

WAGE LIFT IN COAST SHIPYARDS UNLIKELY

New Working Agreement Now Being Formulated.

NO REDUCTIONS EXPECTED

Chief Difficulty in Conference at Washington Appears to Be Over Working Conditions.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—No wage increases will be provided in the new working agreement, to become effective next month, between Pacific coast shipbuilders and the union metal trades workers, it was announced today by Secretary Berres of the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor.

The announcement followed a long executive session of Pacific coast delegates with officials of the emergency trust corporation, including Director General Pitt and L. C. Marshall, heading the industrial relations group of the corporation.

Mr. Pitt pointed out that efforts were made to adjust shipbuilding contracts with a view to lowering costs. It was said that he did not speak of high wages, but delegates were certain that wage reductions were not contemplated.

Rate Equalization Sought.

The labor delegates said their wage requests were largely for an equalization of rates prevailing at various points along the coast. The conference seemingly accepted the declaration that no wage increases were to be had, but delegates insisted that a new award should stipulate working conditions. Their plan for agreement calls for a consultative board to settle labor disputes and also for provisions regarding working conditions. They also insist that members of the local unions, as well as international officers, shall be members of the board.

The shipyard owners propose that the new agreement shall be confined to the establishment of a board which would fix wages and working conditions.

Mr. Pitt pointed out that machinery for adjustments would be made after March 31, when the ship labor adjustment board of the fleet corporation would cease its activities. Present wages of the Pacific coast workers were fixed by this board, but the effect of its decisions will end with its ceasing to function.

Agreement Plans Forming.

No action has yet been taken on the proposal that the existing award be continued in effect for six months. Sub-committees were appointed today by both the men and the shipbuilders to draft provisions covering the various points of the proposed agreement which are in dispute.

Portland employers and representatives of labor bodies were much interested in the Washington dispatch, since no private advice had been received here indicating what was being done beyond a message received last week from Judge McBride, examiner for the northwest, who is at Washington, to the effect that the wage scale would be extended to October 1 and that a board of 18, representing the plants and workers equally, would succeed the Macy board on the Pacific coast.

Scale Not Satisfactory.

As to the matter of wage increases, labor leaders say their chief concern is to obtain a better scale for some of the men now paid less than \$5 a day. There are some working conditions they hope to improve and in the main it is the impression here that the chief difficulty in reaching an agreement lies in working conditions and the decision as to a board to handle the coast situation. Labor bodies are represented there by President Jensen and Secretary Shaw of the Portland Metal Trades Council, S. H. Strubbe of the boiler makers' union and Phil Pollock of the molders' union. J. R. Howies, president of the Northwest Steel company, is the only employer attending the conference from this district.

Obituary.

EUGENE, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—Andrew Holland, for many years a resident of Eugene, died of paralysis at his home in Eugene last night, aged 53. Besides his widow, Mr. Holland is survived by six sons, Arthur H. Holland of Washington, D. C.; John L. Holland and Elmer E. Holland, discharged from the marines; Alfred W. Holland, Louis C. Holland and George W. Holland of Eugene. The daughter, Mabel, is at home.

BROWNSVILLE, Or., March 25.—

INCREASE BABY'S STRENGTH

Everybody loves a baby and everybody wants a baby abundantly robust. There are many young children to whom

SCOTT'S EMULSION

given in small portions at intervals during each day, would be an important factor in overcoming malnutrition and starting them well on the road to robustness. Every drop of Scott's is pure, rich nourishment, the kind that builds strength and promotes healthy growth. Children thrive on Scott's. Scott & Bower, Bloomfield, N. J. 12-15

Three Times a Week For Three Weeks

After the long winter months, too much rich food and too little exercise, practically everyone feels the necessity for a good Spring Tonic and Blood Purifier. The very best spring medicine you can take is the king of tonic laxatives—

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Three times a week for three weeks, brew a cup of this purely vegetable laxative tea and drink it just before retiring. Gently, yet effectively, it will drive out all impurities and not only make you feel better, but look better, right away, giving you a sweet breath, clear skin and a healthy appetite.

WOMEN VOTERS PLAN TO ORGANIZE LEAGUE

Body Will Be Strictly Non-Partisan in Politics.

LIBERTY NOT RESTRICTED

Resolution Proposing Body Adopted at American Woman-Suffrage Public Convention.

ST. LOUIS, March 25.—A league of women voters urged by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Woman Suffrage association, and recommended by the executive council will come before the annual convention tomorrow for final action, its supporters tonight declaring there would be scarcely any opposition. These recommendations were taken up late this afternoon, but a final vote was postponed until tomorrow.

That the league is to be non-partisan is assured by the adoption of another recommendation which embodied a resolution defining non-partisan and in which it was stated that national association "shall not affiliate with any political party nor endorse the platform of any party nor support or oppose any political candidates unless such action shall be recommended by the board of directors."

Liberty Not Restricted. The resolution, however, does not limit the liberty of action of any member or officer of the association to join or serve the party of her choice in any capacity as an individual.

When the recommendation that the association "continue to support and endorse the federal amendment which has been pending before congress for 49 years" came up for discussion, Miss Laura M. Clay, a delegate from Kentucky, objected. She proposed that certain sections be amended with particular reference to those parts that would permit enfranchisement of negro women of the south.

Centennial Meeting Approved. With three delegates voting negatively, the convention voted to support the amendment in the original form, but the congressional committee was authorized to formulate changes in the wording. This is said to be the first time in 40 years that the amendment did not receive complete endorsement.

