

### Canal Shipping Rate Regulation Seems Only Just

Appeal of Railroads in Long-Haul Rates Should Be Favorably Acted Upon.

**ARTICLE VIII.**  
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Modern inventions have made this world of ours a mighty small place. We are all neighbors. Transportation of men, messages and materials has welded us all into one great community. We have been discussing now for several days the effect of transportation upon this mid-western country of ours. In the days of Theodore Roosevelt, led by his great enthusiasm, we all joined in a mighty shout for the building of the Panama canal. For years we have dug into our pockets for the money to pay for that job—the waterway that connects the two oceans and cuts the steamship distance between New York and San Francisco by many days and many miles.

We are as proud of that canal today as we have ever been, but there are some things about its use that are beginning to cause us uneasiness. Millions of tons of the materials of commerce that once moved over the railroads from coast to coast now move by way of the canal. The revenue that once went to the railroads now goes to the steamship companies. As this revenue to the railroads has been cut down, the rates between interior points have been increased.

**Hope for Rate Cut.**  
If the present appeal of the railroads for the right to make certain long-haul rates is granted, there is hope that our interior rates will not be again increased—it may be that in a readjustment of rates many of them can be reduced. If the Gooding amendment is passed it is certain that the middle west will have to continue to carry the burden of high rates—it may be that the rates will have to be increased. The movement of commerce from coast to coast affects both the rates and the industries of the middle-west, whether that commerce is carried by rail or in ocean ships. It is all one transaction. The ocean rates for coastwise shipping and the

**Canal Should Be Regulated.**  
Panama canal rates are a part of the rate structure of American commerce. They should be regulated and controlled by the same body that controls railroad rates. If cheap long-haul rates are wrong on the railroads, they are wrong through the canal.

Our interests in the middle west demand that the railroads be permitted to put into effect low long-haul rates, or that the ocean shipping interests be compelled to increase their rates to something like a parity with rail rates. If this is not done our industries will languish and we will need to carry an ever heavier load of transportation charges.

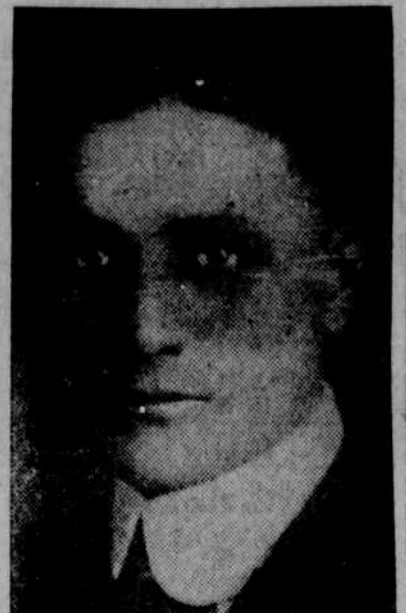
**Roads Ask Opportunity.**  
The western railroads that have pushed out from Chicago to the Missouri river, and from the Missouri river toward the setting sun, are asking that they have an opportunity to reap where they have sown. Let us remember that the railroads cannot prosper if the people are poor. In this instance their fight is the fight of the people of the middle west.

The adoption of the Gooding amendment to Section IV of the interstate commerce act would be a body blow to the western railroads, and that means a body blow to western development. The foregoing articles in this series have sought to set up the real facts as they exist, and as the proponent of coast industries and coast shipping interests would have us believe them to be. A recapitulation, as briefly as it can be made, will close the series.

Section IV of the interstate commerce act prohibits a lower charge for a long haul than for a short haul, the shorter haul being included in the longer. The Interstate Commerce commission is empowered to make exceptions to this ruling after proper showing by the interested rail carriers. This section and its exceptions were enacted into law before the Panama canal was opened for traffic. The application of the railroads is based upon the fact that the interstate commerce act is not beneficially affected by water borne traffic rates, while under present conditions the railroads are barred from bidding for transcontinental traffic that goes at low rates from coast to coast by water. Coast industries are opposing the application for the reason that they are naturally anxious to hold on to the low water rates that have made the coast sections so prosperous in recent years.

Eastbound traffic by rail would be stultified under the permission sought by the railroads, but not nearly so much as westbound traffic. The railroads base their application for permission to make special through rates on some 40 commodities on the self-evident fact that they would make a profit at the lower rate because it would fill cars bound westward that now return empty. In short, the railroads are asking an opportunity to increase their net returns by securing a proportion of the traffic lost through the operation of the Panama canal.

### Dr. Hugh Thomas Heads Atlas Club of Omaha



Dr. Hugh W. Thomas

The Omaha club of the Atlas International has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Dr. Hugh W. Thomas, president; Dr. Harvey McNichols, secretary; Dr. Ethel T. Malby, treasurer. Directors: Dr. J. A. Markwell, chairman; Dr. Frank P. Burhorn, Dr. William J. Gemar, Dr. Morris Mortensen, Dr. Vernon R. Thomas. Dr. Morris Mortensen is the retiring president.

portunity to increase their net returns by securing a proportion of the traffic lost through the operation of the Panama canal.

