CONTRACT OF RATES IS BROKEN

Big Warehouse Company "to Make Good," Orders Former Grain Handling Charges Applied in Wheat Belt.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Colfax, Wash., Aug. 23.—According to instructions received late yesterday by C. A. Frazier, division superintendent for the Palouse district, from the headquarters of the company in Portland, the Pacific Coast Elevator company has broken away from the agreement on warehouse charges entered into by the line companies last June at a meeting in Portland. In all the company's houses the charges will be 50 cents per ton for handling, which will carry the grain until December 31, and 10 cents per ton month storage thereafter.

Mr. Frazier emphatically denies the reports that are current relative to the action of his company being induced by pressure brought to bear by the Farmers' union, but on the contrary claims that his people fought the increased charges from the time they were first suggested, and only consented to go into the combination because a majority of the companies voted for it, and not because they thought it was right.

"This talk about our reduction of handling and storage charges being brought about by the farmers' union is a mistake," said Mr. Frazier. "They are entitled to no credit for it whatever, for, as a matter of fact, many of the farmers' warehouses in the Palouse are issuing identically the same kind of a ticket that the line companies are issuing, and they are just as anxious as any to see the storage prices held up."

Company Would Make Good.

Asked why his company broke away from the agreement at this time, after having entered the combination and issued their tickets in accordance with the 50 day storage charge agreement, he said: "Simply because we advertised last spring that we were going back to the old rate of 50 cents per ton until December 31, and we are living up to the promises made to the farmers at that time. We are making good. That's all there is to it."

Mr. Frazier says that from what he can gather relative to the intention of the other line companies they are going to "stand pat" on the charges established at the beginning of the season, and local representatives of these concerns state that they have received no instructions relative to the matter since it became known that the Elevator company had broken over the agreement, and claim that they do not know what their companies intend doing.

Price War Predicted.

Farmers in the vicinity who are closely in touch with the situation predict that the next 10 days or two weeks will see the bitterest price war opened between the "stand pat" companies and the "Pacific Coast company that has ever been engaged in by the rival interests in the northwest, and they say that this explains the unwillingness of the farmers to sell heretofore, because, they assert, they had an inkling of what was coming, and have held their grain until the war starts in order to take advantage of the at least temporary increase in the price. The independent dealers express themselves as more than pleased with the outlook, and it is believed that they are doing all in their power to precipitate a conflict between the line buyers, and it is predicted that they will practice guerilla tactics, staying out as much as possible when the scrimmage is at its height, conserving their resources to start something again when the strife lulls, and taking on only enough at more than the legitimate market to keep their orders from lapsing.

UNION HOUSES GET BULK OF PALOUSE GRAIN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pullman, Wash., Aug. 23.—Any doubt that the Farmers' union would control the wheat business of this section has been removed at points where the farmers have warehouses and wheat has begun to arrive for storage. At Colfax where the union has a large house, and there are two "old line" houses, the farmers' has received more than 5000 sacks of wheat, while the two "old line" houses have received three wagon loads each. At Mockenemo, six miles west of Colfax, the Farmers' union has a large warehouse and it is half filled with grain, and long strings of teams wait during the day to unload. Neither of the "old line" houses has received a bushel of grain at Mockenemo.

Thornton, a small town in the northern part of Whitman county, where the farmers have two houses, reports the farmers' houses getting all the grain. Rosalia, where the farmers' have four houses, the farmers' are getting almost all grain brought to these points.

Independent buyers are getting what little wheat is offered for sale at these places, but few of the farmers will sell at present prices. There are more independent buyers in the field than ever before. Farmers are encouraging them to operate in the Palouse country. There are more independent than old line buyers in the field here this year and competition for the first grain offered is strong.

FARMERS ADD WAREHOUSES FOR HARVEST RUSH

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pullman, Wash., Aug. 23.—The Johnson Farmers' Union Warehouse company of Johnson, Wash., has selected its officers and has opened the warehouse leased from the Pullman Union Warehouse company. The officers chosen are: A. O. White, president; A. M. Bibens, vice president; W. E. Wilson, secretary, and Adolph Briggs, treasurer. The company intends to pile each man's grain separately and have a different mark on each pile so that farmers will get the same grain when they sell that they delivered.

The warehouse at Johnson has received nearly all of the grain so far, 5000 sacks having been delivered up to Friday evening. As a rule, all of the wheat delivered is good.

