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ASTORIA PUTS RATE DEMANDS BEFORE PUGH

RAILROAD OFFICIALS SHOW A KEEN INTEREST IN THE HEARING TODAY.

UPHEAVAL OF PRESENT RATES ROAD'S FEAR

Astoria Terminal Rates Wanted and C. W. Fulton Appears for the Columbia River Town—Puget Sound Nearer Claim Railroads—Fulton Answers That Grades Are Easier.

Portland, June 30.—The taking of testimony in the city of Astoria's fight for terminal rates equal to those in force to Puget Sound ports began here today before Examiner Pugh of the interstate commerce commission. All of the testimony gathered will be submitted to the commission itself and later arguments will be heard in Washington. In his opening statement, Fulton purported to show that Astoria is now discriminated against in favor of the Northern ports.

Edward Ostrander, a rate expert of the Oregon railroad commission, testified that rates are higher between inland empire points and Astoria, than with Puget Sound points.

All of the railroad companies affected apparently were aligned solidly against Astoria, their representatives declaring previously to the opening of the hearing that they will resist all efforts of the Columbia river city to become a terminal on the grounds that the distances are greater to Astoria than to the Puget Sound from the east and that the entire rate fabric will be overturned.

On the other hand, Attorney C. W. Fulton, counsel for Astoria, declared the matter of distances paled into insignificance when it is considered that on account of curves and grades a single 110 ton locomotive can haul only 600 tons of freight over the mountains to Puget Sound, while the North Bank railroad can haul 4,000 tons to Portland in much less time and the same water grade obtains from there to Astoria.

ASSESSMENTS COMPLETED.

Assessor's Office Now Arranging the Tax Roll for 1914.

With all assessments made, County Assessor Couch is now devoting the energies of his office upon writing up the tax roll. This will not be completed for a period of about two months, and not until then will the exact assessed valuation of Union county be known, yet it is predicted there will not be much variation from last year. The extremely high assessments have been pruned somewhat and the ridiculously low ratings have been increased slightly with the result that the assessor thinks there has been more uniformity than before.

German Teachers Meet.

Chicago, June 30.—The National German Teachers' association will open a three day session in the Hotel La Salle tonight, with President Reinberg of the Chicago board of education, and several school officials present to extend a welcome. Dr. Leo Stern of Milwaukee, president of the association, will respond. Sessions will be held each forenoon, the afternoons being devoted to sight-seeing tours.

Colonel on Trip.

New York, June 30.—Col. Roosevelt motored from Oyster Bay and left early today for Pittsburgh. The Colonel said he never felt better. He is scheduled to dine with a number of progressive leaders in Pittsburgh this evening and later will deliver an address at the exposition hall.

MISS ICY WAREHAM, AND FATHER-IN-LAW OF DUKE SHE SUES FOR \$100,000 FOR BREACH OF PROMISE.



Miss Icy Wareham, who is described in New York as a "dog fancier who has exhibited in many shows in the east," has sued Eugene Zimmermann, the Cincinnati millionaire, for \$100,000 for breach of promise. Mr. Zimmermann is father-in-law of the Duke of Manchester.

"We shall stand by him," said the

duke the other day when he was asked what action would follow.

Miss Wareham says Mr. Zimmermann promised to wed her four years ago and has continued ever since to promise her. Yet when she brought him to the point he found cause for delay. Little is known about the woman. She has nothing to do with New York society, as has been stated.

ADJOURNMENT OF COURT DUE

VACATION TO BE TAKEN UNTIL JULY 13.

Elgin Case Tried and Elgin Man Arraigned—Couple in Trouble.

When the case now before Circuit court is disposed of, which will be some time today, Judge Knowles will adjourn court until July 13, being in Wallowa county in the meantime.

Elgin Case Settled.

Last evening Circuit court disposed of a case appealed from the justice court in Elgin. H. H. Barber brought action against M. A. Mills and wife over a lease of some land. The jury found for the defendants.

Elgin Man Pleads Guilty.

Herman Breashears of Elgin was arraigned last evening on a charge of assault and battery upon W. H. Beuhl of Elgin. He will be sentenced July 13 as he pleaded guilty.

