RATE ORDER UPHELD BY SUPREME COURT

Uniform Scale on Farm Products Over Railways Called For.

DECISION IMPORTANT

Branch Differentials Eliminated; Refund to Mount to Several Hundred Thousand Dolars.

A uniform rate scale within the state of Oregon on agricultural products with elimination of branch line differentials is called for by an order of the Public Service commission sustained by the supreme court this week. Farmers in this section have been interested in such an order.

Full significance of the action of the supreme court is contained in the statement of H. H. Corey, dated February 1. The statement follows:

"The decision of the Oregon Su-preme Court handed down Tuesday in the case of the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation Company vs. H. H. Corey and others, brings to a termination the most important legal proceeding involving rates on grain, hay and other agricultural products in the history of the state. This proceeding was instituted by the Oregon Public Service Commission on January 11, 1923, and involves the rates on grain, grain products, potatoes and onions, and other farm products on the lines of all of the major curriers serving the state. Hearings extending over a period of several weeks were held before the state commission which which entered an order prescribing uniform rate scales to be applicable throughout the entire state in lieu of the numerous schedules of rates which had theretofore been in effect, In addition to resulting in reduction of rates generally throughout Oregon, the order had the effect of eliminat-ing numerous branch line diffrentials and excessive combinations of local rates which had previously applied on shipments from Eastern Oregon points to points in the Williamette Valley, and estimates have been made the amount of reduction resulting from this order which was en-tered by the Commission on August 29, 1924. It was claimed by traffic officials of the Southern Pacific com-pany that the reduction would vary

from 10 to 27 per cent on single line hauls, and on certain joint line hauls as high as 50 to 60 per cent, "Probably the most important re-sult of the order of the Commission is that it will permit a more free movment of these basic agricultura

moment of these basic agricultural commodities between Estern Oregon resonance of the permitting the Eastern Oregon producer of hay and grain to find a market among the Western Oregon dairymen and millers to the advantage of both.

Heppner will be treated to a real points, and we knows a market among the Western Oregon dairymen and millers to the advantage of both.

The case had been somewhat complicated by reason of the fact that although the new rates have been in effect on hay and straw since the issuance of the Commission's order at temporary injunction was granted in the lower court on the application of the lower court on the application of the rates on the remaining commodities of the ways planned to get the rates on the remaining commodities between Estern Oregon and Willamette Valley points, thus permitting the Eastern Oregon has a market among the Western Oregon dairymen and millers to the advantage and this season handled 5,000,000 pounds. The Pacific is the only grow-name and the season of the fact that although the new rates have been in effect on hay and straw since the issuance of the Commission's order at temporary injunction was granted in the lower court on the application of the season the remaining commodities and a bond posted by the carriers to guarantee a refund of alcharges paid since January, 1224, in excess of those ultimately found to shippers of grain, grain of finds and the first of the season of the ways planned to get the refuse of the ways planned to get the refuse of the commission's order and the progressive proves and an unbern of range grow-attents of the commission's order at the proporation in cooperate they may hear they were a full with the season that the season of the Heppner and this season handled 5,000,000 pounds. The Pacific is the only grow and this season handled 5,000,000 pounds. The Case was full this season that the proporation in cooperative was presented to successful operation in cooperative was presented to public the season of the Heppner and this season h products, potatoes and onions will, under this decision, amount to several nundred thousand dollars."

Electric Company to Ask City for Franchise

Messrs. G. C. Sawyer and G. L. Corey, representing the Sherman Electric company, are here today to present an application to the city council for a 50-year franchise for the carrying on of their business within the city limits. All papers in this matter have been prepared and will be presented to the city council on Monday night for their action.

These gentlemen state that the work of construction si proceeding in this section from DeMoss Springs in Sherman county. The line comes to Hoppner via Condon, and will be pushed as rapidly as possible. It may be late summer before the new powr line gets here, but they nope to beat that time and have their connections in the forepart of the sum mer season. They are working ahead of the construction on right of way and franchises and these matters take time to put through.

Hughes Buy Bergstrom Store at Roseburg, Ore.

Sam and Hanson Hughes, who recently sold their grocery store in Heppner, have bought the store of John Bergstrom at Roseburg. This word was received here today.

