

LUMBER TARIFFS

Strong Statement in Relation to East Bound Schedule.

FROM GOVERNING SOURCE

Plea Against Forcing Shippers to Pay For Weight and Space That Cannot be Used—Concerted Action Desired to Fix Conditions.

The following important communication, from the National Lumber & Box Co. at Hoquiam, reached this office yesterday morning, from authentic sources, under date of last Saturday; and it is, apparently a matter of extraordinary importance and interest to the lumber shippers of the entire northwest and others in kindred relation thereto. It is given publicity in these columns in the hope that the whole matter may be duly and quickly adjusted, once for all:

"The supplement to the east bound tariff on lumber and shingles recently promulgated by the Transcontinental railroads, effective June 1st, means a direct loss of thousands of dollars daily to the car trade shippers of the Pacific Northwest, unless by concerted action of all concerned the proposed tariff can be annulled or modified. Under the guise of an effort to force shippers to load all cars to maximum weight carrying capacity, regardless of the character or quality of product, it is proposed to classify minimum loading of weight of the different sized cars according to their cubical contents. This would be all right if due consideration to the character of east bound lumber shipments were given.

"Under the revision as a base for minimum, it is apparent that lumber of the heaviest character in cubical contents has been used with the result that manufactured stock, such as flooring, ceiling, siding, finishing lumber, factory stock, or box shooks, or in fact, any material upon which labor and extra cost is necessary to prepare for the eastern markets, cannot by the best of stowage be loaded with 10 per cent of the minimums established. As an illustration, take, for instance, a 36-foot Northern Pacific car, commonly supplied for the lumber traffic, the cubical contents of which is approximately 2600 feet. For this a minimum of 58,000 pounds is asked. There would be no difficulty in loading this amount of weight in green timbers, but for a straight car of fir flooring there could not exceed 54,000 pounds of actual weight be loaded, which, for delivery on a fifty-cent rail freight would mean an extra tax of \$20 per car and above what is now being exacted by the railroad companies. If the same car was loaded with spruce factory stock, not over 51,000 pounds actual weight could be loaded, or a direct loss if shipped on a fifty-cent rail rate of freight of \$13 per car.

"It does not appear reasonable to expect that shippers should be taxed for weight or space that cannot be used, and the Pacific Coast Manufacturers of lumber, boxes and veneers, individually, and through their respective associations, are vigorously protesting against this action on part of the railroad companies. The manufacturers are willing to assist the railroad companies in every reasonable way toward the forcing of loading of all classes of cars to their

maximum capacity, realizing the fact fully that this in itself will assist materially in relieving the shortage and reducing the cost of transportation. No objection to the proposed minimums would be made, if tariff was modified to the extent that: 'If cars loaded to full visible capacity, actual weight to govern.' Present minimum weights are fixed according to car lengths and classification of material shipped.

"In the past there has been no serious objection to this procedure on the part of the railroad companies, except that latterly cars of large capacity have been built entirely. These are in a class by themselves, and should have been minimums accordingly, but instead have passed at the minimums in vogue, with the result that in some instances shippers were prone to take advantage of this fact and not load to their fullest capacity.

"To the manufacturers of the Pacific Northwest, the proposed action is a serious matter, and your earnest cooperation in protesting thereto is respectfully asked."

DREDGER IS DEMANDED.

Astoria Chamber of Commerce Holds Important Session Last Night.

There was a good attendance at the regular meeting of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce at the Bond-street headquarters, last night. President Morse presided, and Secretary Higgins was in charge of the records.

There was a multitude of communications up for consideration, and each and all were duly submitted and placed on file for larger treatment at a later date.

The important question of the hour seemed to be the shallowing conditions reported from the Columbia River bar, and the matter was dealt with in a broad and reasonable manner by all present. It eventuated in a successful motion, offered by J. W. Welch, declaring in favor of the earliest possible use of the federal dredger, the Chinook, on the bar, and urging the Portland Chamber of Commerce to lend a hand in expediting the work. No time will be lost in making the necessary overtures for the accomplishment of this very essential program and if it is within the possibilities an appropriation will be asked at the hands of Congress to enable the department to hurry the big digger to the front.

The matter of the Astoria seawall was brought up and was widely discussed, but no action was taken pending the disposal of the big question by the committee of citizens now in charge of it.

NOTICE.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Clerk's office until 2 o'clock p. m., May 19, 1906, for slashing, clearing and grubbing of about eleven acres land of the proposed High Service Reservoir Site in Lot 12, Section 16, Township 8, North Range 9 West, Willamette Meridian.

Specifications may be obtained by applications to the Superintendent's office corner Eleventh and Duane.

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ASTORIA WATER COMMISSION.
May 4, 1906.

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"When I was a druggist, of Livonia, Mo.," writes T. J. Dwyer, now of Grayville, Mo., "three of my customers were permanently cured of consumption by Dr. King's New Discovery, and are well and strong today. One was trying to sell his property and move to Arizona, but after using New Discovery a short time he found it unnecessary to do so. I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as the most wonderful medicine in existence." Surest Cough and Cold cure and Throat and Lung healer. Guaranteed by Charles Rogers, druggist, 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

OREGON BLACK SAND

Multnomah, Josephine, Baker and Curry Counties Tested.

CLATSOP SANDS NOT REACHED

Interesting Tables Showing Exact Status of Qualities from Each District—This County Yet to Unfold Its Values.

