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## MAY APPEAL RATE DECISION.

La Grande and other interior towns who are jubilant over the outcome of the Spokane rate case in which interior towns received consideration of a material sort at the hands of the interstate commerce commission will have to carry the fight still farther if a new article treating on this subject, and appended, is authoritative.

Conviction spread among Portland shipping interests that the transcontinental railways will fight the Spokane rate decisions of the interstate commerce commission. From California comes the statement that the losses in business sustained recently by the railways will be present-

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ed to the commission as ground for a rehearing. It is assumed that this will be denied. Then the logical procedure will be to go before the court of commerce for an injunction against the rate ordered by the commission taking effect October 15. In the event that this is denied, and the court of commerce refuses to extend relief to the railways, the next step is problematical, but is generally apprehended to be a horizontal increase in both terminal and interior rates on the transcontinental lines.

Many facts point to a determined railway opposition to the commission's intermountain decisions. The July statements by the Northern Pacific show loss of \$1,000,000 in revenue for a similar period last year. President Howard Elliott emphasized while here recently that the Northern Pacific for the present fiscal year is 9 or 10 per cent behind in its general income. Other roads of the west complain of losses equally great, or nearly so. Where such losses are being sustained under present revenues, the railway people ask how they can be expected to accept a reduction in charges which will aggregate 10 to 40 per cent in certain interior traffic.

Another loss being suffered by the railways is more significant than that in gross earnings. There is an alarming increase for the fiscal year ending June 30 in Panama isthmus tonnage. On the Panama railroad the east bound tonnage for the fiscal year increased 110 per cent and west bound tonnage more than 100 per cent.

With the big lines losing revenue and tonnage this year and their terminal business all threatened with absolute destruction when the canal is opened unless they can cut rates further, the railways are on the horns of a dilemma. If they cut at the terminals to meet the boats, the commission will demand a proportionate cut on interior business, and with the loss of much terminal business as is inevitable from independent steamship competition, the railway men declare they cannot cut on anything.

This situation seems to bring the transcontinental lines to the conditions which were feared after the canal opened. Far sighted traffic men insist that the canal will force the railways out of the terminal haul, so long as the Spokane decisions stand, and this will mean that they must raise rates for interior shipments. To raise for the interior, they must raise at the terminal also. To increase at the terminal means turning the whole business there over to the boats, making interior traffic bear the whole burden of the railway systems of the west.

For five weeks the traffic men of the railways have been working on the problem at Chicago. They must act before October 15. As that time approaches, the attitude of the railways becomes the all-absorbing topic of the west, for something revolutionary is expected.

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## WOODARD VINDICATED.

Grand Jury Finds Baker Man Was Unjustly Accused Recently.

(Baker Herald.)

Mike Woodard is receiving the congratulations of his friends today as the result of his vindication by the action of the grand jury last evening in returning a not true bill on the charges brought against him by Mrs. Orr and on which an information had been filed against him by the district attorney.

Mrs. Orr told a highly sensational story to the effect that Woodard had roughly treated her with the result that she spent a couple of weeks in the hospital. She said that she had been taken to Woodard's house by the cab driver when she stepped from an evening train and that the assault had been committed in his house.

The case required nearly two full days of the grand jury's time and was

fully investigated by that body, a large number of witnesses having been subpoenaed. Mr. Woodard's defense was that he told the woman that when he found her in his house he asked her to go away and that he then went to his own room and knew nothing further about the case.

Woodard was not arrested and was at liberty on his own recognizance all the time the case was being investigated.

## Notice of Impounded Stock.

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of September, 1911, I took up while running at large in the city of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, the following described animal, to-wit:

One aged bay horse, fifteen hands and three inches high, weight about 1125 pounds, branded with a W. with no shoes on, had bell on at time of impounding.

That I impounded said animal in the city pound of the city of La Grande, Oregon, under and by virtue of an ordinance thereof, and will, unless the owner claims and pays the costs of keeping and impounding said animal, at the expiration of ten (10) days from this notice, I will advertise and sell said animal as provided by the ordinance of the city of La Grande, Oregon.

Done and dated at La Grande, Union county, Oregon, this 18th day of September, 1911.

J. W. WALDEN,  
Chief of Police of the City of La Grande, Oregon.

DR. P. A. CHARLTON, Veterinary Surgeon. Office at Hill's Drug store, La Grande. Residence Phone, Red 704; Office Phone, Black 1361; Independent Phone 53; Both Phones at Residence.

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