

RAIL SHOP WORK IS NEAR STANDARD

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70 SKILLED MEN HIRED

Railroad Artificers on Nine-Hour Schedule Accomplish Task That Required More Hands Before Strike—Company Satisfied.

With its present force of shopmen at Albina and Brooklyn, Harriman railroad officials in Portland declare that they are able to do nearly as much work as before the strike was started three weeks ago. J. P. O'Brien, general manager, said yesterday that 79 additional skilled men had been employed in the previous 24 hours and that 65 per cent of the normal force now is working.

By employing the present force nine hours a day and six days a week instead of eight hours a day and only five days a week, as was the practice before the strike, the company obtains all the work it considers necessary. On a basis of 190 men working five days of eight hours each, the company now obtains 4000 hours of work a week. On a basis of 85 men working six days of nine hours each, it is possible to obtain 3510 hours of work a week. By working the men 18 hours a day a maximum of 3200 hours is obtained.

With this force the company declares it is satisfied to continue operations. Officials say work at both shops can be carried on indefinitely. For each unit of 100 men working before the strike, they now have 55 men on duty.

Strikers Deny Efficiency.

Strike leaders declare, however, that the present force is incompetent and unable to do half the amount of work, and that at a greatly reduced degree of efficiency.

However, the officials point to the fact that they would not trust delicate and valuable machinery to incompetent and inexperienced workmen, and say that the standard of workmanship maintained is equal to that existing previous to the strike.

The first three weeks of the strike have been remarkable for the lack of disturbances and the confidence maintained on both sides. From the very outset the company assumed a position of independence that bordered upon defiance. A time limit was set within which the company agreed to take back all of the old men and restore them to good standing on its rolls. A very small number of strikers returned.

Immediately after the expiration of that period the company started to hire men from whatever source they could be gleaned. Many were employed through the employment agencies in Portland and some were sent from Puget Sound. More than 60 men were brought in at one time by means of a special train from Troutdale, the men having been recruited at Puget Sound points.

Working Force Gaining.

The most sensational feature of the entire three weeks developed a few days ago when Ed Carlisle, not a member of the federation, but a striker, circulated a handbill urging the men to return to work. He was charged by the union men with being in the employ of the company, but Carlisle emphatically denied the charge. Manager O'Brien issued an official statement denying that Carlisle was employed by the company.

Carlisle's action brought little disturbance in the ranks of the strikers, but while he was busy on one hand the company continued its efforts to enlist men.

Company reports in the last week show that the number of new men obtained has been increasing every day. Yesterday's employment list included 70 men, the greatest number hired on any single day since the strike started.

Harriman officials believe that within the next week they will have all the men they need. They say, they will cease hiring and operate the shops as if no strike existed.

PATROLMAN IS OUSTED

H. A. Foster Is Suspended After Complaint by Girl.

On technical charges of disobeying orders, back of which is a more serious allegation that may lead to criminal prosecution, H. A. Foster, a patrolman, was suspended by Chief of Police Sliver yesterday and complaint against him will be filed with the Executive Board.

Foster is accused of improper conduct against a young girl who was entrusted to his care to be escorted home, two weeks ago. A family brawl had occurred in Sellwood, and when police men arrested the participants, they also took to the police station the girl, to be held as a witness. Captain Bailey thought it would be injurious and unnecessary to hold her, and instructed Foster to act as her escort to her home.

Starting out with his charge, the policeman found that the streetcars had stopped running. He therefore conducted the girl to a down-town rooming house. The girl reported the facts and has filed an affidavit, but refuses to commence criminal proceedings.

Foster's offense against the department is based on his failure to report his reason for not doing so. He has not been long on the force, and has been employed on the North End beat.

STREET-AD ACT FRAMED

Proposed Ordinance Permits Displays on Ledges and Posts.

An ordinance permitting storekeepers to use their window ledges and corner posts for advertising purposes will be presented to the City Council by the health and police committee at its next meeting. The proposed ordinance was submitted to the committee yesterday morning by City Building Inspector Plummer.

