

MAKES REPORT ON RAILROADS

Interstate Commerce Commission Issues Statistics on the Steam Roads of the Country.

FINANCES IN FIGURES

Total Single Track Mileage of 234,868 Miles in U. S., an Increase of Over 3,000 Miles.

WASHINGTON, July 19.—A preliminary summary of the twenty-second annual statistical report of the interstate commerce commission was issued covering the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1909.

The total number of employees on the pay rolls of the steam railroads was 1,502,823, an increase of 66,548 over the previous year and an average of 638 for each 100 miles.

Of the total capital stock outstanding there existed as stock \$7,688,278,545, of which \$6,218,382,485 was common and \$1,467,896,060 was preferred.

The number of passengers carried during the year ending June 30, 1909, was 891,472,425. The corresponding number for the year ending June 30, 1908, was 890,009,574.

The passenger service train revenue per train mile was \$1.26958; the freight revenue per train mile was \$2.16789; the average operating expenses per train mile were \$1.43370; the ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues was 66.16 per cent.

LEANING TOWER IS GETTING SHAKY

People are Standing Around Pisa Monument Waiting for it to Fall Down.

PISA, Italy, July 19.—The government engineers, acting under the direction of the king, have made an examination of the famous tower of Pisa. They report that the tower is in great danger of falling.

YOUNG TURKS ARE NOW IN FAVOR

Revolution is Brewing and There Will be Some Trouble in Turkey.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 19.—A revolution against the rule of the young Turks is expected. The people say they are treated worse than they were under the absolute monarchy.

GRAND TRUNK ON STANDSTILL

Strike of 3,500 Trainmen and Conductors on the Line Has Tied up The Entire System.

NO TROUBLE SO FAR

Men Carried Sealed Envelopes Which They Were to Open at Certain Hour Unless Prevented.

TORONTO, Ont., July 19.—Freight and passenger traffic on the Grand Trunk railway is at a standstill today. There has been no trouble so far.

MONTREAL, Can., July 19.—Conductors and trainmen on the Grand Trunk and Central of Vermont railways obeyed an automatic strike order at 9:30 o'clock last night.

On Sunday when members of the strike committee left here each one carried a sealed envelope to be opened at that hour, unless a telegram had previously been received which upon comparison with the copy enclosed in the envelope stated otherwise.

The telegraphers will not strike. Their wage dispute will be referred to arbitration with the understanding that both sides will accept the award.

Wabash Delayed. BUFFALO, N. Y., July 19.—As a result of the Grand Trunk strike, the Wabash road is partially tied up today. Train No. 1 for St. Louis did not get away until nearly 9 o'clock.

Prepared for Trouble. PORT HURON, Mich., July 19.—Eight men armed with Winchester rifles are guarding the Grand Trunk station here, although there have been no indications of violence.

DENTIST ARRESTED FOR WIFE ROBBERY

Woman Charges That He Left After Taking \$13,000 of Her Money.

NEW YORK, July 19.—The arrest in Detroit of Dr. Harry Keeler, formerly a well known Brooklyn dentist was made known today. The warrant was made out by a Brooklyn woman who alleges that she was married to him a year ago.

The woman arrested with Keeler in Detroit, the local police declare was known here as his sister.

DETROIT, Mich., July 19.—Holding Dr. Fred W. Reimbold, alias Harry Bradley, alias Harry Keeler, and his wife, awaiting word from the New York police, local authorities believe they have a couple for whom the New York department has been scouring the country for weeks.

TELEPHONE LINE UNDER THE SEA

People Will Soon be Talking Through Cable Under the Broad Atlantic.

NEW YORK, July 19.—Electrical engineers declare today that telephonic communication between the United States, England and the continent will be possible if an experiment being made proves a success.

ELDORADO, Ill., July 19.—A balloon supposed to be the Drifter, which ascended from Hamilton, Ohio, last night, passed over Eldorado early today, travelling in a southwesterly direction.

NOT SUPPORTING ANY CANDIDATES

Roosevelt Says That He is Not in That Business and Does Not Intend to Get Into It.

