WORKING CONDITIONS IN CANNERIES MADE SUBJECT FOR ACTION

Committee of Industrial Welfare Commission Considers Status of Women Employes

HOURS AND PAY INCLUDED

After Public Hearing on Subject Is Held Ruling Will Be Made and Order Promulgated.

A conference committee submitted recommendations last night to the Industrial Welfare commission covering the rates that should be paid, the hours and conditions of work of women employed in canning factories. The recommendations follow:

That a system of standardizing or indicating box weights where employes work by the box be devised.

That piece work checks be required in all canning factories of such character that each worker would be given at the close of each day a record of the amount of time she had put in, the amount of work done and the earnings for the day. It has not been a rule to give employes duplicate time checks, it was stated, and there are many complaints.

That 54 hours be considered a week's work with permission to work 60 hours when time and a half is paid for the six extra hours.

Canners Secure Modification.

That not less than 75 per cent of employes in a factory be ranked as experienced or skilled workers, and not more than 25 per cent be classed as learners or slow workers. The original recommendation was that 85 per cent of the workers be ranked as experienced and not over 15 per cent learners or slow, but this was modified on the representation by cannerymen that it would entail expense they could ill afford to meet, and they asked for the modified recommendation to apply for a year.

That experienced workers receive not less for piece work than the minimum already prescribed for day work—$3.64 a week in Portland, $3.25 in the state outside of Portland. The minimum for learners is $1 a day.

That each factory be required to furnish tables and stools of such height as to promote the comfort and efficiency of employes.

The question of the status of minors was to have been the subject of a recommendation, but it was decided that the percentage plan for learners and experienced workers would probably cover it. Cannerymen requested that night work be allowed in prune drying plants at rush seasons and an investigation of the merit of this request will be made.

Commission to Make Rule.

The conference committee making the recommendations consists of Mrs. L. E. Daniels, Mrs. William Addis and Miss Rose Harrington for employes; Mrs. A. M. Wilson, J. C. English and A. M. Churchill for the general public, and J. O. Holt of Eugene, J. F. Santgel of Woodburn and W. S. Allen of Salem for the employers.

The recommendation will be made subject of a ruling by the Industrial Welfare commission not sooner than 30 days from last night's meeting and after a public hearing. It is probable the public hearing will not be held and the ruling made until after 60 days because of the absence from the city of a member of the commission, Amedee Smith. Other members of the commission are Father E. V. O'Hara, chairman; Miss Bertha Moores. Miss Caroline Gleason is secretary and investigator.

Returned From Seattle.

Upon a charge of embezzling $134 collected for the Swayne & Hoyt company, H. L. Reid was returned last night from Seattle, where he was arrested after a search by the detective department of several weeks. While the amount named is only $134, reports show the funds not turned in amount to considerably more.

Oregon's Insurance Plan Is Superior

Washington Commission Watching Industrial Accident Scheme to Draw Lesson From It.

Oregon's industrial accident insurance plan is superior to that of Washington, and the Washington compensation commission is watching this state's work closely, and hopes to profit from the lessons learned, said Dr. J. W. Mowell, chief medical adviser for the state of Washington, addressing the City and County Medical society last night.

The meeting of the society broke all records for attendance. Dr. J. D. Sternberg presided, and Dr. Benson acted as secretary. Dr. Mowell exhibited during his address a series of X-ray plates that the Portland physicians found of great interest as a record of cases cared for under the Washington workmen's compensation commission. Harvey Beckwith, chairman of the Oregon commission, explained the commission's plans and policy, and Dr. Frederick H. Thompson, chief medical adviser for Oregon, addressed the society.

O. & C. Road Makes County Tax Offer

Would Make Payment on Condition of Omission of Assessments on Land if Company Wins Suit.

The Oregon & California Railroad company this morning submitted a proposition to the county commissioners that it would pay its taxes, plus 6 per cent interest, within 90 days after the supreme court hands down its decision in the land grant case should it find for the company, if the county will omit the assessment on lands involved in that suit until the case is completed. The company is assessed $202,620 on 9287 acres of land in this county, and the tax, $2279.52, is now delinquent. The tax was not paid because the decision of the local federal court was in favor of the United States government and the lands reverted to the government. The proposition was submited to District Attorney Evans for advice.

