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Rate Case Against Shippers

Commerce Court Dismisses Case Leaving Local rates on Interstate Shipments to Valley Unchanged

To the chagrin of Willamette valley shippers doing business between Albany and Portland comes the announcement that the Willamette valley differential rate case, a decision on which has been pending before the interstate commerce commission for nearly two years, has been dismissed with the ends sought by the shippers ungained. The notice of the dismissal of the case was received at the office of the state railroad commission today.

River Traffic Missed.

Up to about two years ago while river traffic between Portland and upper valley points offered competition to the railroads the local rate between Portland and Salem on transcontinental shipments of the first class, in addition to the rate per hundred pounds from points east of the Missouri river to Portland, was 10 cents. When the river competition was removed the railways at once boosted the rates, making the local rate between Portland and Salem 24 cents, and between Portland and other upper valley towns proportionate to the distance.

The shippers sought relief before the interstate commerce commission, being represented by the law firm of Hewitt & Sox of Albany. A hearing took place in 1910 before Special Examiner Prouty of the interstate commerce commission. All evidence was taken and submitted to the commission at Washington. Last June the commission issued a tentative decision which appeared as if the rates would be reduced. The promise of the tentive decision adds to the disappointment of the shippers over the dismissal of the case.

Only Long Shipments Involved.

The arbitrary rate holds only for transcontinental shipments. It is stated that the commission evidently never did hold to the belief that the 10-cent arbitrary should be restored, but it appeared to be favorable to a reduction. On some classes of goods a through rate between eastern points and the points south of Portland still holds and it is said that the traffic affected by the local rates is not heavy. However, it has been the cause of a great deal of complaint on the part of the shippers who have held it unjust.

Explanation is made by the railroad commissioner that there are ten classes of shipments. The prevailing rate locally between Portland and Salem for shipments of the first class per hundred pounds is 24 cents in addition to the $3 per hundred charged for shipment to Portland. For second class shipments the rate to Salem is 22 cents, for the third class 18 cents, while the other classes are rated accordingly.

Weights Give Trouble.

Special Examiner Prouty is now in Seattle attending a hearing pertaining to the weighing of freight. Much complaint has been registered with the commission in regard to the methods of weighing not only for carloads, but also for less than carload shipments. The complaints are said to be coming to the commission from all over the country.

A TWENTY PER CENT INCREASE IN REGISTRATION

Counties that have submitted to the secretary of state's office the results of registration since the primaries show an average increase of about 20 per cent of the pre-election registration. It was estimated by Registration Clerk Koser that the increase would not beover 15 per cent. The report from one county runs as high as 27 per cent, while another drops to about 10 per cent. In former years a 15 per cent increase has been considered big.

The figures submitted to date are as follows:

Columbia county, prior to primaries, 890, since the primaries, 329, total, 1219; Sherman, 695, since, 93, total, 788; Grant, prior, 1458, since 87, total, 1545; Lincoln, prior, 1121, since, 207, tetal, 1328; Klamath, prior, 2360, since 381, total, 2741; Morrow, prior, 815, since, 167, total, 982; Benton, prior, 1916, since, 535, total, 2455; Gilliam, prior, 682, since, 67, total, 749.

Mr. Koser says that the registration before the primaries also showed an increase over previous years. He believes that the great interest being shown in the presidential and senatorial elections is causing the heavy registration.

LAKE LABISH DISTRICT CONSIDERABLY ENLARGED

Supplementary articles of incorporation adding an aggregate of 182.5 acres to the former 964 acres of the Lake Labish project, were filed in the office of the secretary of state this morning. This action was taken under the 1911 act of the state legislature providing for the formation of district improvement companies by farmers. The articles were filed by the directors of the Labish project, M. L. Jones, Julius G. Voget and E. B. Karn, all local men.

The project was formed for the purpose of draining and farming the old Lake Labish bottom. The acreage of all those interested represents their interest in the company.

BOYS FOUND GUILTY: OTHER COURT MATTERS

Ben Gentry and Ed. Mason, who were under trial in department No. 1 of the circuit court yesterday, under charges made by the grand jury under the white slave law, were found guilty by the jury after debating for about three hours. The specific charge against the defendants, who are 18 and 19 years of age, respectively, was enticing a woman to practice a life of prostitution, the woman being Grace Gentry, the wife of Ben Gentry.

