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TRAINLOADS GO TO FLORIDA.

List of Arrivals at Headquarters of Interstate Merchants' Association Shows No Falling Off in Numbers.

The rush of fall buyers to St. Louis still continues, and the number of visitors who register each day at the headquarters of the Interstate Merchants' Association shows no falling off.

A large number of them are from Arkansas, but Missouri leads the list, and Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Texas, Indian Territory and several of the Southern States are well represented.

A solid trainload of dry goods was shipped to Florida Wednesday by a St. Louis house, and another train will be shipped later in the season.

These Florida points were formerly considered the exclusive territory of Eastern markets, but by persistent effort, low prices and fair dealing St. Louis jobbers succeeded in getting a foothold. They were not slow to follow up their advantage, and now most of the trade from this territory comes to St. Louis.

A majority of the milliners have finished their buying and returned to their homes, but a large number are still in the city and the various wholesale houses are still compelled to work until late at night in order to keep up with their orders.

Hardware dealers report an unusually heavy business in their line, and wholesale druggists also report that they are doing phenomenal business.

Heavy inroads are being made on Chicago's trade in the Northwest in all lines, and merchants in that section who try St. Louis as a market cannot be induced to go back to Chicago again.

Among the visitors who registered at the headquarters of the Interstate Merchants' Association yesterday were the following:

MISSOURI—C. E. White, Bertrand; Miss Ella Love, Bertrand; Mrs. D. R. Lentz, Kennett; Mrs. A. P. Bilnun, Jackson; Sue V. Kennett; Miss Myrtle Coffey, St. Joseph; Milt Hawkins, Jr., Canton; Walter Brownlow, Buffalo; A. C. Brolley, Marsfield; Henry Macke, Jonesville; Letura Wrencher, Augusta; J. C. Haskell, Joplin; Mrs. S. Wilson, Wayne; D. Weber, Lexington; C. C. Montgomery, Whitewater; M. M. Montgomery, Whitewater; F. A. Bauman, Conway; W. A. Simeral, Springfield; Jessie A. Taierton, Springfield; Mrs. R. T. Kilgore, Chilhowee; F. H. Brilman, Concordia; T. C. Stokes, Malden; Otto C. Fritts, Verona; C. O. Fritts, Vichy; Miss Eva Riece, West Plaines; J. A. O'Donel, Hunnewell; C. E. Bauer, Bethel; W. M. Hill, West Plaines; Silas Levy, Butler; Harry Barth, Buffalo; W. L. Bennett, Winkler, T. E. Whitfield, Ashland; L. N. Huff, Waynesville; J. W. Henderson, Morrisville; Mrs. C. Silber, Hermann; M. Markhaus, Washington; E. D. Becker, Spring Garden; J. D. Reynolds, Mansfield; Miss N. C. Luck, Kirksville; J. B. Mann, Fairplay; J. Buchkinson, Humansville; Mrs. A. Laporte, Springfield; T. A. Ogleby, Campbell; Fannie Graves, Maryville; R. H. Newman, Cuba; L. Bennte, Morrison; Miss G. H. Rose, Carthage; L. L. Wullschlegu, Wentzville; Joseph Glendinning, Ash Hill; Mrs. W. S. Doron, Harrisonville; R. Doron, Harrisonville; J. R. Berghaus, Billings; H. H. Rohrdiner, Rochepor; T. D. Hubbell, Columbia; J. T. Bruch, Schell City; J. H. Jackson, Nevada; Miss Lucy P. Davis, Lexington; H. T. Zuzak, Dixonville; A. C. Dearing, Greenfield; Nina Faurot, Osceola; Lucile Seaver, Windsor; F. A. Seeberman, Springfield; F. Fyve, Lockwood; W. D. McClure, Exeter; M. C. Mitchell, Bolivar; Miss Annie Pekle, New Haven; W. H. Fisher, Rock Hill; W. P. S. Hoffer, Lockwood; T. L. Travis, Star Prairie; W. M. Jenkins, Dexter.

