

August 3, 1915.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.

AUGUST 3, 1915, 10:30 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward N. Hurley, Vice Chairman

The Commission met at the Hotel Radisson, Minneapolis, Minn., and resumed its hearings on the subject of foreign trade extension. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

W. F. Decker, President, Civic & Commerce Association.
John Crosby, of Washburn-Crosby Co.
H. F. Gallagher, of the Northwestern Consolidated Milling Co.
A. C. Loring, President, Pillsbury Flour Milling Co.
F. E. Kenaston, of Minneapolis Threshing Machine Co.
W. G. Crocker, of Washburn-Crosby Co.
E. W. Decker, President, Northwestern National Bank.
J. J. Ryan, Secretary, National Association of Retail Grocers.
Donald Mackerschar, Manager, Foreign Exchange Department, First & Security National Bank.
H. S. Helm, of Russell Miller Milling Co.
H. H. Andrews, Andrews & Co.

(For stenographic report see File 8519-1-6.)

At 12:30 p.m. a recess was taken until 3:00 p.m.

The Commission reassembled at 3:00 p.m., at the Hotel St. Paul, St. Paul, Minn.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward N. Hurley, Vice Chairman

The hearings on foreign trade extension were resumed, the following gentlemen appearing and presenting their views:

H. O. Roberts, Secretary of the Minnesota Retail Hardware Association; also Secretary of the National Secretaries' Association.
W. O. Washburn, American Hoisting & Derrick Co.
Alfred J. Krank, A. J. Krank Manufacturing Co.

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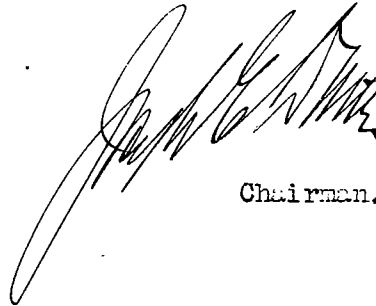
J. J. Ryan, Secretary, National Association of Retail Grocers.

John S. Taylor, Secretary of the Minneapolis Retail Grocers Association.

Herbert Bigelow, of Brown & Bigelow.

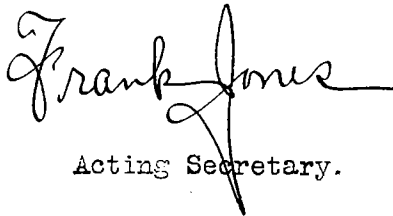
(For stenographic report see File 8519-1-6.)

At the hour of 4:30 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 9:30 o'clock a.m., August 6, 1915, at the Chamber of Commerce, Spokane, Wash.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

August 4, 1915. No meeting held.

August 5, 1915. No meeting held.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

August 6, 1915, 9:30 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward K. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Farry
George Rublee

The Commission met at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, Spokane, Wash., and resumed its conference with reference to conditions in the lumber industry, Mr. W. B. Greeley, Assistant Forester, Department of Agriculture, also participating. The following gentlemen appeared and presented their views:

- A. W. Cooper, Secretary, Western Pine Manufacturers' Association.
 - John R. Toole, President, Western Pine Manufacturers' Association.
 - L. C. Boyle, Counsel, National Lumber Manufacturers' Association, Kansas City, Mo.
 - W. C. Elford, Manager, Spokane Lumber Co., Milan, Wash.
 - A. W. Laird, Manager, Potlatch Lumber Co., Potlatch, Idaho.
- (For stenographic report see File 8519-2-2.)

At 11:45 a.m. a recess was taken until 2:00 p.m.

The Commission reassembled at 2:00 p.m.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
 Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
 William J. Harris
 Will H. Parry
 George Rublee

An informal conference was held with representatives of the Fruit Growers' Council, Mr. Charles J. Brand, Chief, Office of Markets and Rural Organization, Department of Agriculture, also participating. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

- John F. Davies, Chairman, Board of Control, Fruit Growers' Council.
- H. C. Davidson, Hood River, Oreg.
- Harry M. Jones, of Wapato, Wash.
- C. E. Chase, of Brewster, Wash.
- B. A. Perham, Sales Manager, Cooperative Fruit Sellers, Spokane, Wash.
- W. H. Paulhamus, Chairman of Executive Committee, Fruit Growers' Council, Puyallup, Wash.

