

RICHARDSON TO QUIT

DENVER LAWYER LEAVES DEFENSE OF MINERS.

Frowns on Darrow Methods—Opposes Socialistic Preachments in Murder Trials Where Man's Life is at Stake—Two Leaders Part Company.

Attorney E. F. Richardson, of Denver, who was one of William D. Haywood's counsel in the famous trial at Boise, Idaho, has withdrawn from further connection with the defense of officials and others of the Western Federation of Miners in cases now pending before the Idaho courts.

"The whole sum and substance of the matter is that I cannot endure Mr. Darrow's methods," said Richardson. "I do not sanction socialism, at least not when it is coupled with the trying of a legal suit, especially when that case is a murder case and means a man's life."

MAGILLS HELD FOR MURDER.

The grand jury at Clinton, Ill., returned indictments against Fred Magill and Mrs. Fay Graham Magill, charging them with having caused the death of Mrs. Pet Magill, former wife of Fred Magill. The indictments are exactly alike, and each contains six distinct counts.

The six counts are as follows: That Mrs. Pet Magill was murdered by the administration of strychnine poison; that the murder was done by arsenic; that she was smothered with a quilt; that she committed suicide as the result of a compact with the defendants by their advice and counsel, and that her death was caused by the defendants by some means unknown to the jury.

Magill and wife were in the crowded court room when the indictments were read.

PROFITS OVER 2,000 PER CENT.

Pennsylvania Paid Contractor Over \$2.50 Per Foot for Painting.

The Pennsylvania capitol commission, which is at Beach Haven, N. J., preparing its report to Gov. Stuart, on its investigation into the charges of fraud in connection with the furnishing of the Pennsylvania state capitol, Friday made public certain papers bearing on the contracts for the interior painting of the building, which indicate the contractor made enormous profits on the work.

TROOPS MAY BE LANDED.

Powers to Take Energetic Action in Morocco.

An extraordinary meeting of the French cabinet to discuss the Moroccan situation was held Friday afternoon. Foreign Minister Pichon expressed himself in favor of immediate energetic action by France to secure reparation for the murders of Europeans at Casa Blanca and to insure the safety of the Europeans still there.

Inasmuch as France and Spain are charged by the Algeiras conference to act together in the matter of policing Casa Blanca, Pichon advocated as the first step proposing to Spain the immediate landing of French and Spanish troops at the scene of the massacre.

Connecticut Passes Utilities Bill.

The Connecticut general assembly has passed a bill providing for the appointment of a public utilities commission in accordance with the recommendation of Gov. Woodruff.

Slashes Women's Dresses; Arrested.

Peter Magoffin, a laborer, was arrested in Denver, Colo., after he had slashed the dresses of nearly thirty women and girls on the streets. He could not explain his actions.

Road to Inaugurate Low Rate.

President W. A. Barber, of the Carolina and Northwestern railroad, telegraphed Gov. Glenn, of North Carolina, that his road would put the 2 1/2-cent rate into effect Aug. 8.

St. Gaudens Very Ill.

Augustus St. Gaudens, sculptor, is seriously ill at his home in Cornish, N. H., and grave fears are entertained for his recovery. St. Gaudens has been in failing health for years.

Powder Explodes; 2 Clerks May Die.

Two kegs of powder in the show window of the McDowell hardware store at Dalton, O., exploded and W. O. Resser and Amos Moser, clerks, were probably fatally injured.

KOREANS IN BATTLE.

Troops Resist Disarmament and Many Are Slain.

In a conflict Thursday at the Westgate barracks in Seoul, Korea, between Japanese troops and disbanded Korean soldiers forty or fifty were killed and wounded, including several Japanese who were arrested and imprisoned. Firing has ceased. The American consulate was struck by several bullets. No foreigners were injured, and all are believed to be safe.

According to official reports received by Gen. Hasegawa up to 9 o'clock Thursday night there were 120 casualties among the Koreans as a result of the riots growing out of the disarmament of the Korean troops.

Marquis Ito in his audience with the emperor Thursday afternoon assured the emperor of his complete safety. Marquis Ito provided the foreign consulates with guards as a precaution for safety.

The Japanese military take the credit for a prompt suppression of an outbreak, having prepared to suppress all garrisons in the event of a sympathetic uprising. The imprisonment of fugitives from the Shiwa regiment continues.