There have been no explosions or fires in this part of the country as in other parts of the Inland Empire. In some fields there is much smut in the grain, while an adjoining field may be free from it. This is causing much comment, for farmers do not believe that it is because of a difference of treatment and are at a loss to understand it.

ON LONG HIKE FOR $250 FORFEIT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

The Dalles, Or., Aug. 23.—Clyde B. Youshaw, of Los Angeles, Cal., and F. W. Goldsberry, of North Yakima, Wash., who are on a hike across country from Hillsville, Wash., to Los Angeles, arrived here Saturday night and left Sunday morning for Hood River. Some time since Goldsberry issued a challenge to anyone to walk from Ritzville to Los Angeles for a forfeit of $250, and his challenge was accepted by Worshaw. The conditions were that they were to leave Ritzville with $1 each, were to walk all the way to Los Angeles, over whatever route might be agreed upon, were to not accept assistance in the way of money, food, lodging or clothing, trip, but each was to make his way by either work or by his wits. They each accordingly deposited $250 in a bank, and the first to break any of the stipulations is to forfeit that amount to the other.

They left Ritzville August 8. At Portland, where they are scheduled to arrive either Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning, they will have a quantity of postcards of themselves printed, and expect from the sale of the cards to pay part of their expenses.

CHINA SUBJECT TO POLITE JAPAN

Meekness of Cathay Toward Nippon Bodes No Good for the World.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

London, Aug. 23.—The establishment of relations between Japan and China not much different from those existing between Japan and Korea, is regarded in government circles here as an altogether probable result of the recent defeat the Peking government suffered from Tokio in the exchange of notes over the Antung-Mukden railroad. There has already been, in fact, officials of the British foreign office say, the unmistakable evidences of a tightening of Japanese influence in Peking. The mikado's representatives show that the utmost politeness but they do not allow it to interfere with any of their plans.

The Antung-Mukden railroad incident illustrated their methods. After awaiting what they considered a reasonable length of time for China to authorize the improvement of the line, they peremptorily demanded it. China declined, whereupon Tokio notified Peking that the road would be built anyway. Then work was actually begun on it. At this China meekly yielded and Japan instantly sent a courteous note to Peking, thanking the government there for its prompt and satisfactory reply to the mikado's request.

No sympathy is felt here for the present reactionary Chinese regime, but it is felt that the threatened reduction of so important a country as China to a position practically of vassalage to the Japanese, threatens very serious consequences to the world.

New Corporations.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 23.—Articles of incorporation were filed in the office of the secretary of state today as follows:

Farmers & Fruitgrowers bank; principal place of business, Medford; capital stock, $50,000; incorporators, G. T. Davis, L. E. Wakeman and C. H. Corey.

Portland Auto School & Commission House, principal place of business, Portland; capital stock, $250; incorporators, George C. McCroskey, Annie L. McCroskey and H. F. Mulkins.

Oregon Evaporating & Preserving Co.; principal place of business, Portland; capital stock, $20,000¼ incorporators, William H. Swett, Edward F. Morris and Arthur C. Dayton.

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WILL BUILD TO TILLAMOOK BAY

United Railways Announces Extension of Line to the Coast.

Herman Wittenberg, vice president of the United Railways has made the first official statement of the intention of that line to build to the coast. He has assured the people of Tillamook that the new electric line to connect Tillamook with Portland will be in operation to Tillamook within 30 months and that in all probability extensions of the line will be made down the coast from Tillamook and towards Yaquina Bay.

President Greenough of Missoula, Mont., will be in Portland the last of this week or the first of next, and it is said that the proposition of pushing construction work on both ends of the line will be considered as soon as he has made a trip over the survey from Portland to Tillamook. The company is now working several hundred men and teams building towards Forest Grove and will commence work on a 3600 foot tunnel very soon. If Mr. Greenough's report is favorable work will be begun building out of Tillamook eastward towards Forest Grove this season.

It is estimated by the Harriman engineers that the Pacific Railway & Navigation company's steam line into Tillamook will be running by next June. It will be impossible for the United Railways to be in operation that soon however, but it is said the survey which they are planning to build upon gives a much shorter route to Tillamook than that of the Harriman line, and will be able to cover the beach resorts more thoroughly than the steam road will be able to do.

Mr. Wittenberg, his family and A. H. Devers made the trip to Tillamook and back overland by automobile, and the United Railways official made as thorough an inspection of the timber along the survey as the roads permitted.

