

PAPER MILL COSTS DECLARED LOWER

Federal Trade Commission Issues Statement Summarizing Investigation.

HEARINGS WILL BE HELD

Increase in Demand Due to Growth of Newspaper Circulation—Imports Are Equal to Third of Domestic Product Output.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—In a statement announcing virtual completion of its investigation of news print paper prices, the Federal Trade Commission declares that in the first half of this year, when prices already were soaring to unprecedented figures, the average cost of producing news print paper in domestic mills was less than \$1.65 per 100 pounds or below the average cost in the last three years.

The Commission announced that before issuing its report public hearings would be conducted and manufacturers, publishers and others interested would have an opportunity to appear. No date was set for the hearings, but the report was said to be ready to send to the press in the near future.

Certain facts developed by the inquiry are made public now because most of the publishers' contracts for paper are about to expire. Contract prices rose this year from less than \$2 per 100 to \$3 and \$3.50, and on current market purchases the publishers have paid \$7 or more for paper bought in the same way prior to January 1 for between \$2 and \$3.

Prices of Some Materials Higher.

Though the average cost declined in the first half of 1916, the market prices of some of the materials of manufacture advanced and were unusually high.

It should be noted that the most important materials which advanced in price, sulphite and ground wood, were produced by most of the paper manufacturers without an increase in cost and not bought at market prices, while some other materials were protected against the increase in price by contracts. Some of the other materials which were purchased at advanced prices were very small factors in the total cost. Certain economies also were practiced in the use of expensive materials.

It is generally claimed in the trade that costs in the future will increase, particularly on account of the scarcity of labor in the Canadian woods and the consequent labor cost of bringing logs to the mills. This is necessarily a matter of prediction, concerning which the Commission expresses no opinion.

The quantity of news print paper produced by domestic manufacturers in the first half of 1916 was somewhat greater than in any pending half year since the middle of 1913. The increase in production was accomplished by spinning mills to full capacity.

Canadian Imports Increase.

The quantity of news print paper imported, which came chiefly from Canada, equaled about one-third of the domestic production, and showed a great increase in the first half of 1916. The quantity imported also increased during this period, though the exports were small compared with imports. The prices, however, offered by foreign buyers were high.

The stocks of news print paper, which are small in comparison with the production, not only declined during the first half of 1916, but also were lower than at any time during the year 1915.

As there was a large increase in production and a decline in stocks, while there was only a small tonnage exported, it is evident that there was a decided increase in consumption during the first half of 1916.

An increase in the demand for news print paper also indicated by the fact that the sworn statements respecting the circulation of newspapers made to the Postoffice Department generally show larger issues by the leading newspapers, and by the fact that the number of pages of the larger newspapers have generally increased.

Other Grades More Profitable.

Before the recent price advance, certain other grades of paper were showing higher profits per ton than news print paper, and there was a tendency to change from this grade to other grades. This movement seems to have been checked for the present by the high prices of news print paper. Furthermore, it is stated that before the end of this year four new machines, two in this country and two in Canada, with an aggregate daily capacity of about 160 tons, will begin operations on news print paper. Other projected or pending developments will apparently require a somewhat longer time to become available.

It is not intended in this statement to make any prediction about the future course of news print paper prices, but merely to indicate some important facts to those interested in the buying and selling of paper in making new contracts. Moreover, the facts shown here are confined to matters of statistical character, and do not include other phases of the situation, including various trade activities of the news print paper manufacturers, jobbers and newspaper publishers.



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SPANISH PRINCES, AS BOY SCOUTS, LEARN GAME OF WAR



Prince Alfonso (Left), 9-Year-Old Heir to the Spanish Throne, 8-Year-Old Brother Jaime, Who Is Deaf and Dumb. This photograph was taken at a meeting of the boy scouts at Santander, Spain, at which Queen Victoria was the guest of honor.

PARADE IS TONIGHT

Democrats Are to Have Final Rally at Armory.

SENATORS ARE TO SPEAK

Business Man Places \$4000 Wage on Hughes in Northwest States and in Some of Eastern Districts—Republicans to Rally.

Portland Democrats will hold their final Wilson rally of the campaign at the Armory tonight. The rally will be preceded by a parade, starting from Tenth and Taylor streets, at 7:45 o'clock.

Captain James P. Shaw is to be grand marshal of this parade, and it will move along the following line of march: North on Tenth to Alder, to Sixth, to Morrison, to Fourth, to Washington, to Tenth, and thence to the Armory.

Captain Shaw's aides will be W. E. Finzer as chief of staff, Robert Jacobs, Henry J. Aldrich, Frank Berry, Frank Manning, Charles Miller, Jack Little and G. D. Murray.

At the Armory Senators Harry Lane and George E. Chamberlain will discuss National campaign issues. Dr. Esther Pohl-Lovejoy will speak from the viewpoint of a Democratic woman. There will also be music.