ARKANSAS—Z. E. Toulson, Springfield; Fred W. Bartell, Siloam Springs; John S. Horner, Helena; Mrs. A. A. Horner, Helena; O. C. Reeves, Camden; P. M. Briant, Hope; Joseph T. Hicks, Hope; G. W. Petty, Fort Smith; W. M. Osborn, Kansas City; W. R. Miller, Helena; H. M. Branon, Morrilton; R. B. Bethes, Higginson; D. Loeb, Paragould; H. D. Miller, Jonesboro; J. D. Hart, Dardanelle; Sid McNey, Dardanelle; S. R. Gee, Prescott; Mrs. C. Wolf, Des Arc; Mrs. Will O. Davis, Des Arc; Miss Alice Thompson, Gulden; S. R. George, Magazine; W. J. George, Magazine; Miss Willie Cross, Magazine; W. D. Cochran, Evening Shade; Miss Alice Cochran, Evening Shade; Miss Fannie Cochran, Evening Shade; James Reedon, Hope; John T. Norman, Montrose; R. J. Alfrey, Siloam Springs; W. O. Hopkins, Vineyard; G. W. Adkisson, Mount Vernon; J. R. Finney, Jr., Central Point; Ben F. Altheimer, Pine Bluff; M. E. Rosenzweig, Montrose; C. A. Haynes, Hope; A. J. Espy, Corbot; C. C. Jackson, Dalesville; S. B. Gee, Prescott; W. A. Martin, Warren; Mrs. A. F. Holmes, Harrisburg; A. D. Bailey, Newport; J. R. Frazier, Mansfield; Samuel Marks, Arkansas City; Mrs. Marks, Arkansas City; L. S. Robinson, Paragould; T. P. Garrett, Magnolia; W. H. Henry, Black Rock; Z. Black, Walnut Ridge; J. H. Butler, Van Buren; Miss Flora W. Kindsly, Paragould; Miss Ola Brake, Paragould; Mrs. J. D. Jones, Fort Smith; W. O. Sivley, Fort Smith; J. H. Hanna, Eureka Springs; S. B. Reagan, Stampe; T. A. Hunt, Jr., Van Buren; Calvin J. Webb, Hot Springs; George A. Henry, Black Rock; R. E. Lackner, Paragould; M. R. Lackner, Paragould; Henry Wolf, Brinkley; C. H. Sangford, Clarksville; W. H. Laretz, Little Rock; J. W. Cook, Helena; J. E. Walker, McNutt; George W. Russell, Fort Smith; A. H. Treadway, Fort Smith; V. J. Trotter, Monticello; H. S. Blumenthal, Pine Bluff; Ben Block, Wynne; J. R. Horshaw, Beebe; M. J. Mead, Pine Bluff; W. H. Cecil, Eureka Springs; Mrs. M. E. Webb, Russellville; Mrs. Ed Bernard, Russellville; Miss Rosa Martin, Conway; B. Levit, Corning; C. A. Patterson, Eagle Mills; A. L. Erwin, Higgins; Mrs. Rosa Perry, Cabot.

TEXAS—A. A. Elmer, Bastrop; A. P. Smith, Lockhardt; Mrs. A. A. Elmer, Bastrop; G. W. Heslin, Lockhardt; B. J. Boskin, Cameron; F. S. Meador, St. Joseph; J. R. Maury, Snyder; F. G. Jamison, Whitesboro; L. A. Floore, Troupe; A. J. Gaus, Longview; G. A. McGregor, Bedias; C. P. Hapgood, San Marcos; A. W. Bonner, Fairfield; John A. Hame, Denton; R. C. Bower, Corrigan; J. W. Burr, Greenville; William Buchanan, Banks; John H. Grist, Waco; J. D. Stewart, Brownwood; Miss May Harum, Bowie.

