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**I** N this volume, we are giving you a partial application of the principal tariffs applying within and from the Western Classification Territory, to other points.

The tariffs applying within and from the Western Classification Territory to other points, not provided for herein, will be treated in a subsequent volume.

In this part of the work, we have covered the application of tariffs within the Western Trunk Line Territory, showing (1) the application of the principal tariffs published by the Western Trunk Line Committee and the individual carriers, (2) the tariffs applying from St. Paul, Minneapolis, Minnesota Transfer and Duluth, Minn., Superior and Ashland, Wis., also from the Missouri River Crossings, and points in the States of Iowa, Minnesota and Missouri, to various points in the United States, Canada and Mexico, (3) the application of tariffs applying within the Trans-Missouri Freight Bureau Territory, from points in Colorado and Utah, Pacific Freight Bureau Territory, to all other sections of the Continent.

In a work of this character, it is not necessary to give specific reference to each and every tariff containing rates within and from the different sections of the country. As a general proposition, the method of tariff publication does not change, and, once you are in touch with the method of

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publication, it is an easy matter to determine the proper tariff to use in a given case.

It should be borne in mind that where no through rates are published, on Interstate Traffic, the lowest legal combination is the proper rate to use, taking into consideration the fact that all factors in the rate must be legally published and on file with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

In presenting this work we deem it fitting to say that to the best of our knowledge this information has never before been published in the manner in which we have presented it. While there have been many theoretical and economic treatises written regarding railroad rates, nothing has been ever attempted to actually show what tariff names the rate on a shipment between two given points.

Perhaps the most striking illustration of the value of the information which we are furnishing is this: A man handling traffic in St. Louis, Mo., for instance, can determine from this work what tariff will name the rate on a shipment from Fort Smith, Ark., to Minneapolis, Minn., etc.

It is a well known fact that the biggest problem confronting the shippers and carriers is knowing which tariff actually names the rate. This is the kind of information we furnish. Without such knowledge the efficient handling of practical traffic work is impossible.

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