Mr. Bergstrom farmed on Eight Mile until his departure for Roseburg last winter where he engaged in the Hanson Hughes city property in the Bergstrom will return here to make

Hanson Hughes will depart Saturday for Roseburg.

Frank Turner left on a trip today the first of the week.

TOLL ROAD BILL IS OPPOSED BY COUNTY COURT

by House, Considered Against Best Interests of State.

The Wilson River Toll Road bill, the designation given to the bill that has passed the house at Salem, and is now before the senate for consider-ation, is opposed by the county court of Morrow county, and that body took decisive action in the matter yester-day, calling upon all the Eastern Oregon counties to get busy and help to defeat the measure, which they con-sider to be opposed to the best inter-ests of the road program of the state. In fact this proposed toll road is simply a tourist proposition, promot-ed by those who desire a more direct route to the coast from Portland and other centers of the west side, and in the opinion of our county court will be another burden for the taxpayers to assume a little later on, when the road is saddled on to the state highway system, as it undoubtedly would

Acting upon their judgment, therefore, our county court prepared and sent out last evening the following copy of a letter going in as a night letter to the senate committee on roads and highways, with the request Eastern Oregon take similar action: "The Senate Committee on Roads and Highways, Salem, Oregon

Eastern Oregon counties have bond-ed themselves to the limit to assist in state's road program. They can-not carry this load and construct highways needed locally for the con-venience of their people and the de-velopment of their country without more assistance from the State Highway Fund.

We are advised that a bill passed the House and is being considered by the Senate authorizing construction of toll roads with State Highway funds, the immediate object being construction of Wilson River Toll road, to cost ultimately when paid

funds not only wasteful and extrava-gant but a flagrant discrimination against the producing areas of the state, where highways are needed for property development, and urge that this is more important now than addi-tional scenic routes, which will ab-sorb revenues almost without limit."

HOME VAUDEVILLE

and H. R. Johnson are in charge of the vaudeville in which different organizations of the city will be asked

the books circulating until the en-tertainment is staged, from which it is hoped to derive funds to keep the

It has been recognized that the library is a civic institution and as such should be maintained by the city or county. However, the library was started too late to obtain support rom either of these sources year, as the budgets were previously The city council expressed it self as not being adverse to the project and will no doubt be willing to clp another year.

ncreased demand for books with an nsufficient supply. Three hundred eneral loan books are available from the state to help take care of this demand, but more funds must be raised before the books can be ship-

cents to become a member of the as ocintion.

No charge is made for borrowing looks and everyone is privileged and urged to take advantage of the opthat he is improving and should be able to return home before long.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson will depart the end of the week for South Pasadena, Calif., for a visit of a few weeks at the home of their son, B. R.

creek, an 8-lb. son.

for interior points, expecting to go
Regular meeting of Heppner Post
to Dayville and John Day, returning No. 87, American Legion, Legion headshould stand, and the matter was thus

THINGS THAT MAKE YOU SORE

Wilson River Project, Sanctioned

about four million dollars.
"We consider such use of State

It is hoped to raise enough money n 25 cent membership fees to keep library going until city or county apport can be obtained. There are now 36 members of the association, and it is believed this number should e increased to 200 or more.

Right now the library is facing ar

mittee calls on you, you can do a civic service by giving your name and 25

portunity of improving his reading

Born—At Morrow General hospital in this city on Friday, January 28, to Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Leadbetter of Rhea creek, an 8-ih and

quarters Monday evening, February 7. settled.

WELL , ALL I

WFUL WEATHER, ANT IT?

YOU GOTTA COLD TOO, AINTCHA?





REGIAR EPIDEMIC OF GRIP GOIN' ROUND — EVERY BODY'S GETTIN IT! IT'S TERRIBLE —

By A. B. CHAPIN





W. B. Barratt Reelected to Wool Co-op. Board W. B. Barratt of W. B. Barratt &

Bert Johnson, who was in the city on Monday for a short time from his ranch out north of Ione, states that the ground is wet down to a depth of about four feet—the best soaking it has had in several years, and at present time the several years, and at present time the several years, and at present time the several years. Son, wool growers of Heppner, has just been reelected to the board of directors of the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers, the largest strictly co-operative wool marketing organization in the United States, according has had in several years, and at present time the crop outlook could not be been small general time the crop outlook could not be been small general manager. "Mr. Barratt is well known thru-ut the state, being a former member of the State Highway Commission and is prominent in the wool growing dustry," says Mr. Ward. "The asout the state, being a former member of the State Highway Commission and is prominent in the wool growing industry," says Mr. Ward. "The association as a whole is to be congratgradual and there was but little frost to interfere with the moisture going

ulated on Mr. Barratt's reelection to

The American Legion Auxiliary net Tuesday evening, February 1st.

