

RAILWAYS PROSPER ON WESTERN SLOPE

Stupendous Business Demonstrated by Evidence Before State Commission.

EAST'S FIGURES COMPARED

Data Prepared for Presentation to Interstate Body in Hearing on Increase of 15 Per Cent on Rate Scale.

SALEM, Or., June 16.—(Special).—The stupendous amount of business done by the Western railroads is shown in a stack of exhibits which have been received by the Public Service Commission from Washington, D. C. These exhibits were prepared by the Western Commissions, in the main, or by the bureau of railway economics at Washington, for the use of the Western Commissions in their appearance before the Interstate Commerce Commission on the 15 per cent rate increase hearing.

An exhibit presented by U. G. Powell, rate expert for the Western Commissions, shows that the roads in the Western classification territory have an average revenue per ton mile of \$8.91, as compared to \$6.53 for the roads in the Eastern classification territory and \$6.50 for the Southern roads.

Figures are compared. The Western roads, according to this showing, show a percentage of 136 as compared to the Eastern roads for the average revenue per ton mile. The Western roads have a net return of 8.88 per cent, according to Mr. Powell's showing, as compared to 5.56 per cent for the Eastern roads, and 6.48 per cent for the Southern roads.

The Western roads' average operating revenue to their gross revenue is 67.70 per cent, while the Eastern roads show 77.27 per cent and the Southern roads 70.83 per cent. The Western roads cover 129,410 miles, as to 46,313 miles for the Eastern roads and 61,590 for the Southern roads.

Figures prepared by H. B. Warren, another expert appearing for the Western Commission, show that the Western roads, for the 15 years from 1900 to 1915, inclusive, had an average of \$1,185,512,450 in operating revenues, or an increase in 1915 over 1900 of \$7.14 per cent. The average operating expenses per year for the same length of time were \$792,814,983, or an increase in 1915 over 1900 of 10.13 per cent. The net operating revenues averaged \$392,697,467, and the average operating ratio was 66.30 per cent.

Figures presented by experts. L. E. Wetling, another expert, showed that in 1915 the Western roads had operating revenues amounting to \$1,250,215,130.25; operating expenses amounting to \$858,000,912.27; net operating revenues, \$392,214,217.98; total revenues, \$2,508,229,348.23; operating income, \$387,497,552.47; rentals, \$1,185,512,450; net operating income for the Western roads that year of \$387,497,552.47.

The comparisons made by Expert Powell as to the conditions in Western, Eastern and Southern classification territories, made by the Western Commissions to indicate that even if advances are made in the Eastern and Southern classification territories, the advances would not apply to the Western territory, as these roads, under his figures, are bringing a greatly higher percentage of return.

NATHAN WHEALDON DIES

FORMER STATE SENATOR FROM WASCO COUNTY PASSES.

Plains Crossed in 1852 to Oregon, Where Family Resided First in Linn, Then in Benton County.

THE DALLAS, Or., June 16.—(Special).—Nathan Whealdon died here at 10:15 a. m. today, after a long illness. He was 78 years of age. He was born in New York, and came to Oregon in 1852, where he resided for many years. He was a member of the Oregon State Senate from 1895 to 1905, and was also a member of the Oregon State Board of Agriculture.

HIGHEST PRAISE GIVEN

SECOND STUDENT AWARDED HONORS AT PACIFIC UNIVERSITY.

Miss Ruth Haines, Editor of College Weekly, Averages 85.5 Per Cent for Four Years' Work.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Or., June 16.—(Special).—For the second time in the history of Pacific University the honor of winning a "Summa Cum Laude" was gained this year by Miss Ruth Haines, of this city, on her graduation. Her average grade for her four years' work was 85.5 per cent. She is the daughter of E. W. Haines, ex-State Senator from this county and at one time president of the State Senate.

Miss Alvina Howard, of Portland, who graduated this year, received the honor of a "Magna Cum Laude," which is given for an average grade of 91 per cent or over for a four-year course.

Miss Haines was very active in student affairs, as she was editor of the college weekly paper this year and president of the Kappa Delta Girls' Literary Society.