INTERESTED IN STATES

Hopes That Republicans Will Build Strong Platforms at Their Conventions This Fall.

NEW YORK, July 19.—"I never recommend any man for an office and do not intend to do so this year. I hope, however, that there will be progressive platforms adopted by the various state republicans this fall."

Judge Reynolds Kindkaid of Toledo, Ohio, mentioned as an aspirant for the republican nomination for governor of his state, was a caller on Colonel Roosevelt at his office in the Outlook building today.

President David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford university and a delegation of students, called upon Roosevelt to congratulate him on his safe return from Africa.

THREE PRISONERS ARE IN FOR LIFE

Will Ask for Pardons from the State Board of Parole When It Meets Tomorrow.

DES MOINES, July 19.—When the state board of parole meets tomorrow to consider the parole of prisoners in the penitentiaries which they have recently been visiting there will be up for their consideration the parole of three men serving life sentences.

Spanish War Veterans of Denver Announce That He is Their Company. DENVER, Colo., July 19.—The Spanish war veterans today announced that they would monopolize the time of Colonel Roosevelt when he arrives in town on Aug. 29.

SLID FROM FIRE INTO THE MIRE

Wind Blew the Smoke Into the Cave and the Four Men Were Suffocated.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 19.—Trapped in their little homestead cabin on Mill Creek, in the Dry Pine forest and surrounded by flames from the forest fires which have raged since Friday, Miss Pearl Brewen, aged 22, a school teacher, and her young niece perished.

Near Kalso, B. C., four men fled from the flames to the mouth of a mine, where they were suffocated, the wind driving the smoke from the fire into the mine. The names of the dead are: David Norman of Sandon, Colo.; Charles Norman, his brother; S. W. Pierson and W. A. Chiesney. Another member of the party is missing.

ZEPPELIN HAS ANOTHER ACCIDENT

His Gas Factory Exploded and Number of Workmen Were Injured.

FREDRICKSHAVEN, July 19.—Ill luck continues to pursue Count Zeppelin, builder of the monster hydrogen gas plant in a lonely spot near here, exploded today with terrific force, seriously injuring a number of workmen.

Terminal Rate Point. WASHINGTON, July 19.—An order making San Pedro, Calif., a terminal rate point was announced by the interstate commerce commission today.

Big Reward Offered. LONDON, July 19.—The police today offered a reward of £250 for the apprehension of Dr. Crippen.

WORST CRIME IN RECENT HISTORY

Dr. Crippen, if Guilty of Killing His Wife, Deserves a Medal for Being a King of Fiends.

CARVED UP THE BODY

No Bones Found and Flesh Was in Pieces Too Small to Determine the Sex of the Remains.

LONDON, July 19.—Facts confirming the belief that Dr. Crippen murdered his wife are coming to life and Scotland Yard men declare that the crime was one of the worst in recent history.

Some of the detectives believe Dr. Crippen dissolved the body in a vat of acid. The head and arms have not been found. Even after the doctor's flight, it was discovered that he had thoroughly defaced the evidence of his crime that he may not be convicted if captured.

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ARRANGE TO IGNORE BRYAN Nebraska Democrats Have Laid Plans to Crush the Peerless One Next Week.

OMAHA, July 19.—Now that the democrats of Nebraska have succeeded in getting William J. Bryan "down", the leaders of the party have determined to absolutely crush him, and to that end are preparing to administer such a rebuke to him at the state convention next week that the country will know that his home folks have at last repudiated him.

FAIRBANKS IS WITH PRESIDENT

Former Vice President Takes a Rap at the Muck Rakers and Would Be Moulders of Public Thought.

OMAHA, July 19.—Former Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks came to Omaha to aim his first blow at those who criticized the president, the administration and the men in congress who upheld the president's actions.

ISSUES A MILD REBUKE

Nothing so Reprehensible Than the Distortion of the Records and the Suppression of the Truth.

