

WESTERN LINES GAIN GREASES IN THEIR RATES

Most Important Advances in Freight Rates Asked by the Western Railroads Denied by Interstate Commission.

Washington, Aug. 11.—Western railroads won a partial victory today in a decision announced by the Interstate Commerce commission after consideration of the application of the lines for a 20 per cent increase in freight rates. The ruling became effective not later than September 30.

The decision indirectly affects every railroad in the United States, but more particularly those of the southwest. Notice of the action was sent to 2300 lines throughout the country.

Not All Allowed.

The ruling grants about half of the advances requested by the roads. In brief, the commission decided that:

- Proposed increased any quantity rates on cotton, piece goods and proposed increased carload rates from points in Texas not justified.
- Proposed increased carload rates on broom corn not justified.
- Proposed increased carload rates on grain and grain products considered as one commodity not justified.
- Proposed increased carload rates on livestock not justified.
- Proposed increased carload rates on packing house products and fresh meats, except as indicated between points on the Missouri river, not justified.
- Proposed increased carload rates on fertilizer and fertilizer materials not justified.

Increases Justified.

Proposed increased import rates and proposed increases in carload minimum from Gulf ports justified.

Proposed increased carload rates on fruit and vegetables justified.

Proposed increased carload rates on brewers' rice and less than carload rates on domestic rice justified.

Proposed increased rates on bituminous coal except as to South Dakota points, justified. The rates on coke here proposed are the same as on coal, justified.

Proposed increase from 30,000 pounds to 40,000 pounds in the minimum carload weight of grain products justified.

Most Important Denied.

As the most important increases were denied, the commission regards the advance granted as comparatively inefficient.

The commission, while not being able to give definite figures, including in its decision an estimate of the annual increase in the operating ratios as a result of the ruling, indicating the total to be \$7,694,247, Commissioner Daniels, in dissenting, declared that the roads were entitled to advances "far in excess" of the ones granted.

Commissioner Harlan Dissents.

Commissioner Harlan also dissented. It was the opinion of the majority that the increase in the operating ratio for the roads to increase their operating ratio. The majority held further:

"It does not appear that any uniform relationship can be traced between the present level of the operating ratio of carriers when financial administration has been culpable and of the remaining carriers."

Management Hinted at.

"Similarly, instances of notable increases in the operating ratios do not seem to be confined to roads such as the Rock Island or the Frisco. The negative conclusion reached in this connection is but a commentary on the fact that the general increases in the operating ratios is traceable to deep seated underlying causes which have affected carriers generally throughout increased operating costs."

Traffic officials of railroads running into Portland stated this morning that the increases granted by the Interstate Commerce commission would not directly affect the coast or transcontinental lines, but that the increases were made by what are known as the Western Trunk Lines association roads and the increases affect the roads west of Portland and east of the Rockies and in the southwest.

Victory for Shippers.

Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—This is a magnificent victory for shippers of grain and livestock, and Clifford Thorne, railway commissioner from Iowa, in commenting today on the ruling of the Interstate Commerce commission on the result of western railroads for rate increases.

Thorne was asked for the shippers' demand for increases. The commission refused to increase the grain and live stock rates, excepting when train load and multiple car shipments were made.

"These two items comprise three quarters of the traffic involved," he said.

Found Dead in His Cabin.

Toledo, Or., Aug. 11.—T. O. Svendsen, an aged bachelor, was found dead yesterday afternoon in his house near Toledo, apparently having died from a hemorrhage of the brain. Sheriff Geer, in ransacking the house, found a belt containing \$1020 in \$20 bills.

The body was found by a neighbor, Svendsen had evidently been dead about two days. When last seen alive he had said that he was not feeling well but had no money with which to buy medicine. He has a brother, residing at Bowling, Or., and a sister at Clearwater, S. D. Besides the gold found he has several thousand dollars' worth of property here.

Assessments and Taxes Caused the Ritter Suicide

An unpaid mortgage on his property on Mallory avenue and a street assessment and two years' unpaid taxes amounting to over \$1200 were more than Charles A. Ritter, colored veteran jewelry store porter, could stand. Ritter stated this in a letter to his business associate, Edward Watson. Ritter's body was recovered by Municipal Grappler Brady yesterday afternoon. Patrolman Wentman found his coat and hat at the Salmon street dock.

