

Official Defends Freight Rate Cut

Witness Appears At Hearing by ICC On Railroad Rates

Needed to Compete With Trucks, Ships

San Francisco — (UPI) — A Southern Pacific official defended today an SP approval to cut lumber freight rates between Oregon and Southern California and Arizona as necessary to compete with truck and water transportation.

The official, E. J. Larson, appeared as a witness in an Interstate Commerce Commission hearing on the proposed rates. He is freight traffic manager for the railroad.

Larson was cross-examined today by George D. Rives, San Francisco attorney representing four shipping lines that carry lumber. Rives asked Larson why it was so essential to have rate parity between southern Oregon and northern California and not between southern Oregon and northern Oregon.

"We've got to draw the line some place," Larson replied. "We wanted to restore the historic relationship in rates."

This was a reference to his previous testimony that prior to 1954 southern Oregon and northern California did in fact have equality in lumber rates. But because of differences in rate increases granted in one state compared to another, there was a spread which hindered southern Oregon in selling to southern California and Arizona lumber markets, he said.

Rives represented W. R. Chamberlain and company, Oliver J. Pilson and company, Sause Brothers Ocean Towing company, and Upper Columbia River Towing company. All handle coastal lumber shipments from Oregon to southern California.

In his initial appearance Monday, Larson testified that the number of railroad cars carrying lumber from Oregon to Southern California and Arizona declined 58 per cent between 1950 and 1957.

Question Larson

Edward M. Berol, a San Francisco attorney representing the California Forest Products Shippers' Association, questioned Larson intensively in an attempt to bring out that SP's claimed loss in lumber shipments could have resulted from factors other than competition with trucks and ships.

Examiner Walter Baumgartner announced that hearings on the matter will be held in Portland "for a week or 10 days" after the current hearings in San Francisco.

Baumgartner said the date for the Portland hearings will be set later.

The Portland session was suggested by William B. Adams, representing the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association.

Adams said Portland would be a more convenient place for the "32 or 33" shipper witnesses he would bring to the stand to support the proposed rates.

Oregon Senators Find Themselves Disagreeing

Washington — (UPI) — Oregon's two Democratic senators, who have repeatedly denied they are feuding, found themselves at loggerheads again today.

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger said in a statement that his senior colleague, Sen. Wayne Morse, wanted to "drastically alter" Neuberger's bill to give the interior secretary a veto over power projects that would affect fish or wildlife resources.

He said he "regrets" that Morse came out against the bill in its present form. He said Morse's opposition "probably will prevent Senate action during this session" on his measure.

Morse quickly fired back an answering statement denying that he had blocked "in any way" Senate consideration of the bill. He said it could be called up on the floor whenever a pending bill is disposed of. He said he very much hopes the Senate gets to the bill before adjournment.

"I do not yield to Senator Neuberger or to anyone else in my desire to protect fish and wildlife interests," he said. But he said the Neuberger bill would stir up "ill will" against those interests among power groups and others who "also have a vital interest in the maximum development of our river basins."

The disagreement marked another in a series of clashes between the two members of the Senate's so-called liberal bloc. Despite these conflicts, the two have denied there is any personal ill-feeling between them.

"We Sympathize With Native Aspirations In the Middle East"



Social Security Bill Sent to White House

Washington — (UPI) — Another major obstacle to congressional adjournment was hurdled today when the House passed and sent to the White House the Senate version of a bill to raise social security taxes and benefits.

The Senate meanwhile opened debate on a controversial bill to modify a Supreme Court decision that a prisoner must be formally charged upon his arrest. Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson called for "calm and reasoned discussion" after the bill's sponsor, Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.), denied it was an attack on the court.

With this measure out of the way, the Senate hoped to speed on to consideration of a foreign aid appropriation and a few other major bills which must be cleared before adjournment.

Democratic leaders all but ruled out any effort to pass a housing bill at this session of Congress. Speaker Sam Rayburn said he knew of no move to push stop-gap legislation through the House which Monday killed the Democratic-sponsored housing measure opposed by the administration.

