

WESTBOUND FREIGHT RATES ARE LOWERED

Panama Canal Completion Is Cause to Railroads Reducing Tariff Generally.

NEW SCHEDULES ARE FILED

Many Shipping Concessions Are Made—Coast Terminal Points Benefit by Change to Occur October 18.

Substantial reduction in the west-bound transcontinental freight rates will become effective October 18 under the new tariffs filed yesterday with the Interstate Commerce Commission by all the carriers comprising the Transcontinental Freight Bureau, which includes all the lines terminating in the Northwest.

The carriers, under the new tariff, propose to apply "postage stamp" rates on most of the principal commodities moving from East to West.

In other words, the rates on like commodities from New York to Portland or from Pittsburgh to Portland will be the same as from Chicago to Portland. The Portland rate also will apply to Seattle, Tacoma and other Coast terminal points.

The new tariff is intended by the carriers to meet the competition of the Panama Canal. Ever since the Canal has been opened many heavy commodities have been moving in large volume by water. The earnings of the railroads have suffered materially.

Harvey E. Lounsbury, general freight agent of the O.-W. R. & N. Company, who participated in the recent conference at Chicago, covering a period of six months, when the new tariffs were prepared, said yesterday that scores of shippers appeared before the freight officials and told them that in the event of sufficient reductions, the shippers would use the rail lines instead of the Canal route.

Retail Prices May Lower. The new tariff will affect almost every commodity shipped to the Northwest from the East, and may result in slight reductions in the retail prices on many of them.

These rates are issued on the same basis as the schedule C rates published a few months ago. The Interstate Commerce Commission on the ground that the reductions are discriminatory against Portland and Seattle and in favor of Spokane. It was pointed out that the reductions at Spokane were greater than those at Portland and Seattle, and that as a result Spokane would be able to invade the trade territory now held by the Coast cities.

In fact, it was contended that the carriers intended to make the rates to Spokane no higher, in the event the rates to Portland, that the distributors would be forced to center their business at Spokane.

The schedule C tariff applied only to commodities like iron and steel, linoleum, canned goods and similar heavy products, taking rates below \$1 per 100 pounds.

The new tariff applies to commodities taking the higher rates. The carriers say the present proportions between Portland and Spokane are maintained in the new tariff. Some of the typical reductions are as follows:

Farming Implements Included. Agricultural implements and their parts, such as blades for graders or scrapers, plow discs, harrow plates, weeders and rollers, and other similar articles: the old rates varied from \$1.50 per 100 pounds to \$1.75; the new rate will be \$1.

Bottles, jars and flasks, including fruit and jelly glasses, tops and top fastenings: Old rate, 85 cents; new rate, 75 cents.

Carpets and rugs: Old rate for less than carload shipments, \$2.50; new rate, \$2; carload shipments, old rate, \$1.85; new rate, \$1.75.

Baking powder, spices, etc. in cans: Old rate, \$1.25; new rate, \$1.10.

Motors. OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Since Washington's new motor code became effective June 10, there have been 49,922 motor vehicle licenses issued, 25,221 for autos and 4571 for motorcycles. Secretary of State L. M. Howell announced today an order have been placed for 7000 more number plates to meet the estimated demand for the next six months.

China and tinware bathroom fixtures and laundry fixtures—Old rate, \$1.70; new rate, \$1.55.

Kitchen sinks, etc.—Old rate, \$1.50; new rate, \$1.35.

Ammunition, bullets, cartridges, shot shells, etc.—Old rate, \$1.50; new rate \$1.

Mixed Shipments Permitted. Planes, including old rate, \$2.50; new rate, \$2. The tariff permits shippers to mix boxed and unboxed planes in the same car.

Woodenware and fiberware—New rate, \$2 in less than carload lots. The old rates varied substantially in excess of that figure.

Talking machines—Old rate, \$2.20; new rate, \$1.50.

Rubber boots and shoes—Old rate, \$1.50; new rate, \$1.25.

Concessions also were made to the automobile industry. The new tariff will permit shipments of automobiles "set up" condition, that is, on their own wheels, with enough gasoline in the tank to permit them to be removed from the cars on their own power. Electric batteries and motor parts will be permitted. The railroads heretofore have denied the automobile dealers the right to ship their cars with gasoline in the tanks on the theory that the practice was dangerous. They are satisfied now that there is no danger so long as only enough gasoline is contained in the tanks to run the machines out of the cars into the warehouses.

