

CUT AT NAVY YARD LET'S GO AT 40 MEN

With Discharge Slips in Pocket, Machinists Line Up for Check.

IS SAME OLD STORY, SAYS COMMANDANT

Work Is Not Sufficient to Keep Men Employed—More May Go Later.

One hundred and forty men with discharge slips in their pockets walked to the window of the cashier's office at the Washington navy yard this morning and received probably their last check, for services as machinists at that yard.

The men received formal and somewhat unexpected notice last night when they quit work, that their services would be no longer required.

"It is the same old story," said Admiral Leutze, commandant of the yard, this morning. "There is not sufficient work and the men simply had to go. The one hundred and forty were so advised last night."

More May Follow. Admiral Leutze did not say whether there would or not be more discharges, but it is believed that similar discharges are to follow during the summer as the work at the yard becomes lighter. The machinists have been uneasy for several weeks and every effort has been brought to bear upon Navy Department officials and members of Congress to devise some means by which the work at the yard could be kept up to the usual amount and the men retained during the dull summer months. Numerous meetings, secret and open, have been held among the navy yard employees, but last night's discharges indicate they have been in vain.

Served as Warning. The men became truly alive to the situation confronting them when a few days ago many of them received notice that they should take a three and three-quarters days' leave due them up to the present time. Each machinist has fifteen days' leave during the year, and no man is discharged with any leave due him. At first it was believed that the order to utilize the leave now at this period of the year was for the purpose of temporarily reducing the force. More recently, however, it dawned upon the men that this notice was but the forewarning of what they had served last night that the Government could not use their services further. Five hundred machinists of Columbia Lodge, No. 174, held a secret meeting at Naval Lodge Hall last night, and although nothing definite was learned as to what transpired behind the closed doors it is understood that plans were laid for continuing the fight to prevent further discharges and to accomplish reinstatement of the employees wherever possible.

First Cut of Year. The discharge last night is the first of the present year, and comes much in the nature of the several of last summer when about the same number dropped from the rolls. The wholesale dismissal is not without its pathetic features. It is known that many of those who were let out last summer have never been able to secure positions paying anything like the wages they had formerly been accustomed to. Men who have been drawing \$100 or more a month as skilled machinists have been compelled to seek work in other fields at barely more than half the pay. Among the numbers discharged last night, it is said, are several who have been at the Washington yard for more than a score of years. Some have large families and have saved nothing for the proverbial rainy day. To these, especially, the discharge last night comes somewhat in the nature of a domestic tragedy.

Bitterness Aroused. Considerable bitterness has been aroused because, it is said, that much of the Government's work has been let out to private contractors when it might have been done more cheaply and better at Washington, thus accomplishing a dual result of keeping the men at work and saving money. It is apparent today that the fight which has been waged for the past two months against the discharge of wholesale discharges again became prevalent in it to be renewed all along the line, with Congress as the objective center. Practically every member of Congress is being appealed to personally and through the machinists and unions from all sections of the country, to devise means to prevent further reductions in the force at this time when employment is difficult to obtain anywhere.

BIRMINGHAM QUEEN OF SCOUT CRUISERS

Eats Much Less Coal Than Either Salem or Chester, Sister Ships.

NEWPORT, R. I., April 1.—That the Birmingham is the queen of the scout cruisers, and that the Salem "eats" coal so very fast that she is a very expensive vessel, was clearly demonstrated in the second test of the scouts for coal and water consumption, which ended at Newport.

It was a continuous run of fifty hours, at a rate of fifteen knots, and the average daily consumption of coal as announced was:

Birmingham, 70.2 tons; Chester, 83.8 tons; Salem, 106.5 tons.
The water consumption average per day was:

Birmingham, 23.3 tons; Chester, same; Salem, 12.5 tons.

The Salem, it will be observed, uses much less water than her sister ships, but this costs much less than coal. The vessel had excellent weather. They ran off toward Cape Hatteras for twenty-four hours and then turned abruptly and headed back. They are now at Bradford preparing for their next test, which will be of 100 hours at twenty knots, which is considered a very good average speed for these boats.

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YOUTHFUL HUSBAND TRUE TO HIS BRIDE



MRS. HAZEL FRIES.

