

SHIP DELAY IN PORTLAND SECTION CAUSES NO FEAR

from Alberta to the Crown mill after taking 25,000 barrels at the former mill, to complete her cargo.

Officials of the United States Emergency Fleet corporation in Portland, who are putting the finishing details on the ship construction program in the Oregon district, are showing interest in the investigation under way by five agents of the department of justice who had established offices in the Northwest Bank building, but are showing no concern over the matter.

George G. Wheeler of Baltimore, in charge of the agents, admitted today that the examination of records being made here is a continuation of the work in Seattle, which resulted in the indictment of Captain John F. Blain, district manager of the steel construction division, who had charge of the work in the Columbia river section.

But neither Fred B. Pape, who is assistant manager under Blain and in direct supervision of the Oregon district, nor J. W. Hall, assistant district manager in charge of construction in Oregon, are alarmed over the outcome of the investigation.

Pape is out of the steel construction division and is not a manager of the department. Hall expects to retire from duty with the government May 1.

The investigation here was welcomed, Hall said, as everyone concerned with the department was anxious that the agents should do their work while the employees who knew all the ins and outs of the business since its inception were still on the job.

"We knew that it was coming and requested that action be taken prior to the time we closed our affairs," Hall declared, "so that those familiar with past transactions might be here to supply data."

"As far as the Oregon district is concerned, we are lending every assistance we can to make a complete investigation."

One of the offices of the wood construction division has been turned over to the agents on the fifth floor.

Wheeler declined to make any statements today, save to deny that officials of the Northwest Steel company, and the Columbia River Shipbuilding corporation had declined to allow his men to look over their records.

"We have not yet gone to those plants to investigate, but probably will," said he. These plants had asked, he said, for what purpose any records were sought, and were enlightened with the information that the investigators represented the government. Their reports will be made to Ben Moore, former assistant United States attorney at Portland, now special assistant attorney general in charge of the shipyard probe.

If evidence of fraudulent business appears, it will be necessary to submit the "initiated steamer grand jury in Portland for action, Wheeler said.

United States Attorney Lester Humphreys said that the agents had not taken any of the matters in the Oregon district with him.

Shipping board officials said that the special agents had been here about two weeks.

PORTLAND SHIPPING FIRM WILL SEND RECORD CARGO

The largest cargo yet to go from Portland to Europe by the European-Pacific line, represented locally by the Columbia-Pacific shipping company, has been secured for the steamer West Katon, officials of the company stated.

SCHOONER DROPS FROM SIGHT ON NEARING PORT

Lookouts at the mouth of the river and on the Port of Portland commission's entrance tug Onetona are anxiously scanning the horizon today for the schooner Thistle, which was reported late Monday as being off the lightship, en route to Portland from Honolulu. During the night she disappeared and it is supposed that the heavy blow carried her southward across the strait.

The Onetona brought in the schooner Columbia River Monday afternoon and went out again after the Thistle. She had not been heard from at noon, according to reports received at the port commission office. Both these vessels are lighters for Honolulu for Portland to load lumber. They are owned by Balfour, Guthrie & Co. and are chartered for voyages to Australia. The Columbia will be brought up this afternoon by the tug Portland to the Eastern & Western mill dock, and the Thistle is to be laden by the same mill when she arrives.

NEW SCHOONER WILL BE LAUNCHED IN THIRTY DAYS

With orders to "step on her," Matthew Morton Jr., who is looking after construction of the schooner Kate G. Pedersen in the Sommarstrom yards at St. Helens, says he expects to have the vessel ready for launching in about 30 days.

The Pedersen is a designed Fleet corporation and was to have been the steamer Delso. The hull was sold December 13 to Sommarstrom, who disposed of her to the Bristol Bay Packing company of San Francisco and she is now being completed as a five masted schooner. She will have the same rigging as the Alicia Haystack. The date of her launching is scheduled for June 1, when the Douglas Fir Exploitation & Export company to carry a lumber cargo to Australia, under charter to Hind, Rolph & Co.

DANT & RUSSELL CHARTER THREE ADDITIONAL SHIPS

Three additional steamships to carry lumber from the Columbia river have been chartered by Dant & Russell, lumber exporters of Astoria. The vessels, Silverado, West Jester and Argus, are due in the rotation named.

The Silverado, shipping board steamer, managed by the General Steamship corporation, is due here about May 1, and will inaugurate the new service to the west coast of South America. The vessel recently sailed from Astoria to Honolulu with a cargo of box shooks.

The West Jester, operated by Frank Waterhouse & Co., between Puget Sound and the Orient, is scheduled for loading about May 15. It is to carry 2,500,000 feet of lumber. Other local cargo will take the balance of the space. The loading will be for China.

