

INCREASE IN PAY AVERTS THREATENED TELEPHONE STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—The controversy between the Pacific District Council of Electrical Workers and the Pacific States Telephone company over the questions of a wage increase has been settled and all danger of a strike is now averted. The vote of the forty-one locals representing about 2500 men of Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Nevada and Arizona, was canvassed at the San Francisco headquarters last night and the result announced today showed that a considerable majority of the electrical workers favored acceptance of the company's offer of a daily wage increase of twenty-five cents, in lieu of the fifty cent increase demanded.

This action was largely influenced by the fact that the company agreed to include five more crafts in the agreement which otherwise would not have received a salary increase. These five are the rackmen, powermen, battery men, testboard men, repeater men, and cable splicers' helpers. They all will receive a raise of twenty-five cents a day.

The eight crafts listed in the old agreement which are in line for the increase are the linemen, cablesplacers, switchboard men, installers, cabletesters, repairmen, troublemen and inspectors. All of these except the cablesplacers will receive \$4 per day over the old wage of \$3.75 per day. The cable splicers who formerly received \$4.50 per day will now get \$4.75. It is also understood that every other person working for the corporation, whether in the capacity of a clerk or otherwise, will receive the twenty-five cent increase.

The new agreement dates from January 19, 1913 and will be in force until January 1, 1914. All electrical workers who come under it, except repeater men, will receive back pay from January 1 up to the present time. The agreement becomes operative on and after April 1.

PRISON CHAPLAIN CONFESSES GRAFT

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., March 18.—Confession that he collected \$1500 graft money from prisoners in the state penitentiary here, upon representation that he would use his influence to secure the pardon or parole, is on file today by Rev. William J. Call, chaplain of the prison. Following the confession Call was haled before the state prison commission and discharged from his office.

Call's confession and discharge followed a charge by a convict that he had given him \$65, with instruction to pay a San Francisco attorney and return the change. The convict declared he never heard of the coin again. Confronted by many like charges, Call finally broke down.

In his confession the chaplain declared he could not support his family of seven children on his salary of \$100 a month, and was therefore forced to obtain more money through graft in the prison.

PATIENTS DIE WHILE RED TAPE UNWINDS

SEATTLE, March 18.—A wire from Dr. Chas. S. Noble of Seattle, who is in New York investigating the Friedmann tuberculosis cure for Seattle and Tacoma papers says that many sufferers who rushed to New York are dying, while Friedmann is prohibited from even giving them his alleged cure, owing to red tape regulations.

However, many of these victims are doomed, Dr. Noble thinks, even though the Friedmann cure is all he claims it to be. The Berlin physician does not claim he can cure patients in the third stages of the disease.

COSTS COUPLE \$63 A MONTH TO LIVE IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, March 18.—No couple can live comfortably in Los Angeles for less than \$63 a month, according to a sample budget submitted to the Los Angeles industrial commission by B. P. Butterfield, a bookkeeper, who urges the commission to institute an inquiry into the high cost of living here.

Butterfield's sample budget for a month includes 25 cents for face powder and 20 cents for "having photo taken."

ELOPERS MUST TELL STORY OF SHAME IN COURT

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 18.—With the transfer of the cases of Maury L. Diggs and Drew Caminetti from the county court of Sacramento to the federal court on charges of violation of the Mann white slave law, comes a new complication today.

Maewha Warrington and Lola Norris, the society girls with whom the two young married men eloped, and with whom they were caught in Reno, will now have to tell the whole story of their shame in open court. Had Diggs and Caminetti been tried under the state law for wife desertion and contributing to the dependency of their minor children, the girls would have been spared the humiliation of public confession. Their own cases, the charge of being delinquent minors, are before the local juvenile court, and the girls are at liberty under \$1,000 bonds.

Diggs and Caminetti today are still in the county jail, awaiting the arrival of federal deputies with warrants for their removal to Stockton, where they will be arraigned before a United States commissioner. The deputies were expected about noon. The two men have declined offers of bail, preferring to remain in jail rather than face public indignation. They are frankly afraid of violence at the hands of the fathers of the two girls whose lives they have ruined.

Neither Miss Warrington or her girl friend has left their homes since their return Saturday night.

SPRAY CALENDARS ARE USED AS TEXT BOOKS

The spray calendars issued by the local pathologist's office are now being used as text books. The following letter to Prof. O'Gara from S. B. Dotter, head of the department of entomology, University of Nevada, is one of many being received:

"I have been much interested in your spray calendar for 1913 and would like to know if you can spare me a few copies. I would like to use them in a class of entomology. They condense more useful information clearly stated in smaller compass than in any similar circular I have seen for a long time."

DIED.

Mrs. W. A. Hurd, wife of Rev. Hurd of Williams, died at the South Pacific hospital Sunday, March 18, of blood poisoning, after a short illness. She was 39 years of age and leaves a husband and four small children, the oldest being 2 years of age. Five sisters survive, Mrs. Fred Merrill of Grants Pass, Mrs. Charles Hurd of Medford, Mrs. Maud Burdick, Mrs. Elmer Herring and Mrs. E. Tyner, all of Spokane.

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MAXINE ELLIOTT WEDDED TO WILDING TENNIS CHAMPION

LONDON, March 18.—Miss Maxine Elliott, the American actress, and Anthony F. Wilding, the famous British tennis player, are wed today at Nice, France, according to reports received here from that place.

Wilding is a member of the British bar. In 1906 he won the international singles championship from F. B. Alexander, the American.

Actor Forbes Robertson and his wife Miss Gertrude Elliott, sister of Maxine Elliott, declared here today that the story of Miss Elliott's wedding is doubtless untrue.

"If Maxine was married I would surely hear of it," Miss Elliott declared.

Robertson denies having heard anything of the wedding.

NEW POTATOES FROM FLORIDA IN SEATTLE

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EMBEZZLING BANKER TO WAIVE EXAMINATION

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—On advice of the physician of Charles F. Baker, the defaulting assistant cashier of the Crocker National bank

who is accused of embezzling close to \$200,000, it was decided here today to waive the immediate examination of Baker before United States Commissioner Kraft. The date of the examination was set for Wednesday, but according to his physician, Baker will be unable to appear on that date, because of sickness. It is stated that Baker's condition is not serious. With Medford trade is Medford made.



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