**No Injury Seen.**  
Permitting the railroads to "bridge" this transcontinental traffic can in no way injure those intermountain sections that can never hope to profit by the lower rates through the canal. Refusing the permission simply means favoring the coast sections at the expense of the interior. All of the money pay for the canal. Under the Gooding amendment the middle west would be paying its share for the benefit of the comparative few so positioned as to enjoy its benefits.

That, in brief, is the situation as it confronts the trans-Missouri country. The western railroads and western industries are not fighting the Panama canal, proponentists to the contrary notwithstanding. They are fighting for existence and an equal right to a continued growth and development.

If it is proper—and it is so admitted—that the railroads should be regulated, their rates fixed and then wages they pay named by a board, then it would seem proper that the same regulatory bodies should have power over the waterways. If it is proper to tell a railroad what it must charge to carry freight, then it is certainly proper to tell a steamship line what it must charge for similar service. Under present conditions the railroads are confronted by competition that is unrestricted and unregulated; thus may render service when it sees fit, and not at all when it proves unprofitable.

It would seem, therefore, that a proper solution would be to adopt one of two policies: Allow the railroads to do as they please, just as the steamship lines are permitted to do. Or extend the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce commission to include the intercoastal steamship lines, making it obligatory for the commission to establish and maintain a parity that will deal justly with railroad and steamship lines, and maintain a balance between all sections of the country.

The first policy is unthinkable. The second is the common sense policy and should be adopted. In the meantime the appeal of the railroads to make long-haul rates should be favorably acted upon and the Gooding amendment should be defeated.

**Bricklayers Want Fancy Name to Hang Over Hall**  
The Bricklayers union has a hall at Twenty-first and Cumming street.

But nobody seems to want to rent it. The bricklayers, according to W. G. Houghton, business representative, suspect it is because the name "Bricklayers Hall" isn't nifty enough. So the union is calling for suggestions for a name. A prize will be given the winner. The contest closes January 1.

**Village of Filley Opens War Upon Punchboards**  
Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee, Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 20.—The village board of Filley has authorized W. E. Erickson, clerk, to offer a reward of \$25 for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons operating punch boards, slot machines or other gambling devices within the corporate limits of the town.

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\$4.25 Heavy Copper Percolators, Nickel Plated.....	\$2.98
\$2.75 Electric Stoves and Toaster.....	\$1.89
\$2.25 Two-piece Nickel Plated Carving Sets.....	\$1.49
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Many wonderful gifts for Milady's toilet needs, in gift boxes, ready to give.

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Ivory finish Combs.....	50c
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Ivory finish Perfume Bottles.....	50c
Stone-set Barretts.....	50c
Manicure Sets and Fittings, leather case, complete.....	\$1.50
Ivory finish File and Hook.....	50c
Leather case with Comb.....	50c

### Give Boys' Wear

Just what the Boy will want found in our Boys' Section—on the third floor.

\$1.25 boys' fancy Shirts.....	89c
\$12 boys' all wool two-piece Suits.....	\$8.98
\$6.50 boys' all wool Sweaters.....	\$4.95
\$1.50 boys' Flannel Blouses.....	\$1.25
\$9.00 boys' all wool Overcoats, sizes 2 1/2 to 8.....	\$6.98
\$2.50 to \$3.50 boys' warm Suits.....	\$1.98

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Imported and domestic Stationery, a wonderful selection of all the latest novelties, reasonably priced.

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Gloves French kid, real novelties.....	\$5.00, \$5.50 and \$6.00
Give China \$1.50 hand painted China Plates, Bon Bons, Sugar and Creamers, Handled Nappies.....	\$1.00
\$3.00 decorated China Berry Sets, at.....	\$1.98
\$6.00 Cake Sets.....	\$4.98
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The leading makes of Women's and Misses' Silk Hosiery, put up in Gift Boxes, ready to give.

\$3.00 all silk chiffon and service weight Hose.....	\$2.35
\$1.95 full fashion ed silk Hose.....	\$1.50
Pure silk Hose, medium and chiffon.....	\$1
\$2.00 sport wool and silk and wool.....	\$1
Mercerized lisle Wayne Knit Hose—2 pair for.....	\$1
Boys' and girls' sample lisle Hose—60c quality, 2 pair for.....	\$1
85c boys' and girls' wool Hose—2 pair for.....	\$1

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### Give Robes

Loads of wonderful gift suggestions greet you here from all sides. The prices are exceptionally low.

20 dozen genuine "Beacon" Lounging Robes.....	\$5.95
Corduroy Lounging Robes, extra quality, at.....	\$6.95
Mina Taylor House Frocks.....	\$1.98
Imported Broad-cloth Overblouses.....	\$1.95
Silk knit Petticoats, pleated flounce, at.....	\$1.95
25 dozen Silk Bloomers, specially priced.....	\$2.95 and \$3.95
Large size Fox and Wolf Scarves.....	\$15 to \$25
French Coney Chokers, large size.....	\$5
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Hundreds of Jewelry novelties, inexpensively priced. All items packed in gift boxes for giving.

