

LABOR CLAUSE IS ADOPTED BY BOARD

School Directors Provide for 8-Hour Day, Wage Scale and Use of Local Labor.

NEW INSTRUCTOR ELECTED

J. E. Cooten, Graduate of O. A. C., to Act as Garden Supervisor for Public Schools for Year. Course to Be Complete.

By a vote of 2 to 1, with two directors absent and not voting, the Portland School Board, in special session yesterday afternoon, adopted a new clause providing for the eight-hour day, prevailing rate of wages, preference of local labor and exclusion of Oriental labor on all construction contracts of the district.

The clause provides against the stop of construction on any school building by lien or other claim growing out of non-payment for work or supplies; provides for double pay for overtime on school construction work and sets the wages at the prevailing scale of the community. Before employing non-resident labor the contractor will have to notify the board and give satisfactory reasons, always showing preference for local labor.

Opposition to the clause was voiced by Dr. Alan Welch Smith, chairman of the board, on the grounds that two directors, N. G. Pike and O. M. Plummer, were absent from the session and that, in his opinion, the clause should be considered by session with all members present. Directors J. Francis Drake and Dr. E. A. Sommer insisted on immediate action and voted in the affirmative on a motion to adopt. On the stand taken by him, Chairman Smith voted no.

Bids Due Thursday. Bids for the construction of the new Hawthorne-Buckman School, which will have 23 classrooms and a pupil capacity of 1000, are to be opened next Thursday. Although this was not officially given as the reason for immediate action, conversation of the directors revealed the fact that Directors Sommer and Drake wished to have the contract clause in full effect at that time.

Probably the last echo of the suspension case of Samuel C. May, instructor at Jefferson High School, was heard in the reading by Clerk Thomas of the verdict of the Teachers' Commission of Appeals, vindicating the instructor in his justic altercation with a pupil, and ordering his reinstatement.

Director Drake observed that the School Board had been termed by the Commission, "a political organization," and as such not qualified to pass on the matter of Mr. May's liability in the late unpleasantness. Inasmuch as School Directors are elected by popular vote, whimsically argued Director Drake, would that popular endorsement, under the ruling of the Commission, tend to disqualify them in future investigations of the sort?

"A very pertinent question," dryly agreed Chairman Smith. Superintendent Alderman reported that the case is closed, and that Mr. May's reinstatement at Jefferson will take place Monday morning, when he resumes his duty.

J. E. Cooten Elected. By unanimous vote the directors elected John E. Cooten, of Corvallis, a graduate of Oregon Agricultural College, as garden supervisor of Portland schools for the year at a salary of \$1500.

Mr. Cooten was not present at the session, but his application bore the endorsement of faculty members of the Agricultural College, and set forth his proficiency in the work he is to undertake. Tentative programmes of the school gardening work, prepared by the new instructor, were at hand.

The course of study outlined by Mr. Cooten includes laying out school and home gardens, preparation of soil, testing, selection of varieties, method of planting, weeding, thinning, watering, cultivation, pest control, etc. Summer care of gardens, Fall and Winter gardens.

"The work should be so conducted," wrote Mr. Cooten, "that the pupil may use his school garden as an object lesson which will enable him to grow a larger and more profitable garden at home. Particularly is this applicable to the present emergency, when our

every effort should be to produce more food." The Board passed a motion providing for the attendance of City Superintendent L. R. Alderman and Director E. A. Sommer at the superintendents' meeting of the mid-Winter session of the National Education Association, which will be held at Atlantic City, N. J., and Philadelphia, beginning February 25.

TWO DIVORCE SUITS FILED

Hood River Plaintiffs Allege Cruel and Inhuman Treatment.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Mrs. Esther Davis has filed suit in the Circuit Court for divorce from her husband, Elbert M. Davis, charging cruel and inhuman treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis, the former 32 years old and the latter 16, at the time, were married at Woodard, Okla., March 26, 1913. After the birth of a son in January, 1914, according to allegations, Mrs. Davis underwent an operation that left her an invalid for a time.

Mrs. Davis declares in her complaint, also, that her husband chided her for attending church. She asks custody of the child and \$15 monthly alimony. The husband, she says, is employed in Portland.

In another divorce case filed this week, Peter G. Schreuder, a bookkeeper, claims that his wife, Nellie S. Schreuder, from whom he asks a decree, has so neglected her home and household duties for church work that her actions constitute cruel and inhuman treatment.

MORE REGISTRANTS CALLED

Oregon City Board Summons 100 for Physical Examination.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Under telegraphic orders from the Adjutant-General's office, the local board today sent out calls for 100 more registrants to appear for physical examination. The men will be examined on Thursday and Friday of next week.

To date some 300 men have been examined preparatory to the second draft, and with today's call for an additional 100, indications are that the next call will be for a large number of Class 1 registrants.

The local board made further classifications last night, but owing to congestion of war work in Clerk Harrington's office, the names will not be obtainable until tomorrow. The board last night estimated that the entire classification task could be completed the last of this week or by the middle of next week.

FOREST GROVE MAN VICTIM

T. E. Lewton, Reported Among Tuscania Dead, Former O. A. C. Man.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Theodore E. Lewton, bugler of Company E, 20th Engineers, reported drowned by a German submarine, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lewton, who reside on a farm about four miles northwest of this city.

The young man was 23 years old, and, besides his parents, leaves two sisters, Mrs. R. N. Baker, wife of Dr. Baker, of this city, and Miss Adelaide, at home, and a younger brother, Edward, who is now serving in France.

