

COMMISSION GIVES ROADS FEW DAYS

State Body Consents Only to Short Delay on Tariff Hearings.

CASES CONSIDERED VITAL

Decision on Distance Rates Will Be Far-Reaching—Chairman Aitchison Tells Attitude of Oregon Organization on Matter.

any Sheriff Colin McKenzie has returned to civilization after four months passed in the wilds in search for John Tarnow, wanted in connection with the murder of his two nephews, John and Will Bauer. Mr. McKenzie was driven out of the woods by the heavy snow in the mountains and the extremely cold weather.

PHILOMATH BANK GASHER'S CASE ON

At Trial, Opening at Corvallis, Wife Sits by Husband's Side in Court.

FORGERY IS FIRST ACTION

Examiner Bennett Identifies Note and Testifies It Was Held by Savings Institution as Asset—Ex-Mayor Fisher on Stand.

OREGON ALSO ANTI-HOOK RAILROAD COMMISSION ASKS BOURNE TO OPPOSE HIM.

Appeal Declares Appointment of Kansas Man to Supreme Bench Would Be Unfortunate.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special).—On request of representatives of the railroad industry the State Railroad Commission through Chairman C. B. Aitchison has finally consented to a short postponement of its final decision in the famous distance tariff hearings to listen to arguments by General Traffic Manager Miller and Attorney Spence of the O-W. R. & N. and will listen to them next Tuesday.

Mr. Aitchison today gave out the following statement as to the attitude of the commission at the present time: "The various cases involving the distance tariffs on the Oregon-Washington Railroad Company and the Southern Pacific Company and the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad Company within Oregon, and the passenger fares on the Corvallis & Eastern, were finally submitted to the commission on the 28th of December. The rates out of Portland, Baker and Medford are also involved in the same proceedings."

It is expected that all will be disposed of at one time. The Oregon commission has pretty well agreed upon the principles which will govern it in the decision of these various cases, and has worked out some of the details of the adjustment, but others remain to be adjusted. The commission is expected to be heard further upon the question of branch-line rates, and will be heard if they come in promptly, but the commission will not pass its decision for their convenience, as there has been ample opportunity given for a hearing of all concerned.

Conferences Have Purpose. These conferences, however, have been for the purpose of discussing principles and seeing that we each have a full grasp of the facts, and no attempt has been made to reach any agreement as to rates to be fixed in such cases. Such action would be a violation of the Federal Constitution.

ROSEBURG PAPER IS SOLD Columbus, Ohio, Man Secures Control of Valued Plant.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special).—An important business deal was closed here last week, when the Evening and Twice-a-Week News, for the past six years owned and edited by R. H. Bates, was sold to Carl D. Singler, recently of Columbus, Ohio. The purchaser has assumed possession of the plant.

NEWBERG GRANTS RIGHTS Oregon Electric and Southern Pacific Get Track on First Street.

NEWBERG, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special).—After several weeks' contest between the corporations, the City Council at an important meeting tonight granted to the Southern Pacific and the Oregon Electric the right to lay one track each on First street. The Southern Pacific had asked to lay a double track on this entrance to the Hill and Harman roads here has been watched with unusual interest and not till last week was the big money meeting held, and it was definitely known how the people felt.

CORVALLIS GROWING FAST Postoffice Receipts for Year Ending December 31 Are \$19,551.47.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special).—Receipts of the Corvallis postoffice for the year ending December 31, 1911, were \$19,551.47, for the preceding year they were \$17,245.82, an increase of the year of \$2,305.65, or 13.7 per cent.

COLD ENDS LONG MANHUNT Posses Forced to Abandon Chase in Wilds After Bernatt.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special).—Quietly and fittingly attired, Mrs. James Evars sat by her husband's side during the progress of his trial on the charge of forgery here today. The indictment being first pressed against the cashier of the defunct First State Bank of Philomath, whose failure it is charged was due to unlawful manipulations of that office.

Among the bills receivable of the bank and counted as an asset at the time of its failure was a note for \$400 purporting to be signed by Octav Voget payable to the Philomath Creamery, of which Evars was president and assigned by the creamery to the bank. Voget denied making the note.

Beautiful Moire Bags, rich frames, inside purse, reduced 1/2. Black seal Handbags, leather-lined, inside purse, reduced 1/2. \$2.50 VELVET BAGS, \$1.25 New and nobby velvet Bags, silk-lined, with cordelier handle, reduced 1/2.

Handsome Suede Bags, cordelier handle, real nobby, reduced 1/2. \$8.50 NOVELTY BAGS, \$4.25 Fancy braided Novelty Bags, in soft shade of purple, reduced 1/2.

Very pretty and serviceable hand-tailored Bags, long strap handle, reduced 1/2. Gold, silver and German silver Mesh Bags, all newest styles and designs, priced at \$2.00 to \$28.50, reduced 1/2.

