

CLAIM U. P.-S. P. CLOSE AS EVER

California Aroused by Alleged Attempts to Nullify Supreme Court's Order.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Feb. 21.—State wide opposition is evident today against the agreement drawn up by the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific railroads and filed with the state railroad commission for approval by that body, which many assert will render void the order of the United States supreme court that the two companies resume operations after March 15 as separate and competing railroads.

In San Francisco the fight was started and the transportation committee of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce called a special meeting this morning with the Merchants' Exchange and the city attorney of Oakland to add its protest to the agreement being ratified by the railroad commission.

Sacramento Joins Fight.

Sacramento has also taken up the fight and the city council of that city has adopted resolutions condemning the action of the two railroads in seeking to combine again. Other sections of the state are joining in the protest.

Under the agreement filed by the Southern Pacific it is permitted that the Southern and Union Pacific operate cars over their respective lines, spurs and switches at a rate to be fixed between themselves and these two in turn can fix the rates to be charged any independent line seeking the same privilege. Under these terms it is declared to be possible for the Southern Pacific to exact heavy toll from a third road, and thus stifle competition that would result in lower rates.

Hold Hearing Saturday.

On Saturday a hearing will be given the Western Pacific to object to the arrangement, and although this road is the only line which has so far taken up the fight, the opinions of the agreement will affect any and all independent roads. The Western Pacific does not object to the Southern Pacific charging what it sees fit over its own lines, but it does object to any one road being on special privileges.

On this point the commercial and industrial institutions have a fight in common, as the operation of the agreement, they claim, simply means the return of the old Southern Pacific-Union Pacific domination of the transportation situation in California.

THREE MORE CROSSTOWN CARLINES ARE DEMANDED BY CLUBS

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public utilities commission that the 33 miles of cross town carlines and service prayed for herein are reasonable, and a great need, and should have been provided long ago; it is permitted that the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, on its own initiative, if it is a real public service corporation, with the public needs and conveniences at heart, as its golden rule president and managers would have us believe in their late publicity and advertisements.

TAFT STEPS IN TO PREVENT DEATH OF MADERO

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ury shows a deficit of 6,000,000 pesos, for which Madero will be compelled to account.

(United Press Leased Wire.) El Paso, Texas, Feb. 21.—Francisco I. Madero, deposed president of Mexico, and Frederick Don Gonzalez Garcia, deposed governor general of the Mexico City district, will be slain within 48 hours, according to private advices received here today from Mexico City.

Garcia is accused of grafting from the army and is reported to be responsible for most of the 6,000,000 pesos of a treasury deficit.

The dispatches received here say that President Huerta will not order the execution, but that Madero and Garcia will die under the "fugitive law."

Predicts Iron Rule.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Delatfield, Wis., Feb. 21.—"They will rule Mexico with an iron hand. The people will not have liberty, but they will at least have peace, even if it is at the price of bloodshed."

This prediction was voiced here today by Carlos Madero, aged 38, brother of Francisco I. Madero, deposed president of Mexico, regarding the new government of the southern republic, headed by Provisional President Huerta and General Felix Diaz. Carlos Madero paid tribute to the peaceful inclinations of his brother Francisco. "The Madero regime has been historic," he said, "I am convinced that Francisco will make no further attempt to regain the presi-

dency. He is a poet and a philosopher—not a fighter."

Predicts Diaz' Return.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Paris, Feb. 21.—"You may rest assured we all will have the pleasure of seeing Porfirio Diaz return triumphantly to Mexico."

WOMEN OF CITY UNITE TO DEMAND ASSISTANT SUPT.

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after given 15 cents each a period. This service has been volunteer.

The board acceded to the request of Principal W. C. Alderson that night school classes at Lincoln High be continued. Other night schools will be discontinued at the end of the five month term.

High school principals filed a petition asking not to be required to teach each a class a day, and this petition was rejected.

