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DENY RAILROAD RATE INCREASE

Interstate Commerce Commission Denies Petition of Western Carriers

BLANKET INCREASE HIT

Commission Declares Western Conditions Not Warrant Boost in Rates on the Products of Farm

WASHINGTON, July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—Declaring that no financial emergency existed in the western district as a whole, the interstate commerce commission today denied the application of the railroads in that territory for a blanket increase of 5 per cent in freight rates.

It also denied the petition of security holders of northwestern carriers for an additional 15 per cent horizontal increase in rates in western trunk line territory, and held the earnings of railroads in the west had not been such as to warrant at this time a general downward revision of rates on farm products, including livestock.

The commission admitted, however, there were many inequalities in the rates structures in certain sections of the west which should be corrected and said its conclusions were without prejudice to the determination of issues in its general investigation of the country freight rates as ordered by congress.

While fuller information was said to be necessary before any action could be taken as to rates on agricultural products, which it was specifically required to investigate under terms of the Hoch-Smith resolutions, the commission suggested that the roads, in proposing rate changes to improve earnings or rectify inequalities, should ask no advances in rates on farm products except where particular changes need adjustment to remove inconsistencies or where it had been shown that products are not affected by depression.

Carriers in the west, the commission said, appear to be both "financially and physically sound" although it was added that certain of the important carriers in the northwestern region and in western trunk line territory were not yielding 5.75 per cent, the figure held by it to be a fair return, upon any rail bases that could reasonably be adopted in advance of final determination of present values for rate-making purposes.

The least favorable conditions, as far as carrier revenues were concerned, the commission said, appeared to exist in western trunk line territory. It was added, however, that in the entire western district conditions had recently shown an "improved tendency."

Provisions in section 15a of the transportation act, directing the commission to initiate, modify, establish or adjust rates so that carriers may earn a fair return were described as not relieving the railroads from the primary duty of "initiating" rates. That function, the commission said, belongs to management and not to regulation.

"It is the right and the duty of the carriers," it asserted, "to take the steps necessary to correct improper rate relations as they may be found to exist and to supply revenue deficiencies by initiating changes in rates."

"Not only did the carriers fail to present evidence with respect to the need for changes in freight rates," it added, "but they failed to show that the carriers were unable to earn a fair return on their investment."

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Defense Denies Violence In Eviction of Japanese

Oriental Were Induced to Leave Peacefully, Witnesses Declare, in Contradiction to Testimony Given by Japanese at Hearing in Federal Court

PORTLAND, July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—Witnesses testifying for the defense today in the federal court hearing of the damage suits resulting from the eviction of Japanese mill workers from Toledo, Or., emphatically declared that the deportation had not been marked by violence on the part of whites.

Previously Japanese witnesses had testified that they and their countrymen had been beaten, dragged from their homes on the property of the Pacific Spruce corporation, and loaded into motor trucks which took them to Corvallis.

Inducing the Japanese to leave Toledo was a business proposition with the white citizens of the town, declared A. M. Wirfs an employe of the spruce corporation who occupied the stand during a large part of the afternoon. He said the crowd of whites who went to the Japanese quarter on July 25, 1925, intended merely to talk with the Japanese interpreter and to explain that the people of Lincoln county did not welcome the Orientals.

The witness declared repeatedly that the whites contemplated no violence and that the leader had pleaded against the carrying of guns on the mission. Wirfs said that the crowd was greeted by company officials at the mill and ordered to leave. Several mill employes who had been deputized were present and one of them, a man named Martin, pulled out a gun. Wirfs said: "Stop or I'll have to kill somebody. I'm a deputy and it's my duty. I'd be doing," and continued: "One of our men took his gun away and when Martin loosed the gun he hit somebody. He seemed to want a fight and he got it all right."