Ritter was for many years porter for J. & M. Delovage, jeweler, 224 Washington street, and other firms. He was 56 years of age. He enjoyed an extensive acquaintance with business men and was secretary of Enterprise lodge, No. 1, of the colored Masons. His widow, of 880 Mallory avenue, and a sister in California, survive him.

The funeral will be held at 2:30 p. m. Friday from the Holman Undertaking parlors, with interment in Lone Fir cemetery.

Accident Fatal to John B. Griswold

Pioneer Business Man of Salem Dies Following Auto Crash; Two Others Are Hurt.

Baker, Or., Aug. 11.—John B. Griswold, pioneer business man, died shortly before noon today, as result of injuries received in an auto accident Sunday evening, in which Mrs. Griswold and Honorable N. C. Haskell, former state representative, were also badly injured. The latter is in a critical condition. Mr. Griswold is a native of New York state, and came to Baker in 1880. He engaged in business for himself with great success, becoming well to do.

A few years ago he met with reverses which wiped out his fortune, but he started out all over again, and at the time of his death he had again amassed considerable property. He was 62 years of age.

Checks for Wages Brought No Coin

Proprietor of Brickyard at Sellwood Is Bound Over to the Grand Jury; Was Brought From Los Angeles.

L. F. D. Lehmann, proprietor of a brickyard in Sellwood, was bound over to the grand jury by District Judge Jones this morning on charges of paying his employees with worthless checks. About \$2000 worth of these checks for small amounts are said to have been issued by Lehmann.

James Barringer was bound over on a charge of passing bad checks. He was recently brought back from Los Angeles.

Jacob Halmer was fined \$10, and W. B. Fechtelner \$7.50 on pleas of guilty to charges of speeding on county road. Paul Langus was convicted of a similar charge and was fined \$10.

ARGUMENTS ARE RESUMED

Attorney Clark Speaks for Defense in Dodge Case.

Attorney A. E. Clark this morning took up the argument for the defense in the Dodge case before Circuit Judge Kavanaugh and may complete his argument this afternoon. Attorney Thomas Mannix, for the plaintiff, expects to close tomorrow. Attorney Guy C. H. Corliss, also of the defense, argued the entire day yesterday.

Ralston Ordered to Appear.

L. O. Ralston, former president of the defunct American Bank & Trust company, was ordered to appear before state bank superintendent, secured judgment for \$34,800 on stock of the bank for creditors of the institution, will be forced to appear before Circuit Judge Morrow September 1 to answer under oath regarding property he owns.

Sidney J. Graham, one of the attorneys for the plaintiff, filed an affidavit saying that Ralston owns property which he refused to apply toward payment of the judgment. Judge Kavanaugh signed the order for Ralston to appear.

Father and Son Arrested.

While Deputy Sheriff Bell is en route from Butte, Mont., for Portland with J. S. Shaylor, wanted here on a statutory charge, W. H. Shaylor, father of J. S. Shaylor, is in jail in Astoria awaiting officers to bring him to Portland to face a charge of mistreatment of his daughter. The complaint against the elder man was filed nearly two years ago, but he has been in the mountains near Astoria. Through the son now under arrest the officers secured news of the father's whereabouts.

Four Divorces Granted.

Divorces granted this morning by Circuit Judge Gantenben were: John M. Pelton from Jennie V. Felton, defendant; John Sell from Anna M. Sell, defendant; Catherine Loveston from Edward E. Loveston, annuity; May F. Patterson from Sargent Patterson, annuity.

Estate Valued at \$8000.

Letters of administration were filed this morning in the estate of Mrs. Emily A. Dowling, who died July 19. The estate is estimated to be worth \$8000. Three sons and two daughters are heirs.

Fractures Arm in Fall.

While visiting at the home of friends last evening, Mrs. J. E. East of 155 Fifth street sustained a fracture of the left arm when she tripped in descending some stairs. The break occurred where the arm had been in the mountain near Astoria. Through the son now under arrest the officers secured news of the father's whereabouts.

Large Force on Border.

Major General Funston's 14,000 troops are within striking distance of the border and Major General Bell has 7000 men at El Paso, Texas. The first drafts of troops for service should soldiers be needed, are expected to be made from these latter forces.

