

RATE WAR PENDING ON COAST BOATS

Rival Line Follows Competitor in Adopting New Scale of Charging.

BERTHS, MEALS SEPARATE

Steamships Yale, Harvard, Bear, Beaver and Rose City Now Sell Transportation Exclusive of Meals and Staterooms.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9.—(Special.)—The action of the San Francisco-Portland and Steamship Company yesterday in placing its steamers upon virtually the same basis of operation as those of the Pacific Navigation Company, it is believed will result in the inception of the much-looked-for rate war as a consequence of the service recently inaugurated by the big turbines Yale and Harvard between this port and Los Angeles. The change made by the San Francisco-Portland Company in its rates does not make any material decrease in the cost of the trip, unless the passenger fails to avail himself of the special rate. The rate on the steamer Bear and Beaver heretofore has been \$11.50 and on the Rose City \$10.50.

Luncheon Charge 50 Cents.

Under the new system the transportation on the Bear and Beaver will be \$2.25 and on the Rose City \$2.50. A charge of 50 cents will be made for berths on the main deck and \$1 for berths on the other decks. Breakfast will be a la carte and luncheon and dinner will be table d'hôte. The charge for luncheon will be 50 cents and for dinner 75 cents.

This is practically the same system used on the turbines Yale and Harvard. The second-class rates south on the Bear, Beaver and Rose City remain the same. The new system will become effective with the sailing of the Rose City from San Pedro on February 12 and the sailing of the Beaver from San Francisco on February 15.

Action to Have No Effect.

"We know our service would make the other companies sit up and take notice," said Captain Bennett of the Pacific Navigation Company, today. "The action of the San Francisco-Portland Company will have no effect upon our rates. We are carrying big crowds of passengers and the other companies cannot compete with our steamers or service."

TWIN SHIPS TO BE BOUGHT

Alaska Pacific Company Seeks to Duplicate Yale, Harvard.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—H. F. Alexander, of Tacoma, president of the Alaska Pacific Steamship Company, today confirmed the report that his company would endeavor to buy twin ships similar to the Yale and Harvard, to be used in a fast express service between Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle in connection with those two vessels.

Alexander arrived at the Alexandria yesterday accompanied by his family. He brought his automobile and chauffeur, and plans to pass several weeks in touring Southern California.

The Alaska Pacific Company will place the Admiral Sampson in the Alaska trade this spring, leaving the Buckman and Watson to take care of traffic between San Francisco and the north. These ships make connection with the Yale and Harvard at San Francisco, giving a through service between Los Angeles and Seattle. It is the intention of the Alaska Company when it buys new ships, to operate them in connection with the speedy Yale and Harvard, making an express service between Los Angeles and the far northern ports.

"This spring and summer will see one of the greatest rushes to Alaska in history," said Alexander. "It is expected that 25,000 men will go to Alaska. The enormously rich gold strikes made near Valdez are the attraction. Alaska has not been scratched as yet, and the country is due for a great awakening."

GOOD ROADS BILLS GAIN

House Committee to File Majority and Minority Reports Today.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Consideration of all Senate and House bills pertaining to construction of permanent roads will be taken up in the House at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Since the first of the week the advocates of the bills urged by the Good Roads Association have made inroads in the opposition which for a time threatened to defeat these measures. There is still considerable opposition to the bills sent over from the Senate and a lively and protracted debate is certain to attend their consideration tomorrow.

A week ago the members of the House committee on roads and highways, with the exception of the late Representative Kesteven, were a unit in opposing the bills of the Good Roads Association. Sentiment of the committee has changed materially and a majority of the committee is now disposed to support the measures. The committee, however, will not prepare any report on the Senate bills until before the House convenes tomorrow. A majority of the committee probably will report the measures favorably. They will then be taken up in conjunction with the rival Marine bill which is ready to be introduced in the House with a favorable report.

J. H. Taylor, president of the Umattilla County Good Roads Association, and a delegation of Umattilla County good roads enthusiasts, today assured the members of the House committee on roads and highways that they favored the Marine bill as against the plan proposed by the Good Roads Association. On the floor of the House the opposition to the Senate bills will be directed by Representatives Carter, Miller and Barrett. They have enlisted in support of their fight several of the Representatives from Eastern and Interior Oregon.

