ASTORIA ENTITLED TO TERMINAL RATE

No Reason Why Sound Should Have Advantage, Says H. W. Mitchell.

H. W. Mitchell, manager, vice president and treasurer of Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., believes that Astoria is entitled to terminal rates equal to those given Seattle, Tacoma and other Puget sound cities, less favorably situated as regards rail traffic meeting ocean transportation. He considers unreasonable freight rates from interior points to Astoria by way of the Columbia river water grade route when higher than rates from the same points to Tacoma or Seattle via the expensive mountain routes.

"My idea is that there is no reason why points in the interior should not have the advantage of shipping over the route to Astoria at rates as low as those charged to Seattle and Tacoma, when we know that it costs the railroads less to handle the business via the water grade route," said Mr. Mitchell. "It seems to me that not only should we ship grain from the Columbia river, but we should also ship the flour that is milled at Spokane and other points in the interior.

Situation at Present.

"Most of this flour now goes to the Puget sound cities, because of the fact that the shipper has to pay more for the haul to Astoria than to Seattle, Tacoma or Everett. Yet the haul to Astoria costs the railroad less because of the easy down grade. As everybody who has studied the situation at all knows, a train load will roll from points in the great inland empire to the mouth of the Columbia river at very little expense of energy, whereas to haul it over the mountains, up on one side and down the other, involves heavy cost.

"By giving Astoria rates equal to those granted the Puget sound ports, vessels bound for various destinations could drop in with very little delay and pick up flour and other freight, or they could come up to Portland if it was so desired. I believe we should develop the Columbia river traffic as a whole, whether the bulk of it be done here or at Astoria. By bringing it to the Columbia river, Portland, Astoria and the whole state will be benefited. It will be a stepping stone for a greater Columbia river business.

Could Transship.

"I think transshipping at Astoria could be done to excellent advantage in many lines. Vessels bound south or north could touch at Astoria, deliver or take on cargo, and then proceed on their way with very little loss of time. Eventually the business would increase to such volume that instead of bringing a few hundred tons these steamers would arrive and leave with capacity cargoes. Astoria would then only be to Portland what Port Costa is to San Francisco, for Portland is the natural point of transshipping. I believe these rates should apply both ways, so that San Francisco shipments going to Montana, for instance, could be shipped on as good terms by way of Astoria as by way of the Puget sound cities. I can see no reason why the rate by way of Astoria should be higher than by way of Tacoma or Seattle when we all know that the haul is less expensive."

ENTIRE REGIMENT ORDERED TO STOP ROCK ISLAND RIOTS

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members of the crowd, killing a man named Kellogg and fatally wounder another named Swingle.

The mob dispersed, but reassembled an hour later and smashed the windows of a hardware store in search of weapons. Peter Hayman, the watchman held the mob at bay until the police arrived.

Later the mob went to the office of Editor Looney and demanded copies of the paper in which the attack on Schriver was made. Unable to get them, they wrecked the building.

Troops Rushed to Scene.

Schriver called upon Sheriff Brumer, who was powerless to stop the rioting. At midnight Governor Deneen was appealed to and rushed state troops to the scene.

Colonel Channon, commanding the militia, declared today that he believed the trouble was over.

Mayor Schriver informed the police today that an effort was made to assassinate him in the city hall. He said that a bullet fired from a rifle in the street passed through his window, barely missing him, and buried itself in the wall. The militiamen who are patrolling here are unable to locate the alleged assassin.

To Hold Troops for Election.

Mayor Schriver and Commissioner of Public Safety Hart both notified Governor Deneen today that it will be necessary to keep the Sixth Illinois regiment here until after the primary election, April 9.

Further riots are feared tonight. The wires which furnish electric lights in the business section of the city were cut this morning. Business is practically suspended.

Threats to dynamite the city hall if the troops are brought from Springfield are being heard about the streets today.

Adjutant General Dickson will arrive this afternoon, and if the situation warrants, will declare martial law.

TOWN TOPICS

Mayor Comes Tomorrow—Mayor Rushlight, Councilman Tom N. Monks and John H. Burgard will arrive home from California tomorrow afternoon on the Kansas City. A telegram from them stated that they had started yesterday from San Francisco.

Autos Collide—Two automobiles, one driven by H. E. Noble of 790 Flanders street, and the other by W. R. Anderson of 504 Fenton building, collided last evening at Sixth and Pine streets, resulting in the slight damaging of both machine. Neither of the drivers was injured.

Parent-Teachers' Circle to Meet—The Parent-Teachers' circle of Thompson school will hold its regular monthly meeting tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. A business meeting will be held at 7:30. George K. Rogers will speak on "The Boy Scout Movement." All parents are invited.

Seek "Hop" Peddler—The police have been asked to look for a Chinaman who is said to be peddling opium and morphine about the city, especially to the colored population and the disorderly houses. He has been seen several times carrying a small grip, but not until yesterday was it learned that he was disposing of "hop." Patrolman Humphries has reported the affair to police headquarters, and has given a description of the man.

MURDERER OF EDITOR IS PLACED ON TRIAL

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Nevada City, Cal., March 27.—With trouble in securing a jury anticipated, the trial of Paul M. Doyle, a merchant of Truckee, Cal., for the murder of W. H. M. Smith, editor of the Truckee Republican, has begun in the superior court here.

Doyle shot down Smith in a quarrel, presumably over town politics. It is alleged that Doyle accused Smith of advocating an "open town" policy in his paper. Self defense is the plea.

UTTER NAMED IDAHO SURVEYOR GENERAL

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, March 27. — President Taft today sent to the senate the nomination of David Utter to be surveyor general for Idaho.

CARE OF FAITHFUL AGED MARE MADE COMPULSORY BY WILL

(Special to The Journal.)

Hillsboro, Or., March 27.—That the last days of his faithful mare should be filled with peace, comfort and plenty and without toil was provided in the will of the late John U. Henry, which has been filed in the Washington county probate court. Henry was a wealthy farmer living near Tualatin and died March 6, aged 83 years. The will bequeaths his estate to a niece, Hester Henry Schmokel, and her husband, Charles Schmokel, but is upon the condition that "they care for my mare Dot, give her a good home and not require her to do any work as long as she shall live." The estate is appraised at $11,600.