

Italians Not Locked Out.

Superintendent Albee also denies the statement that the railroad is going to dispense with Italian labor entirely. He says any of the Italians who are now working or desire to work can do so. The only exception is that made in regard to the leaders who have caused trouble or attempted to keep others from working.

Referring to reports that the Hindus are armed and looking for trouble, Supt. Albee says:

"At the beginning of the trouble, the local management simply took steps to protect the property of the railway company and to afford protection to any men who desired to work. As far as the Hindus are concerned, they are a peaceable people when not molested. The management is endeavoring to keep them off the streets and to confine them as far as practicable to the premises of the company, also, to discourage the carrying of weapons or the use of force in any way, except as a matter of last resort in the case of self defense.

"The superintendent of the Pacific division has no authority to increase the rate of wages beyond that paid on adjoining divisions or other roads in the same territory."