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prevent railroad freight rate discrimination and establish maximum distance class rates is not "rate-making by prejudice," as stated by the Portland Oregonian. It is rather an appeal to reason. To sum up the situation: The Southern Pacific in Oregon is paying the largest net earnings of any railroad

AN APPEAL FOR A SQUARE DEAL.

in the country, due to excessive tariffs. Medford is paying the highest freight rates of any city in the United States, barring none. It is the victim of rank discrimination, as well as high tariffs under existing conditions. Portland is now, and always has been the recipient of railroad favors that caused that city, through its chamber of commerce, to intervene and fight the railroad fight in every case brought by neighboring cities to secure reduced rates.

Portland has the privilege of shipping to points in Oregon at cheaper rates than points in Oregon can ship to Portland—and as a result, there is but one city in Oregon, and the material progress and development of the state has been throttled. No relief has been forthcoming from the railroad commission, though it has had the Medford case before it a year.

The basis of rate-making in Oregon has never been to yield a fair return upon the investment. The basis has ever been "all the traffic will bear"-and then some.

A few months ago a branch railroad line in Oregon was completed. A schedule of freight rates had been arranged by an experienced eastern railroad man. It was in effect a uniform distance tariff, similar to that in force on eastern railroads. Before operation began, a western freight agent was sent to look over the railroad. He spent a week studying the country and its wagon roads. As a result, a new schedule was adopted, based on the accessibility and isolation of the towns reached, which doubled the revenues. It was the old principle of all the traffic will bear, used to fix rates upon a new line and without a protest from the railroad commission.

If the recital of these bald facts constitutes "an appeal to prejudice," then there will be many such appeals. But prejudice has nothing to do with the case. The people of Medford enjoy friendly relations with the railroad, but self-preservation demands that discrimination against interior sections cease, and a strong fight will be made to bring about a square deal to both railroad and peoplewhich is all that is asked.

Listen to this from the Oregonion: "It (The Oregonian) sought only to defend the initiative from the palpable abuse and the people from imposition."

The Oregonian in a new light! Defender of the initiative and protector of the "fool of the family"! It is to laugh! The Oregonian, savior of the Oregon system from its enemies, the people-"defend the initiative"-God save the mark!

Now, as to the ability of the Medford Traffic bureau to prepare a rate schedule. The Oregonian is respectfully referred to the briefs it has filed, both in the interstate commerce and the state cases. These briefs speak for



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