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## EXPRESS RATES ARE CUT ONE FOURTH BY THE COMMISSION WOULD EASILY STAND ANOTHER CHOPPING IN TWO IN THE MIDDLE AND THEN LEAVE BIG MARGIN OF PROFITS

One of the most important and far-reaching acts of the railroad commission was taken today when it having taken up the matter of the Pacific Express Company's rates, made a sweeping reduction in two classes; that is merchandise and what is known as general special, the latter being based on general rates will be reduced proportionately. The reduction is sweeping, amounting to an average of 25 per cent. The following taken at random gives an idea

of the change in merchandise rates in cents per 100 pounds:		
	Old.	New.
Between Portland and		
Pendleton	\$3.00	\$2.25
Condon	2.50	2.00
Heppner	2.75	2.10
Elgin	4.00	2.70
Shaniko	2.50	1.85
Milton	3.25	2.35
La Grande	3.50	2.55
Baker City	3.25	2.80
Huntington	4.00	3.00

### WILLIS BRITT HAS NERVOUS COLLAPSE

[United Press Leased Wire.] New York, April 30.—Willis Britt, who was found lying in a semi-conscious condition in a doorway last night, is reported to be out of danger today. Physicians at the hospital where Britt is being cared for refuse to say that he is not in a serious condition, and "is doing as well as could be expected."

### BANK PRESIDENT NOW BREAKING ROCK

[United Press Leased Wire.] San Quentin, April 30.—Daisell Brown, former president of the California Safe Deposit Company, today is breaking rocks with a gang of convicts of divers colors and nationalities. Brown was transferred to the rock pile because his eyes were failing under the strain of the work in the jute mill, where he was employed. It is feared that his sight is impaired permanently.

### BASEBALL FANS GUESSING TODAY

[United Press Leased Wire.] San Francisco, April 30.—Today being the last day of grace for national agreement baseball players who jumped to outlaw organizations, a general leaping back into the organized ranks was anticipated, but President Herman, of the California state league, declares that he had not heard of any national agreement. Players now with the teams in his league deserting. On the contrary, Herman claims that, in addition to pitcher Egan and Catcher Le... are coming from the... state league teams, and... pitcher will soon be out here to join Fresno. Trippel, the San Jose pitcher, who was reported to have jumped to Los Angeles, has decided to remain with the Plum Pickers. The new national agreement rule, which goes into effect tomorrow morning, provides that any national agreement player who fails to report to or leaves a club having title to his services, and joins outlaw organizations, will be ineligible for reinstatement for a period of three years. Any national agreement player jumping to the outlaws after May 1 will not be eligible for reinstatement for five years.

### WELLS FARGO ALSO UP FOR REDUCTION

The hearing of the Wells Fargo & Co's rate case, which was instigated through a general complaint to the Railroad Commission, has been set for further hearing on June 1st, in the office of the commission at 11 a. m. At the last hearing the express people had a motion was introduced to dismiss the complaint, which motion was overruled by the commission. The complaint against the Wells-Fargo Company are general, being made by the public and patrons of all its lines in Oregon. A hearing in the matter of a double-deck chute for the loading of stock has been postponed from May 11th to May 13, at 10 o'clock p. m.

### PAID THE PENALTY FOR FIENDISH CRIME

[United Press Leased Wire.] Sacramento, April 30.—With a smile on his lips, refusing to talk, and disdaining the attendance of a priest, Antonio Cippola, a Swiss, was hanged this morning at the Folsom prison for the murder of Joseph Piraino. "It's all right, boys," were the last words he uttered as the black cap was adjusted and he was dropped through the trap into eternity. The trap was sprung at 15 seconds after 10 o'clock and in 13 minutes and 40 seconds he was pronounced dead by the attending physicians, Dr. F. D. Gladding, Dr. St. John Healey of Fresno and Prison Physician Ingersoll. He has refused to talk for the past few days and no confession could be secured from him. This morning he ate a hearty breakfast and walked coolly to the gallows without a tremor. The crime for which Cippola paid the death penalty today was one of the most fiendish in the criminal records of this section. Piraino was a friend and room mate. Piraino had supported him while he was out of work, but Cippola was anxious for the little money Piraino had saved up. With two companions, who have never been captured, nor their identity learned, Cippola lured his friend to a river bank two miles above this city and proceeded to rob him of his little store of gold. Piraino fought and while the other two men held him, Cippola carved the man to pieces with a sharp knife. Then they threw the supposedly lifeless man in the river and ran. The cold water revived Piraino and he dragged himself ashore and hailed a passing river boat and was brought to this city, where he died 24 hours later. In the meantime, however, the police had captured Cippola who was found in his room with the damaging evidence of mud and blood stained clothing, his mustache just shaved off and money hidden in his shoes. He was hurriedly taken before his victim who identified him and cried out:

