

# BIG REDUCTION IN FREIGHT RATES

Full Text of Decision of Interstate Commerce Commission Is Made Public.

REDUCTION OF TWELVE PER CENT TO VALLEY POINTS

Hewitt & Sox Receive Official Notice of Decision---Albany Benefited by Ruling.

A decision of far reaching importance to the residents of the Willamette valley has been handed down by the interstate commerce commission in the case of the railroad commission of Oregon vs. the Southern Pacific Railroad company.

Hewitt & Sox of this city, who represented the Oregon Railroad Commission in the rate case, have just received official notice from the Interstate Commerce Commission that the case was decided in favor of the plaintiff on June 8th.

For a number of years, through rates on less than carload shipments to points south of Portland from Missouri river territory and east thereof, had been constructed by adding to rates from said eastern territory to Portland, an arbitrary of ten cents per 100 pounds from Portland to destination. On March 22nd, 1910, a new basis was adopted, the through rates being made by combination of transcontinental rates to Portland and the local rates from Portland to destination. Held, that the rates so made up of a combination of the transcontinental rates and the local rates are unjust and unreasonable. Reasonable rates are prescribed for the future by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

This case was tried in Portland before a special agent of the Interstate Commerce Commission in February, 1912, and was not decided until June 8th. On the last named date it became known that the decision was favorable to the shippers in the Willamette Valley, but not until Hewitt & Sox received the full text of the decision did the far-reaching effect of the new ruling become generally known to the public.

In a letter received from the Oregon State Railroad Commission, Hewitt & Sox are congratulated on their successful prosecution of the case and the members of the state commission claim that under the new ruling a twelve per cent reduction in rates to all Willamette Valley points will be made.

Under the new ruling, wholesale establishments in Albany and Eugene will now be able to successfully compete with those of Portland and other coast cities; the business men will secure lower rates on their merchandise and all lines of industry in the Willamette Valley will profit by the new rates.

## THOMAS B. MILLS OF SUPERIOR, WIS. ELECTED ELKS' GRAND EXALTED RULER

At the annual election of officers of the grand lodge of the B. P. O. E. held in Portland yesterday the following officers were elected:

- Grand exalted ruler—Thomas B. Mills, Superior, Wis.
- Grand esteemed leading knight—James L. King, Topeka, Kan.
- Grand esteemed loyal knight—Charles P. Ward, Pasadena, Cal.
- Grand esteemed lecturing knight—Lloyd B. Maxwell, Marshalltown, Iowa.
- Grand secretary—Fred C. Robinson, Dubuque, Iowa.
- Grand treasurer—Edward Leach, New York.
- Grand trustee—John J. Faulkner, East St. Louis, Ill.
- Grand inner guard—John Lee Clark, Albuquerque, N. M.
- Grand tyler—Patrick H. Shields, Clarksburg, W. Va.
- Rochester, N. Y., elected by acclamation for 1913 convention.

George Rolfe, proprietor of the Empire theater, "where everybody goes," went to Portland this morning on the electric limited and will spend the week participating in the high jinks of the antlered herd.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Burggraf and son of this city went to Portland this morning via the Oregon Electric where they will spend the week visiting friends and attending the Elks' jinks.

A 10-pound son was born on Sunday evening to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Schmitt of this city. Mother and child are doing well, and the proud father is busy receiving the congratulations of his many friends.

An 8-pound son was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Birtchett of this city. Mother and son both doing well. The father is the efficient ticket clerk at the Union depot and has been busy all morning receiving the congratulations of his friends and passing out the cigars. Miss Emma Breiner of this city

# TRACKLAYING IS STOPPED ON LINE

Corvallis and Eastern Railway Company Blasts Crossing at Water and Thurston Sts.

WITHOUT AGREEMENT HUGE ENGINE WILL NOT BE MOVED

Oregon Electric Officials are in Consultation With Their Legal Advisors.

The Corvallis & Eastern Railway repeated the action of the Portland, Eugene and Eastern Railway company, when they placed a 90-ton engine squarely over the spot where the Oregon Electric Railway company proposes to cross their lines at the intersection of Water and Thurston streets yesterday noon and officials of the railway company declare that the engine will be left there until the electric officials sign an agreement regarding the maintenance and construction of the proposed crossing.

The action of the Corvallis & Eastern company stopped further track-laying on the freight line of the Oregon electric on Water street at this particular point until officials of the electric company can consult with their legal representatives at Portland in regard to the matter, and the track-laying crew of sixty men were placed at work on another section of the line.

The point where track-laying operations were stopped yesterday afternoon by the action of the Corvallis & Eastern people, is two blocks east of the Oregon Electric freight depot. The engine at the crossing maintained its position on the crossing all night but it is believed that the matter will be adjusted today to permit the track-laying operations to be resumed there tomorrow.

A similar action was taken a few weeks ago at the intersection of Lyon and Fifth streets, by the Portland, Eugene and Eastern Railway company, who secured an injunction against the Oregon Electric company, preventing them from crossing their tracks until an agreement had been signed. While the injunction was being secured at that time, an electric car was held over the crossing until the matter was satisfactorily adjusted.

