

INTERURBAN FARES DECLARED TOO LOW

President Griffith Says Oregon City Line Is Not Now on Paying Basis.

PRESENT RATES SET IN 1911

Public Service Commission Gives Portland Railway, Light & Power Company Hearing and Continues It to September 24.

The penny as the unit of currency received official recognition yesterday at the hearing before the Public Service Commission on the petition of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company for an increase in passenger fares on interurban lines. Present fares are based on the nickel as unit. They were set in November, 1911, by the commission.

Suggestion of the establishment of the penny as unit came from President Griffith, who in testifying gave his theory of rates and railroad development.

"I believe that the basing of fares on an exact cent basis would be much more fair and equitable than the present system," said Mr. Griffith.

Commission Chairman Approves. The suggestion instantly was approved by Frank Miller, chairman of the commission, indicating that that body may use the penny basis in setting the new fares.

That the Oregon City line is not now on a paying basis was the statement made by Mr. Griffith in answer to repeated insinuations by Lyman B. Latourette, Deputy City Attorney, and E. M. Cousins, city rate expert, that this line had to make up for the losses sustained on the Cascade, Troutdale and Bull Run lines.

The Bull Run line represents only about one-eighth of our interurban investment," said Mr. Griffith. "Part of every transportation system must be for mere development, and it is an axiom that the stronger must support the weaker at such times. If it were not for this fact, there would be no extension of lines and no territorial development."

Consumers Specially Favored. "I do not believe all fares should be on a 2-cent-a-mile basis and especially is this so on interurban lines. Other considerations must enter into the rate-making. Consumers are entitled to slightly lower fares because of their guaranteed regularity."

The part of the Mount Hood line from Ruby Junction to Mountville is of little present value. I regard it as largely speculative, depending on development of the Rainier valley territory."

In answer to questions reflecting on the patriotism of the company in asking for a rate raise which might affect shipbuilders, Mr. Griffith said that the Government did not expect transportation companies to be run for philanthropic purposes, and pointed to the Federal order increasing railroad fares as an example of the Government attitude. He said this was to increase revenue—the same purpose as his company.

Mr. Griffith said that transportation of the city employees cost the company \$16,000 a year, about the same amount estimated to be represented in company men's passes. The company is observing the law in dealing out passes, he said.

"Reasonable" Increase Defined. Expert Cousins was called down by Commissioner Miller for alleged criticism of the administration for its action in raising railroad rates. Mr. Cousins denied the implication, saying that the cases were different.

In answer to repeated questions as to what he considered a "reasonable increase in passenger rates," Mr. Griffith said that he expected the commission to decide this and that he thought it should be "all the traffic would bear."

In this connection he pointed out that the Oregon City-Portland fare is the 9¢, when labor goes half as expensive as now, was 25 cents. It now is 20 cents.

Business of the company's interurban lines has been on the upgrade since late in 1916, while it had been going down the three previous years, he declared. It followed business conditions closely, he suggested.

Hearing Continued to September 24. Presentation of the company's case in support of its proposed passenger

fare increase was completed yesterday. The hearing was continued to September 24 to allow the city representatives time to introduce evidence showing why the increase should not be allowed.

The hearing on the power company's petition for an increase of 25 per cent in freight rates on its interurban lines and on the Willamette Valley & Southern railway, whose bonds are guaranteed by the Portland company, was begun late yesterday. E. W. Moreland, company engineer, again took the stand to present the basic facts of operating expenses and revenue. The valley line, which connects with the interurban lines at Oregon City for points up to Mount Angel has not earned operating expenses since its inception in January, 1915, he declared. The proposed freight rate increase would parallel that of federal railroads but basic rates are lower.

CHEAP SALMON COMING

CLACKAMAS HATCHERY SUPPLIES TO BE SOLD AT MARKET.

Portlanders Will Be Able to Can Stock for Winter at Low Cost—Special Fish Sale to Be Held Today.

Tentative plans have been perfected whereby salmon will be given to the city to be sold at the municipal fish market at extremely low cost. The fish will come from the Clackamas hatchery, near Oregon City, and final arrangements for the scheme will be made Sunday, when City Commissioner Kellaher meets Mr. Mitchell, superintendent of the hatchery.

Similar arrangements have been made by the Government to supply municipal fish markets in Seattle and Tacoma. Under the proposed plan Commissioner Kellaher expects to be able to sell the fish at prices which will enable Portland residents to can salmon for winter use.