CANDIDATE IS ACCUSED

A complaint signed by Jacob Hahn was filed this morning in the district court against George N. Farrin, candidate at the primaries for the Republican nomination for attorney general, charging him with passing a worthless check for $30 on Hahn. Hahn alleges that Farrin secured cash on the check, which was drawn on the Security Savings & Trust Co. bank, and that there was no money in Farrin's name in the bank to cover the check. The check was cashed August 22. The warrant for Farrin's arrest was turned over to City Detective Price for service.

EVANGELIST IN PORTLAND

"Billy" Williams, the drummer evangelist, reached Portland this morning after an absence from Oregon of five years. He will spend the next two months in this state preaching temperance. Tonight in the Friends' church at Newberg he will give his lecture, "My Last Romp With the Tiger," for the 2343d time. From Newberg he will go to Scholls, beginning October 14, and will spend nearly three weeks in Farmington, a fortnight in Ballston and then return to Portland for two days at the local Y. M. C. A. He will speak here November 21 and 23.

Woodmere Association to Meet.

The Parent-Teacher association of the Woodmere school will hold its first meeting of the year in the school building, Strawberry avenue and Elk street, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A short program has been arranged. The next meeting will be held the third Friday of October, October 16, at 8 o'clock. It will be a social affair.

FIREBOAT NOW READY BUT HOSE TO EQUIP IS NOT PURCHASED

Delay Is Occasioned by Council's Refusal to Adopt Recommendation of Chiefs.

SPECIFICATIONS WRONG

Poorest Articles on Market Could Have Been Bid On and Work Had to Be Done Over.

Although work on the fireboat George H. Williams is about completed it can not be placed in active service for some time because the city council, at the instance of Commissioner Dieck, has disregarded the recommendations of the fire chiefs and refused to purchase fire hose to equip the boat.

Bids on fire hose were received several weeks ago and when submitted to the fire chiefs they recommended that the city purchase treated hose contending that it was more serviceable and would be cheaper in the long run. The recommendations were made to the city council and at first it looked as though the purchases would be made in accordance with the views of the fire chiefs, but Commissioner Dieck interfered, contending that the hose should be sought under specifications covered by the fire underwriters. It was at his request that specifications were made by the city chemist instead of by the fire chiefs.

When these specifications were drawn it was found that the poorest hose manufactured could be bid on and if the bid was the lowest the city would have to purchase the stuff, whether it was serviceable or not, as the charter provides that in making purchases contracts shall go to the lowest bidders. As a result of this the city has delayed in purchasing the hose until different specifications can be drawn and now there is no hose available for the fire boat.

The fire chiefs contend that no binding specifications can be drawn as conditions in some cities are not the same as in others and that the recommendations of fire chiefs in the United States vary widely from the specifications of the underwriters.

QUARTERLY LICENSES DUE

Owners Must Pay by October 10 on Pain of Arrest.

All quarterly city licenses for all kinds of business are due and payable today, including those for motion picture shows, theatres, peanut and popcorn dealers, junk dealers, hawkers, insurance companies, stenographic agencies, employment agencies and many others. If these licenses are not paid before October 10 and the holders continue to do business they are subject to arrest.

City License Inspector Hutchinson has asked the police department to cooperate in notifying those subject to licensing that all licenses are now due and payable.

ACTING SERGEANT IS NAMED

E. C. Brothers Appointed by Mayor Albee Today.

Mayor Albee has appointed E. C. Brothers as an acting sergeant in the police bureau pending the municipal civil service examination. He will take the place left vacant by the dismissal of Sergeant Everett Peebin. Brothers has for several years been detailed on the harbor patrol and is deemed to be a highly efficient man. Walter A. Tyler and T. C. Freiberg have been appointed as patrolmen to fill vacancies caused by dismissal of 11 members of the bureau last December. Other appointments are to be made later.

