

ROAD WINS ITS SUIT

Test Case Under Reciprocal Demurrage Law Fails.

COMPLAINANT HELPS LINE

Man Who Brings Suit Against Northern Pacific Is Called as Witness for Its Contention—Law Is Declared Unconstitutional.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 31.—(Special.)—The test suit instituted about three years ago by the State Railway Commission against the Northern Pacific, under the reciprocal demurrage law, resulted in a decision here today in Superior Court in favor of the company. While originally the suit was expected to test out the constitutionality of the law, today's decision is of slight value in that it was based upon a showing that at the particular time the company was doing all in its power to handle the unexpected increased traffic, and that the company had made every possible preparation for the expected increase than had most shippers. A peculiar feature of the hearing today was that one of the witnesses called to testify in favor of the company's contention was the original complainant, S. J. Somerville, of Napavine. Some time ago Superior Judge Mitchell in the case sustained the constitutionality of the law. The decision today was no surprise to Assistant Attorney-General Lanner, who conducted the prosecution and he announced after the hearing that no appeal would be taken. The law itself provides no demurrage may be exacted when act of God or other unavoidable causes produce the delay. Testimony for the prosecution was given by Railroad Commissioner Lawrence, O. C. Calderhead, of the Commission; Track Expert B. E. Perley and Victor H. Beckman, of the Lumbermen's Association. Witnesses for the company were: W. C. Yeomans, of Pe Ell; C. A. Doty, of Doty; N. J. Blagen, of Hoquiam; and H. L. Somerville, of Napavine, well-known Southwestern lumberman; Vice-president H. C. Nutt and Division Superintendent W. C. Albee, of the Northern Pacific.

SPITE CHARGED TO NEWELL

Ellensburg Indignant Over Director's Testimony.

ELLENSBURG, Wash., March 31.—(Special.)—Director Newell's testimony before the ways and means committee has aroused indignation in this city. In a letter to the Chamber of Commerce a few days ago Senator Wesley L. Jones said that Director Newell expressed great hope that the \$30,000,000 issue would be passed. Men in the city characterized Director Newell's attitude yesterday as deplorable. They believe that he has allowed his personal enmity to Hallinger to overcome his best judgment. It was stated here today that as soon as any definite word is received that the House will not pass the \$30,000,000 certificate bill the High Line Association will immediately take steps to finance the Kittitas irrigation project, for which the Reclamation Service has promised to deliver the water.

CAPTAIN UNDER ARREST

Vancouver Authorities Charge New Era's Master With Manslaughter.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 31.—(Special.)—Captain Cameron, of the steamer New Era, has been arrested on a charge of manslaughter, the cause being the mysterious death by drowning from his steamer of his engineer, on March 27. It had been supposed that the engineer fell from the ship on a stormy night and drowned before his absence was noted, but the police now say they have reason to believe Captain Cameron, who had been missing since the accident, struck the engineer a blow which caused him to fall overboard. The skipper was caught in North Vancouver last night.

INQUEST JUSTIFIES ESTES

Jury Holds Sheppman Blameless for Killing Rannels.

PRINEVILLE, Or., March 31.—(Special.)—George Estes was exonerated from blame in having shot and killed H. C. Rannels by a coroner's jury today. Testimony at the inquest showed that Rannels had opened fire on Estes from ambush, and that after shooting ineffectually three times, Rannels was shot and killed by Estes. After brief deliberation by the jury a verdict of justifiable homicide was returned and Estes was discharged from custody.

LIFE TERM FATE AT 26

Tacoma Judge Sentences Robber Under Habitual Criminal Act.

TACOMA, March 31.—Fred Wallace, alias J. J. Colton, 26 years of age, was sentenced to prison for life by Judge Easterday today, under the habitual criminal act. Wallace was caught after robbing a drugstore, and is the same man who several weeks ago was disassembled from a holdup of a grocery store by the motherly talk of the grocer's wife. There are three other convictions of crime in his record. When sentenced today he said: "It's pretty tough to think of spending all my life in prison. I am not a Jesse James or anything like that, but I know I have been bad. I have been in jail most of the time since I left school, and have had only 16 months liberty in that time."