The case of Ed. Mason, which was to have been tried today, was continued until the special session of the court, which will be held in December. The charge in this case is larceny.

At 9 o'clock tomorrow morning the court will pass sentence upon John W. Campbell, Mrs. Ora Orth, Frank Buffin, Ben Gentry and Ed. Mason.

Nearly 200 Aviators Hurled To Death In Last Four Years

LONGSTAFF, MISS QUIMBY, PARMALEE.

ROCKWELL, HOXSEY, BADGER.

Photos by American Press Association.

(Special to The Journal.)

DURING the last four years of aviation almost 200 lives have been sacrificed, not counting many who were killed while innocent spectators. With the recent death of M. Kondo, a Japanese aviator, at Corning, N. Y., and of Ernst Alig and his mechanician at Johannisthal, Germany, the total number of aviators killed is 197. In September, eighteen men were killed, the largest number in a single month. At the present writing, in October, five have lost their lives, and if this rate is maintained the figures of last month will probably be exceeded. Each year has seen an increase in the number of fatalities. In 1908 one man was killed, in 1909 four, in 1910 thirty-six, in 1911 seventy-three, while for the nine months of the present year eighty-three have perished. Some of the tragic deaths in America include those of Miss Harriet Quimby, Longstaff, Parmalee, Rockwell, Hoxsey and Badger. But the long list of deaths has not deterred the progress of aviation. Indeed, they have been but tragic incidents which have apparently spurred other demons of the air to more reckless daring.

Governor Marshall Is Coming

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR VICE-PRESIDENT MET AT STATE LINE BY GOVERNOR WEST—SPEAKS IN OPERA HOUSE TOMORROW.

Arrangements have been completed by which Governor Thomas R. Marshall, chief executive of the state of Indiana and Democratic candidate for the vice-presidency, will address the people of Salem tomorrow afternoon at about 1:30. The governor left San Francisco last night on his way north, intending to make speeches at Ashland, Eugene, Albany, Salem and Portland. The meeting will be held at the opera house. The speaker is a man of splendid ability and will undoubtedly draw a large crowd of all political beliefs.

O. C. Wilson, of California, will also be here tomorrow and will speak of the political topics of the day in the evening at the opera house. This speaker is described by Bert Haney, chairman of the Democratic state central committee, as an able and forceful speaker.

WILL NOT APPEAR TODAY BEFORE GRAND JURY

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Owing to the death of the mother of Asistant United States Attorney Parkins, Miss Lucille Cameron, the 19-year-old white girl whom Jack Johnson, negro prize fighter, is charged with abducting, did not continue her testimony today before the federal grand jury.

Miss Cameron was brought to the federal building, but consideration of the case was postponed temporarily. Government officials are keeping Miss Cameron in seclusion.

Murder of Woman Is A Mystery

Pretty Young Woman Shot Down by Five Men--Money and Jewels Untouched---Card Implicates Johnson

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Bridgeport, Conn., Oct. 23.—Searching for the motive which led five men to shoot pretty Rose Bunnie to death on a lonely road near here last night, detectives today found in the dead girl's pocket the card of Mrs. Alice Aldrich, of Chicago, the woman who is pushing the prosecution of Prize Fighter Jack Johnson, and they believe that to the other malodorous features of the Johnson case may now be added the crime of murder.

Crime Planned in Chicago.

The belief of the police is that the girl victim of the quintet of assassins was killed either because she is connected with the Johnson case, or because she was involved in the recent vice crusade in Chicago. They are convinced that her death was plotted in Chicago.

Of the five men who were driven to the scene of the crime with Miss Bunnie, three were captured, and are in jail here. All three—James Mattio, Frank Piscella and Joe Buonommo—at first were silent on all phases of the case. The other two men involved in the killing escaped.

Three Murderers Captured.

After being sweated by the police, Buonommo, however, confessed he murdered the woman. He declared she was his wife, who had come here from Chicago yesterday, and, with the other four men, entered the automobile and were driven to the scene of the crime. Buonommo declared his only reason to kill the woman was that he was drunk. He could not explain the presence in her pocket of Mrs. Aldrich's card, and the police were skeptical of this story.