KANSAS—H. A. Esmann, Moundridge; Emma C. Esmann, Moundridge; Mrs. R. H. Welch, Edna; H. M. Jones, Walnut; W. A. Simpson, Osawaton; Isaac Wright, Columbus; F. E. Finck, Seacey; B. H. Finck, Seacey; Miss Stella Hillwood, Fredonia.

ILLINOIS—Miss Teresa Guman, Chopin; Miss Edith Cammock, Chopin; Miss Beatrice Hudson, Denton; C. E. Hilgeman, Metropolis; Miss Lulu A. Green, Cobden; Mrs. A. C. Casteel, Tentopolis; Miss Anna A. McAmes, Staunton; Miss Anna McCreery, Duquoin; Miss Elizabeth Brett, Colden; Miss Lizzie Crain, Carterville; Mrs. O. Ward, Murphysboro; S. R. Jurgram, Thompsonville; S. T. Simpson, Medora; Nathaniel Green, Cobden; Mrs. Green, Cobden; Miss Stella M. Tyrer, Astoria; Isaac Rode, Vergennes; Miss Olive Pude, Vergennes; A. L. Olward, Champaign; Mrs. N. O. Culley, Ava.

IOWA—J. E. Hood, Sparta; F. J. Acheson, Centerville; Mrs. E. Andrew, Toma.

INDIAN TERRITORY—R. W. McKiel, Marietta; Ben Segal, Cordo; J. W. Bryan, Vinita; W. T. Moore, Wynewood; F. A. Wilson, Claremore.

TENNESSEE—Mrs. C. R. Wade, Kenton; Miss Alie Smythe, Jackson; Miss Eunice Rochelle, Jackson; R. J. Burrow, Milan; Mrs. Merle Sims, Milden; Miss Annie R. Gates, Whiteville.

LOUISIANA—Mrs. S. D. McGoldrich, Conshatta; Mrs. M. E. Stanfill, Conshatta; Moses Simon, Leesville; J. M. Lamy, Alexandria; R. B. Blanks, Columbia.

MISSISSIPPI—M. R. Pantlock, Starkville.

PIONEER LUMBER DEALER DEAD

Francis Lisko of Arkansas Succumbed at City Hospital.

Francis Lisho, 80 years old, a wealthy lumber dealer of St. Paul, Ark., who was taken to the City Hospital Wednesday from a room at No. 1920 Market street, died at 1 o'clock yesterday morning.

When taken to the hospital Lisko was unconscious. He was not able to tell his name until the next morning. He said that he was one of the pioneers in the lumber regions of Arkansas. He said he had plenty of money, and was in St. Louis on business. His son, John Lisko, who is Sheriff of St. Paul County, Arkansas, was notified of his father's illness, and shortly after Mr. Lisko's death a telegram was received at the hospital from his son, asking if he was wanted at the bedside of his father. He was notified later of his father's death by Doctor Nietert.

DEBS AT DES MOINES.

Will Address Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen's Convention.

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 14.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen to-day adopted the report of the Board of Trustees and put in the rest of the day considering the report of the Claims Committee. There are about 100 claims, involving the expenditure of a large amount of voluntary benefits. Rochester, N. Y., presented a bid for the location of the general headquarters, and Cleveland, O., for the next biennial convention. E. V. Debs is here and will address the convention.

Mr. Harry Leighton

Has resumed his former position at Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust, where he will be glad to see his friends and all interested in fine Diamonds, Watches, Silverwares, Jewelry, etc.

CHAOS REIGNS AT BOGOTA.

Second Revolution in Colombia Seems to Be Imminent.

Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 14.—Travelers who arrived here to-day from Colon say trouble is expected at Bogota, capital of Colombia, on account of the imprisonment of former President San Clemente by Senor Marroquin, the Vice President and Dictator, who recently resumed the presidency on the retirement from office of Doctor San Clemente, on account of ill health.