For about 12 years his father resided in Portland and was a contractor and builder. The young man attended high school there, later taking a course at Oregon Agricultural College. He enlisted in the 20th Engineers last November. He had previously seen service in the Oregon National Guard.

BAKER COMPANIES LOSE

Shortage of Cars Causes Failure to Fill Government Orders.

BAKER, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—According to the officials of the four Baker lumber companies Baker has lost \$100,000 per month for the last three months, and the companies have been unable to fill Government contracts on account of lack of cars through improper and discriminating distribution.

"We had to turn down today," said Frank Gardiner, president of the White Pine Lumber Company, "an order for 1,000,000 feet of lumber for the Government. And other Government orders we have on hand we are unable to ship."

Complaints as to the car situation here were today wired to Senator Chamberlain and Congressman N. J. Sinnott.

THRIFT SOCIETIES FORMED

Centralia Railroaders and Housewives to Buy Baby Bonds.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Employees of the Northern Pacific roundhouse organized a war savings society last night with Charles Davis as chairman. The society has a membership of nearly 50. The railroaders pledged 5 per cent of their earnings to war savings.

A housewives' war saving society was organized this week by the women of Meakill. Mrs. J. W. Liddell was elected president. The Ladies Aid Society of the local Methodist Episcopal Church organized a society Wednesday with Mrs. L. H. Graham as president.

Pupils in school district No. 133, east of Knab, have purchased \$22.60 worth of thrift stamps to date.

I. W. W. AGITATORS TAKEN

Self-Confessed Duo Boldly Boast of Efforts to Cause Trouble.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Deputy Sheriff George W. Hunt has arrested here with two self-confessed I. W. W. agitators, arrested at Cascade Locks, where they had begun to preach sabotage among workmen of the Hood River Lumber Company. The men, whose names are given as Pete Schroder and John Nevis, carried a quantity of I. W. W. pamphlets. These have been confiscated, and the case has been reported to Federal authorities in Portland.

The I. W. W. assume a defiant attitude in Hood today, and when questioned by officers boldly boast of their efforts at agitation.

Baseball Prospects Poor.

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL. Monday, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—No baseball team is in sight for the Oregon Normal School for 1918. The main power of the school has been so badly depleted through enlistments in the Army and Navy that not enough men now remain to form a team. The usual baseball games, in which the faculty members also have participated to some extent, may be entirely curtailed, unless additional players are granted permission to use the grounds to give practice for the remaining students. Tennis, however, promises to be as popular as ever.

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GIRL MAY TELL ALL

Belief Is Lillian Rosheim Will Name Assailant.

VICTIM STILL PROSTRATED

Silverton Authorities Are Keeping Close Watch on Farmer, Who Is Known to Have Been Acting Queerly for Some Time.

SILVERTON, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—C. J. Rosheim, father of Miss Lillian Rosheim, the 18-year-old girl who was attacked by a half-snapping fiend, today declared that he believed his daughter would be able to name her assailant when she has a lucid interval and can tell a connected story.

Mr. Rosheim, a millman, has his own ideas, but refused further to talk of the case, preferring to await the story which Lillian is expected to tell. The victim had a restless night, awakening many times crying and screaming, then being unable to return soon to slumber, sobbed away the tedious night. Her condition, though taking a turn for the better, is far from normal, according to the attending physician. Her nervous condition is still such as to make her irrespon-

sible. Mrs. Rosheim also believes that her daughter knows who committed the attack.

With the developments in the Rosheim case today it was revealed that the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Lyons, who live in town, was attacked by an unknown man about two weeks ago while she was going home in the early evening. The attack was made on the same road leading toward the Small home, and today this development led the authorities to believe that probably the same man may have committed both crimes.

The little Lyons girl's clothing was badly torn, but the man was frightened away before accomplishing his purpose. The girl has told her story to four or five persons and she holds to the same tale in each instance.

From the vague description already given the authorities by Miss Rosheim a close watch is being kept on a farmer who lives not a great distance from the Small home, where the attack was made this week. He is known to have worn such clothes as the girl describes, and when she is able to tell her story the officials expect to make an arrest. The man in question has been acting queerly for some time, and the fact that all appearances point to the work of a degenerate, the community is anxiously awaiting a connected story from the girl.

It was noised about town today that probably Miss Rosheim cut her own hair and bruised her body, but when it became known that her back had been slashed by the assailant this story was given no credence. News from the Scotts Mills district was that the man pursued Wednesday had made his escape.

Aberdeen Registers 79 Aliens. ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Seventy-nine German enemy

aliens have registered in Aberdeen, and the registration certificates have been forwarded to the United States Marshal at Tacoma and the Department of Justice at Washington.

ELECTION TO BE CALLED

O. E. Anderson Circulates Petition to Bring Franchise Project Up.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—It was announced this evening that O. E. Anderson, of Portland, whose recent application for a second light and power franchise for Chehalis was

last week unanimously turned down by the Chehalis City Commissioners, had secured sufficient signatures to secure the calling of an election under the initiative act, thus necessitating a special election to vote on the project. Chehalis business men and others have gone on record against dual systems. A new light rate by the North Coast Power Company, that will cut the private consumers' bills from one-fourth to one-third, has been approved by the Public Service Commission of Washington, effective February 1.

A Brooklyn (N. Y.) man who recently died left \$300 to the pastor of a church who had done an act of kindness for him 54 years ago.

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