

STANDARD OIL CENSURED FOR BAYONNE STRIKE

Industrial Relations Commission Report on Recent Labor War—Starvation Wages Paid By Trust and Still Paid—Slave Driving Policy of Company Set Forth.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 16.—The report of George P. West and C. T. Chenery, who investigated the July, 1915, strike of the Standard Oil employees at Bayonne, N. J., for the United States Commission on Industrial Relations, was made public last night by Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the commission. The report said, in part, after stating that the strike was against the Standard Oil company of New Jersey:

"The company is the most important of the Standard Oil group and this group is the principal contributor to the wealth, prestige and power of the largest estate in the country. If not in the world, that of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Sr., and his immediate family.

"The Standard Oil company of New Jersey although conducting an enormously profitable enterprise, pays wages too low to maintain a family on a comfortable, healthful basis.

"It fixes wages, not with relation to the earnings of the company, but by taking into consideration wages paid by other companies in the same locality and then fixing the wage as low or lower than the prevailing wage in that locality. In Bayonne it paid common laborers less than those of two companies whose plants adjoin its refineries. This is in direct contradiction to the claims of the company in a statement issued at 25 Broadway that it has always paid the prevailing wage or better. The statement of the general manager of the company that the interests of other companies in the same locality are considered in the fixing of wages constitutes in effect an admission that the capital combines with the poorest and least generous employers to fix the wage rate.

Company's Policy

The company maintain a settled policy of refusing to deal with any labor organization or "professional labor man," and even refuses to permit those employees who cannot speak English intelligently to engage an attorney as their spokesman and representative.

"The men are made to understand," the report continued, "that they must seek no outside assistance in their dealings with the management and that any show of independence or any hint of compulsion will be vigorously resented.

"The company has instituted no machinery by which real or fancied grievances may be peacefully and promptly adjusted. The officials say that any man has access to the general superintendent, but the employees allege that they would be discharged before reaching the office.

Detectives Employed

The report then recites that the company employed a detective agency of New York city to furnish guards and strikebreakers. It quoted the attorney for the agency as referring to those men as "a lot of thugs," he investigators added "their appearance amply justified his use of the term."

"The strike was broken by Sheriff Kincaid," the report stated, "who first overawed and disorganized the strikers by assaulting and arresting one of their leaders and then strengthened his control over them by promising to use his influence to obtain an increase in wages and by arresting 30 of the armed guards."

Victory for Company

"Two days after the men had returned to work, the Standard Oil company announced increases in wages. These increases were less than those demanded by workers and the rates being paid and still below those paid by one of the other companies adjoining the Standard Oil company's plant. If the common labor rate can be taken as a basis of comparison.

"The outcome of the strike constitutes a complete victory for the Standard Oil company as to its vital policies, that is its refusal to recognize of permit collective action or to make any concessions to the men except of its own free will and accord."

DEPOSITS FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE ARE ABOLISHED

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—Arbitrary deposits demanded by water, gas, electric and telephone companies from consumers were abolished in most cases, except for new service, about a million dollars in such deposits ordered returned; and rules made governing all public service corporations, in a decision announced today by the state railroad commission.

The general effect of the rules is to order that, with certain minor exceptions, all consumers who have paid their bills promptly for a year shall not be required to make a deposit.

In all cases deposits must bear interest.

Discontinuance of service may not be made for failure to pay a back bill nor until after reasonable notice to the consumer. The supplying company may protect itself against a consumer who has failed to pay a bill by requiring thereafter an advance payment.

The signing of a service contract by the consumer may not be required except where an extension is necessary.

By its decision the railroad commission assumed authority to promulgate standard rules governing all public service corporations. The investigation which led to the fixing of these rules extended over a period of ten months. It was started upon complaints filed by 600 individuals.

ROBBER MAKES DARING ESCAPE

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that Hooper would march up the Pacific highway.

Fleeing to Siskiyou

It is believed that Hooper is trying to make his way to the Klamath river country in the Siskiyou, where he has many friends among the Indians. He distributed \$400 worth of automatic revolvers and ammunition among them on a recent visit to Hornbrook, Cal. That night he robbed the store of \$2000 in gold dust and currency.

Hooper is inordinately vain, and it is the belief of the local authorities that he will try and emulate the deeds of Harry Tracy. His record shows that he has the same amount of nerve as that spectacular desperado. Every clipping published about his crimes was eagerly sought by Hooper, and when visitors came to his cell, he delighted in telling and admitting his crimes. He is a notorious seeker of the first water.