STRANGLER STILL AT WORK.

Another Victim of Fiend in New York City.

The excitement caused in New York by the recent atrocious crimes against women and children was greatly increased Thursday by the discovery of the body of an 8-year-old girl in the cellar of an east side tenement. The child had been assaulted and murdered.

The body of the child was identified as Katie Dritschler, daughter of a German waiter. She had been missing for a week.

An examination of the body showed she was killed in exactly the same manner as Sophie Kohrer was murdered. Deeply imbedded in the flesh of her neck was found a hair ribbon, probably taken from her own hair, drawn and tightly knotted.

The indications that the child was choked to death, taken in connection with the murder of Sophie Kohrer and of an unidentified woman by strangulation, lead the police to believe there is a maniac at large in the city who poses an insane impulse to kill women and children by the same method.

ASKS TO BE SHOWN; IS JILTED.

Girl Wants to See Fiance's Bank Book and Engagement is Off.

Because his fiancée, he alleges, asked to see his bank book, Alexander Katz, a real estate man of Washington, D. C., who was to have been married to Miss Frances Dubb, of Bridgeport, broke the engagement. He also retained counsel to sue for the recovery of a diamond ring which he had given her. Katz came to Bridgeport and the wedding had been set for Thursday. Before he left for Washington Katz displayed a bank book showing that he had \$7,000 on deposit. He said: "Miss Dubb's demand was the most sickening thing a woman could do."

TO CONDUCT THAW TRIAL.

Martin Littleton Engaged by Accused Man.

Martin W. Littleton, of Brooklyn, has been selected by Harry K. Thaw to conduct Thaw's next trial on the charge of killing Stanford White. Littleton was formerly president of the borough of Brooklyn, a lawyer and orator of wide reputation.

Thaw announced the selection of Littleton after a conference with his mother and wife. It is said Littleton's fee is to be \$25,000.

As chief counsel for Thaw, Littleton will succeed Delphin M. Delmas, who assumed charge of the defense soon after the opening of Thaw's first trial.

Legislator Ward Arraigned.

Representative Charles M. Ward, speaker pro tem. of the state house of representatives and chairman of the ways and means committee, was arraigned at Detroit in the police court on a warrant charging him with manslaughter in connection with the death from a criminal operation in April of Miss Edith Pressley, proof-reader for the state senate.

Dies at End of Race.

J. William Neff, prominent in political and sporting circles, died suddenly at the finish of an exciting horse race held at Schenley park, Pittsburgh, Pa., by the Schenley Masinee club. Mr. Neff drove his own entry in the race, and just before he reached the end of the course he suddenly drew rein, exclaiming, "I'm done for," and expired.

New Cruiser in Commission.

With appropriate ceremonies the new cruiser California, recently completed, was placed in commission at Vallejo, Cal., Thursday. Capt. Thomas S. Phelps will command the cruiser.

Huntington Funeral in Paris.

The funeral of Henry Alonzo Huntington was held in Paris Thursday. Many members of the American colony were present. The condition of Alonzo and Elizabeth continues critical.

Billik Sentenced to Hang.

Herman Billik, of Chicago, recently convicted of the murder of Mary Varal by poisoning, was sentenced to hang on Oct. 11.

TRIBESMAN IN RAID.

Natives and Europeans Massacred in Moroccan Port.

On the pretext that they were displeased with the harbor works three tribes Wednesday raided Casa Blanca, one of the seaports of Morocco, and massacred the native guards and seven Europeans. The other Europeans in the city, together with a number of Jews, took refuge on a German ship which has arrived there. The French cruiser Gallie sailed for Casa Blanca Wednesday night.

The morning papers of London comment strongly upon the state of anarchy as revealed by the massacre at Casa Blanca, and declare that it is evident that the sultan is powerless to preserve order. The powers therefore, they assert, are bound to take measures to exact retribution and stop the lawlessness.

The Daily News says: "Nobody would blame France for deciding that it is useless to proceed with a policy which merely toys with the fringe of the question. In the end, however, the Moroccan difficulty must be solved in Berlin before it is faced at Fez."

The Daily Graphic declares that the whole of Morocco is laughing at the inability of Europe to secure Mac-Lean's release. The Algeiras treaty, it says, is worse than useless, and the time has arrived for the powers to authorize France and Spain to occupy Fez.