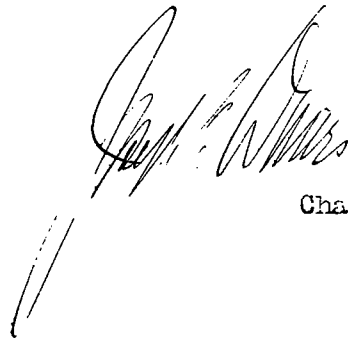
Mr. John P. Hartman, of Seattle, Wash., appeared as Counsel for the Fruit Growers' Council.

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Mr. M. C. Richards, of North Yakima, Wash., appeared as Attorney
for the North Pacific Fruit Distributors.

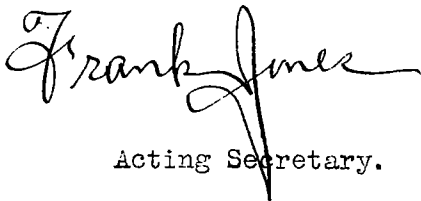
(For stenographic report see File 8519-4-1.)

At the hour of 4:50 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at
11 o'clock a. m., August 7, 1915, at the Chamber of Commerce, North
Yakima, Wash.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

August 7, 1915, 11:00 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

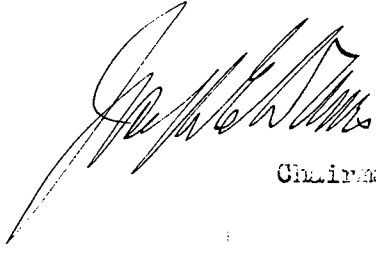
The Commission met at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce,
North Yakima, Wash., and resumed its conference with representatives
of the Fruit Growers' Council. The following gentlemen appeared
before the Commission and presented their views:

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- W. M. Paulhamus, Chairman, Executive Committee,
Fruit Growers' Council.
- Dr. A. H. Henri, Fruit Grower, North Yakima, Wash.
- H. M. Gilbert, Fruit Grower, North Yakima, Wash.
- John P. Hartman, of Seattle, Wash., Counsel for
Fruit Growers' Council.

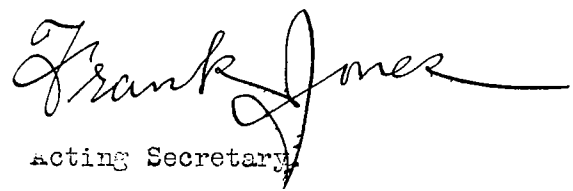
(For stenographic report see File 8519-4-1.)

At the hour of 1:05 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at
10 o'clock a.m., August 9, 1915, at the Chamber of Commerce, Seattle,
Wash.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

August 9, 1915. Sunday.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

AUGUST 9, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

- Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
- Edward M. Hurley, Vice Chairman
- William J. Harris
- Will H. Parry
- George Rublee

August 9, 1915.

The Commission met at the Chamber of Commerce, Seattle, Wash., and resumed its hearings with reference to foreign trade extension. The following gentlemen appeared and presented their views:

Hon. Thomas Burke, President, Seattle Chamber of Commerce.
 C. J. Smith, Vice President, Seattle Chamber of Commerce.
 Otto A. Case, Secretary, Seattle Commercial Club.
 Moritz Thomsen, flour manufacturer.
 O. B. Fisher, Secretary and General Manager, Fisher Flouring Mills Co.
 Alexander Baillie, Manager Balfour, Guthrie & Co.
 J. T. Heffernan.
 J. C. Ford, President, Pacific Coast Steamship Co.
 Daniel Kelleher, Chairman Board of Directors, Seattle National Bank.
 (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-10.)

At 12:40 p.m. a recess was taken until 2:00 o'clock p.m.

The Commission reassembled at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

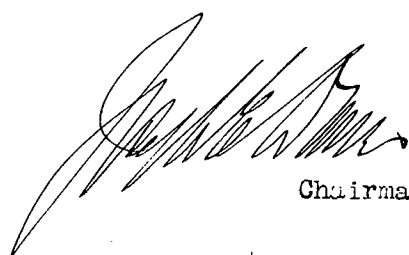
Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
 Edward M. Hurley, Vice Chairman
 William J. Harris
 Will H. Parry
 George Rublee.

The hearings on foreign trade extension were resumed, the following gentlemen appearing:

T. J. Gorman, of Gorman & Co., salmon packers and brokers
 Miller Freeman, Publisher, The Pacific Fishermen.
 R. E. Small, of Kelley-Clarke Co., salmon brokers.
 William Calvert, of San Juan Fishing & Packing Co.
 Capt. W. F. Robinson, of the Robinson Fisheries.
 Edward Cunningham, of Pacific Net & Twine Co.
 E. A. Stuart, President Pacific Coast Condensed Milk Co.
 T. J. Thorsen, President Washington Shoe Manufacturing Co.
 W. F. Whitley, Sales Manager, Pacific Ammonia & Chemical Co.
 Frank Dabney, representing Jame Syndicate, tin smelters.
 J. S. McMillan, President Tacoma & Roche Harbor Lime Co.