## ALBANY PLANING MILL RUNNING EXTRA SHIFT

That business conditions in the Willamette Valley are in a flourishing condition is indicated by the large number of shipments which are being made to valley points by the Albany planing mill.

This company has the contract for the bank fixtures for the \$20,000.00 bank building which is being erected in Newport, and is turning out the interior wood work for a \$15,000 residence being built by A. J. Johnson of Corvallis. Orders for interior finishings for a large store at Newport and for residences at Halsey and other points in the valley have also been placed and an extra shift of men is now working at the mill in order to handle the increased volume of business.

The Albany planing mill is one of the best equipped in the state and is turning out a class of work which is a credit to Albany as well as to the management.

J. D. Irvine of Brownsville passed through Albany this morning to Portland where he will look after business matters for a few days.

Mrs. Daisy Allen of this city was a passenger on the Oregon Electric this morning to Portland. She will spend the week visiting relatives and attending the Elks' reunion.

Mrs. Will Barrett went to Portland this morning on the electric where she will remain this week visiting friends and relatives while the Elks' reunion is in progress.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wentworth of this city went to Portland on the electric this morning to spend a few days visiting friends and relatives and attend the Elks' reunion.

R. A. Murphy, proprietor of the Murphy feed store, says he is going to go to Portland Thursday to attend the Elks' reunion and his store will therefore be closed all day.

W. C. Stellmacher and George Clime, prominent Elks of this city, went to Portland this morning on the electric where they will spend the week attending the Elks' reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Dannals went to Portland on the electric this morning where they will spend a few days visiting friends and relatives while attending the national Elks' convention.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Marshall of this city were passengers on the limited electric, going to Portland this morning. They will visit friends for a few days and attend the Elks' reunion.

The Misses Agnes and Hazel Thompson of this city accompanied their parents to Portland this morning and will spend several days in the city visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Davis and children arrived in Albany at six o'clock this morning from Wilkesbarre, North Carolina, and will remain here several days. They make their home here.

# ALBANY ELKS WILL ATTEND REUNION

Special Train of Eight Coaches Will Leave City at 5 o'Clock Tomorrow Morning.

LOCAL STAGS WILL OCCUPY PLACE IN THE BIG PARADE

Lodge Will Be Accompanied by Albany and Dallas Bands In Brilliant Pageant.

Promptly at 5 o'clock tomorrow morning the Elks' special of eight coaches, bearing nearly five hundred members of Albany lodge No. 359 B. P. O. Elks of this city, will leave the union depot for Portland where they will participate in the biggest parade ever seen on the Pacific Coast. The coaches for the special are now in the local railroad yards and the train will be made up ready to leave promptly at 5:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Tickets for the trip are on sale at Dawson's, Whiteaker's, Elks' Club, and the union depot and from present indications it is expected that between 800 and 1000 Albany and Linn county people will go to the metropolis tomorrow on the excursion.

W. V. Merrill, secretary of the Albany lodge of Elks, went to Portland yesterday to issue cards and credentials to and receive dues from nearly a hundred members of the Albany lodge who reside in the metropolis. Gale S. Hill of this city who is deputy grand exalted ruler of the Elks lodge of Oregon also went to Portland yesterday where he has much detail work to look after pertaining to the various lodges of his district. A. W. Bowersox, exalted ruler of the local lodge, and J. N. Chambers, esteemed leading knight, are already in Portland having gone down yesterday morning on the electric, accompanied by their wives. W. M. Parker, esteemed lecturing knight; H. B. Cusick, treasurer; and Frank W. Horsky, esquire, are other officers of the Albany lodge who are now in Portland.

Harry Schlosser, esteemed loyal knight; Dr. J. Meyers, chaplain; Frank Barrett, inner guard; and Frank J. Devine, tyler, are the other officers of the local lodge who will go to Portland on the excursion tomorrow.

In the big parade at Portland tomorrow, which will require over three hours to pass a given point, the Albany lodge No. 359 with its own band and the famous Dallas band of 35 pieces, will occupy a position in the eighth division of the parade, which will be in command of Colonel Creed C. Hammond, exalted ruler of the Eugene lodge.

Other orders occupying places in this division are: Eugene lodge No. 357, Heppner lodge No. 358 and band, Albany lodge No. 359 and two bands, Carrollton, Missouri, lodge No. 413 and band; La Grande lodge No. 433 and band; and Bozeman, Montana, lodge No. 463. The local lodge members will be attired in attractive uniforms and white plug hats with purple bands.

Following are the officers of Albany lodge, No. 359:

- A. W. Bowersox, exalted ruler.
- J. N. Chambers, esteemed leading knight.
- Harry Schlosser, esteemed loyal knight.
- W. M. Parker, esteemed lecturing knight.
- William V. Merrill, secretary.
- H. B. Cusick, treasurer.
- Frank W. Horsky, esquire.
- Dr. J. Meyers, chaplain.
- Frank Barrett, inner guard.
- Frank J. Devine, tyler.
- J. J. Collins, Wm. Eagles and O. P. Dannals, trustees.