REPORT URGES THE CLEANSING OF VAUDEVILLE

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courts is pointed out and the suggestion made that vaudeville censorship should be national as well as local, as in the case of motion pictures.

"The striking facts about the Portland investigation are that only three of the 29 members reporting on vaudeville shows found nothing objectionable in any of the shows, that adverse reports were received on every theatre, and that concerning a particular theatre every one of the reports was adverse," says the report.

"Furthermore, we should add that all but one of the 59 visits were made after the local managers had had opportunity for censoring them; only one of the visits was on the opening night."

Dr. Foster refers to the difficulty of eliminating whole acts because they are billed in circuits, but says, fortunately, few acts are regarded by the investigators as bad in their entirety.

"If we eliminate one theatre, which appears to solicit the patronage of those who desire something off-color," he says, "there remains scarcely one act in 30 which a strong majority of the investigators would wholly condemn. Nearly all the other objectionable features are parts of acts which could be eliminated without injuring the act."

Pictures Are Educational.

Dr. Foster points out the great educational opportunity offered by the motion picture. He says the "motion picture is a more important immediate public concern today than any other educational institution whatever. And yet with this great branch of public education, the public has almost nothing to do—constructively—positively."

He says the weekly capacity of motion picture theatres in Portland now exceeds the total population of the city.

"The motion picture houses in the outlying districts are social centers," he says. "Many of them are family resorts. Community pictures are shown, the people chat in a friendly manner, children move freely about the house, and the manager knows his patrons personally. What an opportunity for systematic education! Yet most of the films shown in these theatres are neither bad nor good. Constant observation of them must be demoralizing."

He says the picture show is a rival of the saloon, in that many a nickel and dime is spent there that would otherwise go over the bar.

Basing their estimates on reports obtained from 2647 school children, coming from the pupils in all grades of five schools chosen at random, the report shows that "over 70 per cent of the children of Portland go to vaudeville theatres, and 24.1 per cent attend vaudeville shows once a week or oftener.

Numbers Are Compared.

"It is further worthy of note," says the report, "that the number of girls and the frequency of their attendance is about the same as the number and frequency of attendance of boys.

"Carrying these figures out proportionately for the total pupils of elementary school age leads to the conclusion that approximately 10,164 boys and 9588 girls attend vaudeville shows in Portland and that approximately 6859 children attend these shows once a week or oftener.

"It should be observed that these figures cover only children below high school age. The reports of the investigators indicate that the proportion of children of high school age attending vaudeville shows is much larger than the proportions shown in these tables."

Regarding the table showing the frequency of children at motion picture shows, the report says:

"The significant fact is that of these children, 91.7 per cent of whom are 14 years of age or under, only 251, or 9.5 per cent, do not attend motion picture shows, and that 754, or 28.4 per cent, attend twice a week or oftener. One hundred and forty-nine, or 5.6 per cent, of them attend three times a week. The boys report more frequent attendance than girls, but the difference is not great. The table reveals as a further fact of importance that 63.7 per cent of these children report that they generally attend at night.

Many Attend at Night.

"Of the Portland girls, 64.8 per cent report that they attend at night. This means that in the city of Portland approximately 7564 school girls, 14 years of age or under, attend motion picture shows at night."

From other tables embodied in the report, the conclusion is warranted, the report says, that a considerable number of boys and girls under 18 years of age attend motion picture theatres unaccompanied by adults.

The report says investigators found 197 girls between the ages of 16 and 18 who were not properly accompanied.

"They appear to be in almost no danger so far as the audience and the management are concerned," says the report, which states that most of the theater managers are very careful.

"The exception that must be made concerns the galleries of certain downtown theatres, which are not properly lighted, and where men have been observed to interfere with unaccompanied girls," says the report.

"The chief danger comes to unaccompanied girls after they go out upon the streets. The tragedies that frequently come to light and the larger number that are probably kept secret should leave parents no doubt on this question. The curfew law should be more frequently enforced. If boys and girls under 18 years of age were forbidden to enter theatres at night unless accompanied by adults, the effect would be a safeguarding of public morals. Such regulations are in force in various other cities."