NEW LABOR PARTY. DENVER, Colo., July 19.—The organization by the Western Federation of Miners of a labor party in New Mexico and Arizona is being considered here by President Moyer. It is expected the party will be formed and take an active part in the constitutional convention with a view of securing an eight hour law, the employers' liability, the recall and bankruptcy laws.

WANTS BIG DAMAGES.

TOPEKA, Kan., July 19.—Charging that he alienated his wife's affections Claude N. Ware, an express messenger, today filed suit against G. S. Warden, a Chicago capitalist, for \$35,000 damages. Warden is reported to be worth a million.

FOURTEEN BAGS FULL OF GAS

That Many Entries for the International Race Which Will Start From St. Louis on Oct. 17th.

SIX FOREIGN BALLOONS

United States Team Will Consist of the Three Who Make Best Records in Indianapolis Race.

ST. LOUIS, July 19.—Fourteen balloons have been definitely entered in the Gordon Bennett international balloon race, which will be started October 17 from the Aero Club ascension grounds on Chouteau avenue between Taylor and Newstead avenues.

The pilots have not yet been named, it being necessary to determine them by elimination races in the various countries, but there will be three balloons each from France, Germany, England and the United States, Switzerland and Italy will send teams of two, while Denmark has this year entered one balloon.

The American team will be chosen by an elimination race from Indianapolis, Ind., September 17. As now planned, the pilots of the St. Louis club to compete there are A. B. Lambert, balloon St. Louis No. 4, which will be the club's official entry; H. Eugene Honeywell, balloon Centennial; S. Louis Von Phul, balloon Million Club; William F. Assmann, balloon Miss Sophia. James W. Bemis, who was expected to bring the number of St. Louis pilots in the race up to five, says he probably will not be able to enter.

The three pilots who finish with the greatest distances in the Indianapolis race will be entitled to places on the United States team. Competing with St. Louis in the elimination race will probably be two balloons from Indianapolis and at least one each from the New England and Los Angeles clubs, and the Aero Club of America. No entries have yet been made.

DEATH OF GIRL CAUSES INQUIRY

One Arrested and in Jail While Woman is Wanted Also By the Officers.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 19.—Following the death of Edith Ragel, aged 22, in a local hospital, of peritonitis Chester Sidener was arrested and is held at the county jail for alleged murder, and warrants are out for the arrest of Mrs. Lucy Sweet, who is believed to have been arrested at La Belle, Mo., to which place it is said she fled. Sidener is charged with having caused the death of the girl by employing Mrs. Sweet to perform an operation. He has confessed to the local police that he took the girl to Mrs. Sweet.

PRESIDENT TAFT ON MAINE SOIL

Lands at Eastport Today and Every Body Was Sitting on the Shore.

EASTPORT, Me., July 19.—For the first time in its history, Eastport today entertained the president of the United States. For hours before the Mayflower was sighted, residents of the surrounding country, poured into the city and sought out places of vantage where they could see and cheer the president's arrival.

President Taft was escorted to the local hotel where he met prominent politicians.

RUSSIAN JEWS ON THE MOVE

NEW YORK, July 19.—Private advices received here today from Keif, Russia, tell of the continued expulsion of Jews, nearly 500 being forcibly driven from that city in ten days, while 1,500 others were warned to prepare their affairs so they can make their departure soon.

At least 6,000 have been driven out by the royal decree. NEW YORK, July 19.—Private advices received here today from Keif, Russia, tell of the continued expulsion of Jews, nearly 500 being forcibly driven from that city in ten days, while 1,500 others were warned to prepare their affairs so they can make their departure soon.

RAIL TROUBLE IS SETTLED

Wage Controversy on Pennsylvania Lines Has Been Smoothed Out to Satisfaction of Both Sides.

TWO SIDED VICTORY

Both the Company and the Men Believe That They Got Just Exactly What They Wanted.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 19.—General Manager W. H. Myers of the Pennsylvania railroad, and the committee representing the 15,000 trainmen and conductors employed on the lines of the road east of Pittsburgh agreed on a basis for the settlement of the wage controversy. Each side claims to have gained all that it had been contending for.