hospital 77 in the near future. Grace Buschke was appointed chair-

DEAN GOODMAN ILL

Oregon and served as graduate man-

ager for a time,-Tuesday's East Ore-

gonian. Reports from Mr. Goodman

that reach Heppner are to the effect

OBJECTED TO ELECTION.

A number of citizens from Irrigor

ibrary next month.

the board by the membership of his down. district. He represents Baker, Mor-row, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa and Wheeler counties." A delegation of Irrigon residents in the city on Wednesday, having bus-iness before the county court, were The Pacific Cooperative Wool Grow-ers has just completed its sixth year Hugh Grim, Vernon Jones, C. T. Sal-ing, C. E. Glasgow, Wm. Graybeal, J. B. Wisdom, M. F. Caldwell, Sam Slat-

pleted his ordination as a rector in The Unit plans to send some money to buy slippers for the veterans in

E. S. Miller, up from Lexington this forenoon, reports that little city as undergoing an epidemic of influenza at the present time. Because of the man of the poppy committee, and at the present time. Because of the illness of several of the teachers, music committee. The Unit hopes to work up a Glee Club soon, also to some two dozen or more people down take some part in a program to be with the allment. Heppner is also given for the benefit of the public having a number of cases of this epidemic but so far it has not reached a stage to interfere with the opera-

The Auxiliary is to give an Easter Monday Ball on April 18th at the tion of the school. Elks' hall, and committees were ap-M. R. Morgan of Ione suffered the pointed to plan for it. Final plans were made and committees appointed loss of his eye as the result of injuries reported in the last issue of this paper. He is at Heppner Surgifor the dinner which the Unit is serving today to the National Farm cal hospital where he is getting along fine and expects to be allowed to re-Loan Bank association. The hostesses Grace Buschke and Mrs. Jas. Burgess, turn home in a few days. It was feared that Mr. Morgan might have serious trouble with the other eye for a time, but this all passed and he will suffer no ill results to that memserved delightful refreshments at the Dean Goodman, former resident of Pendleton and now located at Hepp-

ner where he is the garage business, is ill at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland. Mr. Goodman's wife died Roger Morse, county agent, has seen absent for a ten-day conference of the county agents, at Corvallis on New Year's day and his illness is This being completed, Mr. Morse with reported as due in part to grief over her death. During his residence here Dean attended Pendleton high school, others came to Portland this week where they have been spending a couple of days at the freight terminhis father at that time being a local hardware merchant. He was afterwards a student at the University of He is expected home today.

C. A. Minor is busy today moving his office just one door north of where he has been located in the Heppner otel building. The rooms for the bank are now in shape, and Farmers & Stockgrowers National bank move into the new quarters Sunday, expecting to be in running order as fast as possible after the first of the

were before the county court on Wed-nesday to offer an objection to the election recently held at that place County Treasurer Briggs, who has been ill for the past ten days and confined to his home with an attack of influenza, was able to get to the office Wednesday and quite well recovered. Miss Opal Briggs, who sick at the same time, is again at her court to throw the election out. The court after hearing the case in all points, decided that the election post in the telephone office.

Heavy rains last night added more moisture to the goodly supply already stored in the ground.