Dr. Foster says that 'It seems probable that a board of praise might be more helpful than a board of censorship." He says, generally speaking, all social progress is aided more by the patronage of the good than by the condemnation of the bad, and that if the people in Portland knew where they would be sure to find the best pictures and patronize those theatres and not the others, the question would solve itself.

Dr. Foster praises the work that has been done by the volunteer censorship committee, and says the city of Portland is under deep obligations to this committee.

"A careful review of the work of the committee and the progress of the motion picture business during these three and a half years shows that great improvements have been made," he says.

He says the official board for the supervision of motion picture shows should have a paid secretary, devoting all his time to the work.

New Company Formed.

Articles of incorporation of the Broadway Cafeteria company, capitalized at $5000, were filed with County Clerk Coffey by F. W. Lambert, Fred Ward and H. C. Boyer.

FIRE DRILL INSPECTION IS HELD IN VARIOUS SCHOOLS OF THE CITY

Lincoln High Censured Because of Dependence Put on Fireproof Construction.

JEFFERSON IS PRAISED

Thirteen Hundred Gotten Out of Building in Two Minutes; No Time Lost Nor Waste Motion Noted.

One of two high schools subjected to fire drill inspection yesterday by representatives of the fire department, the Safety First commision and the superintendent of schools, was censured severely and the other cordially praised.

The inspection committee reported that at Lincoln High school no fire prevention organization was found, there was the same dependence on fireproof construction which made possible an Iroquois theater disaster, there was a set time for fire drills with which all students were familiar, and when an exhibition fire drill was called not at the set time there was a confusion of signals which would probably have caused disaster in case of fire.

At Jefferson High school an altogether different state of affairs was reported. Thirteen hundred students were gotten out of the big building in two minutes, marching in orderly way, with perfect control by an efficient organization, with no loss of time or waste motion or extra hazard to anyone.

Boys Have Efficient Department.

Sixty-four boys constitute the Jefferson High school fire department. The fire chief is Holland Houston and he has a batallion chief for each floor. The exhibition fire alarm was given, as are other fire signals, at an unexpected minute; drills are held twice a week and committees report the quality of the response by each room and department. The inspecting committee was enthusiastic in praise of the system evolved by Principal Hopkin Jenkins and his assistants.

In Shaver school, L. H. Baker, principal, the fire drill was declared the best of the grade schools visited. A corps of older grade students had charge, kept the exits clear, handled the hose, and saw that no pupils were left in the rooms. The inspectors themselves rang the fire signal without giving notice to principal or teachers and the evacuation of the building was prompt.

Couch school was declared to be a fire trap. The inspectors reported that this school has but two inadequate exits, it is of frame construction and would burn swiftly under conditions favorable to fire. Principal Fletcher, it was stated, is doing the best that could be done under adverse conditions to apply fire prevention and protection measures, but the time required to get the children out of the building was necessarily slow because of the inadequate exits.

The committee of inspection yesterday consisted of H. B. Coffin, chairman of the Safety First commission; Batallion Chief Stevens of the fire department; L. R. Alderman, superintendent of schools; B. F. Boynton, secretary of the Safety First commission, and Arthur M. Churchill, head of the Fire Prevention department of the Safety First commission.

A. F. Fiegel, Democratic candidate for congress, addressed the members of the Alberta Women's Improvement club Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. R. Sharp, 1033 East Twenty-fourth street north.

Ontario Votes Bonds For Court House

Malheur County Town Prepares for Anticipated Victory in Contest for Honors With Vale; Others Carry.

Ontario, Or., Oct. 1.—The bond election in Ontario Tuesday carried by a large majority. There were three propositions voted upon. One authorized a bond issue of $30,000 to build a new court house in Ontario should the county seat of Malheur county be moved from Vale to Ontario. It carried by an almost unanimous vote while the other two propositions, $6500 for the aid of the Malheur County Fair association and $3500 for the aid of Holy Rosary hospital also carried almost unanimously.