The new ordinance, which is an amendment to the building code, provides that signs not over ten inches long may project not more than four inches beyond the street line. The code already provides for the projection of window sills not over six inches.

SON OF WEALTHY HELD YET

Dr. Hayward, of Los Angeles, Lets Youth Stay in Jail.

Somewhere between a wealthy and hitherto indulgent father in Los An-

geles and an imprisoned and destitute son in Portland, the lines of communication are broken, and the scion, Stanley Hayward, son of a bank president and hotel owner of the California city, has now languished in the City Jail for a week, expecting every day to hear that his father has satisfied the claims against him. While Hayward, senior, has shown interest in the predicament of his son and has pursued inquiries, he seems in no haste to free the young man.

Hayward's case has been continued from day to day, at his own request, and yesterday the District Attorney was informed that the father, Dr. Henderson Hayward, had telegraphed to Hayward presented forged telegrams and thereby obtained \$75 on a counterfeit draft. Other shortages are alleged on which no complaints have been

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CITY CAPTIVE PARDONED

GOVERNOR FREES ROCKPILE PRISONER WHO FLED.

Man Who Escaped to Visit Dying Wife Gains Leniency—Boy Drug Fiend Is Paroled.

Revolution in the methods of the Municipal Court in relation to the release of prisoners after sentence, was demonstrated yesterday, when two prisoners at the Linnton rockpile were freed ahead of their time by procedure in legal form. In one case appeal was made to the Governor, who issued a pardon, while in the other, on motion of Judge Gatens, of the Juvenile Court, the case was reopened and a new trial was held, after which the prisoner was paroled. The only apparent flaw in the procedure was that one man was released on a pardon from the Governor in the face of a recent opinion of City Attorney Grant that the state executive has no such power in city cases.

Until recently there had been much criticism of the court because numerous prisoners, after being sentenced, were allowed to go by orders of the court entered without publicity, and this practice was made an issue in the trial of A. E. Briggs, former superintendent of the Linnton rockpile, charged with aiding prisoners to escape.

The prisoner who enjoyed the clemency of Governor West is Jesse Merritt, who, after being sentenced for vagrancy, broke jail and ran away to see his dying wife at the county hospital. He was recaptured and was serving 90 days and a \$200 fine when the Governor intervened. A brother of Merritt, living in St. Louis, had given testimony against Miller on an appeal case in the Circuit Court, and will then join his father on a homestead.

James Buckner, a youth who has played a prominent part in the crusade against vendors of noxious drugs, received a remission of the remaining part of a 60-day sentence through the intervention of Judge Gatens, of whose court he is a ward. Buckner was the alleged go-between of Solomon Miller, a South Portland druggist, and youths who were his customers. He gave his testimony against Miller and was picked up a few weeks ago, again in the grip of the cocaine habit. His mother made effort to obtain his release, but was unheeded until she made affidavit that the penalty was excessive, and obtained the recommendation of Judge Gatens that the case be reopened.

On this showing the boy was brought in from the Linnton rockpile yesterday, had a new hearing in court and was paroled in the custody of the probation officers. He will remain here until he has given testimony against Miller on an appeal case in the Circuit Court, and will then join his father on a homestead.

BRIDE-BEATER FINED \$20

Woman Says Husband of Month Wanted Her \$500 Income.

Seeing a man beating a woman in a taxicab at 53 Grand avenue, early yesterday morning, Patrolman Leavens interfered and arrested E. F. Slater, the alleged assailant. The woman, he said, is his wife.

Leavens saw a negro and two white men get out of the cab and endeavor to draw the woman after them. When she resisted, Slater struck her. She told the policeman that she held back because she knew she would get a hearing when they reached their apartment. She said she had married Slater a month ago and that he was trying to get her quarterly income of \$500, which she had drawn a few days before. She declared her intention to leave the city if she could get away from her husband.

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ELKS TO BID ALL

Convention Day Planned to Send Cards to Friends.

