

THE WEATHER.
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S.P. CLASS RATES ARE UNDER FIRE

Railroad Commission on Motion Take Up Matter of Class Rates Imposed by Southern Pacific on Its Lines to and From Portland to Points in Oregon—Like Fight on O. R. & N.

CHARGES THAT PRESENT RATES UNREASONABLE

Commission Has Just Closed Successful Fight Through the Courts of Like Nature Made on Rates of O. R. & N.

SALEM, April 6.—If the fight which has just been launched by the state railroad commission in regard to the class rates on the Southern Pacific is carried to a successful termination lower rates will be placed in effect on practically all shipments to and from Portland points on the company's line except such commodities as grain, flour, mill feed, potatoes, hay salt, lumber, brick, stone and live stocks, which take a lower or commodity rate.

The commission as a preliminary step has filed a complaint on its own motion attacking the present rates. The attack is similar to one in which class rates on the O. R. & N. were cut, over which the commission has just finished a successful fight through the courts. It is now turning its attention to the Southern Pacific rates.

In the complaint it is stated that "the railroad commission of Oregon has on its own motion investigated the said class rates imposed and charged by the said Southern Pacific company for the transportation of freight in carloads and less than carloads, between Portland, East Portland, Or., and points on the lines of the said Southern Pacific company within the state of Oregon, as set forth in said local and joint freight tariff No. 225-A (O. R. C. No. 434) and supplements thereto, and after making such investigation has become satisfied that sufficient grounds exist to warrant a hearing being ordered to determine whether the said class rates imposed and charged for the transportation of freight in carloads and less than carloads, between said points within the state of Oregon are unreasonable or unjustly discriminatory."

BROODER LAMP EXPLODES AND BARN BURNS

Elmer Gibbs of Phoenix precinct lost a valuable horse Saturday night by the burning of his barn. An incubator was placed near the barn, and it is supposed that the lamp in the machine either exploded or was overturned in some way.

The barn and contents were totally destroyed. Mr. Gibbs managed to get one of his horses out, but the flames prevented him reaching the other one. Mr. Gibbs bears marks of the burns received in trying to rescue the animal.

YOUNG ORCHARD BRINGS GOOD PRICE

J. E. Watt Sells Young Orchard Near Central Point for \$325 Per Acre—Nearly All Planted to Fruit.

J. E. Watt has sold, through the agency of W. T. York & Co., his young orchard, one and one-half miles from Central Point, to T. W. Osgood, for \$15,000.

The orchard comprises 47 1/2 acres and is nearly all set to young trees. York & Co. also report the sale of a house and lot on Hamilton street by H. Humphrey to Ralph Woodford and Will Warner for \$2500. Also house and three lots on Newtown street by Charles M. English to W. B. Moore for \$3000.

Bull Evidently Knew His Man

George McClain, Who Operates Tannery Near Talent, Is Put to Flight by an Infuriated Bull.

TALENT, April 6.—Up on the mountain side east of this place there lives a bull who is wise beyond the ordinary run of bovines. Recently he took occasion to chase George McClain, the local tanneryman, some few hundred yards in an endeavor to ever up scores. And who shall say that the animal did not know the nature of McClain's occupation?

On Sunday, McClain, with a few friends, started on a short exploration trip up and around the Sunnyside Cliffs east of Bear creek. He, being more active than the rest, climbed further and was lost to view. When he reappeared he was traveling like a Buick "40," while a huge bull was a close second.

A little shifty footwork on the part of McClain saved him from maltreatment at the horns of the bull, but not from the jibes of his companions.

Now McClain is vowing to tan the hide of that particular animal.

Colonel Ray To Give Band Stand

Mrs. Reddy and Mrs. Hafer Secure Colonel's Promise to Donate Granite for Bandstand.

Colonel Ray has promised to give the granite necessary for the erection of a handsome granite bandstand which is to grace the Medford park, as the improvements are planned by the Ladies of the Greater Medford club.

Mrs. J. F. Reddy and Mrs. Edgar Hafer are the two ladies composing the committee which secured Colonel Ray's promise. They are now going to take up the matter of transportation of the granite with the Southern Pacific company, hoping to get it laid down in Medford free of charge, as it is to be used for the beautification of the city.

