

RELIEF IS PROMISED FOR CAR SHORTAGE

Lumbermen Instructed to Cite Specific Instances.

SERIOUSNESS IS REALIZED

H. H. Aishton and Senator McNary Inform Oregon Commission of Steps Taken.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—If the lumber-mill operators of the Pacific northwest are able to furnish evidence of specific instances where cars are not being supplied relief will be forthcoming, according to telegrams received at the office of the Oregon public service commission here today from Senator C. L. McNary and Washington date and H. H. Aishton, regional director of railroads with headquarters in Chicago.

"If you have specific instances where cars are not being furnished to lumber mills please advise," says Senator McNary's telegram. "The government has promised relief. Diversion of cars in the Pacific northwest is greater than in any other country. Have promise from railroad administration that they will use every effort to relieve the situation. The seriousness of the present car shortage and that he and other officials were making every effort to relieve the situation.

"The general distribution of cars is improving," says Mr. Aishton's telegram, "and with a favorable break in the weather there should be a definite improvement in the car supply of the northwest."

Acting upon the advice contained in the telegrams from Mr. Aishton and Senator McNary, lumbermen of the commission today sent letters to the West Coast Lumbermen's association and the West Coast Lumbermen's association asking that they furnish any definite information they may have as to instances where mills and other plants connected with the lumber industry have been closed because of lack of cars. The information data is received it will be sent to Senator McNary, who is in personal touch with Max Thelan, director of public service.

The telegrams received from Mr. McNary and Mr. Aishton were in reply to a communication prepared yesterday by Fred Buchtel, chairman of the Oregon public service commission, urging relief for Oregon shippers.

BUILDING INDUSTRY HARD HIT

Stagnation Caused by Inability to Move Mills' Output.

The acute car shortage that is stagnating the building industry in operations over a large part of the country and threatening the shutdown of many more lumber industries in the Pacific northwest is illustrated by the fact that the Brooks-Scanlon mill at Bend has been averaging less than one car per day of finished material during December, with capacity for 15 cars daily. This big plant is suffering from the general shortage of cars that has reached every branch of industry, but more especially the lumber districts of the Pacific coast because the railroad administration has not been able up to the present time to send cars westward to meet the needs of the business.

George M. Cornwall, publisher of the Timberman, who returned from a tour of the southern states a few days ago, said that southern pine manufacturers in the Pacific northwest to about 40 per cent of their requirements. However, the demand for their product is now in excess of what they are able to supply, and they are therefore dependent upon the return of cars from great distances.

The large demand for lumber in the northwest is both from export markets and the Mississippi valley and middle west. The general inability to procure lumber building operations are seriously handicapped in that part of the country. While the lumber industry of this district is threatened with stagnation.

Directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce have been studying the situation and endeavoring to find some method of obtaining relief. Appeals have been made to members of the Oregon and Washington delegations in congress, to bring to the attention of the shipping board and of the railroad administration the necessity of affording immediate relief. Not only is the lumber industry suffering, but the same is true of the grain industry and other manufacturing industries that cannot obtain cars for sending their products to market throughout the interior territory.

In view of the refusal of the shipping board to allocate ships to the Pacific coast to care for the tremendous tonnage of lumber now ready for movement, the only thing left to maintain production and protect industry lies in the furnishing of cars for transcontinental shipments, in the view of Secretary Dodson of the Chamber.

This fact has been brought to attention of the officials of the railroad administration at Washington by the lumbermen, and through various channels has been made by representatives of other industries, but unfortunately there has as yet been no substantial results.

In the opinion of the lumbermen it is a situation so serious as to require that some course be adopted that will bring results. Several times when promises of prompt relief have come from certain sections of the railroad administration, there has always been power brought to bear somewhere to prevent its accomplishment.

NILES PROMISES TO GIVE AID

Assistant Director of Division Replies to Washington Plea.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Assurance that the division of public service of the railroad administration would make every effort to relieve the acute car shortage in the northwest was received today by the Washington public service commission in a telegram from Edward C. Niles, assistant director of the division.

Niles' telegram was in reply to the urgent request of the commission sent this week to the railroad administration for action to end the car shortage which threatens to shut down mills and prostrate the lumber industry of the northwest. The seriousness of the situation in the northwest was fully realized by the federal director, the commission has been informed.

Shopmen Submit Ultimatum.

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PRISON COMMANDER CHARGED WITH ALIENATING HUSBAND.

\$25,000 Sought as Heart Balm by Wife of Chief Yeoman Duffy in New Hampshire.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Julia V. Mullaney of this city today filed suit for \$25,000 against Lieutenant-Commander Thomas Mott Osborne, commander of the naval prison here and known the country over as a prison expert and reformer, charging that Commander Osborne has alienated her husband's affections.

She declares, in the papers filed, that after she had been married only two days to Chief Yeoman William J. Duffy, who is said to be very friendly with Commander Osborne, the latter influenced Duffy to leave her. She asserts that Thomas Mott Osborne "by his conduct, and otherwise," to leave her without support or money and to refuse to live with her as her husband. This, she declares, took place on February 20, 1919, two days after she and Duffy were married by Judge A. B. Cole of Kittery, Me.

She says Osborne was responsible for depriving her of the "comfort, society, support and protection of said husband, and happiness and benefits she would have received at his hands," and she was made to suffer great distress of mind and body.