Leadership in both Houses remained silent on a possible adjournment date but feeling ran high for a close to the session by the week end, if not before.

The House was geared for a floor fight over a bill to launch a new program of subsidies for the mineral industry. Similar legislation has passed the Senate.

The 650-million dollar bill faced such strong opposition in the House that sponsors agreed in advance to accept amendments to scale down the cost to less than 500 million dollars. The administration recommended subsidies as an alternative to imposing restrictions on imports of foreign lead and zinc and other minerals.

Rep. Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.) said two Los Angeles firms wired him last week of their intent to use the new port in connection with a \$20 million nickel ore processing plant they plan to build near Gold Beach. Porter appealed to his colleagues to include this new project and was rewarded with agreement today.

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Much Recruiting Gets Few Pickers For Fruit Harvest

Extensive recruiting by public employment offices throughout the state has failed to secure enough workers for peak demands here during the fruit harvest, according to John Patton, manager of the local Oregon State Employment service office.

Joe Wilson of the same agency reported that their offices have started 520 workers to this area from throughout the state, but of these only 248 have reported for work here.

Report to Committee

These two men, and nine other interested parties reported to the legislative interim committee on migratory labor during a public hearing in the courthouse auditorium yesterday afternoon.

J. S. Kinney, a member of the Jackson County Fruit Growers' league, told committee members that growers now need 200 more men in the field than are available. Indications from other sources were that Mexican nationals would probably be brought into the area in the near future to fill the need for labor.

The committee on migratory labor was created last September through joint resolution by the state legislature to determine the present status of migrant laborers. The committee has been holding hearings throughout the state during the past year and expects to prepare a report within the next two months for delivery to the 1959 legislature.

Patton reported the labor demand reaches its peak during the pear and peach harvests, which fall during August and September. During the first of the season, he noted, local labor can handle the work. However, he said, at the peak of the season more than 2,000 persons are needed in the orchards.

Testimony during the hearing revealed that although demand for pickers increases as the season develops, in reality the number of transient pickers available decreases. This was attributed to a number of causes.

Patton said that it is largely because of three things: The pickers have to get their children into school; many of the pickers lose enthusiasm; and a large number of them move on to the Hood River and Yakima areas where the season lasts longer.

One of the great drawbacks to attracting laborers here for the harvest, Wilson said, is that this is not family work. Generally speaking only strong, adult males can work successfully in the orchards.

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A number of persons reporting to the committee indicated that the growers would rather not employ Mexican nationals if they could get the crops harvested without their use. However, they indicated usually there are not enough migratory laborers who will do the work.

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15 Per Cent Increase Noted In 4-H, FFA Fair

This year's 4-H and FFA county fair opened to the public today with a 15 per cent increase in enrollment and more livestock than ever before, according to Glenn Klein, Jackson county 4-H agent.

"We have more swine sheep, poultry and rabbits than have been entered in the fair before," Klein said. "This has brought our entry total to 900 youngsters and 800 head of livestock."

The increase is explained by increased 4-H activity and better 4-H club leadership from the community's adults, the county 4-H agent said.

The cooking and clothing exhibits show an increase of about 30 per cent Klein said. He attributed this, too, to better leadership and more interest in club work.

The Jackson county 4-H and FFA fair is one of the three of four largest in the state, and attracts participation from all sections of the county.

Judging of home-economics entries have been completed and ribbons have been placed so the public may view them, Klein said. Ribbons should be placed on forestry and miscellaneous projects by tomorrow morning, he added.

Poultry and rabbit events are scheduled for this afternoon. Agriculture demonstrations were to continue all day. Demonstrations include one on "recipe for horsemanship," feeding rabbits, and using forestry materials for household decoration.

"We have more interesting demonstrations this year than ever before," the county 4-H agent said. "One of the more interesting events for the public will be a special flower arranging contest to be held in the arena at 12:30 p.m. tomorrow."

