

DOUGLAS FIR CASE
OPENS HERE TODAYU. S. Trade Commission Ex-
aminer's Hearing Due.

CHARGES ARE SCOUTED

Lumbermen's Officials Declare
That All Actions Were Taken
In Formal Reports.

Hearings before W. W. Sheppard, examiner of the federal trade commission, will open this morning in Room 303 of the new postoffice building upon the complaint brought against the Douglas Fir Exploitation & Export company of Portland by the commission, charging unfair competition and trade practices in violation of the act establishing the commission. The hearings, which were started in San Francisco, will continue here for two weeks or more and then be taken up at Seattle.

Filing of the suit came as a surprise to the company, according to G. C. Thompson, general manager, and J. Barrett Carter counsel for the company. The Douglas fir company, since for years the concern has been operating with the approval of the commission and to the best of the knowledge of officials in charge, in full accord with the Webb-Pomeroy act. Indeed, the export company has declared it was at the suggestion of the commission that they complied with all requirements of the Webb-Pomeroy act as soon as it was passed in April, 1918, and has since made all reports to the commission as directed by that act.

102 Mills Are Involved.
The export company has 102 cargo mills in its organization, and from November 1, 1918, to November 4, 1922, it has shipped the huge total of 1,233,542,000 feet to foreign markets. Not a stick of timber handled by the organization goes to local market within the United States.

It is surmised that a number of Japanese interested in the export of lumber will be witnesses against the company at the Portland hearing. Letter 67, issued in 1919 by the company, was one of the things upon which the charge was made by the federal trade commission is based. This letter went out to the trade and stated that exporters would not be supplied who did not buy a reasonable amount of their cargoes from association mills. This action was taken, it was said, because of action of certain exporters who came to the company only when they had difficult specifications to fill, and otherwise dealt with others.

It was declared the letter was filed with the trade commission when issued in 1919, and the general counsel neither approved nor disapproved it, but said he saw nothing wrong with it and would advise the company to file it with the commission. The first advice that it was not approved came with the filing of the suit in May of this year.

It has been said for the company that it has developed the export of Douglas fir to a very high degree and has in that way been of great benefit to the country. The commission, however, has charged that the company has been benefited as well as those within the association. The charge was made in the complaint that the company combined with the Association of Timber Exporters of British Columbia, a similar organization.

Britishers In Agreement.
The British Columbia association was said by the company to have agreed to maintain the latter's prices, it being, obviously, to the interest of the British Columbia line for the neighboring province mills not to compete for the same markets.

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Threats Made, Is Charge.
The commission charged, further, that coercive statements were made about competitors. The statement attributed to the company upon which this charge is based was as follows: "If in one instance the price is lower, and that was a mistake that was rectified as soon as it became known. From 1916 to date our company has carried on only about 35 per cent of the business in China."

It was only with the filing of the complaint by the commission, it was stated at company headquarters yesterday, which was last Friday, that the commission advised the company it was not entitled to proceed under the Webb-Pomeroy law, although it had been so conducting its affairs since 1918 and reporting constantly to the commission as the law required.

HUNGER STRIKE SPREADS

Others in Mount Joy Prison Join

Miss MacSwiney.

DUBLIN, Nov. 7.—The other women arrested on the same day as Miss Mary MacSwiney joined today in her hunger strike at Mount Joy prison. Miss MacSwiney was brought back weak after her exercise today and requested that she might be permitted to see Dr. Kathleen Lynn, but the application was refused.

A meeting of protest was held here tonight and Mrs. MacSwiney called upon the audience to denounce the "crowning infamy of the attempt to murder the sister of Terence MacSwiney."

ORENCO TO BUILD ROAD
Rock Highway to Connect Industries With Traffic Artery.

ORENCO, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—In order to overcome the incon-

venience of muddy roads for another winter season, Orenco is adding a rock road which will connect one of the main industries of this city, namely, the Willowcraft Furniture company, with the main road and which will also give two of the main stores the advantage of good roads. This new stretch of gravel will leave the main road at the general store and postoffice, pass in front of the confectionery store and the town hall and will continue on past the hardware store and on to the manufacturing plant of the Willowcraft Furniture company and thence to the country road at Fourth.

In common with the rest of the country, Orenco has been handicapped by the car shortage. It being impossible until a few days ago



Alfred E. Smith, dem. former governor of New York, who is again elected to that office, defeating Governor Miller.

to obtain cars in which to transport the gravel.

This road will give motorists out on Sunday jaunts a chance to see the various industries in Orenco.

TAXI IN 3-WHEEL DASH

DRIVER SHOT BUT DOES NOT
KNOW HE IS WOUNDED.

Two Men Jump on Running Board
and Wield Weapons in Flight
Through New York Park.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—After driving his taxicab 45 blocks south in Central park west on three wheels, having lost one without knowing it, in a collision with a surface car, George H. Thurston, 34 years old, of the Bronx discovered early this morning that he had been shot in the right leg by one of two men who had jumped on his running board at Third avenue and One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.

The three-wheeled taxi and the incessant clanging of a surface car in the chase attracted the attention of a patrolman at Fifty-ninth street and Central park west.

"Where is your other wheel?" inquired the patrolman as he ran into the roadway and ordered Thurston to stop.

While Thurston was being questioned he said he felt dizzy, and it was discovered that he had been shot. Thurston told the patrolman that he was driving south in Third avenue when, at One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, two men jumped on the running board, one remarking: "Give him the works." The other man fired a shot and the two then jumped and ran.

Thurston said he continued on his way and that he did not know he had been shot or had lost a wheel.

TEACHER WEDS GIRL, 15

Betty Jane Yetter Becomes Bride

of Professor Major.

