

PROTEST UTILITY VALUATION RULING

Papers Served on Commission to Restrain Enforcement Action

Papers were served on members of the public service here yesterday in a suit filed in the United States district court in Portland to restrain the commission from enforcing an order placing the valuations of the Coos and Curry Telephone company at \$844,597 for rate making purposes. This order was issued by the commission on April 21, 1926.

The telephone corporation, in its complaint, alleges that the value of the property of the company on December 31, 1924, including proper allowances for materials and supplies, working capital and other elements, was \$1,381,801. The present value of the corporation's property is in excess of \$1,300,000, the complaint set out.

"The value of \$844,597 found and determined by the commission in its order of April 21, 1926, was, and is, unreasonable, arbitrary and confiscatory," read the complaint. "The commission has failed and refused to consider or find the present true value of the plaintiff's property, and the order is not supported by evidence given at the time of the hearing."

"Good conscience and equity dictate, contemplate and require that there should be a full and frank disclosure by the commission of its methods of valuation and that through the making of the findings of fact ample opportunity shall be afforded to question and contest the methods actually employed and the principles applied."

In an order issued some time ago the public service commission lowered the rates of the Coos and Curry Telephone company, criticized the amount of salary paid to Charles Hall, president of the corporation, and limited the amount of Mr. Hall's salary that could be charged as operating expense.

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EXPORTS JUMP TO NEW PEAKS, MARKETS OPEN

proceeding year they were 1,060,414 barrels. Astoria's flour exports during the year just closed totaled 951,901 barrels, against 199,378 barrels the year before. Domestic flour sent from Astoria during the year amounted to 50,178 barrels, and the year before 62,649 barrels were reported.

"Lumber exports from Portland aggregated 292,452,558 feet while for the year before they were 261,170,820 feet. Domestic lumber shipments for the year reached 331,803,340 feet, and during the previous year measured 289,831,502 feet. Foreign lumber shipments from the Astoria district were 215,322,150 feet last year, and for the 1924-25 period were 145,450,257 feet. Astoria's domestic volume during the year reached 417,182,569 feet, and the year before 316,265,362 feet.

"In the way of lumber by-products the exportation of doors, largely to the United Kingdom, has assumed large proportions, and a recent movement of more than 37,000 doors on a single vessel established a new high mark for Portland. Of course, Atlantic coast markets continue to be regular buyers of doors and the Hawaiian islands draws stocks from the Oregon and Washington district, while Australia is the destination of a considerable number."

"The last year's activities as to outbound freight have had to do in no small way with zinc concentrates consigned to Belgium. The concentrates originate largely in the Coeur d'Alene district. At Terminal No. 4, Portland, bunkering facilities are taken advantage of for assembling the shipments for loading on regular line vessels. Equipment for the rapid discharge of cars as well as the expeditious loading of concentrates from the bunkers to ships are provided through the commission of public docks and are rated highly satisfactory."

"Trade relationships have undergone little change during the year through new markets of a comparatively short time before have expanded and more volume has been noted as well as the introduction of added variety of

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products of the Columbia river basin.

"Increased buying by importers of continental European ports shows in the movement of food-stuffs and the gains are traced in the character of cargo consigned to Scandinavian countries. In the direction of South America, commercial ties have been strengthened, both as to more direct contact with importers and as to augmented services by regular lines."

"Evidently the new cereal season will benefit from a larger demand for wheat along the west coast of South America, some of which has begun to move, and one estimate is that up to 50,000 tons may be purchased at northwest ports, and the position and supplies of the Columbia river region represent competitive advantages while it enjoys equal liner service."

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LOOK OUT FOR

NOT QUITE 3000 TONS STATE FLAX

About 2300 Tons Now in and Paid for; Possibly 700 Tons More

About 2300 tons of flax have been received at the state flax plant at the penitentiary, and paid for, and stored away or put through the threshers and retting tanks and on the way to the scutching machines.

The flax is still coming in. Some of it still being harvested. There may be 300 tons or more from the 200-odd acre Columbia county tract. But that flax is not ripening fast enough to suit the experts, nor drying fast enough when pulled, either.

There has been a little pulling of it by the Bartosz pulling machines. But they are not doing the work properly. Not delivering the bundles right. So state pulling machines are to be put into this flax, under

some of the best expert machine men in Oregon.

The whole tonnage for the state may run to 3000, especially if all the Columbia county acreage can be harvested and cured. But it is likely that the quantity will fall a little short of 3000 tons. There will be ample money to pay for the last pound.

The acreage around Stayton, grown for the Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., will add, when all of it is accounted for, 400 or 500 tons. This is to be retted at the Stayton plant.

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OREGON NORMAL GRADS EMPLOYED

Eleven of 31 New Teachers Come From Valley Institution

Out of 31 new teachers appointed to the Salem schools for the coming year, the Oregon normal school has furnished the greatest number, according to statistics compiled by George W. Hug, city school superintendent. Eleven of the new teachers are graduates of that institution.

The University of Oregon and Willamette university furnished six each, OAC 4, and Pacific university, Bellingham normal, Linfield, and Indianapolis normal one each.

The high school will take most of the new teachers, 12 having been given positions there. Eleven will go to the junior high schools and eight to the grades.

COUPLE RECEIVES WEDDING PRESENTS

Well Known Salem Girl and Successful Young Farmer Recently Married

CLAXTAR.—(Special to Statesman).—The marriage of Miss Francis Rhodes of this place, and Mr. Gerald L. Finley of Kings Valley, occurred on August 7, at Jason Lee church, Salem. The Reverend Thomas Acheson officiating.

Miss Rhodes, who was one of the honor students of Salem high school, later taking work at Monmouth normal school, has been engaged in teaching during the past year. Mr. Finley is a successful farmer.