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Faubus Declines to Call Special Session



CAPPING CANDIDATES — Paul Geddes, Republican candidate for congressman from the fourth district (left) tries on a chef's hat for size, assisted by Miss Esther Smith, 22, of Applegate, who later was crowned Miss Republican of Jackson County. Beside him, Secretary of State Mark Hatfield, Republican candidate for governor, gets an assist with a chef's hat by Dorothy Brickley, Medford. Both candidates are standing by one of the barbecued chicken pits in Hawthorne park in Medford, where the Republican Roundup was staged last night. Approximately 500 persons attended the event.

Two Men Killed In Wake of Flash Flood in Sierras

Truckee, Calif. — (UPI) — Two men were listed dead today as a result of flash floods that roared through the Sierra Nevada.

The floods, touched off late Monday by thunderstorms, forced the closing of U.S. Highways 40 and 395.

Killed in the flood were Frederick Johnson Jr., 32, Reno, and Joseph Thompson, 23, Redwood City, Calif.

Thompson was a passenger in an automobile driven by James Olinger, 23, Palo Alto, Calif.

Olinger said he was driving on the new freeway section of Highway 40 near Farad, 16 miles east of Truckee, when a torrent of sludge, big rocks, tree limbs and brush washed down the highway at 7:10 p.m.

Saw Torrent

Olinger said he saw the torrent coming and jumped from the car. Thompson stayed in it. The water swept the car off the road into the rampancing Truckee river, which runs alongside the highway.

Olinger said he thought he saw Thompson leap from the car about 150 feet downstream, only to be hit by a floating log.

The debris came down in such quantity that no vehicle could move on Highway 40 for two hours.

Later, Johnson was killed while trying to clean debris from the highway with a scoop loader. The vehicle fell off the shoulder of the highway into the Truckee river.

Contract Awarded For School Addition

The Medford school board last night awarded a contract to Jack Batzer, Medford, for construction of a multiple purpose room addition to West Side school. Batzer's low bid was \$35,631.

Other bidders were Meyers D. Jones, Medford, \$36,900; H. Barnhart, Medford, \$37,000, and Salter and Klein, Rogue River, \$37,182.

Construction is expected to start Thursday. The addition will be ready about the middle of November, school officials said.

WEATHER FORECAST: Fair and warm through Wednesday. Low tonight 60; high Wednesday 94.

Highest yesterday 94 Lowest this morning 59

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 7:08 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 5:23 a.m. Moonset tonight 9:48 p.m. First quarter star Aug. 21

PROMINENT STARS

Antares, low in southwest 10:11 p.m. VISIBLE PLANETS Jupiter, to the right of the Moon. Saturn, low in southwest 10:43 p.m. Mars, rises 10:31 p.m. Venus, rises 3:54 a.m.

Kennedy - Ives Labor Bill Takes Place Among Live Issues in Fall Campaign

Washington — (UPI) — The Kennedy-Ives labor bill, stone cold dead in Congress, took its place today among the very live issues for the fall election campaigns.

Killed in some measure by political maneuvering, the bill was scheduled for a revival by campaigning Democrats and Republicans alike. Leaders in both parties saw political dividends in Monday's 198 to 190 house vote which shelved it.

500 People Attend Republican Roundup

Gubernatorial Candidate Mark Hatfield last night urged a state administration to represent "all the people," and Paul Geddes Republican candidate for congressman from the fourth district argued for lower rail freight rates on lumber shipments.

They spoke before 500 people at a Republican "roundup" in Hawthorne park.

Hatfield, now secretary of state, promised if elected, he would be a governor of all the people and not just for his own party.

"Also, if elected, I will not play politics with Oregon's government," Hatfield declared. "An example of this is the motor vehicle department which no longer is in the secretary of state's department. I have received many complaints of the poor service. One reason for this inefficiency is that 11 unclassified positions have been removed from the career men who formerly occupied them and have been given to political appointees."

Hatfield also promised an administration which would cut costs, and boost the water resources board and its activities.

Need Dynamic Party

"To do all this we need a new, dynamic and aggressive Republican party," Hatfield advised. "The cause of labor is not lost to us. The rank and file laborer thinks for himself and only has to be reached."

