

HEARING ON FREIGHT RATES

State Railway Commission Fixes on March Twenty-Four as Date.

INQUIRY IS TO BE A BROAD ONE

Notice Served on All Roads in the State and Parties Having Complaints to Make Requested to Present Them.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 13. (Special.)—The State Railway Commission last set March 24 as a day for beginning the investigation of freight rates in Nebraska. Today the commission adopted the following order and rules governing the hearings:

In the matter of the investigation of merchandise and commodity tariffs, rates and charges between stations in the state of Nebraska on the several lines of railroad. Resolved, By the Nebraska State Railway Commission, that it do now proceed upon its own motion to investigate the reasonableness of the tariffs of rates and joint rates...

It is ordered that copies of this resolution be served upon each of the above named carriers, as if complaint had been made in the usual form. It is further ordered that said carriers and each of them are hereby notified that the commission has under consideration the reasonableness of the tariffs and the reasonableness of any joint rates relating between any of these carriers on any and all classes of merchandise and commodities between stations in this state...

The scope of the investigation will include: 1. What plan of rate making is for the best interest of the state as a whole? In this connection the commission will consider the advisability of promulgating a schedule of flat rate maximums...

Letter to Assessors. Bennett's secretary has sent out the following letter to the various county assessors of the state: Dear Sir: In the assessment for 1908, land and improvements are to be separately valued and assessed. See Sec. 106, Chap. 21, Art. I, Compiled Statutes of Nebraska...

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the fact that contiguous pieces, though without improvements, had an increased value on account of the improvements on the adjoining piece. This was particularly true in rough and thinly settled counties. The success or failure of the law rests wholly with those who execute it. As assessors are the real power, and upon their judgment and honor depend the maintenance of our local and state government. They naturally view the law and value the property under their supervision. Remember that the State Board of Equalization and Assessment equalizes as between counties, not individuals. In order that your taxpayers may not be penalized by increased valuation you should see to it that property is returned as provided by law. You should familiarize yourself on all points of the law. Be courageous in administering it, to the end that no citizen be weary to view, "I pay my neighbor a tax."

GEORGE D. BENNETT, Secretary.

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Primarys were held in Lancaster county today to select delegates to the county convention and decide the county's preference for a presidential candidate. In the city the remainder of the caucus were held last night. The caucus was held at 8 o'clock in the morning and will the same day become Iga Anderson's valentine, just as Governor Sheldon figured he should be. The two will be married some time during the next few days.

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GOOD WISHES FOR SHELDON

Congratulatory Telegrams Are Sent to the Governor.

COMPLIMENTS FOR SUPT. M'BRIEN

Hearing in Progress at Lincoln on the Complaint of Anti-Saloon Men Against Wayne City Councilmen.

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Saloon league, which, he said, was composed of good men and women, had injured the town; had caused dissensions in the churches, the lodges and other organizations, and had given the town of Wayne a bad name. About three saloons were conducted according to law; that if they were not, the detectives employed by the league would have caught them; that he as city attorney stood ready at all times to prosecute saloonkeepers against whom complaint is made; that he would be backed up the whole way; that it would not cost the Anti-Saloon League 1 cent; that he himself had never taken a drink of whisky or beer and was proud of it.

In reply Mr. Thomas said he did not desire to go into personalities and was sorry some feeling had cropped out. He doubted that any desire existed on the part of the city council to do anything in the matter of revoking the license of Thompson and he called attention to the fact that the council had taken the advice of the city attorney in the case where the city attorney had acted as the attorney for Thompson in the criminal proceedings against him; that the council had employed Mr. Tyler, who had been the attorney for two other saloonkeepers in Wayne. This, he said, was not a reflection on the lawyers but was a reflection on the council. Mr. Berry answered that he had requested the council to get other counsel besides himself because of his past connection with Thompson.

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By William Jennings Bryan on Wednesday afternoon and the reception by the Lincoln Typographical union on Wednesday evening. At the Commercial club banquet W. E. Hardy, president of the club, will preside and the following short addresses will be made by Allen W. Field, Victor Roosevelt of the Bee, William R. Watson of the World-Herald, President H. C. Richmond of the Press association and others. Following is the complete program of the evening: MONDAY EVENING. Lecture by Edgar W. Howe, editor of the Atlantic Globe, on "Daily Notes of a Trip Around the World," illustrated. Also three of the Atlantic club carnival. At the First Baptist church, complimentary to the Nebraska Press association, by Rev. F. S. Stein officiating.

TUESDAY MORNING. Song, "America," by the assembly. Invocation, by Rev. H. H. Harmon, pastor of the First Christian church. Roll call and reading of the minutes by the secretary. Welcome, by William Hardy, president of the Commercial club. Address, by J. C. Elliott of the West Point Republican. Annual poem, by A. L. Bixby of the Lincoln Republican. Response, by Edgar Howard of the Columbia Telegram. Appointment of committees. TUESDAY AFTERNOON. "Pork in Packages and Politics," by John M. Tanner of the South Omaha Democrat. Article Post, "The Argument For," by H. T. Dobbins of the Lincoln Evening News. Article Post: "The Argument Against," by H. M. Bushnell of the Lincoln Trade Journal. The Historical Society, by W. E. Hannan of the Nebraska Historical society. General discussion. TUESDAY EVENING. Banquet at Lindell hotel, tendered to the Nebraska Press association by the Lincoln Commercial club. Annual report, by the secretary. "Reminiscences," by "Senator" Al Sorenson, led by N. J. Lord of the Wa-hoo Democrat. Address, "Jolly Along," by John J. Ryde, deputy commissioner of labor. Report of committees. WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON. Paper, "The Newspaper Woman," by Mrs. Anna Vio Gates of the Auburn Grant. Paper, "The Party Organ," by M. A. Pearce of the Kansas Argonaut. Discussion, led by N. J. Lord of the Wa-hoo Democrat. Address, by William J. Bryan. WEDNESDAY EVENING. Reception and ball, tendered to the Nebraska Press association and employing the Lincoln Typographical union, and the anniversary of the union, assisted by the Lincoln Typographical union No. 205, at Fraternity hall.

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