Mrs. J. B. Kerr was appointed to serve in place of R. L. Sabin on grounds and buildings and teachers' committees. She was asked to look into the expressed need of appointing two assistant instructors in sewing.

The board gave hearty endorsement to the earth education movement, but stated it would be impossible this year to appoint an agricultural director because of lack of funds. It is proposed to make this arrangement for next year.

The resignation of Miss L. Kiefer as principal of Hudson school was accepted and the application of Melvin W. Dixon received but no action taken as Miss Kiefer's application does not become effective until March 21.

Bids for work on Rose City Park, Ainsworth and Fernwood schools, were received and referred to the buildings committee.

COMMISSION MEN PLEAD GUILTY; FINES ASSESSED

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It was for that purpose that congress passed the Sherman bill. Since its passage, the government has prosecuted vigorously to stop this thing.

"It is evident that this organization has absolutely controlled the produce market of the city. It is a combination unlawful and illegal and ought and must be dissolved. Otherwise the government will continue to prosecute them. I hope these men realize the seriousness of this offense and dissolve or modify their organization so that this thing shall stop. I am assured that such is the intention of the defendants, and I don't believe that I am called upon to confine these people."

Speaks in Defense.

W. C. Bristol represented the defendants and said that the men came into court not in the spirit of violators but in the spirit of those who wished to be set right if they were wrong. He said that the front street men had not made 3 per cent on their capital invested in the last three years. He attributed the law violations to the peculiar nature of the business. He mentioned the fact that produce was perishable and unlike bathtubs and other things of the kind, couldn't be kept in stock. It was necessary, therefore, he said, that the unsold produce be shipped out of the city or otherwise disposed of to the greatest advantage of the commission men.

Bristol said that all the men were willing to enter into an agreement with the government to refrain from every prohibited practice for which they were indicted and further stated that all the practices charged had been stopped.

Assistant United States Attorney Johnson said that the Portland organization was similar to others in cities of the northwest and that the correspondence indicates that the various organizations attempted to work together manipulating prices and apportioning territory. He said the operations of the association had almost entirely stopped the shipment of independent supplies in the case of tramp cars.

Organized in 1902.

"Members of the investigating grand jury," said Mr. Johnson, "went in person to front street and purchased small quantities of produce, thereby proving that they were not the only legitimate wholesalers that they claimed to be."

One of the accusations of the members of the association against the independent wholesalers was that they sold goods re-

MINIMUM WAGE PLAN FINDS FAVOR AT OLYMPIA, TOO

Provision for Commission of 5 Is Passed in Senate by 32 to 2; Fleeing House Members Forced Back.

(Special to The Journal.)

Olympia, Wash., Feb. 21.—Senator George Piper's bill fixing the minimum wage for female employees and in general protecting women and minors was before the senate this morning, having received a favorable committee report. The bill would place a minimum wage at such an amount as all female employees could make a decent living and is to apply to minors of both sexes under 18 years.

A commission of five members to be appointed by the governor and to serve four year terms without compensation is called for, although there is a provision for paying the salary of a secretary for the commission.

Senator French offered an amendment to make the minimum wage \$1.25 a day but a majority of senators thought arbitrarily fixing the amount would be held unconstitutional by the court and it was voted down.

An attempt to prohibit the industrial welfare mission from changing the specified minimum wage of any place of employment often than two years' time, was the first carried, but upon recommendation, was amended to one year's time. This was to avoid the unsettled condition which would prevail if the commission had power to make frequent changes in the minimum wage.

The section which would exempt females who are too old or too feeble to earn the minimum, and apprentices whose services are not yet valuable enough to command the minimum, was passed without opposition.

On final passage the vote stood 32 in favor of a minimum wage, Senators Collins and Troy opposing.

When the house returned upon business this Friday morning, Speaker Taylor ordered a call of the house as the time approached for the sound train to pull out and the sergeant-at-arms was ordered to the depot to stop several representatives from leaving town. Speaker Taylor explained as the remaining time of the session was too short to permit of any over-week-end vacations. He thought the sound representatives would stay on the work with the rest of the members.

