

NOT INCLINED TO PROPOSAL

**Carpenters Insist Upon Minimum
Wage Scale Being Es-
tablished.**

REJECT CONTRACTORS' OFFER

**Will Continue Strike Until More
Satisfactory Terms Are Sub-
mitted, Is Conclusion
Reached Last Night.**

The carpenters' union of Astoria last night rejected the proposal of the contractors of the city looking to settlement of the present strike on a basis that would make the contractors judges of the wages paid to the members of the union. The contractors had sent a communication to the union, agreeing to grant the demand for an eight-hour day, provided the question of the wage to be received by the men should be left discretionary with the employers. Last night the union met to consider this proposition. The meeting was held at the residence of Adolph Johnson, and practically all of the union carpenters in the city were present.

After the meeting Secretary Souden said the union had rejected the proposition of the contractors, but declined to go into details. Mr. Souden said:

"We have addressed a letter to the contractors rejecting their proposal and pointing out reasons for doing so. It was decided at this meeting that the letter should not be given out for publication until after the contractors had considered it. Further than to say to you the union has rejected the proposition of the employers, I am not at liberty to divulge any further information on the subject.

"We expect the contractors will get together tomorrow to take action on the matter, and we anticipate a reply by tomorrow night."

"Does the union make any counter-proposal?" was asked.

"No; we have merely rejected the proposition and stated our reasons for this action. We have not receded from the position heretofore taken by the union. That about sums up the matter without going into detail."

From the expressions of the union carpenters yesterday before the meeting was held, it was plain the contractors' proposal would not be favorably considered. As has been pointed out by members of the union, there must be some standard of wages—some minimum scale—and the proposal of the contractors, if accepted by the union, would have abolished this low wage scale. It is believed this was the point upon which the proposition hinged. The contractors said some union men were worth more than others, and, consequently, that it was an injustice to require the employers to pay the same wages to all. The carpenters individually admitted this, but seemed to think the matter could be easily enough adjusted by the contractors, who were not compelled to employ men not capable of earning the wage scale.

"We want an eight-hour day, and if the contractors find union men who are not worth \$3 for eight hours' work it's up to them to refuse to give them work," said one of the men.

It is believed the union has taken this stand, although Secretary Souden would not authorize any statement for publication last night except that appearing above, and accredited to him.

No further action will be taken by the carpenters' union until the reply of the contractors has been received.

It's the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

Exhibit Train Leaves Shop.
Chicago, April 6.—An exhibition train of 19 cars left the shops for St. Louis today over the Illinois Central railroad. The cars, said to be the finest ever made at the works, will be

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the company's exhibit at the St. Louis styles, private, buffet, tourist sleeper, chair car, day coach, compartment sleeper, parlor car, ordinary sleeper, dining and composite car. The last contains a smoking room, buffet and barber shop. In the private car is an elaborately furnished bath room. Instead of the brilliant varnish usual in railway cars, a dead finish has been used. In the buffet car the woodwork is all of Flemish oak. The cost of the train was about \$500,000.

SOCIETY OF PATRIOTS.

**Organization That Reaches Far to
Help Jap Soldiers.**

Teikoku Gunjin Yengokwai, or an "Association for the Relief of Those Serving in the Army and Navy of Japan" which was organized in the beautiful Land of the Chrysanthemum about two months ago, is extending its membership to Japanese colonies all over the world, and notification of this fact was received today by Sumisato Takagi, Portland vice-consul for Japan. The organization spread quickly through Japan, and is now reaching out to take in all Japanese not living in the home country.

The purpose of the society is a little broader than stated in its title. It is to assist the families of soldiers and sailors who have been called to the front, and who are no longer able to provide their relatives with the necessities of life. The fund of the association was set at 500,444 yen, but March 10, when the last report of it was published in a Tokio paper, the fund had reached 620,000 yen and was increasing rapidly.