Ivory finish Trays, at.....	\$1
Rosaries, semi-precious stones, all colors.....	\$1
24-K. old Lined Bowls.....	\$1.50
Child's Sets—3 pieces, hollow handle knife, fork, spoon.....	\$1.50
Ivory finish Hair Brushes, at.....	\$1
Rosaries—Sterling silver and gold filled, at.....	\$1.50
Novelty Necklaces, all colors.....	69c
Child's Sets, silver plated.....	69c
Pearl Necklaces—30-inch.....	\$1
Gold Front and Sterling Silver Links.....	\$1

### Grocery and Market Sales---Monday

3 cans 25c value Clam Bouillon.....	50c
Del Monte Prunes, fancy 5-lb. tins, can.....	85c
Red Cherries, size 2 can, J. M., 3 cans for.....	85c
Cranberries, 3 cans.....	85c
Advo Fruit Salad, 3 cans for.....	85c
3 cans Snider's large size Chili Sauce.....	95c
2-lb. can Heinz Plum Pudding.....	70c
3 large cans 20c value Pimentos.....	45c
Del Monte Sliced Peaches—large can, 3 cans for.....	\$1.00
13 lbs. fancy Blue Rice.....	\$1.00
12 lbs. fresh Oatmeal.....	50c
Diamond H Flour, 48-lb. sack.....	\$2.10
Omar Wonder Flour, 48-lb. sack.....	\$2.25

**Tea and Coffee**  
M. & J. Blend Coffee, pound..... 48c  
2 lbs. for 95c  
Santos Coffee, lb..... 35c  
Hayden's Special Ankara, lb..... 55c  
Breakfast Cocoa, lb..... 10c  
3 lbs. for 25c

**Bottled Goods**  
Large bottle Virginia Dare..... 60c  
Small bottle Virginia Dare..... 52c  
Large bottle Italian Vermouth..... 81c  
Large bottle Grenadine..... 90c  
Large bottle Crema de Mentha..... 90c  
Large bottle Grape Punch..... 90c  
Large bottle Manhattan..... 90c  
Large bottle Welsh Grape Juice..... 25c  
20c lb. Brazil Nuts, lb..... 19c  
20c bottles 16-oz. Honey, per bottle..... 17 1/2c  
20c bulk Dates, lb..... 15c  
15c Head Lettuce, 3 for..... 25c  
20c pkg. Kano Oatmeal, pkg. 20c  
10c Grape Frost, each..... 7 1/2c  
25c doz. Naval Oranges, doz. 21c  
25c Holly Wreaths, each..... 20c  
Shelled English Walnuts, lb. 68c

**Fruits and Vegetables**  
10c packages Table Figs, 3 boxes for..... 25c  
25c per sack Honey, 2 sacks 35c  
60c lb. Stuffed Dates, lb..... 40c  
\$1.00 lb. box Candied Fruit, box..... 70c  
50c lb. English Walnuts, lb. 20c  
60c Jar Mince Meat, Jar..... 30c  
50c lb. Filberts, lb..... 25c  
25c lb. Brazil Nuts, lb..... 19c  
20c bottles 16-oz. Honey, per bottle..... 17 1/2c  
20c bulk Dates, lb..... 15c  
15c Head Lettuce, 3 for..... 25c  
20c pkg. Kano Oatmeal, pkg. 20c  
10c Grape Frost, each..... 7 1/2c  
25c doz. Naval Oranges, doz. 21c  
25c Holly Wreaths, each..... 20c  
Shelled English Walnuts, lb. 68c

**Market**  
Choice Steer Round Steak, lb. 20c  
Choice Small Pork Chops, lb. 20c  
Home-Made Sausage—2 lb. 35c  
Hog Hearts, 2 for..... 18c

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Best Bissell Carpet Sweepers—Each.....	\$3.75 up to \$6.00

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Wonderful selections of high grade Linens, the gift ideal that always carries a lasting remembrance.

\$2.50 fancy Pillow Cases, pair.....	\$1.69
\$1.50 novelty boxed Bath Sets.....	\$1
75c embroidered end Huck Towels.....	59c
\$1.50 embroidered ecru Scarfs and Centers.....	\$1
\$7.95 novelty colored Bedspread and Bolster.....	\$6.50
\$7 linen Pattern Table Cloth.....	\$4.95
\$3.75 colored border Table Cloths, at.....	\$2.59
\$1.00 novelty colored border Turkish Towels, each.....	89c
\$6.00 hemstitched pure linen Table Cloths, at.....	\$4.50

### Give Toilet Goods

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Armours, Luxor, Melba, Love-Me, Lady Estier, etc., at special prices.....	\$1.98
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\$1.25 Men's Melba Sets.....	\$1.00
\$2.50 Ladies' Melba Sets.....	\$1.98
\$3.00 Ladies' Melba Sets.....	\$1.25
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\$3.00 Spencer Sets.....	\$1.98

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\$3 Framed Pictures.....	\$1.50
\$1.50 Candle Schemes.....	\$1.00
\$1.25 Humidors.....	50c
\$1.50 Tie Racks.....	\$1.00
\$1.50 Smoker Sets.....	\$1.00
\$2.00 Fancy Baskets.....	\$1.00
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\$5 Indian Robes, full size, each.....	\$3.98
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