

## RATE HEARINGS BEGIN ON LUMBER SHIPMENTS

Corporation Commission Engaged in  
Investigation of Interstate  
Lumber Rates

After two days delay the rate hearing before the state corporation commission in relation to lumber rates opened last week Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The arrival in the city of Paul P. Hastings, assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Santa Fe, and Attorney H. C. Booth, of the Southern Pacific, made the opening of the hearing possible, they having been unable to reach the city prior to that time because of the washouts in the California roads.

W. P. Geary, chairman of the corporation commission conducted the hearing. Hastings and E. W. Camp attorneys for the Santa Fe, are conducting the case for the railroads.

Edgar Brown rate clerk of the commission was the first witness before the body. Brown testified that the rates between points within the state was higher in comparison than was the rate from California points to stations in Arizona. He suggested that the California rates to Arizona be used as a basis for the new rates. It was further shown in Brown's examination that the rates between Arizona and states east were generally lower than rates from one place to another within the state.

In the afternoon William McDermont, of Williams, representing the Saginaw and Manistee Lumber company, the Arizona Lumber & Timber company, the Greenlaw Lumber company and the Flagstaff Lumber & Manufacturing company, took the stand. He brought out practically the same facts as were shown by Brown in his examination and cross examination in the morning. —Phoenix Republican.

## ELKS HOLD ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Organization Has Had Prosperous Year  
and are Preparing to Build  
New Home.

There was an enthusiastic bunch of Elks present Tuesday evening at the annual election of officers and more interest displayed than for several moons. The order has been booming during the term of Exalted Ruler Ray Eddy, in fact it was the most prosperous year of the order, and he has set a rapid pace for his successor.

The newly elected officers are: Exalted Ruler—E. A. Sliker. Leading Knight—Dr. Thomas Manning.

Loyal Knight—W. W. Hudgins. Lecturing Knight—Richard White.

Secretary—Dr. E. S. Miller. Treasurer—M. I. Powers. Tiler—D. H. Jones. Trustee—E. M. Brown. Representative—Ray Eddy. Alternate—Judge F. W. Perkins.

The lodge now has a good location for a lodge home and club on the corner of Aspen avenue and Beaver street and is now making a concerted effort to raise sufficient funds to erect a building. They will keep things moving until the building is a reality.

County Surveyor James A. Lamport has straightened out and laid grades for a splendid piece of road leading to the new Canyon Padre bridge. This strip of road is so good that even Father Vabre, the National Lincoln Highway Association expert, has a dozen pictures of it to show what has been done and what can be done in northern Arizona.

## Mrs. H. J. Plummer Passes Away

Mrs. Eva L. Plummer, wife of Mr. H. J. Plummer, quietly passed away early Saturday morning, her years of suffering from tuberculosis peacefully ending with her husband and their children about her. She was cheerful until the last and was making plans for the future when the messenger of death came.

Mrs. Plummer was born at Fredericktown, Missouri, in July 9th, 1875 and was 38 years of age at the time of her death. She was a member of the Christian church at Fredericktown which she joined twenty years ago, and was a conscientious, christian woman.

Mr. Plummer brought his family to Flagstaff about eighteen months ago from Missouri, for the benefit of Mrs. Plummer's health. She leaves a husband and three children, Misses Hazel, Lois and son Guy.

The funeral services were held at the M. E. church Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock p. m.

## French Not Extradicted

C. W. French, the California promoter, who was arrested at Flagstaff a couple weeks ago on charges made against him by Salt Lake parties, will not have to go back to Utah. Governor Hunt refused the extradition papers after hearing the case. In his statement of the case Attorney Clark for Mr. French said:

"The attempt to get French back into Utah is for the purpose of accomplishing an ulterior object. He said that French is innocent of any crime. Back of it all is a scheme, a plan of parties opposed to French's promotion of a big steel enterprise. French has been hounded from state to state and across the ocean. Sinister and powerful forces are trying to crush the big project and they are after French because they know he is at the head of it."

## Verde Claims Victims

The toll taken by the recent flood in the Verde river probably amounts to three lives. Jose Tivoloro, a Mexican, while swimming in the flood, near Clarkdale, for drift wood, was struck on the head by a drift log and so stunned that he drowned. The body was found three days later near Cottonwood.

Another fatality was supposed to have occurred somewhere up the river as parties at Clarkdale and below saw a horse with saddle floating down.

It is reported from Camp Verde that a team drawing a wagon with a one-horse buggy drove into the river at the ford below the village and neither teams nor drivers were seen or heard from again.

## Will Resign if Elected

Constable I. F. Wheeler wishes to announce that he will resign his office as Constable immediately if elected City Marshal, as he does not desire to retain two offices.

H. S. Gilmer returned yesterday morning from a visit to his old home near New Orleans.

Arrangements have been made for an interesting entertainment on St. Patrick's evening, March 17, at the Majestic Theater. Following the entertainment, a dance will be given, the music furnished being that of the Majestic Orchestra. The local council of the Knights of Columbus has charge of the entertainment and a pleasant evening is assured all those who attend.