## TERRIFIC STORM VISITS THE MIDDLE WESTERN STATES

### MANY KILLED AND THOUSANDS INJURED WHILE PROPERTY LOSS WILL AMOUNT TO MANY MILLIONS-- STORM HAD WIDE AREA

[United Press Leased Wire.] Chicago, April 30.—Two persons are dead and 50 injured, some of them fatally, as a result of the storm which struck Chicago last night. Wires are down in every direction and communication with outside points is interrupted. Considerable damage was done in Chicago and throughout Illinois and Northern Indiana. Owing to the poor wire communication, but few details have been received. It is feared that when communication with the interior is re-established that the death list will be greatly increased. Two boys, the sons of J. S. Byers, of this city, were reported missing today, and the police are searching for them. It is feared they were killed during the storm. The storm was freakish. It swept certain sections of the city, and left others untouched. Twenty-five houses were wrecked during the night and a number of others were unroofed. Others were burned to the ground after being struck by lightning. At noon today the authorities estimated that the total loss in Chicago

and that four persons lost their lives, while a score were injured. Five persons were killed at Young's crossing, Tenn., and no estimate of the injured has been made. The property loss is very heavy, and will mount high into the thousands of dollars. Regina, Tenn., reports two killed and a dozen hurt, and Locke, Tenn., has been entirely obliterated by the storm. No lives were lost at Locke, so far as can be learned, but a number of persons were injured. Messages received here today state that a dozen buildings were demolished at Raleigh, Tenn., last night, and that the property loss is heavy. At Henderson, Tenn., three men were killed, and West Marion, Ark., and Whentley, Ark., each report one dead. Severe damage resulted at all three places. Kentucky reports indicate that it escaped the worst of the storm. Twenty thousand injured. Memphis, Tenn., April 30.—Twenty thousand persons were injured and a great many killed by the storm which swept the lower Mississippi valley last night, according to reports received here late today. Scores of towns in Arkansas and Tennessee are reported to have been devastated by cyclones and it is certain that the list of known dead will be greatly increased when more detailed reports are received. Death and Destruction Everywhere. St. Louis, Mo., April 30.—Reports this afternoon from Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi indicate that the storms that swept those states last night and today caused enormous property loss, and it appears certain that the death list will be greatly increased. It is estimated that 20 persons were killed in this section alone and six are known to be dead in Arkansas. The town of Horn Lake in DeSoto county is reported to have been totally destroyed but the number of deaths there is not known. At Gadsden Gap one man and two children were killed and 20 persons injured. Twenty Killed at Pulaski. Pulaski, Tenn., April 30.—Twenty persons are dead and 40 injured at Bee Springs, a town in the cyclone belt, according to advices received here this afternoon. The wires are working badly and but little news concerning the amount of damage done by the storm has reached here. Race Track Buildings Wrecked. Atlanta, Ky., April 30.—Latonia race track was badly damaged by the storm last night. Estimates today place the damage at \$10,000, as a number of stables and portions of the grandstand were wrecked. Worse Than Reported. Harrisburg, Ill., April 30.—Latest reports from Texas City say that the town was totally destroyed and 16 persons killed. Wire communication is cut off and no details are obtainable. Seventeen Out of Fifty. Sonett, Mo., April 30.—Five persons were killed and 12 fatally hurt last night when the village of Golden was destroyed by a cyclone. Golden was a hamlet of but 50 inhabitants. THE BURNS GRAFT GETS A BIG JOLT [United Press Leased Wire.] San Francisco, April 30.—Slueths employed under William J. Burns, by the graft prosecution, were unable to draw their pay today because of a temporary injunction granted by Judge Sturtevant, restraining the city treasurer and auditor from meeting that payroll. The injunction was made returnable Saturday. It was issued at the instance of Campbell, Matson and Drew, attorneys for the United Railroads, who allege that there is no provision in the city charter which provides for the hiring of such secret agents, and that Burns's men are performing work that lies within the province of the regular police. The auditor will appear tomorrow and show cause why the injunction should not be made permanent.

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### CAPTAIN ROBINSON TOOK SHORT CUT OUT

San Francisco, April 30.—The steamer Peru, bearing the body of Captain J. F. Robinson, of the wrecked Pacific Mail steamer Indiana, who committed suicide in his cabin aboard the ship, is due here Sunday morning. It is thought that the wreck of his vessel, followed by difficulty with the members of the crew, who were compelled to remain aboard the vessel at Magdalena Bay, was the reason for Robinson's act. Another possible cause, which is rumored here today, is the alleged fact that Robinson did not stand in the good graces of the officers of the Pacific Mail Company. It is said that revelations alleged to have been made by Robinson while master of the steamer City of Peking, to Commissioner of Immigration Frank Sargent, cognizance or which had reached R. P. Sherwin and other company officials, resulted in the promotion of many junior officers over his head. Robinson had been in the service of the company since 1892, and had an enviable record. He was 57 years old.

### Texas City Destroyed

Harrisburg, Ill., April 30.—The town of Texas City, 10 miles north of here, was completely destroyed and 12 persons were killed by last night's storm, according to advices received here today. One man was killed and 16 injured at Wasson, when a boarding house was demolished by the tornado. Other houses there were wrecked, but it cannot be learned whether any more lives were lost, because of the poor wire service here today. A relief train has been sent to Texas City to aid the persons injured and left homeless by the storm.

### Mississippi Valley Storm-Swept

Memphis, Tenn., April 30.—For the sixth time in a year the cyclone belt of Tennessee, Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi and the adjacent states have been swept by a series of storms having four persons dead, hundreds injured, six hamlets destroyed and a property loss amounting to millions of dollars. At Golden, Mo., four persons were killed, and at least 12 seriously hurt. Every building in the town was leveled by the storm, and the property loss is immense. Reports from Horn Lake, Miss., state that the town has been raised