

LUMBERMEN WOULD CURB RAILROADS

Appeal to Members of Congress to Amend Interstate Laws.

Lumbermen of Washington, as well as those of Oregon, are appealing to members of congress for an amendment to the Interstate Commerce act, which will prevent railroads from charging an interstate freight rate before a hearing. The lumbermen urge an amendment providing, substantially, that when any railroad seeks to advance or lower any interstate freight rate, or change the classification of any commodity, or promulgate any rules or regulations that affect rates, weights and tariff, it must, if objections are made, receive the approval of the interstate commerce commission before such rates or changes become effective. The new rate announced on the Harriman and Hill lines to take effect November 1, is responsible for the lumbermen making this campaign.

Circular letters are being circulated by the Pacific Coast Lumber Manufacturers' Association to all senators and representatives urging the adoption of such an amendment as proposed. One of the points made by the association is that the lumbermen of Washington are annually burning 53,000 carloads of lumber in the woods and refuse burners, entailing an annual financial loss of \$20,000,000, because the freight rates are so high that the lumbermen cannot afford to ship this material to the treeless states. This fact is advanced as a commentary on the existing transportation question and in view of the increasing scarcity of building material throughout the country.

As in the case of the Oregon mills, the announcement of the advance in rates has already caused a wholesale cancellation of orders in Washington. There are no orders coming in for new material, and already scores of saw and shingle mills have closed down, and in two months nearly 100 mills from California to British Columbia will be idle, throwing out of employment about 192,000 men and jeopardizing an annual payroll of \$135,000,000.

If the new rates take effect, contend the Washington lumbermen, it will mean a loss of 80,000 carloads annually, to produce which requires 32,000 men. Reports from 412 firms state the financial loss to them will be \$550,449. Owing to the car shortage last year, 256 firms had to cancel 3437 carloads of lumber and 1432 carloads of shingles, involving a loss approximately \$2,300,000.

In the state of Washington alone, says the association, the lumber industry is of paramount importance. The state has standing timber amounting to 195,000,000,000 feet, sufficient to supply the entire United States for many years to come. Over \$100,000,000 is invested in the lumber industry, and about 101,000 men are employed, to whom are paid wages, annually, the sum of \$70,000,000, and the value of the production is \$82,000,000.

So far as known, the members of congress from the western states are united on the subject and will use their best endeavors to come to the rescue of the lumber industry.

—See A. H. Eddy's ad in business directory.

INFORMATION TO TEACHERS

Superintendent Ackerman Explains Requirements for Certificates.

Salem, Or., Oct. 24.—Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman has recently received many inquiries from teachers who have already begun taking the examination for state papers, asking whether or not they will be affected by the change in the law at the last session of the legislature. In response he issued the following statement.

Any teacher who, on or before August 17, 1907, completed the examination for a state certificate shall be governed by the rule that has been in force during the past eight years. That is to say, any applicant who now holds a state certificate or who has completed the examination for same, in order to secure a state diploma must take examinations in the following subjects: English literature, botany, plane geometry, and general history. These may be taken in two successive examinations during the validity of the state certificate.

Any applicant who completes the examination for a state certificate in February, 1908, or after that date, must take the examinations on the 19 subjects specified in subdivision 6, section 6, school laws of Oregon, one of which is English literature. Such an applicant in order to secure a state diploma, must pass an examination on the additional subjects of botany plane geometry and general history, which must be taken at one examination during the validity of his state certificate.

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Will Name the Date. Washington, Oct. 24.—The call for the republican national committee was issued today over the signature of acting Chairman New and Secretary Dover. It will be at the Shoreman hotel, Washington, at 11 a. m., December 3. The meeting is called for the purpose of fixing a time and place for holding the next republican national convention.

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Williamson's Case Postponed. Washington, Oct. 24.—Upon an application of Attorney General Bonaparte today the supreme court of the United States indefinitely postponed hearing argument, assigned for today, in the case of the government against former Representative Williamson, of Oregon, involving charges of land fraud. Illness of the solicitor general is given as the reason.

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