The Argus will be third of the five Green Star vessels under construction in the Standifer yards at Vancouver to be launched. She is fixed for early in June to carry a full cargo of lumber to China for Dant & Russell.

SECOND OF STEAMERS FOR GREEN STAR IS LAUNCHED

The second of the fleet of five steamers being built for the Green Star line by the Standifer Construction corporation was launched from the Vancouver ways Tuesday afternoon when the 9600 ton Aquarius was christened by Mrs. R. W. Standifer of Seattle, whose husband is manager for Struthers & Dixon, was sponsor.

The vessel is expected to be ready for service in June.

The steamer Arcturus, first of this fleet to be launched, entering the Columbia river on March 31, is scheduled for a trial trip next Sunday. Delivery will probably be made next week. The Arcturus will receive part cargo here before going to the Sound to operate in the Orient.

PORTLAND MAN IS SIGNED ON AS ASSISTANT ENGINEER

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, April 21.—Lloyd Miller of Portland, a junior in mechanical engineering, has accepted the position of assistant engineer on the steamer Arcturus, operated by the Columbia-Pacific shipping company of Portland, on the run to Japan, China, and India.

Aids to Navigation

The following bulletin in regard to aids to navigation in the seventeenth light-house district was issued by Superintendent Robert Warrack today: Oregon-Bilkoobay bay, main channel light reported carried away April 11, 1920; will be replaced as soon as practicable.

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Irvington Homes McDONELL 500 East 14th N. \$18,000 \$5000 Cash

\$13,500 Lovely English home, 2 baths, extra lavatory, 5 bedrooms, library, concrete porch, large grounds.

\$8500 Colonial Home On Broadway, really lovely home, south facing, central heat, 3 bedrooms, double garage, perfect location for combining office and home.

\$12,000 Beautiful 9 room home near Brazee on 15th, all drapes, also fully equipped billiard room.

\$13,500 One of the beautiful corner homes which one admires. Living room mahogany and ivory, dining room, breakfast room, sun room, maid's room and bath first floor; 4 beautiful sleeping rooms, dressing room, 2 full bathrooms, hot water and shower on second, three extra lavatories, combination hot water and hot air furnace, tile and hardwood floors throughout, garage.

\$10,000—Terms A real bungalow, built four years, of best material, beveled plate glass windows, bath is imported tile, side and floor, wood coat, 210 sq. ft. American hot-water heating plant, fire garage.

\$10,500 Beautiful rambling bungalow, heart of Irvington, 100x100 grounds.

Rose City \$5000 corner home, 7 rooms, glass S.E. H. W. floors, 1 block to car.

Mt. Tabor \$7000 7-room home, 100-100 lots, double garage, fine fruit trees, small front porch.

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Overall Fad Has Gone Not to Return, Assert Oregon Woolgrowers

Floppy overall fad. It's useless, defeats its own purpose, and makes the wearer ridiculous—according to the Oregon State Woolgrowers' association, in connection with the "Whate'er" contest.

Whate'er it certainly is "cur-tain." Clerks at the courthouse who Saturday pledged themselves to wear denim as a protest against high clothing costs today in their own clothes or coming out boldly with garments made famous by the same heavy advertisers who popularized coxswains' megaphones and rash hats.

Here and there, spurred by press agency, elevator operators, theatre ushers, actors and a few plain citizens are wearing denim, but the great masses still cling to the old-fashioned garments whose virtue is splendor.

"I am astonished," declared Dr. S. W. McClure of Pendleton, speaking before the wool growers, "that the government officials are returning to the general public would substitute a cotton product for one grown here at home. They are boosting an industry which brings no money here."

Charles Berg, who spoke Tuesday before the Women's Aid club, declared overall wearers will only increase the price of denim. There has been no profiteering in clothing among Portland merchants, he declared.

If you've bought 'em, wrap 'em up in mothballs. The crowd might give you the grasshopper suit, but it's not now, so quickly has popular sentiment turned against the new fad.

Four employees of the water engineering bureau appeared this morning in bankruptcy court to answer charges of K. E. Britch, C. G. Ehle, Jack Hansen and J. J. Karstetter, the men who went to make good their original declaration that they would wear denim until clothing costs were materially decreased.

Multnomah Hotel Co. Trustee Loses Suit on Furniture

Verdict for the furniture was returned late Tuesday by a jury in the case of H. F. Bushong, Multnomah Hotel company trustee, against the R. R. Thompson estate. In United States district court, Bushong alleged that furniture and fixtures worth about \$200,000 were sold by the Thompson estate in 1916 without his consent. He maintained that the estate was in bankruptcy, he should at the time have been notified of the suit sought return of the money. Ten days were granted today to present a motion for new trial.

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