The capital is said to be in a state of chaos, and there is talk of a second revolution against the existing Government.

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Set Fire to His Bed.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 14.—While being detained in the County Jail pending a hearing on the charge of insanity, Jack Slaughter, a negro, set fire to the bedding in his cell. The fire was discovered at 3 o'clock this morning and extinguished. Slaughter was severely burned.

The Stella Music Box,

The only piano-toned box—endless variety of tunes—sole agents for St. Louis—Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust.

General Martin Re-elected.

Carbondale, Ill., Sept. 14.—General James S. Martin of Salem, Ill., was to-day reelected for the twelfth time commander of the Southern Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Reunion.

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CITY ITEMS.

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EXPOSITION WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAYS.

Motion to Depart From the Rule of Past Years Voted Down by Board of Directors.

READY FOR OPENING MONDAY.

Tissot Collection of Pictures, Illustrating the Life of Christ, Viewed by the Clergy—Daily Programme.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Exposition held yesterday afternoon it was decided that the Exposition would not be opened to the public on Sunday this year. It was not until after considerable debate that this decision was finally arrived at. Owing to the fact that one of the principal features of the exhibition is a collection of sacred pictures, and a plan to render sacred concerts every Sunday, a number of the directors were in favor of opening the Exposition on that day.

Arguments were also brought out that the open Sunday would afford an opportunity to the working classes, who are confined by their occupations week days, to visit the Exposition. It was held, on the other hand, that it had always been a rule in previous years to close on the Sabbath, so the motion to open on Sundays was defeated.

The Exposition will be opened on Monday. The work of arranging displays and exhibits has been going on for more than a week and the management expects to have everything in perfect readiness for the opening. There are to be a number of novel and interesting features, both in the exhibits and specialties in the Music Hall and Coliseum. President Galennie says that he believes the display this year will equal, if not surpass, those of previous years.

Yesterday the collection of pictures illustrating the life of Christ, by J. James Tissot, on exhibition in the art halls of the Exposition building, was visited by a large number of St. Louis ministers and priests. The local clergy was especially invited by the management of the Exposition to inspect the collection, so they could express their views on it and give their opinion as to whether the Exposition should be opened to the general public on Sundays.

Daily Programme.

There was great enthusiasm displayed over the magnificent collection. The concensus of opinion that it surpassed anything of the kind ever exhibited here. One clergyman was overheard to remark that the proper way to view the collection was with a magnifying glass in one hand and a testament in the other. In all, there are 462 pictures in the collection, which is arranged in the two large artrooms at the east end of the building, and the corridors near them.

Among the exhibits which were completed yesterday were those of the Grand Trunk Line and mineral displays from the Missouri and Arkansas mining districts. The former consists of splendid photographs of scenes taken in the region traversed by the great Canadian system, and a number of mounted fishes and specimens of wild animals. The mineral display, which is located in the basement, consists of specimens of lead, copper and zinc ore from the recently opened mining districts.

Following is the daily programme which is to be carried out in the Exposition:

In the Coliseum—From 1 to 2 p. m., 3 to 4 p. m., 6:45 to 7:45 p. m., 8:45 to 9:45 p. m. and from 10:15 to 10:45 p. m., band concerts; from 1 to 1:30 p. m., 3 to 3:30 p. m., 7:15 to 7:45 p. m. and 9:45 to 9:55 p. m., flight of 86-cycle airship; 1:30 to 2 p. m., 2:30 to 4 p. m., 6:45 to 7:15 p. m. and 9:15 to 9:45 p. m., flight of electric airship; 5 to 5:45 p. m. and 10:15 and 10:45 p. m., electric fountain, with living statues.

In Music Hall—From 2 to 3 p. m., 4 to 5 p. m., 7:45 to 8:45 p. m. and from 9:15 to 10:15, vaudeville performance.

Calendar of Special Days.