She asserts that while on February 20 Osborne influenced Duffy to leave her on June 11 last, in Brooklyn, N. Y. Duffy went through a wedding ceremony with Helen M. Healey, Duffy and Miss Healey later were arrested on a statutory charge. They are now on bond of \$1000 each.

A hearing on the second Tuesday in January at Exeter, N. H. The present suit probably will be heard in the same court session.

Duffy applied in Portland, Maine, to have his marriage to Miss Mullaney, who resumed her maiden name, annulled, but this application was denied.

ALLEGED GAMBLERS FREE

Twenty-Four Men Discharged When Evidence Is Insufficient.

Twenty-four men arrested on charges of attending a gambling game in a pool room at 235 Burnside street, Portland, Dec. 27, were released yesterday by Municipal Judge Roseman. The judge found that there was not enough evidence to convict.

Previous reports erroneously were made that the arrested had been taken to the employment company's office.

The officers under Police Lieutenant Thatcher, who made the arrests, declared that the game was in progress in the place and that when the alarm was spread there six mixed with the crowd and it was impossible to pick them out.

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St. Mary's Church, Mt. Angel, to Hold Special Services.

In celebration of the golden sacerdotal jubilee of the Right Adolph Edelmann, titular abbot of St. Benedict's abbey at Mt. Angel, Ore., special services will be held at St. Mary's church, Mt. Angel on Tuesday, January 1, 1920. Reverend Edelmann on that date will have given 50 years of service to the church.

Pontifical high mass will be held at 10 A. M. at the church and at noon there will be a banquet at the college dining hall. Archbishop Alexander Charles will act as sponsor, father for the occasion and will preach the honorary sermon.

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Herman Goetz, Paving Contractor, Marries Mrs. Clara Hamilton.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Herman Goetz, one of the wealthiest men of Seattle, and for many years identified with city paving work and a holder of large commercial and real estate interests, today married Mrs. Clara Hamilton of the Winona hotel, Pike street and Minor avenue, in the chambers of the superior court. Judge Mitchell Gilliam performed the ceremony.

The couple carefully planned unsuccessfully to withhold the news from friends.

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The flour mills of Portland are doing their share in finding employment for ex-service men. The committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to take up the work has found positions in mills and offices for 41 men and more cards are yet to come in.

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for you, and in the knowledge that you would desire me to exercise my own judgment, I must say that am not convinced that the commission should recede from its position. Nevertheless, I do not intend thus to close the matter for each others have to say, hoping to reach a mutual understanding."

Governor Olcott would make no comment on either of the letters received today, although it was believed he would issue another formal statement regarding Mr. Finley's proposed reinstatement at an early date.

Replies from other members of the commission had not been received here today.

President Wilson's Course Is Not Indicated; Other Candidates Have Taken Action.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 27.—In an opinion made public tonight Attorney-General Payne of South Dakota held that under the state Richards primary law all candidates for president or vice-president of the United States, regardless of party or whether nominated by the party conventions or by minority proposal by petition, must file a declaration that they will qualify if nominated and elected to office if they desire their names placed on the ballots at the March primaries.

The opinion was given in reply to an inquiry from Secretary of State Burkhardt. Mr. Burkhardt said that under the Richards primary law, the name of any candidate for any place on the state ticket unless he has signed the pledges required under the law, but that so far as national candidates are concerned, a pledge to accept if nominated, elected will be considered sufficient.

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White Slavery to Be Charged for Inducing Girl to Be Companion.

A. E. Jones, who said he was a jeweler, but who is believed by authorities to have been traveling and selling punch boards, was arrested at Sixth and Glisan streets yesterday by Detectives Pat Maloney and Bob La Salle and was later turned over to the government authorities who, it was announced, will place a charge of white slavery against him.

Jones is said to have been accompanied on recent trips on the train by Miss Margaret Jaeger, 19, of Sandwich, Ill. The girl said she first met Jones on a train coming west. He is said to have then induced her to accompany him. She was on her way to Washington to visit relatives at the time. Jones is said to be from Oklahoma City.

Confession Held Agreeable.

"If you desire to discuss the matter further I will be glad to come to Salem, preferably to meet with you and the other commissioners at such time and place as your convenience may dictate."

Mr. Fleischner's letter follows: "I respect Mr. Finley's ability as a naturalist; I appreciate the esteem which he enjoys and I understand your desire that his services as an educator and advertiser be not lost to the state. A suggestion not original with me but made by one who claims himself to be a friend of Mr. Finley was to recommend his employment by one of our state educational institutions in instructional or extension work. Such a suggestion I endorse."

Boy, Killed by Pistol, Buried.

Funeral services were held last Monday for Vernon Franks, 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Franks, 2047 Delano street, who was accidentally killed with an automatic pistol while playing with his 14-year-old cousin, Edward Keller. Interment was in the Rose City park cemetery. R. W. Gable & Co., funeral directors, were in charge.

Iron Worker Is Injured.

W. J. McKeehan, 414 Columbia street, an employee of the Willamette iron pipe company, received a bruise on the left knee and right ankle as the result of a falling iron plate yesterday. He was treated at St. Vincent's hospital.

Vancouver Offers Palmolive Site.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—The Palmolive soap company, whose plant in Portland recently burned and which is looking for a site on which to build a plant in the Pacific Northwest, was offered an alibing proposition by the Vancouver Chamber of Commerce by wire today.

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