"It is impossible to believe," says the paper, "in the face of the Casa Blanca massacre, that Germany will longer oppose drastic action of this kind, and nothing less will meet the grave exigencies in the present situation."

BIG SMUGGLERS CAUGHT.

Wholesale Operations Are Uncovered on Mexican Border.

Silviano Montemayor, mayor of the city of Jaurez and one of the most influential citizens of the state of Chihuahua, Mexico, has disappeared. Jaurez had been in a fever of excitement since the capture of a party of smugglers and the arrest of over thirty persons, including six of the most prominent business men of the town.

Tuesday night the federal authorities seized fourteen cars consigned as coal to Mayor Montemayor, of El Paso, Tex., and found that five of the cars were loaded with dry goods, clothing, shoes, etc. A thin layer of coal covered the merchandise in each case.

Montemayor's warehouses, goods and papers were seized also, as was the large mercantile establishment of Ketterson & Degetau.

Yardmaster Villasure, of the Mexican Central, and a large number of Mexican switchmen and car loaders were jailed Wednesday. The authorities say that the evidence secured by them implicates a clerk in the Banco Nacional, one Lecomber, and the son of A. Aguerilla, a prominent customs broker, both of whom escaped to this side of the river.

ON HUNT FOR MURDERERS.

New York Sleuths Search for Assassins.

District Attorney Jerome, of New York, has taken personal charge of the investigation into the plots of the Armenian blackmailers which led to the assassination of H. S. Tavshanjian, and all the forces of the district attorney's office and the police department worked zealously Wednesday to ferret out more clues that would lead to the arrest of the murderers, who are believed to have masked their operations under the name of Hunchakists, an Armenian revolutionary society. A trunk is reported to have been found in Lowell, Mass., which is said to contain papers revealing the plots of the blackmailers.

The grand jury Wednesday found three additional indictments against Father Martoogesian. Two indictments charge attempted robbery and the third extortion.

Horse Balks; Gun Kills Hunter.

Telford Tini, a prominent Italian citizen of Ladd, Ill., was killed while returning home in a buggy from hunting. The horse balked, throwing him against the muzzle of a double-barreled shotgun, both barrels of which were discharged, cutting his body almost in two.

New York-Colon Cable.

Commercial service was begun Aug. 1 over the new All-American cable laid directly from New York to Colon by the Central and South American Telegraph company.

Wrote "Blue and the Gray."

Former Judge Francis Miles Finch died at Ithaca, N. Y., Wednesday, aged 80. He wrote the ballad, "The Blue and the Gray."

WESTERN LEAGUE BASEBALL.

Schedule of Games to Be Played at Sioux City Ia.

Following is a schedule of the Western League games to be played at Sioux City in the immediate future: Des Moines.....Aug. 9, 10, 11, 12 Pueblo.....Aug. 14, 15, 16, 17 Denver.....August 18, 19, 20, 21 Omaha.....August 22, 23, 24, 25 Lincoln.....September 6, 7, 8

Stiletto Victim Shields Assailant.

Louie Gorrett, an Italian, was stabbed with a stiletto at Loretto, Mich., by an Italian with whom he had quarreled during the day. Gorrett refused to tell who cut him. He cannot live. His assailant escaped.

Posse Kills Negro Wife Slayer.

George Thomas, a negro, who shot his wife at West Chester, Pa., Sunday and then fled, was traced to a barn near there by a posse and killed.

Nebraska State News

SHOT IN THE HEAD NOT FATAL.

Bullet Enters Temple and Passes Out of Top of the Head.

At about 8:30 Sunday evening Merrell Brown, a well known and well to do farmer, was shot in the temple by a bullet from a .32-caliber revolver, fired by W. A. Butts, his hired man. The shooting took place at the home of Mr. Brown, who lives about six miles east of Lyons. Butts got into argument with Mrs. Brown over a horseshoe, which he said had been taken from his buggy by one of the little girls, and made some very insulting remarks to her. When Brown came home and was told of the trouble Butts was making, he went out to settle with him. Words were exchanged between Brown and Butts, and Butts, who has the reputation of being a very quarrelsome person, pulled out his gun and took a shot at Brown, but missed him, and Brown rushing up grabbed Butts and threw him over a watering trough from where he fired again without getting up. This shot hit Brown in the left temple and came out the top of his head. Butts then got into his buggy and drove to town and gave himself up to the authorities, where he was held until Sheriff Phipps arrived on the scene. Sheriff Phipps started for Tekamah with Butts, who will be held there until after his preliminary hearing.

