

NEGRO LABOR UNLIKELY

**CONDITIONS IN NORTHWEST NOT
PARTICULARLY ATTRACTIVE.**

**State Labor Commissioner Hoff Sees
No Good Reason for Threatened
Importation From South.**

SALEM, Or., March 2.—(Special.)—That the South need feel no fear that the Pacific Northwest will draw heavily on the negro labor market of that district, is the belief expressed in a letter forwarded today by State Labor Commissioner Hoff to Mandel Sener, secretary and manager of the Chamber of Commerce at Bern, N. C. Mr. Sener had written that there were indications that negro labor is being attracted to the North and West by high wages, better conditions and the necessity growing out of industrial strife.

Mr. Hoff points out in his letter that there is no industrial strife of any magnitude in the Northwest and that, therefore, he sees "no good reason for the threatened importation of labor from the South or elsewhere to fill places for striking workmen."

In his letter Mr. Hoff says:

"So far as it has come to my knowledge, officially or otherwise, there is no distinction drawn in the different industries of this section of the country as between white and colored labor, nor do I anticipate a disposition to differentiate upon that score in the immediate or remote future."