Miss Pearl Cameron, daughter of Councilman and Mrs. M. J. Cameron, went to Portland this afternoon to visit friends during the Elks' reunion this week.

W. W. Russell, special agent of the Chapin-Herlow company of Portland, at this city, was a passenger on the electric going to Portland this morning where he will look after business matters and attend the Elks' reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. William Toner of Corvallis passed through Albany this morning to Portland to visit friends and attend the Elks' reunion. On their way home they will visit friends in McMinnville.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Thompson and son George of this city went to Portland via the electric limited this morning where they will spend the week visiting friends and attending the Elks' reunion.

Dr. and Mrs. A. Stark went to Portland on the electric this morning where they will spend a few days visiting friends and relatives while attending the Elks' reunion in the Rose City.

Councilman and Mrs. J. N. Chambers were among the passengers who left the Fifth street depot over the electric to Portland this morning where they will enjoy the Elks' reunion for a few days.

left on the Shasta Limited last night for San Francisco where she will visit relatives for several weeks.

F. R. Dunn, traveling freight agent of the Southern Pacific company, came up from Portland last night and is looking after business matters here today.

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## MISFITS Contributed By F. P. Nutting.

Fred Emerson Brooks, who was not to blame for having been born only a few miles from where Oley Woodworth and the Misfit man first saw light, is certainly a delightful entertainer, with his Irish twist to his lip.

And Miss Sutherland, a Linn county girl, splendidly educated in domestic science, has done a specially capable work, in which a large number have been deservedly interested, including the Misfit man, who acknowledges several little favors, such as a biscuit and a big bite of omelette, made by beating the yolks and yolks separately and turning them together, after proper seasoning, etc. This item is partially a conscience fund for having gotten a dollar's worth of domestic science without having paid the regular 10c fee.

Plain Mr. Hinson, who doesn't like big titles, is the solid number of the whole program, an hour with him in the morning being a treat that will last in the mind, heart and soul after the other things have been forgotten.

The Chautauqua is making good, though handicapped by poor weather in the start, a splendid educator and entertainer for people with the capacity to enjoy the best in life.

Chautauqua town is not particularly a fashion center, people going there to learn, see and enjoy themselves rather than show their toggery.

Speaking of fashion, what a glorious time Adam had without any millinery bills to pay.

President Crook's bestnumber was in his introduction of Mr. Brooks, a good one.

It takes a smart one to know what platform taffy is.

This Misfit man trembles from head to feet whenever he sees a man rise in a flying machine. Read the dispatches for the reason.

An hours talk by some men is shorter than fifteen minutes by others.

The receipt of several slices of tongue is acknowledged from a charming Ferry street lady. Now if some one will present us with a fountain pen.

Mrs. A. J. Rapp of Nevada City arrived in Albany yesterday, and will spend a few weeks in Albany visiting at the home of Mrs. S. C. Moon. Mrs. Moon's brother, E. P. Elliott of Independence, is also visiting at the home for a few days while visiting the Chautauqua.

W. D. Mixer of this city, was an Albany Elk going to Portland this morning to attend the reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Parker went to Portland this morning to visit friends and attend the Elks' jinks this week.

C. E. Peterson of Corvallis passed through Albany this morning to Portland to attend the Elks' reunion and visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Millsap of Lebanon passed through Albany this morning to Portland for a few days visit with friends.

Don't fail to see Rip Van Winkle at Dreamland tonight. J9 J11

H. N. Conkerline, local agent of the Northwestern Mutual Ins. Co., went to Portland this morning to attend the Elks' reunion.

Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Hodges were passengers on the Electric to Portland this morning for a few days visit while attending the Elks' reunion.

John Millard of this city went to Portland this morning to attend the Elks' reunion and march with the Albany lodge in the parade tomorrow.

Mrs. N. M. Newport of Lebanon came down this morning and will spend a few days in the city visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cougill.

County Commissioner Butler, after a short business trip to Albany, returned to Thomas this morning where a new bridge is being constructed near Dewall's farm.

Prof. and Mrs. W. T. Nicholls of Lebanon passed through Albany this morning to Portland. Prof. Nicholls will play in one of the bands there the remainder of the week.

John Marrs of Laconia, chief fire warden for Linn county went to Portland this morning on business. He will return to Albany tonight and accompany the Albany Elks to Portland tomorrow morning.

Del Brown of this city went to Brownsville this morning to search for hsteam of horses, which escaped last Thursday from their pasture near Little station on the Oregon Electric railroad south of this city.

## EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, duly appointed Executrix of the last will and Testament and estate of W. H. Kaltrider, late of Linn County, Oregon, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same to the undersigned at Peoria, Oregon, or to Weatherford & Weatherford, Albany, Oregon, duly verified as by law required within six months from this date.

Dated this 9th day of July, 1912.

LOLA M. SHAW, Executrix.

WEATHERFORD & WEATHERFORD, Attorneys for Executrix.

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