

FREIGHT HANDLERS' STRIKE IS ENDED

Longshoremen Return to Work Pending Arbitration Conference.

MEN'S DEMANDS ARE GRANTED

San Francisco Lumber Plants Remain Closed, and Most of Schooners Await Result of Meetings.

San Francisco—The Pacific Coast longshoremen, who struck June 1 for higher wages and a closed shop, went back to work Saturday, pending the result of a series of conferences, at which a permanent wage scale and details of working conditions will be determined and submitted to the union at a referendum election.

Longshoremen returned to work under the wage scale and working rules demanded by them, with the understanding that these will remain in force only until the permanent scale and working rules are agreed upon between employers and the Pacific Coast board, and ratified by referendum vote of the longshoremen. Closed shop is one of the working rules included, it being specifically agreed that only union longshoremen shall be employed. This does not mean that sailors or any other employes must be union men.

The retail lumber dealers of the city announced that the return to work of the longshoremen would not make any change as far as they were concerned, and that for the present the lumber yards would remain shut down. The Pacific Coast Shipowners' association, made up largely of the owners and managers of steam schooners engaged in the Coast lumber trade, also announced that for the time being their vessels would remain tied up.

Commissioner of Immigration Henry M. White, of Seattle, who had been requested by the Department of Labor to act as mediator in the strike, presided at the session. The men were represented by the executive committee of the Pacific Coast district of the International Longshoremen's Union, and the employers by a committee from the local Waterfront Employers' Union, which also acted for the shipowners of Puget Sound, Oregon and Southern California ports.

Loss of Hampshire Caused by Fire.

Aberdeen, Scotland—The British cruiser Hampshire was seen to be afire before she sank off the Orkney Islands, while carrying Earl Kitchener, the British war minister, to Russia, according to statements of men on trawlers and steamers arriving from the Orkneys. The disaster occurred last Monday night, only an hour after Earl Kitchener and members of his staff had embarked on the cruiser at the extreme north of Scotland.

One trawler reported that the warship appeared to have blown up, although no explosion was heard, probably on account of terrific storm that was raging. Twenty minutes after she was seen in distress and on fire the Hampshire sank between Marwick Head and Brough of Birsay, off the western coast of the mainland of the Orkneys.

According to the reports, Earl Kitchener and the members of his staff were placed in one of the ship's boats, which got clear of the wreck but was swamped in the terrific sea.

Mexican Rioters Burn U. S. Consulate.

El Paso, Tex.—The American consulate at Durango City, Durango, was destroyed by fire during an anti-American demonstration, according to information received here by army officers Friday night. The rioters applied a torch to the building after dragging the flag through the streets.

El Paso, Tex.—Customs inspectors at the international bridge here have received instructions to permit no American to enter Mexico from here until further notice. No reason is given for the order, which was received by telegraph from Washington.

Newspaper Owner Dies. Washington, D. C.—John R. McLean, owner of the Washington Post and the Cincinnati Enquirer, died at his home here Friday after a long illness. Mr. McLean, who was in his 68th year, had been suffering from a complication of diseases for several months. He was a native of Cincinnati. As a young man he acquired his father's interest in the Enquirer, and in 1887 became sole owner of the paper. Then years ago he bought the Washington Post. For years he was active in Ohio and National politics.

Japan Sends More Troops. Tokio—Japan is augmenting her troops at Tien Tsin and Pekin by one battalion, which was withdrawn from Dairen on the Liao Tung peninsula near Port Arthur. A dispatch from London Thursday gave a report from Tien Tsin that American troops at that place had been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to Pekin. The troop movements probably indicate apprehension of disturbances following the death of President Yuan Shi Kai.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland—Wheat—Bluestem 95¢ per bushel; forty-fold, 86¢; club, 85¢; red Fife, 85¢; red Russian, 85¢.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$24 @ 24.50 per ton; valley timothy, \$21 @ 22; alfalfa, old crop, \$16 @ 17; new crop, \$14.

Millfeed—Spot prices: Bran, \$26 @ 26.50 per ton; shorts, \$29 @ 29.50; rolled barley, \$31.50 @ 32.50.

Corn—Whole, \$36 per ton; cracked, \$37.