Paroled From Folsom

Hooper was serving a life sentence at Folsom prison, under the habitual criminal act, when his mother fell heir to a large estate. She secured his parole, and he immediately started upon a series of criminal adventures throughout the northwest, that unparalleled for audacity.

He robbed the bank at Rogue River by throwing ammonia in the face of Cashier Rosser, and two days later held up the Southern Pacific depot at Grants Pass, securing \$132. After a week's rest he appeared at Hornbrook, and awakened Manager Jones of the Hornbrook Mercantile company in the middle of the night, and compelled him and his wife to dress, and go to the store with him. While walking down the street, Hooper whistled to ward off suspicion. At the point of a gun, Jones was compelled to open the safe, and turn over the money.

Hooper was arrested at The Dalles, Oregon, and at no time denied any of the crimes charged against him. Though a life sentence hangs over his head in California, Hooper was taken to Grants Pass for trial on robbing the S. P. depot at that place. This was by right of capture, the Southern Pacific detectives tracing him.

Hooper is heavily armed and resourceful and is expected to open air life, and it is expected he will resist arrest desperately.

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THE FOREHEAD HAS COME BACK! IT'S THE FASHION NOW TO IMITATE OLD MASTERS. SHOW A SNOW-WHITE FOREHEAD!



Some "old masters"—and new styles they inspire. At top of panel, Richard Rothwell's "Picture of a Girl," center, "Duchess de Guise," at end, Torte's "Directoire Girl."

And now you must have a forehead!

The edict has gone forth from the councils of fashion, and if you are to be contented at all in the fashion world your forehead—smooth, full-polished, bright and high—must be as visible as your nose or your chin.

Foreheads have always been considered good form with old Mother Nature; she'd never think of asking any one to get on without that very necessary feature, but it's different with the Mother of Modes—for years she's been concealing lovely woman's forehead behind bangs and ruffles and fluffs and such. Now all of a sudden she's changed her mind. She's made allies of the old masters, and she's enlisted the hairdressers, and between them they've brought the forehead back to its place of glory.

For the new styles in hairdressing women are studying the old masters—Gainsborough, whose women owe half their beauty to high, marble-white foreheads; the Watteau women, whose "eyebrows like aerial bows" were never concealed by curls or the fair maids and dames of the Directoire period, when Torte and other noted painters drew just the tiniest scallap of hair down upon the forehead, but with the effect of emphasizing its whiteness and smoothness, rather than veiling its beauty.

Some of the masterpieces that have inspired the new hairdressing are Puerbas' famous "Duchess de Guise," Torte's "Girl of the Directoire," Rembrandt's portrait of his daughter and Ruben's "Mother and Daughter." Fine opportunity, eh? to improve acquaintance with old masters—and catch up with new styles.



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GERMANS BREAK THROUGH RUSSIAN LINE ON NAREW

BERLIN, Aug. 16.—Field Marshal Von Mackensen, continuing his pursuit of the retreating Russians from the south toward Brest-Litovsk has occupied Glale and Slawatyze, according to official announcement made by German army headquarters. The army of Prince Leopold of Bavaria, pressing the Russians from the west, has occupied Losyee and Miedzyrzec, the statement adds:

"Army group of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg: During successful attacks on advanced position at Kovno, 1700 Russians, including seven officers, were taken prisoners. A projected attempt to break through the Russian lines from the Narew to the Bug, after a crossing of the Narew river, succeeded and our pursuing troops reached the hill at Bransk. More than 5000 prisoners fell into our hands. At Novogeorgievsk, the defenders were driven back still farther from their group of fortifications.

"Army groups of Prince Leopold of Bavaria: During the night the left wing fought its way across the Bug river east of Drichczyn (east of Sokolow). After the center and right wings had captured Losyee and Miedzyrzec yesterday afternoon our opponents offered new resistance only in the sections of Toczmar and Klukowka, between Miedzyrzec and Beulla, but his resistance was broken down east of Losyee at daybreak by an attack of the Silesian landwehr. The enemy is being pursued.

"Army group of Field Marshal Von Mackensen: The pursuit of the enemy continues. Glale and Slawatyze have been occupied. East of Miodowa our troops are advancing on the eastern bank of the Bug."

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