

JOKER IN RATE PLAN

FIVE PER CENT INCREASE CASE NOT WHAT IT APPEARED TO BE.

SOME PROPOSED INCREASE AS MUCH AS 50 PER CENT

Full Text of Commerce Commission's Ruling Shows Reads Proposed Radical Readjustment of Freight Charges—Commission's Ruling Interesting to Shippers.

Special to Times-Republican.

Des Moines, Aug. 7.—Copies of the official order and decision by the interstate commerce commission in the advance rate case, of "the per cent case" as the commission calls it, have been received at the state house; and officials interested have perused the same with great interest, as it contains a vast amount of information not touched in the meager dispatches which got thru the chinks between war news.

The order in the case, it is pointed out, is decidedly interesting, for it directs the 112 railroads joining in the petition for the 5 per cent rate, shall cancel all their advanced rate schedules prior to Sept. 12, except a few that were not involved. This clears the decks for supplemental orders permitting the raise in rates on a few of the class rates in G. F. A. territory only.

But the general order, so it is found to be, is for the cancellation of all the more than 20,000 new schedules filed. The commission, in its decision, refers to the proposed rates as the "so-called 5 per cent increase," and points out that as a matter of fact when the carriers got down to the bottom they were not asking for a flat increase of 5 per cent but for various and sundry increases averaging more than 5 per cent. On this, what the commission says is interesting.

"The rates now proposed by the carriers are commonly spoken of as providing a 5 per cent increase in freight charges. As a matter of fact the increases range from less than 3 per cent on some traffic to as high as 50 per cent on certain short-haul traffic. One witness testified that they averaged slightly less than 5 per cent; but this is doubtful. The tariffs provide a minimum increase of 5 cents in all rates named in cents per ton when less than \$1. Also the little reference to this minimum advance is made of record; its importance becomes obvious in view of the fact that far more than one-half of all the tonnage in the territory moves under the ton rates. The result of applying the 5 cent minimum is not a 5 per cent increase, but when the ton rate is less than \$1, as many of them are, the increase is more than 5 per cent. For example, a present rate on sand of 15 cents per ton would be raised to 20 cents under the suspended tariffs, an advance of 33 1/3 per cent. Non-increases are proposed in the rates on anthracite coal moving to the Atlantic ports, those rates being under investigation in another proceeding. No increased rates are proposed on interstate traffic moving between points in New England, except in certain minor particulars where higher rates were deemed necessary to maintain long established relationships with rates from trunk line territory. A few individual rates are found elsewhere in which no increases are proposed, such as rates between certain points on sugar, iron and zinc ore and live stock. No satisfactory explanation has been given for making these exceptions, which would undoubtedly be valuable to the shippers who could use these rates. Increased rates on the same so-called 5 per cent basis were proposed purely state traffic; but they were voluntarily suspended by the carriers in the expectation that in the event this commission authorized any increase in the interstate rates, the carriers would then seek authority from the several state commissions to increase the rates on state traffic in the same proportion. Pending the outcome of these efforts with the state commissions, the higher rates, if permitted to become effective, would apply therefore only upon interstate shipments."

And so, while denying the so-called 5 per cent advance, the commission, in effect, advise the carriers to "undertake the readjustment which they assert is necessary in the Central Freight Association territory and which was not in dispute at any time. This readjustment was foreshadowed by the whole proceeding and it will affect prices in the western territory.

WILL RESPAN BIG SIOUX.

Great Concrete Arch Bridge to Be Built by Sioux City.

Ames, Aug. 7.—Sioux City is to build a great concrete arch bridge over the Big Sioux river. She has asked the Iowa State Highway Commission to prepare her plans for a suitable structure. Sioux City, it is understood, stands ready to pay two-thirds of the total cost of the bridge. Union county, South Dakota, being expected to pay the other third. The preliminary survey of the bridge site has already been made by Field Engineer Fred White, who has suggested five eighty-foot open spanned concrete arches, making a bridge 400 feet long. The roadway planned is thirty feet wide on two five-foot sidewalks, forty feet in all. The old bridge is 520 feet long, consisting of two 260-foot combination wooden trusses. On the South Dakota side there is at present a new 153-foot steel span approach. The old bridge as a whole is in rather poor condition. The bridge will be located on the Big Sioux near the Sioux City Yacht Club, a slightly spot, and an important approach to the city, and the route leading to the great auto race track.

PROCEEDS UNDER NEW LAW.

State to Condemn Property at Iowa City For Use of University.