The various days have been alloted as follows:

September 17, stockholders' day.
September 18, children's day.
September 19, American day.
September 20, I. O. O. F. day.
September 21, Seymour's Band.
September 22, A. O. U. W.
September 24, athletic local championships.
September 25, Retail Grocers' Employes and printers' day.
September 26, Scotch day and amateur sports.
September 27, Christian Endeavor day, Knights of Maccabees and amateur sports.
September 28, Washington's Bryan Club.
September 29, German day, benefit of Altenheim.
October 1, interstate military drills.
October 2, interstate military drills.
October 3, Governors' day and military drills. (Governors of thirty-two States invited.)
October 4, military drills.
October 5, military drills, Battery A day.
October 6, single tax day and military drills.
October 8, Turners.
October 9, Turners and Southwestern Mercantile Association.
October 10, Turners and Allied Printing Trades and National Union.
October 11, Turners, Woodmen of the World.
October 12, Turners.
October 13, Home Fraternal Benefit Society.

CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK, A. A. U. SPORTS.
October 15, Irish day.
October 16, A. A. U. sports.
October 17, A. A. U. sports.
October 18, A. A. U. sports and Retail Grocers' Association.
October 18, A. A. U. sports.
October 19, A. A. U. sports.
October 20, A. A. U. sports and union labor day.

Calling Cards.

100 finest engraved calling cards and best copper plate, only $1.50, at Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust, society stationers; 100 cards from plate, $1.

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CRAZED BY HYPNOTISM.

Giant Strength Displayed by an Unconscious Youth.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 14.—The strange power of hypnotism was demonstrated here yesterday in a manner that was rather startling. John Sweeney, a well-known young man, was temporarily transformed into a maniac by the effect of hypnotism. A social party was given by Mrs. W. J. Gilman, and among the guests were Sweeney and Calvin Cooke, the latter an amateur hypnotist. He proposed to give an exhibition of his skill, and Sweeney consented to be the subject. No sooner was the latter under the spell, however, than he imagined himself a pugilist.

He began to make a general attack upon all present without regard to sex. He soon cleared the house and then began to demolish the front fence, using for the purpose an ornamental urn weighing several hundred pounds, which he handled as though it were a toy. Sixteen men piled on the maddened man, but he threw them right and left and began tearing his clothes off. A hurry call was then turned in for the police patrol wagon. It came with five stalwart officers.

The struggle then began anew and finally resulted in the young man being handcuffed and his feet tied together. His captors held him on the ground while a physician administered a hypodermic injection of morphine. He was then hurried to a hospital and unbound, whereupon he fell upon an iron bedstead and broke it in pieces. More drugs were administered and finally he was quieted. To-day he had returned to his normal state, but was weak and nervous. Sweeney has never been regarded as remarkable for physical strength.

Low-Rate Excursions,

VIA MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY AND Iron Mountain Route,

To points in the West, Southwest and Southeast, at half rates (plus $2.00) for the round trip. Tickets on sale Tuesdays, September 18, October 2 and 16, 1900. H. F. Berkley, Ticket Agent, Olive street, corner Broadway, St. Louis.

Mr. Kerens's Washington Home.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Kerens of St. Louis will be prominent additions to Washington society in the coming season, Mr. Kerens having leased the handsome residence of the late Anthony Pollock at Seventeenth and I streets.

The Williamson-Gunning Adv. Co. Paint office and store signs, and execute all kinds of lettering. 516 Walnut street.

Lowest-Priced House in America for Fine Goods. on Broadway, cor. Locust.

Society Stationery.

Styles in Stationery change just as do the fashions in dress, and it is as essential for every one in society to be correct in their correspondence paper as in their attire.

The latest style in Society Writing Paper, both in note and letter size, is the

"Royal Alpine,"

The most recent idea imported from Paris, with an entirely new shape of envelope called the "Louis XIV," and which is at once novel, artistic and striking.

