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Competition Has Been Eliminated by Great Mergers of Harriman.

TESTIMONY AT SEATTLE

Interstate Commerce Commission Draws Much Information From Ben Campbell and Other Witnesses.

SEATTLE, Jan. 21.—The first hearing on the Pacific Coast line of the Interstate Commerce Commission, held at the Federal court room at Portland, Ore., today, was the first of a series of hearings on the proposed merger of the Oregon, R. & N. and the Southern Pacific.

Ben Campbell, first witness, president of the Great Northern and head of the traffic department of that road, who was formerly connected with the traffic department of the Harriman lines as assistant to J. C. Stubbs, was the first witness examined today. Mr. Campbell was at the head of the traffic department of the O. R. & N. before the merger with the Southern Pacific.

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LUCAS REGARDS SEATTLE AS HIS

Head Northwestern League Boasts He Will Have No Fight to Retain City.

NO FEAR OF OUTLAW BALL

Assures Fans He Will Have Strongest Team in History of the Northwest, With Possibly Eight Cities on the Circuit.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special).—That there is no likelihood of the Northwestern League being compelled to make a fight to retain Seattle is the opinion of President W. H. Lucas, who just returned from the East and will remain here two days before proceeding to Seattle to attend the Northwestern League meeting.

He predicts that the Coast League will not have a team in Seattle at the opening of the season, and that the Northwestern will be at liberty to occupy the territory by default. He leaves no room to doubt, however, that if it becomes necessary outlaw ball will be resorted to.

Portland Clear Out of It. He tells of President Bert's motion before the National Baseball Association meeting, which at first looked like a scheme to draft Spokane and Vancouver into the Coast League, and says it was altered at his demand to permit the acquisition of Stockton, San Diego, San Jose and Sacramento, which he construes as an indication that the Coast League is preparing for an all-California circuit and the abandonment of Portland as well as Seattle.

Clark has been a lot of talk about outlaw ball, said President Lucas, "but there is nothing to it. There is no reason why the Northwestern League should go outlaw, and I have no intention of doing so. We are going to have the strongest league in the history of the Northwest, and will have a number of strong teams with us. All I can say about Seattle is that that city will be represented in the Northwestern League. I regard Seattle as the metropolis of Northwestern baseball, just as New York is the center of things in the big leagues."

Six Teams in the League. "We are going to have at least six teams in the league and possibly eight. Seattle, Vancouver, Gray's Harbor, Tacoma, Butte, Helena and Spokane are the teams from which the league will be chosen."

"They are going to have a strong team in Helena and have taken up the proposition with a will. Helena is a greatly improved city, and is as one of the most promising cities in the league. Vancouver is another good town. They have about 70,000 people there, and are live and up-to-date."

Will Vote on Gray's Harbor. "Gray's Harbor was a good member last season, and stood for a heavy fine. We are going to let them retain their membership. They are entitled to consideration, and I know of no intention on the part of the league to force them out. The whole matter will come up before the meeting of the league, which is to be held Friday at the Hotel Butler in Seattle. At that time the members will be voted on and the decision of the league will be determined."

"Salt Lake will not be in the league this year, judging from present indications. Salt Lake is too far away from us to make it feasible for the league to consider taking them in. They have been wanting to come in, and I have a telegram now asking for them to be admitted. This matter will be decided at the coming meeting."

THE DAY'S HORSE RACES. At Oakland. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—Oakland race results: Three and one-half furlongs—Atlantic won; Bonheur second, Billy Myer third; time, 0:43 1-5.

Seven furlongs—Santa Ray won, Edith James second, Alice Carey third; time, 1:30 1-5. One mile and one-eighth—Irish won, Isabelle third, time, 1:39 1-5. One mile—Captain Budnett won, Invader second, Westwick third; time, 1:45 2-5.

Two furlongs—Blond won, Heldeston second, The Borgan third; time, 1:17. NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 21.—The races were to the Fair Grounds today for a two weeks' trial. Results: Five and one-half furlongs, selling—Bessie won, Old Tyme second, Impertinence third; time, 1:07.

Three furlongs—Shirley Rosemore won, Devolve Dawn second, Ruby Wick third; time, 0:57 1-5. Six furlongs—Kantastic won, Mortimer second, Dargy third; time, 1:11 2-5.

One mile and 70 yards—Beau Brunel won, Besterling second, Missouri Lad third; time, 1:44 2-5. One mile and 20 yards—Flattery won, Riskey second, Borden third; time, 1:42 3-5.

One mile and 20 yards, selling—Cam-paigner won, Oberon second, Zick Abrams third; time, 1:42. One mile and one-eighth, selling—Lady Elman won, Foreigner second, Omar Khan third; time, 1:48 3-5.