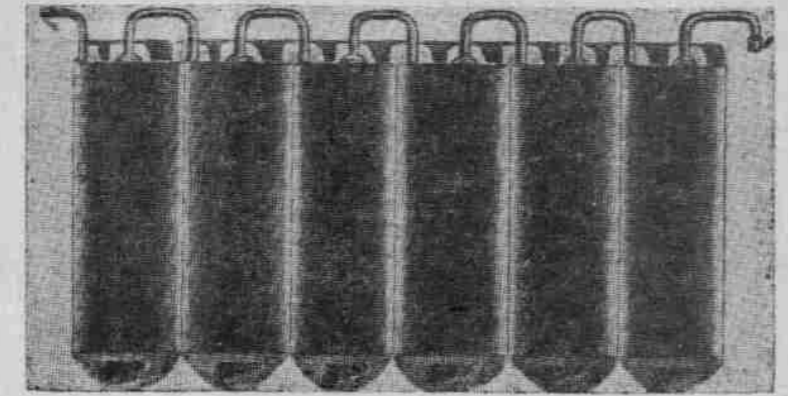
VANCOUVER DAILY SOLD

Victoria Publisher Buys British Columbia Pioneer Paper.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 31.—The News Advertiser, the pioneer and only morning paper of Vancouver, was sold today for \$200,000 to J. H. H. Matson, proprietor of the Victoria Colonist. F. Carter-Cotton, one of the founders of the paper, was the principal proprietor. He is a member of Provincial Premier McBride's Cabinet. The only paper money that is accepted practically all over the globe is not "money" at all, but the notes of the Bank of Eng-

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Commons Debate Straitjacket for House of Lords.

MEASURES GO TOGETHER

Churchill Says Veto and Budget Bills Will Both Be Pressed and Power of Lords Will Surely Be Restricted This Year.

LOS ANGELES MAN HIGH IN

INDIVIDUAL SCORES.

Kruse and Bishop, of Portland, Take Day's Honors for Two Men in San Francisco.

WAR VETERAN SUES CITY

Vancouver, Mayor and Commissioner Parties to Trespass Action.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 31.—(Special.)—Michael Damschoffer, 57, 95 years old, who fought through the Civil War by the side of his son, Michael, 45 years old, today filed suit against the city of Vancouver. J. P. Kiggins, mayor, and T. J. O'Neil, street commissioner, to secure a restraining order from Judge McMaster to keep the city from trespassing upon his property at Thirteenth and F streets.

In the suit the plaintiff alleged that he had been in peaceful possession of the property for 50 years, and had fenced, occupied and cultivated it until March 28, when the street commissioner tore down 160 feet of fence to throw open to the public a street.

The temporary injunction was granted.

SURVEY IS COMMENCED

First Stakes Driven for Albany-Lebanon-Sweet Home Line.

ALBANY, Or., March 31.—(Special.)—Work has begun on the permanent survey for the Albany & Interurban line to Sweet Home by way of Lebanon and the valley of the South Santiam River. The first stake on the survey was driven yesterday afternoon at the intersection of Main street and Salem avenue, in this city, by Dr. W. H. Davis, president of the Albany Commercial Club; J. S. Van Winkle, secretary of the club; Wallace R. Struble, manager of the club, and J. M. Hawkins

BOWLING RECORD MADE

Los Angeles Man High in Individual Scores.

Kruse and Bishop, of Portland, Take Day's Honors for Two Men in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—(Special.)—The fifth night's competition in the Western Bowling Congress being held in this city, resulted in the breaking of a world's record under the existing conditions in the individual tournament.

S. A. Dyeinger, of Los Angeles, set up the remarkable world's record of bowling 882 in the individual score over the six alleys, and D. J. Rubstaller was second with 825. J. H. Barbour, of Portland, followed with 595; C. J. Kruse, of Portland, 583; H. Earl, 571; L. F. Bishop, 557, and M. C. Manamy, 527.

In the two-men tournament the Portland team, Kruse and Bishop, carried off the day's honors, with a score of 1207, just 31 points behind the Los Angeles team, which leads with a score of 1239 set up Wednesday night. Ball and Barbour, another Portland team, were second in the night's highest point scores, with 1114. Rubstaller and Manamy bowled 1035.

The tournament will come to an end Friday night with the annual Pacific individual and two-men team competition. There will be a special match between all star five-men teams Saturday night and the Portland team, Vancouver team and a number of local teams are slated to take part in the bowling.

The Jesse Moore team of this city won the championship of the West in the five-tournament with the high score of 2788. The Eugene of this city, were second, with 2786. Spokane 2734, Yosemite 2717, and San Francisco 2708. Portland, finished in the ruck in this division, with a score of 2429.