Vegetables—Artichokes, \$1 per dozen; tomatoes, \$2 @ 5 per crate; cabbage, \$2 @ 2.75 per cwt.; garlic, 10¢ per pound; peppers, 25¢; eggplant, 20 @ 25¢; horseradish, 8¢; lettuce, \$2 @ 2.40 per crate; cucumbers, 75¢ @ \$1 per dozen; spinach, 4¢ @ 6¢ per pound; asparagus, \$1 @ 1.25 per dozen; rhubarb, 1¢ @ 2¢ per pound; peas, 9¢ @ 10¢; cauliflower, \$1.25 per crate; beans, 10¢ per pound.

Potatoes—Jobbing prices: Oregon, \$1.50; California, new, 2¢ @ 2½¢ per pound.

Onions—Oregon, \$1.50 @ 2 per sack; California red, \$2.25.

Green Fruit—Strawberries, 90¢ @ \$1.50 per crate; apples, \$1 @ 1.75 per box; gooseberries, 4¢ per pound; cherries, \$1.25 @ 1.60 per box; cantaloupes, \$4 @ 4.50 per crate; apricots, \$1.50 per box; peaches, \$1.75 per box; watermelons, 2¢ @ 3¢ per pound.

Eggs—Oregon ranch current receipts, 22½ @ 23¢ per dozen; candled, 24¢.

Poultry—Hens, 15¢ per pound; stags, 10 @ 11¢; broilers, 22½ @ 23¢; turkeys, live, 18 @ 20¢; turkeys, dressed, choice, 23 @ 25¢; ducks, 14 @ 15¢; geese, 10¢.

Butter—Cubes, extras, 25¢ per pound; cubes, prime firsts, 25¢; firsts, 24¢. Jobbing prices: Prints, extras, 27 @ 29¢; butterfat, No. 1, 27¢; No. 2, 25¢; Portland.

Veal—Fancy, 10½ @ 11¢ per pound.

Pork—Fancy, 11¢ per pound.

Hops—1915 crop, 10 @ 12¢; 1916 contracts, 11 @ 12¢.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 22 @ 23¢; valley, 33 @ 36¢.

Cascara bark—Old and new, 4¢ per pound.

Cattle—Steers, choice grass, \$8 @ 8.50; good, \$8.15 @ 8.50; cows, choice, \$7.75 @ 8; good, \$6.75 @ 7.25; medium, \$6.25 @ 7.25; heifers, \$5.50 @ 8; bulls, \$3 @ 6; stags, \$4.50 @ 7.

Hogs—Prime light, \$8.30 @ 8.40; good to prime, \$8.20 @ 8.30; rough heavy, \$7.50 @ 8; pigs and skips, \$7.35 @ 7.85.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$7.50 @ 8.50; wethers, \$7 @ 7.50; ewes, \$5.50 @ 6.50; lambs, \$8 @ 9.

Local Fruit and Produce Plentiful On Tacoma Market

Tacoma—Plenty of home-grown strawberries forced the price down again this week, the berries now being quoted at \$2.25, the lowest price this season. The Kennewick berries are at the end of their season and are inferior in quality. Oregon berries are coming in their place, but only small lots are being received.

Cantaloupes are popular, with the trade, and the price is rapidly declining to the regular summer level. Apples are near the end of their season and will soon be off the market. Cherries, apricots and plums are features on the fruit market, coming from California in good condition.

Green peas are scarce and have advanced to 10 cents a pound. The scarcity is said to be on account of unfavorable growing weather. Beans, both green and wax, new beets, carrots, turnips, head lettuce and new potatoes are arriving daily by express. Hothouse tomatoes and cucumbers are meeting with a better demand with warm weather.

No change in the price of meat is expected until about the middle of next month when grass-fed cattle and sheep will begin coming into the market. The price of meat goes down with the abundance of grass, dealers say. Fish is scarce, especially halibut. Eggs, butter and cheese are holding firm.

English Hop Embargo Pending.

Mail advices from England under date of May 18 report the weather very favorable for the growing crop, and the hopyards as looking promising, also that the labor difficulty seems to have been overcome as regards work in the hopyards. According to newspaper reports, the house of commons on May 29 passed the second reading of the bill which would reduce the output of beer 30 per cent on the 1913-14 output, or by 15 per cent of the 1914-15 output. This measure empowers the government to prohibit the importation of hops unless the home-grown supply is insufficient to meet the requirements, when licenses for importations are to be granted.