Mayor Busse is Handed a Jolt

Liquor Elections Apparently a Victory for the "Wets"—Thirty-Two Dry Counties Out of 102.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 6.—Mayor Busse's enemies today see a popular rebuke to his administration in the fact that 11 Republican aldermen were defeated for re-election. This gives the Democrats a majority in the city council.

The result of liquor elections in 242 towns of the state is apparently a victory for the "wets." Thirty-nine dry towns went wet. Nineteen wet towns went dry. Seventy-two stayed wet and 112 dry. There are now 32 dry counties in Illinois out of the 122 counties of the state.

VERDICT IN COSS AGAINST ANDREWS

The suit of H. M. Coss vs. Clara M. Andrews to recover money alleged to be due Coss as commission in a real estate transaction was submitted to the jury just before noon. As the Mail Tribune is going to press it is reported that the jury has agreed, but their verdict has not been reported to the court.

TEDDY CAN SEND HIS MAIL FREE OF CHARGE

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The house this afternoon passed a bill extending the letter-franking provision privilege to former Theodore Roosevelt. The vote was 120 to 76. McCall of Massachusetts was the only republican who voted against the measure.

TEDDY TO GIVE WORLD A REST

Desires to Retravel Route Taken 24 Years Ago on His Honeymoon and Asks Correspondents to Leave Him Until April 13—Will Be Out of Public Eye for a Week.

VATICAN INCIDENT STILL STIRRING UP TROUBLE

Cardinal Merry Del Val's Reputation as Diplomatist is Shattered—Gray Heads in Vatican Wish for Return of Leo and His Policies.

ROME, April 6.—Desiring to retravel the route taken 24 years ago on his honeymoon, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt today asked the correspondents to temporarily withdraw from the party and to meet him again at Genoa, April 13.

So strong is the colonel's desire for seclusion and the abandonment of the tender memories that even Kermit and Miss Ethel will not accompany them along the shores of the Mediterranean from Spezia to Genoa.

Rest for a Week. Colonel Roosevelt plans to leave Rome tonight and will be out of the public eye completely for a week.

The Roosevelts leave at 11:30 tonight for Spezia and will make the journey from there to Genoa by automobile.

While en route to Genoa the Roosevelts will stay three days at the villa of Miss Carew, Mrs. Roosevelt's sister, at Porto Maurizio.

Roosevelt plans to meet Gifford Pinchot, but make it plain that neither he nor Pinchot have anything to say after the interview and that the correspondents will temporarily withdraw from the party would not miss anything of importance. Roosevelt was pleased to receive a number of messages from editors of Catholic papers and from several expressing approval of his action in connection with the Vatican incident. He refused to disclose the names of his correspondents.

Waterloo for Ted.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—"Roosevelt, the politician, has met his Waterloo." These words uttered by the Rev. Father Eugene Hannon, pastor of St. Martin's Catholic church here, are ringing through Washington today.

"Like the bull in the china shop," said Father Hannon, "he attempted to jump into the vatican and override the etiquette of the most august court that the world has ever known."

"The court of Rome is not given to assisting exploitations and surely let Roosevelt know it in no uncertain manner."

Reason for Methodist Attack. Father Hannon reviewed the vatican incident and then closed his comments on its political effects in America by saying:

"Roosevelt in his usual manner, comes forth and denounces the Methodist minister who came to his defense. Why? So that American Catholics may be appeased. "But this will not suffice Roosevelt, the greatest press agent the world has ever known, but who can expect little from the Catholics of this country in the future."

Haris Vatican.

LONDON, April 6.—The London Telegraph's Rome correspondent in a lengthy cable dispatch concerning the "vatican-Roosevelt incident," says: "The affair has added great strength to the campaign against the vatican at a time when the holy see needs all the forces it can muster to resist its enemies' onslaughts. "The general opinion is that Cardinal Merry Del Val's reputation as a diplomatist is shattered. "Many gray heads at the vatican are shaking sadly these days wishing for a return of the days of Leo's reign, when the game of diplomacy was played by men with brains and not by amateurs."