At Los Angeles. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 21.—Ascot race results: Six furlongs—The Major won, Elfin King second, J. Todd third; time, 1:11 2-5. Seven furlongs—Canopian won, Uncle Henry second, Taylor George third; time, 1:25 1-5.

One mile and one-half furlongs—Gold Biter won, Angelo second, Fred Mulcaugh third; time, 1:07 1-5. One mile, handicap—Lord Stanhope won, San Alviso second, Milners third; time, 1:42 1-5.

Four furlongs—Yalio won, Louis Fitzhugh second, Vinton third; time, 1:02. One mile—Mandarin won, Standover second, Oratorian third; time, 1:41.

TEST TITLE TO COAL LANDS Case Against Gould Corporation Important One in Utah.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 21.—The Utah Fuel Company and the Pleasant Valley Coal Company, Gould corporations, against which the Federal Government recently instituted suits to annul title to certain coal lands in Utah and to force an accounting for coal already mined from these lands, must defend these suits in the Federal court for the District of Utah, according to

a decision rendered today by Federal Judge John A. Marshall. The two coal companies and the Morton Trust Company, of New York, which is a large holder of their bonds as trustees, entered demurrers, asserting that the court has no jurisdiction over the coal companies, which are New Jersey and New York corporations, and also demurring as to the equity of the Government's case.

All these demurrers were overruled in today's decision by Judge Marshall. Judge Marshall in his decision holds that the enabling act under which the State of Utah was created did not grant to the state any right to dispose of mineral lands, and he intimated strongly his opinion that where the State Land Board disposed of mineral lands as agricultural or grazing lands, even though all parties to the transaction acted in perfect good faith, such mineral lands can be recovered by the Government.

If this theory should be upheld it would mean a general overturning of titles to mineral lands in Utah.

HANDICAP COST HIS LIFE Finlander's Death Indirectly Due to Ignorance of English.

SEATTLE, Jan. 21.—(Special).—Elected from the North Coast Limited at Kansas City, because he could not make a conductor, was the man who was killed by a train at Pinn, in held a few hours later while walking along the track. When the body was brought here and searched, the ticket, with instructions on it to the conductor that Karaman could not talk English, was found in the inside pocket of an inside vest, the old man having put on two vests in lieu of an overcoat. Transportation to New York from Minneapolis and thence to his home in Finland on a Cunard liner was also found.

WEDDED EARLY AND OFTEN Seattle Woman in Trouble Because of Many Marriages.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special).—Elizabeth R. Clark, who has been married three times within the last 11 years, is held under \$1000 bail because her second husband objects to the way in which she threw him off and took up another, A. W. Finn, formerly of Portland.

Clark will prosecute the woman in Pierce County on a bigamy charge, as she had married Finn without obtaining divorce from him.

In defense, the woman says that her marriage to Clark was illegal, because she had been divorced, but ten days after her divorce from Edward Hodgson, when she took Clark's name, Hodgson is still living. The woman deserted Clark, and two of Hodgson's children, given her by the court, and Clark's child, last September while the husband was in jail on her charge against him of drunkenness. She and the Portland man took advantage of the husband's incarceration to marry in Victoria, B. C.

NOT SUICIDE, SAYS THE JURY Full Investigation of Circumstances of Girl's Death Asked For.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special).—The coroner's jury which has been investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of Blanche Day, who was alleged to have committed suicide at the Waldorf dance hall on January 6, completed its labors this evening. The jury found that the deceased came to her death from opiate poisoning and stated that in the jury's belief it was not a case of suicide. The verdict says:

"We have endeavored to secure the attendance of C. R. or Roy Fox, the man who came to Astoria with the deceased, but we have been unable to locate him. Our foreman, under our instructions, has filed a criminal charge against him. C. R. Fox, of inducing a minor to visit a house of prostitution. We further recommend a full investigation of this case by the honorable Circuit Judge and that a grand jury be called for that purpose."

GET JURY IN MURDER CASE Trial of Widdowson Will Be Taken Up Today.

BAKER CITY, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special).—In a special session of court this evening Judge Smith procured the jury to try Alex Widdowson, accused of murder of Willard Moody. Out of a special venire of 30 men, seven were selected, seven needed to try the case. They are: D. T. Voraw, mason; A. A. Hermlston, carpenter; L. S. Probst, capitalist; M. K. Young, farmer; D. L. Wyatt, farmer; C. W. Maters, farmer, and W. J. Welch, capitalist.

The case will be taken up in the morning before the jury, and the first two days will be devoted to the facts of the case, and the third day to the theory of the connection of Alex Widdowson with the case will not be developed until the third day of the trial.