NEW YEAR'S MAY BE SET

Governor and Mayors of Oregon Cities to Be Asked to Issue Proclamations — New Orleans Lodge Engages Special.

"Elks' Convention Day," when every resident of Portland and of Oregon is expected to write a letter or a postcard to a friend or a relative in the East, extending an invitation to come to Portland for the Elks' grand lodge reunion next July, will be officially proclaimed by civic and state authorities, according to plans now being formulated by the Portland lodge's publicity committee. D. Solts Cohen, chairman of the publicity committee, has suggested next New Year's day, and as this day falls on Monday, the idea is received with favor, inasmuch as it will give Oregonians both Sunday and Monday to prepare their invitations.

William McMurray, general passenger agent of the O.-W. R. & N. Company and a member of the publicity committee was one of the first to proclaim the value of this plan. He says it had good effect in inviting colonists to Oregon and Washington last Spring.

Postcards to be provided. Tentative arrangements provide for printing a large number of postcards, souvenir in design, setting forth one or more of Portland's numerous advantages, calling attention to the Elks' festival week and extending an invitation to come and participate in the enjoyment. These cards would be given general distribution and people would be urged to send them on the day announced for the purpose. Letters also could be sent.

To give the plan official bearing the Governor will be asked to issue a proclamation setting apart a day for this purpose. The Mayors of Portland and of other cities will also be asked to issue similar proclamations.

While the invitations would be directed principally to the Elks of the country the committee does not intend that they be limited to members of the order. Portland Elks want it to be everybody's convention and from the outset are endeavoring to dispel the idea that Elks alone are welcome. They are emphasizing the fact that there will be plenty of room for all.

New Orleans Elks Coming.

Passenger officials of the Southern Pacific Company yesterday received advice from A. Abrahamson, agent at New Orleans, that a special train has been chartered by the members of the lodge in that city and that 150 Elks are expected to come to Portland, arriving here on the evening of Monday, July 8, and remaining until Saturday evening, July 13. New Orleans is the home of John P. Sullivan, grand exalted ruler.

Harry C. McAllister, secretary of the commission, is receiving advice every day of delegations coming from various Eastern cities.

The finance committee will meet at noon Sunday to appoint subcommittees and to arrange for a showman canvass of the city to collect the \$15,000 yet necessary to complete the \$125,000 entertainment fund promised the grand lodge.

A committee has been named to arrange for a banquet for the Elks and their women relatives and friends at the convention, and enthusiasm is to be aroused. It will be held early in November. The committee will consist of K. K. Kubli, David M. Dunne, C. C. Dray, Dr. T. L. Perkins and Dr. E. A. Marshall.

The Dalles to Be Visited.

Portland lodge expects to send a delegation to The Dalles, November 10, to participate in the dedication of the Elks' Temple in that city. The committee in charge of the excursion consists of G. P. Henry, Harvey O'Bryan, J. P. Finley, J. E. Kelly and A. E. Jentzen.

K. K. Kubli, exalted ruler; Ralph E. Moody, Gus C. Moser, J. H. Deltz, Sol Blumauer are a committee to provide entertainment for members of the grand lodge who will be in Portland during the next six weeks.

G. P. Henry, J. H. Deltz, William Jentzen, C. Emil Fore and E. W. Moore are a committee in charge of the Elks' annual Session oforrow which will be held Sunday, December 3.

HOW TO PRY LID TOLD

"DRY" TOWNS ADVISED AS TO LIQUOR ELECTIONS.

Secretary McAllister of Greater Home Rule Association Outlines the Necessary Procedure.

Specific instructions as to the necessary lines of procedure to be followed by "dry" towns in Oregon desiring to vote on prohibition in the next election next year were mailed yesterday by H. C. McAllister, secretary of the Greater Oregon Home Rule Association, to the Mayors of the several important cities and towns in which the sale of liquor is now prohibited. These cities and towns are: Moro, Walla Walla, Harliburg, Cottage Grove, Silveston, Glendale, Roseburg, Sheridan and Eugene.