Rogue Salmon Catch Big.

Marshfield, Or.—Although the fishing season on Rogue River is two months from its height, more fish have been caught, canned and shipped from there this season than for any other time covering the same period in recent years. The Macleay estate has shipped from its Wedderburn cannery 4000 cases of the fine Rogue River chinook and has 2000 more cases packed. The unusually large output is accounted for by the intense rivalry among the fishermen who are taking dangerous chances in handling their drift nets.

NEWS ITEMS

Of General Interest About Oregon

Tract Containing 360,000,000 Feet at Hood River Offered

Hood River—With the probable sale by the United States Forest Service this summer of a 7340-acre area of virgin Douglas fir on the headwaters of the west fork of Hood River, the lumber industry the coming year, with three other large mills, the average daily cut of each reaching approximately 90,000 feet, and some half dozen lesser plants in operation, bids fair to be stimulated to a record mark in Hood River.

According to W. T. Andrews logging engineer, and Assistant District Forester F. E. Ames, who were here recently from Portland, the total stumpage of proposed fir sales reaches approximately 360,000,000 feet. Application to have the forest area opened and offered for sale was made the past winter by J. W. Palmer, a local West Side orchardist, who has had many years of experience in the lumber business on the Lower Columbia. Mr. Palmer is a prospective bidder on the huge tract.

The mission of Messrs. Andrews and Ames here concerned a letter from the local commercial club. The missive, written several weeks ago, asking for information on the proposed sale, expressed the fear that the denudation of so large an area might be a menace to the irrigation system of the valley and was considered by the Forest Service as an indirect protest against the sale.

Mr. Ames explained that the timber would be cut after the usual manner of logging in Douglas fir regions. It will take probably from 10 to 12 years to cut the entire acreage. Once or twice each year the slashings will be burned over, every precaution being taken to guard against damage to adjoining national forest acreage, as well as patented timber lands.

"We find," said Mr. Ames, "that reforestation of fir takes place most readily after burning. We anticipate from experience that we have had in other similar locations that reseedling will be ample and that within a short time the acreage will not only be covered with young firs, but also a dense undergrowth that will tend to conserve rainfall as well as the forest trees that will be taken off. By the time the last of the timber is removed reforestation of the first burned slashings will have taken place."

Mr. Ames further showed that the area embodied in the proposed sale does not extend to the source of the west fork of Hood River, which in fact is fed by glaciers and would be affected in no way by cutting of the timber.

The government officials explained that 25 per cent of the funds realized from the proposed sale will be apportioned among Hood River, Clackamas and Wasco counties, proportionate to the area of the National forest within their bounds. Ten per cent of the returns will be spent in building roads or trails in the National forests of the state.

Following the explanation of the forestry officials, the commercial club members assembled at the specially called meeting and voted unanimously in an enthusiastic approval of the proposed timber sale.

Promoter Secures Coos Bay Options for Vast Development

Marshfield—W. J. Wilsey, who offered Coos Bay what he said was \$10,000,000 worth of industries in exchange for good will and encouragement, left Coos Bay on Thursday, after having been welcomed all over the Coos Bay district and treated cordially in offerings of property he desired to accumulate. North Bend held a rousing meeting one night and leading citizens spoke a welcome that could not be misconstrued.

Mr. Wilsey's promises were so extensive that some thought them over a couple of days before committing themselves to belief in his ability to carry them through, but before he left everybody seemed to be convinced. People had boosted ever since Coos Bay was a rivulet, but nothing substantial excepting sawmills were established. It was asserted at the North Bend meeting that miles of water front, areas of land for industries, timbered lands on the peninsula, watersheds, were being held by persons who never had any intention of utilizing them. These, the boosters said, they would engage to secure at reasonable figures, and expect them to be converted into active commercial properties.

Mr. Wilsey, when he left, had options on all the Simpson Lumber company holdings, on the L. D. Kinney properties, on a large share of the Flanagan estate holdings on the peninsula, and on 3000 acres of coal land. Probably 60 to 75 per cent of the property asked for was under option when Mr. Wilsey departed for New York.