COMPANY ISSUES STREETCAR DON'TS

Going into the publishing business on its own account, the Portland Railway, Light & Power company has just issued the first copy of its new semi-monthly "Trolley News." It is a four page sheet, first page given up to jokes, second and third pages to streetcar schedules and fourth page to the following wise suggestions:

"Don't cross tracks without looking both ways for approaching cars. Don't get caught in the narrow space between two tracks when cars are passing. Don't fail, when leaving a car, to look up and down the street for an approaching automobile or other vehicle which may run you down.

"Don't jump on or off a car when it is in motion. Don't ride on car steps. Don't get off facing rear of the car. Don't cross track after leaving the car without looking for a car or other vehicle which may be approaching from another direction. Don't run after a car and jump on while it is moving. Don't attempt to cross track ahead of a moving car.

"Don't let your children play near streetcar tracks."

FINDS DOG WOUNDED BY CHARGE OF SHOT

Chief Deputy Auditor Grutze is the maddest man at the city hall today. A blooded bull terrier owned by Mr. Grutze limped into the front yard of the city official this morning, and upon looking to see what was the matter Mr. Grutze found that the dog had been hit with a charge of bird shot. The animal may die. The owner will pay $25 to anyone who will inform him as to the identity of the person who shot the dog.

SUIT DELAYS SALE OF FARM

Frank Bollam Enjoins the County From Giving Deed to Spanton.

New complications over the sale of the county farm to W. A. Spanton appeared this morning when Frank Bollman filed suit as a taxpayer to have the deal with Spanton declared void and to restrain the county court from deeding the property to Spanton or to any of those interested with him.

The deed to the property lies, unsigned, in the office of the county court and had the suit been delayed a few hours the title would likely have been passed to Spanton. After several days delay Spanton had just succeeded in convincing the court that it was under legal obligation to carry the deal through. It is an open secret that the members of the court had hoped to be able to throw the deal overboard and readvertise the property, and the suit, of Bollam, while nominally against Judge Webster and the county commissioners, as well as Spanton and the members of the purchasing syndicate, probably will cause the judge and the commissioners no sorrow.

Ex-Judge E. V. Littlefield is attorney for Bollam, and the foundation of the complaint is that Spanton and B. M. Lombard entered into a collusive agreement by which the county was defrauded. The defendant, besides Multnomah county and the members of the county court, are H. R. Reynolds, B. M. Lombard, W. A. Spanton, D. E. Keasey, Fred A. Jacobs, Harry L. Suydam and the United States Trust company. The latter is the name of the syndicate formed to divide and handle the property.

Bollam in his complaint says that after Spanton had placed his bid for $154,530, B. M. Lombard threatened to bid a higher figure. Lombard told Spanton about it, it is alleged, and they then agreed in writing that the Spanton bid should stand as common bid for both. This agreement, it is alleged, was made collusively to depress the value of the property and to prevent open bidding, as Lombard would have offered more.

Competition was stifled, it is asserted, and the county was prevented from securing the actual value of the poor farm property. The circuit court is asked to restrain the county court from deeding the property. All of the defendants in the action, except the county officials, are said to have an interest in the syndicate, save Suydam, who is stated, upon information, to claim some interest through Spanton.

Judge Bronaugh issued the restaining order, preventing the court from deeding the property to Spanton or any of the defendants or their assignees, effective until the further order of the court. A date for hearing was not fixed.

A LITTLE BY-PLAY BY BLOOMING MRS. B.

She didn't look stupid, but you never can tell.

She had a claim against the city—that is, she was presenting the claim presumably for her husband. "Can I sign Mr. B.'s name?" she asked. "Yes," replied the tired deputy auditor. "If you sign under his name by you."

The lady scratched off something, handed over the paper and departed before the official could recall her. She had signed her husband's name and immediately under the words "by you."

FOREST FIRES ARE DYING OUT

Damage Inflicted Will Amount to Millions of Dollars, However.

Nelson, B. C., Aug. 23.—The forest fires which have devastated a large area east and west of Kootenai are dying down today and unless a wind springs up it is believed that the danger is past.

Bad fires, however, are reported to be burning near McGillivary, and a number of towns, including Spartwood, Galloway, Elkocokato, Jaffray, Bennington, China Creek, Nakusp, Creston, Grand Forks and Elko have narrowly escaped destruction.