The wedding was attended by the relatives and a few close friends, the young people leaving immediately for coast points and the farm which will be their new home.

The young people were the recipients of many choice and valuable presents.

Mrs. Finley is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rhodes of this place and the whole community join in good wishes for the happiness of this new home.

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CANNED PEAR PACK TO BE A HUGE ONE?

Let Not Thy Left Hand Know What Thy Right Hand Doeth; Matthew 6-3

This news item may be giving away a secret, not to the discredit nor yet to the liking of some of Salem's shrewd cannery managers.

A rumor has "leaked" out that certain of our canners are putting up and preparing to put up a great deal bigger pear pack than were in the cards at the opening of the season, or that is generally known at the present time.

Canning pears are cheap. The Bartlett variety. The contract prices were as high as \$40 a ton. Several months ago. Then \$35. Then \$20. Now as low as \$25, for first class pears. As low as \$20 for second class.

The prices of canned pears are off. They do not justify more than \$20 to \$30 pears. And not an unusual pack of these. Most canners will hesitate to take on an unusual tonnage. Unless they have unlimited money, they might get badly cleaned. It would be a gamble.

But the story is that certain Salem canners are going to take a chance. They are going to put up an enormous peck of pears.

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They are going to supply their regular demand, and the balance of the pack they are going to put away and "forget," waiting for a better canned pear demand.

That is a game for the big fellows. They will likely make a clean up. But the smaller fellows cannot afford to take the chance. "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth," said Matthew (6:3) on a different occasion and in a different connection. But that is the "leaked" rumor, as applied to certain of our canners.

EX-SALEM STARS APPEAR ON SUNDAY

Harrisburg Line Up Includes Coleman, Frank and Bill Reinhart

Several baseball players well known to Salem will appear in the Harrisburg lineup Sunday when the upper Willamette valley champions play the Senators at Oxford park. Ralph Coleman, Frank Reinhart and Bill Reinhart are all on the team.

Both the Reinhart boys played for the Senators and are remembered as ball players of the first class. Bill is baseball and basketball coach at the University of Oregon. Frank is a student there, and a speedy, hard hitting outfielder.

Coleman pitched for the Senators several seasons ago before he started with the Portland Beavers. He also appears here annually as a referee in the fall high school basketball tournament and in college basketball games. He is baseball coach and physical training instructor at OAC.

Another capable ball tosser on

the Harrisburg team is Harold Ellinger, formerly assistant football coach at West Point, and now holding the same position under Coach John McEwan at the University of Oregon. He is said to be a good fielder and heavy hitter.

Other men of equal ability are on the invading team, but it is apparent that the Senators will have a formidable task getting the best of them. The local men can do it, however, says Biddy Bishop, manager. If they work hard, and they intend to go out after a victory.

COULD NOT PUT ON HER SHOES

Mrs. Daugherty Was so Weak

In a little town of the Middle West was a discouraged woman. For months she had been in such poor health that she could not stoop to put on her own shoes. Unable to do her work, unable to go out of doors or enjoy a friendly chat with her neighbors, life seemed dark indeed to Mrs. Daugherty.

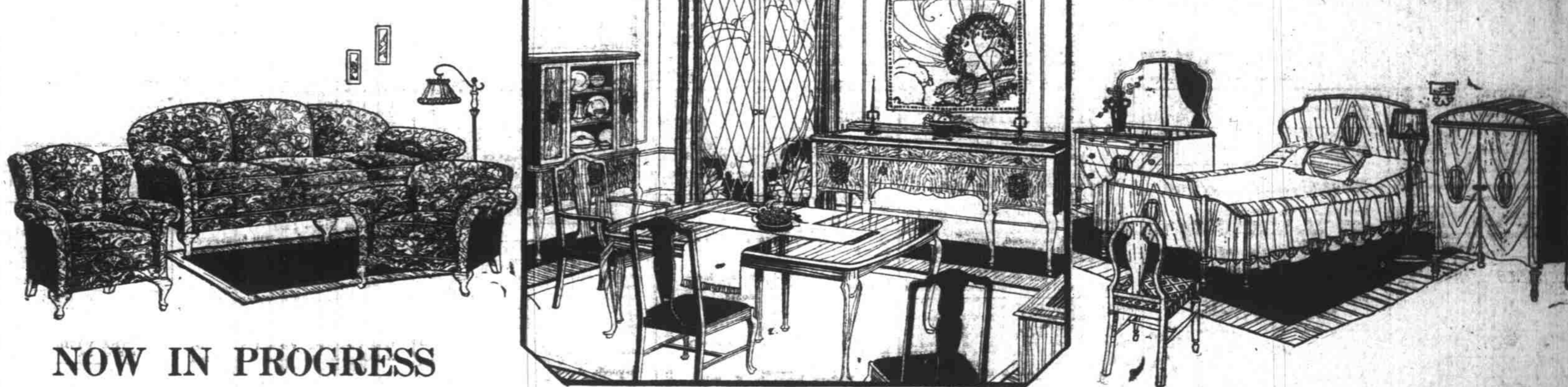
Then one day, a booklet was left at her front door. It is she turned the pages. Soon she was reading with quickened interest. The little booklet was filled with letters from women in conditions similar to hers who had found better health by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I began taking the Vegetable Compound," Mrs. Daugherty writes, "and after I took the third bottle I found relief. I am on my eleventh bottle and I don't have that trouble any more, and feel like a different woman. I recommend the Vegetable Compound to everyone I see who has trouble like mine. I am willing to answer any letters from women asking about the Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. Ed. DAUGHERTY, 1308 Orchard Ave., Muscatine, Iowa.

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