Tells Fifteen-Year-Old Wife That He Will Be Faithful to Marriage Compact, No Matter What His Mother and the Courts Do.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 1.—Valentine Fries, the seventeen-year-old heir to \$300,000 from his father's estate, and his fifteen-year-old bride, who was formerly a waiting maid in his mother's home, will be separated by the courts, and the young man is now a prisoner in the custody of a deputy sheriff at Sandusky.

Mrs. Frank Chapin, mother of the young man, has instituted proceedings to annul the marriage of her son. Former Judge Fred L. Taft, candidate for the Republican nomination to succeed Burton, has been retained as counsel by Hazel Fries, the youthful bride.

Valentine Fries is a student in the fashionable University School here. He was taken from the home of his bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brockett, at midnight last Tuesday by deputy sheriff from Sandusky. When the youthful couple met in court today they ran to each other's arms with a glad cry. The boy turned his back on his mother, and declared to his young wife that he would come back to her even if he had to wait until he is twenty-one. Parents of the youthful bride are angry at the action of young Fries' mother in separating them, and declare they will do all in their power to prevent the annulment of the marriage.

MARION CRAWFORD IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Novelist's Condition Takes Sudden Turn For Worse. "Has Fighting Chance."

SORRENTO, Italy, April 1.—F. Marion Crawford, the novelist, is seriously ill. A sudden turn for the worse occurred today, and Prof. Enrico de Renzi, director of the medical clinic of the University of Naples, was called in consultation. He found the patient suffering from serious bronchial and pleuritic complications, which, it was feared might develop into pneumonia, or other dangerous affection of the lungs.

Owing to the gravity of the novelist's condition the attending physician has taken up his residence at Villa Crawford. It is believed that the sudden atmospheric change contributed to the aggravation of the patient's malady, his strength recently being at a low ebb.

Winthrop Chandler, of Philadelphia, who is Mr. Crawford's brother-in-law, has arrived from Calabria in response to a hasty summons. After visiting the novelist, Mr. Chandler said: "He has only a fighting chance."

MEDAL CONFERRED UPON T. A. EDISON

Crown Prince Gives Gold Trophy Voted By Swedish Academy of Science.

STOCKHOLM, April 1.—The Swedish Academy of Science today conferred a gold medal upon Thomas A. Edison for his invention and development of the phonograph.

Crown Prince Gustavus Adolphus handed the medal to Mr. Graves, the American minister.

WILL ENLARGE SHUBERT CIRCUIT

CHICAGO, April 1.—J. J. Shubert, of New York, has gone for a tour of the Pacific coast to establish, it is said, a circuit of theaters.

The American Theater in San Francisco has already been obtained by the Shuberts and on this trip, according to an announcement made here, Mr. Shubert will buy, lease or make arrangements to build theaters in many of the larger cities from Denver to the coast and from San Diego to Vancouver, B. C.

VIGOROUS PROTEST MADE AGAINST TAX

Washington Business Men Almost Unanimously Are Opposed to It.

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latter beverage is the popular one with the poor man, and he can ill afford to bear any taxation. For my part, I should like to see tea, coffee, and sugar on the free list. If the tariff must be raised on certain articles of food to provide extra revenue, let it be on these articles used chiefly by the rich, such as canned goods imported from France, and also on French and German champagnes and other wines.

"But the truth is, that if our lawmakers would check their extravagance, there would be no need of putting a duty on any necessities, particularly on coffee and tea, which is not produced in this country and does not, therefore, admit of the excuse that the duty is levied to protect an industry. I would say emphatically that if this countervailing duty on Brazilian coffee goes into effect there will no longer be any such thing as 'the cheap breakfast.'"

"Is Outrageous." N. W. Burchell, wholesale grocer, of 1222 F street, also contends that tea and coffee should be put on the free list. He says:

"It is no less than outrageous to put such a duty on these articles that their continued use will mean a hardship. Worse still, the burden will fall upon the shoulders of those who can least afford it. This putting coffee on the free list, with a countervailing duty, as it has been done in the Payne bill, is simply a little 'joker.' The great bulk of coffee consumed in this country comes from Brazil, which country imposes an export duty on coffee for the payment of interest on her Santos bonds. It not being the intention of Brazil to remove this export duty, of course, follows that this country will impose a countervailing, or retaliatory, import duty to correspond. This Santos coffee is the grade that is universally used by the poor consumer. On the other hand, that coffee coming from countries not imposing an export duty will not be subject to this countervailing duty, and because it is high grade coffee, and finds its way to the table of the rich man, the injustice to the poor man is obvious."