H. H. Corey is Promoted.

Salem—H. H. Corey, of Baker, has been appointed as a member of the Oregon Public Service commission by Governor Withycombe. Mr. Corey, who was nominated in the recent Republican primaries for public service commissioner for the Eastern Oregon district, was appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Clyde E. Aitchison, resigned. Mr. Aitchison is now at Washington, D. C., acting as solicitor for the State Railroad commission in cases before the Interstate Commerce commission.

LIVELY TIMES IN THE CITIES OF MACEDONIA



The presence of Austro-German and Bulgarian troops in the cities of Macedonia has made business unwontedly lively. This photograph shows the market of Veles thronged with farmers who have brought live stock for sale.

GERMAN FOKKER BROUGHT DOWN BY THE FRENCH



A German "Fokker" brought down within the French lines being carefully examined by French officers. On its wings are branches to hide it from enemy airmen.

MOUNTAIN BATTERY ARRIVING AT NAMIQUIPA



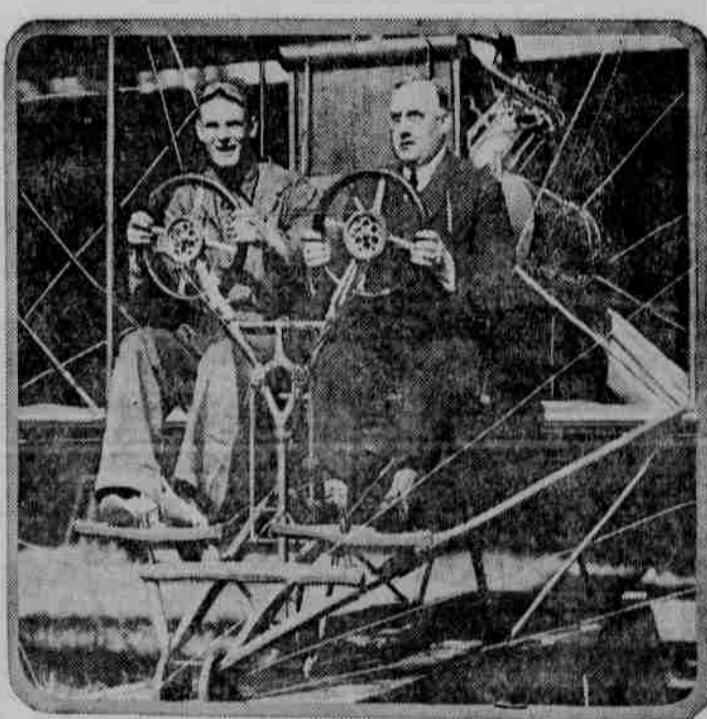
Mountain battery, Company A of the Sixth infantry, coming in to headquarters near Namiquipa, Mexico, the line extending far across the sands.

SERG. ANNA HOPKINS



Sergt. Anna Hopkins, a Washington society girl, at the keys of a field telegraph outfit. Sergeant Hopkins is one of the three hundred women in the camp of the National Service school at Chevy Chase near Washington.

PHILADELPHIA MAYOR TAKES FLYER



Mayor Thomas B. Smith of Philadelphia (right) with Aviator Walter E. Johnson in one of the hydro-aeroplanes at the opening of the Glendinning Aviation school at Essington, near Philadelphia.

POSTSCRIPTS

Scarlet fever causes the loss of nearly 9,000 lives, 83 per cent occurring before the tenth year of life. After long experimenting a way has been found to utilize the coarser textiles of the fiber of the Cuban malva plant, of which there are 11 varieties. Success is attending experiments in Sweden with perforating the webs of street car rails to increase their resiliency and add to their life when laid on rigid foundations.

New York city is to have another magnificent church building—that which will house St. Bartholomew's Episcopal church. It will occupy an entire block front on Park avenue, from Fiftieth to Fifty-first street, and will probably cost more than \$4,000,000. The rector of St. Bartholomew's, Dr. Leighton Parks, says that this vast sum "cannot be raised on subscriptions of \$5,000 and \$10,000; it will require subscriptions of \$100,000." The congregation believes that these sums will be forthcoming.

Complete Effacement. "A previous witness testified that the man vanished as completely as if the earth had opened and swallowed him up." "More so, your honor. He vanished as completely as if he had run over somebody with his car."—Puck.