The Americans knocked at the doors of the Japanese houses, then peered into windows and motioned the occupants to come out, Wirfs testified. He said the whites talked to the Japanese and the latter replied with something to the effect: "We are here in the order of their appearance; the tunes are worthless and jingly, rhythms are jerky, muted trumpets are blaring, brasses hoot, the notes are usually out of tune, the banjos insist on pling-plunging, the saxophones are usually in a mellow mood, and finally, jazz means ceaseless commotion, staccato tendencies and grotesque howling. Aside from that it is an admirable art."

ROSEBURY, July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—Dr. Henry Coward, director of the Sheffield Musical Union and one of the best known musicians in England, does not like jazz. He never did and it is extremely doubtful if he ever will. As a wave after wave of the American jazzmania has swept over England he has noted down the indictments against it. They are, in the order of their appearance: the tunes are worthless and jingly, rhythms are jerky, muted trumpets are blaring, brasses hoot, the notes are usually out of tune, the banjos insist on pling-plunging, the saxophones are usually in a mellow mood, and finally, jazz means ceaseless commotion, staccato tendencies and grotesque howling. Aside from that it is an admirable art.

BROADER VASSAR POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—Vassar, for long years highly renowned as a school for women, has opened its gates this summer to men. And this is the idea. Courses in the fine art of setting up and maintaining successful homes are being given. Obviously both men and women are interested in the matter. The major consideration of the course is "aesthetics," or the science of environmental development of the individual. The men are being housed in what, ordinarily, are the alumnae houses.

MORE HEAT CHICAGO.—A truckload of grape juice left New York, a few days ago and travelled through the heat to Chicago. Here Federal agents nabbed the barrels and found, of all things, grape wine. "It's not the humidity; it's the heat," the driver explained. The agents are skeptical. Miracles are illegal, anyway.

BAPTISTS NAME LEADER F. G. LEARY IS NAMED; O. P. COSHOW BOARD MEMBER

McMINNVILLE, Ore., July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—F. G. Leary of Portland was elected president of the Oregon Baptist convention at the closing session here today. Rev. W. H. Robins of Pendleton was named vice president, Prof. E. S. Gardener of McMinnville, historical secretary, Rev. C. S. Tunnell of Portland, recording secretary, and W. O. Sims of Portland, treasurer.

Leary, in accepting the position, urged the church to greater efforts next year. "I am a fundamentalist first, last and all the time," he said, "but I am not a theologian. The Baptists are all working to the same purpose."

The board of managers executive committee of the state convention elected for three years was O. P. Coshow, Salem; A. B. Bennett, Hood River; Rev. C. C. Hessemer, Portland; D. C. Latourette, Oregon City; Rev. W. E. Henry, McMinnville, and Rev. V. A. Vincent, Newberg.

STURGEON TAKEN IN NET NINE-FOOT FISH BECOMES ENTANGLED IN CRAB NET

NEWPORT, Ore., July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—As B. F. Wilkins raised his crab net today he was surprised to see his boat swiftly go to sea. A large fish had nosed into the net for bait and had become entangled. Mr. Wilkins lost his pars and called for help. Mr. Wilkins' son came to the rescue. After considerable gaffing the two landed a sturgeon about nine feet long.

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STAYTON MILL IS DESTROYED

Salem Equipment Makes a Speedy Run on Report of Flax Fields Burning

PHELPS PLANT BURNED

Stayton Woodworking Company Loss Said \$4500; Firemen confine Blaze to One Building

A red glow in the sky and a tip that flax fields in the Stayton district were burning sent the big pumper of the Salem fire department out over the road last night on a fast run that was halted at Stayton when the Salem men were notified that the fire was under control.

The blaze that brought the call for aid from Stayton resulted in the destruction of the Phelps Manufacturing company shop at Stayton, with a loss of approximately \$4500. The fire is thought to have started from a dust explosion in the wood-working department. The blaze was confined to the one building and did not spread. Reports that flax fields were in danger were in error.

The building was owned by O. B. Philips and housed machinery for the manufacture of chairs and adn tables. Woodworking equipment was also in the building.