Regardless of how the Democrats may try to color the issue the gubernatorial race involves only two candidates, he said. The opposition is prepared to draw from financial resources which have a "bottomless pit," and "the rich party" will be struggling along against "big money"

During the first part of the program, Esther Smith, 22, Applegate, was voted in as "Miss Republican of Jackson County" by those attending the political rally.

Masoleum Damage Brings Hearing

Ashland—Nine youngsters, all under 18, appeared in Ashland municipal court this morning with their parents on charges of vandalism recently in the masoleum in the Mt. View cemetery in Ashland, police reported.

Three girls were severely reprimanded, officers said. The boys are to appear with their fathers Friday for imposition of punishment, an officer said.

The parents agreed to pay for the damage, which is estimated at approximately \$1,000.

Sunday afternoon and Tuesday evening the youths, including three Medford boys, left water taps on, broke plastic flower vases, bent the vase brackets and played with the casket hoist, police said.

Pear Harvest Still Steady, Agent Says

The pear crop harvest is continuing steadily, County Extension Agent Cliff Cordy reported this morning. He indicated that picking of Bartlett will continue through this week.

D'Anjou are still testing green at this time, the agent said, but should be ready for initial harvest by the end of the week or early next week.

Washington — (UPI) — President Eisenhower will hold a news conference at 7:30 a.m. (p.d.t.) Wednesday, the White House said today.

New Integration Crisis Develops From Court Action

Says Decision Is 'Most Regrettable'

Little Rock, Ark. — (UPI) — Gov. Orval E. Faubus declined today to call a special session of the Arkansas Legislature to deal with the new Little Rock integration crisis.

The new crisis was brought about Monday when the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed a District Court decision that would have given Little Rock's Central High school an integration postponement until midyear, 1961.

Faubus said the reversal of U.S. District Judge Harry Lemy's deintegration decision by the court of appeals was "most regrettable."

"The higher court's decision indicates an indifference and disregard for the will of the people that is most alarming and dangerous," he said. "Confers With Advisors"

But at the same time, he said, the spotlight in the crisis has moved over "to the school authorities, the officials of the NAACP and the parents of the Negro children."

"Any action taken by the chief executive, the Legislature or the people before the attitude of these people is known might prove to be premature and unnecessary," he said.

Faubus had been expected to call a special session almost immediately to prepare anti-integration legislation. He apparently decided against it in a long conference with his advisors.

Monday's ruling did not order resumption of racial integration in Little Rock. It affirmed the June, 1954, U.S. Supreme Court order for desegregation of schools.

The decision moved the Little Rock case back to its status of last fall, when two federal judges rejected appeals against integration and forbade Faubus to use National Guardsmen to enforce segregation at Central High school.

Little Rock school authorities said they were prepared to battle Monday's ruling as far as the U.S. Supreme Court. State legislators issued terse statements ridiculing the St. Louis court's decision.

Demo Headquarters To Open Wednesday

Formal opening of the 1958 Jackson County Democratic campaign headquarters will take place at the Esquire Theater Wednesday evening, Aug. 20, at 8 o'clock.

A regular monthly meeting of the Democratic Central committee will be held and plans for the coming campaign launched, according to Democratic County Chairman James Redden.

Miss Margaret McGee, formerly with the Democratic State committee, will act as campaign executive secretary and will be on duty at the headquarters until after Nov. 4. She has asked for volunteer workers to assist at the headquarters. All interested are asked to attend the meeting and sign up for part or full time duty.

The headquarters is furnished comfortably and a phone installed, Redden said. The phone number is SP 2-4737.

Candidates for state and county office will address the meeting Wednesday evening. Literature will be available and refreshments will be served. A voters registrar will also be on hand. Anyone caring to register is invited to attend the meeting.

\$650 Worth of Tools Taken from Parked Car

A tool box containing approximately \$650 in tools was stolen last night from the car of Louis Edgar Campbell, Grants Pass, according to city police.

Campbell told police the car was parked in the alley behind Front st. between Main and Eighth sts. He said the tool box weighed 150-200 pounds, according to the report.

Salem — (UPI) — Continued dry weather with no hope for substantial rain has forced the restriction of logging in Washington and Oregon.