

OPERATING COSTS GOVERN FREIGHTS, SAYS COMMISSION

Principle Is Laid Down in Report Made by Examiner Mackley in North Dakota Rate Case.

SUPPORTS COLUMBIA CLAIM

Contention Expected to React to Benefit of River Haul Rates Now Pending Before I. C. C.

Washington, April 18.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Shippers on branch lines cannot expect equal rates with main lines, even when they serve the same general territory, where the branch line shows less traffic density and less favorable costs of operation. This principle is laid down in a tentative report made and is held to give support to the argument that if higher rates are to be justified because of higher costs of operation, where distance is practically the same, differentials may be upheld in favor of lower rates where operating costs are favorable as against mountain hauls for longer distances, as in the cases now pending involving the Columbia river haul.

In the North Dakota case the commission's examiner says in part: "The contention of the complainant seems to rest primarily upon the broad ground that the rates from branch lines should be equalized with the rates for equal distances on the main line, because both the main and branch lines serve a common general territory, where competition between elevators is keen and where the commercial necessity is accordingly for an equalization of rate. This view takes no account of the lesser density of traffic on the branch line and the less favorable conditions of operation to which the defendant refers

of the Kildeer branch the defendant refers to the fact that it follows the Missouri river for quite a distance and is difficult to maintain because of wash-outs at certain seasons of the year. "There is no requirement of the act that branch line rates, regardless of differences in conditions of transportation, shall not exceed the contemporaneous rates for equal distances on the main line. The commission has frequently recognized the propriety of such a difference in rates."

Slight Changes in Train Service for Coos Bay Possible

Marshfield, April 18.—John M. Scott, general passenger agent for the Southern Pacific railroad, who is visiting on Coos bay, expects to be able to offer slight changes in the service from Coos Bay to Portland early in May. A night train, which was desired, is out of the question, Mr. Scott says, but the outgoing train will probably leave an hour earlier which will put passengers in Portland at 8 o'clock in the evening, instead of 9 o'clock, and a little more time will be given the incoming passenger at Eugene, where a change of trains is made. Mr. Scott says these slight changes are all that can possibly be made at this time.

Tractors Will Be Used to Traverse Sands of Pribilof

Washington, April 18.—(I. N. S.)—American built caterpillar tractors are now being shipped to the Pribilof islands where they will be used for pulling loads of pots and other valuable products of these far north regions over the four miles of sand, which have to be traversed to the nearest shipping point. Secretary of Commerce Redfield announced today. The tractors are being transported on the steamer Roosevelt, which will bring back a cargo of seal bones. Dids for 200,000 tons of seal bones were opened last week and it was announced today that the government would receive not less than \$14 per ton. Secretary Redfield explained that money received for seal bones was practically all "velvet." One deposit alone is known to be more than a mile and a half long and several of the government also is carrying grinders and the bones will be converted into fertilizer before shipment.

MRS. HEARST'S ESTATE IS LEFT TO THE FAMILY; IS VALUED IN MILLIONS

Bequests Are Mostly to Relatives and Friends; University to Receive \$60,000.

San Francisco, April 18.—The last will and testament of Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst disposing of an estate valued at several millions of dollars was filed for probate in the superior court of San Francisco county Thursday by her attorney, Charles Stetson Wheeler. The will was drawn in Mrs. Hearst's own handwriting, and was dated at the Hacienda del Poso de Verona, Pleasanton, June 16, 1914. Two codicils had been added bearing the dates of May 14, 1917, and June 12, 1918. Mrs. Hearst had in her lifetime distributed great sums of money in charity, philanthropies, educational and public works—a fortune, estimated by those closest to her, at approximately \$10,000,000. The bequests in her will are chiefly to members of her family and close personal friends. The University of California was the only institution mentioned in the will. HEARST IS PRINCIPAL HEIR

The principal beneficiaries of the will are: William Randolph Hearst, heir to all of the estate not otherwise disposed of. George R. Hearst, William R. Hearst Jr., John R. Hearst, Randolph A. Hearst and Willson W. Hearst, sons of William Randolph Hearst, to whom is bequeathed the Hearst building in San Francisco and the home and estate at Pleasanton. Regents of the University of California in trust for the university, \$60,000 to continue scholarships and a valuable collection of paintings, tapestries and objects of art.

MANY SMALL BEQUESTS
Elbert Clark Apperson, a brother, \$50,000; Elizabeth S. Apperson, his wife, \$50,000; Sergeant Randolph W. Apperson, their son, \$50,000.
Anne D. Apperson Elliot, New Haven, Conn., a niece, \$250,000, and the country home on McCloud river.
Edward H. Clark, Fairmont hotel, San Francisco, for many years manager of the Hearst estate, \$100,000.
Richard Clark, 2535 Bancroft way, Berkeley, \$25,000.
Other beneficiaries for smaller amounts are mentioned in the bill.