Buonommo, after further sweating, finally admitted that the dead woman was his sweetheart, not his wife. This has convinced the police that the crime was planned in Chicago and that the couple came here by Buonommo's desire that the murder might be safely accomplished.

The other men captured are being sweated for their version of the tragedy, and posses are on the trail of the two who escaped.

Story Not Believed.

The three men under arrest were taken after a mad race through a swamp, into which they plunged after the killing. Their clothing was torn almost off them, and they were in the last stages of exhaustion when run down by the police, who were summoned by the chauffeur of the car after he heard the fatal shots fired soon after he left the five men and the woman on the roadside.

The clothing of the woman, who was found dead with five bullet holes in her body, was of the most costly material, and her jewels were untouched by her assassins.

THE WAY THEY DO THINGS OVER IN HALIFAX

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 23.—The Western Union Telegraph company's ship, Minia, was held from sailing yesterday by the refusal of 23 of her seamen to assist in loading cable, claiming that they were not compelled by the articles to do so.

Accordingly they quit the ship, but four were arrested and found guilty of insubordination, the magistrate ordering them aboard at the captain's request, and deducting a forfeit of $6 from each man's wages to pay for the hiring of other men to load the cable.

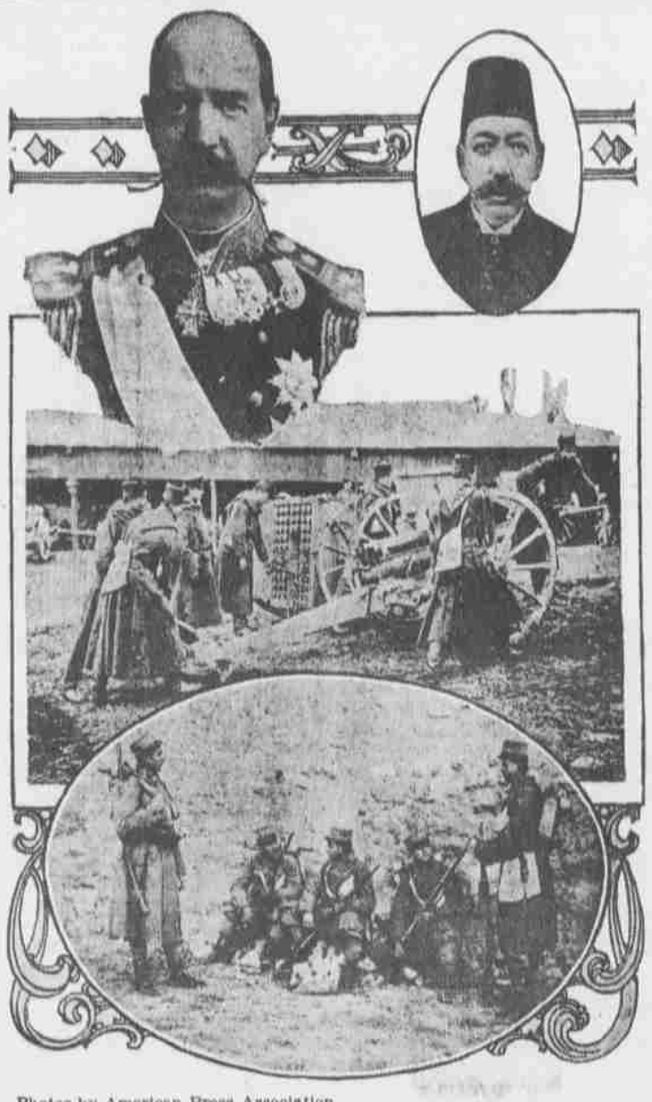
The other 19 men are still missing, and the repair ship will have to remain until they are brought back.

A Genuine Surprise.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

San Francisco, Oct. 23.—A stranger called on Mrs. G. Rudolph and said: "I have a little surprise for you. Here is all the jewelry you thought was stolen. Its value is $1900." Then he vanished, leaving no name, before she rallied from the shock.