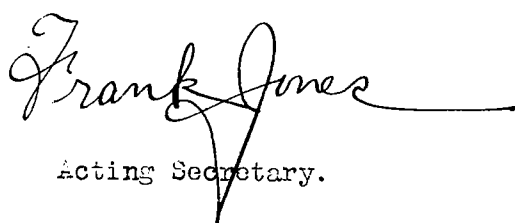
Stuart Mannell, Manager International Line Co.
C. T. Takahashi, President Oriental Trading Co.
Erastus Brainerd.
(For stenographic report see File 8519-1-10.)

At the hour of 6:00 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10:00 a.m., August 10, 1915, at the Chamber of Commerce, Seattle, Wash.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

AUGUST 10, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

- Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
- Edward M. Hurley, Vice Chairman
- William J. Harris
- Will H. Parry
- George Rublee

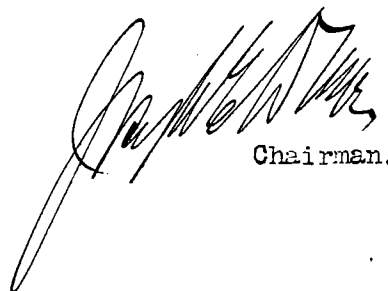
The Commission met at the Chamber of Commerce, Seattle, Wash., and resumed its hearings with reference to foreign trade extension. The following gentlemen appeared and presented their views:

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H. E. Horrocks, Manager, Pacific Creosoting Co.
Richard Chilcott, of Portland, Oregon.
A. B. Stewart, President, Stewart & Holmes
Drug Co.
Allan H. Daugherty, President, Ocean Lumber Co.
William Pigott, President, Seattle Car & Foundry Co.
C. H. Frye, President, Frye & Co., meat packers.
Robert C. Hill, Manager Merchants' Exchange.
(For stenographic report see File 8519-1-10.)

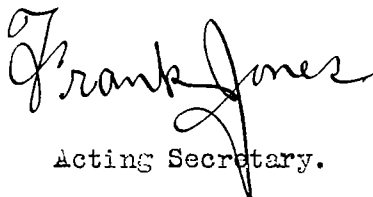
Mr. Victor H. Beckman, of Seattle, Wash., appeared before the Commission and made a statement with reference to conditions in the lumber industry. (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-10.)

At the hour of 12:10 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10:30 a.m., August 11, 1915, at the Commercial Building, Tacoma, Wash.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

AUGUST 11, 1915, 10:30 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward W. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

The Commission met at the Commercial Building, Tacoma, Wash., and resumed its hearings with reference to conditions in the lumber industry. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

J. H. Bloedel, President, West Coast Lumber Manufacturers' Association.
 Edwin G. Ames, Manager, Puget Mill Co.
 H. Kirk. (presenting statement of Mr. J. T. Gregory, officer in various lumber companies).
 H. D. Langille, Manager, Pacific coast office, James D. Lacey & Co.
 (For stenographic report see File 8519-2-3.)

At 1:20 p.m. a recess was taken until 2:15 p.m.

The Commission reassembled at 2:15 p.m.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
 Edward M. Hurley, Vice Chairman
 William J. Harris
 Will H. Parry
 George Rublee

The Commission resumed its hearings with reference to conditions in the lumber industry. Mr. H. D. Langille concluded his statement, after which Mr. W. B. Greeley, Assistant Forester, Department of Agriculture, made a statement as to the investigation of the Forest Service and the attitude of the Service with reference to the disposal of federal timber. The following gentlemen also appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

T. Babcock, Secretary, West Coast Lumber Manufacturers' Association.
 J. G. Dickson, Manager, Pacific States Lumber Co. and Mineral Lake Lumber Co.
 E. B. Hazen, Manager, Bridal Veil Lumber Co.
 D. E. Skinner, President, Port Blakely Mill Co., Port Blakely, Wash.
 E. G. Griggs, President, St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber Co.

