

TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE BETTER

In Light of Experience Necessary Amendments Were Made by Recent Legislation—Powers of Commission Increased.

By Willard Wirtz.
(By Journal Leased Wire.)
Salem, Ore., Feb. 23.—A great deal of legislation extending the power of the railroad commission and harmonizing the railroad commission act of 1907 with recent court decisions was accomplished by the legislature that has just adjourned despite the fact that there came from some quarters complaints that the Oregon commission was already possessed of too much power. Many circumstances have arisen during the two years of the commission's existence that have pointed out weaknesses in the railroad commission act and the railroad commissioners had measures introduced that would remedy these defects. In nearly every case the proposed legislation was enacted.

One of the most important of the new acts was that introduced by Senator Kellaker to compel railroad companies to construct, maintain and operate under reasonable terms a switch connection on application of any individual or branch of industry for the application of any shipper tendering interstate traffic for transportation. These connections are not to be enforced where it is impracticable to do so, but only where they can be put in with safety and sufficient business exists to justify the construction and maintenance of the switch.

This law arose as the result of the refusal of the Southern Railway to establish connections with the United Railways and the Oregon Electric at the foot of Jefferson street in Portland when ordered by the railroad commission. Though the matter is still in the courts this act removes all doubt as to the authority of the commission.

Obsolete Penalties Repealed.
A bill introduced in the house by Markner on the other hand, abolishes certain penalties provided in the Oregon railroad commission act for violation of provisions which have been decided to be unconstitutional by the supreme court of the United States, in the Minnesota case.

One of the principal difficulties met with during the past year, which was a sort of trying out term for the railroad act of 1907, was in regard to livestock contracts. Much complaint was received by the commission because of the unfairness of the contracts that livestock shippers were compelled to sign before their stock could ship their stock. All attempts on the part of the railroad commission to force the railroad companies to revise the contracts were without avail.

An act introduced by Dimick in the house has satisfactorily remedied that difficulty and the commission has enacted, specifically states that "if any railroad shall make or give any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any particular locality, such railroad shall be deemed guilty of unjust discrimination, which is hereby prohibited and declared unlawful."

The railroad commission in such a case is then given the proper authority to deal with the offending corporation.

Free Transportation Showing.
The legislature also enacted a law making it compulsory with the railroads to file on or before the first Monday in February of each year with the railroad commission a verified list of all railroad tickets, passes and mileage books issued free of or for less than actual fare during the preceding 12 months, together with a complete list of the names of the recipients. The railroad commission may exempt at its discretion any carrier from furnishing a statement of the passengers who travel regularly in its employ, but the carrier so exempted must preserve a record of all such passengers which shall be open to inspection of the railroad commission for a period of two years after the issuance of such tickets, passes, mileage books or other transportation.

Railway Grant Reversed.
Another important matter was concerning the grant of valuable tideland made by the legislature for the construction of the railroad from Corvallis to Yaquina in 1874. These tidelands have never been surveyed, and it has never been asserted and the railroad company has never paid any taxes on them. But they have been withheld from settlement.

In an act the bill for which was introduced by Representative Dimick of Clatskanie, at the request of the railroad commission, it is provided that the railroads shall fence their right of way, 50 feet each end of the right of way, for every mile of fence not constructed at the end of this time the railroads are liable to a fine of \$100. Any person through whose property a railroad right of way passes may be forced to erect a fence for not to exceed 10 days if he neglects to fasten gates leading to crossings.

Because the Harriman officials would not allow the railroad commissioners to ride on the trains, a bill was introduced in the house by Dods of Hood River and Wasco and another by Representative Dimick of Clatskanie to permit the practice. In case of accidents, where no other means of arriving at the scene quickly is available, engines and freight trains may henceforth be used by the commissioners.

ARRESTED.
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BURBANK'S NEW "ROSE OF OREGON" PLANTED AT THE EXPOSITION GROUNDS



THE CENTER OF AN ADMIRING GROUP.



LITTLE LOUISE HOYT, WHO PLANTED THE OREGON ROSE.

Several hundred persons yesterday afternoon attended the rose planting exercises at the exposition grounds. Despite the chilly air, many of the women wore light frockes. Several men had on straw hats.

Composed of addresses and band music the program was held on the grounds surrounding the Forestry building. Following the speaking, some 75 school children set out two dozen or so rose bushes. Little Louise Hoyt, daughter of Ralph W. Hoyt, president of the Rose Festival association, was honored by being allowed to plant a "Rose of Oregon" bush, one of the wizard's new creations and sent by himself to be planted in Portland.

Mayor Drake officially received from Dr. Emmet Drake the Oregon rose bush, following with a short address. Dr. Drake, acting director general of the A.-V.-P. exposition, followed the mayor on the program. He said: "From organization was born the Lewis and Clark Centennial exposition. From organization was brought forth the Portland Rose carnival. From organization arose your wonderful effective Commercial club, itself both child and parent. Organization is what lies back of the poetical and practical ceremony of the day that lies before you. Gentlemen, the citizens of the northwest owe to the city of Portland a vote of thanks for the masterly lessons in organization that it presents to them."