Des Moines, Aug. 7.—Judge Caleb A. Robbins, assistant attorney general, is in Iowa City to start proceedings for the first time under a new law for condemnation of property for state use. The condemnation is in order to get a settlement on a tract desired by the

state board of education for enlargement of the university campus. The board has not been able to reach an agreement with the owners, in fact, resists the attempt at a "hold up" in the matter of price just because it is the state buying the property.

The new law provides that the sheriff's jury shall be designated by the chief justice of the supreme court and will consist of persons not residents of the county in which the controversy arises. In other respects the proceedings are as under the old law. The law was made as a safeguard for the officials of the state in completing the deal for capitol extension; but thus far it has not been found necessary to resort to it against any property owner in Des Moines.

YOU MAY FISH ON SUNDAY.

But Hunting and Dancing Are Barred Under Iowa Laws.

Des Moines, Aug. 7.—While it is unlawful to hunt, it is lawful to fish on Sunday, according to the attorney general's department. The question was submitted by a city official in western Iowa. On examination of the statute it was discovered that dancing, shooting, hunting and horse racing are forbidden on the Sabbath, but that no mention is made of fishing on that day.

GIVEN PASTEUR TREATMENT.

Pocahontas County Girl Bitten by Dog Believed to Be Mad.

Special to Times-Republican. Pocahontas, Aug. 7.—Arnold Ressler, a farmer living near Rolfe, brought his 3-year-old daughter, who has been bitten by a dog, supposed to be mad, in Pocahontas county. Dr. Albert, Iowa state bacteriologist, gave the little one the pasteur treatment, but there is no evidence that the child is in danger of hydrophobia.

Iowa Postmasters Appointed.

Washington, Aug. 7.—The following postmasters have been reappointed: Eye, Alice G. Blankenship; Atkinson, Frank J. Mason; Bailey, Jennie E. Frisbie; Bangor, Charles R. Whinery; Bolan, John R. Benish; Campbell, Lewis Hyland; Cloverdale, Peter Sharbondy; Crocker, John F. Horner; Dale, Charles Lonsdale; Devon, John Adams; Elm, Edna Turner; Eldora, William P. Lauer; Glendon, George J. Moore; Granite, John C. Simmer; Highland Center, Benjamin L. Denny; Hunters, Blon E. Metzger; Jordan, John W. Weikel; Kennebec, Winifred H. Foster; Kennedy, Clark V. Dawson; Kenwood, Frank P. Carl; Langdon, Emil Bargloff; Lawnhill, George Eldering; Lima, Albert R. Oelberg; Locust, George Ruffridge; Long Point, Albert Kubick; Maron, Adam J. Horton; Norwoodville, John Neesham; Olive, Alice Billings; Paralta, T. J. Kinney; Reney, John M. Whitman; Talleysand, James F. Abraham; Tyrone, Frank N. Wilson; Vanclave, Mitchell Longham; Vee, Peter J. Harken; West, Gustav Miller and, Wichita, Frank E. Lathrop. John A. Steen has been appointed postmaster at Edna, Lyon county, vice Bess Messecer, resigned.

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AMUSEMENT CALENDAR FILLED.

North Central Iowa Towns to Hold Celebrations in Next Few Weeks. Special to Times-Republican.

Iowa Falls, Aug. 7.—A glance at the amusement calendar of this part of the state shows that the city or town that has no celebration booked for the next few weeks is the exception. In addition to the usual county fairs scheduled for this month and next, there are several baseball tournaments, including the one here, Aug. 12 and 13, and one at Garner on the same days. Conrad holds its annual horse show and ball tournament Sept. 2 and 4. Bridge day will be celebrated at Eldora, Aug. 19, to commemorate the opening of the new high bridge in that city. Duncombe holds its annual mid-summer celebration Aug. 15, while Hubbard days, for which Hubbard has become noted, will be observed on Sept. 15 and 19. On Aug. 14, a big day will be observed in true Bostonese style at Geneva, while best day is set for Aug. 11, at Steamboat Rock. Ackley and her noted sauerkraut day are on the boards Aug. 27, and on Sept. 9 the big watermelon day celebration at Webster City is scheduled.

LOCATE TRACK TO COLONY. Milwaukee to Run Spur to Epileptic Farm Near Woodward.

Special to Times-Republican. Des Moines, Aug. 7.—The board of control has located the Milwaukee railroad sidetrack for the state epileptic colony in Boone county near Woodward, and the company will construct it next fall. The spur will be some work done at the colony farm this summer, by convicts, and the plans will be laid for a larger expenditure next year. The plans for first buildings will be made and submitted to the legislature, and by having the railroad sidings into the grounds, the best terms can be secured for contracts on the buildings.

