

STATE REDUCES BURLESON RATES

Public Service Commission Makes Public New Ruling.

PACIFIC LINES UNAFFECTED

Practically 300 Telephone Companies in Oregon Must Conform to New Schedule Sept. 1.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Reductions in the cost of telephone service connections and moving charges contained in the so-called Burleson order now in effect throughout the state are made in an order issued here today by the Public Service Commission. Practically 300 telephone companies in Oregon, including all of those with the exception of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company and its constituent concerns are affected by the new ruling.

For complete establishment of individual or party-line service in exchanges with 1000 or more company stations the charge has been fixed at \$2.50, while at exchanges with less than 1000 company stations a charge of \$2.50 has been assessed. This is a reduction of \$1 as compared with the Burleson schedule.

New Rates Varying.—For each extension station connected with any class of telephone service in exchanges with 1000 or more stations, the charge has been placed at \$2.50 against \$3.50 under the Burleson order. In exchanges with less than 1000 company stations the charge has been reduced to \$1.50, or a reduction of \$2 when compared with the present schedule.

For each trunk line connecting a private branch exchange with a central office and for each telephone, except operators' telephone sets, connected to the private branch exchange, in exchanges with 1000 or more company stations, the present charge of \$2.50 will continue. In exchanges with less than 1000 company stations the charge has been reduced to \$2.50.

Moving of Phones Graded.—For establishment of service by the use of instrumentalities already in place upon the subscribers' premises, and where no change is made in the type or location of these instrumentalities, to cover directory, switchboard

and circuit expense on each line the charge has been fixed at \$1, as against the present cost of \$1.50. It is made plain that service connection charges do not apply to service stations or switching service.

For moving a telephone from one location to another in the same room there will be a charge of \$1, against approximately \$3 at present. For moving a telephone from one location to another in the same building, but not in the same room, the charge is fixed at \$2, while for moving any other equipment or wiring from one location to another in the same building, the charge is to be based upon the cost of labor and material.

For changes in type of telephone sets the charge will be \$1, as compared with \$2 under the Burleson rate. For other changes in equipment or wiring a charge shall be made based upon the cost of labor and material.

Ruling Effective September 1.—In issuing today's order the commission also had in mind the protection of the permanent telephone user against the person who frequently changes the location of his instrument and thereby creates an expense which must be borne by all subscribers in common.

"Large numbers of subscribers are more or less of a transient character and do not retain service in one location," said a member of the commission, "and for this and other reasons a demand is produced for frequent disconnection, change and re-establishment of service. Without some method of assessing the expenses and losses involved in these transactions against the individual subscriber in measure as each is responsible, they become a common burden against all patrons to the detriment of the substantial permanent subscribers and to the unjust advantage of short-term and less stable users of the service."

Proceedings looking toward the reduction of service and connection charges were instituted by the commission upon its own motion and the new order will become effective September 1, 1919.

COUNTY OFFICERS TO MEET

Two State Conventions Are to Be Held Simultaneously.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Jaeger Wickham, Hood River county assessor and president of the Oregon State Assessors' association, has just received word from Rufus C. Holman, Multnomah county commissioner and president of the Oregon commissioners' organization, announcing that a convention of county officers, including county judges, commissioners, assessors, clerks, district attorneys and surveyors, will be held in Portland September 11, 12 and 13.

Simultaneously, according to Mr. Holman's letter, commissioners of Washington will meet at Vancouver, and plans have been arranged for a consolidation of work and entertainment of the two state gatherings.

IDAHO WILL HAVE TO FIGHT BATTLE ALONE

Intervenor in Fruit Freight Rate Case Barred.

PROPOSED LIFT PROTESTED

Advance of 25 Per Cent Contemplated by Railway Administration Held Blow to Northwest.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—As a result of notification telegraphed to the Washington public service commission today by the interstate commerce commission, Oregon and Washington will not be able to appear as intervenors supporting Idaho's protest against imposition of a 25 per cent increase in freight rates on apples and green fruits.

Under interstate commerce commission rules of procedure an intervenor may not broaden the issues nor add other defendants. The Washington commission had added all privately owned railroads in this state and Oregon to federally administered roads represented by Director-General Hines. A similar course was intended by the Oregon commission, supplementary to the Idaho complaint, which is directed solely against the roads under administration control.

Following a long-distance conference with J. O. Bailey, assistant attorney-general of Oregon in charge of the apple rate complaint in that state, the Washington commission decided to ask permission of the interstate commerce commission to consolidate its case with the Idaho complaint, the Oregon commission to adopt the same tactics, in order that complaints of both states might be considered before the shipping season is ended.

Discrimination Is Charged.—The essence of the Washington protest against imposing the 25 per cent freight increase upon northwest fruits this year is that it constitutes a discrimination against shippers of Washington, Oregon and Idaho because of the vastly greater distance northwestern fruit has to be hauled to reach the eastern markets in competition with other sections of the United States. With the proposed increase the regular rate of \$1 per hundred pounds on apples from the northwest would advance to \$1.25, while the freight increase on apples from a

less remote section enjoying a 50-cent rate would amount to 12 1/2 cents.

