

THE TRUCK PLAN Must Not be Used to Discriminate Between Competing Shippers of Petroleum. RADICAL AND SWEEPING RULING Rendered by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the Cases So Long Under Consideration.

WASHINGTON, September 6.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today filed their decision by Commissioner Schoonmaker in the case of Rice, Robinson, and Witherspoon, against the Western New York and Pennsylvania Railway Company, and others. The complaint alleged that the carriers charged 34 cents per barrel on petroleum from Titusville to Buffalo, N. Y., and 22 cents per barrel from Titusville to South Amoy, N. J., the shorter haul being a part of the latter haul only; that the defendants required barrel shipments to be loaded in the cars in tiers, that the freight charged was an unjust discrimination against the complainants and against the city of Buffalo, and that by making a more favorable charge to shippers in tank cars, shippers in barrels, unjust discrimination was made in favor of the Standard Oil Company. The Commission held:

TEXT OF THE DECISION. The acquisition and consolidation by a rail carrier under one system of management of different competing lines of road, so that a more territory in the carriage of competitive traffic to the same markets, cannot create a right on the part of a carrier to take advantage of the consolidation of interests, to require that the benefits of fair competition, nor afford warrant for oppressive discrimination with a view to its own interests, such as equalizing rates by the difference in tank and barrel making rates and charges for one division that are profitable markets to a portion of its patrons and higher rates and charges for another division, that are destructive to the pursuits of the complainants.

THE IMPORTANT POINTS. Differences in circumstances, and conditions of transportation that are of a carrier's own creation or convenience, or that by reasonable effort on the part of a carrier might be avoided, cannot justify exceptional rates. A tank used in carrying oil is deemed by carriers part of the car, and the rate is charged only upon the contents, while for carriage in box cars the barrels containing the oil are treated as freight. The provision in the tariff for the weight of the barrels and its contents. The provision in the tariff for the weight of barrels requires that for purposes of shipment when a carrier uses both tanks and boxcars for carrying oil in carloads, the barrels shall be deemed part of the boxcar, and that in the case of transportation in tanks, the rate shall be charged only for the weight of the oil carried exclusive of the weight of the barrels, and be the same for like weight of oil carried in tanks.

THE CARRIER'S DUTY. The fact that a carrier does not own tank cars, but accepts and uses such cars supplied by some of its patrons for their own traffic, is unimportant so far as rates are concerned. It is a carrier's duty to equip its road with instruments of carriage for the traffic it undertakes to carry; and to furnish them to all who have occasion for their use, and its duty to furnish equipment for the traffic transferred to or required of shippers. When a carrier accepts and uses cars for transportation owned by shippers or others, it is its duty to equip them as its own for the purpose of rates and charges. It is its duty to equip them as its own for the purpose of rates and charges. It is its duty to equip them as its own for the purpose of rates and charges.

AN UNEXPECTED STRIKE. A CHARTERS WELL MAKES SEVERAL SURPRISING FLOWS. New Producing at the Rate of 300 Barrels per Day—New Work Under Way—The Output Still Declining—Operations at Belmont and Elm-where.

CHARTERS, September 6.—Another important acquisition to the Charters field was made to-day. It was the bringing in of the Melarkey & McMillen well, on the John D. Scully farm, located on the south line of the field. For several days the well has been considered of no account, and this gave this section of the pool a bad look, but when the second pay was entered yesterday, the result was a great surprise. It showed a flow in the Charters field. The well began flowing yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and up to 10 o'clock this morning made nine flows. The proprietors were not looking for this state of affairs, and had made no tank connections, and the first seven flows were lost, but the last two were captured in a 250-barrel tank, which showed a gauge of three feet or about 90 barrels.

When the DISPATCH report was at the well a personal inquiry indicated that it was making a production at the rate of 300 barrels a day. Just how long it will continue this output, or what staying qualities the new venture possesses, can be better determined in a few days hence. It is, however, one of the important features of the pool, and revives lost hopes on the south line, and will unquestionably stimulate operations in the vicinity. The same firm, located at their unexpected strike, have located No. 2 well 425 feet west of No. 1, and are expediting every day the step work. Another feature of importance in the field is the erratic conduct of the McKee gasser on the Uiterman farm, located 2,000 feet north-west from the Forest Oil Company's well on the Haley farm, the nearest producer. Since Mr. McKee purchased the well, a few days ago, it has been blowing off at 150 pounds, and every day the step work has been turned the well blown off. Yesterday morning when this was done the well sprayed some oil, and this morning when the stop was turned the well showed an increase of oil. The proprietors of the well had made all arrangements to pack it to-day, but the increase in oil changed their programme and they are now drilling deeper. Mr. McKee was confident that the drill

ON A SOLID FOOTING. Favorable Reports of the Week's Trade Throughout the Country. LABOR SITUATION IMPROVED. Recent Business Failures Affect the General Market Lightly. EASY FEELING IN IRON AND COAL.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) NEW YORK, September 6.—Special telegrams to the DISPATCH this week indicate a fair degree of activity in jobbing circles and among manufacturers, particularly as to the distribution of drygoods, clothing, boots and shoes and hardware. At almost all cities reporting, business is said to be fairly active or satisfactory for the season. The most pronounced activity in distributing circles, as heretofore, is at Chicago, New York in special lines, St. Paul, New Orleans and Kansas City. At the latter city receipts of cattle and hogs have declined, while the demand is fair. Prices trended up. At St. Louis, provisions are plentiful, with large Southern orders for better classes of meats.

