

MINIMUM WEIGHTS FOR SHIPMENTS OF LUMBER PROPOSED

Freight traffic officials of the O-W. R. & N., S. P. & S. and Southern Pacific railroads held the first of a series of conferences Wednesday at the Chamber of Commerce with representatives of lumber manufacturers and shippers for the purpose of formulating a new schedule of minimum weight in carload shipments of lumber. H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent of the O-W. R. & N. company, led the discussion and urged heavier loading of lumber shipments.

W. D. Skinner, traffic manager of the S. P. & S. railroad, presided at the meeting and suggested that the shippers and traffic men collaborate on a schedule of minimum weights that will be fair to both the carriers and the lumber industry, for presentation to the interstate commerce commission. Meetings of the traffic men will be held daily during the next two weeks for this purpose.

N. J. Blagen, president of the Gray's Harbor Lumber company, favored a heavy minimum, which he said the manufacturers of fir lumber could load without any difficulty and that shippers are anxious to load to capacity.

M. C. Dixon, representing the Willamette valley lumbermen, recommended that for lengths of 36 feet and over the minimum weight should be fixed at 48,000 pounds; for lengths under 36 feet the minimum be 38,000 pounds. F. G. Donaldson, while endorsing the division of shipments into classes according to length, insisted that the weight of a carload of 36 feet or more should be 48,000 pounds and under that length 38,000 pounds.

A. W. Cooper, secretary of the Western Pine Manufacturers' association, argued that the minimum weight for carloads in lengths of over 42 feet should be 44,000 pounds; 36 to 42 feet, 38,000 pounds; and under 36 feet, 30,000 pounds, with the provision that a car loaded to full visible capacity be rated at the minimum and the car not loaded to capacity be penalized 1 cent per hundred. Cooper's suggestions found favor with Charles E. Barry, representing the Eccles Interests, and M. E. Heiler of the Pollock Lumber company.

C. J. Gray appeared at the meeting in the interest of manufacturers of lumber, shingles, wood piping and other light materials which cannot be loaded as heavily as lumber shipments, and M. Held of Seattle raised similar objections on behalf of shingle manufacturers.

Hoquiam Skipper's Wife Gets Passports To Visit in Belgium

Washington, March 18.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL).—Through the office of Congressman Johnson of Washington, Mrs. Tom Anderson of Hoquiam has obtained passports to visit Antwerp, Belgium, her old home, and will leave New York, March 24.

Mrs. Anderson is the wife of a well known skipper of Hoquiam, and a few years ago figured in a notable voyage from Sidney to the Pacific coast on a lumber schooner, commanded by her husband. Three thousand miles out the crew mutinied and, with her husband and mate making up the ship's complement, it was brought safely to port.

Imperfect Liar Is Fined by Rossman

"Some men are perfect liars," but this man's lying is so apparent that it can hardly be denied, said Municipal Judge Rossman this morning when he fined Dan Driscoll \$10 and Lee Fong \$25. The judge was addressing his remarks to Driscoll, who told the court he could not remember what Chinese lottery he had visited Wednesday after being arrested for having two tickets in his possession. When the officers entered the store with their prisoner, Fong interfered with them as they started to search the place for more tickets. Fong was fined \$25 for interfering with the police.

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Pendleton-Condon Debate to Occur On Monday Night

Pendleton, March 18.—Condon and Pendleton high schools will debate Monday night for the right to represent this section at the state championships in Eugene during junior week end. The negative teams will travel.

Telephone operators, linemen, switchboard men and repair men here have affiliated with the Telephone and Telegraph Operators' association, a new national organization. It is not a part of the A. F. L. and is not recognized by that body.

Rev. Robert E. Gornall, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church here, has declined an offer to become educational secretary of the College of Puget Sound, located at Tacoma. He will retain his pastorate here.

Joseph C. Hayes, until six months ago a resident of Heppner, is dead of heart trouble at the age of 62. He recently disposed of his Morrow county farm and moved here. His wife, two sons and a daughter survive.

Alumni of the University of Oregon here have named a committee which will cooperate with a similar committee of O. A. C. alumni to bring about necessary appropriations for the two state institutions. The two associations may consolidate for this purpose, it is said.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROSEBURG SCHOOLS IS NOT TO BE RETAINED

Roseburg, March 18.—City Superintendent Aubrey G. Smith will not be retained as superintendent of the Roseburg schools for another year. No reason was given out for the decision to fire another city superintendent, but it is understood that dissatisfaction has existed among members of the board for some months, which, rather than any shortcomings of Superintendent Smith, caused the decision of the board. Smith has been superintendent for two years and is well liked by the parents and pupils.

Herbert N. Anderson of Eugene was arrested here late Tuesday evening on a telegraphic warrant from Eugene for the theft of a motorcycle. Anderson was accompanied by his pretty young wife, 18 years of age, who Anderson said, knew nothing of the transaction. Anderson is a gunmaker.