Willard Brown and Stella Barber, said to be Portland people were arraigned this morning on an adultery charge and pleaded not guilty. They were released on bonds.

With the courtroom strewn with a mixture of hairbrushes, shaving soaps and shaving outfits, gloves, combs, shirts, gauntlets, blankets, watches and a score of other articles that might be found in a general merchandise store, the state case against J. C. Rooney and Dan McKenzie who are charged with burglarizing Imbler and Cove stores, was before circuit court today. The state rested its case about 9:30 after having put various witnesses on the stand in an effort to identify the goods on exhibit in the court room as belonging to the stores that were robbed on May 17. The state asserts the goods were taken by Rooney and McKenzie.

Mr. Rooney was the first witness called by Attorney Eberhard, counsel for the defendants who are tried jointly, and he told of being in Baker from the 12th of July to about the 20 when he started for La Grande in company with McKenzie, and of working here until after the 21 and then starting East again, asserting he had not been in Cove, where the robbery took place since 1912.

The case was concluded and sent to the jury just before three o'clock this afternoon.

HOYT ELECTED CLUB PRESIDENT

SPORTSMEN PREPARE FOR ANNUAL FISH DAY.

Fishing to Occur on July 19 and Big Fish Feed on the 21.

L. M. Hoyt, city water superintendent, was last night elected president of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club, a local sportsman's association, and the association set July 19 as the first annual field day.

Mr. Hoyt succeeds the late J. M. Kohl as president. Following the election of an executive, the association proceeded with many of the arrangements for the field day which will be devoted chiefly to fishing. A committee consisting of President Hoyt, Deputy Game Warden W. E. Leffel and S. D. Crowe was named to draft the rules and regulations governing fish day. Roughly stated, the members of the association will go out after fish and on their return each man's catch will be weighed and registered. Two field captains will be appointed and after the day's sport is over, sides will be chosen up.

The cooked fish will be served to the members who have their cards on July 21, at the Foley grill, and on that occasion it is likely that the greatest feast on fish ever held in the city will be staged.

Various rules and regulations will be formulated by the committee having the day in charge. A prize will be awarded to the man catching the largest fish.

EPWORTH LEAGUERS SELECT UNION AS NEXT HOST CITY

The last day of the Epworth League convention found many things yet to be done and most of the morning hours were spent with routine business pertaining to the winding up of affairs for this year. Union was chosen as the next convention city and the slogan now is "Boost for the big 1915 convention at Union."

This afternoon the program was

WILSON TURNS BACK WHEN HE IS CRITICIZED

SECOND FEMINE INVASION OF WHITE HOUSE OCCURS THIS AFTERNOON.

WHITE PARASOLS AND WHITE SHOES FEATURES

President Wilson Presented With Copies of Resolutions Drafted at the Chicago Convention—Mrs. Harvey Wiley Leads Procession Which Acts on Eve of Committee Action.

Washington, June 30.—Demanding votes for women, several thousand women from every part of the country swooped on the White House today. It was the second feminine invasion of this kind within a few months. Its leaders admitted that they had picked their time, because tomorrow the Rules committee meets. They hoped this body would pass a suffrage rule, along with the scheduled business of considering the prohibition rule. They urged President Wilson to see the committee took such action.

Affair for State—Wilson.

This was the second time women have called and it was the second the President dodged the issue. The President told them that he believed women suffrage was a question for the states to settle, not for federal government officials to settle.

Back Turned on Delegation.

When the delegation attempted to heckle him he abruptly turned and walked into the east room leaving the women gazing in open-mouthed astonishment. Most of the women expected to shake hands with the President but they were given no opportunity.

Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, wife of the famous pure food expert, headed the delegation. She appeared in the role of head of the District of Columbia Branch of the Federation of Women's clubs, which federation recently endorsed the votes for women cause. Carrying their yellow banners and wearing broad ribbons on their shirtwaists, the women marched to the executive offices.

The parade was an even mile long they said. The women were "dressed" up in white shoes and white parasols and carried the resolutions to the President which were adopted at the Chicago convention of federated women's clubs.