Secretary of War Wood has returned to Washington today and immediately conferred with Assistant Secretary Breckenridge and General Bliss, assistant chief of staff. They considered the details of the military situation in Mexico City and the possibility of a general offensive against Carranza.

Garrison said that in addition to the 21,000 troops under General Funston and Bell, 14,000 more available men are scattered among the army posts. This makes nearly two-thirds of the entire army along the border or only a few hundred miles from it.

Villa Offers Concessions.

Washington, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—General Scott today wired the state department confirming reports that General Villa had offered concessions to foreign interests in territory controlled by the Villistas.

Pacification Plan Ready.

New York, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—"I will submit a pacification plan for Mexico to the Latin-American envoys this afternoon," said Secretary of State Lansing here today. He refused to discuss the Mexican situation further. It was believed the conference would last several days.

Wilson Works on Situation.

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—After taking a short automobile ride early in the day, President Wilson retired to his study and considered the Mexican situation.

Per I Lettori Italiani

(Servizio giornalistico della più recente notizia della guerra Italia-Austria eseguito a cura della Italia Publishing Co., per comodità dei lettori italiani.)

In seguito ad accordi presi con l'editore dell'Italia, i nuovi abbonati italiani dell'Oregon Journal, avranno diritto all'Italia senza nessun aumento di spesa. Farne richiesta all'Amministrazione.

Crisi Italo-Turca.

Atene 11.—Le relazioni fra l'Italia e la Turchia hanno raggiunto una crisi tale, che i due paesi si sono messi all'impero Ottomano hanno fatto i preparativi per la partenza.

Una Riunione di Vescovi Per La Pace.

Roma 11.—"La corrispondenza," pubblica quest'oggi la notizia che i cardinali americani: Gibbons, Farley e O'Connell, in seguito ad istruzioni ricevute dal Sommo Pontefice, stanno organizzando una riunione di vescovi e cardinali, da essere tenuta in Svizzera, allo scopo di discutere i mezzi più adatti per ristabilire la pace in Europa.

Difesa che la Spagna e l'Olanda abbiano approvato il programma, al quale, anche il governo degli Stati Uniti, darebbe il suo appoggio.

L'Uccisione Della Manzani, Sarebbe Un Italiano.

Seattle 11.—I detective si sono messi quest'oggi alla ricerca di tal Francesco Sisto, che un giurì di Coroner ha dichiarato essere responsabile della morte di Christine Manzani, il cui corpo venne trovato giorni fa in un luogo appartato dello Schmitz Park.

Dall'inchiesta dei coroners risulterebbe che il Sisto fu veduto con la Snake river, fra le montagne di Asotin county, e che da allora nessuna traccia si è potuta avere di lui. Il Sisto sarebbe un redivivo, avendo scontato già una pena, nel penitenziario di Nevada, per assassinio.

DETAILS COMPLETE FOR DEDICATION OF HIGHWAY TO SEASIDE

Large Party of Autoists Will Leave Here at 7 o'Clock Tomorrow Morning.

RECEPTIONS ARE PLANNED

State and County Officials Will Participate in Important Event; Fifty Machines Expected.

Details for the ceremony of dedicating the Columbia river highway from Portland to the sea tomorrow have been arranged. The only thing that can delay interest with carrying out the program would be a heavy rain storm.

It is expected there will be about 50 automobiles in the largest organized party to go over the highway. Among these will probably be four or five from Vancouver, Wash.

The official party will assemble at the Oregon Hotel at 7 o'clock tomorrow morning and start immediately on its 125 mile trip.

The party will be those who have taken a prominent part in the conception and construction of the highway, state and county officials, and others of lesser distinction.

Members Auto Party.

There will be Julius L. Meyer, president of the Columbia Highway association, Samuel Hill, S. Benson, A. S. Benson, John B. Yeon, and Frank Terzaghi.

The list of state officials will include United States Senator Chamberlain and possibly Senator Lane, Ex-Governor West, Governor Withycombe, Secretary of State Olcott, Treasurer Kay, State Engineer Lewis, and Chief Deputy Cantline.

Included among the county officials will be Commissioners Holman and Holbrook and District Attorney Evans. There will be newspaper representatives and photographers.

Brief stops will be made at the different towns en route.

Entertainment at Clatskanie.

