

RAILROADS ASKED FOR INFORMATION

Commission Seeks Details in Connection With Request for Higher Rates.

INSIDE CAUSES SOUGHT

Statements of Financial Results Already in Hand Fail to Show Cause Carriers Should Pursue to Find Relief.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—A series of interrogatories was addressed by the Interstate Commerce Commission today to the railroads of Eastern classification territory in relation to a petition of the roads for an advance of 5 per cent in their freight rates.

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January Clearance Sale

From every viewpoint, a successful sale--genuine, trenchant reductions from standard prices on stylish, serviceable apparel for men and women, boys and girls. Reductions, too, that come at a time when warm apparel is most needed. Every purchase you make now at these prices saves you money. Test this sale to the full--you will profit by it!

Suit Cases and Traveling Bags All Reduced \$ 5.50 Traveling Bags and Suitcases... \$ 4.95 \$10.00 Traveling Bags and Suitcases... \$ 8.75 \$15.00 Traveling Bags and Suitcases... \$12.85 \$27.50 Traveling Bags and Suitcases... \$22.45 \$35.00 Traveling Bags and Suitcases... \$29.75 \$19.50 Traveling Bags and Suitcases... \$16.65

Boys' Knickerbocker Suits All Reduced 70 Boys' \$5 Knicker Suits, ages 10 to 16, now \$2.50 55 Boys' \$6 and \$6.50 Knicker Suits, ages 8 to 16 years, now at \$3.95 51 Boys' \$7.50 and \$8.50 Knicker Suits, ages 8 to 16 years, now at \$4.95

Men's Suits and Overcoats Reduced \$20 Suits and Overcoats... \$14.85 \$25 Suits and Overcoats... \$18.65 \$30 Suits and Overcoats... \$21.50 \$35 Suits and Overcoats... \$26.50 \$40 Suits and Overcoats... \$31.50

Men's Hats Reduced Men's Rainproof English Cloth \$3 Hats... \$1.00 Men's Austrian and Tipperary \$3 Hats... \$2.00 Men's French \$5.00 Hats... \$3.00 No reductions in Brewer, Dunlap or Steison Hats.

Boys' Overcoats and Gabardines Sturdy garments, tailored in correct styles from fabrics woven for boys' wear. Boys' \$ 5.00 O'coats and Gabardines \$ 3.50 Boys' \$ 6.00 O'coats and Gabardines \$ 4.85 Boys' \$ 7.50 O'coats and Gabardines \$ 5.35 Boys' \$ 8.50 O'coats and Gabardines \$ 5.95 Boys' \$ 10.00 O'coats and Gabardines \$ 7.85 Boys' \$ 12.50 O'coats and Gabardines \$ 9.85 Boys' \$ 15.00 O'coats and Gabardines \$11.85

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Boys' Rubber Capes, sizes 6, 14 and 16 years only, now... \$1.50 Boys' \$1.50 Sweaters now... \$1.15 Boys' \$1.50 and \$2 Sweaters now... \$1.15 Boys' \$3.00 Sweaters now... \$1.85 Boys' 50c Stocking Caps now... \$25c Boys' 75c Stocking Caps now... \$25c Boys' 50c Bradley Mufflers now... \$25c Boys' \$1.25 Wool Underwear... \$85c Boys' \$1.50 Hats, extra special... \$98c Boys' \$2.00 Hats now... \$1.50 Boys' \$2.50 Hats now... \$1.98 Boys' \$1.00 Knee Trousers, now... \$85c Boys' \$1.50 Knee Trousers now... \$1.15 Infants' \$1.00 Sweaters now... \$50c

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House Coats, Smoking Jackets All Reduced \$ 5.00 House Coats and Smoking Jackets \$ 3.95 \$ 7.50 House Coats and Smoking Jackets \$ 5.35 \$10.00 House Coats and Smoking Jackets \$ 7.95 \$12.50 House Coats and Smoking Jackets \$ 9.95 \$25.00 House Coats and Smoking Jackets \$19.95

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T.R. ONLY OBSTACLE TO RECONSTRUCTION

Republicans in Congress Believe Wounds Would Heal With Colonel Out.

