

### LOWER RAY RATES IN OREGON SOUGHT

Co-operative Growers to Start Campaign.

### INJUSTICE IS CHARGED

Towns in Washington and Idaho Declared to Hold Important Advantage in Shipping.

HERMISTON, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The Oregon Co-operative Hay Growers are going to start a campaign to lower Oregon freight rates, according to L. L. Hunt, manager, in a statement made today. In the statement Mr. Hunt contends that the railroads assess an extra tariff on all things in Oregon as compared with Washington and Idaho. The statement by Mr. Hunt continues:

"The rate on hay from North Prosser, Wash., to Centralia, either over the mountains via Tacoma, 275.3 miles, or down the river, 343 miles, is 20 1/2 cents, or \$4.10 per ton. From Hermiston down the river, 281 miles, the rate is \$4.80 per ton, and from Redmond, Or., a distance of 312 miles, it is 25 1/2 cents, or \$4.10 per ton. From Kennewick to Centralia is 296 miles, and the rate is \$4.50; Walla to Portland 243 miles, rate per ton \$4.80; Hermiston to Portland, 190 1/2 miles, rate per ton \$4.40. If Hermiston were a Washington town the rate would be \$2.60.

"Benton City, Wash., to Spokane, 172 miles, rate \$2.40; Sunnyside to Spokane, 221.3 miles, rate \$3.90; Hermiston, Or., to Spokane, 191.2 miles, rate \$4.30." If Hermiston were in Washington this rate would also be \$2.60.

"Kennewick, Wash., to Knappa, Or., near Astoria, is about 300 miles. The rate is \$4.50. From Redmond, Or., only 25 miles farther, the rate is \$7.90. The strange part of this is that for 133 miles the cars are hauled over the same track.

### Washington Advantage Seen.

"These figures are not exceptional. There is positively not a single hay market in the northwest in which Washington shippers do not have an advantage of from 40 cents to \$3 per ton, and the average upon basis of mileage is not less than 60 cents per ton for the hay actually marketed.

"There are 50,000 tons of eastern Oregon hay baled each year and this means a loss to the growers of \$30,000 each season.

"If this discrimination only affected eastern Oregon hay growers the rest of the state might say it is their right to go on to that irrigated land. It would appear that the farmers of western Oregon are taxed an average of \$17.5 per ton for every ton of hay shipped by train and fed to dairy cows more than their neighbors in Washington have to pay who live on equal distance from the coast, no matter whether the hay is grown in eastern Oregon, Washington or in the Willamette valley.

"As many of the growers can be found as there are Oregon and Washington towns, but it seems that these will suffice. The cheapest hay market in the northwest is in Aberdeen, Wash., are really based upon this market.

### Injustice Is Shown.

"Oregon has three towns that are in every way as to mileage, seaports and railroad facilities almost identical with three Washington towns, Portland, Corvallis and Yaquina in Oregon, and Vancouver, Centralia and Aberdeen in Washington. In addition they are all hay markets.

"The distance from Portland to Corvallis is 88 miles. From Portland and Corvallis dairymen must pay the Portland market price plus \$2.80 to get hay. The distance from Vancouver to Centralia is 78 miles; from Portland is 88 miles, and Centralia dairymen can buy hay laid down at his station for the Portland price plus no extra freight whatever, due to through routing of shipments.

"The man at Yaquina, who lives 150 miles from Portland, must pay the Portland price plus \$2.70 per ton, while his friend in Portland can pay only 60 cents per ton and lives 148 miles from Portland.

"The rate to Tillamook, situated at Aberdeen, is \$2.20 per ton to haul 115 miles from Portland. Kalama is on another road 37.5 miles from Portland and the market price of hay here is exactly the same as Portland, while Banks, in Washington county, 34 miles from Portland, must pay \$1.50 per ton extra.

"There is not a town in western Oregon that does not face this condition and if there is one in Washington that does not enjoy a proportionate advantage the writer is not aware of it.

"As if this were not enough the local magis illustrations made in two separate divisions, one for western Washington, especially, and one for Oregon. The Oregon rate averages 60 per cent higher than the Washington rate. This rate applies upon all shipping not covered by any particular tariff. We are told that no freight reduction can be made at this time, but there must be some way to equalize these. Oregon farmers are entitled to a square deal."

### LICENSE HEARING WAITS

Revocation of Ferryman's Permit Comes Up Next Tuesday.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The case of Frank Larson, summoned to appear before the county court to show cause why his license for operating a ferry between here and Underwood, Wash., should not be revoked, set for yesterday, was postponed until next Tuesday.

Larson is alleged by a complaint filed with the court by District Attorney Baker to have used his ferryboat in transporting liquor illegally from the Washington shore.

### CASH BONUS IS OPPOSED

Idaho Veterans of Foreign Wars Indorse All Other Plans.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The Veterans of Foreign Wars of this city have gone on record as against a cash bonus for soldiers, and in that respect are supporting the stand taken by the United States Senator Borah.

Indorsement was given to the other four plans—adjusted service insurance certificates, vocational training, preferential land settlement and farm and home building aid.