Flyver Surprises Owner Wouldn't Part With It Now

"I'll give the officer my Ford if he can make the thing go over 25 miles per hour," shouted W. D. Davis in the municipal court Thursday after he was charged with driving his automobile 30 miles per hour. "Very well," said Judge Rosenman, "I'll have your car tried out before passing sentence."
Officer Hamaker, the arresting officer, and Motorcycle Officers Bert and Rippen were assigned to make the test. Rippen drove the Ford and Bert and Hamaker rode alongside on their motorcycles to get the speed. Davis saw the speedometer on the motorcycles climb to the 45-mile notch, while he clung on with both hands to the side of his car. When he returned to the courtroom he told the judge, "That officer is sure

California Labor Unions Fighting I. W. W. Measures

Sacramento, April 18.—(I. N. S.)—Emphatic opposition to the administration's L. W. W. bill, variously known as the "sabotage bill" and the "criminal syndicalism bill," has developed. It comes, not from the I. W. W., which organization does not send spokesmen to the state capitol, but from trades union labor, whose representatives here assert that the bill, as drawn by Attorney General Webb, and introduced by Senator Kehoe could, if enacted into law, be used to imprison labor leaders in any serious industrial dispute in which the strike or the boycott was used. Following the brief discussion of the bill on the floor of the assembly yesterday, the assembly labor and capital committee held a special hearing on the bill last night. The bill was reported out today "to pass as amended."

Matthew Riddle Is Studying in France

Matthew Riddle, Reed graduate of 1917, who has been head of the bacteriological department of base hospital No. 46 in France, has completed his service with the medical corps, and is taking a four months' course at the University of Montpellier, one of the oldest educational institutions in France. Riddle majored in biology at Reed college, and his rise in the army as a medic was rapid. Hear the famous Westminster church choir tonight at Good Friday services, 7:45. Irvington or Broadway cars.—Adv.

President Orders Reopening of Steel Price Controversy

Washington, April 18.—(L. N. S.)—President Wilson has ordered the industrial board of the department of commerce and the railway administration to reopen their conference with a view to reaching an adjustment of their differences resulting from the refusal of the administration to accept the schedule of steel prices agreed to by the board.

This was authoritatively learned this afternoon, when it became known that the president's order was contained in a cablegram now in the hands of Secretary Redfield of the department of commerce. At the industrial board this afternoon it was stated that Chairman George N. Peek was willing to reopen negotiations whenever the railway administration was ready. Both Railways Director Elmes and Secretary Redfield, however, were out of the city today, the former on a tour of inspection to the Pacific coast and the latter on a speaking trip.

Insane German Is Taken to Chelsea Naval Hospital

Washington, April 18.—(I. N. S.)—Hans Fischer, second mate of the German steamer Patricia, which arrived at Boston Thursday, who went insane while at sea, has been removed to the naval hospital at Chelsea, Mass., the navy department announced today. It was said that Fischer attempted to set fire to the vessel, but the navy reports made no mention of the incident. Fischer was one of seven Germans in the crew who were taken aboard because of the knowledge of the ship's machinery. All of the vessels transferred from Germany for use as transports by the

United States will carry a number of Germans during their first few trips, it was stated at the navy department today.

Beaside the Patricia, the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria has arrived, and four other German vessels—the Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm, Graf Waldersee, Zeppein and the Mobile—are on their way to American ports. The Cape Finisterre and the Pretoria have been delivered and will soon sail.

Friend Objects to Arrest
Sacramento, April 18.—(U. P.)—Governor Stephens Thursday signed requisition papers for the return to Boston of

A. D. Friend, who is wealthy, is wanted there for non-support of his wife's family. It is understood he will fight the requisition.

Hamilton Witter Found Not Guilty
Spokane, April 18.—(U. P.)—Hamilton Witter, I. W. W., charged with violation of the espionage act and held in the county jail since last July, is freed today under a directed verdict by Federal Judge Rankin. George F. Vanderveer, Seattle attorney, connected with I. W. W. trials, defended Witter.

Dry slabwood and inside wood; green stumps for cash. Holman Fuel Co., Main 353; A-3353; A-4955.—Adv.

Shirts--Shirts--Shirts

New Spring Patterns

French Cuff Shirts at	\$1.50
Jap Creses, special	\$1.65
Heavy Rep Cords at	\$2.00
Silk and Wool Mixtures, special	\$3.50
Silk Fabric Mixtures	\$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00
Genuine Tub Silks	\$6.50
Heavy Silk Broadcloth	\$8.50
Special Sale on \$2.50 Neckwear	\$1.95

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Why Beefsteak Is High

This chart was copied from Bulletin No. 226, U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. It is the latest that has been issued. - 100=1914 price.

Remember when beefsteak was 20c a pound? Now it's 40 and 50 cents a pound. Why? This chart shows that the price packers have had to pay for cattle has gone up with the price received for beef. In fact, it shows that the "spread" between cattle and beef prices has been gradually reduced during the past 30 years—owing to competition among packers, their increased efficiency, bigger volume, and elimination of waste. The packer's profit of only a fraction of a cent per pound of meat has helped to narrow this "spread." Increased farm-production costs have made higher cattle prices necessary.

