

CLOSER COOPERATION OF EMPLOYERS AND WORKERS IS SOUGHT

Small Attendance Features Conference Held Here Last Evening.

Keeping in mind the injunction—'despite not the day of small things'—the informal labor conference held last night in the grand hall might be termed important notwithstanding the sparse attendance. Representatives were present from the labor department and the industrial accident commission, and various industries and labor organizations in Salem and Portland were represented.

Mr. Gramm opened the discussion by stating briefly the objects of the movement to bring employer and employee into a position where they could deal with one another without prejudice, and he stated that there was no better time than the present and no better place than Salem to launch the movement as indicated in the Eugene Smith meeting some weeks ago.

Mr. Marshall recalled the fact that the ultra-radical element in the laboring class had repeatedly brought down disaster upon both themselves and the industries by harsh and high-handed operations. He believed the time was at hand when employers were willing to sit down with the labor unions and negotiate for equitable adjustment of difficulties.

E. Hofer spoke at some length from the standpoint of the manufacturer and employer, stating that he had come to see that the matter of adjustment must be approached from the side of the laboring man if it is to be dealt with intelligently. He pointed to the drastic and high-handed methods organized labor had resorted to in the past to gain its ends, but at the same time admitted that he was ready to endorse their actions as being justified under the circumstances. However, he believed all these were things of the past and that we are entering upon an era of higher ideals and methods. Working men are now doing their own thinking and can no longer be stampeded into a general strike by unscrupulous leaders. There must be a higher ideal on the part of labor, who in the past have demanded a maximum return for a minimum service, and on the other hand, the employer must cease to look upon labor as a mere commodity. He held that voluntary mediation was the only logical means of getting capital and labor on an equal footing, as had been done through the industrial councils in England. He challenged the statement of one delegate to the effect that all efforts at mediation would fall unless there was an authoritative body back of it all to enforce decisions. He held that the great need was a campaign of education for both the employers and the general public.

A representative of the L. L. L. organization pointed to their records in the past year to show that they were furnishing the most effective solution for labor troubles through their grievance boards, by which all troubles are carried up from one council to another until they reach the highest tribunal, from which there is no appeal. He pointed to the fact that during all the disturbances of the war period there had been no serious trouble from the L. L. L. organization.

Several labor representatives from Portland made statements showing the effectiveness of their organization there in not only increasing the rate of wages, but of reconciling difficulties with employers. One of them showed that organized labor in Portland was getting as high as \$2 a day more for work than the same class received in other parts of the state. One class of engineers there were getting as high as \$8 a day for eight hours. Referring to the work of organized labor in the shipyards, he stated that after the government authorities took a hand in the labor troubles and got the contractors and unions together, there was such an improvement in the spirit of the men that in the course of a few months they had cut down the building time for a steel ship from 167 days to 47 days.

One of the delegates suggested that arrangements be made for a mass meeting in which to formally launch the plan for voluntary mediation, but Mr. Hofer argued that this would be too precipitous and advocated further quiet conference and education through the press in order to prepare both labor and capital for a new move.



Empress of Asia in Miraflores Locks. George M. Bosworth, Chairman, C.P.O.S.

A twenty-three day ocean voyage that covered nine thousand miles and included a passage through the Panama Canal, was the unique experience of fifteen hundred home-bound members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force who had originally enlisted in British Columbia for service overseas.

This ship belongs to the Pacific, being one of the Canadian Pacific's crack liners that ply between Vancouver and the Orient. She had been diverted to Atlantic waters to assist in the transportation of American troops to Europe and was ready to return to her regular run. At the same time there were in England and France a lot of British Columbia troops anxious to get home. Sir

Edward Kemp, Canadian Overseas Minister of Militia, and Mr. G. M. Bosworth, Chairman of the Canadian Pacific Overseas Service, arranged to send these troops home by an all-water route rather than have them disembark at a Canadian Atlantic port and cross the continent by rail. The existence of the Panama Canal made this a feasible plan, otherwise the Empress of Asia would have found it advantageous to return to the Pacific via the Suez Canal, the route followed by her sister ship, the Empress of Russia. The passage of the Panama Canal consumed nine and one-half hours and the toll charge was \$9,392.

As this was the first time, and in all probability the only time, that the Empress of Asia would pass through the canal, the people of the canal zone made much of the event. There were friendly demonstrations all along the way, and a very cordial reception at Cristobal. The Empress posed for the above pictures in Miraflores locks, six miles from the Pacific end of the canal.