It will be permissible, also, under the new tariff to ship inner tubes, wheel channels, rims, flanges, rings and other rim parts in the same car with rubber tires and motor parts, at the same rate. This was a concession that the automobile industry had sought for several years.

PIIONEER WOMAN OF 1845 DIES AT M'INNIVILLE

The bridal party entered the large parlor as Mrs. Chester Moore, of Portland, played Lohengrin's wedding march. Rev. James Elvin read the ceremony, and the bride was given away by her father, Marshall Jackson, of Seattle, the best man.

Among the out-of-town guests were the following: Merrill Moore, Representative in Congress, Indianapolis; Judge and Mrs. Charles A. Wolcott, Mrs. H. S. Best, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bell, Miss Edna Bell, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Moore, Merrill B. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Moore, Mrs. Albert Wells, Miss Helen Krause and the Misses Carrie and Bertha Moore, of Portland; Mrs. W. E. Kinney, Willamette University; Mrs. Alfred E. Kinney, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and Miss Mildred Smith, of Astoria; Miss Lillian Bain, of New York



Mrs. Martha Frances Collard.

M'INNIVILLE, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—In the passing of Mrs. Martha Frances Collard, 75, the community loses one of its early homebuilders and community workers. Mrs. Collard died August 29. She crossed the plains with her parents to Oregon in 1845 and was the last charter member of the local Baptist Church.

Mrs. Collard was born in Missouri. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. B. F. Rhodes, of McMinnville; a son, Hugh E. Collard, of Minneapolis, Minn.; a sister, Mrs. Margaret Bean, of Henderson, of McMinnville, and seven grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the residence Tuesday. Interment in the Masonic Cemetery.

City, and the Misses Margaret and Gertrude Gray, of Seattle.

1000 ACRES TO GET FLAX

Control Board Decides on Amount of Crop for Penitentiary.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—After inspecting the flax yield stored at the penitentiary the State Board of Control today virtually decided to urge the planting of 1000 acres to flax next year.

It also was decided that home grown seed be sold to growers for \$1.50 a bushel and that the growers be paid by the state \$15 a ton for flax, picked by convicts but delivered by the growers to the prison.

SUSPECT WALKS FROM JAIL

Prisoner Held as Holdup Dons Garb of Painter and Goes Free.

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 4.—John Hartwell, one of the four suspects held in connection with the hold-up of nine automobiles here two weeks ago, escaped from the city jail this afternoon.

Donning some old clothing discarded by painters who were at work on the jail, Hartwell in the guise of a workman deliberately walked through the jail office to freedom.

WASHINGTON LICENSES 10,000 MOTORS

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In the fiscal year ended May 31, 1915, under the old motor laws, only 32,324 licenses were issued, no segregation being made under the former law between autos and motorcycles.

HEAD OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY AT O. A. C. NAMED

H. P. Bars, of Corvallis, Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Announcement of the appointment of H. P. Bars as head of the botany and plant pathology department of the Oregon Agricultural College to succeed Professor H. S. Jackson, resigned, was made today. Professor Bars has been connected with the department, he now heads for several years and is fully acquainted with the needs of Oregon growers as well as with the facilities of the college for meeting them.

In research work as well as field work among farmers and orchardists, Professor Bars has been counted as one of the department's strongest men, and his appointment doubtless will be most acceptable to the many Oregon growers whom he has met in course of his work.



H. P. Bars.

WEDDING MUCH ATTENDED

Miss Althea E. Moores Marries Robert C. Kinney, of Astoria.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—A prominent social event of the year was the marriage Wednesday of Miss Althea E. Moores to Robert C. Kinney, of Astoria. The nuptials were solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Moores, Chemeketa and Summer streets.

Before the service Miss Margery Marvin sang "I Send You My Heart," by Lehmann, with Miss Mary Schultze in violin obligato. Guests were met at the door by Robert Chaussey Bishop and were greeted at the head of the stairway by little Ellen Bell, of Port-

3 WOMEN JAILED FOR FORGERY CHARGE

Baker Authorities Also Ask Arrest of Leota Yates, Said to Be in Portland.

