

WAGE QUESTION TO RECEIVE ATTENTION

Scale for Shipbuilders Will Be Fixed at Philadelphia Conference in August.

COAST TO SEND DELEGATES

Messrs. Schwab and Piez Take Up Labor Conditions and Macy Award at All-Day Hearing With Seattle Builders.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—Charles M. Schwab, director-general of shipbuilding operations for the Emergency Fleet Corporation, and Charles A. Piez, vice-president of that branch of the United States Shipping Board, will meet with Pacific Coast delegates of both shipyard operators and the employees who build the ships, and the United States Shipping Board's wage adjustment board at Philadelphia on August 5 to settle the wage question now affecting the shipbuilding programme.

This was the programme agreed upon after an all-day conference participated in by Mr. Schwab during the morning, and carried on for the rest of the day by Mr. Piez and Mr. Cuthell, the latter being the Shipping Board's counsel.

Monster Luncheon Given. Mr. Schwab, accompanied by Dr. Eaton and a number of shipbuilders, most of whom were from the Great Harbor district, left at 2:30 this afternoon for a visit to that section, but before their departure they attended a monster luncheon given under the auspices of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club at the Arena at noon.

The labor situation, which had been in a more or less unsettled state ever since the findings of the Wage Adjustment Board, known as the Macy committee, made last Fall, is now generally admitted to have reached a more satisfactory stage for complete adjustment than has been the case at any previous stage since the Government entered into its gigantic shipbuilding programme.

Today the question, working conditions in the various plants and differences in the scale paid in the Skinner & Eddy plant and the Macy award formed the principal topic discussed.

Adjustment Not Arranged. During the morning conferences both Mr. Schwab and Mr. Piez frankly informed the representatives of the Metal Trades Council, and later in the day the latter imparted the same information to the shipyard officials, that they were not in a position to arrange any readjustment of the wage question by themselves, as that particular matter rested virtually entirely with the adjustment board comprising V. Everett Macy, Charles A. Coolidge, and A. J. Berres. There were, however, several working conditions called to their attention which they promised to remedy, or at least Charles M. Schwab, as Director of Shipbuilding, did.

The nature of the labor requests as well as the tentative rearrangement of certain conditions were withheld pending the return of the visiting shipping board officials to Philadelphia, where they contend the framing of an entirely new shipyard schedule embracing the new conditions as well as the satisfactory portions of the existing schedule.

BABIES AVERAGE HIGH

PORTLAND INFANTS MAKE RECORD IN FEDERAL TESTS.

Dr. Allen P. Noyes Lectures on Proper Feeding Before Large Crowd at Liberty Temple.

Maybe it is the crystal water of Bull Run that lends to Portland babies stature and stamina beyond their years, or the celebrated Oregon climate, or both. At any rate, it is certain that many of them have raced ahead of their ages, according to the records which are being made at Liberty Temple during "better babies" week, which closes tomorrow.

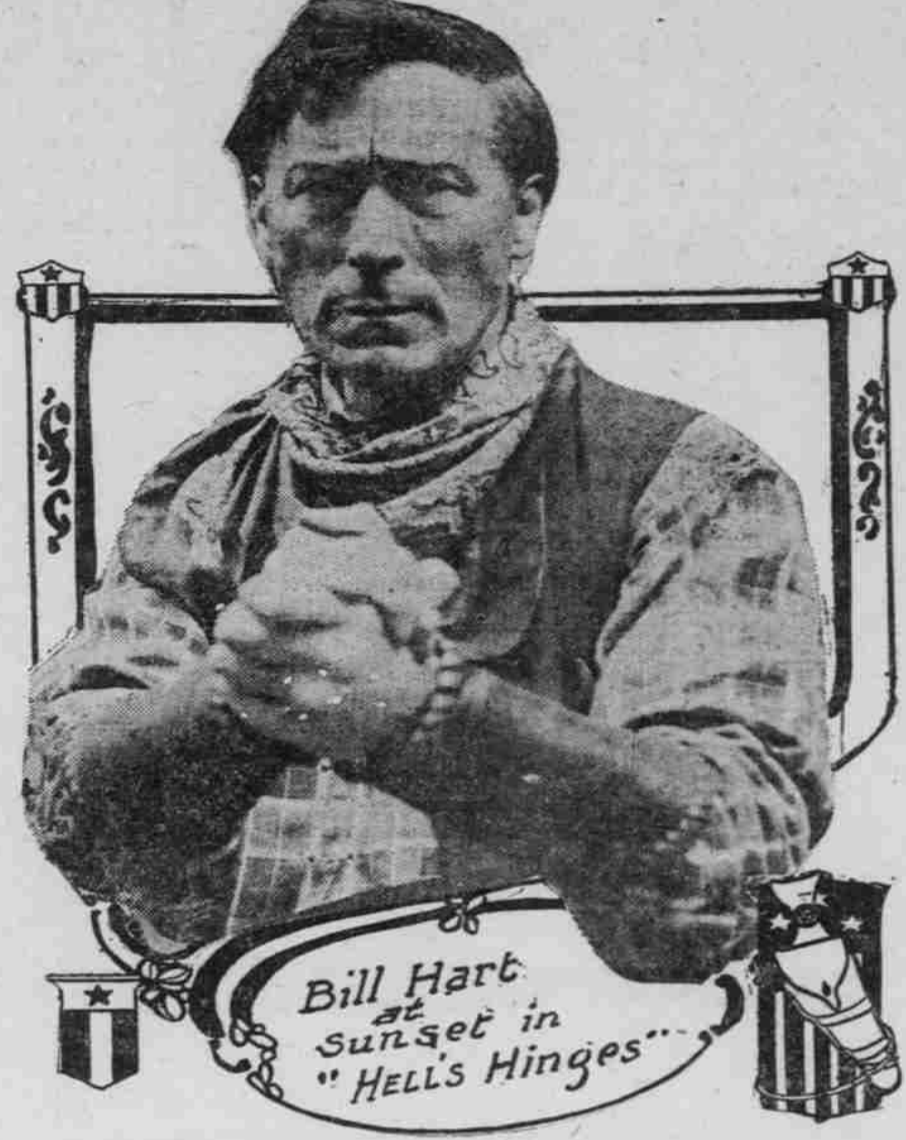
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MOVING PICTURE NEWS