Last year a conference of commission members from the three northwestern apple states at Portland resulted in a limitation of the freight increase to 10 cents, which saved apple-growers \$1,000,000 in freight costs. This limitation expired May 31, 1919, and the indicated intention of the railroad administration this year is to exact the full 25 per cent increase.

Idaho Growers Handicapped.—The Idaho complaint protests that such action will put apple growers of that state out of eastern fruit markets. Evidence on the Idaho complaint will be taken by the interstate commerce commission at Boise September 2.

In conjunction with Oregon the public service commission will protest against application of a 25 per cent increase in freight rates on apples and green fruits, as ordered by the federal railroad administration last year. At that time the increase was modified to 10 per cent, but the federal administration proposes to change the 10 per cent increase, which would place northwest fruit under a serious handicap in eastern markets on account of the high rate of freight cost due to the longer haul.

WIVES OF LOGGERS UNITE

New Auxiliary Is Indorsed by Men and Locals Grow Rapidly.

SPOKANE, Aug. 20.—Announcement that the Ladies' Loyal Legion, or "Three Ls," has been organized throughout the inland empire lumber district as an adjunct to the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen, and has been officially recognized by the parent organization, was made today by the district office of the "Four Ls."

The auxiliary now embraces 18 locals in northern Idaho and eastern Washington.

GIRLS TO VOTE ON WAGE

Telephone Operators Take Referendum on New Scale Proposed.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 20.—Seattle telephone girls meet tomorrow night to take a referendum vote on the question of accepting or rejecting a proposed new coast-wide wage agreement with the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company.

They are acting on a request of their international union officials.

ASTORIA VETERANS FIGHT FINNISH PAPER

Editor Charged With Hurling Slurs at Legion Camp.

RETRACTION IS REFUSED

Trover Terms War on Slackers Only "Dog Day Propaganda;" Firms Beg to Withdraw Advertising.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—War has been declared by Clatsop camp, American Legion, of this city against the Trover, an Astoria Finnish paper, and today a committee was appointed by the legion to urge all loyal Astorians to withdraw their patronage from the Finnish publication. The reason for the request is the paper's avowed hostile attitude toward the legion and all ex-service men and the alleged unpatriotic utterances appearing in its columns.

A few days ago the Trover published an article in Finnish which, the legion's interpreter said, declared the legion did not represent the ex-service men, but was merely a "chamber of commerce organization" and that the campaign it is waging against slackers is only "dog-day propaganda."

Attack on Legion Charged.—A committee from the legion called on W. N. Reivo, editor of the Trover, and submitted a retraction of the article in question, which the committee asked to be published. This Reivo refused to do and members of the committee aver that Reivo added: "I don't care for the request of the legion representative of the ex-service men, because an L. W. W. told me it was not of the 1700 county veterans only a few have joined this chamber of commerce organization."

In a signed statement published this afternoon, Reivo denies making the statements attributed to him and asserts he has not attacked the legion. He, however, still refuses to publish the retraction of the original article, except as a communication from the committee and with the right to comment on it. Officers of the legion say several Astoria firms have withdrawn their advertising from the Trover in compliance with the committee's request and that the campaign against the Finnish publication is to be prosecuted vigorously.

Continuing its active campaign against slackers, Clatsop camp has made a for-

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mal demand upon the Union Fishermen's Co-operative Packing company that it immediately discharge Hannes Hutula, its chief accountant.

LOGGERS RAPS CONGRESS

Failure of Wartime Spruce Programme Traced to Washington.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—"If the spruce investigators go far enough with their investigations, they will find that the faults of the wartime spruce programme lie in the lack of good laws governing it," declared Alex Polson, leading Grays Harbor logger and one of the big producers of spruce here during the war. "In other words," said Mr. Polson, "the fault lay with congress and not with the lumbermen. If our congressmen would pay more attention to re-

pealing obsolete code laws and to passing humane laws governing privates in the military service, and work for the league of nations they would be doing things worth while.

TENINO BOY, 19, DROWNS

Lumber Worker Falls From Log and Is Unable to Swim.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—Pearl Wallace, aged 19 years, employed by the Mutual Lumber company in Tenino, drowned in the company's pond yesterday when he fell from a log. He could not swim. The body was recovered ten minutes later, but efforts to revive Wallace were fruitless. The body was removed to the Sticklin parlors in this city pending funeral arrangements.

The victim is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wallace of Prosser, and a brother and sister.