Type of Soldiers In Balkan Uprising and Two Rulers



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IN the uprising of the Balkan kingdoms against Turkish rule in Macedonia and Albania the Servian troops were among the first to mobilize under orders from King Peter. This picture shows the type of the Servian soldiers and also King George of Greece, who united with the Balkan kings in revolt, and the sultan of Turkey. The army of the Serbs comes to about 130,000 combatants in case of war. In Servia, as in her neighbor states, service is compulsory and universal. Continuous service in the infantry is for two years and for the artillery and cavalry two years. Then comes service in the reserve and territorial troops for every Servian until he reaches the age of forty-five. The Servian infantry has the Mauser rifle, and the artillery uses a quick firing field gun on the Schneider-Canet system.

Johnson Is Barred From Ring

HIS BOASTS ABOUT WOMEN DISGUST PROMOTERS, AND HE IS DECLARED TOO TOUGH FOR ANY PLACE EXCEPT PARIS.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

San Francisco, Oct. 23.—The fighting days of Jack Johnson, the black heavyweight champion of the world, are probably over. Disgusted by the flaunting boast of the negro that "all white women seem to 'fall' for him, and that he could win any of them," Johnson is barred today by leading fight promoters from appearing in any of the fight centers of the world, with the possible exception of Paris.

The disbarment of Johnson as a fighting attraction was led by Hugh D. McIntosh, the Australian promoter. He had virtually completed arrangements with the negro for two fights at Sydney, which would have netted Johnson probably $50,000, when word of the alleged abduction of Lucille Cameron, and the negro's boast, reached the Australian metropolis.

"Cancel all negotiations with Johnson," was the gist of a cable McIntosh sent his American representative, W. C. J Kelly. "Australians will not stand for a man of this negro's calibre appearing here."

Johnson was angry at McIntosh's stand, but the order stood.

The next promoter to fall into line was James W. Coffroth, of San Francisco, who has staged many championship battles.

"Johnson will never fight for me again," said Coffroth today. "His insults to the women of America should not be allowed to go unchallenged. He will never be seen in a San Francisco ring again. The police committee would not allow him to appear here, anway, and, besides, there is not a promoter in San Francisco who would give him a purse."

Months ago the New York boxing commission hung up a "nothing doing" sign, so far as Johnson is concerned, and the fight promoters of Kansas City also have fallen in line. London barred Johnson when he was matched to meet Bombardier Wells, the British heavyweight there, and it is certain that he can never appear in a London ring. The only place now open to Johnson is Paris, and it is doubtful if the authorities would allow him to appear in the French metropolis.

Many a man who talks like a war hero gets his meek little wife to interview the janitor every time he thinks it necessary to register a kick.

Pathetic Tale Told in Court

Mrs. Lewis Tells of Her Own Undoing and How Her Confession Drove Her Husband to Murder the Tolivers

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

San Diego, Cal., Oct. 23.—Frequently bursting into tears and in a voice so low that much of her testimony had to be repeated to the jury by the stenographer, Mrs. Ellen Lewis, wife of Hubert G. Lewis, slayer of C. H. and Catherine Toliver, today occupied the witness stand in the superior court in behalf of her husband. Her testimony was even more sensational than expected, Mrs. Lewis declaring that she was not only criminally assaulted by Tolliver, but that Tolliver's wife assisted Toliver in his purpose. The evidence further brought out that the Tolivers induced her to submit to a criminal operation.

Confession Crazed Husband.

This was the confession, the witness declared between her sobs, that drove her husband to distraction last December, and caused him to plan and execute the killing of both Tolliver and his wife on May 25.

It was undoubtedly the most affecting scene ever witnessed in a local court room. Mrs. Lewis, the picture of grief, and was at times unable to continue, and seemed on the verge of hysterics. Even the eyes of the jurors and hardened court attaches grew dim, while at one side, his face buried in his hands, sat Lewis, the slayer, his eyes wet with tears.

A Pathetic Scene.

When Mrs. Lewis completed the story that had caused one of the most sensational homicides in the history of the city, she was almost in a state of collapse. Judge Lewis ordered the court adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon, but Mrs. Lewis did not leave her seat. With her head bowed low, and her entire frame shaking with grief and nervous exhaustion, the little woman, now that the greatest part of the ordeal was over, seemed about to faint. Lewis ran from his chair to his wife's side, weeping violently He knelt at her feet and threw his arms around her neck, kissing her repeatedly.

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