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$1.00 Box, containing 24 sheets Royal Alpine, letter size, and 24 envelopes to match, stamped with any desired monogram of two letters, only.... $1.00
$1.75 Box, containing 50 sheets Royal Alpine, letter size, and 50 envelopes stamped with any desired two-letter mon ogram..... $1.75
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RAILROAD NEWS FROM ALL POINTS.

President Rowse Submits the Annual Report of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL'S ANNUAL.

George T. Jarvis to Be Made General Manager of the Wisconsin Central—Meetings—Appointments—Notes.

Advance copies of the annual report of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas have just been received here. The income account for the year ending June 30, 1900, shows:

Gross earnings	$12,626,511.19
Operating expenses	8,474,120.42
Net earnings	$4,152,381.47
Add—	
Dividends and interest on stocks and bonds owned	17,546.76
Miscellaneous income	25,652.52
	$4,195,580.62
Less—	
Interest on bonds	$2,082,222.24
Rentals, tracks and terminals	571,291.57
Taxes	254,259.18
	3,741,774.99
Surplus for year	$ 453,806.63
Surplus on June 30, 1899	1,334,356.14
Surplus on June 30, 1900	$1,788,221.67

President H. C. Rouse in his report says:

"The company is free from floating debt. The bonded debt has been increased by the issue of $250,000 first mortgage extension bonds upon fourteen miles of branch line, extending from Walker to the town of Eldorado, Mo.

"The bonds of the Kansas City and Pacific Railroad Company, amounting to $2,500,000, which have always been included in the bonded debt of this company by reason of its guaranteed interest, have now been placed upon the balance sheet through the consolidation of the two companies. No increase of fixed charges is occasioned by this arrangement, since the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company has always been responsible for the interest.

"The gross earnings of the company were $12,626,511.89, showing an increase over the previous year of $396,177.79.

"The operating expenses were $8,474,120.42, showing an increase of $731,470.29, resulting in net earnings of $4,152,381.47, being a decrease, as compared with the previous year, of $55,292.50. The increased charges of operation are distributed over all the outlays in conducting the business of the company with the exception of general expenses. This is in accord with the general experience of American railways, and represents the increased prices of labor and material during the period of unusual business activity through which the country has just passed. The volume of freight business shows a large percentage of increase, amounting to 171,162,635 ton miles, chiefly represented by increased movement of grain and of coal, both of which commodities are transported at low rates, with the result that the average receipts per ton mile were .549 cents as against .554 cents for the previous year. The tonnage of cotton moved shows, on the other hand, a decrease of 108,000 tons, or about 28 per cent. Had the volume of traffic in this high-class commodity equaled that of the previous year, the result would have been to have prevented the decrease in the average rate.

"The passenger earnings show a large increase in passengers carried, as well as in receipts, reflecting the general commercial activity.

"Of new railway connections established, the most important was the extension of the Sherman, Shreveport and Southern Railway to Shreveport, where connection is made with the Queen and Crescent, extending eastward across the Mississippi River. It is expected that the intimate relations thus established between the two systems will result in a material increase of traffic exchange. This conection was effected on July 28, after the close of the fiscal year.

"The importance of a connection with San Antonio has often been referred to in previous reports. The construction of the short line, about forty-eight miles in length, requisite to effect such connection, has now been undertaken, and during the coming year work will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. The financial arrangements for the same have been made by an additional issue of Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company of Texas bonds, the mortgage containing a provision for the issue of these bonds on this piece of line at the rate of $20,000 per mile."

The following is a comparative table of freight and passenger statistics:

1899.	Freight Statistics.	1900.
$9,394,921.87	Freight revenue	$9,886,995.07
2,594,600	Tons carried	3,036,957
1,065,776,939	Tons carried one mile	1,176,879,664
278.33	Av. distance 1 ton carried	298.16
$2.614	Revenue per ton	$2.511
.00954	Rev. per ton per mile	.00849
	Passenger Statistics	
$1,942,122.26	Passenger revenue	$2,152,768.39
1,471,070	No. passengers carried	1,639,812
82,422,598	No. pass. carried 1 mile	94,730,215
56.03	Average distance carried	58.85
$1.321	Revenue per passenger	$1.337
.02358	Rev. per pass. per mile	.02273

GALVESTON SITUATION.

