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LOW FREIGHT RATES IN EFFECT AFTER MAY 30

FULL SCHEDULE OF RATES FOR LA GRANDE OFFICE.

Oregon Railroad Commission Has Prepared a Full Schedule of Rates, Which Become Effective After May Third—Result of Sweeping Decision Made by the Commission Recently—Material Reduction in All Classes of Freight—The Complete Rate Schedule on All Classes of Freight From La Grande.

Through the courtesy of the Oregon Railroad commission, The Observer is in position to publish the differences in freight rates which become effective on May 3, as a result of the ruling made by the commission some time ago.

These rates are applicable to all points on the O. R. & N. east of The Dalles, when the shipments are consigned to Portland or vice versa. There is material reduction in all classes. This reduction was provided for several weeks ago but it is only recently that the commission named the date on which they are to become effective.

La Grande Rates.

On all freight shipments from La Grande to Portland, the rates after May 3 will be lowered as follows, the

first named figure being the rate now in effect:

On first-class matter, reduced from \$1.33 to \$1.15; second-class matter, from \$1.14 to 95 cents; third-class matter from 94 cents to 81 cents; fourth-class matter from 80 cents to 69 cents; fifth-class matter, from 64 to 58 cents; class A matter, from 60 to 53 cents; class B, from 52 to 46 cents; class C, from 42 to 35; class D, from 32 to 29 cents, and class E matter from 26 to 23 cents.

Classes 3 and 4 are the ones which especially appeal to Grande Ronde shippers. Under class 3 come all apple and potato shipments, while class 4 takes wheat and other grain shipments. As these are the main items in the county's commerce, the reduction of 13 and 11 cents respectively on the 100 pounds will mean that buyers can afford to pay higher comparative prices than heretofore.

Will Remove Embezzler.

Havana, Cuba, April 29.—Governor General Magoon today signed an order for the release of Colin Harbottle, whose extradition was sought by the Toronto police on a charge of having embezzled \$20,000 from a Toronto club last November.

Adolph Newlin made a business trip to Imbler this morning.

OFFSPRING OF OLD SAILORS SMASH ENEMYS ELOPE SALOON PROPERTY

RUMORS THAT SCANDAL WILL BREAK OUT VERY SOON.

New York and Fort Worth, Texas, in High Pitch of Excitement Over Supposed Elopement of the Son of the Railroad Official Whom Harriman Downed, and Daughter of the Victor—No Definite News Available—Believed Couple is Married.

Fort Worth, Texas, April 29.—Has Stuyvesant Fish, Jr., eloped with the daughter of E. H. Harriman?

This is the question that friends of the young man in this city are asking today, but nobody knows the answer. Conflicting reports concerning the elopement are extant in New York. The basis of the story is a rush message sent from New York from Fish, sr., the railroad man, asking railroad officials in New York to ascertain the whereabouts of his son. Then followed a rumor that he had eloped with Miss Harriman. Last night another message came from Fish stating that his son was neither missing nor married. But this message has not stopped the elopement stories and the friends of Fish, Jr., are looking for more details today.

Fleet to Visit Fiji Islands.

Suva, Fiji, April 29.—Announcement has just been made that the American fleet will visit here on its trip across the Pacific.

FLEET SAILORS TAKE HAND IN ROUGH HOUSE.

Charged Santa Barbara Saloonkeeper With Setting Exorbitant Prices on Beer and Other Goods—Furniture Resembles Debris After a Cyclone When the Indignant Sailors Get Through—Police Arrest Rioters—Feeling Runs High.

Santa Barbara, Cal., April 29.—Indignant sailors from the Atlantic fleet wrecked a saloon and restaurant belonging to John Senich. They smashed the window glass and beer bottles and made the inside of the place look like it had been struck by a tornado. Senich is one of the local saloon men who has been charging sailors 50 cents per bottle for beer, and 25 cents for sandwiches. It took but a few minutes to wreck his joint. Midshipmen and the naval police quickly arrived and arrested the recalcitrant sailors. Feeling is running high among both civilians and sailors, as the sailors have been charged shameful prices for inferior goods while here.

The damage to the wrecked place will amount to about \$60.

The men had been controlled with difficulty all day yesterday because of frequent outbursts of anger over the exorbitant prices and the treatment which they received from shopkeepers of this place. Today groups of angry sailors are congregating along the waterfront and the provost guard of the naval police are being strengthened in order to prevent another outbreak.

The trouble started in the Senich restaurant when sailors were charged \$6 for supper. The men paid and then spread the news of their treatment. In a short time there was a crowd about the place and after removing all American flags from the building they rushed in and within a few minutes made a wreck of the place.

BUILDING NEW COLD STORAGE

GRANDE RONDE MEAT CO. PLANS BIG IMPROVEMENT.

Addition to Packing Plant at Oro Dell Now Under Construction—Company Will Spend Nearly \$4000 on New Ice-Making Machinery and Roomy Structure—Cement Floor Now Being Laid—Will Supply Adequate Cold Storage Room—Company Composed of Local Men.

Work has been started by the Grande Ronde Meat company which will, when completed, mean a modern and fully equipped cold storage.

The cement flooring of a one-story building, which is to measure 34x50 feet, has been commenced. This floor space is to be divided off into suitable rooms, and will be an addition to the packing plant and slaughter house now in use at Oro Dell. In addition to the cold storage there will be a boiler room and a structure for the ice machine. All these various equipments are to be installed as rapidly as possible.