A Portland business man has posted \$4000 at the Benson Hotel to bet on Hughes as follows: Hughes carries Oregon, California and Washington; \$500 each that Hughes carries New York, New Jersey and Illinois; \$500 that Hughes carries Oregon, and \$500 on Hughes to be elected. Persons desiring to cover these bets will be given the name of the business man on application to the political editor of The Oregonian.

A Republican rally will be held at the new Failing School, Front and Porter streets, at 8 o'clock tonight. Ben Thayer will be chairman. Dr. A. Thayer will make an address in Yiddish, and there will be other speakers. A good musical programme has also been arranged.

And now A. W. Lafferty is repudiated by the "Patriot" ticket. In an advertisement appearing in the Sunday papers yesterday, all true "Patriots" are urged not to vote for "Mr. Opportunist" Lafferty. The advertisement was signed by Davidson Buchanan, Ph.D., whose signature is the blown-in-the-bottle trademark of the "regular" Patriots, as opposed to the "insurgent" Patriots.

"Patriots, Menace Readers—Beware!" reads the advertisement. "Deceived by cunning politicians, The Menace praised Cap Perry's so-called 'Patriot' ticket. For personal reasons Perry and Bob Duncan want you to vote for ex-Saloonkeeper Jackson and 'Mr. Opportunist' Lafferty. Mr. Opportunist Lafferty has openly denounced 'The Patriots' and on his being defeated at recent primaries, became an eleven-hour 'Patriot' of the Jackson, Duncan and Perry brand."

The Duncan referred to in this lot shot obviously is Robert G. Duncan, secretary of the Retail Grocers' Association and heated advocate of a Sunday blue law, who is currently reputed to be the controlling head of the "insurgent" Patriot faction which recently issued a ticket endorsing Lafferty and urging a vote against Jackson and Perry brand."

Still another pre-election ticket made its appearance yesterday. It is a white card headed "Keep Religion out of Politics." This ticket indorses C. N. McArthur for Congress among a number of other candidates named, some of whom are also on the Patriot ticket. Others indorsed include Marshall N. Dana for County Clerk; A. A. Muck, for County Commissioner, and George M. McBride for County Judge.

A straw vote taken on the Oregon Electric train arriving from Eugene

at 10 o'clock last night resulted in 40 votes for Hughes to 20 for Wilson.

John J. Higgins, the tailor, bet \$250 on Hughes with John Kenefick, salesman for the Union Oil Company, yesterday.

Arthur I. Moulton, member of the Hughes campaign committee, returned yesterday from Umatilla County, where he made Hughes addresses at Pendleton, Freewater, Umapine and Weston in a four-day speaking trip through the county. Everywhere he found Hughes sentiment strong.

"Hughes will carry Umatilla County by at least 500 votes," said Mr. Moulton. "The wheat farmers of that district are not deceived by the high prices being paid for their wheat. They realize that it is due entirely to the war, and that such an artificial prosperity must end. They want a Republican administration in office and Republican policies to prevail when that time comes."

Republican meetings in the state outside of Portland will be held tonight as follows:

At Hillsboro, addresses will be made by Gus C. Moser and R. R. Butler; at Astoria, ex-Senator Fulton will speak; at Pendleton, Representative Sinnott will be the speaker; at Roseburg, there will be an address by Governor Wiley; at Coquille, in the afternoon and at Heppner tonight, Stephen A. Lowell will speak, and at Bend, E. F. Mulkey will deliver a Hughes address.

RIDGEFIELD WOMAN DEAD

Mrs. William O. Brice Victim of Short Illness.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. William O. Brice died at her home here Friday after a brief illness. Mrs. Brice was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., July 24, 1857, and when a small child she moved with her parents to Arcadia, Wis. She was married November 15, 1885, to William O. Brice at Arcadia, Wis., and who later was a merchant here. They moved West in 1901, and finally located at Ridgefield, 24 years ago.

The funeral service was held Saturday at the First Methodist Episcopal Church here. The service was conducted by Rev. Harvey O. Cooper. Interment was made in the Oddfellows' Cemetery.

Mrs. Brice is survived by her husband, five children and an adopted daughter. They are: William O. Brice, George P. Brice, Robert Brice and William Brice, of Portland; Mrs. A. R. Smith and David B. Brice, of Ridgefield.

PRESIDENT WILSON RESTS

Democratic Leaders Send Encouraging Reports to Long Branch.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Nov. 5.—President Wilson will rest here awaiting the outcome of the election. Regardless of the result, it was said he will soon begin to map out a programme for the session of Congress beginning next month. This programme includes railroad legislation and a bill to allow American exporters to form common selling agencies abroad.

Messages giving final estimates in various states were received from Democratic leaders. Without exception officials said, the reports were favorable. Secretary Tumulty, speaking for the President, predicted that Mr. Wilson would be re-elected overwhelmingly.

The President will vote in Princeton. He will go there by motor.

AVIATOR'S BURIAL PLANNED

Bocquel to Rest Near Beachey and Christofferson in Cypress Lawn.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Nov. 5.—Arrangements for the burial of Joe Bocquel, the sensational Exposition flyer who fell to his death at the Exposition grounds here yesterday, were discussed by friends and civilian and military aviators today.