APPEAL TO BE TAKEN.

So Far as Known Now, City Intends to Appeal Rider Case.

That the city is going to appeal the decision of the circuit court jury giving Mrs. Rider a \$250 damage verdict yesterday for injuries alleged to have been sustained in a fall on a sidewalk some time ago, is the belief expressed in city circles. Although final action will probably not be taken until the commission meets, it seems certain that the verdict will be appealed.

Croats and Servians in Bloody Hand-to-Hand War

Hundreds Slain in House-top Fighting—Emperor of Germany to Attend Ferdinand's Funeral

Budapest, June 30.—More than two hundred were killed and wounded at Mostar the capital of Hersegovina in the fighting between the Servians and Mohamedan Croats. The battle is a result of the assassination of Ferdinand and his wife. It was reported this afternoon that Mostar was burning. The Croats were the aggressors according to dispatches. A mob is invading the Servian quarter yelling threats of death to its inhabitants. The Servians resisted in a desperate battle and held their own until the Croats were reinforced. The outnumbered Servians were driven to their homes and the Croats broke down the doors and chased the Servians to the roofs. The fight raged for an hour from house to house. A dozen villages in the Bosnia province are fighting, according to reports. The Mohammedan and pro Austrians, and Servians who are resisting the Austrians rule regarded the assassination of Ferdinand as a "spiritic" act.

Bodies Arrive.

Metkovich Dalmatia, June 30.—The bodies of Ferdinand and his wife arrived here and were transferred to an Austrian warship anchored in the harbor and were escorted to sea by a squadron of fighting ves-

sels. The warship will reach Trieste on Thursday morning and from there the corpses will be taken on a special train to Vienna arriving there at ten p. m.

German Ruler to Attend.

Vienna, June 30.—The emperor of Germany is going to attend the funeral of Ferdinand in person, it is announced. He is expected Friday and probably there will be no royalties present except the emperor of Germany and the Austrian emperor. Considerable anxiety is felt still for the latter's health. It is thought the presence of any number of visitors of his own rank would be ill-advised. There will be representatives however from a very capital in Europe. The gathering of nobility will be large.

Denial is Made by Richardson.

Baker, June 30.—Through Judge Sam White of Portland, formerly of this city, R. J. Richardson yesterday made answer to the complaint in the suit brought by his wife, Lily T. Richardson, to annul their recent remarriage at Vancouver, Wash., on the grounds that she consented to the ceremony under threat that her life would be taken if she refused. Richardson completely denied the charge of his wife and asks the court to dismiss the action.

Miner Suicides at Cornucopia.

Baker, June 30.—Coroner West received a telephone message from Cornucopia last evening, stating that a minor had committed suicide at one of the camps near there. The coroner was unable to learn the details of the man's name, owing to the noisy condition of the 'phone line. He has delegated Dr. Walsh at Cornucopia to hold the inquest.

President at Funeral.

Washington, June 30.—The President and members of the cabinet, diplomats and several members of the supreme bench attended the funeral of Dr. Pedro Rojas the Venezuelan minister, who died at Atlantic City recently. Military escort and the United States marine band accompanied the body to the church where solemn high mass was celebrated. After the services the body was taken on board the Dolphin at the Washington navy yard and taken to Hampton Roads where it will be transferred to the battleship Kansas and taken to LaGuayra.

Clean Up Day at Park.

Caretaker Thomas is having a clean up day at the park today. Everything in the auditorium is being scrubbed for next week and the seats are being put in place. Last evening's festivities were the last to be held before chautauqua and things will now be put in place and ready for use, the grass will be given a final cutting and the tents got ready for occupants for Mr. Thomas wants every thing spick and span for the big week.

Chamberlain's Secretary on No. Nine.

C. W. James, secretary to Senator Chamberlain, passed through the city on Number nine last evening. Portland bound.

CLIMATIC STATISTICS.

(Readings taken from Government instruments by Observer Benham, and cover the 24 hours ending at 12:30 p. m. today.

Maximum 85; minimum 57.