WOULD PROVIDE SEATS FOR WOMEN EMPLOYEES

That an ordinance compelling department stores, factories and other places in which women and girls are employed to provide seats for female employees should be passed was the opinion unanimously expressed by members of the council committee on health and police today at the regular session of that body. A. E. Wood, a member of the municipal vice commission, called attention to the lack of seats in such places and the fact that the vice commission has in its report recommended remedial legislation.

Professor Wood was instructed by the committee to draft an ordinance embodying his views and to present this at the next meeting of the committee two weeks from today.

At that meeting Professor Wood will also present other ordinances prohibiting the employment of boys under 21 years of age in night service in city messenger companies.

As the result of conditions pointed out by Professor Wood, the committee will probably ask Chief of Police Slover to detail patrolmen to keep the exits of department stores clear of loafers and mousers, who at closing time of the day lay in wait for young girls on their way home.

An ordinance providing for the roping off of streets in the residence districts for use as playgrounds during portions of the day was referred to the city attorney, George A. Thatcher, who submitted the ordinance, believes its passage and enforcement would do more to educate the public to the necessity of play facilities for the youth of the city than a course of lectures extending over a period of years. Thatcher's ordinance providing for the erection of a detention hospital for the treatment of venereal diseases was also referred to the city attorney.

tail and were therefore not legitimate wholesalers. The members of the grand jury succeeded in buying small quantities of stuff from several of the men in the room right now."

"Brokers also appeared before the grand jury," said Mr. Johnson, "and testified that they were absolutely prohibited from selling to independent wholesalers, even if the latter had the cash."

The Produce Merchants' association was organized in 1902 and incorporated in 1905. All but three of those indicted have been members of the association since its incorporation. It was originally organized as a credit association, but later branched out into the activities for which it now stands convicted.

WOODBURN GUARDSMEN INSPECTED BY OFFICERS

(Special to The Journal.)

Woodburn, Or., Feb. 21.—First Lieutenant F. C. Endicott of the Fifth United States Infantry and Major F. W. Settlemier, inspector general for the state of Oregon, inspected Company I, Third Infantry, O. N. G., here yesterday.

All military equipment was checked over and any articles found to be in unserviceable condition were condemned and ordered destroyed. Company I, under command of Captain Eugene Moehrbauer, made a creditable showing with a large percentage of members answering roll call.

COLUMBIA-CLATSOP TREES BRING \$150,000

(Special to The Journal.)

Astoria, Or., Feb. 21.—A real estate deal has just been consummated in which A. B. Niskey et al have sold to Angus McDougall a large tract of timber lying in Columbia and Clatsop counties. The deed was filed in the county clerk's office here yesterday and the instrument gives the consideration at \$150,000.

CAPTAIN EDWARDS VERY INDIGNANT

Aspersions at Inspectors in Connection With Rosecrans' Preservers Resented.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

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Scott Memorial Grows.

London, Feb. 21.—Twenty-five thou-

sand dollars is added today to the fund to erect a monument to Captain Robert P. Scott, the ill-fated explorer. Five subscriptions of \$5000 each made up this amount.

Great indignation was expressed this morning by Captain E. S. Edwards, local United States inspector of hulls, at a communication appearing in the morning paper which casts aspersions on the inspectors, he claims, and on the life preservers used on the Associated Oil tanker Rosecrans. The article is signed "Seaman's Friend," and is dated from Woodstock, Or., stating that he and two friends picked up two life preservers above the Kilpsen beach life station. They were watersoaked and weighed from 40 to 60 pounds, the letter claimed.