J. C. Cramer, a veteran of the Soldiers' home here since 1910, died Wednesday, aged 76. He resided in Portland prior to his entry to the home. He was occupying one of the home cottages with his wife at the time of his death.

The case brought by S. H. Rockhill in behalf of the citizens of Riddle against the highway commissioners to prevent the highway from being built by the Canyonville cutoff has been set for trial March 22, Judge Skipworth of Eugene will preside.

John L. Ross, aged 85, a veteran of the Civil war, died Tuesday at the Soldiers' home hospital. He entered the home from Grants Pass in 1916.

Mrs. Holbrook Dies From Heart Disease, Funeral Saturday

Mrs. Hallie Holbrook, whose husband, J. B. Holbrook, was accidentally killed by a revolver shot a year ago at the Multnomah hotel, died apparently of heart disease early today at her home in the Royal Arms apartments. She was 38 years of age.

Mrs. Holbrook has been ill for several days, and with her at the time she died were her mother, Mrs. Norris Ormsby, and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Holbrook, who alone survive her.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a. m. Saturday from Miller & Tracey's funeral parlors. Interment will be in Riverview cemetery.

Charge Public Lands Mismanaged

Washington, March 18.—From the Deschutes central livestock board Representative Sinnott has received resolutions favoring the transfer of large areas of unappropriated public lands under grazing to the agricultural department, because, it is alleged, they are now mismanaged and overgrazed.

SENATE AND HOUSE IN CONFLICT OVER LOAN ACT CHANGES

Washington, March 18.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL).—Proposed amendments to the farm loan act to extend the field for loans and to authorize a charge for the new borrowers have brought the senate and house into conflict, and the disputed questions are now lingering in conference.

The senate proposed to permit loans to be made for any purpose, and to allow them to be made for the liquidation of a farmer's indebtedness, for whatever purpose contracted. The house objects that this is too wide an extension and that the safeguards of the present law, limiting loans for purposes of agricultural improvement, should be maintained.

Otherwise, they say, the farm loan act loses its distinctive character as a law for the encouragement of agriculture, and might be made the vehicle for serious abuses, even to the extent of permitting some man with a poker debt to obtain a farm loan in order to pay off the obligation.

The other change principally in controversy would authorize farm loan associations to charge not exceeding 1 percent of the initial loan of a new member for the purpose of paying expenses incident to the local association. While some associations have been able to handle their business without expenditures for extending their business, it is said to be the practice to impose a small charge on a new borrower in the nature of a membership fee.

This fee, it appears, is without authority of law, and if the associations are compelled to discontinue the practice they will be seriously embarrassed in doing the work that is expected of them. The amendment would make legal the assessment of new members in this fashion, and would not, it is claimed, be burdensome to new members.

Boy Tells Story of Being Shanghaied On River Steamer

The Dalles, March 18.—Dell Gray, aged 17, son of A. J. Gray, mayor of Lafayette, Ore., arrived in the city on the river steamer J. N. Teal from Portland, telling a tale of being "shanghaied." According to the boy, a stranger in Portland asked him for a match and after that came oblivion lasting until he awakened on a pile of sacks on the steamer, then in the river off St. Johns.

The youth says he suffered no bodily injury or loss of money and is at a loss to account for his being here. He intends to work here and has communicated with his father.

La Fayette, March 18.—Mayor Gray said he had received a letter from his son telling of the "shanghaied" affair and that his son wrote that he is working for a Western river steamer. The mayor would remain there. He said he had no reason to believe that the boy's story is not true.

"Gray is surely telling a cock and bull story," says Captain F. K. Kruse, master of the steamer J. N. Teal.

About the middle of November we had a youngster who gave the name of Gray, ask for work. We put him to work on the Nespelem and he worked for two trips," said Kruse. Later in November we picked up the same boy at White Salmon and he asked to be taken to The Dalles. We haven't seen him since."

New Ordinance to Provide for Light Contract Passed

Oregon City, March 18.—The city council at its adjourned meeting Wednesday night passed the ordinance providing for a new street-lighting contract with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company at the rate which prevailed for several years, and placed upon second reading an ordinance compelling the Portland Railway, Light & Power company to pay a quarterly drayage business to pay a quarterly license of \$5, the fee paid for horse-drawn vehicles.

Considerable discussion was caused by the communication from several business men, asking the council to rebate the \$10 monthly jitney license exacted from M. J. Lee for the operating of his auto stage between Canby and Oregon City, the business men contending that Lee was performing a real service to the city and its business interests in bringing hundreds of people into the city who would otherwise go straight into Portland. The matter was finally turned over to a committee for further investigation.