Depth of Snow Such as to Delay Work on Columbia for Time. ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special).—None of the logging camps on the north side of the Lower Columbia River have resumed operations since the close-down for the Christmas holidays, and the indications are that it will be several weeks before any of them will be able to start.

NEHALEM BRIDGE WANTED Cost of Proposed Crossway 5 Miles Below Jewell Placed at \$3000.

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No matter how long you've been suffering or how bad you think your case is, send at once for a free trial of the wonderful Pyramid Pile Remedy.

Free Pile Remedy This coupon, when mailed with your name and address, will entitle you to a FREE SAMPLE of the great Pyramid Pile Remedy.

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We can supply every aid for the deaf—Audiphones, Accousticans, Hearing Horns.

Annual Clearance Sale of Handbags

Nowhere will you find a finer or more up-to-date line of Handbags than will be found in our Leather Department, and the prices are as low or lower than you would pay for inferior bags.

A broken line of handsome tailored and dress Handbags, in all shades and leathers, all reduced 1/2.

\$5.00 MOIRE BAGS, \$2.50 Black seal Handbags, leather-lined, inside purse, reduced 1/2.

\$25.00 MOIRE BAGS, \$12.50 Beautiful Moire Bags, rich frames, inside purse, reduced 1/2.

\$6.50 SHOPPING BAGS, \$3.25 Black seal Shopping Bags, strap handle, very strong and durable, reduced 1/2.

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All leathers except Cross goods reduced 1/2.

The stock of pictures carried by our art department is the largest and most varied in the Northwest.

Three Excellent Bargains

\$3.50 PICTURES, CLEARANCE \$1.49 12x24 Game Pictures in handsome 2 1/2-inch oak ornamented frames \$1.49

\$5.00 PICTURES, CLEARANCE \$1.49 16x20 Pastels, in deep gold frames, with ornamented corners \$1.49

\$7.50 PICTURES, CLEARANCE \$4.85 24x30 Mezzo tint, engravings, etchings and photogravures, in about 25 different subjects; handsome 3-inch oak frames, in walnut effects.

Clearance Sale of Cut Glass

Seven pieces \$11.87 \$7.50 8-in. Berry Bowls, different designs 4.89

\$5.00 8-in. Berry Bowls, sunburst pattern 2.89 \$8.50 9-in. Berry Bowls, star pattern 6.37

\$12 9-in. Berry Bowls, star pattern 8.98

All 1912 Calendars, clearance . . 10c All Christmas Stationery, clearance sale, 1/4 off.

Annual Clearance Sale of Shaving Supplies

Here is a chance for men who shave themselves to supply their needs at unheard-of prices: 25c Lather Brush, clearance . . . 9c

25c Shaving Mug, clearance . . . 11c 50c Razor Strop, clearance . . . 27c 15c Strop Dressing, clearance . . 9c 50c Shaving Cream, for use after shaving, clearance sale . . . 27c

Annual Clearance Sale of Alarm Clocks

\$1.50 "Torpedo" Intermittent Alarm Clocks . . . \$1.17 \$1.50 "Daylight" Intermittent Alarm Clocks . . . 1.08

\$1.00 "Iron-clad" Straight Alarm Clocks98 \$1.00 "Queen" Straight Alarm Clocks59 \$1.50 "Petite" Small Alarm Clocks98

Annual Clearance Sale of Postcard Albums

75c Albums, clearance sale . . . 33c 50c Albums, clearance sale . . . 27c 35c Albums, clearance sale . . . 18c 30c Albums, clearance sale . . . 14c 25c Albums, clearance sale . . . 9c

Open a Monthly Account With Us Woodard, Clarke & Co.

PORT IS BROACHED Vancouver Will Attempt to Establish One Soon.

HARBOR WORK IS NEEDED Petitions Are Circulated at Midweek Luncheon of Commercial Club Asking for Special Election on Proposition.

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clear about ten more acres, making in all about 100 acres in cultivation. Men were sent to clear the land today.

Wright's Sample Shoe Shop has moved from the Oregonian bldg to the ground floor at 244 Washington street, between Second and Third. Same old prices prevail.

The Victrola will furnish more entertainment than any other possible gift. Sherman, Ochs & Co., on Morrison Sixth, have all the records. Victor records may be used on other machines.

OUT THEY ALL GO

A Robinson \$80, a Werner \$185, Stein way \$185, and Other Fine Pianos at \$112, \$126, \$139, etc.

Bush & Lane Piano Co.'s Grand Annual Clearance Sale, the Piano Buying Opportunity of the Year Price and Terms the Lowest in Print.

Each year at this time we offer at startling reductions all the used pianos taken in as part payment on the famous Bush & Lane player pianos.

HERE ARE A FEW PRICES. Victor Piano, fine mottled walnut, cost new \$275, now only \$188.

Each and every piano will be found exactly as represented or money back. Furthermore, we will accept any instrument purchased during this sale any time within a year toward purchase of another and allow every penny paid.