A. J. Burchill, of Portland, is scheduled to take part in the individual tournament Friday, the close of the congress.

Y. W. C. A. Conference Is in Session.

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., March 31.—The attendance at the annual Pacific Coast Conference of the Young Women's Christian Association was largely augmented today by the arrival of delegations from the University of California, which heads the list of college delegations. The morning session was entirely given over to business, in order that the delegates might visit the big trees in the afternoon.

Puget Sound Navigator Dead.

SEATTLE, March 31.—Captain William H. Ellis, who had owned and commanded many steamers on Puget Sound, died today, aged 52 years. He served in a California regiment during the Civil War.

Supreme Court Receipts Increase.

SALEM, Or., March 31.—(Special.)—Clerk Moreland, of the Supreme Court, today made his quarterly report to the Secretary of State. The report shows the receipts of the office to have been \$2493.40 for the quarter, about \$550 o. which was derived from the fees for admission to the bar. The receipts of



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Rose Water—The genuine imported Bulgarian Rose water; regular 25c size. Special 15c

Florida Water—Our own bottling; regular 50c size. Special 29c

Hoyt's German Cologne—Manufacturers' 25c size. Special 14c

Ladies' Dressing Combs—Strong, hand-finished, hard rubber combs; regular 40c. Special 25c

We fill prescriptions free of charge for the worthy poor! Simply have the doctor mark "free" and sign his name and there'll be no charge from us for filling it.

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the department for March were \$1927.10, an amount considerably in excess of the average.

ENUMERATORS GET RISE Uncle Sam Increases Pay of Census Men in Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., March 31.—(Special.)—Census Supervisor Guy E. Kelly today received a telegram from Washington notifying him his request for increases in pay for enumerators in this district had been granted.

The London employer, in hiring a shop clerk, insists on an agreement that the latter shall not go into business for himself or enter the employ of another within a certain distance radius and within a certain time limit after leaving his employer.

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Ask to see the Durham Duplex Safety Razor—this is the best safety razor we know of—anyone can shave with it without danger and shave smoothly; entirely different from any other. Use this Razor 30 days and if you are not entirely satisfied, return it and we will refund the purchase price. \$5.00

Ask for free sample cake of Jergen's Violet Glycerine Soap Friday and Saturday.

Packer's Tar Soap—Special, 2 for 25c.

Jergen's Glycerine Soap, 3 cakes in a box, reg. 15c, special, 9c box.

FREE—WILLIAMS' SHAVING SOAP with each shaving brush purchased Friday or Saturday. Our assortment of shaving brushes is one of the best in Portland. You'll admit our prices are the lowest.

Suitcases—Genuine cowhide, steel frame. Splendid values at our regular price, \$5.00, special Friday and Saturday.

Pierce's Favorite Prescription 71c Carter's Dyspepsia Tablets, 85c size, sp'l 59c Charcoal Tablets, large 25c box, special 15c Scott's Emulsion 40c and 79c D. D. D. for eczema 20c and 85c Fairchild's Essence Pepsin, large size 85c California Fig Syrup, only genuine sold 32c Horlick's Malted Milk 38c, 75c, \$2.87 Fulton's Renal Compound for 90c Humphrey's Witch Hazel Oil 20c and 40c Booth's Hyomei 43c and 85c Lane's Family Medicine 20c and 40c Mentholatum 20c and 40c Miles' Anti-Pain Pills for 20c Beecham's Pills for 19c

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Carnation Milk—Special Friday and Saturday. 7c Bromo Seltzer, the manufacturers' 25c size, special 12c Swamp Root—Dr. Kilmer's remedy for back-aches, large size 57c Listerine, the large size, special 57c Duffy's Malt Whiskey, special 67c Borax, powdered, reg. 10c lb, special 5c Burton's Blood Syrup, an excellent purifier, now is the time to take it, large size, special 73c Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, special 67c Sorodent Liquid, manufacturers' 25c size, special Friday and Saturday, 2 for 25c Wilson Whiskey, that's all 79c Pacific Club Bourbon Whiskey, an excellent grade of pure, smooth bourbon. Special 79c Castoria—Only the genuine sold at 7th and Washington—special 17c Liebig's Extract of Malt, an excellent digestive stimulant, tones and invigorates, special 2 for 25c Beef, Iron and Wine—A wonderful tonic stimulant; reg. 75c, special 47c Pure Bicarbonate (Baking) Soda—Full pound box, special 5c Chloride of Lime, full pound box 8c 2 for 15c Violet Ammonia, a full pint bottle of fragrant Ammonia, special 17c Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, the large box, special Friday and Saturday 63c

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