According to the schedule the party will arrive at Clatskanie shortly before noon. The people of this enterprising town have arranged to entertain the party with a lunch. Here also the party will be met by a large delegation from Astoria and Clatskanie county, who will act as an escort the rest of the journey. T. S. Cornelius, county judge of Clatskanie county, has written that the county court and all the available automobiles in Clatskanie county will be at the Clatskanie.

In the afternoon a stop will be made at Astoria and Seaside and beach points will join.

Many Scenic Attractions.

Those who have been over the road say that it is in good condition for a new grade and that there are many scenic points en route, notably the hill side of Rainier, Prescott point and Bugby point, or Clatskanie Crest between Clatskanie and Astoria.

At Bugby point, which is 750 feet above the river, the road rises by a series of loops rivaling the roadway up Mt. Tamalpais. All along the line the local residents are greatly interested in the official trip and are preparing formal reception.

Vera Cruz Is Quiet.

With kaleidoscopic swiftness the whole Mexican situation has changed in a manner to make government officials gasp.

The early morning found the war and navy departments rushing preparations for the inevitable actual fighting. Violent anti-American demonstrations were reported to be imminent or to have occurred in Vera Cruz. Then came General Carranza's curt note to the United States and almost simultaneously with it an official report from Special Agent Stillman of the state department declaring Vera Cruz was quiet and that General Carranza was deprecating anti-American feeling.

Officialdom is convinced that while Carranza is in Carranza's territory possibly are not as threatening as had been feared, there was no doubt that Carranza meant to resist elimination of himself from the provisional government of Mexico. Should he pursue this course, it is believed that the necessity of starving him out can scarcely be avoided, even if it should be possible to escape fighting him.

Force Not to Be Used.

Excepting for the defense of the American border and the lives of foreigners in the interior, the United States does not contemplate the use of armed forces in Mexico, despite the unusual preparations, high officials stated yesterday.

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Fifty Registering This Morning Brings Total Up to 394—Total Last Year 450.

TWENTY-FIVE GET REFUND

Purchasing Is Being Rushed So Fast of Week May Be Devoted Entirely to Refund.

Fifty buyers registered this morning at the Chamber of Commerce for Buyers' week. This is only the third day of the week, yet the registration is within 56 of the total registration for Buyers' week last year.

The registration this morning reached 394. The total last year was 450. Many buyers were registered last year during the last three days of the week, so it is predicted that the attendance this week is going to break all records.

Twenty-five buyers have already received purchases equaling an amount which entitles them to a refund of their railroad fare. Each buyer who purchases \$500 worth of merchandise during the week is given a refund of his railroad fare.

To Complete Buying Today.

Many of the buyers expect to complete their buying today, but expect to remain in the city during the rest of the week for pleasure. So far the buyers have been spending practically all the week for pleasure.

The outstanding feature of the week is the note of optimism among the buyers, particularly those from Idaho, eastern Washington and eastern Oregon. The excellent crop conditions, with prospects for good prices, make the future look bright, and has stimulated the buyers to complete their purchases.

During the first two days 130 women registered. Among them was Mrs. S. Tucker, proprietor of a millinery store at Clarkston, Wash. She formerly lived in Portland, but has been in business at Clarkston for the last eight years.

Women Guests at Theatre.

She says she lives in one of the nicest little cities on the map, where there are excellent schools and no saloons. Clarkston is just across the Snake river from Lewiston. It is in Asotin county, and the only piece of railroad in the entire county is a street railway line which connects the two cities.

Out of the 130 women registered, 101 of them were guests at the theatre party given for them at the Helix last night. All the boxes were filled with them, and they gave evidence of thoroughly enjoying the show. Mrs. C. C. Chapman is the general chairman of the women's reception committees. The other members who assisted last night were Mrs. O. W. Mielke, Mrs. M. E. Bruce, Mrs. C. C. Cassell and Mrs. M. Reinstein.

Was "Some Smoker."

For the theatre parties tonight, which were given at the Empress and Pantages, the members of the women's reception committees are Mrs. Arthur Skinner, Mrs. L. D. Freeland, Mrs. J. W. D. McWaters and Mrs. B. M. Irvine.

Last night while the women were at the Helix the men were the guests of the Chamber of Commerce at a smoker. And, to use an expression frequently heard last night, "it was some smoker."