Mr. J. W. Francis, the Overland auto man, returned Tuesday evening from Los Angeles where he attended the big international auto race. Francis did not think they put up as big a show as could be expected—only one man was killed and another hurt, and, he left the grandstand just a few moments before the last man went up into the air and overboard. Luck? Eh? What?

## LINCOLN HIGHWAY PRESIDENT VISITS US

Mr. Henry B. Joy, president of the Lincoln Highway Association and also president of the Packard Automobile company of Detroit, came in overland from Albuquerque Saturday and stopped here a short time on his way to Grand Canyon. The machine was shipped west to Albuquerque and driven overland here. After visiting the canyon Mr. Joy will go west to Williams and within a couple weeks will endeavor to make the trip back to Detroit overland.

Mr. Joy was very much pleased with his trip even though weather conditions were not the most favorable at this time of the year, and is a booster for the "Trail of the Padres."

## Passes Away at Tuba

Edward Stewart, the 23 year old son of E. J. Stewart, died at Tuba last Sunday evening of pneumonia after a very brief illness. The young man was a graduate of the Stanford University of California and a promising young mining engineer with a bright and prosperous career ahead of him when the sudden summons came.

He was a member of the Elks lodge at Riverside, California, and a young man held in high esteem by all those with whom he came in contact.

He had been visiting his father and mother at Tuba when taken ill. His father is construction engineer for the Indian service.

The funeral services are to be held at the M. E. church this afternoon at 3 o'clock p. m., and were in charge of the local Elks lodge.

Those among the relatives who attended the funeral from abroad were: his sisters Mrs. G. W. Manning, Fort Defiance, N. M., Mrs. Jesse A. Molohon, Crystal, N. M., and Mrs. Stephen Janus, Belcourt, N. D.

Miss Nolan is quite seriously ill with a severe attack of tonsillitis.

## FLAGSTAFF AND SANTA FE AGREE ON WATER WORKS

After Two Days Session Vexatious Water Question  
Is Practically Settled—Will Spend  
\$165,000 on New System

Mr. E. W. Camp, general attorney for the Santa Fe coast lines, accompanied by Mr. Junkin general contract attorney for the Santa Fe lines, came to Flagstaff Monday morning and after a session with the city council for two days, finally came to an agreement whereby the Santa Fe company will construct a fifty million gallon reservoir and put in a new pipe line for the city of Flagstaff and turn the whole plant over to the city on a twenty-five year contract. The city is to maintain the new system and furnish the Santa Fe with a certain amount of water, according to the amount developed, at the expiration of this contract Flagstaff is to have the right to take over the entire system, releasing them from any further obligation to the railroad.

The contract has not been signed since the exact location of the new fifty million gallon reservoir site has not been definitely settled upon. This feature alone is all that is left to complete it except the formal signatures of the proper railroad officials and the city council.

It is understood that work will commence as soon as the site is definitely located, the negotiations having reached a practical settlement.

## Dresswell Shop Changes Hands

The Dresswell Shop, the little high class men's shop established several months ago by Mr. M. A. Murphy at the corner of Leroux and Aspen avenue, was sold this week to Chester A. Black who took immediate charge of the place. Mr. Black needs no introduction to the Flagstaff public as he has been in business here for a number of years and is a young man who will undoubtedly make the Dresswell Shop grow and be the popular purchasing parlor for men.

It was gratifying to see so many Spanish-speaking people attending the lectures given by Rev. M. Selga, S. J., at the Church of Nativity, Flagstaff. In a plain and clear language the speaker explained to the audience the wonders of Heaven and endeavored to convey to their minds an idea of the distance of the stars.

## HAYNES SENTENCED TO HANG MAY 8

Word was received Wednesday by Sheriff Pulliam that Frank W. Haynes, known in some places as Frank Aubrey, was sentenced at Sydney, N. S. to hang on May 8th for murder committed in that city.

Haynes lived in Flagstaff for several months a couple years ago and organized a real estate and insurance company, and endeavored to float a mining deal. He left suddenly abandoning his wife penniless. He was wanted here for that crime. Later he drifted from California to Nova Scotia, where he went with the wife of the man he murdered at Sydney.

Haynes record was a bad one. He was charged with having two or three wives in different parts of the country and was an unscrupulous adventurer. He was arrested a few months ago on suspicion of murder which resulted in his speedy conviction on February 26th with death sentence set for May 8th.

## NORMAL GRADUATE RECEIVES HIGH PRAISE

The Albuquerque Morning Journal takes occasion to highly praise the work of Mrs. Katherine Pritchett in her school work at Lamy, N. M. Mrs. Katherine Humphreys-Pritchett was a graduate of the N. A. N. S. here and well known among the young people of Flagstaff. The article says in part:

"Fifty-seven children under the care and instruction of one teacher teaching seven grades. An outsider or a city school teacher would deem it a hopeless task. Yet, look at the exhibit brought up from the little Lamy schoolhouse by Mrs. Katherine Pritchett, the teacher.