The labor situation, on the whole, has rather improved. Several of the more threatening industrial disturbances have practically disappeared, except the brick boycott and strike at New York City, Stock speculation at New York is dull and subject to bearish attacks upon the granular shares, and the market for securities is quiet. The iron and steel industry is in a state of quietude, with a few small orders being filled. The market for iron and steel is quiet, with a few small orders being filled.

ACTIVE SPECULATION. Drygoods are in active demand and distribution from jobbers. Reorders from agents are brisk, while orders for spring goods are of good volume. Cotton and wool dress goods and general woolsens are in chief demand. Foreign goods are more active. Wool is quiet. Odd lots are in chief demand. Fine Territory wools and grades are well advanced. Foreign wools have relaxed into dullness at Boston. Prices are unchanged. Cotton is 1/4c to 5/8c lower on large receipts, weaker cables and long selling on Southern account. Speculation is quite active. Iron is steady for standard brands, and that is about all. The domestic output of pig is so large that it is regarded by some as doubtful whether an advance in price could be sustained. The American syndicate operating in Scotch wools have sold their holdings. Anthracite coal is dull and quiet, and the market for bituminous coal is also quiet. The market for iron and steel is quiet, with a few small orders being filled.

BUSINESS FAILURES. Only six cities show a decrease from last year, the smallest number on record. For eight months of the year clearings at 37 cities aggregated \$28,366,120,045, a gain of 8.3 per cent. New York City's clearings show a gain of 6.4 per cent, while outside of that city the gain is 11.6 per cent. Stocks of available wheat August 30, both cash and contract, aggregated 27,719,000 bushels, the smallest total reported on a similar date since 1882. East of the Rocky Mountains available wheat supplies have continued to decrease each week down to date, August 29, 1920, when the total available wheat was 1,207,000 bushels, while in August, 1919, they increased 4,800,000 bushels and 4,802,000 in 1918.

IRON LOWER. R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trading. Another large failure, that of Sawyer, Wallace & Co., comes at a time when the effects of the Potter-Lovelace failure at Boston, prove more disturbing than was expected. The prospect of speedy action on the tariff bill in the Senate and considerably better sales by clothing dealers, have made the wool manufacturers more hopeful and purchases of wool are being made in quantity. 3,100,000 pounds. But concessions have been made to secure sales on many grades, the money market pressing, and it is noticed here and at Philadelphia that buyers act still with great caution. Prices of 104 grades there average 23.6 cents a shade lower. The drygoods trade is decidedly larger than last year. The iron manufacturers are also more promising, but pig iron is kept low by the heavy supply, and at Pittsburgh is quoted a shade lower. At Cleveland the market for ore and pig is quiet. Copper is strong at 17 cents, tin rising at 22 cents, and lead strong at \$4.80. The anthracite coal market is weaker, Reading having resumed work on many collieries and the advance of 15 cents per ton seems on paper only.

FAVORABLE REPORTS. The accounts of trade from all parts of the country are encouraging this week. At New York the market is pretty quiet, which affects some trades; leather more quiet and hides firm. At Philadelphia sales of leather are large at better prices, and collections improve. Chicago reports smaller receipts of grain than last year, except of barley; a decrease of half in dressed beef, because of the stockyard strike, and a large decrease in butter, but an increase of 33 per cent in cured meats, 200 per cent in lard and a heavy increase in cheese and wool, while merchandise, and especially drygoods sales, much exceed last year's. St. Louis notes good trade in nearly all lines, with crop prospects somewhat improved. Cincinnati finds business favorable, excellent in boots and shoes, and activity in groceries. The carriage manufacture is active, and some decrease from last year in sales of clothing is more than compensated by better prices. Trade is fairly good in nearly all lines at Cleveland, encouraging at Detroit, better than was anticipated at Milwaukee, unchanged at St. Paul, and fair at Kansas City. From Jacksonville comes bright reports, and at Savannah business is brisk. EXPORTS CUT DOWN. The speculative markets are low. People who have been buying wheat observe a loss of 2 cents for the week, in corn 2 cents, in oats 1/2 cent, in pork 25 cents per barrel, and in hogs 50 cents per 100 pounds, while oil is 15 cents lower and cotton 1/4 cent. The fall crop has been good, 25,000,000 bushels wheat, 7,000,000 bushels corn, 500,000 bales cotton and 100,000 bags coffee without change in price. Prices generally have been so high that exports were materially diminished, the value sent from New York for the last week being \$2,300,000, or 30 per cent below last year. The general average of prices yields less than the price of speculative objects, which have been unacceptably advanced, and leather goods and some other manufactures are higher, but in the aggregate a fall of 1 1/2 per cent appears. It is the prevailing belief that the second order by the Treasury to purchase bonds insures a fairly easy money market for the fall. Trade in all branches taken together is certainly more active than a year ago, but at this time last year, exclusive of speculative operations, about 5 per cent of the increase being due to increase of prices last year, and the rest to the increase in quantities of products transferred. Though commercial credits appear to be unusually healthy, a few failures arising from speculation may cause some uneasiness. The business failures occurring throughout the country during the past seven days number 203, as compared with a total of 189 last week. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 201.

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NEW FALL STYLES WILL BE TROTTED OUT TO-DAY IN EVERY DEPARTMENT. IT'LL PAY TO SEE 'EM.

All the Latest Novelties in BOYS' SUITS. We have just unpacked some entirely new lines in Kilt and Short-Pant Suits, also Boys' Light and Medium Weight Fall Overcoats. They will be on sale to-morrow at prices that will not be the least attractive part about them. Another new line of Boys' Combination Suits just received. These Suits are made of fine All-wool Cheviots, and though they're worth \$6, we sell 'em at \$4 37, and give an extra pair of Pants and a Hat to match Suit, gratis to each patron.

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