In these cities the voting precincts are partly in the city and partly in the country, making it necessary, under a decision of Associate Justice Moore of the Oregon Supreme Court in the Joseph case, to readjust the precinct lines to conform to the city boundary limits before another prohibition election can be held.

This readjustment of the precinct lines, making them coincide with the city boundaries and constituting the city, the voting unit is necessary to make future home rule elections legal. Necessary readjustment of precinct lines must be made by the several counties at their November meeting next preceding a general election.

This means that the changes in the precinct dividing lines must be made by the county courts next week. Otherwise it will be impossible to hold a home rule election on the liquor question at the next general election in November, 1912.

Federal Jurors Discharged.

Jurors who have been serving in the United States District Court were discharged for the term yesterday by Judge Bean. The order released all except those engaged in the case on trial. No more jury trials have been set for the remainder of this term.

FOODSTUFF PRICES JUMPING RAPIDLY

Canned Goods, Except Apples, Asparagus and Corn, Up; Flour Is Higher.

MUTTON FAMINE LOOMING

Biggest Increase Is Noted in California Peaches, Although Michigan Has Bumper Crop—Dairy Products Dearer, Also.

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Here's News

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PARKROSE

The price of living is still advancing every day. All foodstuffs are costing more and more, but those who want to can SOLVE THE HIGH COST OF LIVING—they can cut their living expenses square in two and have fresher, better products on their tables.

Let us show you PARKROSE and explain its numerous advantages—its economizing possibilities.

NOTE—For the convenience of those who cannot get in during the day we have decided to keep the office open this evening. Come in after supper if you wish.

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OLD MAN THEFT VICTIM

LOSS COMPELS L. B. FLETCHER TO SEEK COUNTY FARM.

A. E. Bliven Is Indicted for Crime. Grand Jury Frees Three and Orders Four Held.

A. E. Bliven, charged with having retained diamond pins and rings, a watch, gold chain and other articles of jewelry owned by L. B. Fletcher, an old man, leaving his victim destitute that he was forced to go to the County Farm, was indicted yesterday by the grand jury on a charge of larceny by bailment. The charge against Bliven was presented by Superintendent Jackson, of the County Farm.

A true bill charging larceny against William A. Struss, formerly a salesman in the employ of Meier & Frank, was returned. Struss is accused of stealing 22 pairs of shoes and \$53.35 in money. Not a true bill was returned in the case of Emma Lulu Peters, employed by the same firm in the lace department. She was charged with stealing goods from her department.

Bessie Riley, accused by Mrs. Helen M. Geren of stealing clothing and other personal property, was the subject of a true bill. So also was Roy B.

THEFT LAID TO EXPERT

Police Believe Old Hand Stole Mrs. Fithian's Jewels.

That it was a professional thief, probably a shoplifter, who carried away Mrs. O. H. Fithian's diamonds from the fur store of H. Liebke & Co. Thursday afternoon is now the accepted belief of detectives. A reward of \$500 has been offered for the return of the jewels, which were valued at \$2500, to Mrs. Fithian, at Bruce Apartments, 258 North Twenty-fifth street. (Tel. Marshall 1486.) Three detectives have been assigned

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Gently but thoroughly cleanse your Liver, Stomach and Bowels and you feel great by morning.

You're bilious, you have a throbbing sensation in your head, a bad taste in your mouth, your eyes burn, your skin is yellow, with dark rings under your eyes; your lips are parched. No wonder you feel ugly, mean and ill tempered. Your system is full of biliousness and needs a thorough cleansing. Don't continue being a bilious nuisance to yourself and those who love you, and don't resort to harsh physics that irritate and injure. Remember that every disorder of the stomach, liver and intestines can be quickly cured by morning with gentle, thorough Cascarets—they work while you sleep. A 10-cent box from your druggist will keep you and the entire family feeling good for months. Children love to take Cascarets, because they taste good and never gripes or sickens.

County Library Pact Agreed Upon.

The County Court and