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Schiller Smokers—Little Bobbies—New Bach—\$2.50	
elot; box of 50	
In-B-tween, 10 in a box, special	45c
Roads and Washington's Cabinets, 25 in a tin	\$1.25
Fatima Cigarettes, 20 in a package	20c
Star and Horseshoe plug	75c
Penn's Thick; 8 space	70c
Case Briar Pipes, straight and bent, \$2.25 to \$3.65	

Crockery Department

Visit our crockery department and see the splendid Dinner Sets, which are sure to please—
—from \$6.95 to \$18.50

8-inch Blue Band Mixing Bowls, special... 25¢
10-inch Blue Band Mixing Bowls, special... 30¢
10-piece Casserole Sets, special... \$1.29

The Easter Season and Springtime Are Here!

Only One More Day to Fill the Occasion's Needs at Our Great Pre-Easter Sale

Saturday Groceries at Lower Prices

PURE CANE SUGAR	
11 lbs. for \$1	

Guaranteed Coffee
Save on your coffee. M. J. Brandenstein and Edwards' Steel-cut 28c
Coffee, special, pound... 28c

White Flour
Crystal White Hard-Wheat \$2.85
Flour, sack... \$2.70
Klickitat Best, sack... \$2.70

Crisco and Lard
Crisco, in 1 1/2-lb. cans... 50c
3-lb. 95c, 6-lb. \$1.90, 9-lb. \$2.85
Cottolene, small pail... 55c
Medium, \$1.10, large \$2.75
Pure Lard, medium-size pail, \$1.50, large... \$2.90

Cured Meats
Armour's and Barton's medium and heavy Sides, special, lb... 32c
Wild Rose Bacon Backs, the lb... 40c
Picnic Ham, the lb... 28c
Wild Rose Ham, the lb... 40c

Canned Goods
Booth's Sardines, the can... 18c
Palace Car String Beans, doz. cans \$2 Case... \$3.85

Crystal White Soap, Special 21 Bars \$1

Fishing Tackle Department
Steel Telescope Fly Rods, \$2.85
Saturday special
No. 2 Fish Baskets... \$2.65
No. 3 Fish Baskets... \$2.95
No. 4 Fish Baskets... \$3.25
Leaders... 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c
Reels... 65c to \$6.00

Men's Furnishings In Season

Heavy Fiber Silk Shirts, just the thing for spring wear, in a large variety of styles.

\$4.00 Shirts for	\$3.98
\$5.00 Shirts for	\$2.95

Silk Ties in colorful patterns, from 49c to \$1.50
Silk Hose for men, all shades, in durable material... 49c
Dress Suspenders, substantial values in standard makes... 65c

Men's Saturday Specials

Can't Bust 'Em Overalls and Jumpers at	\$1.89
Heavy Khaki Coveralls, regular \$3.75, special	\$2.48
Heavy Drill Work Shirts, reg. \$2 values, Saturday	\$1.39
Men's Heavy Sateen Black Work Shirts, reg. \$2.25	\$1.49
Men's Khaki Pants, regular \$3.00 sellers, at	\$1.75
Men's Cashmere Hose, 3 pairs for	\$1.00

Specials in Hardware Dept.

14-inch Lawn Mowers, 4 cutting	\$7.25
Steel Hose Reels	\$2.45
1/2-in. Rubber Garden Hose, 50 ft. for	\$5.25
1/2-in. Corrugated Moulded Hose, 50 ft. for	\$8.25

Women's Ready-to-Wear Suits, Coats, Dolmans and Dresses

The latest creations of the couturiers' art in the newest patterns, at prices which range from

\$14.50 to \$29.98
\$13.50 to \$29.50
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Smartly Tailored Suits in clever styles. All weaves and patterns—

Great Easter Sale of Silk Waists and Women's Underwear

Beautiful Silk Waists in a wonderful variety of plain, fancy and striped effects which have just come by express from our buyers will be on the counters for this week-end sale. Some of them have dark stripes, others with different effects, but all are of excellent quality. These waists regularly selling at \$3.98 \$6 are cut down to

SALE PRICES ON GEORGETTE AND WASH SATIN CAMISOLES AT \$1.19, \$1.29, \$1.49, \$1.79, \$1.98

Supply your needs from this remarkable showing at these exceptionally low prices.

Women's 75c Union Suits, Special, 50c

Summer weight Union Suits, low neck, sleeveless, either lace or tight knee, excellent quality, sizes 34, 36, 38 and 40.

Women's \$1.00 Union Suits, Special, 75c

Women's fine Lisle Ribbed Union Suits; summer weight, low neck and sleeveless, lace or tight knee. These are a splendid bargain. Sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42.

Fancy Hair Ribbons 25c, 39c, 49c Yard

Ribbons in a charming variety of colors for hair-bows, casques, handbags and the many other uses. From 4 to 7 inches wide.