Trains May Be Running Over One Bridge Within Ten Days.

The following telegram, received yesterday at headquarters of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, throws further light on the situation at Galveston:

"Forces of all lines combining in reconstructing one temporary railroad bridge across bay, which will be used jointly for the present. Piling all right except where broken by a steamship drifting through. Permission has been given to drive piles across channel without putting in drawbridge. We are working from barges and expect to have bridge ready for trains to cross so that we can have train service into Galveston in about ten days. Main track must be rebuilt from Texas Junction to Virginia Point and from the south approach of bridge to the city of Galveston. The wharf company will have six or eight piers ready for business by the time we reach there. Expect to have one elevator running next Sunday if weather continues fair. Other elevators considerably disabled, but not in such bad condition as at first thought. We have between 500 and 600 cars of wheat in Galveston in the cars. Large number of these cars total loss, including contents. Portion of them off the track and a number turned over across parallel tracks. All have suffered more or less damage from water. Main track washed away from the roundhouse to bridge entrance. M., K. & T. local ticket office damaged greatly, but much of contents is saved. Will be ready for business in a few days. Our passenger station and train shed considerably damaged, but will do to handle business from. Several ships in port, others coming. Few, if any, diverted. Galveston people greatly excited and reliable information hard to obtain."

GENERAL MANAGER JARVIS.

Air Line Receiver to Go With the Wisconsin Central.

It was announced yesterday on reliable authority that George T. Jarvis, at present receiver of the Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis, had been tendered the general managership of the Wisconsin Central and had accepted it. There is no such position as general manager of the Wisconsin Central at present, the duties being performed partly by President Frank J. Whitcomb and General Superintendent Sumner E. Collins.

The Louisville Air Line will be sold next month under order of court, and will be bought by the Southern Railway, which owns nearly all the bonds. This will terminate the receivership, and Mr. Jarvis will be discharged by the court. He may retire earlier, as under his management the affairs of the company are in excellent shape and ready to be turned over to his successor at any day, upon order of the court. Mr. Jarvis was not at his St. Louis office yesterday, and so the report could not be confirmed. It may be correct, however, as true, since the information comes from a most authentic source.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL REPORT.

Statement of Earnings and Expenses for the Past Year.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—The fifth annual report of the Illinois Central Railroad Company for the year ending June 30 was made public here to-day. It shows gross receipts from the traffic of $32,611,967, from which was taken for expenses of operation and taxes $23,869,396, leaving an income of $8,742,572.

Other sources of income bring the amount available for fixed charges and dividends up to $13,190,000. After paying the fixed charges and rent the report shows $6,762,961, disposed of as follows: Dividends, $3,300,000; betterments, $2,418,574.

Carried forward and set apart as applicable to future dividends $1,046,227. Total $6,762,961.

St. Louis Railway Club.

The St. Louis Railway Club made an outing of its first fall meeting. Yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock President John J. Baulch called about 200 members to order amid the picturesque surroundings of Forest Park Highlands. A large amount of routine business was disposed of, after which Henry Miller, assistant superintendent of the Burlington, read a paper on "The Transportation and Refrigeration of Perishable Fruit." A brief discussion followed.

The members and their guests were then provided with tickets for the matinee, which took place in the pavilion, and were given the privileges of the scenic gravity railroad and other amusements on the grounds. It is needless to add that an enjoyable afternoon was passed by all present.

Closer Traffic Relations.