TODAYS FILM FEATURES. Liberty—William Russell, "Up Romance Road."

William Russell, athletic star, whose popularity has been increasing rapidly of late, contributes many a strong-man feat to the thrills of this picture. The plot is highly colored, but one is not expected to take it too seriously, and it can't fail to amuse and thrill at the same time.

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GORST ENTERTAINS CHAULTAQUA AUDITORS HELD SPELLBOUND BY FOREST MUSIC IMITATION.

Chautauqua Auditors Held Spellbound by Forest Music Imitation.

ZEDELER QUINTET PLAYS

James A. Burns Speaker at Evening Programme; Thaviu's Exposition Hand Is Billed for Appearance Today.

TODAY AT CHAUTAUQUA. Morning. 8—Physical culture.

Mr. Gorst was introduced by E. H. H. Pence, a personal friend of the lecturer, and himself a great lover of birds. Mr. Gorst, he said, is one of the greatest authorities and critics of bird tones in the world.

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W. C. BARKER IN COURT

PENALTY TO BE IMPOSED ON ALLEGED IDLER TODAY.

Judge Rossmann Declines to Dismiss Charges—Efforts to Go to Work Are Held Belated.

William C. (Bill) Barker, heir to extensive timber holdings and well-known man around Portland, was tried in Municipal Court yesterday for violation of the idlers' ordinance and the prohibition law. Judge Rossmann heard the evidence and announced that he would take the case under advisement until this morning, when he will pass judgment.

Barker was arrested Sunday at a bathing resort near Ross Island by Chief Engineer Prehm, of the harbor patrol, and Patrolman Killingsworth, who testified yesterday that Barker, while bathing, made frequent trips to his locker, where he partly consumed the contents of a bottle of whisky.

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COLUMBIA IT'S COOL

Nunn today that such reports are unfounded and that the Commission will go ahead with construction work as soon as conditions permit.

F. C. DOLLARHIDE IS HURT

Premature Explosion at Heppner, Or., Injures Portland Man.

F. C. Dollarhide, formerly of Portland, was badly hurt by a premature explosion while he was at work for the Warren Construction Company at Heppner, Or., Tuesday. He was rushed to Portland and is now at St. Vincent's Hospital.

MAJOR MARTIN TO TALK

FEDERAL SURGEON WILL ADDRESS TWO AUDIENCES HERE.

Dr. E. H. Pence and Frank Branch Riley Also Scheduled to Speak at Auditorium Saturday Night.

Major Franklin H. Martin, in pre-war days a prominent Chicago surgeon, who has been active in all departmental work associated with the medical programme of the Council of National Defense.

The meeting is to be public and will be of general interest in the topics discussed. As for Major Martin, he is said to be a brilliant speaker with a message which he delivers as a representative of the Government.

RUSE PROVES EXPENSIVE

Breaking of Quarantine Brings Fines for Offenders.

G. B. Cook and Mrs. R. P. Burdette, who were arrested recently by City Health Officer Parrish, charged with breaking quarantine, were tried yesterday and fined \$20 and \$10, respectively. According to Dr. Parrish, the families of both were quarantined for diphtheria.

HULL DAMAGED BY FIRE

EXPLOSION OF ACETYLENE TORCH MENACES NEW VESSEL.

F. W. Bathe, Employee of Shipyard, Suffers Burns While Helping Volunteers to Extinguish Flames.

Fire, caused by the explosion of an acetylene cutting and welding torch, broke out in the deckhouse of hull No. 20, under construction at the Peninsula shipyard, at 10:55 o'clock yesterday morning and for a time threatened to destroy the partly completed vessel.

Several departments answered the first alarm in circulation here to the effect that the State Highway Commission, in postponing construction of the 18 miles of Pacific Highway between Aurora and Salem, was taking a step at Marion County, brought the statement from State Highway Engineer

HEILIG 7 Days, Commencing Monday, July 22. THEATER Twice Daily—2:15-8:15. Following the Flag to France!

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MUTT & JEFF some show, eh—wot?

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