

SHORTAGE OF CARS COSTLY TO MILLS

Lumber Orders Placed in Valley Being Cancelled and Sent Out of State.

NO RELIEF IS PROMISED

Two Oregon Commissioners in San Francisco Notified by Telegraph and Effort Will Be Made to Have Railroad Take Action.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 15.—(Special.)—Unable to obtain sufficient cars for logging, the lumber industry of Western Oregon, according to information in the hands of the Oregon Public Service Commission, today is almost paralyzed; orders are being cancelled at any mills to be filled in Washington and other states and with no immediate relief in sight, mill owners face heavy losses.

Complaints which are pouring into the Commission from lumbermen throughout the Willamette Valley today showed a shortage of 200 cars. Although the Commission took up the matter of obtaining relief for the Valley mills with the Southern Pacific Company last month and more cars were promised, telegrams from millmen indicate the shortage now is even more acute. Four hundred and thirty-seven loaded and empty box cars and flat cars have passed Ashland northbound since October 1. Few of these, it is declared, have been available for lumber shipments, many being refrigerator cars.

Word received by the Commission today from the Southern Pacific office gave no encouragement that the cars needed would be supplied. Commissioners Alchison and Miller are in San Francisco attending sessions of the Railroad Commission of all the states and information of the situation was telegraphed them today. They will take up the question of furnishing more cars to Oregon mills with President Sproule of the Southern Pacific.

Secretary Carey, of the Commission, sent the following telegram to Commissioners Alchison and Miller: "The car shortage is most serious and lumber orders being cancelled. The Southern Pacific admits that it is 200 cars short today. Mill City is short 200 cars; West Coast Lumber Company is short 30 cars; Fletcher Bros. Lumber Company, of Marcola, is short 18; the Willamette Lumber Company has had but six Southern Pacific cars since Monday. The O-W-R & N. W. L. company now has about 50 cars unloading wheat at Portland and these will soon be available for east-bound loading from Valley points. However, this relief will be but small."

"According to the reports which have reached this office," said the secretary, "lumber buyers are cancelling many orders placed with Willamette Valley mills and are giving them to mills in Washington and other states where cars are apparently obtainable. "At the present time Oregon mills need at least 100 cars for loading daily, and the Southern Pacific is only able to supply about 30 daily for the entire Valley. Besides the mills, fruitpackers in the Valley are needing cars. "The O-W-R & N. W. L. company now has about 50 cars unloading wheat at Portland and these will soon be available for east-bound loading from Valley points. However, this relief will be but small."

YEAR'S ACCIDENTS 11,190

Washington Fund Enriched \$35,987 by Remarriage of Widows.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Oct. 15.—(Special.)—That industrial accidents in Washington during the last year were only temporary disability, numbered 11,190 and caused a time loss of \$46,925 work days, or the loss of one year's labor by more than 100 men, is shown by statistics prepared by the industrial insurance commission. The average time loss from temporary disabilities was 3.9 days and the average award \$40.38, as compared with a time loss of 28.3 days and average award of \$38.83 for the preceding year.

The provision of the Washington law for the termination of pensions paid to widows in the event of remarriage of \$340, in the event of remarriage, was suited in reserves of \$35,987 being returned to the accident fund during the year, the report shows. Sixteen widow pensioners remarried.

CENTRALIA HAS NEW CLUB

Organization Is Devised to Advancement of Athletics.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Oct. 15.—(Special.)—A constitution and bylaws were adopted for a young men's club at a meeting held in the Commercial Club-rooms last night, but the election of officers and selection of a name was postponed until next Wednesday night, when the new club will give a banquet. It was decided last night to rent a frame building on West Main street, which will be fitted up with gymnasium, reading-rooms and showers. A clause in the constitution provides that in case a Young Men's club is organized ever comes to Centralia, the club's equipment may be turned over. The new club will have the advancement of athletics as its main issue.

BAKER OFFICIALS CHANGE

City Has Four Commissioners Instead of Three, Over Night.

BAKER, Or., Oct. 15.—(Special.)—For one night Baker had four City Commissioners instead of three, as provided by the charter. Two men, E. A. Whittier and Anderson Finley, both occupied the position of Commissioner until the faithful performance of the duties of the office. Last night he took the oath of office before City Clerk Cummins, but it was not until this morning that Mr. Finley turned over the business of the office to his successor.

Mr. and Mrs. Finley will leave tomorrow by auto for California.

DAYTON ENTERTAINS CLUB OFFICIALS

A dinner was given the men of the Congregational Church Tuesday night in honor of Dr. King, executive secretary of the Congregational conference of this state, and Rev. Hugh Eimer Brown, of Seattle, who is here on his way to attend the National Council at New Haven. The topic of the after-dinner speeches was the need for a men's club within the church, and the possibilities for enterprises such an organization would offer.

PROMINENT WHITE-RIBBONERS WILL VISIT PORTLAND TODAY.



Mrs. Margaret Frances E. Beauchamp, Elected Treasurer of National W.C.T.U.

The National Women's Christian Temperance Union special train from Seattle will arrive in Portland at 8 o'clock today, instead of at 2 o'clock as originally planned. Local members will meet the delegates at the depot and show them with shawls and roses. The special will remain here until 3:30 o'clock. It will arrive at Salem at 5:25 and will remain for an hour, in which time the members will be taken for a ride about Salem. Loganberry juice will be served by the Ad Club. At Albany there will be a stop of 15 minutes. The train will get in at 7:30 and there will be a band at the station to greet the white-ribboners. They will arrive in Roseburg at midnight and will remain there over Sunday. All the pulpits of Roseburg and vicinity will be occupied by Women's Christian Temperance Union workers at the Sunday services, and there is to be a mass meeting in the afternoon.