Mr. Brown was attended by Dr. Hill, of Lyons, and who upon examination found that the wound was not as serious as it was first thought to be. Brown probably will be out again in a short time.

Butts is a very quarrelsome person and has made trouble for nearly every person whom he has worked for in the two or three years that he has been in that vicinity.

W. A. Butts, who was arrested by Sheriff Phipps, was arraigned at Tekamah charged with shooting with intent to kill Merrell Brown, whom he had been working for. Being unable to furnish the \$5,000 bond he was placed in the county jail.

BIG STORE BURNS AT FRIEND.

Stock and Building of O. E. Champe Entirely Destroyed.

Friend was visited by a disastrous fire in which one of its principal business houses, that of O. E. Champe, with all its contents, went up in smoke. Mr. Champe's stock was valued at \$20,000 and the building at \$8,000. But little can be gathered at this time as to the insurance. Champe is supposed to have been insured for about one-half of the value of his stock. The building was owned by Mrs. O. M. Weston and insured in the Columbia, Home and Aetna for \$8,000. South and adjoining the Champe store was the Packard building, occupied by Hoyt & Dorwart as a drug store, and which was badly scorched and stock damaged by water. The building occupied by T. W. Endicott as a hotel was partly burned, with a portion of its furniture. On this and the Packard building there was no insurance. Hoyt & Dorwart are supposed to have been insured. The origin of the fire is supposed to have been in the basement of the building occupied by Champe as a department store and upon whom the loss falls most heavily.

FIGHT ON IN NEBRASKA.

Control of the Republican Party Inevitable.

A political battle, perhaps the most unique in the history of the state, is now in progress in Nebraska. The success or failure of the two factions means absolute control or emphatic defeat in the councils of the Republican party of Nebraska. Chief Justice Sedgwick is a candidate for re-election to the supreme bench. Opposed to him is ex-Judge M. E. Reese. These are the standard bearers.

Burlington Building New Car.

D. Clem Deaver, of Omaha, the special immigration agent for the Burlington was in Plattsmouth looking at the new car to be used by the Burlington for exhibiting in the east the products raised in the west, and especially those grown west of the 100th meridian. The car will be ready for use within a few days and will be sent to Omaha, where the exhibits are being collected.

Argument in Murphy Case.

Judge J. G. Reeder, of Columbus, came to Seward and heard the arguments in the Bonneau-Murphy case. On July 30 a short session of court was held to take further testimony, and thereupon took the case under advisement. It is probable that a decision will be rendered in August or September.

A Narrow Escape for Surveyor.

While County Surveyor Patterson, of Papillon, was running a line near the Bellevue cottage—over a deep cut of the interurban road—he had to throw his steel chain across the cut. It struck a live wire and the rail, making a complete circuit. Mr. Patterson received a severe shock and his chain is in several pieces.

Thief Gets Forty-Five Dollars.

Gus Lang, of the Farnam dining hall, 1823 Farnam street, Omaha, was robbed of \$45 by a sneak thief, who entered his room and took the money from his trunk.

Steals Instead of Sleeps.

Some light fingered vagrant went to the rooming house at 2016 Cuming street, Omaha, owned by Sam Overgard and asked for a room. Instead of occupying it he took a part of the bed clothing and made off with it.

Frontier Day at Hastings.

The organization of the Hastings Frontier Festival company, with a capital of \$4,000, has been completed, and preparations are already under way for the frontier tournament Oct. 10, 11 and 12.

MERCHANTS MAY GO TO COURT.

Biggest Taxpayers Liable to Appeal from State Board Increase.

The action of the state board of equalization in raising merchandise in Douglas county 15 per cent will add to the assessment rolls approximately \$322,000 on a valuation of one-fifth. The assessed value of this item in the county was \$2,285,434 as the figures left the county board and the increase will send the amount up to \$2,628,000. The raise will fall heaviest on three or four department stores and wholesale houses that will sustain an increase of about \$50,000 or \$60,000 on full valuation or from \$10,000 to \$12,000 on assessed valuation.

