

SOUTHERN PACIFIC PROPOSES PAY CUT

Company Asks for Confer-
ences With Men.

10 CLASSES ARE AFFECTED

Basic Minimum Reduction of 20
Per Cent Suggested; New
Working Rules Desired.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 30.—The Southern Pacific Railroad company today notified 10 classes of its subordinate officials and employees of its desire to negotiate a revision of wages.

Approximately 20,000 workers are affected by the order, which will be operative 30 days from date.

The order will have the effect of suspending the decision of the United States railroad labor board of July 20, 1920, which fixed the present rates of pay. A basic minimum reduction of 20 per cent is proposed in the order, the exact figure to be left to conferences between the company and each group of workers.

The groups affected and the dates for each conference are:

Clerical, store and station forces, except freight handlers, truckers, common laborers, janitors and watchmen, May 16.

Maintenance of way and structural employees, except common labor, May 17.

Signal department employees, except foremen, assistant foremen and inspectors, May 18.

Shop and store employees, except executives, May 19.

Stationery engine and boiler room employees, May 20.

Train dispatchers, May 20.

Dining car, hotel, restaurant and commissary employees, train and parlor car porters, May 21.

Miscellaneous employees, May 23.

Shop supervisory forces, May 24.

Signal foremen, assistants and signal inspectors, May 25.

Decrease in cost of living and lower rates of pay for like employments in outside industries are given as the reasons for the proposed decrease.

A conference to make new agreements and rules for working conditions for clerks to supplement the way labor wage board's agreements have been called for May 4, the Southern Pacific announced today.

EMPLOYEES WILL FIGHT OUT

Brotherhood Chief to Leave for San Francisco at Once.

Official announcement by the Southern Pacific San Francisco office of a proposed 20 per cent reduction in the wages of employees other than those embraced in the four big brotherhoods had been expected here for some time. That it would come eventually was the general impression. Inasmuch as all conferences on the situation are to be held in San Francisco, it will be necessary for the employees affected to send representatives to that city to make whatever protests may be decided upon.

That the employees affected by the order will fight to retain present wage scales was the assertion of A. M. Arnold of Portland, general chairman of the brotherhood of railway clerks, freight handlers, express and station employees on the Southern Pacific.

"The announcement of the railroad officials is to the effect that the reduction is proposed because the cost of living has fallen," said Mr. Arnold. "As a matter of fact, the cost of living has not fallen perceptibly as yet. In the circumstances, there is left for us but one thing to do and that is to fight the proposition. I will leave for San Francisco at once to investigate the situation and attend conferences."

NAVY CREW BEATS PENN

VICTORS ARE FOUR LENGTHS
AHEAD AT FINISH.

Second Team and Freshmen Also
Defeat Opponents; Columbia
Varsity Outstrips Yale.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., April 30.—Navy oarsmen swept Severn river in the rowing regatta today, taking all three races for varsity, second varsity and freshmen second eight-oared crews. The Quaker varsity eight was badly defeated, between four and five boat lengths separating them from the world champions at the finish.

The other two brushes were bitter-fought, the navy freshmen winning by only a half length, while the navy piebreds defeated the red and blue freshmen by 1 1/2 boat lengths.

The time: Varsity—Navy, 6 minutes 52 seconds; Pennsylvania, 6 minutes 58 seconds. Second varsity—Navy, 6 minutes 41 seconds; Pennsylvania, 6 minutes 47 seconds. Freshmen—Navy, 6 minutes 23 seconds; Pennsylvania, 6 minutes 45 seconds.

DEIRBY, Conn., April 30.—Under rainy skies and over a smooth course Columbia crews made a clean sweep over Yale today in the rowing races on Lake Housatonic, winning both the junior and varsity events, the former by three lengths and the latter by a length and a quarter. The time: Junior—Columbia, 10 minutes 45 seconds; Yale, 11 minutes 5 seconds. Varsity—Columbia, 10 minutes 23 seconds; Yale, 10 minutes 30 1/2 seconds.

ALLIES DIFFER ON WAY

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Cement being reached in common accord.

"Italy," he continued, "is quickly recovering by her own efforts and sacrifices from what a year ago was regarded as a very serious economic and financial situation. If only for this reason, I regard peace and tranquility as a supreme necessity. An ultimatum to Germany, giving her seven days from May 1 to comply with or refuse the allied reparations

WHOLESALE PRICE JUGGLING CHARGED

Chicago Contractors and
Unions Face Trial.

71 INDICTMENTS ISSUED

Collusion Amounting to Conspiracy
in Building Industry Alleged
by Federal Jury.

CHICAGO, April 30.—Wholesale collusion between building contractors and unions amounting to conspiracy in restraint of trade under the Sherman act is charged in indictments returned today by the federal grand jury. Seventy-one corporations and individuals were named.

At the same time indictments on similar counts against 23 other corporations and individuals, returned by the March grand jury but suppressed until today, were released.

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The Master Steamfitters' association and 18 corporations, 23 individuals and one representative of the Steamfitters' Protective association, are named in another indictment. It was alleged that the master steamfitters have combined among themselves and with the business agent of the union to refuse to trade with any manufacturer selling his products to any other than members of the steamfitters' association.

Wholesale dealers in plumbing and heating materials were charged with unfair practices against manufacturers outside Illinois, selling to mail order houses and direct to consumers. It was further alleged that the 13 jobbing houses said to control the entire sales of plumbing and heating supplies in the city fixed uniform prices. This increased the cost of plumbing supplies in the past three years, it was claimed, approximately 150 per cent.