To Avoid Dangerous Crossing. ORISON CITY, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special).—The Southern Pacific Company is planning the construction of an overhead team and pedestrian crossing at Tenth street, where the crossing has been made by a trolley car, and this action is being undertaken because of the weakened condition of the lumber market, due to an overabundance of lumber being shipped from the Pacific Coast lumber markets because of the car shortage.

BUYS MILLION APPLE TREES Spokane Company Puts in Large Order for Irrigated Tract.

TOPPENISH, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special).—The Washington Nursery Company has just closed a contract with the Arcadia Irrigation association of Spokane for the sale of 1,000,000 apple trees. This is believed to be the largest single sale of apple trees ever consummated by any nursery.

The Arcadia company is developing and planting an immense tract of land near Spokane. The Northern Pacific is building a large icehouse above town for use in icing refrigerators. The quantity of fruit shipped from Toppenish makes this action necessary. The company is also building a large warehouse adjoining for hay and

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GRAY'S HARBOR ASSOCIATION RECOMMENDS SHUT DOWN. Millmen Would Restrict Output Next 60 Days Because of Oversupply Due to Car Shortage.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special).—At a meeting of the Lumber Manufacturers' Association of Gray's Harbor this afternoon, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the lumber manufacturers of Gray's Harbor, in the case of a curtailment of production by the cargo mills of the Northwest for a period of 60 days, equivalent to a 30-day shutdown.

Resolved, That the cargo mills on Columbia River, southwestern Washington and Puget Sound are urged to join in a movement looking to such a curtailment.

Resolved, That such curtailment be effective as soon as asserted to by a majority of cargo shippers of the Northwest. The resolutions will be presented to the Pacific Coast Lumber Manufacturers' Association at a meeting to be held in Seattle next Saturday.

Secretary McFarland of the association says that curtailment of the output will be undertaken because of the weakened condition of the lumber market, due to an overabundance of lumber being shipped from the Pacific Coast lumber markets because of the car shortage.

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SOLVING SERVANT PROBLEM

WENATCHEE FARMER WILL IMPORT 50 SCOTCH LASSIES. Wealthy Rancher Off on Philanthropic Mission to Fatherland.

WILL RETURN WITH THE SPRING. WENATCHEE, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special).—Two hundred winsome Scotch lassies are to be brought to Central Washington early next Summer by P. D. Sutor, a prominent rancher, of Wenatchee, who left yesterday to revisit his old home in Scotland, after an absence of 40 years. He guarantees to bring with him on his return at least 50 girls, and relatives have assured him that in his native village alone fully 100 girls are willing to emigrate if the inducements are sufficient.

From adjoining clachans, Mr. Sutor expects to recruit the balance of his party if his plans mature.

Bryan Banqueted at Tacoma. TACOMA, Jan. 21.—William Jennings Bryan was the guest at a banquet this afternoon at which were present leading Democrats of the State and Nation. He spoke for nearly two hours, discussing in detail his justification of Democratic principles of 1896 and 1900.

At noon he was accorded a public reception at the Tacoma Hotel and tonight addressed large audiences at the First Presbyterian Church and the Tacoma Theater.

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Slight Cost for Longer Ride. The hearing terminated on the failure of J. C. Ford, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Coast Company, and Harry M. Adams, assistant traffic manager of the Great Northern, to appear. Both men had

been subpoenaed, but were not in the court when called. They will be heard at Portland.

The agent for the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company and the Southern Pacific at Tacoma, was the first witness called this afternoon. He testified that it cost \$1 more to go East by way of Sacramento and \$3.25 more to go by way of El Paso than from Portland direct. He testified that prior to the merger there was competition between the Southern Pacific and the Union Pacific.

E. P. Ellis, the next witness called, said that he was general agent of the O. R. & N. for Seattle, and that he represented the Southern Pacific. Prior to the merger in 1903, Mr. Ellis said that the Southern Pacific had 22 agents of their own here. He testified that he had received instructions from the O. R. & N. to assume the Southern Pacific business.

Mr. Ellis said that there was practically no freight solicited for shipment on the Southern Pacific to Eastern competitive points. The witness testified that the principal freight originating here for the O. R. & N. was timber and forest products and that it was generally hauled by the Northern Pacific to Silver Bow, Mont., and there turned over to the Oregon Short Line.

No Fight for Freight. Mr. Ellis said that he solicited freight for either of the railroads represented by him in preference to other lines, but that he did not try to influence shippers in favor of one or the other of his roads. He said that he always left the routing of the freight to the direction of the shipper.

The witness said as far as freight bound for the Sound country was concerned, the Southern Pacific was a competitor of the northern lines for freight from points on the Mississippi south of Memphis, Rice, molasses, bananas and other articles were shipped by the Southern Pacific to this territory.

In the absence of J. C. Ford, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Coast Company, John D. Farrell took the stand.

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