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## MAY RESUME FORMER RUN

Prospect That China Commercial Lines Will Be Returned to Columbia Service.

## FREIGHT SITUATION BETTER

Believed That Boats Recently Withdrawn Will Be Put Back on Run Some Time Next Month.

Portland Journal: A letter from J. V. C. Comfort, general manager of the China Steamship Company, inquiring about the shipping conditions at Portland, has been received by the Portland-Asiatic company. The statement was made that the steamers of his line would again make port of entry calls at Portland as soon as the freight situation seemed to warrant it, and he asked to be advised about the matter.

He will be advised, so the local officials say, that the situation has improved very materially during the past few weeks. If the traffic continues to increase at the rate it has of late the probabilities are that there will soon be more business being offered than the Portland-Asiatic liners can handle. It is thought that the China Commercial freighters will be put back on the run some time next month. When this step is taken there will be eight oriental liners sailing from Portland having a combined carrying capacity of approximately 660,000 tons.

Since leaving here last spring the China Commercial steamers have been plying regularly between Hongkong and Mexico, carrying principally Chinese coolies.

That the oriental freight business is rapidly increasing from this port is shown from the fact that almost a full cargo has already been engaged for the Aragonia, which is due to arrive from the far east the middle of this month. The principal shipment to go out will be flour.

One of the largest shipments aside from the flour will be 1,500 tons of leaf tobacco, which is now in transit from Virginia. Fifty-two cars were required to handle it. This is said to be one of the biggest shipments of tobacco ever made at one time on an oriental liner from this port.

## PEACE AMONG SALMON MEN.

Fraser and Sound Interests Come to an Agreement.

Vancouver, B. C., July 7.—The first official meeting between cannerymen of Puget sound and those representing Fraser river interests was held yesterday afternoon in Vancouver. Questions of international interest and importance were discussed. President E. B. Deming headed the visiting delegation, while George L. Wilson, president of the Fraser River Cannery Association, took charge of the local arrangements. The session lasted all afternoon. Some of the visitors returned home by the Mahlander this evening, while others will travel on the cannery's yacht Lucero.

The question of the proposed establishment of what would be international hatcheries for the Fraser river was considered, but no decisive action taken. It was explained by the Canadians that the Dominion government now operates several hatcheries and had not, so far, given its countenance to any scheme for control of fish hatching stations from both sides of the international boundary.

Shall Puget sound countrymen be permitted to invade British territory to purchase fish or shall Canadians be allowed to buy fish on Puget sound? This was another question which was settled by the decision that neither should invade the territory of the other. In past seasons Fraser river cannerymen have bought fish on the Puget sound banks, greatly to the disgust of the sound cannerymen, and last year the latter threatened to invade Fraser river precincts if the practice continued. Hereafter neither side will offend.

Still another question was that of a closed season every week. In Canada, salmon may not be caught, according to regulation, between 6 o'clock on Saturday morning and 6 o'clock Sunday night. The meeting was unanimous in favoring this proposition for both sides of the boundary.

As a result the Puget sound men have left for home with the intention of securing legislation from their government to inaugurate this weekly closed season.

It was also agreed to establish a police patrol at the boundary to pre-

vent the boat and net thieving and net cutting.

The meeting adjourned, and was exceedingly amicable, and the visiting cannerymen expressed themselves well pleased with results. The Lucero will take a party of the visitors to Powell lake, a scenic center up the coast, before returning to Seattle.

## P. F. MOREY PASSES AWAY.

Former Head of Portland General Electric Company Dies.

Portland, July 7.—Hon. Parker Frederick Morey, former president of the Portland General Electric Company and a wealthy and well-known citizen died at his home, near Oswego, this morning at 6 o'clock of heart failure. He was 60 years of age.

Mr. Morey's death came suddenly and without warning. His health had not been good of late, but his condition was not regarded as in the least dangerous. He retired last evening in his usual state of health and in good spirits, and did not complain during the night of feeling ill.

Mr. Morey was a native of Maine and had resided in Clackamas county since 1892. For several years he lived at Oregon City. He was widely known both in Clackamas county and in Portland, and was generally liked and esteemed. He was for several years president of the Portland General Electric Company. A few years ago he resigned active direction in the company's affairs, but retained large holdings of stock therein up to the time of his death. After his retirement from active service with the General Electric Company he removed with his family to his farm near Oswego, where he had since resided. His estate is valued at upward of \$100,000.

Mr. Morey leaves a wife, a son, Fred Morey, and two daughters, Mrs. Axel Eckstrom of Albany, N. Y., and Miss Maude Morey, who lives with her parents on the Morey farm.

## STATE HOUSE JANITOR MISSING

May Have Committed Suicide Because of Financial Embarrassment.

Salem, Ore., July 8.—C. W. Stump, who has been a janitor at the state house for the past year, has disappeared, and, while some talk suicide, it is believed by those best informed that he has simply left the town to avoid his creditors. He left his work at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning, ostensibly to go to breakfast, and has not been seen since. He requested the party who followed him on the work to attend to some certain little duties in case he was late in returning, as he would be obliged to cook his own breakfast. It has since been learned that, instead of going home, he boarded the local train and went to Portland.

It was discovered by Chief Janitor Newstead that Stump had left a note addressed to his wife in a closet adjoining the elevator shaft, and that he had hung up his bunch of keys there. The letter was later delivered to the family, and it simply said he would no longer disgrace them, and bade them goodbye.

It is also learned that he had for some time been running behind financially, and that he had been drinking quite heavily, presumably to overcome his feeling of despondency. He is in debt to many friends, and it is learned at the secretary of state's office that he has not yet drawn his salary voucher for the past quarter, and upon inquiry at the state treasurer's office the family have learned that his salary of \$50 per month is fully drawn.

Mr. Stump was for many years a trusted employee of the Capital Improvement Company, which place he left to accept the position as janitor at the capitol, and since he has held that place many friends have noticed that he has been changed in his mental attitude towards people. He has a fine family, who reside in North Salem.

Tuesday night, at 10 o'clock Mr. Stump called up Coroner A. M. Clough at his residence in North Salem, and asked him by telephone to inform his family that he would be home Wednesday night. This was good news for the members of the family, but he failed to return as agreed.

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