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Aug. 23.—A shift in the wind and showers during a part of last night resulted today in the abatement of forest fires in the mountains northeast and southeast of here. It is reported by the firefighters that the conflagration has been controlled and that gangs are abroad beating out smaller fires and embers.

A resume of the total damage inflicted by the flames is almost impossible at this time, but it is conceded that more than $2,000,000 in standing and cut timber has been destroyed.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Wenatchee, Wash., Aug. 23.—Forest fires have been raging in the mountains in Chelan county for the past three weeks and the atmosphere is smoky in this valley. The worst fires have been in the vicinity of Lake Chelan. On the south side of the lake in the mountains back of Crystal Springs, Ferndale, and Rosemont places, the forest rangers and the help they could muster fought the fire for five days and five nights and finally subdued it. The fire started from a campfire and reached from the lake shore to the summit before being checked.

Fire has also ravaged the reserve forest in the vicinity of Twenty-five Mile creek, which empties into Lake Chelan. It has not yet been checked.

WILL SELECT NAMES OF NEW TEACHERS

The county board of examiners will meet tomorrow to canvass the results of the recent teachers' examination. Papers of 85 applicants for teacher's certificates will be passed upon.

SHERIFF TAYLOR CAPTURES BRIDE

Umatilla Official and Miss Claire Mossou Are Married.

T. D. Taylor, sheriff of Umatilla county, was quietly married to Miss Claire Mossou, of Pendleton, by Rev. A. A. Morrison, at Trinity chapel, at 7:15 o'clock last night. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are now at the Oregon, and will remain in Portland for several days before returning to Pendleton, where they will make their home.

Both Sheriff Taylor and his bride are widely known in Pendleton and Umatilla county. Mr. Taylor bears the reputation of being the most accommodating and the most capable sheriff who has ever held the office in Umatilla county. His popularity is shown by the fact that, although he is a Democrat, he has been repeatedly elected by overwhelming votes in a county strongly Republican, on several occasions no man of the opposite party having opposed his candidacy. He is noted for his quiet, but effective work, having very seldom failed to track down violators of the law in Umatilla county once he had started on their trail.

Mrs. Taylor is also well known in Pendleton, where she had charge of the Umatilla headquarters of the Pacific States Telephone company for several years. She is highly regarded for her many good qualities in Umatilla county. Mrs. Taylor has been visiting in Portland for several weeks, being joined by Mr. Taylor yesterday. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Mossou, well known pioneer residents of Pendleton.

MAYOR SIMON THINKS WELL OF PARK PLAN

H. C. Campbell and R. L. Sabin of the board of school directors took Mayor Simon to the new Jefferson high school this morning in an automobile. The board has acquired a block of land for park purposes in Killingsworth adjoining the building. The purpose of bringing the mayor to view this was to persuade him that the city should purchase an additional block and a half of ground also.

Mayor Simon was favorably impressed with the new high school and its location and he promised to bring before the park board the matter of purchasing land to be added to that owned by the school district for the creation of a small park.

TRADES SPITZ DOG FOR CHILD

That she held her 5-year-old daughter, Nelda, as ransom for a spitz dog, is the charge placed against Mrs. J. Joyl, of 343 Second stret, by Mrs. Hattie Drennan, now living at the Cadillac hotel. Mrs. Drennan has sworn to a complaint in municipal court, charging Mrs. Joyl with disorderly conduct.

Mrs. Drennan's story, as told to Deputy City Attorney Ray Sullivan, is a most peculiar one. Her statement is to the effect that for some time she and her daughter Nelda have been living at the home of Mrs. Joyl.

Recently they moved to the Cadillac hotel, and Mrs. Joyl's spitz dog, which had become quite chummy with the roomers while at the house of its mistress, followed the child to the hostelry.

Friday while Mrs. Drennan, who is employed as a waitress in a restaurant at 289 East Morrison street, was at work, Mrs. Joyl is accused of having gone to the hotel, taken the child from its bed, dressed it and removed it to her home.

Too, while she had the child, Mrs. Joyl fed her sweets which caused her to become ill, according to the statement made by the waitress. When Mrs. Drennan returned home from work she found the child gone and the dog loafing around.

Having suspicions as to where the child might be, Mrs. Drennan explained that she went to Mrs. Joyl's house and found the child there. The dog was exchanged for the child.

Mrs. Joyl has not yet been arrested.

Notarial Commissions.

Salem, Or., Aug. 23.—T. J. Hewitt of Portland has been commissioned notary public.

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