There were 574 votes cast. The vote for the courthouse bonds was 556 for and eight votes against. The fair bonds carried 546 for and 10 against. The hospital bonds received 539 votes for and 19 against.

A vigorous campaign will now be waged on the removal of the county seat from Vale to Ontario.

Pendleton Has New Terminal Site

Jury Awards Geonakopolus Less Than Company Offered for Fifteen Acres of Land Condemned; Best Purchased.

Pendleton, Or., Oct. 1.—The last obstacle toward the securing of land by the O.-W. R. & N. company just west of this city for new terminal yards was removed when a jury brought in a verdict granting George Geonakopolus $5000 damages for 15 acres of land condemned. The company at one time offered Geonakopolus $6250, but he held out for approximately three times that amount. The rest of the land necessary has been purchased outright.

WORK QUICKLY FINISHED

The county board of equalization established a record when it ended its sessions yesterday, having completed its work in but 17 days, as compared with 30 days last year. Assessor Reed said that the board found that more than 75 per cent of the complaints could have been handled properly before the board met had the property owners not waited. Recapitulation of the assessment roll has been commenced and Mr. Reed expects to have the roll completed much earlier than usual this year.

Baby Show Committee Meeting.

The general committee of the Women of Woodcraft, Mrs. Catherine Stites, president, having charge of the "Old Fashioned Baby Show" of the Manufacturers' and Land Products' Show, will meet in the auditorium of the Women of Woodcraft building, Tenth and Taylor streets, tomorrow at 2:30 p. m., to formulate details and receive entries for the show.

Baker Firm Will Liquidate.

R. D. Carter and P. Miller of the firm of Carter & Miller, 1920 Main street, Baker, through attorneys, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy with the federal court this morning. The firm indebtedness is scheduled at $8091.84, with assets of $6836.46.

WOMAN ADMITS SHE KILLED ANOTHER, BUT ARRESTED, DENIES IT

Los Angeles Woman Tells Doctor She Was Hurt in Fatal Quarrel at Riverside.

WOMAN'S BODY IS FOUND

Victim Had Been Shot Through the Head; Body Discovered in Vacant House Outskirts of Riverside.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, Oct. 1.—Following the arrest of a woman giving the name of Mrs. Frankie Lang, 25, after her declaration that she had killed a woman near Riverside, police detectives were sent to Riverside today to try to unearth the details of one of the strangest cases with which they have been confronted in many months.

The woman visited a doctor here today to be treated for severe cuts and bruises. When questioned she declared that she had had a fight with a woman near Riverside, and had killed her. The doctor telephoned the police, and the woman was taken to the city jail, where she was booked on a charge of murder.

After being placed in a cell, the prisoner denied her story and gave other explanations of the bruises on her head and body.

Body of a Woman Found.

Riverside, Cal., Oct. 1.—The body of a woman, said to be Mrs. Annie Kerlin, was found today in a vacant house in the outskirts of Riverside. The woman had been shot through the head, and had been dead about two days. She is believed to have come to Riverside from Los Angeles.

George Ellis of Riverside was arrested and held in connection with the affair. It was he who identified the victim, the police said. They believed that Ellis will be able to tell them certain facts regarding the supposed murder, but neither the police nor Sheriff Wilson would discuss these matters until Ellis' examination late today.

Fines Are Remitted.

District Judge Jones yesterday remitted $50 fines in the cases of J. Ahe and Kung Wick Wah, charged with selling fish without licenses, on condition that each procure a license before continuing business.

County Registration Compiled by Precincts.

A complete copy of the registration in every precinct of Multnomah county has been compiled by the Oregon Multigraphing company of this city, located at 211 Stock Exchange building. The list is alphabetically arranged by precincts, giving name and address, party affiliation, occupation, age and where born. Men and women voters are entirely separated. The list also shows whether they voted at the last primary election. They also have the registration in other counties of the state. (Adv.)

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