

INVESTIGATION OF RAIL RATES OPENS

Data Assembled for Detailed Hearing of Distance Tariff Controversy.

TRADE HEADS TO ATTEND

State Commission Will Determine Validity of Contention That Smaller Towns Should Have Better Distributing List.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 14.—(Special.)—With a small mountain of plates and especially prepared tables in readiness, with all of its engineers called in and promise of attendance of members of the Washington Commission, as well as many consumers and railroad men, the State Railroad Commission tomorrow will start what promises to be the most momentous hearing in the history of Oregon railroads when it will pass on the distance tariffs of the O-W, R. & N., the Southern Pacific and the Corvallis & Eastern.

Mileage of these roads cover practically all of the important railroad territory in the state, and while it is probable that when the question is settled by the commission, it will be carried to the highest court, nevertheless the start tomorrow will be the beginning of one of the biggest wholesale price wars that the state has known.

Passenger Hearing Pending.

On the O-W, R. & N. and the Southern Pacific the hearing will relate only to freight rates, as a passenger rate adjustment has been agreed upon by the former road and the question of a passenger rate adjustment on the Southern Pacific is still pending in the courts. On the Corvallis & Eastern, the hearing will affect both passenger and freight rates.

Commissioners Lawrence and Jones, of the Washington Commission, with Assistant Callahan, have both signified their intention of being present. All of the commercial bodies interested along the tracks of all of the roads have been invited to send representatives to furnish testimony, and it is expected there will be an abundance of general officers, however, the start tomorrow will be the beginning of one of the biggest wholesale price wars that the state has known.

Unit Schedules Completed.

Engineers Earle, Wells and Newell, of the commission's staff, are here after spending months in compiling the conditions on the roads and have prepared the most comprehensive schedules, plans and estimates, that have ever been submitted. Engineer Earle and Consulting Engineer Newell have had charge of securing the estimates on the reproduction of the schedules, properties, walls, Engineer Wells has been examining the right of way.

Unit prices have been secured on material in most instances and in many instances unit prices have been secured on more material than has been used on all the roads of Oregon together. These have been based on investigations carried on throughout Oregon and Washington and these schedules are a considerable library in themselves.

Tariff Increase Asked.

Roads through the West and Middle West have been investigated as to rate charges and those rate charges have been segregated and compiled into various statistical sheets, including those per ton per mile and of a similar nature.

The main objects of the hearing will be to determine first whether a change in the distance tariff represents the maximum tariff and rates are graduated downward from it. In the second place the commission will determine whether out of given cities and towns which can distribute their own products or merchandise there should be a better distributive rate. This would include such towns as Salem, Medford, Baker and Junctions such as Albany, or localities where towns furnish their own products, including manufacturing, industries, or similar installations.

Water Competition Factor.

In addition to the factors of water competition will be a vital one during the course of the hearing. The question as to just what extent water competition should be met will be inquired into with great care. If it is decided that such water competition should be met then the commission will have the additional problem of how to meet it. The O-W, R. & N. distance tariff is the same as the one observed in Washington. The distance tariff in that state was put into effect several years ago by the Washington Commission, but it has never proved satisfactory, according to statements of the Commissioners, and since then numerous hearings have been held to secure a readjustment. The railroads have contended that the distance rates for short mileage hauls have been low enough as compared with rates elsewhere and as to the cost of movement.

Chairman Aitchison states that he hopes there will be a ready response from the consumers to the invitation to be present, as it is essential, especially in relation to the plans proposed by Medford and Baker, to secure statements as to the desires of such consumers.

The Commission takes the stand that the Medford and Baker propositions should be to commodity and distributive rates are plans which will tend ultimately to work hardships on the consumers should they be put into effect, and it will necessitate the consumer paying the excess price for the benefit of the jobber.

COUNCILMEN RAP MAYOR

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HOED RIVER, Or., Nov. 14.—(Special.)—At the meeting last night of the City Council here feeling ran high and

pointed speeches were made by members of the Council in criticism of the recent action of Mayor E. H. Hartwig in refusing to sign warrants drawn in payment of the salary of City Attorney A. J. Derby.

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Spokane Humane Officer Fights Benefits of Organization in Fight for Protection of Animals.

The Portland Horse Owners' Association was organized last night at a special meeting of the Draymen's Association of Portland, called to meet at the home of Robert Tucker, president of the Portland Horse Owners' Association.

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GOOD ROADS DISCUSSED

68 Washington Commissioners Hold Convention in Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 14.—(Special.)—

WALLA WALLA'S NEW HOTEL OPENS.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 14.—(Special.)—With a banquet at the Commercial Club last night and a magnificent table d'hôte dinner tonight at the Grand Hotel, Walla Walla's new hotel is open to the public. It was built at a cost of \$125,000 and has been leased for five years by Mulemer, Halle & Hick. The

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