Honoring Mrs. Hanson Hughes who is leaving Heppnr shortly, Mesdames J. W. Beymer, L. E. Bisbee and Chas. Thomson gave a delightful party at

fall at her home ten days ago and fractured her pelvis, was taken to Morrow General hospital where she received attention, and is reported to be getting along as well as could be patterson intends to suggest has been

Members of Ruth Chapter, O. E. S. ssisted Mrs. Lucy McCarter in her preparations for departure for For-est Grove on Tuesday night, Mrs. Mc-Carter goes to the Eastern Star home where she will be cared for in the future as a member in good standing of

Walter Moore, cashier of the First National bank, is confined to his bed again this week by illness. During he latter part of the week Mr. Moore thought he was well on the road to ecovery and went to work again, but

e evidently got up a little too soon. J. E. Berwick is again engineer on the branch line, having arrived here the middle of January to take charge of this run. He was engineer on the branch several years ago when it was

a day run, and states that he does not enjoy this night business very well. E. F. Browning and son Wilbur came over from their home at Wallville. Wash., on Friday to be present at the funeral of the late Mrs. Marion Evans. Mrs. Evans was a sister of Mr. Browning. They returned home

E. Jones of Newberg, formerly a resident here, is very ill, suffering from intestinal flu and threatened with pneumonia. At last reports, however, e seemed to be improving.

Miss Annie Carty, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Jas. Carty, who spent several days with her mother in this city, returned to Portland on last night's She is a student nurse at St. Vincent's hospital. Hen. J. W. Morrow, tax commissioner of the U. P. System with offices in Portland, came in Wednesday morning and is spending a couple of

days at Heppner looking after business matters.

State Club Leader Calavan of Corvallis has been in the county this week, and in company with Superintendent Walker visited a number of tendent walker visited and tendent walker visited a number of tendent walker visited wa work

Oregon Lamb Crop of 1927 Below Normal in Opinion of Secretary

Twenty Per Cent Under Usual Increase Except in This Part of State, Claim.

East Oregonian.

Oregon's 1927 lamb crop will be twenty per cent short of normal, ac-cording to present indications, Hugh Sproat, secretary of the Oregon Woolgrowers association said today. While this is true of the state generally, the lamb crop in northeastern regions will be normal. This, he said, was due to the good conditions of the ranges, and plenty of rain last fall. Northeastern Oregon was the only section of the state to escape the condition reaching drought proportions in oth-er parts of the state.

Eastern Oregon's wool clip for 1927 iso as a result of these conditions will be good while other parts of the state do not look so good. The wool market, he declared, is strengthening considerably and wool prices look to be as streng as leave to the strength of be as strong as last year with the for-

eign markets stronger. Considerable contracting for the

national forests would be put into effect, he declared he believed this rituation would work out all right in conferences between forest officials of the district and the sheepmen. He did not believe drastic increases would be put into effect to such an the graning. extent that it would interfere with the grazing of sheep on the national

DOINGS OF WEEK

Oregon State Editorial Association, Special Correspondence.

Salem, February 1.—Half the sessitem, February 1.—Itali the ser-rion gone and no financial plan ac-ceptable to all members in sight. This is the situation at beginning of the fourth week here in the capitol.

expected for one of her age. Mrs. one of the difficulties. It has not pre-wented, however, numerous remedies ciate very much visits from her for the cash deficit in running ex-friends while she is compelled to be penses for the state. Everything from shut in.

W. C. Thompson arrived from Portland on Wednesday and will have a place in the store of Patterson & Son While Mr. Patterson is absent in the south. Mr. Thompson was formerly a resident of Heppner, some 25 years ago, and worked for Phil Cohn when he ran the drug business here.

It is reported that Earl Simpaton projects want no cuts in read build. 1850

dro-electric schemes, to put the state at the right age. The famous Luigi into that business or ax further the from the Tub Springs ranch on Sun-

Senator Joseph has contributed his perennial hydro-electric masure. He says himself he does not know what it is all about, but that it makes state operation possible. It is known as Senate joint resolution No. 2, and authorizes the state to enter into construction, development and operation of hydro-electric plants without any imit whatever on the amount of in debtedness which may be incurred against the state. While the resolugainst the state. While the recessary tion does not contain the necessary legislative provisions to make its operation possible, yet principles in-volved are identical with those of the "housewives" bill so overwhelmingly defeated by the people at the November election. The vote was practically election, but Joseph holds that the state must go into hydro-electrics, and resubmits his measure. Schulmerich of Hillsboro has put

house bill 227, to levy a tax of 50 cents for every kilowatt produced or generated by hydro-electric operation in Oregon. This bill of course does not apply to energy generated by steam, either by use of sawdust or Report reaches this paper that C. other fuel. Hence it would operate as a direct discrimination in favor of employing water for power. Also there would be no way by which energy brought in from another state could be taxed. This, for example, would discriminate in favor panies generating power in Washington and selling it in Oregon. Again, an Oregon company selling power to an adjoining state would be compelled to pay the watt tax for energy deliv-cred outside the state. It is also to be noted that the tax is levied only upon private companies and would not apply to power generated by munici-

C. J. Walker and family moved this almost 10 per cent on gross income

This Week By Arthur Brisbane

As Calm as an Elm. Terrible Chinese-But. Easy to Live Longer. Girth Control.