BOYS BAND WINS PRAISE FATHER FLANIGAN'S ORGANIZATION PLAYS HERE

3 FATALITIES REPORTED G. E. BAIREY DEATH LISTED AMONG ACCIDENTS

There were three fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending July 15, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission here yesterday.

The victims were Fred Peterstener, Bray Hill, planer feeder; George E. Bairey, Salem, driver, and Edgar S. Berry, Vernonia, undecker.

Of the total of 857 accidents reported during the week 707 were subject to the provisions of the workmen's compensation law, 134 were from firms and corporations that have rejected the act, and 16 were from public utilities not entitled to state protection.

MONEY TALKS!

UNLIMITED CAMPAIGN FUNDS

DIRECT PRIMARY

ASHLAND, Wis., July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—Three persons are known to have been killed, two were seriously injured and many others were reported slightly injured near here tonight when a tornado struck this vicinity.

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"LIGHTNIN'" PRAISED, SUNDAY HERE TONIGHT

LAUGHTER AND PATHOS MINGLE AS DRAMA UNROLLS

Harmony Girls and Famous Evangelist Listed as Today's Attraction

TODAY AT CHAUTAUQUA

Forenoon Junior Chautauqua.

Afternoon Harmony Girls will give a popular entertainment of costumed songs.

Evening Billy Sunday, noted evangelist, will speak.

Persons who attended the Chautauqua last night came away saying that it was the best performance given during the week so far. The Herbert Sprague players appeared in "Lightnin'", a recent Broadway success.

"Lightnin'" Bill Jones, the principal character of the play, is a humorous old man who goes through many troubles, matrimonial and otherwise, before he ends up as victor over his adversaries. Herbert Sprague, who took this part, kept the audience in a gale of laughter most of the time, but it was mixed with considerable pathos.

The plot deals with a corrupt company which attempts to get possession of a hotel owned by "Lightnin'" and to do this it finally gets his wife to sue him for divorce by means of the persuasions of Raymond Thomas, the president, a part taken by A. H. Mayberry. During the trial the villainy of Thomas is discovered, however, and Mrs. Jones decides she does not want the divorce. Thomas fails to get possession of the hotel.

The play, while it is a comedy that has a laugh in almost every scene, is a comedy that has a laugh in almost every scene.

WOMAN SHOTS HUSBAND POWER EXECUTIVE SERIOUSLY INJURED BY SHOT

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—W. Frank Shelley, superintendent of the Umpqua division of the California-Oregon Power company, was shot and seriously injured tonight by his wife, Winnogen Shelley, according to a report received by police. Shelley was rushed to a hospital where physicians said he had a chance for recovery.

The shooting was said to have culminated a period of domestic trouble. Shelley filed a suit for divorce early this year and his wife filed a counter suit. After a hearing, the circuit court decided that neither party had sufficient grounds for a decree. The couple had been living together recently.

MARKET FACTS TO BE TALKED

Farmers, Consumers to Plan Initial Steps at Meeting Next Week

EUGENE EXPERTS COMING

Watson Townsend Asks Experts to Give Salem Benefit of Experience, Chamber Will Call Conference

A meeting at which farmers and consumers will have a chance to discuss establishment of a public market for Salem, and at which the public market master of Eugene and Eugene Chadwick, secretary of the Eugene chamber of commerce will tell in detail of their market, its operation and success, will be called next week, it was learned yesterday.

Watson Townsend, chairman of the mayor's committee of investigation, has issued invitations to the Eugene men, and the meeting will be called by the Salem chamber of commerce as soon as the market experts state what day they can come to Salem. The meeting will be next week.

Following this paper's inquiries into the demand for a public market here, replies received from Marion and Polk county farmers showed them unanimous in their interest to see the public sales place established, many replying requesting that a public meeting be held in order that both farmers and consumers could talk the matter over.

In keeping with this demand, the meeting has been tentatively scheduled, and the Eugene men are expected to throw much light on local problems by telling of their experience in building up a successful market.

