

THREAT FOR LUMBERMEN

Valley Lumbermen See Ruination in New Railroad Schedule of Rates

PRACTICALLY A SHUT-OUT

Southern and Eastern Business Would Be Prohibited— Adds \$1.65 per 1,000.

Lumber manufacturers of the Willamette valley will bring suit in the United States court to enjoin the transcontinental lines from putting into effect the new freight rate schedules just filed at Washington.

Owing to conflicting statements published, the figures have been somewhat confused. A lumberman who has made a study of the rates explained that the increase amounts to an additional burden of \$1.65 per 1,000 feet to be borne by the Willamette valley lumber manufacturer.

Strange Discrimination. This singular discrimination, while chargeable to the local freight traffic officials of the Harriman lines, is to have been actually committed by the eastern offices higher up, and presently through ignorance of local conditions in the valley.

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Valley Mills Hit. While the valley mills are getting the worst of the deal all around, the northbound rates have been left undisturbed for the benefit of San Francisco wholesalers in all lines.

SIMPKINS, WANTED IN IDAHO, IS AT JUNEAU, ALASKA

Juneau, Alaska, Sept. 19.—Jack Simpkins, who was badly wanted by the state of Idaho as a witness in the recent trial of William Haywood, was recognized by several persons on the streets of Juneau a few nights ago.

was made because of the high steamer rates from Portland, which had worked an injustice to Portland lumber mills. Today the charter rates have receded to their normal figure of \$4.50 to \$5.50, and Portland lumber mills are shipping their product by water to San Francisco and baypoints at one-third the rate they paid for some months following the San Francisco disaster.

COMMISSION FIGURING ON BUYING DREDGES

The sub-committee of the Port of Coos Bay Commission, consisting of James Flanagan, H. C. Diers and Henry Sengstacken held a meeting yesterday and discussed the matter of purchasing a dredge. There will be a company organized for purchasing the dredge which will proceed with the work as soon as it can be purchased and brought to the Bay.

NORTH BEND MAN TAKES CURRY COUNTY BRIDE

Thomas L. Carey, one of the firm of the Coos Bay Grocery Co., went down to Port Orford and captured one of Curry's county's belles, Miss Pearl Stewart, and persuaded her to change her name.

E. D. McARTHUR BUYS SENGSTACKEN PHARMACY

The Sengstacken drug store and pharmacy has been sold to E. D. McArthur, who will conduct the business hereafter. Mr. McArthur has gone to Portland to order goods and will return on the next Breakwater.

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—BUY your groceries at Sacchi's.

HUGE PROFITS OF STANDARD

Dividends Nearly Half Billion in Eight Years—Stockholders Well Paid.

ASSETS NEAR FOUR BILLION

Richest Corporation on Earth.—Investigation Shows Surprising Increases in Value.

New York, Sept. 19.—Delving into the financial workings of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, the holding company of all subsidiary corporations of the so-called oil trusts, Frank B. Kellogg, conducting the federal suit for dissolution of the company, brought to public view today for the first time the enormous profits made by that company in eight years, from 1899 to 1906, inclusive.

While the company was earning these vast sums, the statement shows that the assets of the company grew from \$200,000,000 to over \$3,715,000,000. The capital stock is \$98,338,332. The hearing today brought out much information showing that the Standard of New Jersey controls over 70 companies engaged in refining and transportation by pipe line of oil.

Clarence Fay, assistant controller for the Standard Oil company, was the final witness of the day. Fay, like his predecessors, was unable to give the government inquisitor the information desired, which caused Kellogg to remark he thought it strange none of the Standard Oil officials seemed to know where the records of the liquidating trustees could be found.

SIMPSON SENDS HORSES FOR ARAGO MEETING

T. J. Armstrong went through Marshfield this morning on his way to Arago with a couple of well-bred two-year olds belonging to L. J. Simpson. They will be entered in the races there. The colts are off the Hazen ranch in California and are by Tom Cromwell, one of the best stake horses that this country ever produced.

BROUGHT IN SIX PRONG ELK HORNS

Walter Lawhorne and Jas. Boone returned yesterday from the headwaters of Middle Creek, where they had been in search of elk. They returned with the finest set of six prong antlers ever brought to Marshfield. The horns are so nearly alike and the prongs are so nearly similar that they make a most valuable trophy.

PARENTS MAKE A FATAL MISTAKE

Give Son Strychnine, Thinking It Quinine.—Died in Short Time.

Canyon City, Ore., Sept. 19.—Clarence Flood, the 12-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. Henry Flood, died at his parents' home near Hamilton last Monday morning, from the effects of a dose of strychnine given him by mistake, the parents supposing they were giving the child quinine.

The boy was taken suddenly ill about 5 o'clock Monday morning and died in a very short time after the fatal drug was taken.

As soon as possible after the boy's death Dr. Stewart and J. A. Steach, Justice of the Peace were summoned, and a coroner's inquest was held, the verdict being that death was caused by poison being given by mistake. Dr. Stewart found that both strychnine and quinine were in the same bottle from which the supposed medicine was taken, and also found strychnine in the boy's stomach. How the strychnine came in the quinine is a mystery to the distracted parents.