All other recommendations were adopted, including one providing for the next convention to be held in February, 1920, in the nature of a centennial celebration of the birthday of Susan B. Anthony.

Women of the 25 states that have been granted the vote adopted a resolution urging the Missouri state legislature to pass senate bill No. 1, which grants suffrage to women in Missouri.

HAWLEY PLEADS FOR BOYS

REPRESENTATIVE SAYS JOBS AWAITING OREGON TROOPS.

Telegram Sent Asking Immediate Discharge of Soldiers Needed in Farm Work.

SALEM, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—Representative W. C. Hawley has opened an office at room 231 Hubbard building for the time he will be in Oregon prior to the convening of a special session of congress which he expects may be called during the month of May, and will keep the same open for the transaction of public business from 9 A. M. until 5 P. M.

He will be out over the district inspecting the needs of the various localities most of the time while in Oregon. Today he sent the following telegram to the secretary of war: "Some 500 troops of the 63d infantry, 11th division, now held at East Potomac park, are young men, residents of Oregon. Many of these are farmers. I find great demand for their assistance here on the farms. The others who came from the towns have jobs awaiting them in practically every instance. I most earnestly urge that these men be discharged from the army, that they may return to the useful and necessary occupation of farming and other work while the opportunity of employment is open to them. Will you please advise me when these men will be discharged?"

CHURCH TO EXCEED QUOTA

Presbyterian New Era Campaign Is Successful at Eugene.

EUGENE, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—That the Central Presbyterian church of Eugene will exceed its quota for the new era movement by \$500 is the belief of Dr. A. E. Caswell, chairman of the committee in charge of the movement for the Presbyterian churches in the Willamette valley. The quota of the Central church of this city is \$250 and a large part of the sum was subscribed Sunday.

Dr. Caswell says that reports from other leading churches of the valley indicate that their quotas will be raised. Corvallis reported yesterday that it would raise its quota of \$4000 before the campaign is finished.

WEATHER IMPROVES ROADS

Thoroughfares in Albany District in Good Condition.

ALBANY, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—After a few days of warm weather, the roads in this section of the state are thoroughly dry and generally speaking, are in splendid condition. People who have driven about the country the past few days have been surprised at the rapidity of the change from muddy, sloppy roads to good, solid thoroughfares.

Some of the roads are rough, but in most districts the road patrolmen are now at work with drags or scrapers and most of the roads of this vicinity will be in good condition soon.

BETTER DEAL IS DEMANDED

Valley Dealers Threaten to Abandon School-Book Trade.

SALEM, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—Willamette valley book dealers at a meeting in Salem this week voted to refuse to handle school books on the present 12 1/2 per cent basis. They will demand 20 per cent commission from school book publishers from now on.

The dealers declared that unless this increased commission is allowed they will refuse to handle school books at all, making it necessary for the publishers to find another method of supplying textbooks to pupils of the schools in the Willamette valley.

HOME-MADE BEER IS SEIZED

Police at Marshfield Arrest Two, But Fines Are Suspended.

MARSHFIELD, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—After a lull in the bootlegging business due to the high cost of liquor and the dangers of delivery, the Marshfield police have commenced a campaign against the manufacture of home-brewed beer. C. E. Melrose, a cook, is the second to be arrested. The officers seized the beer. The arrested man said no more than the permitted amount of alcohol was in the beer. Recorder W. Butler is dealing leniently with first offenders. Two fines of \$10 each were suspended.

Whisky Improperly Placed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 25.—(Special.)—Lem Thomlinson has been arrested for having a quart of whisky in his barber shop and will be given a hearing soon before W. S. T. Derr, justice of the peace. Under the law a person may have whisky or other intoxicating liquor in his home, but not at his place of business.

WOODSON SCOGGIN COMING

Member of Famous Lost Battalion Due Here Saturday.

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Young Men Rescue Harold Hill, of Eugene, Early in Morning.

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The machine crashed through a light fence and turned over on its side in seven feet of water. The driver was badly cut about the head and on one hand from the glass of the windshield, which was shattered. He was in the car beneath the surface of the water when two young men who happened along at that time rescued him.

Hill was unconscious several hours. The machine was wrecked.

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in a telegram from him yesterday from Portland.

The luncheon session, at which Colonel John L. May, commander of the 162d infantry so long as it existed, will also be a speaker, is to be held at 1:30 P. M. Saturday at the Portland hotel.

Interested citizens have opportunity to attend provided they make reservations in advance by telephoning Main 7151 or Marshall 1400.

Knights Templars Compete for Cup.

SPOKANE, March 25.—The annual inspection of Cataract Commandery, Knights Templar, will be held tonight in competition for the grand commandery silver cup. The local commandery in advance by telephoning Main 7151 or Marshall 1400.

Lawyers Admitted to Practice.

SALEM, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—The supreme court today granted six attorneys permission to practice before the courts of this state. They are Charles M. Stevens, Eugene; Joseph M. Hawkins, Albany; W. H. Cannon, Medford; B. F. Platt, Medford; A. E. Wood-

sumed about April 1. Boats now are running up with mail twice a week and special trips are made when there is call for them.

Klamath Lake Ice Going.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 25.—(Special.)—The ice on Upper Klamath lake is now nearly gone, and it is expected that the regular daily boat service to the upper lake points will be resumed about April 1. Boats now are running up with mail twice a week and special trips are made when there is call for them.

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