When Mr. Hutchins tells me that the people of Portland have raised a fund of \$100,000 for the purpose of rendering a fitting tribute to the memory of the Pacific northwest has never been a rival of the present and of the future that is constructive. We are all soldiers in a common cause, for no man lives to himself and no man dies for himself. Bishop Charles Scadding closed the exercises by blessing the roses. The invocation was as follows: "O, blessed Saviour of the world, who didst say, 'Consider the lilies of the field how they grow; for they toil not, neither do they spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these; let thy blessing rest upon these roses which we now plant and bless in thy name. Grant that as they, thy creatures, conform obediently to the conditions of their growth, taking from their environment that which gives them sweetness and beauty, so these, thy children, planted in thy kingdom may likewise conform to the conditions of their spiritual growth, lovingly obeying thee in all things, that others may be helped and cheered by their sweetness and beauty of character to thy honor and glory; and O, Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy holy spirit, that they may be as pure as these flowers, and that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Between 500 and 700 attended yesterday morning's rose planting exercises at Columbia park, held under the auspices of the Peninsula Rose association. The dresses were made by W. J. Peddicord. Mayor Harry Lane, Ralph W. Hoyt, W. J. Johnson, Francis Clarno, J. H. Nolt and others. Music was furnished by the united bands of the peninsula, North Albina and St. Johns.

SEATTLE MAN LEAVES MONEY TO THE POOR
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Feb. 23.—By the terms of the will of Henry A. Dearborn, a well known pioneer, who died last night, the deserving poor of this city are bequeathed property valued at \$50,000. The bequest is left in charge of three trustees, who are empowered either to improve the property or to distribute it to the poor as they see fit.

Steel Rail Exempt From Fight for Business by Trust.
(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Feb. 23.—Officials of the United States Steel corporation today said that at the time the declaration of an open market was made there was no discrimination in favor of independent companies in the purchase of steel rails.

PERSONALS
A double wedding was celebrated last night at the home of George W. Vaughn, 588 Lovejoy street. The contracting parties were George W. Vaughn and Miss Josie E. Finley, and Frank Shepard and Miss Eleanor T. Davenport. The marriage ceremony was read by Rev. William Hiram Foulkes. The grooms have been business associates for some years. Mrs. Dan Moore, whose serious illness has caused her many friends so much anxiety, is reported to be in practically the same condition as a fortnight past. No marked improvement is shown but the fact that no more serious setback has occurred is held to be a ground for hope of her ultimate recovery.

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Never Fails to Restore Gray Hair to its Natural Color and Beauty.
No matter how long it has been grayed. Promotes a luxuriant growth of healthy hair. Stops its falling out, and positively removes dandruff. Keeps hair soft and glossy. Refuse all substitutes. 2 1/2 times as much in \$1.00 as 50c. bottles. Is Not a Dye. \$1 and 50c. bottles, at druggists. Send for free box "The Care of the Hair." Hay's Hair Soap cures Pimples, red, rough and chapped hands, and all skin diseases. Keeps skin fine and soft. 25c. druggists. Send 2c. for free box "The Care of the Skin." WOODARD, CLARKE & CO.

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HISTORIC OKLAHOMA CASE IS DISMISSED
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Perry, Okla., Feb. 23.—A suit for \$500,000 damages for alleged false imprisonment in the Kansas penitentiary, filed by Mrs. N. Terrill against President Roosevelt, former Governor Ferguson of Oklahoma and other officials, has been dismissed. Terrill was formerly a Populist speaker of the Oklahoma territorial assembly.

He served a term for murder, but always alleged he was wrongfully imprisoned and that his incarceration was the result of a conspiracy between territorial and federal officials. Terrill gained his freedom about two years ago.

New Goods in All Departments

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Lipman, Wolfe & Co.
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Just for Wednesday

These bargains for Wednesday are such good values that we feel justified in calling special attention to each of them in this advertisement. We have provided large quantities of merchandise. In most instances the range of patterns is as large as though you were choosing from regular stocks at low prices. Do not miss a single item.

Just for Wednesday

Bath Towels
Bleached Turkish Bath Towels, 50x22 inches; extra heavy and the largest size bleached Turkish Towels ever sold at this price. Regular 35c **25c**

Just for Wednesday

India Linen 7c
White India Linen, 27 inches wide, this fabric is known by everyone for its wearing and washable qualities; regular 12 1/2c yard, just for Wednesday, only **7c**

Just for Wednesday

65c Neckwear 19c
Ladies' choice neckwear, comprising most everything now in vogue, plain tailored, novelty lace, tab effects, collarette designs, etc. Values to 65c; just for Wednesday, only **19c**

Just for Wednesday

Gas Mantels
Incandescent Gas Mantels, guaranteed for 3 months; have protected supports, produces a brilliant white light, will fit any burner; just for Wednesday, only **25c**

Just for Wednesday

Gold Frames
Complete with Glass and Back. 5x7 inches, regular 45c, for **25c**
6x8 inches, regular 50c, for **25c**
7x9 inches, regular 65c, for **39c**
8x10 inches, regular 75c, for **39c**
10x12 inches, reg. 85c, for **49c**
12x16 inches, reg. \$1.25, for **49c**

Just for Wednesday

\$1.00 Pictures 49c
Famous "Burlington Proofs," gilt lining, reproducing with wonderful beauty and clearness the favorite masterpieces of classic painters. Just for Wednesday **49c**

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25c Gingham 20c
1200 yards of handsome Scotch gingham in broken plaids and stripes; all the new colors of blue and tan in pretty designs. Regular 25c yard, only **20c**

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Stationery 12 1/2c
Best quality linen fabric box paper, unruled, regular size, with the most desirable shaped envelopes to match, broken tops; values 12 1/2c to 50c, Wednesday, only **12 1/2c**

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