Journal's Social Issue. The Oregon Journal has a representative on Coos Bay who is delivering between 500 and 600 of the special magazine issues of that journal. This issue is a ready seller, despite the fact that it is rather expensive.

MEEKER ENDS HIS JOURNEY

Creates Great Interest as He Drives Oxen Length of Broadway.

629 DAYS FOR THE TRIP

Journey Ended at the Battery.—Throng Crowds His Route in City.

New York, Sept. 19.—An ox team, drawing a prairie schooner, the driver of which was a rugged looking old man who wore typical western garb, attracted great crowds on Broadway. The vehicle and driver were not only in striking contrast to the automobiles and carriages on the great white way, but a decided novelty in New York.

FLANAGAN AND WATSON WIN COURT SUIT

The suit brought in the circuit court by E. G. Flanagan and E. B. Watson, to establish ownership of a strip of land on which the cold storage plant stands was decided in favor of the complainants. Messrs. Flanagan and Watson have owned a property with water front, 80 by 500 feet, for three years, and surveys proved the cold storage plant was partially on their land.

JAPANESE NAVY HAS GUN EXPLOSION

Twelve Inch Ordnance Torn By Exploding Shell.—Nearly 50 Maimed.

Tokio, Sept. 19.—A 12-inch gun on the battleship Kashima exploded during the naval maneuvers near Kure, September 9, killing and injuring 44 members of the crew and seriously damaging the vessel.

The Kashima was commanded by Captain Koizumi. The fatalities include a lieutenant, two cadets and one staff officer.

Details of the accident are lacking, but it is known that the explosion was a terrible one. The explosion followed an attempt to remove an unexploded shell from the gun.

The Japanese officials were successful in keeping the news from the outside world until today. The navy bureau has been reluctant about giving information and has stated that there will be no official report until a thorough investigation has taken place.

The shell is believed to have exploded after removal from the gun, and all within the 12-inch gun turret must have met with instant death. Men in the passing-room were probably badly injured by the concussion.

LONG TRIP OF A SUBMARINE

French Naval Boat Travels Over Two Hundred Miles.

New York, Sept. 19.—A cable to the Sun from Paris says: The submarine boat Opale finished yesterday the longest voyage ever made by a vessel of that class, traveling from Cherbourg around Brittany to the Isle De Croix and back on her own resources, without any stoppage, as a test of her seagoing capacity.

The distance traveled was 222 miles and she made it at an average speed of eight knots. The voyage included several difficult places, notably the doubling of Ouessant and going through the Raz de Seine.

NORTH BEND NOW HAS DAY CIRCUIT

Frank Moss was lately put in charge of the North Bend electric light system and last Monday the consolidation at Porter was completed and the city since then has had continuous service. A number of manufacturing plants were waiting for the 24 hours service and these are now running, thus making more business in our neighboring city.

McKINLEY'S REMAINS REMOVED TO THEIR LAST RESTING PLACE

Canton, Sept. 19.—The body of the late President McKinley, guarded by a detail of United States soldiers, was today taken from the grave in the Western cemetery to a mausoleum on Monument Hill where the casket was placed in the sarcophagus beside the casket containing Mrs. McKinley's remains, which was moved to the vault on Wednesday. In order to surround the transfer with as much privacy as possible from visitors, most of the soldiers were on guard on the route of the funeral car. The body of the president was placed in the vault just six years ago.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING FOR TONIGHT

Chamber of Commerce meets tonight. It will be largely a business meeting, yet an interesting one. There is yet no abatement of interest in the exhibits, many people who had not yet seen the display but heard about it, visiting the hall on Front street yesterday.

Visitors tonight are requested to call at 8 o'clock that they may get through viewing the exhibits before the meeting is called to order.

Mr. Desmond, who was booked for an address, was called to his home in California, but goes to return soon, and the people of Marshfield will yet hear him at the Chamber of Commerce hall. A number of visitors from other states will be present, however, and there will be nothing lacking in interest.

Some action will probably be taken tonight in the way of disposing of the big red and yellow apples left over from the exhibit. Captain W. C. Harris' plan is to distribute them among the people by throwing one at every man or woman present that wears a smile.

NO MORE SLOUGHS AROUND COOS BAY

Some time ago the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution declaring that the term "Slough" as applied by the government to navigable waters about Coos Bay should be changed, since it is a misnomer. Secretary Lyon was instructed to forward the resolutions to Col. Roessler with the request to remedy the matter. The following reply has been received and it appears the matter will be adjusted to the satisfaction of Coos Bay people.

"As requested in your letter of the 11th instant, I will take pleasure in endeavoring to have the word 'Slough' dropped wherever it has heretofore been made to apply to navigable streams." S. W. Roessler, Lieut. Col. Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.