Seven I. W. W. to Be Sentenced Monday

Aberdeen, Wash., March 18.—Sentencing of the seven I. W. W., convicted Saturday of murder in the second degree for the slaying of Warren O. Grimm, one of the four victims of the Centralia armistice day tragedy, is expected to take place Monday afternoon.

School to Be Fumigated

Tervilliger school has been ordered closed Friday noon for fumigation, because of a child returning to school too soon after having scarlet fever. The room in which the child was enrolled was dismissed today and the room fumigated.

Good Lump Coal and an English Bulldog

They may not be synonymous. We didn't say they were. We are simply trying to show what a wide variety of things we carry in the classified columns. It's your loss if you don't read 'em—

Dokkies Will Have Great Initiation Affair on Saturday

The Dalles, March 18.—The local Abdu-Atef temple of the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan will hold a mammoth initiation ceremony here Saturday, which fully 500 visiting members, initiates and friends are expected to attend. A special train will bring a Portland delegation, arriving Saturday evening and departing early Sunday morning. Approximately 150 from Portland have signed to come, including the band of 54 pieces and the costumed drill team of 40. One hundred typists will be initiated.

Practically every hall of any size in the city has been secured for the ceremony. A huge free dance will be staged and a mammoth dinner to knights will be spread in the local Odd Fellows hall. A parade will feature the early hours of the evening. Harold E. Sellwood of Portland will have charge of the local ceremonial.

The Dalles post of the American Legion officially gave its support toward obtaining a memorial hall and municipal auditorium in this city. The proposition will be put up to the voters at the next election.

Mrs. Louise J. Butler of Shaniko is instituting divorce proceedings for the second time in the Wasco county court against her husband, William O. Butler, alleging cruelty and that Butler deserted his wife and two children.

BASIN RATE CASE HEARING APRIL 17

Formal notice that the interstate commerce commission will sit as a body to hear oral arguments on the Columbia basin rate at Washington, D. C., April 17, was received in Portland this morning by Joseph N. Teal and W. C. McCulloch, counsel for the Portland Traffic & Transportation association and in this action for the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

Among those who expect to go from Portland to participate in the hearing are Teal and McCulloch, former Governor West, representing the Inland Empire Shippers' league; City Attorney W. P. LaRoche, Assistant Attorney General J. O. Bailey, representing the Oregon public service commission.

G. C. Fulton, John Smith and City Attorney Anderson will be expected to represent Astoria's interest. S. J. Wetrick is expected to be one of the representatives and Scott T. Henderson, the representative of Tacoma. Railroad interests will be represented. It is said, by Charles A. Hart and Arthur C. Spencer.

Counselors for Portland will probably also speak for Vancouver as the interests of the two ports in this issue are identical.

Examiner Henry Thurtell of the Interstate commerce commission has recommended that in the decision of the Columbia basin case, the rates between Portland-Vancouver and some south of Snake river should be not more than 90 percent of the rates between this zone and either Puget sound or Astoria. Portland-Vancouver and some south of Snake river should be not more than 90 percent of the rates between this zone and either Puget sound or Astoria.

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Shortage of School Teachers Hits South Most Serious Blow

Washington, March 18.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL).—The school teacher shortage is serious according to the United States bureau of education, which reports 18,279 schools actually closed in February, and 41,900 schools taught by "emergency" teachers, who are below standard.

The principal shortages are in the Southern states, with over 2000 schools closed in each of the states of Kentucky, Virginia and Texas. In some places transfers of students to other schools have been made, but in many cases instruction is lost.

Reports from normal schools show little conditions, with 11,500 fewer students preparing to be teachers than in 1916, the reports representing 60 per cent of the normals.

Bar Association of Vancouver Meets; Officers Elected

Vancouver, Wash., March 18.—The Clark County Bar association held its annual banquet and election of officers Wednesday night. Besides the 30 members of the bar, a large number of visitors attended. Judge John Truax of Riverview, holding court here in the absence of Judge R. H. Back; Judge G. W. Stapleton, George Shepherd, Judge W. W. McCredie, James P. Stapleton and C. D. Bowles, all of Portland. All but Judge Truax have, at one time, practiced law in this county. Milton Burnett was toastmaster.

Judge Donald McMaster was elected to succeed Judge A. L. Miller as president of the organization. Joseph Hall, county clerk and candidate for prosecuting attorney, succeeded Bert Yates as secretary. Dale McMullen succeeds William Bates as treasurer.

Ontario Business Man Faces Charge Of Fraud on Bank

Ontario, Or., March 18.—L. Hirsch, prominent in business in this city for two years, has been arrested in Niagara Falls, N. Y., on a warrant issued in this city charging him with obtaining money under false pretenses. Hirsch is alleged to have swindled the First National bank of Ontario out of more than \$15,000 through false representations.

