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THE ANNIVERSARY number of the Portland Journal, published a week back was a very creditable issue, not only to that popular daily, but to all of Oregon as well. Copies will be circulated in all parts of the United States, and probably not a few will be sent out of this country. We are all singing praises of that issue, but the number did Bandon a rank injustice in printing cuts of her rocks and scenic beach, unexcelled anywhere, and calling them on Coos Bay. We are not on Coos Bay. If the management of the Journal would take their geography down from the shelf, they will find us located on the Coquille River, not the longest in Oregon by any means, but, compared with its size, by far the most productive in lumber and fishing. We are rather proud that we are not on Coos Bay. It is well known that that country has been pretty well logged off, so much so that the largest per cent of the lumber cut on the Bay comes from logs cut on the Coquille River, which, at its closest approach, is thirty miles from Coos Bay. It does us good to see pictures of our little town and beach in the big daily; and if they will see that they are properly labeled the next time, we will appreciate it even more. Bandon, Coos County, is just in its infancy. When we have our new mills all running, and the several assured manufacturing plants in operation, the attention of the outside is going to be attracted to Bandon, not Coos Bay.

TOO MUCH CARE cannot be taken to provide literature for the rising generation, of a quality that is not only instructive, but moral. "Blood and Thunder" publications are flooding the markets with their cheap literature unfit for reading purposes. The popular demand, among a certain class, and the large circulation of these publications at a nominal subscription price, which is productive among a lower class of advertisements, has in recent years given forth a large number of these different publications. They are a form of the yellow back that should not be permitted to enter the home under any consideration. A school boy or girl who spend their time pouring over such literature have their minds filled with the adventures of "red eyed Mike, the boy detective," or some similar title, which is no doubt interesting enough to keep his mind off from school or other work. These stories are detrimental to the growing boy or girl, and in many instances have been responsible for a mis-spent career. One of the requirements of the higher standards of education, which are now enjoyed throughout this country, is proper reading matter. Many places have libraries that contain only books by standard authors suitable for juvenile reading. In places where the large libraries do not give the young people an opportunity to obtain plenty of good reading, there are magazines of a high class that contain nothing but the better grades of literature. Keep the "yellow backs" away from them and you are performing a duty that will be productive in after years.

THE RECENT RAISE in the freight rates on the Trans-Continental Railroads practically either close many of the smaller saw mills entirely, or require them to run far short of capacity. The Timberman, a magazine published in Portland, Oregon, is making a vigorous effort to create a sentiment among the press through the state and territory bounded by these railroads, that will tend to down such additional charges on the shipments of lumber. The new rates are by no means small, and the public at large are probably not familiar with the extent of the increase. The following, taken from a letter from a large sawmill of Yamhill county,

will give a small insight as to their extent:

I write you to express my opinion as to the effect of the proposed increase of freight rates on lumber to Eastern points. So far as the mills in this vicinity are concerned, it appears to me that they will, to a great extent, be put out of business.

We are already cut out of the California market, and with so very radical an advance as that proposed, it seems impossible that we can compete in the East and Middle West with Southern yellow pine. At the present rate coast manufacturers find it hard to reach Missouri River points, as against the Southern product; and a 25 per cent raise in rates will, in the judgment of the writer, shut us out entirely.

It is possible that some classes of uppers might stand the added burden, but what are we to do with our commons?

If the new rate goes into effect, many mills will close, and thousands of men will have to seek other employment. Respectfully yours,

Fremont Everett,

President Sheridan Lumber Co.

It was a woe-be-gone countenance that peered out of the city bastille all day Sunday, at the crowds that passed by on their way to spend one of the finest days we have had this season on the bluffs overlooking the sea. Lewis Olson, from Rogue River, was seriously affected with a languishing thirst for the beverage of stimulating qualities and expanded heads, the morning after, and last Friday proceeded to place the refreshment dispensaries of Bandon down and out. He drank all he could standing up, then laid down and finished his little matinee. City guardian Gardiner found him thusly occupied, and with the restraining hand of authority, persuaded him to accompany him to the little house of rest the city dads had in the years gone by, provided for such as are afflicted with extreme tiredness.