SONS GIVEN TO CAUSE

City Marshal, of Ridgefield, Proud That His Boys Enlisted.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., June 16.—(Special).—Craig L. Burns, 21 years old, and Guy Burns, 17, two well-known boys of Ridgefield, sons and the only children of City Marshal Joseph C. Burns, of this place, recently enlisted in the Navy and are now at Mare Island training station. The brothers were raised here and have a wide acquaintance among the Ridgefield people and other places.

Prior to his enlistment Craig was employed at the Brattle-McClelland shoe mill at this place, but the reason for his position there to join the Navy. His brother Guy was a former grammar school student and worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad Company here before he answered the call of the colors. Both boys enlisted within several days of each other and have written to their parents.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED AT BROWNSVILLE UNIQUE EVENT FOR LEBANON WOMAN.



In the Picture Are Mrs. Sarah Davidson, of Lebanon; Her Son, William M. Davidson, of Brownsville; Mr. Davidson's Daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Brown, of Brownsville; and Her Baby Daughter, Betty Ann Brown. ALBANY, Or., June 16.—(Special).—The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Davidson, of Brownsville, was celebrated at their home in Brownsville on June 16, the third anniversary of the death of Mrs. Davidson's mother, Mrs. Sarah Davidson, of Lebanon. Mrs. Davidson and her husband celebrated their golden wedding, and William M. Davidson is their second child to attain the age of 50 years of wedded life. Mrs. Davidson's other child to participate in a golden wedding is Mrs. Henderson Murphy, of Lebanon. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy celebrated their golden wedding at their home in Lebanon two years ago. A feature was the presence of Mrs. Mary Powell, of Brownsville, who was one of the guests at the wedding half a century ago.

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MARSHFIELD, Or., June 16.—(Special).—The Board of Education of this city has retained all excepting four teachers who were engaged here during the year ending June 5. Superintendent A. Tiedgen, in announcing the personnel of the faculty, said that the city schools had the best year in their history.

Summer School Opens Monday.

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL, Monmouth, Or., June 16.—(Special).—The seventh annual Summer Session of the Oregon Normal School will open in this city Monday. Students are coming in large numbers and the biggest number is expected to arrive Sunday night. Arrangements have been made by the normal dormitory to care for a larger number of girls than usual, while households and the city will care for the remainder. It is deemed likely the attendance this year will run to 900 or 1000. Summer school will last six weeks.

No Toll Taken on Pacific Highway.

KELOSO, Wash., June 16.—(Special).—No more will autoists who are traveling the Pacific Highway in this county, have to dig down into their pockets for money to pay for being hauled across the Kalama River bottom road, where the highway has been impassable while the water is over the road. The water still remains, but due to the pressure of local residents the holes have been filled with gravel and crushed rock so that the autoists can cross the flooded portion of the road under their own power.

Sawmill Will Not Be Dismantled.

CENTRALIA, Wash., June 16.—(Special).—Owing to the fact that the machinery prices, the United Railway & Logging Supply Company, of Seattle, which recently purchased the property of the Chehalis River Lumber & Shingle Company at Galvin, will not dismantle the plant, as intended, but will keep the property intact in the hope of finding a purchaser who will operate the mill. Such a deal was being negotiated but fell through this week.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

WAR FOR FLAG DUTY

Chief Justice McBride Delivers Stirring Address.

ALL CALLED TO HELP WIN

Glowing Tribute Paid to Women's Work in Red Cross as Entitling Them to Be Enrolled in Ranks of Heroes.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 16.—(Special).—One of the finest addresses ever given here was that of Hon. Thomas A. McBride, Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court, the "grand old man" of Clackamas County, who came back among the home folks Friday evening to give the patriotic appeal at the Elks' Flag day service. Judge McBride was given a tremendous ovation upon his appearance, and delivered a most eloquent address.

Prefacing Judge McBride's speech, Hartbridge Gardner Whipp stirred the large audience with his masterly singing of the national anthem.

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der his rifle—let him that cannot be a soldier contribute according to his means, be it much or little, to assist and uphold the men who are facing their breasts to the foe to fight his battles. In the field, in the factory, in the garden, everywhere, there is room to serve your country in this its hour of peril.