Enthusiastic receptions greeted the ship and her gallant passengers when they reached the end of the voyage. Victoria, B. C., where 250 disembarked, declared a public holiday and the whole population joined in welcoming the returning heroes. A tremendous ovation was given at Vancouver and, in spite of rain, eager crowds thronged the water front to get a first glimpse and handshake.

The Empress of Asia has been re-manned and is now in regular passenger service between Vancouver and the Orient.

With next January, the owner of an automobile will pay his automobile tax in the way of a license. One-fourth of the money so collected will be returned to the county for a good roads fund, but the general county fund will get none of it. Hence this may raise taxes a notch or so.

Illinois Was First Round Of Telegraph Rate Fight

Chicago, April 9.—The state of Illinois won a victory over the federal government here today when Superior Judge Poell made permanent an injunction granted last February restraining the American Telephone and Telegraph company and Postmaster General Berleson from increasing telephone rates in the state.

The decision is the first given in a number of suits in various states wherein increased rates were tested in the courts. In making the injunction permanent, Judge Poell affirmed the exclusive right of the state in regulating telephone rates.

The temporary injunction was granted on request of Attorney General Brundage of Illinois the day before the new rates were to go into effect all over the country.

MONMOUTH NEWS. (Capital Journal Special Service.)

Monmouth, Or., April 9.—A recent visitor at the normal was H. H. Herdman, principal of the Washington high school of Portland and president of the Portland branch of the drama league. Mr. Herdman took for his subject, 'The League of Nations,' handling this vital and timely subject in a most thorough and liberal manner, discussing the pros and cons of the proposed covenant as submitted to the Paris conference.

The new supervisor, Mr. Wills, was here visiting centers at the normal last week.

Superintendent McLaughlin, of the Corvallis schools, was on the campus a few days ago interviewing teachers for the schools of his territory for the fall term.

Superintendent Inel, of the Grants Pass schools, was here last week selecting teachers to fill vacancies at that place.

hope for her return at the end of the year with the coveted degree.

Agate Rebekah Lodge No. 177 met Thursday evening in regular session. Three candidates, Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Pace and J. S. Prime were initiated into the mysteries of the degree. The work was beautifully put on and was enjoyed by all. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served and an hour of social converse indulged in.

Miss Imogene Richards, a February graduate of Monmouth high school, now living at Multnomah, spent the week-end here with former schoolmates.

Mrs. J. E. Wincoer and Mrs. Wm. Riddell, Jr., were among Monmouth people who were shopping in Salem within the past week.

On Saturday night the student body and faculty of the high school gave a party in the high school gymnasium in honor of the parents of the high students. A short but excellent program of music and recitations was rendered by students, a brief history of Monmouth high school was given by Mayor Wolverton and a humorous talk, reminiscence of the younger days of present high school students was given by Prof. Geule. Games that the "parents used to play" were enjoyed again by all. Doughnuts and delicious coffee were served and everyone enjoyed the "idea," hoping it would not be the last time the parents would be remembered.

W. A. Wood, who purchased a new Ford last week, is having troubles of his own. So far his worst accident was when he lost control of the thing, ran into a telephone pole and broke one of the lights.

The postoffice at Kings Valley was broken into recently by a gang of robbers who opened the safe and took about \$500 in money and a quantity of war saving stamps. The thieves evidently passed through Monmouth as they appropriated a speeder which belongs to a gang of Italians who are located here while laying new steel rails on the S. P. track between Monmouth and Astoria. The speeder was found by Postmaster Wood of Independence, who became curious and started out with others to see if they could find a clue.

Friends of the Halvorsen family will mourn with regret the death of the other, Mrs. Mary Halvorsen at her home in Eugene on Saturday, April 5. The Halvorsens lived in Monmouth several years and have many friends who will sympathize with the family in their bereavement. They moved to Eugene last summer or early fall.

A recent letter from Corporal Stanley Evans to his parents here states that he has been to visit relatives in London and expects to go to Wales to see an aunt and visit the scenes of his parents' youth as the old estate.

Sam Morrison, who was operated on for appendicitis two weeks ago, was not doing well and the doctors said gangrene had set in and there was no hope for him. However, the patient rallied and was able to undergo a second operation Friday, but to no avail. Monday morning he grew worse and at 3 p. m. he passed away.

SILVERTON NEWS

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Silvertown, Or., April 8.—Mrs. H. C. Paulson returned home Sunday from a three weeks' visit in Dallas.

Arthur Chammess has returned from Grass Valley, having sold his business there and will make Silvertown his future home.