In addition to supplying the Portland demand, the market will be prepared to send the surplus, properly iced and packed, to all parts of the state. The prices will be announced after the conference.

A special fish sale will be held at the municipal fish market, 130 Third street, today. The prices quoted by Commissioner Kellaher being as follows: Black cod, whole, 8 cents per pound; sliced, 19 cents per pound; 8 cents; whole; salmon, 18 cents whole; 21 cents sliced; yellow tail, 15 cents; sea bass, 17 cents; barracuda, 17 cents; mackerel, 15 cents; smoked grayfish, 15 cents; liberty whale steaks, 12½ cents; whole pot roast, 10 cents.

ART WORK IN HOSPITALS

YOUNG WOMEN TO TRAIN AS AIDES TO WOUNDED.

Handicrafts Will Be Taught Disabled Soldiers and Sailors to Fit Them for New Life.

The school of the Portland Art Association will give a four months' course for the training of aides in occupational therapy for use in military hospitals. The Government is asking for 1000 young women as hospital aides to teach disabled soldiers and sailors some occupation as a life work. Artistic handicrafts are particularly useful and women able to teach these in an inspiring manner are in demand.

In charge of the courses at the Art Museum will be H. E. Wentz, now in the East studying most approved methods. Other members of the staff will include Miss Helen Putman, who has been spending the summer in New York, attending the war service class; Miss Clara J. Stephens, who will give instruction in drawing; Miss Henrietta Felling, who will instruct in art history; and Miss Anna B. Crocker, curator of the Art Museum.

Anyone interested may secure application blanks at the Art Museum, Fifth and Taylor streets, or blanks will be forwarded upon request by telephone.

Gordon Parker Going to Camp.

Gordon M. Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Parker, of 1348 Maryland avenue, will leave shortly for Camp Pike for intensive training. Parker recently completed the officers' training camp course at the University of Oregon and has been recommended for a Second Lieutenant's commission in the United States Army. He was a pressman on The Oregonian for four years and left the position two years ago to enter the business of manufacturing ship knees. Parker is a member of Multnomah Club.

Mrs. John W. Robinson has been named as tax collector of Boston, N. Y., to succeed her husband, who is now in France doing Red Cross work.

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Second Floor—Friday the Garment Store will show a special assortment of women's and misses' new Fall and Winter Coats at thirty-five dollars. These garments represent the last word in style and are exceptionally good values.

Choice of Six Attractive New Models

—Some have wide belts with fur or plush collars—others are slightly fitted at waistline with plenty of fullness to skirt and have large collars of self material—also the fashionable new models with military capes. All sizes in each style. See these smart \$35.00 Coats on display at only \$1.98

Other Coats \$21.50 to \$210

Dainty New Voile Waists At \$1.98

Second Floor—To see these Waists is to buy at least two of them, for rarely are such pretty styles to be had at so low a price. Plain white and fancy striped voiles, organdies in various colors, striped linens and dimities in plaid and striped effects. Shown in a great range of styles—some in neat tailored models, others more fancy. Practically all sizes. Priced special for Friday at \$1.98

50c Cretonnes at 39c On Sale 3d Floor

—For curtains, for fancy bags, scarfs, pillow tops and scores of other uses these Cretonnes are much in demand. Beautiful new Fall patterns and colorings—light, medium and dark. Cretonnes that are standard 50c quality anywhere. Priced special for 39c Friday's sale at the yard

\$2.50, \$3.00 Scrim Curtains \$1.98 Drapery Remnants ½ Price

Third Floor—Voile and Scrim Curtains in many attractive patterns. Lines formerly \$1.98 selling \$2.50 and \$3 at \$1.98 —Double S. & H. Trading Stamps

Girls' School Coats Special \$7.98

Second Floor—Of excellent quality navy blue serge and a few in black-and-white checks. Good full styles with belts, large collars, deep cuffs. Splendid Coats for school wear. Medium weights. Not all sizes. Priced special for Friday's sale, at \$7.98

Extra Special for Today!

Clothes Baskets At \$1.79

Third Floor—No telephone orders accepted for this special and only one to a customer. Size 28 inches long and 20 inches wide. Made of extra good quality whole willow with reinforced bottom and top edges—at \$1.79

Womens' \$7.00 Shoes At \$4.98

Main Floor—Black Vic Kid Shoes, laced or buttoned, plain or tipped toes, Cuban or half Louis heels. Neat dressy lasts, well made and durable. Full range of sizes. Shoes well worth \$6.50 and \$7.00 priced for Friday, pair, \$4.98 —GIRLS' school shoes, sizes 2½ to 6. Priced special at \$3.48 pair.