MOVING VIEWS OF ORCHARDS

H. Reimers, Representing Selig Polyscope Company, Greatest Moving-Picture House in the World, Here to Take Photos of Orchards in Bloom for His Company.

WILL RETURN IN FALL TO GET PICKING SCENE

Crater Lake and Other Southern Oregon Points of Interest Will Be Visited in the Fall—Has a Complete Outfit.

H. Reimes, representing the Selig Polyscope company, with headquarters in Chicago, which is the largest moving-picture concern in the world, has arrived in Medford to take views of local orchards while in bloom. He plans to return in the fall to secure views of pickers and packers at work.

That Mr. Reimes is here to take views of the valley is due to the efforts of E. C. Hubbard, manager of the Savoy theater of this city. Mr. Hubbard realized that here was a great chance to advertise the city and valley and took the matter up with Selig.

Mr. Reimes intends to take views of the orchards in bloom at this time. These films will be shelved until fall, when the views of the picking and packing scenes will be secured. Then the films will be sent out and shown in thousands of moving-picture houses over the country. The value of the advertising can hardly be estimated.

Mr. Reimes will secure views of local scenery, especially Crater Lake, as well.

Wilson Moves Once More.

The building occupied by F. M. Wilson as a cigar store is once more on the move. It has been moved so often that it has a reputation for changing its habitat almost equal to that of the "Wandering Jew" of fiction.

It was first constructed of corrugated iron in the days of cheap buildings in Medford and stood on the site of the Jackson County Bank building, facing Main street. When the bank building was built Mr. Wilson, who had bought the building, had to move it. He secured a short lease on ground on C street in the rear of the bank and moved there. In a few months the Big Bend Milling company concluded to build the annex to the Jackson County Bank building, and Frank had to move again. This time he located just north of the postoffice and has been a little over two years there, but when the excavation commenced for the Cuthbert & Co. building it was a case of "move on."

"I am going to move the old shack to my own lot on South Central avenue," said Mr. Wilson, "and the next time I move I won't take the building with me."

PROMINENT KNIGHT TEMPLAR ON VISIT

Medford Templars to Visit Ashland This Evening to Greet Grand Commander of Oregon.

Right Eminent Sir Thomas C. Taylor of Pendleton, and one of the prominent public men of Eastern Oregon, who holds for the current term the honorary position of grand commander of the grand commandery of Oregon, Knights Templar, will pay an official visit to Malta Commandery, No. 4, at its asylum at Masonic Temple in Ashland, Wednesday evening, and the brothers are preparing to give him an appropriate welcome and reception on the occasion of his visit.

A large number of Knights are planning to visit Ashland from this city this evening to greet him.

King Edward's Health Is Alarming Court Physicians.



BARRITZ, April 6.—It is feared that King Edward will never regain his health and his present illness may result in his death.

His physicians today stated that his condition was better, but from other sources it was learned that of late he has made no improvement.

SOCIALISTS WIN IN MILWAUKEE

Pattern Maker Elected to Mayor's Office—Say Victory Most Important in History of Party—Number of Changes Expected.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 6.—Emil Seidel, working today as usual as a pattern maker, will in a few days throw up his job and sit down at the mayor's desk in the city hall to direct the affairs of the city. Seidel is the new socialist mayor-elect. Socialists today declare the victory in Milwaukee was one of the most important their party ever won. The big labor vote in Milwaukee was turned almost solidly in Seidel's favor and the pattern maker ran far ahead of the other candidates.

The advent of the new administration in Milwaukee is regarded with considerable interest here. Following the administration of Rose, elected as a business man's candidate, Milwaukee expects some of the thrills that preceded the Rose administration, when Mayor "Sherbie" Becker, the "boy mayor," held the reins. The switch to the socialist leader is expected to lead to a number of changes. Just what they are has not been said.

Four socialists have been elected to city office besides a number of socialist aldermen. Their Pledges. Here are some of the subjects which the socialists are pledged to introduce: Home rule. Initiative and referendum for the city. Better schools. Municipal ownership. Penny lunches.

