

PINE ASSOCIATION ACTION ON 8-HOUR DAY IS EXPECTED

Statement Is Issued at Meeting
Held in Spokane Setting
Forth Views of Lumbermen.

DEMAND HELD NOT GENERAL

Manner in Which Government
Can Cooperate to Increase
Needed Output Set Forth.

The action of the Western Pine Manufacturers' association, taken at its Spokane meeting held Friday, at which the association rescinded its endorsement of the basic eight hour day as a measure of labor, was expected in Portland lumber manufacturing circles.

The association held a meeting in Spokane December 7, at which two representatives of the federal mediation commission appeared before the association urging the adoption of the eight hour day, with 10 hours' pay, as the basis of labor in the pine manufacturing business of the western district, consisting of Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington, Western Montana and all of Idaho.

Large Operators Oppose
As a result of the conference the association adopted a resolution favoring the eight hour day, with pay for 10 hours, by a vote of 21 for and 9 against. In the voting each side represented about 50 per cent of the pine output of the Inland Empire. In other words the large operators opposed the resolution while the smaller operators favored it.

Following this meeting the members of the federal mediation commission, headed by Secretary Wilson, met with the Douglas fir and spruce manufacturers at Seattle on October 12, where the adoption of the eight hour day was urged by Mr. Wilson and the other members of the commission.

The fir and spruce men, representing Western Washington and Oregon, drafted a statement in reply to the proposals advanced by the commission, a copy of which is as follows:

Statement Is Issued
In accordance with the two primary requests made by the president's mediation commission, we have to the best of our ability disclosed to the commission the troubles from which the lumber industry in the Pacific Northwest has suffered, and now offer as constructive suggestion, based on our experience as operators and looking forward to the uninterrupted production of that part of our product which the government may need, the following:

We believe there is not a general demand that we operate on less than a 10-hour basis, which basis is necessary and will be required if the material needed by the government is produced, and propose that the government cooperate with us by—

1. Stamping out the activities of the I. W. W. or other seditious organizations or individuals.
2. Continuing to return loggers and millworkers from the army to the camps and mills as long as the shortage of labor continues, or as long as the government needs our product.
3. In the event it is found necessary, exempting men in the mills and camps from the draft.

Consideration Is Asked
We trust the commission will give due consideration to our opinion that this program, if carried out, will meet all the needs of the government at the time. In the event, however, that the commission does not feel that it can work with us along these lines, but believes a basic eight-hour working day should be established, we announce our willingness to assist in putting the industry in this section on a basic eight-hour day (although our firm conviction is that the result will be a reduction in output) whenever it can be made national in scope by legislation.

High Shoe Prices To Get Attention

Federal Trade Commission Will Start
Investigation; Factories Said to Be
Keeping Down Production.

Washington, Jan. 1.—(U. P.)—The federal trade commission will investigate the high price of shoes and other leather goods.

Announcement was made today that Commissioner Davies will direct the probe, much information for which he has developed through the meat investigation.

Action was determined upon as a result of "exceedingly high prices," the people are forced to pay for shoes. It is alleged "unusually large stocks of hides and leather are now on hand and that tanneries, leather factories and shoe factories are operating far short of their capacity."

If necessary President Wilson will be asked for emergency funds to conduct the investigation.

GOVERNOR ADVOCATES PERMANENT FEDERAL RAILROAD OPERATION

Oklahoma Executive Would Limit
Presidential Term and Dis-
franchise Federal Appointees.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—Permanent operation of railroads of the country by the government was advocated today by Governor Robert Williams. The governor declared that "as to whether this will be done depends on how well Railroad Director McAdoo and his staff are able to operate them."

"I am in favor of government ownership of railroads, provided two constitutional amendments are enacted to safeguard such control," Governor Williams said.

"The chief danger in the government owning the railroads is the power that it would give an administration to perpetuate itself. The voting power of an administration would be a dangerous thing."

"If we are to have government ownership of the railroads I believe the constitution should be amended to provide a six year presidential term and to make it impossible for a president to succeed himself. Then there should be a constitutional provision denying the ballot to federal appointees."

lative or administrative action or otherwise.

If our principal competing producers remain on their present standard of a 10 and 11-hour workday, we believe that the commission will not feel that in justice it should attempt to use its power to put into effect a regional eight-hour day in our industry. We believe the above expresses the judgment of the industry in the Pacific Northwest.