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BULLET VICTIM MAY LIVE

Chance Held for Recovery of Man
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ASTORIA, Or., April 30.—(Special.)—A. J. Burns, who was shot Thursday night, tonight was still alive and his physicians believed he had a chance for recovery. Mrs. Eula Ingles, accused of the shooting, was arraigned in the justice court this morning on an information charging her with assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to kill Burns. She pleaded not guilty and at the request of C. W. Robinson, attorney for the defendant, the preliminary hearing was continued until Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The woman was remanded to the county jail without bail.

OVERSEAS MEN ORGANIZE

Vancouver Forms Post of Veterans
of Foreign Wars.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 30.—(Special.)—Port Vancouver Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars was organized here last night, 78 signing the charter. There were 125 present at the meeting, held in Knights of Pythias hall. The charter will remain open for some time for others to sign. William Paul was elected commander; C. R. Eaton, senior vice-commander; P. W. Mason, junior vice-commander; A. B. Burtell, quartermaster; David Turndevy, adjutant; A. E. Clark, chaplain; Dr. W. E. Cass, surgeon; and Frank Lytle, officer of the day.

Officers of Over the Top post in Portland were present to assist in the organization of the new post.

China has only 6000 miles of railroad, while her natural resources warrant the construction of more than 20,000 miles.

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NEGOTIATIONS STILL ON

Locals Have Authority to Call
Printers' Strikes Over Hours.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 30.—Negotiations over institution of the 44-hour week in job and stock printing offices are continuing in a number of cities in which the employers have not yet agreed to the shorter work week. W. W. Barrett, vice-president

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of the International Typographical union, announced today.

In cities where the 44-hour week is not made effective by Monday the local unions have authority to call strikes, Mr. Barrett said, except in cases where the unions have contracts extending beyond May 1.

About 250 subordinate unions have agreements with local employers' associations for the establishment of the 44-hour week, Mr. Barrett said.

France Protests to Greece.

ATHENS, April 29.—France has protested to Greece against the action of the Greek navy in stopping and searching vessels in the Black sea and the Dardanelles area. France has declared such procedure is an act of war within a neutral zone under allied jurisdiction.

Couple Takes Minister Along.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 30.—(Special.)—One couple came today accompanied by a minister, who per-

formed the marriage ceremony in the county commissioners' room. Fred E. Engler, 54 years old, and Mrs. Mary M. New, 55 years of age, both of South Tacoma, Wash., obtained the license and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Jacob Hergert of 447 Felling street, Portland.

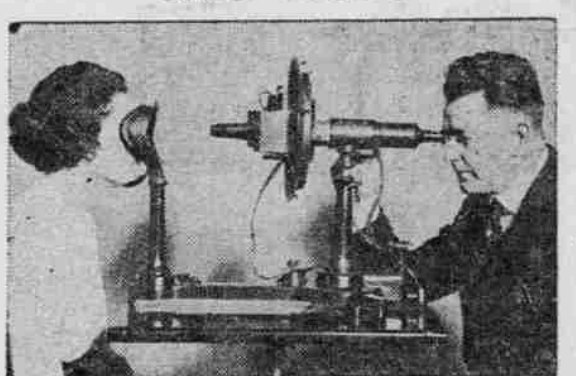
Douglas Election Notices Ready.

ROSEBURG, Or., April 30.—(Special.)—The official notices providing for a special election to be held on June 7 for the purpose of voting on Douglas county's proposed \$1,000,000 bond issue will be posted in the various precincts within the next few days, according to County Clerk Riddle. A special committee has reported that sentiment for the bonds appears to favor the measure.

J. F. Robinson, Circus Man, Dies.

MIAMI, Fla., April 30.—John F. Robinson, 77, retired circus owner, died at his winter home here tonight of chronic bronchitis.

Your Eyes Deserve the Best



In every trade, profession or branch of work there are found a few men who, from special fitness or education, or both, are better prepared to serve you in their line than the multitude of others in the same field.

Since optometry requires special ability in both professional and mechanical work, men that are fitted to do both equally well are scarce.

Therefore, you cannot be too particular about the selection of the man to whom you entrust your eyes.

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In 36-in. Width,
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36-inch standard Percales in both quality and color—both light and dark-colored patterns in an extensive variety—our new low price is only 19c yard.

Bungalow Nets

New Designs in
White, Cream, Ecru.....69c

Here is a splendid saving at an opportune time—a sale of new Bungalow Nets in a full assortment of neat designs in white, cream and ecru—priced at 69c.

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Tricolette and Poplin Silks and a New Price on Pongee

Reliable Sturdy Silks That Will Not Only Look
Well, But Will Give Long and Satisfactory Service

Unparalleled preparations have been made to satisfy the most critical women in the selection of silk fabrics for the new season's garments. From the best mills—AT-THE-NEW-LOW-PRICES. We have selected unmatched assortments of all that is desirable and beautiful. We are confident that you will enjoy our special displays and that you'll be equally delighted with the low price quotations that prevail. Here are three of the offerings—

Natural Color
Pongees

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Sale at, yard...75c

A brand-new shipment just received of natural color Pongee Silks of fine, even weave and good weight; a durable silk that washes most satisfactorily, duce price.

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