To compel the street car company to sprinkle streets. To inaugurate union labor conditions for all labor. To compel the street car company to provide a seat for each passenger. To establish three-cent fares. To enforce an eight-hour day for all laborers. To secure cheaper gas, ice, coal, wood and light by means of municipal plants and woodyards. To compel corporations to pay their full share of taxes. To enforce the cleaning and disinfecting of street cars daily. To provide street closets. To compel the transportation com-

ASHLAND CLUB IS AFTER NEW HOME

Members of Commercial Body Advocate Purchase of Lot and Erection of Home for the Club—Bond Issue is the Plan.

ASHLAND, Or., April 6.—Enthusiasts over the matter are indulging in the advisability of securing an eligible site for a proposed permanent home for the Commercial club before the best locations are all gone. Naturally their eyes happen to fasten upon a site that is particularly convenient to all concerned and such a one is declared to be the Reanor lot in the vicinity of the Allen-McNair block. It has a frontage of about 25 feet, and builders on the premises would share the advantages of a party wall. Price of this property is quoted at \$2500.

The aforesaid enthusiasts suggest a three-story building, the entire extent of which should be devoted to club use, with lobby, offices, exhibit rooms, etc. A rest room on a commensurate scale with the city's needs is also mentioned as a valuable accessory which such a building could afford.

In this age of stocks, bonds and debentures, it is pointed out by the improvement's advocates how easy it would be to finance the proposition, and it remains to be seen whether it is a feasible one or merely a pipe dream. Hetty Green III. NEW YORK, April 6.—A report that Hetty Green, one of America's wealthiest women, is seriously ill in some suburb of New York was circulated today in financial circles. Mrs. Green has not been seen for weeks in the banks and other places where she daily transacted business. An officer of the National Park bank admitted that she is ill, but decided that her whereabouts is unknown even to financial advisers.

ECUADOR MAY WAR ON PERU

Ancient Boundary Line Question is Cause of Friction and Recent Events All Point Toward War—Would Probably Involve All of South American Countries.

UNCLE SAM MAY STEP IN AND SPANK BOTH

Suggested That Conference Be Held, But If It is a Stormy Peace Congress May Be the Result—Affair is Closely Watched.

Strength of Peru. Army—4000 regulars. Equipment—20,000 Mauser rifles, 24 Maxim gatling guns, 24 light field guns. Navy—Three cruisers, two transports, two dispatch boats. Strength of Ecuador. Army—4500 regulars. Equipment—25,000 rifles, small number of field and machine guns. Navy—One torpedo boat, one transport. Cause of the Dispute. Ancient boundary line question which has resulted in bitterness between the republics and frequently threatened to result in war. The last dispute resulted in the entire matter being placed in the hands of King Alfonso of Spain for Settlement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6.—The state department and the Latin America diplomatic body here is on tiptoe today awaiting developments of the extremely critical situation in South America between Peru and Ecuador.

War between the two republics is regarded as almost a certainty unless the United States interferes and brings pressure to bear on the two governments.

It is believed here among the officials that unless Peru or Ecuador request America's good offices in settling the dispute, Secretary of State Knox will diplomatically suggest interference on the part of the United States without waiting for an invitation. The Pan-American peace conference which it is planned to hold at Buenos Ayres in July, may be abandoned as a result of the present strained situation.

All the South American republics are to be represented at the conference, provided it is held. It is expected that Peru will soon break off diplomatic relations with Colombia because Colombia has offered to aid Ecuador in the event of war between the two nations.

Should Peru take such action, it would place her in bad relations with Ecuador, Colombia, Chili, Bolivia and Argentina. Such a situation would be certain to create a stormy peace conference, at the least.

The friction between Peru and Ecuador, which had its origin in a boundary dispute, which in itself is not regarded as particularly serious.

EMERYVILLE RACING SEASON CONTINUED UNTIL JUNE

EMERYVILLE, Cal., April 6.—Race goers expressed no surprise today regarding the announcement of President Tom Williams of the California Jockey club that the racing season would be continued to June 4. The season was to close May 5. Horsemen have been expecting the announcement of an extension of the season ever since the supreme court decided that a stakeholder could not be punished for holding wagers. This decision caused an immediate enrollment of the betting ring, and the grandstand audience has greatly increased. From now on until the close races will be held six days a week.