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INFLUENTIAL MEN BACK LIQUOR RING

Western Washington Bootleggers
Financed by Prominent Citi-
zens, Moves Indicate.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—That influential Tacoma and Seattle men financed the bootlegging ring in western Washington, which is believed to have been broken when Raleigh Faulkner was arrested here Saturday and 1900 quarts of whiskey seized, is indicated by moves made since the arrest by Sheriff John Stringer and the federal authorities.

Another piece of important evidence said to have been discovered by the sheriff is a letter written to Faulkner on the stationery of Gill, Graham & Co., wholesale liquor dealers in Cincinnati, Ohio. This letter advised Faulkner that 50 gallons of "Old Oscar" had been shipped to Seattle and that shipments would be made every other day thereafter. The sheriff believes this letter solves the mystery of where so many large shipments of liquor labeled "auto polish" came from.

Faulkner is free on bail of \$1000 after a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner McClelland. The federal district attorney, sheriff and chief of police are reticent as to why the bail was allowed to be placed so low, but intimating important information has been disclosed by Faulkner.

Watch Meeting Is Held by Young Folk

Union of Church Societies in Forest
Grove Conducts Services in Forest
Grove New Year's Eve.

Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 1.—A union watch meeting under the auspices of the Epworth league of the Methodist church and the young people's societies of the Christian and Congregational churches was held last night in the Congregational church.

Forest Grove has the distinction of having the first union of young people's societies of different denominations in the state.

Came From Missouri
Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 1.—Samuel L. Clark, who died at the age of 87 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lucy Lasalle, of Thatcher, came to Oregon three years ago from Missouri, where he was in the milling business. He was a member of the Masons and the Odd Fellows. Besides his wife he is survived by four children, Mrs. Lenora Howell, Jerome, Idaho; Dwight Clark, Beloit, Wis.; Mrs. Lucy Lasalle, Thatcher, Or., and Mrs. Bessie Taylor, Hoquiam, Wash.

Officers Make Address
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Negro Badly Beaten For Alleged Insult

Crowd of 300 Soldiers, Sailors and Civil-
ians in Los Angeles Mince Man—Mil-
itary Police Fall to Disperse Mob.

Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—(U. P.)—Enraged at what they alleged was an insult to the service, nearly 300 soldiers, sailors and civilians early today attacked Fred Thompson, a negro, inflicting injuries that later resulted in his being taken to the receiving hospital.

The crowd followed the police to the jail and demanded that Thompson be surrendered to them. Lieutenant David Adams ordered them to disperse. They jeered him. Calling the military police from near-by stations, Lieutenant Adams directed a detail of police to break up the crowd.

That was attempted, but it proved unsuccessful. Officers were resisted and in the street fighting several were injured.

Later the crowd was told the negro had been taken to the East Side jail. The crowd started there, but dispersed when informed that military police were following.

OREGON 'DADDY' OF CANADIAN REGIMENT READY TO COME HOME

Ed Prescott, 60 Years Old, Sees
Red Hot Service Where
Battles Rage.

Baker, Or., Jan. 1.—"I quit shooting when I got a hundred," wrote Ed Prescott, formerly of Baker, to his sister, Mrs. Frank Grabner, wife of Baker's fire chief, from Liverpool where he was waiting to take ship for Canada to be mustered out, having been in service with the Canadian troops and prevented by wounds from further service.

The words quoted were used in describing the battle in which Prescott was wounded, when, according to the narrator, the Germans were coming at the Canadians in close formation. He and some other sharpshooters were not in the defense line but at nearby points of vantage, the attack being made in the open in an effort by the Germans to retake some lost positions. The waste of lives at this point was terrible, according to Mr. Prescott, who said the German officers sent the men up in lines of 15 deep, those behind taking the place of those in the front ranks who were cut down in swaths by the rifle and machine gun fire.

Prescott is in his sixtieth year, but looks much younger, and when he enlisted it was only through deception as to his age. He was the oldest man in his regiment and was known as "Daddy." He was a cow puncher in his youth, and practically all his life was engaged in stock raising in Eastern Oregon. When the war broke out, his years did not deter him from seeking enlistment with the Canadians. He was possessed of a fine physique, six feet and three inches tall and in perfect health. He fought the ranks for two years through some of the hardest campaigns on the west front, including the capture of Messines ridge. He was once before slightly wounded, but went back to his company after his recovery.

According to his letter, he expects to come back to Baker after he is mustered out of service. He did not state the nature of his latest injury further than that it would prevent his further active participation in the war.

Prescott has been for some weeks in a London hospital and had the highest words of praise for the work of the Red Cross. When he landed in Liverpool from the hospital ship he said that was an inadequate supply of food and he and the other wounded made the several hours' journey to London on only one sandwich. When they reached London, however, and were taken in charge by the Red Cross they were given every possible care and attention, and abundance of the best foods obtainable.