Frank Adams, of Ohio, a brother of Mayor L. J. Adams and Ed R. Adams, is visiting at the latter's home. He expects to remain here indefinitely and may decide to engage in business here.

Mark Paulson was a Salem visitor Friday.

Home Pittman was visiting home folks over Saturday and Sunday.

Casper Tour returned from overseas Saturday.

Eastman Bros. became possessors of the lot and office formerly owned by E. M. Brooks Saturday. Messrs. Eastman expect to tear down the old building and erect a larger one, where they will continue their profession.

Wm. Law was home from Portland Sunday.

A mass meeting was held in the opera house Friday night for the purpose of bonding the city for ten thousand dollars toward an appropriation for an armory for Silvertown.

Capt. McCall called the meeting and Mayor Adams delivered an address. Col. May gave an interesting speech and following his address was a talk by Lieut. Hall. E. E. Callister was also a prominent speaker of the evening. The entertainment was voted upon and was carried by unanimous vote.

Miss Nerison received a visit from her sister in Portland over the week-end.

A crowd of Silvertown young people motored to Salem Sunday.

Frank Brown and Ted Spurr were in the city Saturday night.

Silvertown has the promise of a chauntiqua for this year. The proposition has been taken up by some of the business men and arrangements are nearly completed for a program to be rendered here some time during July. The contract has been made with the Ellison-White Chauntiqua company.

W. B. Dumas, deputy food inspector, was in the city a few days last week inspecting the meat markets and slaughter houses.

The dance given by the Lotus club last Saturday night was a success and a good time was enjoyed by all. The club gave another dance Wednesday night, and still another will be held Saturday night.

Mrs. Ray E. Brown was taken into custody Friday by United States Marshal F. B. Tichenor, upon the charge of drawing an allotment from three "husbands" at once. It seems that after Mr. Brown went to France, Mrs. Brown went east and married a Chas. Coons. After Mr. Coons sailed, she returned to Portland and married Jack Watts. Mrs. Brown was visiting her sister, Mrs. Maxwell of this city at the time of her arrest.

James Hollingsworth was in the city over Saturday and Sunday. George Davis was a Portland visitor Sunday. Lee Perdu has been visiting friends

Farmers Must Keep Full Set of Books Under Recent Law

It is now up to the farmer to keep books and to know all about his financial affairs. The government has been curious as to his income in order to fix a proper income tax and now this week or next he will be visited by a deputy tax collector who will ask more questions about acreage and fruit trees than the farmer was ever asked before.

The last legislature passed a law, and it became effective at once through the emergency clause, providing that all tax assessors should require all sorts of statements from the farmer and fruit raiser as to how much grain he had in or intended to put in this year and then all about his acreage in regard to fruits and berries. The object of the law was to give some definite figure as to what Oregon was really doing in the agricultural and horticultural line.

Label Law Also in Force.

Another law was passed providing that factories and canning plants should indicate on their labels just where the fruit or berries were canned. It is a well known fact that the largest canning establishments in the valley are owned by California people who shipped our finest fruits and berries under California labels.

With the labels showing where the packing was done and with the records of each county showing how many acres of each state in cultivation in each fruit or berry, it is hoped that Oregon can make a better showing before the large wholesale fruit buyers in the east.

Now when the assessor comes around within the next few weeks, the farmer or fruit raiser should have convenient all sorts of information as to what he is doing, in order that the assessor can get along in his work.

Information Detailed.

On blanks already prepared, here is what must be answered: Owner or renter; total acres in farm, acres of winter wheat, spring wheat, oats, barley, rye, corn, clover, alfalfa, wild or marsh hay and other hay crops.

And in the horticultural line, the fruit grower should have convenient information that will enable the deputy assessor to quickly fill out the prepared blank, calling for the following information: Acres of apple, bearing and non-bearing; cherries, acres in bearing and non-bearing; peaches, the same; and the same with pears, prunes, walnuts. The assessor will ask for acres bearing and not bearing of each and will hardly have time for the grower to stop and figure these things out.

assessment different from these figures: Sheep \$8; sheep registered \$17; goat \$3; goats registered \$7; hogs per pound 10c; cattle six months and one, \$15; cattle one to two years, \$20; cattle two to three years, \$25; cattle over three years, \$40; cattle registered, double amount; dogs, \$10, and nothing under; colts, one year old, \$30; colts, two year old, \$50; colts, three year old, \$80; horses, best draft team, \$200; horses, except stallions and race horses registered, \$800; horses, stallions and registered draft, \$800; jacks, \$300.

Assessor to Decide.