The proposition offered by the railroad and accepted by the men includes a minimum day of ten hours, as detailed in the New York Central award. The question of overtime was left to be decided at conferences between the various members of the committees and the superintendents of the lines which they represent. It was further agreed that the men would be guaranteed twenty-six days' work a month. While the men regard this as a concession, the officials say that during the recent hard times the men benefited by being worked on short time rather than being laid off altogether.

Until the conference, the railroad officials, it was declared, were under the impression that the men were really demanding a ten hour day with eleven hours' pay, but the company's manager stated that it had all along offered to grant the standard rate and was satisfied not to reduce the pay of any of its men, if none was increased by the New York Central award above that of the standard rate. An official of the company stated that by readjusting the runs it can pay the new rate without greatly increasing the expenses of the company.

A. B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, shortly after the conference adjourned, took the eighteen hour train for Chicago, and from there will go to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to attend a meeting of the board of directors of his organization. W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, will remain in this city with the members of the general committee until the final details of the adjustment have been worked out.

Employees in this city who would have been affected by the strike order were jubilant at the turn of affairs. No one was anxious to walk out. While the wages of no one will be decreased, the men say they will receive more money under the proposed readjustment of conditions.

UPTURNED CANOE IS ONLY CLEW

Young Couple are Supposed to Have Lost Their Lives in the Treacherous Little Meramec River.

ST. LOUIS, July 19.—When a search lasting all Sunday night and all days yesterday had proven unavailing, relatives and friends last night gave up all hope that Miss Viola Sensenbrenner, 2 1/2 years old, of 3839 Cleveland avenue, and Joseph Garlich, 23 years old, of 2834 Shendoab avenue, would be found alive. The belief that they were drowned while canoeing or bathing in the treacherous Meramec near Valley park, St. Louis county, during a storm soon after 6 o'clock Sunday evening, was strengthened when their canoe was found floating bottom side up at 11 o'clock yesterday afternoon, almost twenty miles from the spot where they were last seen alive.

BODIES NOT DISCOVERED

Search of Two Days Fails to Locate the Pair Who Were Last Seen Just Before the Storm.

Miss Sensenbrenner was the daughter of John F. Sensenbrenner, president of the C. E. Hiltz Shoe company, Garlich, a son of Henry Garlich, head of the claims department of the Witte Hardware company, was a clerk for the Lechner & Sons Rope company, 920 North Main street, and had just begun a week's vacation.

A brother of Garlich left last night for Sulphur Springs, Jefferson county, Mo., to view a body found there in the Mississippi river, though from the description and other circumstances it was hardly thought last night it could be that of Garlich. Oscar Taubold, deputy sheriff of Jefferson county, telephoned the St. Louis police about the finding of the body. The police notified the Garlich family.

THE WEATHER

Fair. Warmer Tonight.

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(Until 7 p. m. Wednesday.) For Keokuk and vicinity: Fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer tonight.

For Iowa: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer tonight.

For Illinois: Fair tonight and probably Wednesday; rising temperature.

For Missouri: Fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer tonight.

Weather Conditions. With a field of high pressure over the upper Mississippi valley and western lake region, the weather is generally fair and cool from the Mississippi valley eastward to the coast.

There have been light local showers, followed by slightly lower temperature in the northern plateau region, and showers on the western gulf coast, the pressure continuing lowest in the extreme southwestern and southeastern portions of the country.

Conditions indicate fair weather for this section tonight and Wednesday, and warmer tonight.

River Bulletin. KEOKUK, July 19.

Flood Height Change Rain Stage, River. 24 hrs. Fall.

Table with 4 columns: Location, Height, Change, Direction. Rows include St. Paul, La Crosse, Davenport, Galland, Keokuk, St. Louis.

Local Observations. KEOKUK, July 19.

Bar. Ther. Wind. Weather. 18, 7 p. m. ... 30.17 74 NE Clear

19, 7 a. m. ... 30.27 63 NE Clear

July 18.—Mean temperature, 68 degrees; maximum, 78; minimum, 57.

River Forecast. The river will continue to fall slowly for several days.

FRED Z. GOSEWISCH, Observer.