Special Showing of New Fall Millinery \$5.00 and \$7.50

Second Floor—New Velvet Hats in all the latest shapes—turbans, tricornes, side rolls, sailors, tams, etc. Also the popular new French felts and velours for street, school and dress wear. At the following popular prices: Any number of smart styles are to be seen in this great collection and all are exceptional values at the price. Today will be a good time to come in and pick out your new Fall hat. We also show all the very latest novelties in millinery trimmings

Sale of Boxed Stationery Hurd's Best Quality—Note Sizes Only

Main Floor—Hurd's best quality Note Paper, put up 120 sheets to box, at 75c —Envelopes to match; box \$1.00 —Hurd's best quality note-size envelopes to match above size paper at the box 75c —Envelopes to match, box \$1.25

Sale of Hair Goods

Second Floor—First quality Wavy Hair Switches specially priced for Friday. Wide variety of shades to select from, thus assuring a perfect match. Note following low prices for this sale: —\$7.00 First-Quality Wavy Switches at \$3.98 —\$10.00 First-Quality Wavy Switches at \$6.98 —\$12.00 First-Quality Wavy Switches at \$8.98



Women's Silk Hose Special \$1.19

Center Circle, First Floor—Irrregulars of our best makes—slightly imperfect, but all will give good service. Full fashioned Silk Hose with lisle garter tops and lisle soles. Shown in black, white, cordovan, bronze, pearl, battleship gray, navy, tan, gold and pink. Anticipate your future needs and lay in several pairs of these good \$1.19 Stockings. Priced special Friday, pair \$1.19 —Double Trading Stamps with cash purchases.

Domestic Specials for Friday

Main Floor—QUILTED BATTS for comforters; full size, 72x90 inches. Fine quality, pure white. Priced special Friday, at \$1.50 —OUTING FLANNEL of good heavy quality for night gowns, pajamas, etc. Checks, stripes, plaids. Regular 30c grade, priced 25c —BLEACHED MUSLIN of good, firm quality. Priced special Friday, the yard 25c —DRESS GINGHAMS—mill end pieces, in a great range of pretty plaids and stripes. Priced very special for Friday, the yard 35c

Men's 75c Hosiery 59c

Main Floor—Several hundred pairs of these good Socks on sale Friday. Wool-mixed material, medium weight. Regular 75c quality. Priced special Friday only 59c

Interwoven Hosiery —PORTLAND agency for the celebrated Interwoven Hose—the kind liked by all men. Pair, 40c to \$1.50

Men's \$1.50 Work Shirts Special \$1.19

Main Floor—No telephone orders accepted for this special. Men's Work Shirts of good heavy quality blue chambray, in sizes 14½ up to 17. Regular \$1.50 quality. Friday \$1.19

Shipbuilders Day In the Basement

—4 SPECIAL BARGAINS in men's and boys' wear that will bring many to our Basement on Friday. DOUBLE S. & H. STAMPS with cash purchases.

Men's Shirts, Special \$1.00 Soft and Stiff Cuff Styles

Basement—Made up in good quality materials, cut full and roomy. New striped patterns \$1.00

Men's Union-Alls and Trousers —MEN'S UNION-ALLS of blue or brown denim and Khaki cloth. Priced special at \$3.50

—MEN'S WORK TROUSERS of good grade khaki material. Special for Friday, pair \$2.50

Boys' Trousers, Special \$1.19

Basement—Splendid serviceable Pants for school wear. Made up in dark mixtures and a few in corduroys. Priced special for Friday, pair \$1.19

Children's Flannelette Gowns and Sleepers

Bargain Circle, First Floor—Friday we shall feature a great showing of children's Outing Flannel Night Gowns and Sleeping Garments at the Bargain Circle. The Night Gowns are made of good warm outing flannel and are nicely finished—the Sleeping Garments are styled similar to accompanying sketch and are shown in sizes 4 to 14 years. We also include two-piece pajamas.

Flannelette Gowns —Mothers should take advantage of this opportunity and supply the children's needs for the Winter. Double Stamps with cash purchases today

Women's Coverall Aprons \$1.49

Department Second Floor—Women's Coverall Aprons in good full styles with belts and pockets. Made up in figured and striped percales of good quality. Here is a good opportunity for women to replenish their supply of aprons. Special Friday, at \$1.49

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