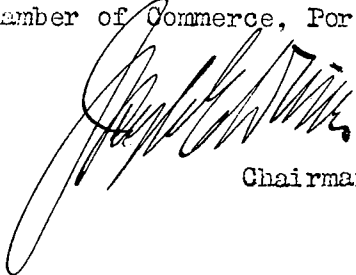
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Neil Jamison, President, Jamison Shingle Co.
F. A. Hofheins, Transfer Lumber & Shingle Co., North
Tonawanda, N. Y.
John McMaster, Owner, John McMaster Shingle Co.
J. G. Brown, President, International Timber Workers'
Union.

(For stenographic report see File 8519-2-3.)

Mr. Richard Mansfield White, mining geologist, Seattle, Wash.,
appeared before the Commission and made a statement with reference to
the Seamen's Bill.

At the hour of 6:55 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at
9:30 a.m., August 13, 1915, at the Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Oreg.


Chairman.

Attest:


Acting Secretary.

August 12, 1915. No meeting held.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

AUGUST 13, 1915, 9:30 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
 Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
 William J. Harris
 Will H. Parry
 George Rublee

The Commission met at the Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Oreg., and resumed its hearings with reference to foreign trade extension. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

- C. C. Colt, of Union Meat Co.
 - A. L. Mills, President, First National Bank, Portland, Oreg.
 - Edward Cookingham, of Ladd & Tilton Bank, Portland, Oreg.
 - H. H. Houser, Grain Exporter.
 - W. D. Wheelwright, President, Pacific Export Lumber Co.
 - O. M. Clarke, President, Clarke-Wilson Lumber Co.
 - E. W. Wright, General Manager, Port of Portland,
- (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-12.)

Mr. C. A. Malboeuf, Manager, Western Fruit Distributors' Association, appeared before the Commission and discussed conditions in the fruit industry. (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-12.)

The hearings on foreign trade were resumed, the following gentlemen appearing:

- A. Rupert, President, Rupert Co.
 - C. A. Bell.
- (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-12.)

At the hour of 1:00 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock a.m., August 17, 1915, at the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco, Cal.



Chairman

Attest:


Acting Secretary.

August 14, 1915. No meeting held.

August 15, 1915. Sunday.

August 16, 1915. No meeting held.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.

AUGUST 17, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

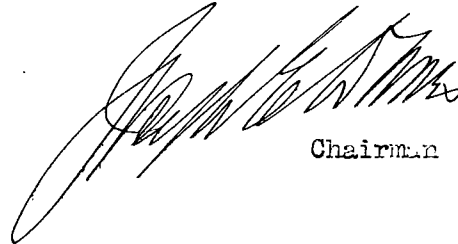
The Commission met at the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco, Cal., and resumed its hearings with reference to conditions in the lumber industry, Mr. W. B. Greeley, Assistant Forester, Department of Agriculture, being also present. Mr. L. C. Boyle, of Kansas City, Mo., appeared as attorney for the lumbermen. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

E. A. Selfridge, Jr., President, Northwestern Redwood
Co., Willits, Cal.

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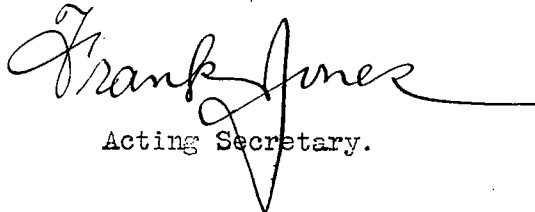
G. R. Johnson, President, Union Lumber Co., San Francisco, Cal.
G. K. Wendling, President, Weed Lumber Co.; President, California Pine Box & Lumber Co.
(For stenographic report see File 8519-2-4.)

At the hour of 12:10 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock a.m., August 18, 1915, at the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco, Cal.



Chairman

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.

AUGUST 18, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

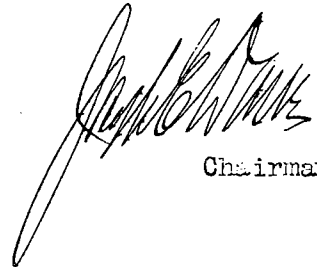
Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
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The Commission met at the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco, Cal., and resumed its hearings with reference to foreign trade extension. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

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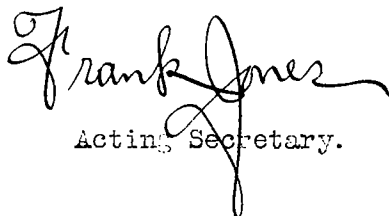
Robert W. Lynch, Vice President, San Francisco
Chamber of Commerce.
Capt. Robert Dollar, President, The Robert Dollar Co.
Percy C. Denroche, President, S. L. Jones & Co.
John H. Rosseter, Manager, W. R. Grace & Co.
Isadore Jacobs, President, California Cammeries Co.
(For stenographic report see File 8519-1-11.)