Thomas Browning, of the firm of Browning & Middleton, wholesale, 223 Pennsylvania avenue, says that he would not only like to see coffee and tea on the free list, but that this is the sentiment expressed by most of the big tea and coffee importers. He adds: "I am in favor of putting all the food necessities on the free list. There is no justice in a tariff measure that requires the poor consumer to pay an almost prohibitive price for the necessities of his breakfast. The temperance wave that has swept the country in recent years has added to the great army of tea and coffee drinkers, and I have no doubt that with a tariff on these beverages many people will be driven to seek substitutes." L. B. Burdett, manager of Kingan & Company, wholesale provisions, of 69 Pennsylvania avenue, who he believes the foods which form the principal diet of the poorer classes should be made as cheap as possible, favors a tax on tea and coffee if it is levied to provide for legitimate Government expenses.

CROSSES OF HONOR. LYNCHBURG, Va., April 1.—The Old Dominion Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, is arranging for the bestowal of crosses of honor on June 18, the anniversary of the battle of Lynchburg.

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- 7c Standard Oil Stoves, with two large burners..... 59c
- \$2.25 Crescent Blue Flame Oil Cook Stoves, with two burners..... \$2.97
- 4c Single Gas Stoves, with double burner..... 29c
- \$10 The Cate Gas Ranges, with drilled burners and extra large broiler and lined oven..... \$6.95
- \$12 "Egal" Gas Ranges, large size; 4 drilled burner on top, \$11.50
- \$1.85 extra large Ovens, for gas or Oil Stoves, asbestos lined, \$1.65 with cold handles.....
- 2c Wilson Toasters, for oil or gas stoves..... 15c
- 2c Oil Cans, galvanized iron, one gallon size..... 17c
- 15c White Enameled Sugar or Flour Boxes, with hinged cover, 7 lbs..... 15c
- \$2.50 Tea Sets, 56 pieces; \$2.97 thin china, gold decorations.....
- 6c Stone China Pitchers and Basins, large size, fancy shape. Set..... 47c
- 3c Stone China Slop Jars, 29c large size, first quality.....
- 1c China Fruit or Salad Bowls, large size, decorated..... 9c
- \$1.35 English China Set; six cups, six saucers; six plates, and six fruit saucers; blue and gold decorations..... 97c
- \$1.25 dozen, Carlsbad China Cups and Saucers, egg shape; extra thin. Six for..... 48c
- 6c China Water Pitchers, three quart size, assorted decorations..... 39c

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- 15c Gas Globes, assorted patterns, 4-inch bottoms..... 9c
- 5c Extra Thin Table Tumblers, nicely engraved..... 3c
- 15c 16-inch Flower Vases, crystal glass, new shape..... 10c
- 15c Fruit Sets, large bowl and six saucers to match..... 14c
- \$1.50 Colonial Punch Bowls, on stand, extra large size..... \$1.39
- \$1.00 Folding Ironing Tables, 87c cover to the corner.....
- 15c Zinc Wash Boards, full size, strongly made..... 14c
- 5c Folding Wash Benches, 37c strongly made, for 2 tubs.....
- 2c Self-Wringing Mops and Handle, best make..... 23c
- 1c Patent Flour Sifters, with crank; large size..... 7c
- 2c Pastry Boards, large size, strongly made..... 24c
- 2c Glass Rolling Pins, with black enameled handles..... 23c
- 5c "Sunburst" Alcohol Stoves; simplest and safest..... 37c
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- 1c Wire Clothes Lines, warranted not to rust..... 10c

- Babbitt's 3c Babbitt's Soap, P. & G. Ollene Soap, Star Soap, Brooke's Crystal Soap, Kirkman's Borax Soap, Pearlina, Gold Dust, Household Ammonia, Red Seal Lye, Ball Blue. Choice for 3c.
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