COIN OBTAINED ON CHECKS

Accused Women Formerly Conducted Barber Shop in This City, Later Moving to Baker—Lodging-House Raid Is Climax.

BAKER, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—What is believed to be the beginning of the round-up of a ring of women forgers was started tonight when Mrs. M. J. Collins, Julia Moore and Blanche Wilson were arrested here at Portland police were instructed by telegraph to arrest Leota Yates, who went to that city not long ago.

Already claims for more than \$700 have been presented to the county officials and there is a possibility that more will be unearthed. Frank Pollitt, a prominent attorney here, is said to have declared that more than this amount was obtained from him. Some of the checks are said to be forged and others were raised. Many of them are said to have been made payable to T. W. Toakum. It is said that Blanche Wilson was the most active and that she even tried to get one of the checks cashed at a Baker bank.

Mrs. Collins is believed to be the mother of Blanche Wilson and Leota Yates. She formerly lived here and left some time ago for Portland, where she and the Moore and Wilson women conducted a barber shop. The Moore and Wilson women returned to Baker last Spring and opened a barber shop on Center street. Mrs. Collins followed and the barber shop thrived. Soon afterward the three opened the Alpine rooming-house. Chief of Police Ed Jackson last night raided the house and arrested the three women on the charge of selling liquor without license. They were released on \$100 bail each and their hearing set for next Tuesday.

Arrest of the women brought out the forger charge and Deputy Sheriff Albert Nelson placed the three in the County Jail, where they are held without bond. Nelson then ordered the arrest of the Yates woman. The authorities say there will be more arrests later. Attorney Grover C. and Ashby Wrenn. The Wrenn home is at 772 Johnson street.

WOMAN IN AUTO KILLED

Machine Skids and Rolls Down 60-Foot Bank; Children Jump.

LIVINGSTON, Mont., Sept. 4.—Mrs. George Higgins, of Ringling, Mont., was fatally injured and her husband seriously injured when their automobile, driven by their son, skidded and rolled 60 feet down a steep hill, eight miles from Gardiner. Mrs. Higgins died last night, four hours after the accident, in the military hospital at Fort Yellowstone.

The young daughter jumped from the machine as it started to turn over.

CHARGE OF INSANITY FAILS

Warrant for Arrest of Husband Denied Canby Woman.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Efforts on the part of Mrs. F. Astman, of Canby, Or., to obtain a warrant for the arrest of her husband on the grounds of insanity proved a failure. Attorney for their attorney, Hedges refused to grant the woman's request.

John A. Hedges has sent Sheriff Wilson to investigate the case. At present Mr. Astman is said to be spending a two weeks' vacation in Portland.

INDIAN PRINCESS, 105, DIES

Kil-So-Quah, of Miami Tribe, Succumbs at Indiana Home.

WABASH, Ind., Sept. 4.—Kil-So-Quah, a Miami Indian Princess, reputed to be 105 years old, died at her home near here today. She had been ill for several weeks.

BIG TIME UP THE COLUMBIA

Tomorrow, Labor day; everybody's going to inspect Columbia Highway. Special trains leave Union Depot 9 A. M. Tickets at Union Depot.—Adv.

BISHOP COOKE IS VEXED

CONFERENCE FAVORS 4-YEAR TERM INSTEAD OF LIFE TENURE.

Memorial Asks Church Press to Open Columns to "Awaken People" to "Perils of Popery."

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 4.—The Columbia River conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church went on record today as favoring a four-year term of office with one re-election for a life term for bishops, instead of life tenure, as obtains at present. The bishops, after serving their term of office, to be returned to the conference from which they were elected.

Bishop Cooke, after the vote was taken, said he was glad to know how the ministers of the conference supported their bishops. He said if the general conference would act favorably on the resolution, after many years' hard and faithful labor for the church in general, he would have to return to his former pastorate in New York, where he did not receive the necessities of life.

A memorial asking that the official press of the Methodist Episcopal Church open its columns freely to all national items, correspondence and discussions as will tend to awaken "our people" to the magnitude of the "perils of Popery" and the "trance of the Roman Catholic Church," was adopted at today's session of the conference. The memorial was adopted without discussion.

The clergymen brought in the race question in their discussion of the amendment of the constitution. In connection with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The clergymen went on record as favoring a union of the two organizations. Several speakers urged that to disregard further the question of the impossibility of mingling the negro and white races in congregations would be a mistake, and the negroes should be given an opportunity to segregate themselves and conduct their own church.