Nicholas Pieroni, as master of ceremonies, saw to it that there were no dull moments. For entertainment there were old time songs, rendered by Norman Briggs and Albert Fritz, and the latest hits sung by performers borrowed from the various theatres and grills. There were other features also which kept the crowd, which packed the big dining room on the eighth floor at the Chamber of Commerce to overflowing.

Ford Official Coming.

James Couzens of Detroit, vice-president and treasurer of the Ford Motor company, will arrive in Portland Monday morning from San Francisco. Mr. Couzens is traveling with a party in the private car Mackay. H. H. Rackham of Detroit, a large stockholder in the Ford company, is now in Portland, a guest at the Portland hotel.

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Protection for Fire And Game Planned

Salem, Or., Aug. 11.—S. C. Bartram, federal forest supervisor at Roseburg, today outlined a tentative plan for cooperation of game wardens and foresters for fire and game protection at the meeting of the state game and fish commission.

The commission appointed a committee consisting of State Game Warden Shoemaker, State Forester Elliott and Mr. Bartram to evolve a definite plan of cooperation.

AGITATION TO MAKE COTTON CONTRABAND MEET'S OPPOSITION

London Daily Chronicle Says No Good Would Be Gained, Enemies Be Increased.

London, Aug. 11.—(U. P.)—The London Daily Chronicle publishes an article today deprecating the popular agitation to bring pressure to bear on the foreign office with the object of having raw cotton made contraband of war. The public meeting to forward the point of view of Washington ward the agitation has been announced for tonight.

"The matter," says the Chronicle, "involve international questions of great delicacy and perplexity. On a balance there is an advantage in declaring cotton contraband, but to do that and no more would not remove the difficulties which have arisen between the United States and the British government. On both sides there is the utmost good will, but necessarily the point of view of Washington is not that of London." The Chronicle adds:

"Even now we can and do stop cotton consigned to neutral ports when there is a presumption of its hostile designation. What, then, is the advantage of making cotton contraband? There is a clamor of 25,000,000 American people who are dependent on cotton got it rooted in their minds that their interests were being sacrificed to British power."

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CITY COUNCIL DECIDES TO IMPROVE GREELEY IN SPITE OF PROTESTS

Improvement Is One of Largest Undertakings in History of This City.

COST IS TO BE \$350,000

Thoroughfare Will Give Direct Connection Between St. Johns and Lower Albina.

After several years of investigation and numerous delays, the city council this morning unanimously adopted an ordinance providing for the extension of Greeley street from Killingsworth avenue to Russell street, and at the same time overruled remonstrances against the proposed improvement.

This is one of the "largest street improvement projects the city has ever undertaken, the total cost being about \$350,000, and will affect 38,000 lots. While completed it will make a direct connection between the Peninsula and St. Johns districts and Lower Albina.

The action today was over the protest of several property owners, who contended that insufficient information existed as to the cost of the improvement to individual property owners and

To Open East Burnside.

By adopting an ordinance providing for the widening of East Burnside street from Sixty-third to East Sixty-ninth street and the extension of the street from East Fifty-fourth to East Fifty-fifth, the city council this morning started proceedings which ultimately will provide a direct connection between the Burnside street bridge and the Montavilla district. This improvement has long been sought by residents along East Burnside street. The ordinance has emergency clauses attached and become effective immediately.

Bids for Paving Opened.

With a price of 84 cents a square yard for asphalt, the Oregon Independent Paving company this morning submitted the lowest bid for hard-surfacing Washington street from Twentieth to the entrance of Washington park. This is considered an exceptionally low bid, and it accepted will make the total cost of the improvement \$782.20. Other bids were: Oskar Huber, asphalt, 90c, \$9147.85; Oskar Huber, bitulithic, \$1.20, \$10,625.85; Warren Construction Co., bitulithic, \$1.41, \$12,522.45; Warren Construction Co., asphalt, \$1.07, \$8992.85.

Child Seriously Hurt.

The Dalles, Or., Aug. 11.—Leaving the train at Pendleton after having started from The Dalles last Saturday for a visit at her old home in Pennsylvania, Mrs. H. F. Launis of this city took her young son to a physician for medical treatment. The child is suffering from a broken collar bone sustained in a fall out of bed. Mrs. Launis has abandoned her trip and has returned to The Dalles.

The child is in a serious condition.

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