PENSION INCREASE ASKED FOR

Memorial to Congress Requests Bigger Pay to Indian Fighters.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Senators Miller and Barrett of Washington have introduced a joint memorial in the Senate, asking for an increase in the amount of pensions granted to the Indian War veterans. The memorial urges this strongly and

sets forth reasons for the increase, the document as submitted to the Senate being as follows:

Two memorialists, the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, would respectfully and earnestly represent to your honorable body that the pension granted to the veterans of the Oregon Indian Wars of 1847, 1848, 1849 and 1850, to wit: Eight (\$8.00) dollars per month, is inadequate to the needs and needs of the few of these old veterans who remain who are the living evidence of the patriotic work performed by them.

That the claims of these men to National recognition and gratitude have been already acknowledged by state and Nation, but in failing to take the proper steps to increase the pension granted to them, the pensioners are left in a state of destitution and the pensioners allowed them entirely too small.

We, therefore, urge your honorable body to pass a bill granting to the veterans of the Indian Wars above mentioned, an increase of pension, thus placing the veterans of all those wars upon an equal footing as respects the amounts paid them by a grateful people.

The number of the survivors of all Indian War veterans is now small; they are old and decrepit, and their ranks are fast becoming depleted, and we feel that their services to state and Nation have been sufficient to warrant the payment to them of the pension equivalent to that paid to the survivors of the Civil War.

It is hereby directed that a copy of this memorial be placed in the files of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and attested by the Chief Clerk of the two houses, and forwarded to each of Oregon's Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Woman Suffrage Action Proposed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—That ever-recurring subject, woman suffrage—has again invaded Oregon's legislative halls. Representative Brownhill today introduced a concurrent resolution proposing the submission to the voters in the general election next year of a constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote. The resolution goes further and would have the Oregon Legislature give its indorsement to the proposed amendment. The resolution has been sent to the committee on resolutions.

Quandary Defeats Hawley's Bill.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Because of a difference of opinion as to whether Dimick's bill providing that the state shall audit all claims, affects the maintenance of the Oregon Agricultural College, Hawley's bill asking \$70,000 a year for that institution has been re-referred to committee to determine the exact status of the Dimick bill.

Peterson Bill Passes.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—W. R. Peterson, Clyde, Mann, Peirce, Reynolds, Smith and Simpson voting, no, the House today passed Peterson's bill prohibiting the intermarriage of whites with Japanese or Hindus. The bill also prohibits such marriages between whites and persons having one-fourth Japanese or Hindu blood.

House Postpones Exposition Bill.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—With one blow the House today cut \$200,000 from the appropriations pending before the Legislature. It was McKinney's bill providing for an appropriation of that amount for assembling and exhibiting at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. The bill was indefinitely postponed on recommendation of the ways and means committee.

House Declares for Clean Pupils.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Members of the House today backed up the Senate in its demand for cleanliness among pupils in the public schools and passed Senator Chase's bill which empowers the Board of Directors of any school district to enforce sanitary regulations governing the personal appearance and cleanliness of untidy pupils.

Stringent Bank Bill Proposed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Senator Oliver today introduced a resolution to be referred to the people asking for a constitutional amendment making stockholders in banks doubly liable for the amount of their capital stock.

Water-Power Bill Passes.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Providing for annual payment on theoretical horsepower for water power development, Carson's bill passed the Senate this afternoon, there being 19 negative votes.

Common Carrier Employes Bill Up.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Provision for a 14-hour shift for employes on common carriers is contained in a bill introduced by Senator McCulloch today.

COFFEE MARKET SHAKY

PRICES DECLINE RAPIDLY AND THEN SOAR.

Private Cables Deny That There Is Any Serious Trouble in South American Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The coffee market was sensationally excited in today's trading. Not since 1903-04 has there been such a fluctuation in prices. The market has been declining rapidly since the middle of January, and although prices at the close last night were something like 1 1/2 to 2 cents a pound below the high point of the season, the opening this morning was at a further decline of from 17 to 42 points. The primary market has been relatively firm since the downward movement started, and with a considerable stock in Santos held above a parity with the local consuming markets, the talk of financial troubles exerted a most bearish influence.

Offerings were absorbed, however, by strong trade interests or shorts at the initial decline and in the middle of the day the market became as sensationally strong as it had earlier been weak. The general covering movement followed private cables absolutely denying that there was any trouble in the Santos market, or that, owing to the recent break in prices, the offering of valuation coffee next April would be withdrawn.

This referred to the announcement made early in the year that the valuation committee in control of more than 5,000,000 bags by the Brazilian government would offer 1,500,000 bags in the world's markets during April.

