

Maddox Union Signs; Plywood Parley Waged

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An 8 1-2-cent per hour package wage increase was accepted by members of the Maddox Workers' Union of the Maddox Table Company Wednesday, ending negotiations on the one-year contract.

The new contract will go into effect May 1, replacing the current pact which expires Sunday.

The negotiations resulted in a five cent an hour wage increase, four paid holidays, increased hospitalization benefits and time and a half pay for Saturday work.

The contract was negotiated by Santino Cicchini, union president, and the union negotiating committee, with William Shearman and James F. Moran, Sr., representing the company.

Meanwhile negotiators at Pearl City Plywood Company were working against time to produce a contract before 9 A.M. Friday, when a strike is scheduled there by Local 84, United Furniture Workers (CIO).

Talks have been held daily this week in endeavor to find a satisfactory contract for the new union. Harry H. Simms, general manager of Pearl City, said most difficulty lies in forming the new contract.

"It is always hardest to write the first contract," he said.