Defamation Suit Is Filed by Judge

Chicago, Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—One hundred thousand dollars for defamation of character was asked in a suit filed here by Municipal Judge William N. Gimmel, against Chief Justice Harry Olson, of the municipal court. The suit is the outgrowth of grafting charges brought by Judge Gimmel against Anton Cermak, chief bailiff of the municipal court.

TRAINS TO SOUND CUT TO 3 DAILY

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regularly between Seattle and eastern points, according to traffic officials today, who have completed a survey of the damage done by floods in the Cascades. All eastern mails except one due Monday at 5:45 a. m. were arrived and this is expected today.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad will place in operation a number of heavy auto trucks to assist in relieving its freight congestion. The damage in Washington to railroads, auto roads and farms will amount to more than \$500,000, according to estimates of traffic officials.

Train service between Seattle and Portland has been cut from nine trains daily to three and all night trains have been abandoned until the floods subside.

At Yakima, Wash., Charles M. Johnson, a merchant policeman, lost his life trying to see the flood. The automobile in which he was riding ran into a break in the road near Parker.

Bellingham Is Isolated
Bellingham, Wash., Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—Bellingham was isolated Monday except by water transportation. It is doubtful whether any mail service will be opened for several days. Two feet of water covers the Great Northern tracks in Skagit county.

The Fraser river is backing up into the town of Sumas, Wash. The Nooksack and Skagit rivers are falling, but it started to rain again Monday and fears are felt that the flood will be worse than it has been.

SOLD!
It's important that in tomorrow's Journal you see page 5.

FATE OF SEVEN OF SAMMIES IN DOUBT

Germans Captured 12, Pictures
Show but Five; Vengeance if
Men Harmed.

By Newton C. Parke

With the American Army in France, Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—The soldiers are eagerly discussing a report rapidly spreading the camp as to the fate of American troops taken prisoner in the German trench raid early in November. Official figures showed that 12 prisoners were taken, but pictures of the captives published in Berlin papers just received here show only five. Alarm is expressed that the other seven may have been slain, especially in view of the recent assertion of a German high official that Americans are not entitled to any consideration "because of their stupidity."

Threats of vengeance are heard on all sides if confirmation is received that the other seven prisoners were put to death. The soldiers are swearing they will hand out the same treatment to the Germans that they accord our men.

Boxing bouts and special dinners in the Y. M. C. A. huts marked the New Year's celebration of the American soldiers in France. There was no modification of standing orders which sent a majority of the soldiers to bed three hours before drum roll announced the finish of the year 1917.

An artillery battery staged the liveliest exhibition of three four-round bouts. In the last a boxer who had held the championship of Hawaii for three years went down before a straight left delivered by a gunner from Kansas.

Edlefsen's wish you a happy 1918.

Umapine Grangers Elect New Officers

Freewater, Or., Jan. 1.—The Umapine Hudson Bay grangers held their annual election of officers as follows. Worthy master, R. E. Bean; overseer, Lane Hoon; lecturer, Mrs. J. E. Jones; chaplain, J. A. Martin; secretary, Mrs. William Moore; treasurer, William Records; gate keeper, Kyle McDaniel; chief steward, William Moore; lady assistant, Mrs. Florence Hodgen; Ceres, Mrs. Lane Hoon; Flora, Mrs. C. E. Simonds; Pomona, Jessie Martin.

Cupid Scores Another
Freewater, Or., Jan. 1.—William Lloyd Sr. of Meadow Brook farm, about three miles north of Freewater, was married in Walla Walla to Mrs. Belle Bartholomew, mother of Earl Bartholomew, local O-W. B. & N. agent. Rev. Mr. Ohman, pastor of the Methodist church South, officiated. Mr. Lloyd is over 70 years of age and has been married twice before and his bride is over 50 years of age. They left immediately for Tacoma, where they will spend the winter months. They will take up their residence in Freewater in the spring.

Williams Akers, 103,
Dies Near Roseburg

Roseburg, Or., Jan. 1.—William Akers, the oldest resident of Douglas county, died Friday night at the country home, near this city. He was 103 years of age, and was born in Kentucky. His early manhood was spent in the vicinity of his birth place. Later he came to Oregon and resided in Coos county, where he has a son now living. He had been a resident of this county for the last 15 years. Mr. Akers had always been in good health and was able to take care of himself until a few days before his death. He was buried in the county cemetery.

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