Connecticut Legislature Divided.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 9.—Reciprocity with Canada was indorsed by the House today, but in the Senate the matter was tabled.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The Mer-

TAFT RUSHES WAR FOR RECIPROCITY

Only Doubt Is as to Senate, Democrats Fearing Taft May Profit.

WILSON ANSWERS GRANGE

President Will Carry Campaign Into West by Speaking at Columbus and Springfield—Lumbermen and Object to Concessions.

WILSON ANSWERS GRANGERS

Secretary Says Farmers Gain Along With Other Interests.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—"The pending reciprocity treaty with Canada will go some distance towards meeting the demands of the people at the last election without interfering with the policy of protection as applied to the whole world."

This is the conclusion of James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, in an answer on behalf of the Taft Administration to the National Grange's declared opposition to the agreement. The answer is in the form of an open letter made public today, addressed to the legislative committee of the National Grange, Concord, N. H.

Mr. Wilson argues that the cost of production in the United States and Canada is more nearly identical than it is between the United States and any other country; that the same difficulties with regard to farm labor exist on both sides of the international line and that Canadian and American farming methods are virtually the same. Mr. Wilson says in part:

"Prices for the necessities of life have been high, and wages and salaries have not kept pace with the increase. There was a demand for lower tariffs in the last election by the population of the towns. That interest carried the election by default. A new Congress was elected along the tariff lines, if it had any instructions from the people."

"This treaty is not one-sided, giving our markets for meats and grains to the Canadians with nothing in return. We get in the Canadian woods, timber products, largely very inferior to our own home supplies, and we are to have free trade in seeds, which is well, because many seeds are more valuable coming from northern latitudes. We do not grow enough of our own to make our soil and derive benefit from the free introduction of flax seed."

"Canada opens her doors to our fruits, which will give to our orchardists a growing market for their products. Fish comes into the United States free, which will mean quite as much to our people as the opening of our markets to Canadian poultry products. We are to have free trade in seeds, which is well, because many seeds are more valuable coming from northern latitudes. We do not grow enough of our own to make our soil and derive benefit from the free introduction of flax seed."

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When Oratory Stops, Farmer Loses.

"The Payne tariff act reduces duties on a great many articles and we have been heavy importers since the passage of that act. That may do no harm; indeed, may be helpful; but whenever these reductions go so far as to permit very heavy importations of goods in those classes the factory stops and the farmer loses his market."

"Reciprocity with Canada must be looked upon from a viewpoint somewhat different from that of a tariff act affecting our commerce with other countries. Localities in both Canada and the United States will be opposed for real or imaginary reasons."

"Our relations with the people of Canada are different from our relations with any other people. In the first place, they are a kindred people and their territory runs from sea to sea, making an oil border. We had reciprocity with Canada not many years ago. That was abrogated more through temporary sentimental considerations than from any other cause."

Trade Relations Will Grow.

"If this reciprocity treaty becomes the law of both countries, our relations with Canada will become more intimate and our trade with her will extend and increase. If this is desirable on the part of Canada, it certainly should be desirable on the part of the people of the United States."

Mr. Wilson concludes that, if the United States handles Canada's surplus wheat, American transportation facilities will tend to reduce the price of bread to the American consumer. He suggests that the Canadians also will be benefited by the trade, for the corn belt of the United States and that meats will be reduced in price by the activities of the American ranchers and homesteaders.

Idaho Favors Reciprocity.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 9.—A canvass of the state on the reciprocity made by the Statesman leads that paper to declare that a vast majority of the people of Idaho favor it. A memorial to Congress urging ratification of the treaty is now pending in the Legislature.

Minnesota House for Reciprocity.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 9.—The House today, by a vote of 62 to 50, killed the resolution directing the Minnesota Representatives in Congress to work for the defeat of the Canadian reciprocity agreement.

More Opium Found on Siberia.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9.—Continuing his search for smuggled opium on the steamer Siberia, Customs Inspector Benninger today found \$500 worth of the drug concealed near the vessel's smokestack, making a total seizure of more than \$5,000 worth since the Oriental liner docked.

Iowa Central Officials Here.

W. L. Ross, vice-president of the Iowa Central Railroad, and B. C. Stevenson, assistant freight traffic manager, will arrive here today for a brief visit with local railroad officials. They are on a tour of the Pacific Coast and will go from Portland to Puget Sound.

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