

### Hearing Set Feb. 28 For Freight Line

Business houses and people of this area who have interest in seeing Oregon Freight Lines continue its service into Curry county, are reminded of the hearing, at North Bend, Monday, Feb. 28, set by the public utilities.

In a court case in lower courts late last year, the decision was awarded in favor of the Oregon Freight Lines, later to be reversed by supreme court, on appeal. This hearing is set to determine the public sentiment.

Oregon Freight Lines were ordered off the roads as of last Saturday.

Text of the notice mailed out: "Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 28th day of Feb., 1949, at the hour of 10 a. m., in the city hall, North Bend, Oregon, a public hearing will be held in this matter before the commissioner or an examiner representing the commissioner, at which time and place all interested parties will be entitled to be present and heard. Thereafter such order or orders will be entered as may be deemed proper in the premises."

The Pilot has learned from any number of sources in this area that much dissatisfaction has been expressed with service offered by Central Transfer, and its settlement of damage claims.



By Harris Ellsworth, M. C.

The organization of the regular legislative committees of the house has been completed. The overwhelming administration majority has been, it seems to me, a little too eager in the matter of patronage grabbing. There has

been a general sweeping-out of professional staff and clerical people by committee chairmen. What happened in the appropriations committee re-organization is an example. I can best let that story be told for you by Congressman John Phillips of California, a member of the committee. The following is quoted from a letter written by him:

"The new 'Fair Deal' could be a little more careful in applying the principles which go with the name, to some of its own actions. There is a storm blowing here in congress, behind the closed doors of committee rooms, over the dismissal of the research staffs set up for the committees, under the Re-organization Act, and their replacement by patronage appointees, or by the return to the previous, unsatisfactory system of borrowing investigators.

"If there was any action of the congress which was non-partisan, it was the adoption of the Re-organization Act. It was put through by men from both parties, and during Democratic control of congress. One of its provisions called for research staffs, for major committees. Prior to that, committees had borrowed investigators from other agencies, or done without. You may well imagine that a man from one government agency was not going to investigate too rigorously no criticize too severely, another agency in the Washington bureaucratic maze; that is, not if he wanted to keep his job. The result: The departments and the agencies, in presenting their cases, had committees at a disadvantage. We knew there was murder being done to the American taxpayer, but we couldn't find where the body was buried.

The Re-organization Act changed that. Men of real ability were brought to the hill, on the assurance that they were safe from the 'spoils system,' and sudden dismissal. I have in mind a man of 12 years experience in the federal trade commission; or men from the FBI, or the outstanding, able group gathered by my own committee, Appropriations. We were unable to get some only

because of the protection they felt the Re-organization Act afforded them. I have told you some of the results of their work..

"These men have been fired by the 'Fair Deal.' Ours were dropped without notice by the chairman of the committee on appropriations, and when they asked if they might not have some notice, or time to look for other jobs, they were told, 'You got your notice on Nov. 2.'

"The same Re-organization Act, which the fair deal has interpreted to give no protection to these men, also says that these research men may not take jobs from federal agencies for a year after they leave the hill. That was intended to prevent an agency from offering a job to an investigator who was getting to know too much about its duplications or extravagances. That is not unknown in Washington.

"Perhaps we can correct this latter difficulty by congressional action, but it is a poor patch on the hole torn in the morale of the research staffs. We will have great difficulty re-creating them in the future. I regret particularly the loss of a staff on the calibre we were able to get together for the committee on Appropriations. Some of them were partners or top flight executives of accounting firms in the east, serving without pay, because they considered it public service and because the Re-organization Act had taken away the sigma of patronage.

"In one committee, the situation was so obvious that Democratic and Republican members united to refuse the approval of certain of the chairman's choices. The majority of the appropriations committee was either better organized or better instructed; the Republicans weren't permitted to ask questions, let alone offer amendments."

### Harry Wolford Rites Held Saturday P. M.

Last rites were held from the Baptist Community church for Harry J. Wolford, 60, who Friday at his Harbor home. Rev. Nick Neufeld officiated, with the rites under direction of Wier's Mortuary. Interment was at the Wm. J. Ward Memorial Cemetery. Born Jan. 18, 1888 at Louisville, Ky., he had lived the past 11 years in the Harbor area. Surviving as his widow, Virginia, and one son, George of Lynwood, Calif.

### "Flower Girls"

The 4-H Flower Girls held their meeting last Friday, at the school. We practiced our song and dance. Then we had our business meeting. Each of us told about our flower gardens. The weather has been so bad, that we haven't gotten to work in them much. We have some sweet peas planted.

We held our Valentine party, having lots of fun exchanging.—Joann Clendenin, reporter.

Mrs. H. J. Weigel is spending a few weeks at Portland visiting relatives.

### Local News Items

Monday, Feb. 7, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hale of Coos Bay, demonstrated the 1949 model standard Underwood typewriters to the school. Mrs. Hale, formerly Anita Byrd of Harbor, stressed accuracy and rhythm as essential in building typing speed. She answered questions, spelled words and added figures while typing, to demonstrate concentration, and typed at various speeds up to and exceeding 100 words per minute.

William McVay is confined to Gold Beach hospital with a bad case of influenza. He is reported to be gaining steadily. Mrs. McVay is remaining in Gold Beach while he is there.

D. F. Massett and son, Dan, came over from Klamath Falls last week. Dan returned there on Wednesday while Mr. Massett remained at his home near the Winchuck. Mrs. Massett remained at Klamath Falls for a longer visit before returning home.

Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at I. O. O. F. hall, Topaz Rebekah lodge. Members urged to attend, and visitors always welcome.

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"THE MISSING TEXT"

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26 .. 11:00 a. m.

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