TRACKS OF 2 FOUND

Evidence That Man and Woman Were at Murder Scene.

BORROWING OF GUN DENIED

Williamina Neighbors Tell of Seeing Mrs. Booth and Branson Close to Scene of Crime About Time of Its Commitment.

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Williamina Neighbors, who lives on the corner of 12th and Commercial streets, told Mr. Wright that he didn't want to have any guns about his house, and of his fear as to his wife's fidelity.

He did not appear to be absolutely sure that his suspicions were correct, but intimated that he was on the watch to find Branson and his wife together.

This motive is believed to have caused him to follow his wife up the plank road to the place where he was murdered Friday.

When he was slain, Mr. Booth was absolutely unarmed. He was not even carrying a stick.

The hole made in the strawberry patch caused an intense stir in town at the time and led to a vast deal of gossip and comment in regard to young Branson and Mrs. Booth.

Another peculiar incident, harking back to three years from last Christmas eve, in which Branson, however, does not figure in any way, was also recalled today.

Mrs. Booth Once Attacked. As Mrs. Booth went on the back porch of her home on this night, a bullet whistled past her ear and buried itself in the casing on one side of the back door.

She, of course, hurried inside and called the police. The incident she attributed the bullet to a spent shot fired carelessly by some person on the hill several hundred feet behind the house. It was thought that the bullet, which was from a .23-caliber rifle, ranged downward in passing through the casing.

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PARK, WEST PARK, NEAR WASHINGTON. NATIONAL THEATRE

The Miracle of Life

Begins Tomorrow at 11 A. M.

A drama produced by the makers of "Damaged Goods"—a glorification of motherhood. A discussion of the cardinal sin of modern society—the limitation of birth—the murder of unborn children. There is a thrill—a moral revelation in every scene. A feature that will be remembered like "Damaged Goods."

The Price of Her Silence Ends Tonight

acted in the jail. He said he hadn't been on the plank road at all that afternoon, that he had gone only as far as the quarry, and that he returned the bicycle to the store at 1:30. At first insisting he and Mr. Booth had never had words over Mrs. Booth, he finally said Mr. Booth said to him some months ago, "Buck, I don't care how much you talk to her."

For the last three or four months he seemed sort of jealous and mad," he added, "and acted as if he was trying to shun me."

When asked how Mr. Booth happened to speak to him about talking to Mrs. Booth, he doggedly maintained that he couldn't remember.

"I was just talking to him," was all he would say.

His self-possession seemed to fall several points, however, when this point was discussed.

"Mrs. Booth and I were friends, that's all," he maintained.

GIRLS HELP CLASSMATE

Franklin Students Sell Candy to Pay Hospital Expense for Lad.

To raise money to defray the hospital and ambulance expenses and doctors' bills of their schoolmate, Manfred Reinhart, the girls of Franklin High School held a candy sale yesterday in the Creston Building in conjunction with the "back-to-the-home" exhibition given there by Franklin High and Creston schools.

Young Reinhart was injured in a recent football game and it was to show their loyalty and friendship that the girls decided to make and sell candy at the school exhibition.

A booth arranged artistically with decorations in gray and maroon was the center of attraction. Veva Elwell was chairman and among her assistants were Alice Hubbard, Leah Malvin, Eleanor Palmer, Katherine Harris, Alice Cobb, Marie Cougy and Cora Yeoman.

Edwin E. Fisher, of St. Paul, Minn. is 100 years old and hale and hearty. "How do you account for your longevity?" he was asked. "Temperance," he said. "There are more factors than overeating, Man overdrinking. I have never done either."

Sunday Dinner The Hazelwood

Served 5:30 to 9:00 P. M.

75c Menu Cream of Chicken, Corn or Vegetable Soup Celery Hearts or Ripe Olives Choice of: Stewed Chicken and Noodles or Roast Duck, Cranberry Sauce, or Prime Ribs of Beef au jus Mashed, Baked or Creamed Potatoes Choice of: Green Peas, Buttered Corn, String Beans or Stewed Squash Shrimp Salad or Lettuce-Tomato Salad Ice Cream, Pie or Pudding or French Pastry Coffee, Tea or Milk

\$1.00 Menu Cream of Chicken, Corn or Vegetable Soup Celery Hearts or Ripe Olives Baked Salmon or Baked Halibut Choice of: Roast Turkey and Cranberry Sauce or Half Spring Chicken or Roast Spring Lamb, Mint Sauce Mashed or Baked Potatoes Buttered Beets Choice of: Stewed Corn, Green Peas or Stewed Squash Fruit or Combination Salad French Pastry, Pie or Ice Cream Tea, Coffee or Milk Candy Wafers Salted Almonds

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HIGHWAY SQUABBLE OVER

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ASSESSMENT FIGHT BEGINS

Linton Property-Owner Files Protest Against Boulevard Levy.

The opening gun in the fight, which has been threatened for some time against the assessing of the cost of the new Linton high-line boulevard against abutting property, was filed yesterday when Thomas McCusker filed a protest against his assessment of \$3580 for the improvement. The project is one which fell into the hands of Portland when Linton was annexed.

Mr. McCusker says the people in his vicinity paid for a road which leads to them to the city, and that the boulevard is a detriment rather than a benefit. He also says the original estimate for the work was \$75,000, and the final cost was more than double that amount.

PEOPLES WEST PARK AT ALDER LAST DAY TODAY Mary Pickford In a Splendid Photo Production A GIRL of YESTERDAY Special Children's Matinee Bring the Children to See the Adorable "Little Mary" and Her Sweet Pomeranian Dog. It's a Picture All Children Will Enjoy. Coming Tomorrow MARIE DORO in "THE WHITE PEARL"

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