

TERMINAL RATES WOULD AD COAST BUSINESS, CLAIM

Pacific coast merchants and jobbers would act unwisely in delaying shipments from producing sections of the East in the hope of an eastward revision of freight rates according to J. H. Lothrop, manager of the Portland Traffic and Transportation association. Lothrop was one of the principal witnesses at an interstate commerce commission hearing, which closed here today, on the application of the railways for a freight rate on transcontinental shipments which would give them an even break in competition with water carriers.

HEARING IS FINISHED

The hearing closed soon after the noon hour and W. A. Disque, interstate commerce commission examiner, left this afternoon for San Francisco, where a hearing on other phases of the same case will be held Thursday. Other hearings will be held at Reno, Nev.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Atlanta, New Orleans and New York city, where a final hearing is scheduled to open January 14.

Following the hearings briefs must be prepared by attorneys for the railroads and for the shippers and the final disposition of the case would not be reached before the late summer or autumn of 1922, Lothrop stated.

The forenoon session of the hearing was taken up with testimony from Lothrop, F. C. Patterson of the W. F. Fuller company, E. H. Parker of the Marshall-Wells Hardware company and E. N. Welbaum of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. The witnesses declared that water competition does not exist on the transcontinental shipping of the railroads and that a return to pre-war relationships would prove beneficial both to the fleets and to Pacific coast business interests.

ROAD FLEA FOUGHT

Opposition to the application of transcontinental railroads for permission to put into effect a lower freight rate on shipments from points in Atlantic coast states to Pacific coast terminals was raised by representatives of intermountain business interests at the hearing. The railroads ask a rate to Pacific coast terminals which would allow them to compete on equal terms with water transportation via the Panama canal. Secretary Meacham of the Baker Chamber of Commerce; D. W. French, president of the Baker Chamber of Commerce; and R. H. Bolman, a Walla Walla manufacturer, were the principal opponents of the proposed rate.

FINANCIAL ANGLE SEEN

He also believes that if all the members could be paid for the milk that is now going to the market and the assurance that back payments would be settled for in the future, that the membership could be brought back near 100 per cent, with the result that the league with a full active membership and a sure system of financing would undoubtedly be again on the road to prosper.

OTHERS GIVE VIEWS

Other directors who had spoken up until noon were J. S. Capps of Coos county, Theo. Brugger of Gresham, Multnomah county, Mark Johnson of Clatsop, A. B. Flint of Washington county, L. V. Condon of Coos Bay, was emphatic in his statement that the league would not get another pound of milk from his county until steps were taken to correct conditions which he said had been going from bad to worse and the dairymen were not now making enough to pay a fraction of their expenses.

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Politz
Tops Your Lunch
Warms You Up
In Bottles On Draught Everywhere
PORTLAND BREWING CO.

Constabulary for Traffic Is Fought By Sheriffs' Body

The sheriffs of Oregon don't want a state constabulary to enforce traffic laws according to a committee report made by letter to Sheriff T. M. Hurtburt, president of the State Sheriffs' association.

DAIRYMEN FIGHT TO RETAIN LEAGUE

The resignations of the board of directors, elect a temporary board, charge the new board with the duty of securing a complete statement of the league's affairs and hear its report at an early day, is scheduled to open January 14.

CRITIC IS BALKED

He also dissatisfied from the floor E. J. Brooks of Washington county, who desired to present in critical vein a financial statement which had been furnished him. "I can't understand these figures and I want to see if the rest of you can," declared Brooks.

BELIEVES BOARD SINCERE

Baker gave it as his opinion that the members of the board were sincere in their efforts to hold the league together. It is his opinion that the directors did not vote to dissolve the league in order to retaliate against the action of the Washington county dairymen who voted some time ago to force the directors to resign.

That the league can go ahead and be successful is the opinion of Baker, providing a means of financing the business until it can get on its feet is provided. One means of financing that was suggested was the capitalization of the money now due the dairymen with the provision that this money be later paid them in full. It is almost certain the membership could again be brought back from the present 10 per cent to 100 per cent.

LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

The loss of membership was attributed by Baker largely to the fact that back of the league was the prompt settlement for pools, that the overhead was too great and that even though steps were taken in the spring of 1921 to decrease these expenses and the league were cut down some \$10,000 per month, yet the expense of operation this fall was about as great for each unit pound because of the great falling off in the quantity handled.

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Most of the directors speaking backed up what Baker had said, many being of the opinion that there was a possibility of success in providing a means of financing could be secured. All stated their sincerity in trying to help the league but agreed that it was a big undertaking to even try to understand every phase of the business.

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Red Rock Cottage Cheese
Everybody likes "Red Rock!" It's good in so many ways—on the table in salads or desserts—in the children's lunch baskets. Eat it daily—it's healthful!

Skin Troubles Soothed With Cuticura
Soothes, Cures, Cleanses, Softens, and Refreshes the Skin.

HASELTINE FAMILY LITIGATION ENDS; COURT PEACE PILOT

The Haseltine family, which has been quarreling in the courts over the division of the remnants of the fortune of the late J. E. Haseltine, founder of J. E. Haseltine & Co., got together in chambers and settled its differences, according to announcement made this morning by Circuit Judge Wilson.

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SANTA CLAUS AND MOONSHINE PARTNERSHIP COMES TO END

Harry Adams, old-time sailor man who swallowed the anchor several years ago, was sitting beside a bubbling moonshine still in the basement of his home, 2566 Sixty-fourth street southeast, "making Christmas presents for my friends," when deputy sheriffs raided the place Monday.

AGAINST NAVIGATION COMPANY

A \$25,000 personal injury suit was filed Monday in the federal court by Adolphus V. Thompson of Vancouver, Wash., against the Newport Navigation company of Newport. Thompson alleges that on July 30, 1921, while disembarking from the steamer Newport at Yaquina, he was tripped by a package which deckhands had left on the gangplank. As a result of the fall Thompson alleges his left femur was fractured causing paralysis of the leg. He alleges he will be a cripple for life. The action is brought as a libel suit against the boat.

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Youth From Echo On Debate Squad At Washington U.

University of Washington, Seattle, Dec. 6.—Vernon Davis of Echo, Or., has been picked on the men's varsity debate squad at the University of Washington. Davis is a junior in the college of business administration and is debating his first year on the varsity squad. The following debates will be scheduled by the men's debating teams this year: January 13, dual debate with University of British Columbia; February 10, dual debate with Whitman college; March 3, triangular meet with Stanford and Oregon.

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Deschutes Water Allotment Final if No Appeal Taken

Salem, Dec. 6.—The order entered by the state water board with relation to allotting waters of the Deschutes river for storage in the proposed reservoirs at Beahm Falls and Crane Prairie for the irrigation of land in the Deschutes valley, will become final at the expiration of 30 days from the date of its entry, unless appeal is taken, according to a letter prepared by Percy Cupper, state engineer. Cupper's letter was in reply to a communication received from the Columbia Hydro-Electric League of Portland, urging that the water allotments be suspended until such time as the board has had an opportunity to make formal apportionment of all storage on the Upper Deschutes river between irrigation and power. Request also was made that, prior to making such apportionment the water board afford opportunity for representatives of business organizations and municipalities affected by or interested in Deschutes power and irrigation to confer with the water board and with the federal authorities having jurisdiction, and to cooperate in working out a satisfactory plan of engineering development in the interest of all.

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