

NO FIGHT ON ABUSES

Washington Pilot Investigation a Fizzle.

NO CHARGES MADE BY ANYBODY

Bar Service Is Presumably Best We Ever Had—Pilot Staples Suspended—New Board Gets the News.

ILWACO, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Staff correspondence.)—The Board of Commissioners for the State of Washington met at Ilwaco today. They also adjourned. So far as accomplishing anything that has thrown any light on the piloting and towage service is concerned, the business of the day was confined to the aforementioned acts. The commissioners had extended an invitation to the Portland Chamber of Commerce and to the Port of Portland Commission, requesting them to be present to aid in turning on the limelight. Neither of the Portland commercial bodies responded to the invitation, and the investigation, which was expected to be a red-hot affair, was about as exciting as an old ladies' pink tea or an Emersonian discourse.

The proceedings opened with a statement from the secretary that no official complaint had been filed with the commissioners, and in the absence of such complaint, he thought it would be better to dig around and see if they could not find one. Mr. Conner, anxious to please, arose and offered himself as the representative of the O. R. & N. Co. as a subject for investigation. Mr. Conner, with Spartan courage ready to meet all comers. There were no comers, however, and, looking like a man who had started out to hunt for a hare, he bagged chipmunks, he promptly subsided.

Mr. George Washington Woods, the bar pilot, was next called. The formality of an oath was overlooked. Mr. Conner, but the commissioners had read the Portland testimony of Woods regarding the number of ships that had sailed in and out without his services. Mr. Conner insisted on his being sworn. Woods stated that there were plenty of pilots and plenty of tugs, and that the service is the best it has ever known. This statement was substantiated by Pilot Gunderson and Taton, neither of whom seemed to think that the pilot service was inferior to the tug service. In his testimony, Woods added to the terror of the bar by taking off another two feet from the already rather scant depth. He stated that there was but 18 feet at low tide, and that the extraordinary depth of the winter were due almost entirely to this shoaling, which was caused by a succession of gales banking up the sand at the mouth of the river.

Matter of Record. In his remarks, Mr. Conner had asked that the presence of the O. R. & N. representatives, and their willingness to meet all charges against an inefficient bar tug service, be noted on the records of the meeting. In behalf of the pilots, Captain Taton made the same request. Judge Brumbach asked Pilot Gunderson if there had been any vessels lost within the past four years. This inquiry, the inefficiency of either tug or pilot service, and Gunderson answered: "Emphatically no!" Having failed to secure a "rise" with the bait he had been using, Judge Brumbach made a cast in the direction of Conner by calling on Captain Sam Randall for some pointers on bar tug-boating. Conner, who is a member of the board, and stated that the O. R. & N. Co. representatives were there to answer any questions that might be put to them regarding the service, but did not feel called on to go into details of their business without it had a direct bearing on the Pilot Commission investigation. Mr. Conner's point was well taken, and there being no more to be said on the matter, it was dropped.

Trunk Line Mileage Tickets. NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The Trunk Line Association has, in a meeting, virtually decided upon the establishment of an interchangeable mileage bureau, to have charge of the preparation and accounting of 200-mile tickets, interchangeable on any road in the association. Final arrangements, however, have not been concluded. This action is in response to a petition of more than 20,000 merchants in trunk line territory, submitted to the association through the New York Board of Trade and Transportation. The board has been actively engaged on this movement for some time past, and although final details have not been arranged, the outlook seems favorable for the adoption of the interchangeable mileage system.

A Great Terminal Station. NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—A great terminal station for New York and New Jersey street railways will be built west of Sixth avenue, on the blocks between Christopher and Leroy streets, according to the Southern Pacific passenger department. The purchase of property has already begun. The new tunnel company will lease the use of its tracks to the traction companies. The tracks will rise from the tunnel at the Manhattan end to the surface in street on a gentle incline. This will be constructed on two blocks to be bought for the terminals.

Railroad Notes. Some of the Spokane people want a change from Pacific time to mountain time, which is one hour slower. The Great Northern changes time there, but the Northern Pacific changes at Hope, Idaho. The Union Pacific also changes at Huntington, Or. Spokane people think they are at a disadvantage by sticking to time that is too fast for them. Sunset, the monthly magazine published by the Southern Pacific passenger department, is fast gaining size, and its issue for February consists of 84 pages, nearly half of which are occupied with advertising. The work of Luther Burbank in propagating new varieties of fruit and flowers is well described, and it gives the public an insight into interesting technical operations. Joaquin Miller supplies an illustration of a scene on the Snake river. Little People. There is much interesting miscellaneous matter, and the whole magazine is illustrated in the richest manner possible.

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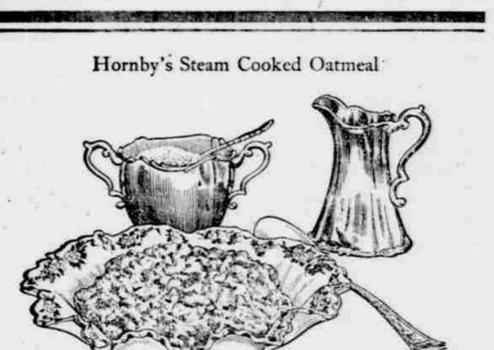


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