There were rumors Thursday that an appeal would be taken to the courts by some of the heaviest taxpayers, though the attorneys for those firms would not say what they intended doing.

County Assessor Reed, of Douglas county, said he had received no official notice of the increase yet. He did not care to discuss the matter in detail, but said he was surprised that the increase was so large. County Commissioner Ore declared the increase was unfair to a large majority of Omaha merchants because most of them were assessed high before the raise.

POPLUIST COMMITTEE MEETS.

Committee is Favorable to Fusion with Democrats.

A meeting of the populist state committee was held in the parlors of the Koehler hotel in Grand Island. All sections of the state were represented by committee men or party workers. A good feeling was evidenced by the reports made at the meeting. Resolutions were adopted looking toward a close organization and the officers of the committee were instructed to urge that an active campaign be made in all counties in which an organization now exists, and the populists in each county be urged to participate in the nomination of populists as a part of the county ticket. All of the committeemen and representatives expressed themselves favorable to a fusion with the Democrats for county, district and state officers. O. W. Meier, one of the candidates for supreme judge, was present and addressed the meeting.

STATE LEVY SEVEN MILLS.

Board of Assessment Places Figures the Same as Last Year.

The state board of equalization completed its work at Lincoln recently by making a levy of 5 mills for the general fund, 1 mill for the university and 1 mill for the redemption fund. The total amount of the grand assessment roll cannot be given at this time because a number of the counties were increased on certain items, and this increase has not yet been figured out. Douglas county merchandise was increased 15 per cent and Lancaster county merchandise was reduced 5 per cent. The total levy of 7 mills is the same as last year, but instead of the 2 1/2 mill for the public schools, the 1/2 mill fund levy gets that, increasing the fund from 4 1/2 to 5 mills. The board promised to pass on the bill of exceptions of the Union Pacific.

BIG PROGRAM FOR LABOR DAY.

Prominent Men Have Been Invited to Deliver Addresses.

The Omaha Central Labor union committee on arrangements for the Labor Day celebration has extended invitations to several distinguished men to be present and address the laboring men on that day. Among those invited are W. J. Bryan, William H. Haywood of Denver, President Gompers of the National Federation of Labor, and Mayor James Dahlman. Owing to the storm, the committee postponed its Tuesday night meeting until Thursday night, at which time all the details of the tri-city Labor day celebration were completed.

It is expected that between 3,500 and 5,000 laboring men will take part in the parade and negotiations are in progress with 150 musicians to furnish the band and orchestra music for the day.

Wilbur People Victims.

A number of parties in the vicinity of Wilbur, among them business men of long experience, were induced to take stock in the Egeira Fuel company on the representations of its president. Some time ago when they became uneasy about their investments they were told that coal from the mine would be on sale in the local market within a very short time, which time expired last winter. Since the recent exposure they are very reticent as to their present status with the concern.

Sheldon and McBrien at Normal.

The visit of Gov. Sheldon and State Superintendent McBrien to the McCook Junior normal school at McCook, was a notable event. The governor and state superintendent both addressed the normal and the third annual graduating exercises of the eighth grade of the Red Willow county schools.

Niece of Plattsmouth Man Lost.

Henry Boeck, of Plattsmouth, has received word that his niece, Mrs. Louise G. Nake, and her daughter, Miss Nellie, were among the unfortunate ones who lost their lives in the recent collision of the ill fated steamer Columbia and the San Pedro on the Pacific ocean.

Pickpocket Caught on Train.

Peter Peterson, of York, a passenger on No. 44, was robbed by a pickpocket just as the train pulled into the station at Lincoln. His pocket-book, containing \$10 and receipts, were taken.

Severe Hail Storm at West Point.

A severe hail storm, preceded by a heavy downpour of rain, broke over West Point at 6:30 Tuesday evening. This is the first hail storm doing any serious damage that has occurred for twenty-five years past. Hail has fallen all around the city several times, but never in the town.

Thresher and Grain Barn.

John Stearley's threshing machine and tea acres of grain were burned on Stowell's farm two miles north of the Gibbon stock yards.

ALASKAN FARMS.

Nearly 2,000,000 Acres Soon to Be Opened for Settlers.

