

### SETTLERS CHARGE RAILROADS WITH JUGGLING RATES

State Railroad Commission Receives Many Complaints of Overcharges on Shipments of Household Goods.

(Salem Bureau of the Journal.)  
Salem, Or., March 28.—The extent to which the colonist and immigrant are lambasted by the railroads in the matter of freight charges is little realized until one gets into touch with the complaints filed with the state railroad commission. Anna, without doubt, not more than one person out of 10, who are injured do any more than growl at the railroad company. They never think of taking the matter before the railroad commission.

This week a man arrived in Salem from Missouri, with a carload of household goods. He alleges the shipping agent quoted him a rate of \$2.15 per 100 pounds. The printed circulars of the company place the rate at \$3.39 per 100 pounds. But when he went to get his goods he found the freight charges had been computed at the rate of \$3 per 100 pounds, which appears to be a clear holdup of 70 cents per 100 pounds. Complaint of the overcharge was filed with the state railroad commission, which is taking the matter up with the interstate commerce commission.

"These complaints are filed with the commission every day," said a member of the commission. "The amounts of the overcharges range from \$30 up to \$120. We have taken scores of these complaints up with the railroad companies and gotten rebates for the shippers. While these matters are not all within the jurisdiction of the state railroad commission, still we can handle most of them. When we can not handle them we take the matter up with the Interstate Commerce commission."

"Another way railroad companies take advantage of shippers when the shippers are not careful is by putting the goods over long hauls in order to keep the goods on their own lines. Yesterday we had a complaint from a man who brought his goods from the east and the railroad company charged him \$85 more than the charge ought to be, because the goods were shipped in a roundabout way."

### MINERS MAY NOT USE STREAMS FOR TAILINGS

(Special to The Journal.)  
Applegate, Or., March 28.—A decision has just been handed down by the supreme court of the state of Oregon which will affect every placer miner in the state and be of benefit to all farmers living along streams where placer mining is followed. The case was brought by E. N. Provolt, Richard F. Lewmann, Herman Messinger, Ellen Stone, C. M. Rexford, A. L. Bailey and William Sorenson, farmers living in the Applegate valley, against the J. T. Layton estate, a placer mining company, for dumping mining debris in the Applegate river and into the Bridge Point Ditch company's ditch.

The case was tried in June, 1909, at Jacksonville, before Judge H. K. Hanna, who resigned before the decision was given. The decision was given by his successor, Judge F. M. Calkins, in favor of the plaintiffs. The case lasted in court six and a half days. A large number of witnesses was examined by both sides.

Practically every placer miner in southern Oregon took a hand in the fight with the defendants, while the plaintiffs had the backing of nearly every farmer in the Applegate valley, the most of whom donated funds to help those who were in the fight in which they were interested.

A mine had been in operation about 40 years discharging debris into the Applegate river year by year, filling up the channel of the stream and causing it to overflow and destroy valuable farm lands adjoining the river.

The case was appealed from the circuit court of Jackson county to the state supreme court, which court granted a permanent injunction against the Layton Mining company, enjoining it from dumping sand, gravel or rocks of any kind in the Applegate river.

### CHIEF STEWARD OF S. S. BEAVER DIES

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Portland, March 28.—Officials of the San Francisco and Portland Steamship company here have received word that C. E. Southgate, chief steward aboard the steamer Beaver, dropped dead from heart disease Tuesday shortly after the ship arrived in San Francisco, en route to Portland from San Pedro.

Southgate had been employed on the Beaver since she was placed on the San Francisco-Portland run. He had been in the company's service several years.

### KLICKITAT CHIEF GOES TO PLEAD FOR LAND

(Special to The Journal.)  
Klickitat, Wash., March 28.—Chief Skookum Wahlahoe of the Wahikious Indians, and his band of Indians have begun the journey to Washington, where they expect to beseech the Indian department to set apart that tract of land near Mount Adams known as the Indian huckleberry patches. The old chief claims that the Yakimas want to sell that part of the country to the United States to the displeasure of the Klickitatas and other Indians who annually visit that section. It has been estimated 2000 Indians visited the patches last year.

### 80 Stranded on Island.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Ottawa, Ont., March 28.—In response to a message received by the Canadian government today from the governor of the South Pacific Islands, a telegram has been sent by the postmaster general to Vancouver authorizing the steamer Makura of the Canadian-Australian line to depart from her regular course and pick up 80 shipwrecked men now stranded on Washington Island.

### UNEMPLOYED CAN NOW SECURE WORK

Conditions Improving With Coming of Good Weather, Say Labor Agents.