It is not only the mere raising of these rates, but the fact that the shipper has no voice in the matter. He is compelled to use their means of transportation, whether it is his wish or not, to have his finished product sent to market. The additional price of lumber will be of serious hindrance to the prospective builders in our rapidly developing Western country. Hundreds of mill men will be out of employment if the mills have to shut down, and this will be done if the rates go into effect as is now intended. Oregon furnished a great deal of lumber for the west, especially California, and to contend with the increase of the rates, and the car shortage, which has made the delivery uncertain, will greatly affect their ability to meet competition and make living profits. Some step must be made in the immediate future to protect the saw mill industries that are providing the maintenance of a large per cent of our people.

### Justice To Third Officer.

Robert Hawse, late third officer of the steamship Columbia, is seeking a vindication from the findings of Supervising Inspector Bermingham, to which vindication Mr. Hawse persistently contends he is entitled. Supervising Inspector-General Uhler refuses to reopen the case for the hearing of additional testimony, and unless, so the reports state, Mr. Hawse makes successful intercession with the President for a review of the matter, that officer must remain under the stigma of official condemnation.

It has appeared to the satisfaction of the marine authorities that the ugly reports concerning the conduct of Third Officer Hawse at the time of the Columbia disaster were exaggerated. For example, the

charges that he was intoxicated and that he was under the influence of drugs are proved to be without foundation; and on these counts the authorities accord exoneration. But on the more serious allegations of brutality and failure to do all that a ship's officer should have done to save human life, the inspector's tribunal is obdurate. Not only is the judgement passed, to be maintained, but there is absolute and unwarranted determination to hear no new evidence, however much that evidence might affect the merits of the case.

Public opinion respecting the conduct of Mr. Hawse is based conclusively upon the findings of the inspectors. The very fact that, even by report, a ship's officer is accused of misconduct under such circumstances is so prejudicial to that officer's reputation that legally constituted authority, vested with the power of judicial judgement in the premises, should feel itself in honor bound to hear all the evidence available, and especially when such evidence consists of the statements of wreck victims who were saved in the Hawse boat, and whose injuries prevented them from being present at the time set for the hearing of the case. To ignore such evidence is an injustice that works serious injury to Mr. Hawse, and is not in accord with the public standard of fair dealing.

Whatever temperamental faults may be chargeable to this officer he is entitled to judgement upon all the facts, and not upon a portion of them. There were two women in his boat who at the time of the hearing were lying in the hospital in such critical condition that it was impossible to procure testimony. The statements of these women, as subsequently given out, should have materially modified the judgement of the inspectors. They show in effect that Mr. Hawse was stern—even brutal in his threats toward men whom he had rescued and who undertook to filch from these very women the sail covering in which the third officer had wrapped them, to make their injured condition as comfortable as possible and to protect them from the cold and the drench of the sea. According to this testimony, Hawse did threaten to knock these men in the head and throw them overboard unless they desisted. Whatever the inspectors might think, the average man will conclude that the more proper course would have been to execute the threat and talk about it.

It is also the statement of these injured women, as it was of other passengers in the boat, that the master of the San Pedro refused for a time to take the Hawse boatload on board. This appears to be an undisputed fact, and in the face of it it is difficult to understand why the third officer should be censured; why he should suffer loss of reputation for not rescuing more people. To have rescued others, he must be rid of those already in the boat; and how he was to get rid of them is not made clear in the findings.

If the public judgement in this Hawse matter has been hastily formed and is incorrect, as it appears, it devolves upon the marine authorities to do the right thing and to give that unfortunate man a square deal.—Telegram.

### CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Or.

June 12, 1907.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Edwin E. Stillwell, contestant, against homestead entry No. 12135, made October 6, 1905, for the NW 1/4 of Section 25, Township 29, S., Range 15, W., by Robert A. Donk, contestee, in which it is alleged that said Robert A. Donk has wholly abandoned said tract and changed his residence therefrom for more than two years since making said entry and next prior to the date herein; that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law; that said absence was not due to employment in the military or naval service of the United States in time of war, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock, a. m. on July 30, 1907, before C. T. Binnemöther, Notary Public, at his office at Bandon, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock, a. m. on August 13, 1907, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roseburg, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed June 10, 1907, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

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