Robert W. Major, aged 25, professor of dramatics, married Betty Jane Yetter, 15, at Vancouver, Wash. The couple are now in Portland, making their home at the Ambassador apartment.

RAIL PAYMASTER DEAD

W. H. Smith of Hill Service Succumbs to Paralysis.

W. H. Smith, paymaster for the Spokane, Portland & Seattle system, died suddenly at his residence, 644 East Twenty-third street north, at 6:30 o'clock last night, following a stroke of paralysis during the previous night. Funeral arrangements have not been made as yet.

Mr. Smith, who was 50 years old, is survived by his widow and his mother, a brother and a sister. He had lived in Portland all his life. He was affiliated with the O.W.R. & N. system several years ago and then joined the Hill forces. He had hosts of friends and was exceptionally popular.

"GORILLA" CLEW FOUND
Police Uncover Roll of Clothes in Woods.

Some clew to the man who attacked a 19-year-old girl in the woods at the foot of Massachusetts street Monday night may be found in a bundle of women's clothes discovered in a wooded area in the rear of her home by Mrs. W. C. Gross, 502 Interstate avenue, yesterday.

MILLER CONCEDES
SMITH'S VICTORYDemocrat Wins for Governor
in New York.

FIVE WOMEN ARE BEATEN

Hull Ousts Republican in His
District in Tennessee While
Senator George Is Chosen.

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turns were complete from only seven states.

At that hour the election of 119 democratic representatives and 67 republicans out of the total of 435 had been reported, but those figures were in no wise indicative of the political complexion of the next congress, as large blocks of districts with heavy republican delegations in some and heavy democratic delegations in others still were to be heard from.

In the house Speaker Gillett had been re-elected and Meyer London, the only socialist, had been defeated. In the senate contests the New York republican state committee had conceded the defeat of Senator Calder by Dr. Royal S. Copeland, New York city's democratic health commissioner.

In Connecticut Senator McLean, republican, was leading Thomas J. Spillane, his democratic opponent. In Delaware Senator Dupont, republican, was leading for both the short term and the long term to follow.

In Indiana ex-Governor Ralston, democrat, with only a part of the state reported, was leading ex-Senator Fred Harrison, republican, in what appeared to be a close contest. Smith W. Brookhart, republican, running to fill the unexpired term of ex-Senator Kenyon, was leading on the face of the returns.

France Ahead in Maryland.

In Maryland Senator France, democrat, was ahead of William Cabell Bruce, democrat, but with half the state in Bruce took a substantial lead on early returns. In Massachusetts Senator Lodge was leading on incomplete returns and in Michigan, Senator Townsend was ahead of his opponent, Woodbridge Ferris.

In Missouri Senator Reed, democrat, was far ahead of his rival. In New Jersey, where prohibition was largely an issue, Governor Edwards, democrat, running on a wet platform, was slightly ahead of Senator Frelinghuysen, republican, running with prohibition endorsement.

Representative Fess of Ohio was leading Senator Pomeroy, democrat, on whom a hard fight had been conducted by the labor element for his vote on the Esch-Cummings transportation law and the senator's stand in the recent railway strike.

In Pennsylvania Senators Reed and Pepper appeared to have been elected and in Rhode Island Senator King, democrat, incumbent, was ahead. In Tennessee, too, the democratic incumbent, Senator McKellar, was running ahead of his opponent, Senator McMillan, a democratic nomination is equivalent to an election, Earle B. Mayfield was leading.

Utah Republican Leads.

In Utah ex-Governor Bamberger, republican, was on the face of early returns running ahead of Senator King, democrat. Senator King is a Mormon, but Senator Smoot, who is a power in the Mormon church, campaigned for Mr. Bamberger.

All the women's representatives Greene, republican, had a large lead in his race for a seat in the senate, and in West Virginia Senator Sutherland, republican, was ahead of his democratic opponent. In Wisconsin Senator La Follette, republican, was declared elected.

The notable contest in the governorships was in New York, where Governor Miller, the republican governor, early conceded defeat at the hands of Alfred E. Smith, democrat.

Three Chairmen Named.

The first overturn in the United States senate came when the New York state republican committee conceded the defeat of Senator Calder and the election of Dr. Royal S. Copeland, democrat, New York city's health commissioner. Senator Calder is a member of three important senate committees, finance, banking and commerce.

All the women's representatives were returned in the election of Representatives Butler and McClellan of Pennsylvania and Dempsey of New York. They are chairmen of the naval, banking and rivers and harbors committees respectively.

In New York the republicans, by the early returns, lost two seats in the house of representatives. In the 23d district Frank Oliver, democrat, defeated Representative Rosendale, republican, and in the 38th district Meyer Jacobstein, democrat, defeated Representative Pierson, republican.

In the 12th district, Samuel Dickstein, democrat, defeated Meyer London, the only socialist member of the house, who had a nomination also on the farmer-labor ticket.

Two Upsets Reported.

At 10:15 P. M. ten republicans and five democrats had been elected to the house. Two upsets occurred when Meyer London, who had been elected for several terms on the socialist ticket, was defeated by Samuel Dickstein, democrat, and Rep-

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Dynamite Injures Child.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Dynamite left by workmen at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Caridoe Morgan on Tenth and Washington streets, this afternoon was exploded by their 4-year-old son, Graham, with the result that the child lost two fingers and the thumb of his left hand. Workmen making a basement beneath the Morgan home, carried the injured child to the Oregon City hospital, where the injured hand was dressed.

Parliament Opening Deferred.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—The opening of parliament has been postponed from November 24 to November 23. The king will take part in the customary state ceremony.

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