At 12:20 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock
a. m., August 19, 1915, at the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco, Cal.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

AUGUST 19, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward W. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

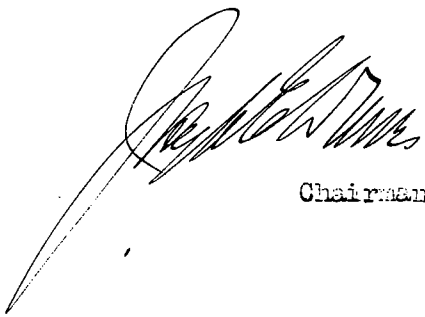
The Commission met at the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco,
Cal., and resumed its hearings with reference to foreign trade ex-

tension. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

- F. A. Somers, President, Somers & Co.
 - C. K. McIntosh, Vice President, California National Bank.
 - Fred L. Lipman, Vice President, Wells-Fargo Nevada National Bank.
 - D. J. Guggenlime, President, Guggenlime & Co., (Fruit Packers)
 - E. C. Horst, President, E. Clemens Horst Co.
 - C. H. Bentley, Sales Manager, California Fruit Cannery Association.
 - Albert E. Castle, of Castle Bros.
- (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-11.)


Mr. Andrew Furuseth, President, California Seamen's Union, appeared before the Commission and discussed the Seaman's Act.
(For stenographic report see File 8519-1-11.)

At the hour of 12:10 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock a.m., August 23, 1915, at the Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles, Cal.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

August 20, 1915. No meeting held.
 August 21, 1915. No meeting held.
 August 22, 1915. Sunday.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

AUGUST 23, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

Edward M. Hurley, Acting Chairman
 William J. Harris
 Will H. Parry
 George Rublee

The Commission met at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles, Cal., and resumed its hearings on the subject of foreign trade extension. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

Robert H. Bulla, President, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.
 Stoddard Jess, President, First National Bank, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Watt L. Moreland, General Manager, Moreland Truck Co.
 Mose Hamburger, President, A. Hamburger & Sons, department store.
 George W. Litchenberger, Secretary, Los Angeles Saddlery & Finding Co.
 Louis M. Cole, of Simon Levi Co., wholesale produce dealers and canners.
 D. P. H. Little, President, Union Iron Works.
 Henry W. Louis, Secretary and Treasurer, Brownstein-Louis Co., manufacturers of men's clothing.
 L. D. Sale, President, Western Wholesale Drug Co.
 Willis H. Booth, Vice President, Security Trust and Savings Bank, and General Manager Hot Point Electric Heater Co.
 F. P. Stetson, fruit canner and can manufacturer.
 G. Harold Powell, citrus fruits.
 (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-8.)

At 12:50 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 4:00 p.m., August 24, 1915, at the Chamber of Commerce, San Diego, Cal.

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Edward M. Hurley
Acting Chairman

Attest:

Frank Jones
Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

AUGUST 24, 1915, 4:00 P. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward M. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

The Commission met at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, San Diego, Cal., and resumed its hearings on the subject of foreign trade extension. The following gentlemen appeared before the Commission and presented their views:

Carl H. Heilbron, President, Chamber of Commerce of
San Diego County.
H. Klauber, wholesale grocer.
Leonard A. Ellis, manufacturer of gas engines.
(For stenographic report see File 8519-1-9.)

Hon. William Kettner, Representative in Congress from the Eleventh District of California, appeared before the Commission and discussed conditions in the lemon industry.

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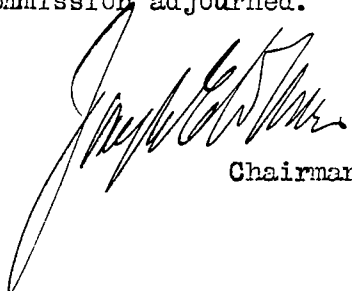
Mr. A. C. Cohn, a lemon grower of San Diego, also spoke on the subject. (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-9.)

Mr. H. L. Wheeler, Secretary, Manufacturers' Association, San Diego, Cal., spoke briefly on the tuna fishing and packing industry. (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-9.)

Mr. C. W. Jackson, Manager, W. K. Fuller & Co., San Diego, Cal., made a statement with reference to the lemon industry. (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-9.)