The officers of the association include the most prominent and progressive soldiers, statesmen, ministers and business men of Japan, and the places where funds can be contributed are scattered throughout the world. New York, San Francisco, London, Shanghai, Hong Kong, Peking, Tientsin, Seoul, Chempulpo, Fusan, Hangkow, Manila and Java are named as places where funds will be received aside from any of the cities of Japan.

The statement of the objects of the association is full of lofty thought calculated to inspire every Japanese who reads it with a sense of patriotism that will cause him to either become a member or contribute to the best of his ability to the fund. The contributions are not confined to Japanese alone, and many people of different nationalities, including large numbers of Americans in Japan and in this country have given money for the purposes stated.

The statement of the objects of the association after enumerating its purposes concludes as follows:

"Compatriots, it is our duty to look to the welfare of the weak who are dear to those that are spilling their blood and risking their all in defense of the honor of the nation. Let us at least endeavor to enable them to face death in their country's cause with peaceful hearts, assured that the spectre of starvation will not menace the loved ones they leave behind. This is at once the duty and privilege of their fellow-countrymen, and we appeal to the public to co-operate heartily in the discharge of the solemn obligation.

"We may add that though this association has been founded in view of the present crisis it may subsequently happen that the result of the work done may suggest the advisability of continuing the association as a permanent institution."

MAY DIE FROM WOUNDS.

**Footpads Attack College Man, Crushing
His Skull.**

Berkeley, Cal., April 6.—William J. Sherwood, an inspector in chemistry in the university of California is lying in an unconscious condition, the result of an attack by footpads. While returning to his home late tonight Sherwood was held up by two masked men. One of them stealthily approached him from behind and struck him on the head with a sandbag. He staggered away and tried to reach his residence but when within about one block of home he fell unconscious.

Assemblyman W. H. Waste found him and carried him home where it was found that his head was badly cut.

It is feared that his skull has been fractured and that his injuries may result fatally.

End of World Predicted.

Chicago, April 6.—The end of the world in 90 years has been predicted by Dr. John Robertson at the Evangelical schools at the Presbyterian church in Austin.

Princess of Lippe Dead.

Karlsruhe, April 5.—Princess Sophie of Lippe, widow of Prince Gonthier Frederick Waldemar of Lippe, is dead. She was a sister-in-law of Karl Alexander, the fifth prince of Lippe.

WILL AWAIT FULL MOON

**Effort to Remove Steamer Ful-
ton From Beach Will Be
Tried Later.**

BIGGER TIDES ARE NECESSARY

**Experts Believe That Attempt
Now Would Be Disastrous
to Both the Vessel
and Cargo.**

Fearing that the unsettled conditions of the weather would prove disastrous to the steamer Fulton and her lumber cargo it has been decided to let her remain on the beach at Port Orford until the next full-moon tide, which occurs on May 30, before any further attempt is made to float her. At that time it is the intention to discharge her lumber cargo, consisting of 160,000 feet, on to barges and then it is believed that she can be pulled out into deep water with ease and absolute safety. To have adopted such a course at this time, it was feared that a storm might arise and wash the lumber out to sea. It might also have been the means of the vessel being rendered more helpless than ever.

The steamer Despatch, which arrived Tuesday night from the south, brought the first authentic account of the attempt made to save the wrecked vessel. After spending four days at Port Orford the officers of the Despatch deemed that it would be inadvisable to make any further effort at this time to move the Fulton from the precarious position which she occupies on the rocky beach. Captain George D. Gray, general manager of the California & Oregon Coast Steamship Company's Fleet, came up from San Francisco on the Despatch and stopped with her at Port Orford. It was through his advice that the date for floating the vessel was postponed.

"By waiting until the last of May," he said, "I believe that it will be possible to move the Fulton and save all her lumber cargo. By making the attempt now great risks would have to be assumed of not only losing the steamer, but the cargo. A storm is likely to come up any time and prove disastrous to the venture. The last of next month the weather conditions ought to be settled.