The conference completed the elec-

ROGUE WATER SURVEY DUE

Area Open to Irrigation and Costs Are to Be Determined.

MEDFORD, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—A. P. Davis, director and chief engineer of the United States Reclamation Service, in answer to requests of the Medford Water Users' Association, will investigate the water resources of the Rogue River Valley at once. The object of the survey is to determine the area of the valley that can be irrigated, the amount of water available and the cost of construction.

Chief Engineer Whistler, of Portland, will start the survey at once in conjunction with the Reclamation Service. The expense to be paid from the fund set aside by the state and Government for joint reclamation work. With the survey made, members of the Water Users' Association believe that a comprehensive irrigation system for 1916 will be assured.

WOMAN SWIMS FOUR MILES

Miss Alma Watt Battles Rough Columbia at Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Miss Alma A. Watt, of Portland, attempted to swim across the Columbia River from Astoria to Clatskanie this afternoon, a distance of seven miles. After swimming four miles she was attacked with cramps and was taken into one of the boats that accompany the ferry.

The water was rough with whitecaps breaking all the way across and Miss Watt for joint reclamation work. With the survey made, members of the Water Users' Association believe that a comprehensive irrigation system for 1916 will be assured.

FUNERAL TO BE TOMORROW

Samuel Wrenn, Willamette Box Company Manager, to Be Laid to Rest.

Funeral services for Samuel Edward Wrenn, manager of the Willamette Box & Packing Company, will be held Thursday, will be held from Skewes' chapel at 2 o'clock tomorrow. Interment will be in Riverview Cemetery.

Mr. Wrenn was 60 years old. He is survived by his widow, Nellie Gray Wrenn; one daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Wrenn, of Los Angeles, and three sons, Moultrie, Grover C. and Ashby Wrenn. The Wrenn home is at 772 Johnson street.

CLACKAMAS FAIR NEAR

SPECIAL DAYS FOR FEETE OPENING SEPTEMBER 20 ARRANGED.

Exhibit Inquiries Are Pouring in From Points as Distant as in Washington.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—From all indications the Clackamas County Fair, to be held at Canby, Or., will be one of the most successful ever held, as many exhibitors are applying for space in the big pavilion, stock barns and poultry barn. Among the granges that will have exhibits are the National Grange, the Young Men's Association and others from Portland, Salem and other parts of Oregon.

The live stock, always an attractive feature, will no doubt be among the main features this year, and also the horse races.

Four big days are being planned by the association. Monday, September 20, is Canby day; Tuesday, Oregon City day; Wednesday, Molalla day; Thursday, the last day of the fair, Juvenile day. There will be a large crowd so from this city on Oregon City day, and a special programme is being arranged.

The "close competition" this year will be the individual farm exhibit for the handsome loving cup offered by the Northern Pacific Railroad. E. E. Kellogg, of Oregon City, was the winner of this cup in the 1912 fair and George DeBok, of Oregon City, won it last year and will try again this year.

Spokane Gets Additional Games.

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 4.—President Parr, of the Spokane Northwest baseball club, announced tonight that the directors granted his demand for additional games here and that tonight Monday, Tacoma will play a series of 12 games here.

Ashland Riflemen Leave for Range.

ASHLAND, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Sergeants Adams, Corporals Irwin and Porter and Private Hadfield have gone



A Complete Style Exhibit Showing the Best in Men's Fall Apparel. The finest products of loom and tailor are represented in my Fall Exposition of Men's Suits and Overcoats. These are clothes of uncommon style and quality, modestly priced. \$20, \$25, \$30 and \$35. BEN SELLING. Leading Clothier. Morrison at Fourth. The Store Will Be Closed Monday, Labor Day. Open Tuesday Morning.

