says the impression seems to be general that they are making for the Lewis River country. Sheriff Cooke is tired out with his week's anxiety and watching, and regrets that the diligent efforts made by the officers resulted in the loss of the outlaws. He says that luck is with them and though the officers were in ahead of them last night and only one place was left unguarded, the place was the very one through which the convicts passed.

Sheriff Totton Out on Trail.

STEVENSON, Wash., June 16.—John E. Totton, Sheriff of Skamania County, received a telephone message from Vancouver this morning that Convicts Tracy and Merrill had held up and robbed a farmer at or near Fort Walla, in Clark County, and were heading east up the Columbia River, and that they probably would go through Skamania County. Sheriff Totton quickly prepared himself and headed down the river to intercept the desperadoes. Should he come in contact with the convicts his well-known reputation makes it certain that something will happen.

Bloodhounds Start for Vancouver.

WALLA WALLA, Gr., June 16.—Guard E. M. Carson left tonight for Portland accompanied by the penitentiary bloodhounds, agents to take up the chase after the escaped Oregon convicts, Merrill and Tracy.

A Kansas City Tragedy.

KANSAS CITY, June 16.—Bernhard Steiner, a slayer, 40 years old, was picked up on the sidewalk at the corner of Fourteenth street and Grand avenue at midnight unconscious and with his skull fractured, and sent to the police station. Several boys told the police that they saw Steiner accost a man and woman whom he met at the corner, that the man or woman uttered some words, a club or slungshot, kicked the prostrate

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