REPORTS SUGGEST ELK NEED PROTECTION

From reports thus far received, it is evident that the elk hunting is no sport, as the animals are very tame, and the hunters say killing them is more like murder than anything else. One hunter who has just come in from a trip says he killed an elk but he would never look for another one with intention of slaughtering it. The same reports come from Curry county, where it is said, they are hanging about the farms in several vicinities. It is more than probable the next legislature will wake up and pass a law forever forbidding the slaughter of this fine game, but it will then be too late, as there will be few left by that time in Oregon.

LOGGERS CUT PRICES SHARPLY

Depression in Lumber Market Causes Lowering of Rates.

Seattle, Sept. 19.—The Washington Logging and Brokerage company, which controls the logging output on Puget Sound, has reduced prices on flooring and merchantable logs \$2 per thousand, and on No. 2, \$2.50 a thousand. This makes the average price for all classes of logs \$10 a thousand on Puget Sound. The new prices, which become effective at once, are the lowest in a year.

The reduction was forced by cuts made in British Columbia, the Gray's Harbor and Columbia districts. The effect of the reduction in loggers' prices to the mills will be a cut in lumber. The lumber market has gone off badly and the logging market is threatened with demoralization.

ELLERBY MAKES BIG CATCH OF SALMON

Jim Ellerby made a pretty good catch Thursday morning, the total being 44. He was fishing near the mouth of the bay and had the misfortune to lose about 80 fathoms of lead line which left him only 40 fathoms, otherwise he believes he would have doubled the catch. Knowing the favorite grounds for the salmon is among the rocks he takes more chances than most fishermen with the above result.

Try a Times Want ad, and be sure.

AID AT HAND FOR LIBRARY

Dormant Matter Comes to Life and Will Be Pushed by Committee.

LOCAL TALENT TO HELP

Plans on Foot for Adding to Fund—Musical and Reading First.

Last winter the Library Association, after a hard struggle to establish a free library in Marshfield, went to sleep expecting to awake only when the sounds of activity should indicate that the spirit of Progress was awake, too. At that time it looked as if Rip Van Winkle, who had just emerged from a twenty year sleep would again fall into another spell of slumber. It was surprising how easily everything went to sleep from sheer habit and how soundly it slept. Hotels which stood in high places, locomotives which sped on twin city tracks, great factories and beautiful paved streets all went to sleep with the library. Unexpectedly and magnificently came the Smith mill. Then the deafening noise of many pile drivers filled the air with the prophecies of great buildings. Then the hotel woke up and decided to rise and people rubbed their drowsy eyes and saw that they lived in a world of apples and a land flowing with milk and money. Everybody is wide awake now and so yesterday the Library Association decided to wake up, too.

The members of the committee having in charge the work of establishing a creditable public library in Marshfield met and discussed ways and means. They concluded to commence an active campaign for the purpose of getting the necessary funds wherewith to provide free and healthy reading for the public. They will rely for their success on the growing public spirit of Marshfield and the fact that the purpose they have in view is one of merit. Their present plan is to invite the co-operation of all who believe in a public library for Marshfield in the effort to contribute their activities and talents to an entertainment or a series of entertainments to be given during the winter for the purpose of obtaining money to be added to the fund already subscribed by citizens. The amount subscribed is \$1500 and it is believed that with the new spirit of progress which has come to Marshfield, it will be possible to add other subscriptions and to also make the entertainments a great success financially. The first entertainment to be given in this line is to be a combined reading and musical, and they are fortunate in having secured exceptionally good talent for the reading and hope to enlist some of the fine musical talent known to be in the city to aid. It is believed the entertainment can be made an event in an intellectual way and that all citizens of Marshfield who have any interest in progress will all help by seeing that the tickets are sold. The program names of those who are to take part will be published later.

MARSHFIELD JAPANESE DIES OF APPENDICITIS

Frank Hirota, a Japanese who had been in Marshfield for about three years, was taken ill last week with appendicitis. His case was an aggravated one and his physicians advised an operation last Friday and Saturday. Hirota objected to the operation and it was not until Monday that the physicians, Drs. Mings and Straw, could prevail upon him to submit to it. They operated on Monday, but the victim had put the matter off too long and he died on Wednesday morning. The funeral was held in the afternoon and the body was buried in the Odd Fellows' cemetery. The burial and funeral was attended by the local Japanese of Marshfield.

ILLNESS TAKES TWO CHILDREN TO GRAVE

An unusually severe illness attacked the children of Mr. and Mrs. Skoggen, who lately built a home in Plat A North Bend. The complaint was diagnosed as summer complaint. Mr. and Mrs. Skoggen had three children, all of whom were ill. The youngest, six months of age, and the oldest, three years, both died within forty-eight hours after they were taken sick. The other child recovered. There is much sympathy expressed for the family in their dire bereavement.

HUNTERS WILL GO FOR WEEK'S TRIP

Hills Short, Frank Hague and Hank Wells will leave early this morning for the Tioga county where they will spend several days, perhaps weeks, as they go away with the determination of bringing back an elk, and intend to stay until they get one.