This, as Will Rogers would say, is written on the train traveling from Washington to New York.

Millions of Americans will be glad to hear that the President, seen two hours ago, seemed in perfect health,

What appears to interest the President just now is internal improve-1927 wool clip is now underway, with many woojbuyers in the field.

Speaking of the recent Associated Press announcement from Salt Lake in which Secretary of Agriculture Jardine is quoted as saying the Case-many report reports for one of the Salt Lake President Coolidge speaks just so

You can't hurry him, or choose his subject for him. And as for holding him back, when he means to go in a certain direction, why, to "draw up the Leviathan with a hook" would be child's play, compared with it.

Chinese mobs are looting Christian churches. Too bad, and it fills us with horror. Americans, British, French and other travelers brought AT LEGISLATURE home all sorts of loot from Chinese temples after the Boxer uprising. But that was different, the Chinese are only heathens.

Charles Chaplin, never very heavy, has lost 18 pounds since his latest worries began. The worst illness is MENTAL illness. Chaplin who has inade millions happy and never made anybody unhappy, would seem to have a just complaint against fate.

The Senate rejects the Lausanne treaty, so this country remains cut off from official acquaintance with Turkey and that energetic dictator, Kemal Pasha. The treaty is rejected because it doesn't provide adequate protection for Christians, or any solution of the eternal Armenian ques-

The rejection of the treaty is largely a triumph for Christian mission-

which men died in the year 1650. In 1850 the average was forty. In 1875 it was forty-five, and now it is fifty-

paralysis at his home on Saturday and was taken to Pendleton for medical attention. His condition is not considered to be serious, however, and he should be over the attack after a course of proper treatment.

Tax Remedies Suggested.

Income tax suggestions and bills figures. With the right kind of liverage and the bills if passed would raise no immediate income. Hydro-electric schemes, to put the state at the right age. The famous Luigi Cornaro, however, given up to die eight.
The able Dr. Mayo supplies those

> American business men, Dr. Mayo says, "lack girth control." fat means shorter life. The dangerous age for woman is sixteen to eighteen. The dangerous age for man is from fifty to fifty-five. At that age he becomes foolish.

> Little things are important in big things. Mr. Blume, president of the Wesiern Electric company, tells you that telephoning across the Atlantic ocean is made possible by a small object manufactured from Rochelle

And now the British manual for Royal Air Force pilots orders them to chew gum as they come down from high altitudes. Chewing gum creates liva, and that keeps the flier swallowing. The act of swallowing re-lieves pressure on the ear drums. "Fearfully and wonderfully made"

Cats near Bakersfield, California, can sympathize with Midas, who changed into gold everything he touched, and nearly starved.

fornia's cats were cheered, then hor-

rified, by rolling waves of migrating mice. First they are some; then ran

from them in horror. Too much, even

of mice, is too much, Land Bank Officials

Hold Meeting Today The meeting of the Pendleton district association of the National Farm Loan associations of the twelfth district is on in Heppner today, President C. L. Sweek, presiding. Officials of the Federal Land bank of Spekane attending are George C. Jewett, president of the bank, who delivered a splendid address on topics regarding Federal Land banks and Federal Farm Loan associations; B. Hinkle, appraiser, and Hugh

Sproat, director, At noon the officers and members of the different associations attending, were given a big dinner prepar-ed by the ladies of the Auxiliary and tendent Walker visited a number of on an average of about forty per cent. This means that they are now paying after which the remaining numbers C. J. Walker and family moved this week into the Chas. Furlong residence on Water street from where they have been living in the north-castern part of the city.

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almost 10 per cent on gross income in the program were carried out. The meeting was held at the club rooms in the Elks building and was attended by some forty members of the loan associations of the district.