The investigation of the black sands of the Pacific Slope, which was begun by the United States Geological Survey at Portland, Ore., last summer, in connection with its exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Exposition is still going on. Tests were discontinued about December 14 for lack of funds. Early in the winter, however, Congress made an appropriation of \$25,000 for prosecution of the work. The plant was accordingly started again about March 1, and the following results are among those already recorded. Each test tells its own story.

Composition, per ton, of concentrated black sand from Richland, Baker County, Oregon:

Constituents.	Pounds
Magnetite	1282
Ilmenite	534
Garnet	58
Other minerals	106

The sample was too small except for concentration on a Wetherill magnetic separator.

Composition, per ton, of beach sand from Curry County, Oregon:

Constituents.	Pounds
Magnetite	122
Chromite03
Olivine	4.17
Monazite	6.06
Quartz	1917.91
Other minerals	71.20
Gold and platinum	\$0.17

The weight of this sample was 420 pounds. On being concentrated to one-half pound the concentrates showed a value of \$2.85 per ton. The sand was concentrated to too small a fraction and most of the gold was lost. The tailings showed a value of 16 cents per ton.

Composition, per ton, of sand from Holland, Josephine County, Oregon:

Constituents.	Pounds
Magnetite	1.5
Chromite	1.6
Olivine	82.3
Quartz	1405.7
Other minerals	483.4

The weight of this sample was 317.5 pounds. An assay showed only a trace of gold and platinum. This was concentrated on a Willey table and showed a value of \$2.78 in one pound of first concentrates, while middlings and tailings showed no gold or platinum.

Composition, per ton, of sample of black sand from the clean-up of a placer mine at Waldo, Josephine County, Oregon:

Constituents.	Pounds
Magnetite	980.5
Chromite	39.9
Garnet	112.60
Quartz	41.70
Other minerals	288.90
Gold and platinum	\$1.03

The weight of this sample was 288.5 pounds. Of this 466 pounds passed through a 2 millimeter screen. This consisted chiefly of magnetite, chromite and garnet. It showed on assay of the original material a value of \$147.68 per ton in gold and platinum. It was concentrated to 40.5 pounds on a Christensen separator, these concentrates yielding a value of \$1530.49 per ton while the 44.5 pounds of middlings gave \$671.30 per ton, and the tailings showed only \$4.75 per ton.

The 514.5 pounds of coarse material was ground through a 20-mesh screen and showed, to the ton:

Constituents.	Pounds
Magnetite	505.00
Chromite	39.90
Garnet	112.60
Quartz	41.70
Other minerals	288.90
Gold and platinum	\$1.03

Composition, per ton, of concentrated black sand from Fulton, Multnomah County, Oregon:

Constituents.	Pounds
Magnetite	830.6
Ilmenite	309.3
Olivine	60.2
Monazite5
Zircon	1.6
Quartz	79.2
Other minerals	118.1

The sample showed no gold or platinum. Concentration of this sample, which consisted already of more than 90 per cent magnetite and ilmenite, was easily effected on a Knowles separator, while the magnetite was obtained practically free from titanite iron ore. The monazite was separated by a high current (3.5 amperes) on a Wetherill magnetic separator.

SACAJAWEA, OR SAKAKAWEA?

Another Phase of This Indeterminable and Interesting Theme.

Judge J. Q. A. Bowly of this city, who has been pursuing a long and devious search for a conclusive answer to the widely mooted question, as to the exact name (and its correct pronunciation), of the noted Indian maid or woman who guided Lewis and Clark through the wilds of primitive Oregon, has received another suggestion that is significant, but yet, hardly conclusive; and while he is pleased to have any sort of light thrown on the apparently indeterminable subject, he declares that, from now on, he is wholly passive in the matter; and will not search any further in the premises, although he will gladly receive any and all communications on the subject and turn them to the best account in a historical sense.

The contribution referred to above came from Mr. C. L. Hall at Ellsworths, North Dakota, and is quoted from a letter to Mr. G. A. Perley wherein it is claimed, in substance, that the name is from the Gros Ventre (Minn-taree) language, and means "the Bird Woman"; that a Gros Ventre woman now bears the name, and that the Indians write it "Tsakakawash," and that this, Anglicized, is "Sakakawea". The latter name will be given the bronze statue of this heroine to be erected at Bismark, by the Woman's Club.

PLAN IS ABANDONED.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The plan to have a labor carnival for the purpose of raising money to send to San Francisco was given up at yesterday's meeting of the Central Federated Union. There was to have been a parade in which American flags were to have been held out for the people along the line of march to throw money into.

The labor carnival committee recommended that the carnival idea be abandoned, giving as a reason that the international unions had taken up the matter of relief and were levying assessments to send to San Francisco.

PAINTERS BENEFIT.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The paintings contributed by local artists for the relief of their comrades in San Francisco were placed on public view yesterday in the American Art Galleries. There are 300 pictures in the collection, which will be placed on sale tonight, the sale continuing tomorrow night. The proceeds of the sale will go direct to Arthur F. Matthews, who personally will supervise the distribution of the fund among the destitute artists and art students of California.

JAPANESE BOND ISSUE.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Yojiro Ono, president of the bank of Japan, which floated the war bond issue arrived in Chicago yesterday, accompanied by several other bankers, to close up the business of the bond issue in the United States. More than \$300,000,000 worth of the bonds were sold in this country, which only can be done by an official of the Japanese National Bank. President Ono is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

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