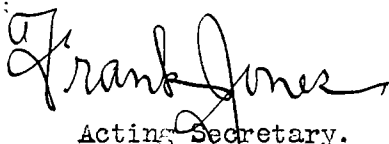
Mr. William Irwin, Manager, Irwin & Co., Los Angeles, Cal., appeared before the Commission and requested information as to the Commission's attitude toward local combinations. He was informed that the Commission's jurisdiction extended only to interstate commerce. (For stenographic report see File 8519-1-9.)

At the hour of 5:30 p.m. the Commission adjourned.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

August 25, 1915. No meeting held.
August 26, 1915. No meeting held.
August 27, 1915. No meeting held.
August 28, 1915. No meeting held.
August 29, 1915. Sunday.
August 30, 1915. No meeting held.
August 31, 1915. No meeting held.
September 1, 1915. No meeting held.
September 2, 1915. No meeting held.
September 3, 1915. No meeting held.
September 4, 1915. No meeting held.
September 5, 1915. Sunday.
September 6, 1915. No meeting held.
September 7, 1915. No meeting held.
September 8, 1915. No meeting held.
September 9, 1915. No meeting held.
September 10, 1915. No meeting held.
September 11, 1915. No meeting held.
September 12, 1915. Sunday.
September 13, 1915. No meeting held.
September 14, 1915. No meeting held.
September 15, 1915. No meeting held.
September 16, 1915. No meeting held.
September 17, 1915. No meeting held.
September 18, 1915. No meeting held.
September 19, 1915. Sunday.
September 20, 1915. No meeting held.
September 21, 1915. No meeting held.
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September 24, 1915. No meeting held.
September 25, 1915. No meeting held.
September 26, 1915. Sunday.
September 27, 1915. No meeting held.
September 28, 1915. No meeting held.
September 29, 1915. No meeting held.
September 30, 1915. No meeting held.
October 1, 1915. No meeting held.
October 2, 1915. No meeting held.
October 3, 1915. Sunday.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.

OCTOBER 4, 1915, 10:30 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward W. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

Preparation of the Annual Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1915, was referred to the Chairman.

The following resolution, proposed by Commissioner Harris and seconded by Commissioner Hurley, was unanimously carried:

"WHEREAS it is alleged that the resale price of gasoline in Atlanta, Ga. is 16 cents per gallon, while in Chicago it is 9 1/2 cents; in St. Louis, 9.9 cents; and in Kansas City, 9.8 cents per gallon, and

WHEREAS this allegation suggests gross discrimination in the price of gasoline as between Atlanta and the other points mentioned,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an immediate investigation be made as to whether such discrimination does actually exist, and as to the reasons therefor."

An invitation of Senator William E. Chilton to the Commission, to attend the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the West Virginia State Board of Trade, at Fairmont, W. Va., on October 19-20 (See File 8004-1-1), was referred to Commissioner Harris.

The following reports were referred to the Commissioners named below, for examination and recommendation:

Part V, of Report on Lumber Industry, to Commissioner Parry.

Report on Beet Sugar Industry, to Commissioner Rublee.

Report on Fertilizer Industry, to Commissioner Harris.

Report on Oil Industry - Mid-Continent Pipe Lines - to Commissioner Hurley.

Letter of United States Civil Service Commission, dated August 20, 1915, regarding civil service status of Carl C. Houghton and William Saulsbury, Special Agents, and the matters of their reappointments and salaries, was referred to a special committee consisting of Commissioners Harris and Rublee.

At 1:00 P. M. a recess was taken until 3:00 P. M.

The Commission reassembled at 3:00 P. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward N. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

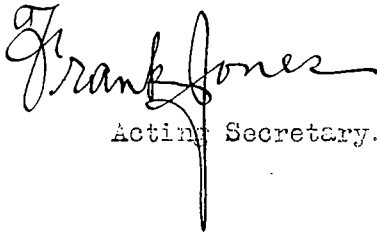
The entire session was given to a consideration of the annual estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, the heads of divisions in the Administrative Department being called into conference.

October 5, 1915.

At 5:00 P. M. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10:00 A. M.,
October 5, 1915.


Chairman.

Attest:


Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

OCTOBER 5, 1915, 10:30 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

Commissioner Parry reported that he had requested the Economic Department to prepare a digest of the lumber hearings, which action was approved.

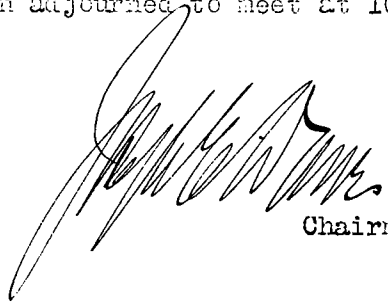
Mr. John Temple Graves, Jr., was appointed Special Expert at a salary of \$1200 per annum, effective upon taking the oath of office and entering upon duty.