Does anyone wonder that Superintendent J. H. Wagner of the Santa Fe city schools declared it to be wonderful, that he admitted that his schools could show nothing, grade for grade, that was neater or proved greater ability than this work from the little station on the Santa Fe which the average traveler regards with pity if not disdain because of the apparent poverty and death of all that makes life, even in a modern village, desirable?

Truly, this little, slim girl in black is transforming an entire community, is making patriotic, self-reliant, men and women under the most adverse circumstances possible. And what a busy time she has. Her work does not end with the school room or on Friday afternoon. She finds that she must take Saturday to teach the girls sewing so that the time allotted for scholastic work is not cut into. Sundays she teaches Sunday school. Holidays she chaperones her charges on picnics or prepares festival programs."

## IRRIGATION PROJECT FOR ARIZONA AND UTAH

C. H. Spencer who has been in Flagstaff for several days past, has a big irrigation project in view along the line of Arizona and Utah which he calls the Arizutah Live Stock and Ranch project."

The project contemplates the irrigation of lands in the southern part of Kane County, Utah and the ranging of stock to the North, West and East. The natural boundaries of this territory would be Arizona on the south, Kanab and Sevier National forest on the west; Powell National forest on the north and the Straight Cliff bounding on the Kaiparowits Plateau on the east together with the canyon of the Colorado river.

The project now under contemplation will irrigate about 25,000 acres of land and possibly a great deal more. The Paria river from which water is to be taken has a drainage area of 600 square miles and the area to be covered is a rich ranching and grazing section which would add millions to the wealth of Southern Utah and Northern Arizona.

If the irrigation scheme goes through, and it would increase the value of lands from a nominal sum to at least \$100 to \$150 per acre, Flagstaff and Northern Arizona would be a great gainer from it. Flagstaff would undoubtedly be the center from which all business in this section would be done, and in a short time a railroad would necessarily come to assist in the development of the, as yet, undiscovered country.

Rev. Father Vabre went to Kingman Tuesday to talk more good roads to the Northern Route people, with the hope that all Northern Arizona would be strung together by next year with the best continuous string of good auto roads in the state.

## Santa Fe Makes Big Settlement

Judge Perkins, on Wednesday of this week, entered a judgment for the plaintiff in the case of Gorton, administratrix, against the Atchinson, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company by agreement between the parties. This case was brought to recover damages on behalf of the widow and children of Mr. Courser, an ex-captain of the fire department of Chicago, who was killed in a rear end collision between two freight trains at Williams, several months ago. On account of the large pension that Mr. Courser was entitled to draw during his life, on account of his services in the fire department of Chicago, and on account of his large earning capacity, judgment was, by agreement of the parties, entered at fifteen thousand dollars, an unusually large amount, the largest amount ever recovered in a case for injuries resulting in death in Arizona. C. B. Wilson, County Attorney, and Judge Doe were attorneys for the plaintiff.

## Has Foot Badly Crushed

Leon Jones, who is attending the Normal from Williams, met with a serious accident Saturday afternoon. He attempted to board a passing freight train about three miles west of Flagstaff, missed his footing and had his left foot badly crushed. There were two young men with him at the time of the accident. One came back to Flagstaff for a conveyance while the other remained with the injured boy until the conveyance returned.

The boys were on their way to Riordan for a short outing when the accident occurred. Jones is the step-son of Ed Hamilton and 17 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton came in on No. 10 Saturday evening to be with their son.

## Prescott Wants to Play

Efforts to arrange a basketball game between Flagstaff Normal and the local high school have practically fallen through, a fact keenly regretted by basketball fans, particularly those residing in the northern section of the State.

Such a tussle would unquestionably prove not only a great drawing card, but would entitle the winning team to a claim upon the championship of the State. Recently the Normal squad trounced the Winslow high school and the local school repeated the same stunt twice. The Normal school has, however terminated its basketball activities for the season. —Prescott Journal Miner.

## Sheep Shearing at Kingman

Hugh Campbell this week looked after the shearing of 4000 head of sheep and shipped the wool to eastern buyers. It is said that he was paid 16½ cents per pound for the wool, which is above the market of last year. J. L. Munds and A. A. Johns are shearing 11,000 head of sheep, but have not yet disposed of their wool, believing that the market will be still better in a short time. It is expected that fully 200,000 head of sheep will be brought here for the shearing and lambing season. —Kingman Miner.

## Want to Play Here

The Wellington, Kansas, girls band which is playing under the auspices of the Santa Fe Reading room bureau, went through Flagstaff Tuesday. They played at Williams and were greatly praised for their work. They are very anxious to play at Flagstaff on their return trip from California and have asked that Supt. Busser be requested to let them stop here. Flagstaff people would very much like to hear the girls play. There are about forty in the band.