### COURTHOUSE LEASE OUT

Union County Faces Prospects of Having No Quarters.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—With the school board, the Catholic church and a hospital organ-

ization anxious to make the city of La Grande an offer to purchase the city hall property now used as a courthouse, the county has neglected to take steps to renew its lease and faces the possibility of being without a courthouse, no provisions having been made for one.

The city allowed the county to use the building at \$1 a year for 15 years and the county failing to make any provision whatsoever to provide a permanent home, a lease was given at \$200 a month two years ago with an option to purchase for \$30,000. This lease has now expired and the county does not want to pay added rent while the city is demanding a rental of \$500 a month with an option to purchase within a year for \$37,500, the book value or about half the assessed valuation of the property. The sum of \$300 a month would be refunded on the rent paid under the lease on completing negotiations to purchase, according to the city's offer.

### RINGLER'S SON IS SOUGHT

STATUTORY OFFENSE IS CHARGED IN 2 WARRANTS.

Girl Is Reported to Be Expected to Become Mother—Affair Said to Have Followed Dance.

It became known yesterday that the police were endeavoring to find Malcolm Ringler, 18-year-old son of M. M. Ringler, proprietor of the Broadway dance hall, in order to serve him with a warrant of arrest charging a statutory offense against a 15-year-old girl, the daughter of a Mount Scott family.

The affair between young Ringler and the girl was said by police to have begun when Ringler took her home one night from his father's dance hall. The girl, it was alleged, is expected to become a mother.

Police warrants for Ringler must have been issued and a complaint against the girl for delinquency has been filed. The first warrant against Ringler was issued in the case of domestic relations charging him with being the father of an illegitimate child. An unidentified man then appeared under the name of Ringler, and a complaint against the girl for delinquency.

When it became known by the women's protective division that the juvenile court was about to take the girl into custody the case was laid before the district attorney and a complaint was filed against Ringler, charging him with a statutory offense. The first warrant against him had been held in abeyance pending negotiations to get Ringler to marry the girl.

Ringler could not be found in Portland when the police went to serve the second warrant and they believe that he has fled to the coast.

Reports in police circles that Mr. Ringler senior had offered to pay the girl's expenses in case the child should be placed in the orphan asylum were vigorously denied by him.

"My son denies any improper relations with this girl," he said last night. "Further, the reputation of physicians who examined the girl stated positively that she is not in the condition claimed. The young woman's parents have offered to marry her if she will drop this matter. This offer was promptly refused and the statements that I offered to pay all of this girl's expenses under any conditions whatsoever are absolutely untrue."

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### BUS LINE IS APPROVED

LINNTON-PORTLAND CHARTER PRACTICALLY ASSURED.

Efficient Daily Service Includes Ample Safeguards for Comfort and Protection of Public.

An ordinance granting a franchise to the Linnton Transit company, for the operation of buses between Linnton and Portland, will be submitted to the city council next Thursday morning by County Commissioner Mann.

Inasmuch as the provisions of the franchise have been approved tentatively by members of the council and meet with the wishes of the residents of Linnton, it is believed that the ordinance will be passed without opposition.

The franchise calls for the operation of buses carrying 14 persons. An annual franchise fee of \$100 is required and in addition the company calls for the payment of a license fee of \$1 a seat the quarter.

For the protection of the persons using the buses the franchise calls for damage insurance of \$1000 a bus, liability and personal injury of \$5000 and general liability insurance of \$10,000.

Hourly service must be maintained between Linnton and Portland between 6 A. M. and 4:30 and from this time until 11 P. M. three round trips must be made.

A maximum fare of 15 cents each way, together with a book of 100 tickets for \$10, is required in the franchise.

The cash value of the franchise is placed at \$1000.

### GIRL ASSAULTER KILLED

Father of Child, 14, Shoots Youth Who Carried Her to Room.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 18.—Harry Tracy, 29 years old, of this city, was shot and killed here Friday by Harry Woodruff, father of Dorothy Woodruff, 14 years old, whom it was alleged, Tracy assaulted.

Woodruff surrendered himself to the sheriff immediately. According to the story told the officers, Tracy set the Woodruff girl and carried her to his room and assaulted her. After being released, the girl in a fit of despondency sought to take poison. Her mother dissuaded her and succeeded in getting her to tell of the assault. After hearing the girl's story, Woodruff said, he went to Tracy's home and shot him.

### School Grounds Improved.

Notable improvements are being made on the grounds surrounding the Gilbert school on Park avenue. In one section the trees have been removed, while in another portion of the grounds the trees have been shaped up and will be preserved. A semi-circular roadway has been constructed from the avenue to the school building, and roses and shrubbery donated by the ladies' aid society are to be planted on the grounds.

### St. Johns Homes to Be Built.

A. C. Galbraith, 877 Oberlin street, is planning an extensive house-building campaign in the St. Johns district during the ensuing spring and summer. He has just taken out building permits for four houses to be built on Leonard street, and plans are being made for the erection of a number of houses in the vicinity of the new James John high school.

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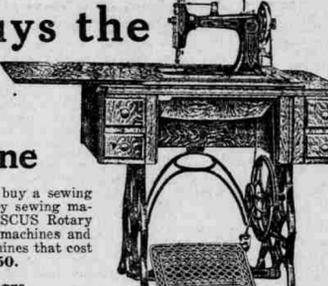
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