"The women, God bless them, can help—nay, they are helping. The sex last at the cross and first at the tomb of our Savior will not be lagging in this holy cause. Where there are wounds to heal and suffering to soothe there will she be, and that to bless. Thank God for the Red Cross and for the opportunity it gives our dear women to be of service to humanity in this great struggle. The fires of patriotism burn brightly in their hearts, and when the role of heroes who have served their country is called the names of those noble women who have encouraged their loved ones to do a man's part in the struggle, and with aching hearts have seen them march away to do and dare for their country, will be near the head of the list.

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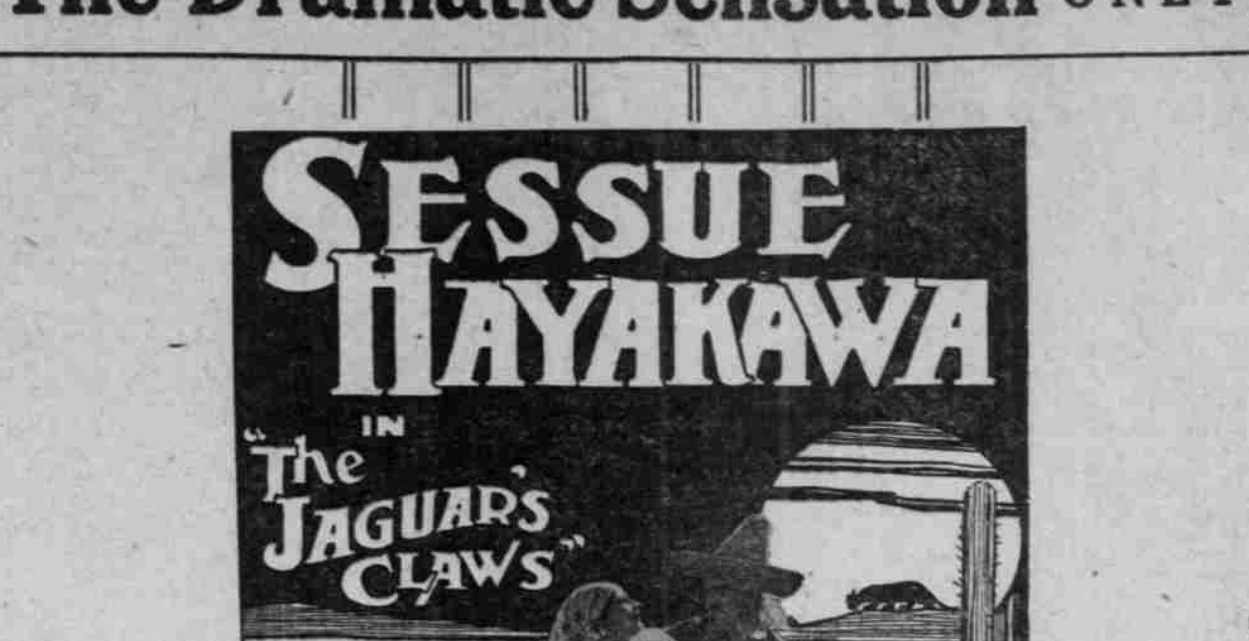
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ARTILLERYMEN WANT 35

Marine Corps Declines to Reject Him, but Omits Acceptance.

PHILADELPHIA, June 16.—Because telling a man he is too fat to serve his country may have a tendency to dampen patriotism, Howard Alva Stillwell, of Newark, was given a somewhat different diagnosis of his case when he was rejected by United States Marine Corps medical examiners here.

Stillwell, who weighs 234 pounds, was accepted by recruiting officers in Newark, but failed to pass the local doctors, who found he was afflicted with "Hypertension," a disease which is given the following analysis in the doctor's report: "A condition due to pathological activity of the pituitary body, and marked by excessive deposits of fat and the persistence or acquirement of adolescent characteristics."

Both the doctor's report and Stillwell carry considerable weight.

Little Town Buys Bonds.

CENTRALIA, Wash., June 16.—(Special).—The Doty Lumber & Shingle Company and its employees subscribed \$950 to the liberty loan. This is considered a remarkable record for the town.

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