LUMBER RATE CASE COMING UP FRIDAY

Protest Made by Portland Millmen Against Reduction From Valley Points.

CHAMBER CASE ALSO DUE

Scattle Objection to Having Portland Named as Terminal City for Circle Tours Dismissed, as Some Roads Were Omitted.

A series of hearings affecting rallroad shipments in the Portland territory will be conducted here within the next few days by the Interstate Com-

metre Commission.

Principal among them with he the complaint of Fortland lumber mills against the mouthern Pacific, alleging discrimination against them in the present rate schedule between Oregon producing points and California.

The facts substantially, are that the rate on lumber from the mills in the rate on lumber from the mills in the rate on lumber from the mills in the rate from and other nearby points is 4% cents lower than the rate from the Portland mills to the same points.

The Fortland mills contend that this is an unjust discrimination in favor of the southern mills. They ask for a readjustiment of rates. The railroad points out that Fortland can ship by water and enter California at a lower rate than the southern mills can.

Henring Due Friday.

Hearing Due Friday. The case will be heard before Ex-

Friday.

Beginning next Monday he will hear the case brought by the Portland Chamber of Commerce against the Northwestern railroads to procure a readjustment of baggage regulations so as to permit salesmen to carry cases containing namples of broome as baggage. This privilige, it is contended, is extended to salesmen carrying samples of huggy whips and a similar concession is requested for the broom tailoutry.

industry.

The case of the Pacific Bridge Company against the North Back Road and several other minor cases will be heard beginning tomorrow morning.

Basisiner Butler presided at a hearing in Scattle on Monday, which was attended by a number of Portland passenger men, including John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, J. A. Ormandy, chief clerk for the Southern Pacific; A. C. Martin, sasistant general passenger agent of the Q.-W. R. & N. Cempany; and E. C. Bobbins, chief clerk for the Northern Pacific.

Seattle Compisint Dismissed. The old complaint of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce against the Northwestern railroads for not including Seattle as the point of final destination on their so-called circle tours was called up, but dismissed because the complaint did not include all roads participating in the business as defendants.

femdants.
Under the situation complained of a person realiting in Portland can buy a round-trip ticket to Chicago, for Instance, and travel one way through Seattle, ceturning to Portland over abother route all on the asme ticket, but a recess starting at Seattle capbut a person starting at Seattle can-not travel through Fortland without paying the local fare between Port-land and Seattle of \$2.60. In other words, Portland is the terminal point for all circle-tour tickets sold in the Seattle contends that this Is discriminatory against that city. The carriers cuntend that some point must he named so the terminal, else a per-ann at any point on the circle could have advantage of rates that are intended solely for the benefit of cast

O.W. R. & N. OBJECTS TO ORDER REGULATING SWITCHING PEEL

Company, in Sult, Asks Court to Bequice Spokane, Pertland & Senttle Read to Pay Part of Operation.

The second round of the legal battle ever the use of the O.-W. R. & N. bridge across the Willamette Biver is new proceeding before Circuit Judge Kavanaugh. Arguments by Attorneys W. W. Cotton and C. H. Carey had just begun when court adjourned last night.

In this battle the O.-W. R. & N. Company neks the court to set aside a ruling by the Public Service Commis-sion, giving the Spokane, Portland & Scattle a right to use the bridge for switching purposes on payment of \$1.78 for each engine and \$5 cents for each

car that crossed the bridge.

The O.-W. E. & N. Company asks one of two things: That the court rule one of two things: That the court rule that, under the ownshing of the common-more clause in the franchise, the Spokane, Portland & Seattle is not a railroad; or else that the Spokane, Portland & Seattle is not a railroad; or else that the Spokane, Portland & Seattle must pay one-third of the cost of maintaining and operating it. The flowthern Parille and the O.-W. R. & N. Companies already are using the bridge.

The decision of the Public Service Commission involved in the present suit was made June 12, 1812. Since that time the Spokane, Portland & Seattle

time the Spokane. Portland & Seattle has regularly been using the bridge, and has been tendering to the owners the expulated amount to be paid for naing it. Regularly the O.-W. R. & N. Company has refused to accept. the

money.
The trial of the suit began yesterday meeting. The real fight began, however, when Attorney W. W. Cutton started his argument. C. H. Carey, opposing counsi, will follow him probably today. Flanked by huge stacks of legal volumes. Mr. Cutton laumined into an enhancitive argument on common uner clauses, citing many cases from widely scattered courts based on the interiors. Legal points which he the various legal points which he

MUTS TO START RELIEF

Co-operation With Established Or-

ganizations Proposed.

The Muis will meet to reorganize for their Winter relief campaign at the Portland Hotel today at 5 o'clock. The plan of the Order of Mute this year will be to co-operate as largely as possible with established relief or a possible with established relief or the campaign of the campaign

as possible with established relief or-gazinations and at the same time en-liet the personal services of its mem-bers the same as last year. A whig brother committee will be appointed to handle directly the dis-tributions of money and ciothing to the poor. A Christman tree for the poor children of the city will also be a feature.

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19¢. -25c Floating Castile Soap,

-25c Witch Hazel, pint bottle,

35¢. _25c-35c Tooth Brushes, 19¢.

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New Skating Coats

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Cream, 35c.

15c.

69¢.

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Hollow-Handle Cheese Scoop, \$1.75.

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Sugar Shells, five styles, at 89c.

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Butter Picks, fancy or plain, \$1.15.

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