"The steamer has been driven high up on the beach by the storms. The Despatch pulled on her twice, but it was impossible to budge her. But it could easily have been done by removing the lumber with which she is weighted down. This will be done when the attempt is made next month. While her hull is probably in bad shape, I do not believe the vessel will be a total loss by any means. Her machinery is all right, but nothing definite will be known about her hull until she is taken on the drydock."

ROBBED THE GRAVE.

A startling incident is related by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at Charles Rogers', druggist.

LAND GOES TO TRUST.

**Gusher Fields in Texas in Standard's
Hands.**

Galveston, Tex., April 6.—The Standard Oil Company has at last secured a foothold in the Louisiana oil field, and it has been discovered that over 600 acres in the proven oil fields in and about Jennings have been leased to the corporation.

The trust has been trying to get into this field for two years, but the Louisiana oil producers having suffered by the Standard's operations in the early history, a Texas gusher field fought its attempt to secure foothold in that state. The leases were secured by the Houmaierre-Latreille Company of Franklin, one of the latest oil companies in Louisiana leasing its holdings, which include 32 producing wells, to James Hartley, who is an attorney for the Texas Oil Company, of which John W. Gates is president. The Texas Oil Company is recognized as a branch of the Standard, operating in

Texas, and suit is now pending against it in the courts.

Hartley transferred the leases to the Texas Company, which openly acknowledges the transaction. The Houmaierre-Latreille Company says it was deceived and believed it was dealing with a representative of the independent producers of Texas who are fighting the Standard. It is reported the deal involves fabulous prices.

VIOLATIONS ARE FLAGRANT.

**Closed Season Fishing Laws Not Be-
ing Observed.**

According to steamboat men, salmon fishing has been in operation all winter along the Columbia river, notwithstanding the law making it a penalty to catch this kind of fish during the closed season. It is said that those who have engaged in the illegal traffic have experienced no difficulty in carrying on the work without being detected. In fact, the captains who run up and down the river state that the fishermen never appeared to be very particular whether they were found out or not. They used nets and many of them occupied positions which were in plain view of the middle of the river.

The fishermen have been salting down the salmon, it is claimed, and when the open season arrives they will experience no difficulty in disposing of them to the dealers. Some declare that several hundred pounds of the salted product have already found their way to the markets. A well-known navigator of the Columbia yesterday stated that he purchased a salmon recently of the chinook variety that he is positive had been caught within the past two weeks. He professes to be a judge of the fish and says that this one was as fine and fresh as though it had just been taken from the water.

He and others assert that they have seen the fishermen at work. Near the mouth of the Cowlitz seems to be a favorite resort. It is claimed that men can be seen almost any time catching salmon in that vicinity. When the open season comes around the evident intention of those engaged at the occupation is to rush their product on the market and make a big clean up. It is estimated that some of them have tons of fish already salted down, and at the beginning of the season they will command a big price. It is believed that many of the ranchers down the Columbia have spent the entire winter at the business. Although salmon is not so plentiful during the winter months as later on it is claimed that they run in sufficient quantities to make the work very profitable.

TIE-UP MAY END.

**Building Trades Strike to Be Settled
By Arbitration.**

New York, April 6.—A protracted conference of the general arbitration boards of the building trades, representing the employers and the associations of skilled workers, has resulted in the adoption of resolutions likely to end the tie up which has existed several weeks in the building trades here.

Representatives of the bricklayers, whose strike precipitated the trouble, concurred in the resolutions recommending that the strikers return to work without overtime, pending a settlement of the entire matter by arbitration.

Agreements of a similar character previously entered into by representatives of the bricklayers have been repudiated by the unions, but it is now believed they will take favorable action. More than 10,000 men are idle.

Crushed by Wall.

York, Pa., April 6.—Three firemen lost their lives, several others were injured and a loss of about \$250,000 was caused by fire this afternoon which destroyed the large plant of the York Carriage Company. Shortly before 10 o'clock the wall fell, burying beneath the hot bricks three firemen. Their bodies were recovered.

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