It is understood that the Eugene market is very favorably situated, now containing from 15 to 20 booths of approximately 6 by 10 feet in size, accupied by farmers offering produce for sale. Rentals for these booths vary from 25 to 75 cents per day.

Location of the Salem market is the problem which will demand most attention, local men feel, and the investigators are intent on spending enough time in study to secure a spot which will virtually insure the success of the project by being handy for both purchasers and sellers of food stuffs.

From information derived by this paper, the meeting, when called, will be largely attended by farmers who have expressed distinct desire to place their produce directly before the public.

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DELANEY WINS DECISION IN TERRIFIC TITLE BOUT

FLASHING, SMASHING FINISH DEFEATS BERLENBACH

New Champ Gets Tremendous Ovation Following History-Making Fight

EBBETTS FIELD, New York, July 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Jack Delaney took the light heavyweight championship of the world tonight from Paul Berlenbach in a flashing, smashing finish that swept his foe before him in the last five rounds.

The French-Canadian challenger from Bridgeport, Conn., lifted the title with a victory that was as spectacular as it was decisive.

He carried off the unanimous verdict of the referee and judges, besides being given a wide margin on points by the big majority of ringside critics.

A capacity crowd of 45,000 paid approximately \$175,000 to witness the spectacle. They hailed the new champion with a terrific ovation.

Delaney turned the tables on Berlenbach in a manner that upset all pre-battle predictions and he did it in spite of having fractured a small bone in his left thumb in the second round of the fight. It wasn't until the men had gone to their dressing rooms that Delaney's injury became known. There was no evidence of its handicapping him in the ring, for his left was used with consistent and smashing effect throughout the last five rounds.

Delaney's hardest blows failed to knock Berlenbach off his feet, but in at least three of the closing five rounds, right uppercuts to the body and left hooks to the jaw had the champion a bit groggy. One of Delaney's smashes to the pit of the stomach in the 11th round really turned the tide in the challenger's favor, giving him an advantage which he was quick to follow up.

Again in the 14th round, with the crowd yelling for a knockout, Delaney nailed Berlenbach on the point of the jaw with a swishing right. The champion sagged at his knees for a moment and then grasped for the ropes, and fell into a clinch to save himself from further punishment.

Up to the 11th round there was little or nothing to choose between them in a battle which found neither giving much ground swapping blows on nearly an even basis. Delaney had dropped for straight rounds and seemed wilting, under the champion's persistent rushes, when he opened up a furious drive in the 11th. From that round on the challenger took on new life. Where he had appeared tired he now was the picture of a man who had been punched.

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ACCUSERS ARE HIT BY AIMEE

Evangelist Strikes Back at Those Attacking Story of Kidnaping

TWO REPLIES ARE MADE

136 Converts Received, and Blue Sedan Not Hers, Evangelist Declares in Answer to Witnesses

LOS ANGELES, July 16.—(By Associated Press.)—Aimee Semple McPherson, whose story of kidnaping, imprisonment and torture between May 18 and June 23, was attacked by five witnesses testifying at the grand jury investigation yesterday, struck back two ways at her attackers today.

Angelus temple, the evangelist's headquarters, opened the day with the announcement that despite the hullabaloo and controversy over their leader's kidnaping narrative, there had been more than five thousand persons at the McPherson revival meeting last night and that 136 converts had yielded to the "altar call."

Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, mother of Mrs. McPherson, commented cryptically and biblically on the adverse grand jury testimony of yesterday with the remark: "The fires of hell are burning and they must burn themselves out but we are not afraid."

This was the temple's only statement concerning yesterday's evidence that Mrs. McPherson had been seen in two places after she had been reported drowned and before she turned up at Agua Prieta, Mexico, with the tale of kidnaping and imprisonment.

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Today's Reasons For Driving Carefully

Cars driven by P. M. Gregory and S. C. Knighting collided at the corner of South Commercial and Owens streets Wednesday, according to a report turned in at local police headquarters yesterday. No details of the accident were given.