The final figure in Portland's so-called problem of the unemployed has been added by clear weather of the last few days, and today there is work for any who are willing to apply for it, according to Portland labor agents.

Although wages are slightly lower in the unskilled grades at present than last year at this time, indications are that a sharp advance will be noted within two weeks or a month.

At present a daily average of 400 men are being sent out on jobs in and around Portland by the various labor agencies. This figure, it is estimated, will be doubled when the big logging companies resume and street work is started in the city, in the near future.

A conservative estimate places the number of unemployed men at 2000. Many of these are loggers and semi-skilled artisans.

"The labor market shows a healthy condition for the remainder of the year," said John Schroeder, chief clerk of the Municipal Free Employment bureau, today.

"At present there are plenty of jobs open and in my opinion there is 33 per cent more work in sight now than in March of 1911. Wages are advancing already and will continue to do so. Many men are simply hanging back, waiting for this advance. We cannot get even newly arrived immigrants to accept jobs under \$2.

"An indication of how demand for labor is jumping is seen by comparison of our reports for February and March. In February we placed 2098 men and women in positions. Nearly 1800 men were put to work inside the city. Now, with work opening up outside also, we are finding jobs for practically 100 men every day. Other labor agencies are likewise placing many men."

### SHOWS BILLS INTO POCKET; QUISH! OUCH! BELACO'S ON FIRE

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, March 28.—Fredrick Belasco, the theatrical manager of San Francisco and Los Angeles, and brother of David Belasco, is confined to his bed in the Hotel Astor today as a result of carrying matches and chloride of potash lozenges in the same pocket. Belasco had just bought a ticket for the west, when he thrust his hand into his pocket with a roll of bills.

A moment later his trousers were on fire. His right hand and thigh were badly burned in his efforts to extinguish the blaze, and he will be confined to his bed for several weeks.

### 23 POLITICAL "SUSPECTS" ARE BANISHED TO SIBERIA

Warsaw, Poland, March 28.—That Russia is still fighting against the political enlightenment of her people with the old time weapons of imprisonment in Siberia, is indicated by a monster protest which has just closed in the city of Radom. Simply for belonging to the Polish Social Democratic party, no other charge being brought against them, 23 persons were sentenced to imprisonment and hard labor for terms ranging from two to eight years, and 22 were sentenced to exile and banishment in Siberia.

### WOLGAST'S MANAGER FINDS HONEST MAN, IN PORTLAND, TOO

Tom Jones, manager for Ad Wolgast, the prizefighter, believes he has at last found an honest man.

Yesterday Jones went into a telephone booth at the Imperial hotel, and when the operator said, "Dropanickelplex," he reached in his pocket and brought a pocketful of money, laid it on the table at his side, picked out a nickel, dropped it into the yawning mouth of the telephone, and talked to his party. Then he went out and left the money lying on the table—not because he wanted to learn if there was an honest person in Portland, but because he forgot it.

This morning he discovered that his money was gone. It was not, of course, in the telephone booth. Several hundred persons probably had used the booth since that time. So he told the chief clerk that he had forgotten to tell the money goodybe and he was kind of lonely, somehow, without it.

"It'll turn up," said Clarence Shafer, chief clerk.

"It will not," said Jones. "Which anyone will admit was a good starter for an argument."

"Betchu a hat it will," returned Shafer.

"S'go," said Jones.

Then together they called at the desk a few hours later and the money was handed over the counter. Somebody had found it and had turned it in.

### FATHER AND SON FIGHT OVER NAME

Word "Pacific" Cause of Legal Battle Between Sire and Child.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Oakland, Cal., March 28.—Though the word "Pacific" stands for peace, its use in the title of a cancer cure institution is the cause of a bitter war between John L. and Grover C. Bohannon, father and son, here today, in which both carry revolvers and threaten to shoot each other on sight, according to their own testimony in the local courts.

The father sued to restrain the son from conducting his place under the name of the "Pacific Cancer Institution," while the elder Bohannon's own place is styled the "Pacific Cancer and Tumor Institution." He alleges that his son has been stealing away his patients and otherwise interfering with his business. The father's suit for \$5000 damages was dismissed, but the court ordered the younger Bohannon to take the peaceful word "Pacific" from the name of his establishment.

### Factory for Rent.

Two floors in new brick building just completed at Hood and Baker streets, South Portland; long lease, low rental; building is well lighted and will make an ideal location for manufacturing plant. A. L. FISH, care of Journal, 1/2

### CREATORE

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Two selections on a disc, one on each side, for \$1 a disc. It's the greatest dollar's worth of band music on the market today.

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- A-5363 (Turkish March (Pour la Victoire—March) 12-inch, \$1.00

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