Eldora News Items. Special to Times-Republican. Eldora, Aug. 7.—The 3-year-old daughter of Louise Ziesman, living east of town, lost the fore finger of her right hand Thursday afternoon when she in some manner got the member in the machinery of a windmill.

After having driven a team of horses for more than sixteen years out of this city delivering mail on the rural route, G. L. Praxier has purchased an automobile and is now working for Uncle Samuel on a faster schedule.

A. B. Ellison suffered the loss of the little finger on his right hand Thursday afternoon when that member was caught in some part of a threshing machine, which he was assisting to operate on a farm northwest of town.

The Iowa River Light and Power Company has added a 125 horse power boiler to its capacity at the steam plant. This is in addition to the three eighty horse power boilers already in use.

A number of invitations have been received here from Boone for the reunion of the Thirty-second Iowa Infantry, to be held in that city Aug. 11 and 12. Quite a few of the soldiers of 1861-65 now living in this county were members of this regiment.

A. F. Bener, who for several years has been employed in the G. A. Starr drug store in this city, has bought a drug store in Belle Plaine and he and his wife will leave soon for that city to become residents.

Word from Miss Ethel Ryan, who is attending Berkeley College, Berkeley, Cal., is to the effect that she has been selected as physical director of the Young Women's Christian Association in Des Moines. Miss Ryan is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Ryan of Eldora, and is a graduate of Cornell College, Mount Vernon.

Frank Cross, who had been here visiting his niece, Mrs. A. M. Doud, living in Jackson township, left Thursday for Ambly, Ill. his old home, before returning to the state of California, where he expects to make his home.

Miss Frances Nuckolls fell from a teeter board at Riverside park Thursday with sufficient force to break her right wrist.

Mrs. M. Barnes, of this city, has gone to Cedar Falls, from which point she and her mother, Mrs. Kate Cray, expect to leave the first of the week for points in California.

Dr. Nelson Walsh and family have been guests this week in the home of Sheriff Walsh. Dr. Walsh has been taking a post graduate course in Harvard University and was enroute home in Fayette county. Dr. Walsh and his wife are cousins and this was their first meeting in eighteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smith and family have come to Lake Okoboji for a recuperative visit of a week or ten days.

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DEATH IS A STRANGER

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City Clerk Crittenden reports, however, that during the period named one burial permit has been issued. This death was ten miles in the country but internment was given in this city, making necessary the taking out of a burial permit. Clerk Crittenden is authorized for the further statement that never before since permanent records have been kept in this city have five weeks elapsed without the issuance of more than one burial permit.

On the strength of this showing, the Webster City Commercial League lays down a challenge to the nation to produce a more healthful community than Webster City. The record is all the more unusual when one considers that the period taken includes the very hottest portion of the summer, a period when many deaths frequently occur due to the heat.

Ackley News in Brief. Special to Times-Republican. Ackley, Aug. 7.—Mrs. Bailey and two children, of Cedar Rapids, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Bailey's sister, Mrs. Fred Passmore.

Mrs. Schoolcraft, of Eagle Grove, who has been here for the past two weeks taking care of her daughter, Mrs. Avery, will leave this week for her home, as Mrs. Avery is considerably improved. Dr. Schoolcraft, of Minneapolis, will be here Sunday to see his sister.

S. Block, who has been in Paris, France, since the first of June, visiting relatives, arrived in this city yesterday, having cut short his visit because of the war rumors that were rife at the time of his departure from France about three weeks ago. His brother, who is a high official in French military affairs advised him, it is presumed, of the precarious condition at that time and so he was fortunate in getting away from the zone of conflict before the war clouds broke. There are several Ackley people abroad, three of whom, William Butte, H. Hykens and Mr. Abbass, are in Germany and considerable anxiety is felt by relatives here. They were in the northern part of Germany when last heard from. Miss Emma Hagenstein who has been in Germany, was expected to reach New York last Saturday but no word has been received here of her arrival and news of her whereabouts is anxiously awaited by her family.

The union services of the protestant churches which are held on the lawn of the M. E. church every Sunday evening are well attended and appreciated this warm weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Obbo Bakker and two children left yesterday for a week's visit with Waterloo friends.

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Mr. W. H. Chaney, R. F. D. 2, Sutherland, Pittsylvania Co., Va., writes: "For the past twelve months I have been a sufferer from catarrh of the head. Since taking four bottles of your Peruna I feel a different person altogether. The severe pains in my head have disappeared, and my entire system has been greatly strengthened. This is my first testimonial to the curative qualities of any patent medicine, but I feel it a duty to mankind to let them know of the greatest medicine on earth—Peruna—in my estimation for the above trouble."

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