Commissioner Parry filed a statement showing the amount and cost of supplies purchased during the month of September, 1915, in the sum of \$121.25. Report approved and ordered filed.

Commissioner Parry reported list of exhibits referred to in foreign trade, lumber, and other hearings, which have not been received, and was authorized to conduct correspondence necessary to obtain the same.

The Commission took under further consideration the annual estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

At 1:00 P. M. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10:00 A. M., October 6, 1915.



Chairman.

Attest:


Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

OCTOBER 6, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

October 6, 1915.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

The Commission took up the consideration of annual estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

Commissioner Parry reported a memorandum on the proposed Bureau of Economic Research prepared by Mr. E. S. Bradford under date of September 30, 1915 (File No. 8073). Ordered filed.

At 1:00 o'clock p.m. a recess was taken until 2:30 p.m.

The Commission reassembled at 2:30 p.m.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

The following resolution, introduced by Commissioner Parry and seconded by Commissioner Rublee, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS George Johannes, Disbursing Clerk of the Department of Commerce, has acted as Special Disbursing Agent for the Federal Trade Commission without compensation and without reimbursement for the cost of his official bond as such Special Disbursing Agent for the Commission,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Federal Trade Commission as a mark of its appreciation of the efficient service rendered by Mr. Johannes that an engraved commission showing his appointment as Special Disbursing Agent be presented to him under the seal of the Commission.

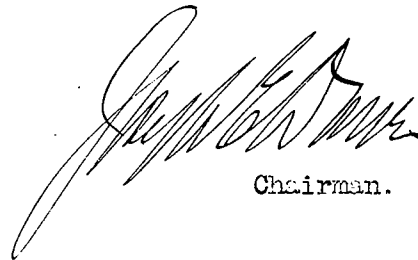
Commissioner Parry was authorized to confer with the Forest Service and the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce in re the

setting of dates for further hearings on the lumber situation, as applied for by L. C. Boyle and J. N. Teal, of counsel for the lumbermen.

The correspondence of the Hamberger-Polhemus Company (See File 8075), referred to the Commission by the Secretary of Commerce, was referred to Commissioner Rublee for report.

The Commission took under consideration the annual estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

At the hour of 6:00 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10:00 o'clock a.m., October 7, 1915.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

OCTOBER 7, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

October 7, 1915.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward M. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

Ordered, that the Chief of the Division of Purchases and Supplies be directed -

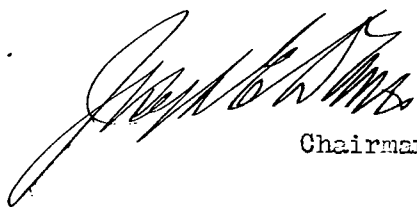
- (1) To prepare immediately a statement of the pay rolls of the Commission from March 16, to September 30, 1915, such statement to indicate any changes in the pay roll.
- (2) To prepare each month hereafter a similar statement, covering the period from March 16, 1915, to date of statement.
- (3) To prepare immediately, and each month hereafter, a monthly statement of the expenditures of the Commission.
- (4) To place a copy of each of the above statements, when prepared, upon the desk of each Commissioner.

Letter addressed to the Secretary of Commerce in re correspondence of the Hamberger-Polhemus Company (See File 8075), as approved by Commissioner Rublee, was approved by the Commission.


The Commission took under consideration annual estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

The Commission took under consideration tentative drafts of form letters, schedules, etc., for the investigation of foreign trade conditions. (See Files Nos. 8405-7-8-9.)

At the hour of 1:00 p.m. the Commission adjourned.


Chairman.

Attest:


Acting Secretary.

October 8, 1915. No meeting held.

October 9, 1915. No meeting held.

October 10, 1915. Sunday.

October 11, 1915. No meeting held.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

OCTOBER 12, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

The Chairman submitted tentative draft of Annual Report of the Commission for fiscal year ending June 30, 1915. Referred to each Commissioner for suggested revision, and particularly to Commissioner Rublee for a section relating to the foreign trade investigation.

Franklin County Coal Operators' Association, Informal Complaint No. 1-3. Referred to Commissioner Hurley for report on status.

Mr. Leonidas L. Bracken, of Muncie, Ind., was appointed Secretary of the Commission, effective upon his taking the oath of office and entering upon duty.