Money and notes will go on the assessors books at 75 per cent of their value and accounts at the same percent. Thresher outfits will be assessed according to the assessor's judgment. Merchandise is to go on the books at two-thirds value and oats and wheat at a value of two-thirds. Wool is to be assessed at 25 cents a pound. Lumber at from \$6 to \$20 a thousand.

New automobiles bought before March 1 of this year are to be assessed at two-thirds of purchase price. Cars one year old may be turned in to the assessor at one-half of the original cost. For cars more than one year old or bought more than one year ago, the assessment is to be according to the assessor's judgment.

Of course the rate of assessment cannot be determined until late this fall when all values are turned in. This year it was \$31.20 an acre \$10000 of assessed property. Next year it may be a little higher as the county will get none of the automobile tax. Beginning

DAILY HEALTH TALKS.

A WORD ABOUT THE KIDNEYS (By DOCTOR WATSON)

People are easily frightened when they think something is the matter with their lungs or heart, and well they may be; but few people understand the dangers of diseased kidneys.

These organs have a duty of vital importance to perform, and if they are diseased, there is no telling how or where the symptoms may appear. The kidneys are filters, and when they are healthy they remove the poisons from the blood and purify it. When the kidneys are diseased, the poisons are spread everywhere, and one of these poisons is uric acid. The uric acid is carried all through the system and deposited in various places, in the form of urate salts—in the feet, the ankles, wrists and back—often forming bags under the eyes. Sometimes the resulting trouble is called rheumatism, lumbago, sciatica and backache. Finally, some stone in the bladder, diabetes and Bright's disease.

Dr. Pierce of Buffalo, N. Y., in recent years, discovered that a certain combination of remedies would dissolve uric acid (urate salts) in the system. He found this combination to be harmless, so that he made it in tablets of double strength, and called them Auric Tablets. They dissolve uric acid in the human system as hot coffee dissolves sugar. If you have uric acid troubles don't delay in taking Auric Tablets, which can be secured in the drug stores. You can write Dr. Pierce, too, and he will tell you what to eat and how to live so that more uric acid will not form in your system. Dr. Pierce will not charge for his advice.

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Major General W. H. Johnston Commander Of Division, Also En Route.

Washington, April 9.—The transport Pasadena sailed from St. Nazaire, April 5, due New York, April 22, with base hospital number 8; casual company 633, California; bakery company number 304; Camp Lewis and Kearny, one casual officer and one civilian.

Transport Mercy, St. Nazaire to New York, due April 29 with St. Nazaire convalescent detachments 132 and 133 to 142, inclusive.

Transport Calumet, St. Nazaire to New York, is due April 20 with 216th engineers, headquarters, veterinary, ordnance and medical detachments, engineer train and companies A to F, inclusive, and the following 91st division organizations: postal detachment, headquarters troop, headquarters detachment, train headquarters and a military police company; signal companies 638, marines and 629, Ohio; five 91st division prisoners and five casuals. Major General William H. Johnston, commanding the 91st division, is a passenger.

Transport West Alsek, LaPalme-Belle to New York, with casual company 74, medical detachment and two casual infantry officers.

Transport Sierra, Bordeaux to New York, due April 18 with 144th machine gun battalion; headquarters detachment and medical detachment and companies A, B, C and D; 143 rd machine gun battalion, headquarters detachment, military detachment and companies A and B; 40th division military police company detachment 19 balloon company, two medical detachments; Bordeaux convalescent detachment.

In this city since return from the service.

A number of G. A. R. and Relief Corps members attended a convention at Woodburn Wednesday.

Louise Fischer of Portland has been visiting her father, Louis Fischer, of the Fischer Flouring Mills.

valorous detachments 190, 245, 246, 247, 248, 250, 251 and 49 casuals.

Transport Iowa, Bordeaux to New York, is due April 18 with 105th infantry, headquarters company; regimental headquarters, sanitary detachments, supply company, machine gun company and companies B to T, inclusive and L and M; casual company 69, marines and two civilians.

Transport Ronoke, Bordeaux to New York, is due April 18 with first battalion of 20th engineers, headquarters detachment, medical detachment and First, Second, Third and Fifth companies; cement mill company five; 11th supply train, headquarters company, sanitary detachment and companies A to F, inclusive.

Americans, Except Army Of Occupation, Home By October

Washington, April 9.—Barring unexpected developments, all American troops in France, with the exception of the army of occupation, should be returned to this country by the end of September, the navy department stated today.

Following the organization of several successful service clubs in different parts of the Yakima valley, a meeting is to be held April 12 in Yakima to form a county organization.

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