At a distance of some 50 miles south of the Arctic Circle 2,980,000 acres of land will be opened for settlement in Alaska on Sept. 30, by a recent order of the Secretary of the Interior. This great tract has been held in reserve for a national forest around Norton bay, but the project was abandoned, so many were the demands for entry on land which had been found more suitable for settlement. The spring rush for Alaska overwhelmed steamship accommodations and filled up the wharves at Seattle with household freight, but the order of the Secretary is expected to prolong the rush up to the approach of winter. Alaska has been in the throes of a general strike and tie-up, but as usual in such cases this feature is wearing itself out. These troubles were caused by the shortage of labor in southeastern Alaska, owing to the activity of railway building and the development of new mines, culminating in a general demand for higher wages.

Agriculture is proceeding hand in hand with the efforts of government experiment stations, which are constantly determining what will grow which heretofore has been exotic to the soil. So far, all the hardier vegetables have been made to thrive, and in the large valleys of the interior experiments are being made, with every prospect of success, to grow hay, grain and stock feed capable of maintaining work animals. The great valley along the Susitna river in central Alaska, extending north from Cook's Inlet and Resurrection bay, it is declared has a mild climate all the year, owing to the warm currents of the ocean, and will grow almost anything that is raised in temperate zones.

The permanent white population of Alaska is now 33,000, with 6,000 nomads at work here and there. The increase now averages 3,500 souls a year, a figure which the coming opening of lands is expected to swell materially. These people shipped to the States last year \$23,338,285 worth of gold, silver, copper and merchandise in the form of fish products. Cable, telegraph and mail connections are being generally extended and already Alaska is ambitious to become a State.

Allentists for Mrs. Eddy.

Dr. George F. Jelly, the Boston mental specialist, and Dr. G. A. Blumer of Providence were appointed comasters with Judge Aldrich to examine Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, the aged founder and head of the Christian Science church, as to her mental competency to look after her business interests. Judge Aldrich had written Judge Chamberlain that he was averse to taking the sole responsibility in so important a matter. Later Dr. Blumer declined to act and the defendants strongly opposed the appointment of any doctors.

Counsel for Mrs. Eddy and her trustees filed exceptions to the appointment of the two directors as comasters because they are non-residents of New Hampshire, and are authorized to render a decision not predicated wholly upon the evidence submitted to them, and also to the issue framed by the court and the denial by the court of the previous motions by the defendant, all of which are expected to result in carrying the entire case, with all its complications, to the Supreme Court.



France has 4,625 local unions, with an aggregate membership of 781,344.

Blacksnake whips, whip lashes and riding quirts are practically all prison made.

Detroit, Mich., secured the 1908 convention of the Steamfitters' and Helpers' Union.

Plasterers of the Pittsburg, Pa., district have been granted a half holiday on Saturday.

Wages of the carpenters of Stockton, Cal., were increased 50 per cent recently. The scale is now \$4.50 a day.

Drug clerks throughout the Atlantic States are forming unions and joining the Retail Clerks' International Union.

As a result of the longshoremen's strike at New York, the exports from that port dropped \$4,944,980 in one week.

The proposition to establish an old-age home for miners was defeated by the Iowa mine workers on a referendum vote.

The Electrical Workers of Cleveland, Ohio, have asked for an increase of 5 cents an hour. The present pay is 45 cents.

The "Patriotic Association of Labor Unions" has been formed at Hamburg, Germany, as a means of opposing Socialists in the labor movement of that country.

The superintendent of colonization has received from the Ontario (Canada) Cannery Association an earnest request for help to keep their cannery works in operation.

A government bill has been introduced in the Hungarian Parliament prohibiting employees of State railroads from participating in strikes, under pain of instant dismissal.

The United Brotherhood of Carpenters during 1906 paid benefits amounting to \$47,000, and the death and disability claims during that period amounted to \$218,202.

San Francisco, Cal., laundry workers have all returned to their respective posts and the statement is made that for three years all will be quiet in the laundries of San Francisco.

Since the workmen's compensation act came into force in Great Britain, the members of the Dockers' Union have received by way of legal awards for accidents \$185,371.26.

Cigarmakers' International Union is now combating a lockout in Georgia and a strike at Mobile, Ala., the latter for an increase of wages. There is also a strike at Havana, Cuba.

Boiler-makers and iron shipbuilders on the northeast coast of England have renewed their demand for an advance of 10 1/2 per cent on time wages and 5 per cent on piece work rates.