VICTORY THEN FORESEEN

On Theory That Roosevelt Cannot Poll as Many Votes as in 1912 Failure to Bridge Gulf Means Democrats Again Is Belief.

MRS. YOUNG TAKES OFFICE

John D. Shoop Becomes Assistant and Harmony Is Assured.

ROBBERY THEORY FORMED

Inspectors Think Kedney Postal Thief Hid in Building.

INDIAN STAFF INCREASED

Five Additional Probate Attorneys Will Take Up Reform Work.

SHOTS FIRED AT SOLDIER

Zabern Civilian Makes Attempt to Assassinate Soldier.

500 FIND CITY JOBS

San Francisco Also Has Food for Those Who Labor.

WORK OR HUNGER IS RULE

Unemployed Attempt to Take Advantage of Free Meals Without Signing for Employment—Jobs Go Begging.

KINNEY TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Coos Bay Promoter of Note Being Treated for Insanity.

MILLS TO COMBINE IN BUYING.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—George Dymart, Charles Gilchrist, C. L. Prescott and F. B. Hubbard have returned from Raymond, where a meeting of lumbermen was held to discuss the advisability of several mills in this locality employing a purchasing agent, it being figured that much money can be saved by these mills buying their supplies collectively instead of individually. A committee of three was appointed to look into the matter.

LONDON CLERGYMAN WILL SPEAK AT Y. M. C. A. TODAY.



Dr. William Spurgeon, one of England's most noted clergymen and lecturers, will speak at the Portland Young Men's Christian Association today at 3 o'clock. His subject will be, "Is Life Worth Living?" The association secretaries regard this as one of the most important meetings to be held at the Y. M. C. A. his year, and it is expected that the auditorium will be crowded. A musical programme will be provided in connection with the lecture. Following the meeting there will be the usual sessions of the discussion clubs and the fellowship supper. The evening service will be held from 8:30 to 10 o'clock tonight.

BUNNY HELD FOR MURDER

Mother of Youth Who Killed Messenger Hears of Confession.

ARONSON'S—WASHINGTON and BROADWAY

THE EVENT OF THE NEW YEAR FOR DISCRIMINATING AND ECONOMICAL BUYERS OF "FAULTLESS JEWELRY—OUR Annual 25% January Discount Sale

BEEF INQUIRY PLANNED

HOUSTON NAMES BODY OF EXPERTS TO STUDY MEAT PROBLEM.

CAUSE OF UNSATISFACTORY PRODUCTION TO BE SOUGHT AND USE OF PUBLIC LANDS TO BE CONSIDERED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Secretary of Agriculture Houston tonight announced the appointment of a special committee of experts to conduct an inquiry into the present unsatisfactory meat production conditions in the United States. The announcement by the Secretary prescribes that the committee will investigate "especially in reference to beef, with a view to suggesting possible methods for improvement."

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Ladies' Hand-Tailored Suits Greatly Underpriced. 40 Ladies' Suits, formerly sold at \$19.50, now \$11.85. 58 Ladies' Suits, formerly sold at \$24.50 to \$29.50, now \$14.85. 46 Ladies' Suits Formerly sold at \$39.50 to \$42.50, now. Exactly 1/2 Price All Misses' and Junior Suits at Exactly One-Half Price. All Ladies' Skirts, regularly priced \$5, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10 and \$12.50, now \$3.95, \$4.95, \$5.85, \$6.35, \$7.65, \$9.35. All Ladies' Coats Reduced Ladies' \$15.00 to \$18.00 Coats now... \$10.50 Ladies' \$20.00 to \$25.00 Coats now... \$14.85 Ladies' \$27.50 to \$35.00 Coats now... \$19.85 Ladies' Raincoats and Gabardines reduced, including the famous Mandelberg garments. Ladies' \$15.00 to \$18.00 Raincoats... \$12.85 Ladies' \$20.00 to \$22.50 Raincoats... \$14.85 Ladies' \$25.00 to \$30.00 Raincoats... \$19.85 Misses' Sport Coats Regular \$15.00, \$18.00 and \$22.50, now \$11.85, \$13.85, \$16.85 All Girls' Coats Ages 6 to 14 years. Regularly \$6, \$8.50, \$10, \$12.50, \$15, One-Half Price. Morrison Street at Fourth. Leading Clothier.

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