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 14.—The traffic relations of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul and the Northern Pacific Railway over the Duluth Short Line have been made closer as the result of a conference just held between Presidents Earling and Mellen. President Earling of the Milwaukee arrived yesterday and spent the afternoon in conference with President Mellen. This conference resulted in the consummation of a compact which gives the Milwaukee, through lease, the right to use the tracks of the St. Paul and Duluth for traffic of all kinds. However, nothing but freight trains will be operated.

Circular to P., D. & E. Officials.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mattoon, Ill., Sept. 14.—The Illinois Central, which recently acquired the Peoria, Decatur and Evansville Railroad, to-day issued a bulletin notifying the general officials of their retention. Mattoon is to continue as the central operating point of the Evansville and Peoria divisions, now merged into one, and to be henceforth officially known as the Peoria division. The new property is being overhauled and placed in first-class condition and a through passenger service has been established between Chicago and Evansville, Ind.

May Sell Exposition Tickets.

The St. Louis Association of General Passenger and Ticket Agents met at headquarters yesterday afternoon in the Fullerton building. All lines were represented. The only important matter to be passed upon was the sale of tickets to the St. Louis Exposition in connection with the sale of regular railroad tickets. After considerable discussion it was agreed to allow outside agents to handle Exposition tickets, according to such instructions as will be furnished them later by their respective lines.

Iron Mountain Appointment.

W. T. Tyler has been appointed trainmaster of the Arkansas division and branches of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern, vice A. Bohlinger, resigned.

Personal and Current Notes.

—C. S. Crane, general passenger agent of the Wabash, returned yesterday from the C. P. A. meeting at Chicago.

—Willis E. Gray, general superintendent of the Chicago and Alton, was in the city yesterday.

—E. F. Twinney, co-receiver with S. K. Knott of the Kansas City Terminal lines, was here yesterday on his way East.

—J. T. Foley, traveling passenger agent of the Vandalia-Pennsylvania lines at Kansas City, was here yesterday.

—E. J. Lamb has been appointed an assistant ticket clerk in the Alton offices at Sixth and Olive streets.

—Frank L. Harris, general agent of the Mobile and Ohio, left last night for a trip South.

—John A. Conant, chief clerk in the car service department of the B. & O. S.-W., has resigned to engage in other business.

—W. D. Connors, traveling passenger agent of the Big Four at Cairo, Ill., has been pressed into service temporarily at the Broadway ticket office.

—At a meeting of passenger representatives of the St. Louis-Chicago lines yesterday it was agreed to give popular excursions on all lines to Chicago on next Saturday, September 22. A rate of $5 for the round trip will be made.

—The Illinois Central is putting in a double track between Fulton and Fort Jefferson, Ky., a distance of thirty-five miles, which will be opened for service November 1. Curves have been eliminated as much as possible, and grades have been reduced from fifty-two to thirty-eight feet per mile.

—Western lines are considering the advisability of calling a halt upon the issuance of half-rate tickets upon the request of officers of the Old Soldiers' Home of the State of Iowa. From a complaint made by a passenger agent, it appears that the privilege has been greatly abused.

—For two days the Central Freight Association has been meeting in Chicago, arranging the details of the recent pooling agreement. Agents in attendance upon the meeting stated that there is no truth in the rumor that grain rates to the East were to be advanced from 15 to 20 cents. They also stated that rates were more stable than they had been for several years.

—The Southern Pacific's new line from San Francisco to Santa Barbara, a distance of 400 miles, is rapidly nearing completion. When completed this line will probably become the main artery of fast travel between the two cities, as the grades are much easier than those of the three other routes of the Southern Pacific between the same points. The road will run along the shores of the Pacific Ocean for over 100 miles.

Flower Parade at Sedalia.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Sedalia, Mo., Sept. 14.—The attendance at the Elks' street fair to-day was the largest of the week, more than 7,000 visitors enjoying with Sedalians the magnificent flower parade, which was equal if not superior to the display of last year. The fair has been a financial success.

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