LIVINGSTON, VIVIAN V. MICKLE, HARRIETT E. MONROE, MARGARET M. PURVINE, NELLIE FINDLAY, ALL OF PORTLAND; MAYBELL FELKER, OF VANCOUVER, WASH.; MRS. C. COUCH, LAURA SCHROEDER, HAZEL HOWARD, MR. AND MRS. GEORGE EXAMLER, MR. AND MRS. L. L. BROWN, MRS. E. M. BROWN, NEIL I. SPURK, W. A. DALY, J. G. HELL, JR., MR. AND MRS. GEORGE LUDERS, MR. AND MRS. ERIC GRAM, MISS MYRTLE GRAM, E. E. KINGSLY AND FAMILY, HOWARD H. JENKINS, W. F. JEFFREY, WALTER J. JEFFREY, JOHN WOOD, JOHN WOOD, JR., KATHERINE SHORT, MR. AND MRS. J. A. MARLIT, MR. AND MRS. F. A. LINCOLN AND SON, MR. AND MRS. B. F. HOPWOOD, ELSTON, HOPWOOD, S. BLAKE, HOPWOOD, ALL OF PORTLAND, OR.; MR. AND MRS. E. H. BETROCHE AND MISS BETROCHE, OF SEASIDE, OR.; MR. AND MRS. MARIE AUER AND CARLIE SISTER, OF PORTLAND, OR.

SPIRITUALISTS MAKE PEACE

Factions in Association Unite After Break of Seven Years.

A union of the two factions of the State Spiritualist Association was completed at a gathering of the church leaders and delegates yesterday at their church, Sixth and Montgomery streets. The association was reorganized and officers elected, a breach of seven years' standing being thereby healed. The officers chosen were: Robert Schus, president; Mrs. Margaret Marks and J. T. Hedrick, vice-presidents; Mr. M. L. Stevens, secretary, and M. J. Downes, treasurer. The five members of the board of trustees are: Irene Gacimlin, Emma Struble, A. H. Clark, Mrs. M. E. Allen and Mrs. Jennie Bratton.

NOTED RUSSIANS GATHER

Congress of Representative Men Plan Means to Prosecute War.

PETROGRAD, via London, Sept. 4.—A congress of Russia's representative men and institutions, summoned by Emperor Nicholas to discuss, organize and unify means for prosecuting the war to a successful conclusion, held its first session this morning in the Imperial Palace. The Emperor presided and in a speech outlined the object of the conference.

ROOMMATE IS EXONERATED

Man Confessing Grand Larceny Is Sentenced at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Taking upon himself all responsibility for a felony and exonerating his roommate, Albert Huber today pleaded guilty to grand larceny and was sentenced to from six months to 15 years in the state reformatory at Monroe by Judge Back.

John Schain, the man exonerated, pleaded not guilty, and his bond was set at \$1500, which he was unable to obtain.

MANY AT MOUNTAIN HOME

E. P. Hopwoods, of Portland, Registers at Clackamas County Resort.

WELCHES, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—The following guests were registered at Tawney's Mountain Home the past week: Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Garton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howell, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bale, Peggy Baker, Miss Mary Rose, Mrs. James Grady, Eva L. Cress, Mrs. Joseph Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. A. W.

OUR FAIR

Gresham, Sept. 14 to 18, 1915

Tuesday, September 14th—GRANGE DAY

Wednesday, September 15th—MULTNOMAH COUNTY SABBATH SCHOOL DAY

Thursday, September 16th—PORTLAND DAY

Friday, September 17th—PRESS DAY

Saturday, September 18th—BABY DAY

ATTRACTIONS:

Eight Grange Exhibits.

Hundreds of heads of the finest stock in the state.

Daily lectures by Miss Anna M. Turley, Domestic Science Department of the Oregon Agricultural College.

Multnomah County Corn Show, in charge of "Farmer Smith," Agriculturist of the O.-W. R. & N.

Demonstration Herd of Dairy Cows, in charge of J. D. Mickle, State Dairy and Food Commissioner. Daily lectures by J. M. Dickson, Shedd; Wm. Schulmerich, Hillsboro; W. K. Newell, Seghers; A. E. Westcott, Banks; Professor R. R. Graves, Dairy Dept. Oregon Agricultural College.

Races Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Interspersed with exhibition driving of J. D. Farrell's Fancy Carriage Horses, "Old Glory" and "Union Jack." These fine carriage types will be hitched to a George the 4th Phaeton and a Seaton wagon and driven by Miss Farrell. Mr. Farrell will also have his celebrated jumper, "Premier," on exhibition.

Fireworks every evening.

Round Trip Fare on Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. Line and Bull Run Line, 25c

Admittance Tuesday and Wednesday, 25c

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Including Races, 50c