It is planned to have the interment made near the graves of Lincoln Beachey and Silas Christofferson in Cypress Lawn Cemetery, San Francisco. The body will be sent to the northern city tomorrow.

PROHIBIT COMPULSORY VACCINATION. Vote \$10 YES. Compulsion is odious in a free country.—Adv.

POSTMASTERS WILL BE COERCED BY WIRE

John Wanamaker Is Informed Telegrams Have Been Filed With Big Companies.

PLAN SHARPLY DENOUNCED

Ex-Postmaster-General Says Threat to Men Holding \$800 and \$1000 Jobs Is Beyond All Reason in Decent Politics.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Ex-Postmaster-General Wanamaker tonight issued a statement sharply denouncing a scheme which had been reported to him whereby the Wilson campaign managers had planned to coerce postmasters into voting for Wilson. Mr. Wanamaker said:

"I have been informed that every postmaster in every town and city in every state in the country is to receive a telegram between now and Monday telling him to vote for Woodrow Wilson. When I was in the Postoffice Department I would rather have had my right hand cut off than to be asked to vote for any man for President because he had a \$1000 job in the department."

Telegrams Already Filed.

"I am informed upon unimpeachable authority that the telegrams have been filed at both the large telegraph companies' offices."

"To my mind it is a crime to attempt to intimidate postmasters with \$800 a year or \$1000 a year jobs, or even the higher-salaried postmasters, to vote for Mr. Wilson. That office means that man's bread and butter, and to intimate to him that if Mr. Wilson is not elected he will lose his office is beyond all reason in decent politics."

"When I was Postmaster-General no action was ever and never ever would have been tolerated by me. During my administration there were about 47,000 postmasters in the United States. Now there must be between 30,000 and 100,000. Think of each incumbent of a postoffice getting a message of coercion to act in a certain way, and intimating that if he does not do as ordered he may lose his office."

Release Planned for Today.

"These telegrams, according to my informant, have all been written and filed with the telegraph companies. They have, so I have learned, been distributed by each telegraph concern to its headquarters in every state in the Union, and are all to be released Monday."

"From what I have been able to learn the messages are worded practically alike. I have been unable to find out, however, whose signature is attached to these telegrams. If these messages are sent, it must be with the knowledge of Mr. Wilson, and if this is the case the scheme is, in my opinion, a piece of unclean politics, which I would never have countenanced as Postmaster-General."

WILSON SENDS THANKS

STATE COMMITTEEMAN WHITE GETS PRESIDENT'S TELEGRAM.

Democrats Urged to Renewed Exertion and Vigilance Against "Sinister Forces" at Polls.

The following telegram thanking his supporters for their work in his behalf was received yesterday from President Wilson by Judge Samuel White, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee.

"Long Branch, N. J., Nov. 4.—Samuel White, chairman Democratic State Central Committee, 1015 Board of Trade building, Portland, Ore.:

"I thank you heartily for the splendid work done by you and by all the workers in the cause of progressive principles at issue in this campaign. The fight is won, I fully believe, though I take this means of urging you to renewed exertion and vigilance to see that belated efforts to confuse the public judgment do not succeed. Our country is prosperous, secure and happy, and its prosperity is upon a sound basis.

"Steps to protect our commerce and industry in any emergency after the European war ends have been taken. The anti-dumping clause of the so-called war revenue act provides the executive with ample power to prevent the dumping of European surplus manufactures upon our markets. The tariff commission will shortly be appointed and at work to provide the facts which will determine what other legislation is necessary or desirable.

"I need not add that the federal reserve act is a guarantee against panic and that the Federal Trade Commission will aid, as it already has helped, to preserve the stability of our domestic and foreign commerce.

"I am confident that the time has passed in America when votes can be bought, the ballot box defiled by corrupt practices, or the judgment of the American people determined or influenced in any way by the use of money.

"It is, however, our duty to take every precaution lest conscientious agents of the sinister forces working in opposition to progressive principles and popular government resort in their desperation to industrial coercion, to the evil and insidious practices of a decade and more ago."

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WINLOCK, Wash., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—O. R. Miller, a prominent Seattle

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attorney, was the principal speaker at a monster rally held here Friday night. For two hours he scored the present administration's foreign policy, the Underwood tariff law and the eight-hour law, but the people were anxious to hear more. Several candidates were also present and spoke. The night before, Thomas D. Reville, also of Seattle, addressed a huge gathering of Republicans at Vader, Southwestern Lewis county will go strong for Hughes.

JERSEY GUARDSMEN VOTE

Members of Battery Mark Ballots to Be Cast by Proxy.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Nov. 5.—Fifty members of C Battery, New Jersey National Guard, on border duty here, have marked ballots which have been sent home to be cast by proxies at Tuesday's election.

Members of two Alabama batteries, the Montana cavalry troop, the District of Columbia artillery and the Colorado infantry and hospital corps, all stationed at or near Douglas, will not vote.

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