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Prices after August...\$27.50 to \$65.00
Sale prices...\$22.00 to \$52.00 | Mole Scarfs
Prices after August...\$17.50 to \$165.00
Sale prices...\$14.00 to \$132.00 | Silvered Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$35.00 to \$150.00
Sale prices...\$28.00 to \$120.00 | Black Wolf Scarfs
Prices after August...\$25.00 to \$47.50
Sale prices...\$20.00 to \$38.00 |
| Kolinsky Capes
Prices after August...\$375.00 to \$725.00
Sale prices...\$300 to \$580.00 | Hudson Bay Sable
Prices after August...\$65.00 to \$300.00
Sale prices...\$52.00 to \$240.00 | Hudson Seal Neckpieces
Prices after August...\$25.00 to \$125.00
Sale prices...\$20.00 to \$100.00 | Mole Stoles
Prices after August...\$95.00 to \$275.00
Sale prices...\$76.00 to \$220.00 | Dyed Blue Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$100.00 to \$125.00
Sale prices...\$80.00 to \$100.00 | Gray and Dove
Prices after August...\$20.00 to \$65.00
Sale prices...\$16.00 to \$52.00 |
| Hudson Seal Coatees
Prices after August...\$200.00 to \$525.00
Sale prices...\$150.00 to \$393.75 | Hudson Bay Sable Cape
Price after August...\$2000.00
Sale price...\$1600.00 | Hudson Seal Stoles
Prices after August...\$85.00 to \$275.00
Sale prices...\$68.00 to \$220.00 | Mole Capes
Prices after August...\$195.00 to \$525.00
Sale prices...\$156.00 to \$420.00 | Taupe Wolk Scarfs
Prices after August...\$35.00 to \$65.00
Sale prices...\$28 to \$52.00 | Beaver Neckpieces
Prices after August...\$55.00 to \$125.00
Sale prices...\$44.00 to \$100.00 |
| Squirrel Neckpieces
Prices after August...\$25.00 to \$350.00
Sale prices...\$20.00 to \$200.00 | Blended Hudson
Prices after August...\$145.00 to \$475.00
Sale prices...\$116.00 to \$380.00 | Hudson Seal Capes
Prices after August...\$75.00 to \$200.00
Sale prices...\$60.00 to \$160.00 | Mole Bobby Coats
Prices after August...\$475.00 to \$675.00
Sale prices...\$380.00 to \$460.00 | Lucille Wolf Scarfs
Prices after August...\$22.50 to \$80.00
Sale prices...\$18.00 to \$64.00 | Jap Kolinsky Scarfs
Prices after August...\$9.50 to \$45.00
Sale prices...\$7.60 to \$36.00 |
| Squirrel Capes
Prices after August...\$100.00 to \$235.00
Sale prices...\$80.00 to \$188.00 | Skunk Scarfs
Prices after August...\$30.00 to \$110.00
Sale prices...\$24.00 to \$88.00 | Hudson Seal Bobby Coat
Prices after August...\$385.00 to \$525.00
Sale prices...\$308.00 to \$420.00 | Mole Coatees
Prices after August...\$200.00 to \$675.00
Sale prices...\$150.00 to \$506.25 | Battleship Gray Wolf Scarfs
Prices after August...\$25.00 to \$45.00
Sale prices...\$20.00 to \$36.00 | Taupe and Silver Coney Scarfs
Prices after August...\$7.25 to \$37.50
Sale prices...\$5.85 to \$30.00 |
| Squirrel Stoles
Prices after August...\$125.00 to \$245.00
Sale prices...\$100.00 to \$196.00 | Skunk Neckpieces
Prices after August...\$65.00 to \$200.00
Sale prices...\$52.00 to \$160.00 | Fisher Scarfs
Prices after August...\$35.00 to \$250.00
Sale prices...\$28.00 to \$200.00 | Dyed Black Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$17.50 to \$120.00
Sale prices...\$14.00 to \$96.00 | Silver Wolf Scarfs
Price after August...\$35.00
Sale price...\$28.00 | Kolinsky Neckpieces
Prices after August...\$30.00 to \$195.00
Sale prices...\$24.00 to \$156.00 |
| Stone Marten Scarfs
Prices after August...\$60.00 to \$225.00
Sale prices...\$48.00 to \$180.00 | Natural and Taupe
Prices after August...\$170.00 to \$265.00
Sale prices...\$136.00 to \$212.00 | Taupe Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$37.50 to \$145.00
Sale prices...\$30.00 to \$116.00 | Natural Red Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$27.50 to \$150.00
Sale prices...\$22.00 to \$120.00 | | |
| Squirrel Bobby Coat
Price after August...\$600.00
Sale price...\$480.00 | White Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$85.00 to \$125.00
Sale prices...\$68.00 to \$100.00 | White Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$45.00 to \$135.00
Sale prices...\$36.00 to \$108.00 | Kamchatka Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$25.00 to \$115.00
Sale prices...\$20.00 to \$92.00 | | |
| | Georgette Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$45.00 to \$135.00
Sale prices...\$36.00 to \$108.00 | Black, Taupe and
Blue Lynx Scarfs
Prices after August...\$25.00 to \$215.00
Sale prices...\$20.00 to \$172.00 | Battleship Gray Fox Scarfs
Prices after August...\$25.00 to \$145.00
Sale prices...\$20.00 to \$116.00 | | |
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Prices after August...\$40.00 to \$145.00
Sale prices...\$32.00 to \$116.00 | | |
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Prices after August...\$200.00 to \$350.00
Sale prices...\$160.00 to \$280.00 | | |



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