The following order of business was adopted:

1. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.
2. Reports of committees.
3. Official business of the Commission.
4. Matters which individual Commissioners desire to bring before the Commission.
5. Miscellaneous matters.
6. Adjournment.

It was directed that the following memoranda be referred to the members of the Commission in order:

Export agreement of the lumber manufacturers of Washington, Oregon, and British Columbia, submitted by William H. England, Special Agent.

The Redwood Export Business, submitted by William H. England, Special Agent.

Export Sales of Poplar, submitted by David L. Wing, Special Examiner.

It was ordered that Mr. John Walsh be assigned to the Joint Board of Review.

The matter of preparation of examinations for examiners and other civil-service employees, and conference with the Civil Service Commission in reference thereto, was referred to Commissioner Harris.

Mr. James Marvin Haynes, of Texas, was appointed as Examiner (temporary) at a salary of \$1,200 per annum, effective upon his taking the oath of office and entering upon duty.

Mr. Gregory J. Kessenich, of Wisconsin, was appointed as Examiner (temporary) at a salary of \$900 per annum, effective upon his taking the oath of office and entering upon duty.

Upon motion of Commissioner Hurley, seconded by Commissioner Rublee, Mr. Frank Jones, Chief of the Docket Division, was unanimously designated as Assistant Secretary of the Commission.

Upon motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Rublee, it was ordered that Mr. David L. Wing be allowed five days additional leave with pay, ordinarily deducted by leave regulations because of excessive leave without pay, for the reason that he did in fact render service to the Commission without pay during his leave exceeding the time thus allowed.

Commissioner Parry reported a memorandum (see File No. 8517-16) in re conference had with the National Confectioners' Association, October 9, 1915. Ordered placed on file.

At the hour of 1:00 p.m. a recess was taken until 2:30 p.m.

The Commission reassembled at 2:30 p.m.

Joseph M. Davies, Chairman
Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
William J. Harris
Will H. Parry
George Rublee

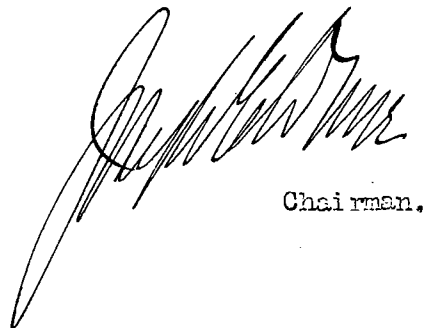
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The Commission took up the consideration of annual estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917. The estimate of the Administrative Department was referred to Commissioners Parry and Harris for a report on suggested economies. That part of the Economic Department's estimate relating to uniform accounting was referred to Commissioner Hurley for recommendations.

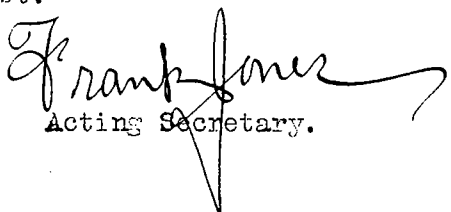
Ordered, that embossed stationery shall be used only by the Commissioners, and that the use of same be carefully restricted in the interests of economy.

At 5:30 p.m. the Commission adjourned to meet at 10:00 a.m., October 13, 1915.



Chairman.

Attest:



Acting Secretary.

MEETING OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

OCTOBER 13, 1915, 10:00 A. M.

- Joseph E. Davies, Chairman
- Edward H. Hurley, Vice Chairman
- William J. Harris
- Will H. Parry
- George Rublee

Commissioners Parry and Harris, to whom had been referred the estimates of the Administrative Department, reported recommending a consolidation of the Office of the Chief Clerk and Division of Accounts and Supplies, with the Secretary's Office, to occupy Room No. 915, the same resulting in material economies, which were adopted.

The Commission took under further consideration the annual estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

Commissioner Hurley made an oral report on the Franklin Country Coal Operators Association, Informal Complaint No. 1-3.

Commissioner Hurley made an oral report on suggested economies in appropriation for uniform accounting and association reports (Economic Division), which was adopted.

The appointment of Thomas H. Claffey as Clerk to Commissioner Hurley, vice Elmer J. Davidson, transferred to Commissioner Rublee, was confirmed, at a salary of \$1300 per annum, until otherwise ordered.

Commissioner Parry reported that letters requesting promised exhibits at Foreign Trade and Lumber hearings had been sent out.

The Commission adjourned to meet at 10:30 a.m., October 14th, 1915.

[Handwritten Signature]
Chairman.

Attest: *[Handwritten Signature]*
Acting Secretary.