Hirsch came here in 1918, and left two weeks ago. During his stay in this city he had been identified with every civic and commercial organization. He erected for himself a \$17,000 home, built a home almost equally as pretentious on an adjoining lot for his business partner, and has the foundation in for a fine building for the Ontario Pressery, which he operated.

LOUISVILLE WILL SEND TO CARLOADS FOR SHRINE WEEK

From the Kosau temple of Louisville, Ky., George W. Schardern, potentate, and G. W. McDonald arrived at the headquarters of the general committee for the Shrine convention for 1920, in the Gasco building, this morning, to make arrangements for the entertainment of their temple in June.

Louisville will have 10 carloads of people, say the advance agents. A. L. Teut of Al Kader temple, who formerly resided in Louisville, is showing them around.

The general committee is asking for bids for the construction of the parade grandstands, of which there will be six, with a total capacity of 8661 persons. The locations will be on the postoffice block, facing Morrison street, Twelfth and Morrison streets, Morrison between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, at the Girls' Polytechnic school, on the plaza at Nineteenth and Washington streets, and on the south side of Washington street between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets. The grandstands will be used for all the parades of the different conventions held Shrine week and the week previous.

A second canvass will probably have to be made of the city for rooms, it was said at headquarters this morning, since the calls are so numerous and the lists available so small, comparatively.

Dates Are Fixed For Encampment Of Oregon Guard

Salem, March 18.—The annual encampment of the Oregon National Guard will be held from July 6 to July 20, according to announcement by Adjutant General Staffin. The infantry and engineers will assemble at Camp Lewis and the artillery will train at Fort Stevens. Target practice and field firing will feature the encampment.

Officers' school for all officers of the guard will be conducted from June 14 to 17, inclusive, infantry and engineer officers going to Vancouver and artillery officers to Fort Stevens.

Medford Mayor's Veto of Purchase Of Land Overridden

Medford, March 18.—The city council unanimously overrode the veto of Mayor C. E. Gates of the ordinance opening up King street, which provided for the purchase by the city of a 7 foot lot and old dwelling for \$200.

Mayor Gates held that the cost far exceeded the benefit to be derived.

J. L. Socholic was convicted of a charge involving a 13-year-old Gold Hill girl. The jury recommended leniency because of Socholic's wife and children.

Arrested For Threat

Following alleged threats and the wielding of an open blade knife, George McGee was arrested by the emergency officers this morning on a charge of drunkenness. R. A. McAdams told the police McGee had threatened his life. The police had to chase McGee through a rooming house before capturing him.

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Coming Saturday: "THE WOMAN IN ROOM 18."

H. H. Francisco Is Glad to Be Back Home in Portland

From Arizona to Portland and the Pacific Northwest, from government railroad administration to private operation, H. H. Francisco, veteran general agent of Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway system, is back on the job as he was in pre-war days.

"Arizona is fine," said he. "Of course it's fine; it's on our line. But to get back to Portland is a return to my home and friends and to the city I love best." General Agent Francisco hasn't found a place for an office yet, but he makes Portland headquarters for Santa Fe's passenger and freight business in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

Wine Cache Found Under Barn Floor By U. S. Detectives

Gatano Sanvitali, 457 1/2 Milwaukee street, is repairing the floor in his barn and mousing the loss of 100 gallons of red wine. Revenue agents Wednesday night had to pull several loads of hay away from a corner in the barn and wreck the flooring before they unearthed the wine deep in a pit.

Pasquella Caputo, 554 First street, lost 80 gallons of wine and 170 gallons of wine mash, it is alleged, when agents visited him late Wednesday.

STATE WILL HELP K. OF C. SERVICE MEN AT SCHOOL

Students attending the Knights of Columbus free night school for ex-service men at 290 Grand avenue north are to receive the benefit of state educational money, according to word just received by Principal J. P. O'Hara from the office of the secretary of state. The ruling will mean that all those students who come under the provisions of the act will henceforth receive \$25 a month or as much of this as is necessary to pay expenses in connection with their education.

RULING IS MADE

The ruling was made by the state department following an investigation of the local evening school last week by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction. The ruling will apply to all former soldiers, sailors or marines who entered the service while residing in Oregon and who wish to apply for the state educational money.

Expansion of the school to include a second class in automobile mechanics was accomplished last week and the class already has nearly 100 students. Notices have been sent out to the entire

1 Killed and 4 Badly Hurt Going to Fire In a Blinding Storm

Boulder, Colo., March 18.—(L. N. B.)—Joseph Slater, 18, son of the city manager, was killed, Chief of Police Bass suffered a fractured skull and three others were seriously injured today when an automobile in which the men were driving to a fire collided with a fire truck.

Drivers of both vehicles are believed to have been blinded by swirling dust in a 60 mile gale that prevailed all day.

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