"I wish to state," said Captain Edwards this morning, "that the letter in the Oregonian this morning from 'Seaman's Friend,' dated Woodstock, in which he claims to have picked up two life preservers on the beach weighing from 40 to 60 pounds is not a fact in any particular and it can be verified that the local inspectors got life preservers, now in our possession, which had been on the beach from January 7—the day of the Rosecrans wreck—until February 14. These life preservers were taken from men who had come ashore and were taken from the bodies by the Kilpsen lifesaving crew and thrown on the beach where they lay until taken by the inspectors on February 14. The one that came ashore on the body of the second officer weighed 9 pounds and 7 ounces and a new one of the same character, make and material weighed 5 pounds. The life preserver in question had sand and oil in it and when tested sustained 30 pounds deadweight."

"Two other life preservers were picked up on the beach off McKean Head by the Cape Disappointment lifesaving crew and sent to this office. They were full of sand and oil and in the most dilapidated condition; water soaked and exposed to the water and elements for a month and seven days. They were also battered on the rocks before coming ashore. One of these preservers weighed 25 pounds and when tested sustained 15 pounds deadweight, while the other, weighing 24 1/2 pounds, held up 15 pounds deadweight. It is estimated that an average human body weighs about seven pounds in the water. These life preservers weighed more than any others from the Rosecrans found on the beach from the fact that they had been in the sand longer."

Roscoe Howard in Washington. Washington, Feb. 20.—Roscoe Howard of Deschutes, representing the Central Oregon Irrigation company, is here trying to have a mail route changed and on other business.

Steinway Piano Bargain

Now on storage at 326 Burnside st. One style K, upright Steinway piano, latest model, used very little, for sale at a substantial reduction; cash or easy terms. Many other exceptional piano bargains for buyers who care to save \$100 or more on a piano. Sale now on at 326 Burnside, between Sixth and Seventh streets. Reed-French Piano Manufacturing Company.

SCOTT'S WIDOW SAILS ON, STILL IGNORANT

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WISCONSIN IS WAIST DEEP IN FEBRUARY

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 21.—Threatening to paralyze traffic all over the state, snowstorms are raging in Wisconsin today. In southern Wisconsin the most severe blizzard of the winter is being encountered, and train dispatchers are working in double shifts to keep traffic moving. Wire service is demoralized.

Despite many precautions taken, it is feared street car traffic here will have to suspend. The snow is piling waist deep against the structures in the business district, while in the poorer sections heroic efforts are being made to stave off the worst effects of the freezing weather. Charitable organizations rescued many outcasts from death in

the streets and lined a shivering, freezing mob of men and women in the coffee and other ration.

Printer Ackerman Paroled. (Special to The Journal.) Astoria, Or., Feb. 21.—A. S. Ackerman, the former Cathlamet printer, indicted by the grand jury on the charge of forgery, was arraigned in court yesterday and entered a plea of guilty. His attorney asked leniency on the grounds that the defendant was an aged man and that this was his first offense. The court gave him a sentence of from 2 to 28 years, but granted a parole pending good behavior.

Operation Fails to Cure Burlier. (United Press Leased Wire.) Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 21.—Despite the fact that the contents of his skull were rearranged by specialists to cure him of kleptomania, Edward Grimmel is today found guilty of burglary committed after the operation. He may be given a life sentence.



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\$1.48

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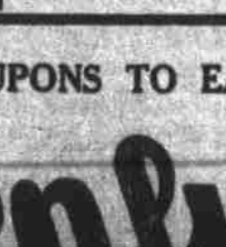
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DURING OUR LAST WEEK THE PRICE ON \$1.25 AND \$1.50 SLIPPERS WILL BE CUT TO

79c

CHILDREN'S \$1.50 SHOES WILL GO AT

75c



ALL MEN'S AND LADIES' \$5.00 SHOES Go During Our Last Week at

\$2.50

ALL MEN'S AND LADIES' \$4.00 SHOES Go During Our Last Week at

\$1.98

ALL MEN'S AND LADIES' \$3.00 SHOES Go During Our Last Week at

\$1.48

ALL MEN'S AND LADIES' \$2.00 SHOES GO AT

99c

CHILDREN'S 75c AND 85c SHOES AT

39c

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