At present the company contemplates supplying adequate cold storage rooms for its own use exclusively. It does, however, plan to manufacture sufficient ice for its downtown markets.

Modern ice-making machinery and a substantial steam plant will characterize the equipment which is to be installed. The total outlay, when the plant is completed will be close to \$4000.

More "Friendly" Visits.

Pekin, April 29.—Claiming that the visit is purely friendly, another Japanese cruiser squadron has made its appearance in Chinese waters. The

Cake Wants Chairmanship. Portland, April 29.—The republican state central committee is in session here this afternoon. William M. Cake, a brother of Judge H. M. Cake, the senatorial candidate, is the leading candidate for chairmanship. Union county is represented by Attorney C. E. Cochran.

Chinese do not accept the friendly protestations and declare that the visit of the fleet is purely to frighten the Chinese into abandoning the anti-Japanese crusade. The people are furious. The squadron is at anchor at Chingwang, near Taku. It consists of four cruisers.

BISHOP MARKED FOR DEATH.

San Francisco, April 29.—Warned by government secret service men that Korean enemies had plotted to assassinate him upon his arrival in this city, Bishop Merriman Colbert Harris was taken from the steamer Korea upon his arrival here today and taken in a revenue cutter to Oakland. Harris was a supporter of Durham W. Stevens in Korea.

Government officials were warned that Koreans had marked the bishop for death.

BLOOD SPILLED ON THE FRONTIER

SITUATION IN PERSIA GROWING ALARMING.

Russian Side of the Persian Frontier is Swarming With Armenians Who Have Lost Their Homes at Hands of Outlaw Kurds—Latter Class Said to Number Three Thousand—Cossacks Have Routed a Band of the Kurds in Russia Lately.

Tiflis, April 29.—Situation along the Turkish border is growing more serious and 100 soldiers are now expecting an attack from the shah's Kurds, who are ravaging the southern districts. The Kurds are reported as having massacred 200 villagers near Urmah on April 23. The Russian side of the frontier is swarming with refugees from Armenia, whose homes were destroyed by the bloodthirsty Kurds. The outlaws are said to number 3000. Persia is doing nothing to restore order as a lack of funds prevents a punitive expedition.

Cossacks Successful.

St. Petersburg, April 29.—Beating off thousands of Kurds in repeated cavalry charges, a Cossack detachment which was surrounded in the mountain country south of the Arax river, has completely scattered the outlaws and now a hot pursuit of the broken bands is in progress. The 1000 reinforcements which had difficulty in reaching the surrounded Russian troops, have joined the vanguard and are now participating in the pursuit.

Earthquake at Santa Cruz.

Santa Cruz, Cal., April 29.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here this morning. There was no damage.

VERBAL COMBAT IN FORD TRIAL

FULL LIST OF THE JURORS WHO HAVE BEEN SELECTED

Maintaining That the Public Mind in San Francisco is Such That a Fair Trial Cannot Be Secured in That City, Attorneys Present Arguments for a Change of Venue—In the Ford Trial Victor Rossetti is on the Stand Today.

San Francisco, Cal., April 29.—Arguments in support of Abraham Ruef's motion for a change of venue are being heard today. Ruef's attorneys declare the state of the public mind in San Francisco is such that he could not get a fair trial.

The Ruet jury was completed last night.

Ford Trial Progresses.

In the Tiley L. Ford trial today Victor Rossetti, of the Wells Fargo bank, was the first witness called. He testified as to deposits of the United Railways company after the fire. None of the money secured at the mint by Ford appeared in these deposits and the prosecution declares this money was used for bribery purposes.

Calhoun Starts Combat.

To save himself the stigma of being compelled to refuse to answer on the ground that it might incriminate himself, attorneys for Patrick Calhoun put up a desperate defense today to keep the traction magnate off the witness stand in the Tiley L. Ford trial. Without any warning Calhoun was suddenly called as a witness by Prosecutor Heney. As Calhoun took his seat the defense objected to his being questioned.

Calhoun then refused to answer the first direct question put to him and asked for an opportunity to explain his attitude. Attorneys at once clashed in a bitter verbal warfare. In the end Calhoun was forced to answer the questions put to him.

He gave his residence as Georgia, South Carolina, New York, Cleveland, O., and San Francisco.

He was then asked: "Did you come to San Francisco after April 18, 1904?"

The defense objected. Heney then said that there could be but one reason why Calhoun should refuse to answer. At that Attorney A. A. Moore, for the United Railways company, jumped into the fray and shouted that the prosecution was attempting to make Calhoun a witness against himself and the defense had a right to object to his being a witness.

Judge Lawler finally decided that he would judge the tendency of questions put to Calhoun, and might support or overrule Calhoun's declination to answer them.

Later in the afternoon Calhoun will be examined.

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IT OUGHT TO BE THE HAPPINESS AND GLORY every citizen to live and act that his fellow citizens will esteem him for his goodness, his kindness, and his usefulness. The principles of good citizenship should constitute the code of rules for every kind of business whether public or private. This applies particularly to the drug business, because, owing to the limited knowledge of the qualities of drugs by the general public, it follows that the reliability of the druggist is the chief guarantee of good service.

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