

WILL INVESTIGATE BLOCK SYSTEM

THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION ASKS EXHAUSTIVE TESTS

All Owners of Safety Appliances Will Be Given a Chance to Demonstrate—Railroad Cleanings

The interstate commerce commission is laying plans for the investigation which it will make by direction of congress into the block system and appliances on railroads.

This will be one of three investigations to be carried on by the commission by congressional authority during the summer and fall, extending perhaps into the winter.

The other two investigations relate to the grain elevator business and to railroad monopolies and discriminations in coal and oil.

The block signal investigation resolution, under which a separate investigation will be made, authorizes the commission to make an investigation of block signal systems as well as appliances for the automatic control of railway trains.

The object of the resolution is to gain experience and information both for the use of congress and of progressive railway men.

The block signal system is in use in many places and is fairly well known, but it is claimed that there are a number of automatic signal devices which are more nearly perfect as preventives of accidents than the block system.

Unbiased Tests It is thought by many members of congress, among them Representative Mann of the house, that the interstate and foreign commerce, that these automatic devices ought to be given an opportunity for fair trial under supervision of government officials, who will report to congress unbiased by the wishes of the owners of the appliances who want them installed, or by the wishes of railway officials who object to the expense of their installation.

The need of additional safeguards to prevent accidents on railroads may well be admitted when one considers the enormous loss of life and injury to persons, and especially to railway employees, which the railroads of the country cause every year.

Railroading has proved to be nearly as hazardous in times of peace as a soldier's life in time of war.

Although congress has provided for airbrakes, automatic couplers and various other safety appliances, the installation of which has been proceeding during the last few years, the percentage of railroad employees injured to those employed has been steadily increasing.

The employers' liability act, recently passed, may have some tendency toward compelling the railroads to be more careful in the selection of employees.

Whether congress will require the use of one particular kind of signal or device or whether it will lay down certain rules permitting a discrimination in the kind and character of the signal or device to be used, is a question yet to be decided.

PLANS GIGANTIC SHOPS

New Pennsylvania Construction Yards Near Indianapolis

Plans are being prepared by the Pennsylvania lines for the erection of extensive repair and construction yards to repair and build new equipment for the lines west of Pittsburgh.

Several hundred acres of land have already been purchased in the vicinity of Eagle Creek, near Indianapolis, and options have been taken on adjoining property.

According to reports the new yards will cost about \$3,000,000. The improvements will include the erection of shops and roundhouse to take the place, it is understood, of the Vandalla shops at Terre Haute and the Pennsylvania shops at East Washington street, Indianapolis.

It is impossible to purchase additional property adjoining the present Panhandle shops at Indianapolis, and the officials have decided to dispose of this property and secure additional land outside the city limits. This is only part of the scheme decided upon by the Pennsylvania directors for the enlargement of all yards along that system where freight and passenger traffic has been increased in recent years.

TO BUY EIGHTY LOCOMOTIVES

Wabash Offers \$6,160,000 Equipment Bonds to French Investors

By Associated Press. PARIS, July 16.—Following the success of the Pennsylvania railroad plan, the Bank of Dupont and Furland today issued a circular to French investors offering \$6,160,000 of Wabash 4 1/2 per cent bonds. These are known as equipment bonds, the entire issue of which will be taken by Lee, Higginson & Company of Boston, who now offer them through the Bank of Dupont and Furland.

A letter of President Delano accompanying the bonds states that the proceeds will be used to purchase eighty locomotives and a thousand freight cars, deliverable before December next.

The indications are that the bonds will find a ready market owing to the desire of the French to withdraw from their precarious Russian investments. The government's proposal for an income tax is also inducing French investors to seek opportunities to place money abroad.

CAN CUT GARVANZA CORNER

Los Angeles Railway Gets Permission From Council to Lay Tracks

The action of the Los Angeles railway in cutting across corners at Avenue Sixty-one and Piedmont street was legalized yesterday by the council ordering the city attorney to draw up an ordinance giving the street railway the privilege of cutting the corner in question and notifying the city clerk to tell the police department that such action had been taken.

Officers of the railway company appeared before the council yesterday afternoon and explained that there was no attempt on the part of the company to evade the terms of its franchise or usurp privileges it did not have, but that cutting the corners had frequently been done in laying tracks in order to make the curve less sharp and that this was what was being done in this instance.

The council accepted the explanation with the best grace possible and told the railway officials to go ahead and lay their tracks and they would not be molested.

CLARK DENIES HARRIMAN YARN

Senator Says He Alone Controls Salt Lake Road

By Associated Press. RHYOLITE, Nev., July 16.—Senator W. A. Clark, and brother, J. Ross Clark, are here today inspecting the new railroad line now building from Las Vegas to this camp.

In an interview today Senator Clark said:

"I desire to state that the report relative to E. H. Harriman owning the control of the San Pedro, Salt Lake & Los Angeles is absolutely without foundation in fact. I own the control individually and always have."

"There has been no change whatever in the management, and, moreover, the branch from Las Vegas to Tonopah will maintain a separate corporate existence. This is also my individual enterprise, barring a small stock allotment among my friends."

"The branch will be completed as speedily as possible. We have been held up in our shipments on account of the strikers and longshoremen's strike on the coast. We are in a position to finish the road to Bullfrog within ten days on the delivery of our ties."

"The report of a consolidation of the Goldfield-Bullfrog railroad and of the Las Vegas-Tonopah road is without foundation."

GET TOGETHER ON THE LAW

Executive Officials and Counsel Hold Conference in Chicago

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, July 16.—Executive officials and general counsel of every railroad west of Chicago held a conference today with a view of determining the meaning of all the provisions of the new traffic law.

J. C. Stubbs, traffic director of the Harriman lines, presided at the conference and outlined the purposes of the gathering.

It developed, however, that there were almost as many views regarding the interpretation of the statute as there were lawyers and trafficmen present. It was decided therefore to appoint two committees, one of traffic men and one of legal men.

The traffic men are to meet and arrange their plans for carrying the law into effect and whenever they encounter a provision that they are unable to solve they are to call on the legal committee for opinions. In the meantime the committee of lawyers is to hold meetings and determine what they consider the statute requires.

HANDCAR FALLS ON TRIO

Slides Off Wagon Because of Rut, Crashing on Railroad Employees

John Sullivan, M. M. Ballard and O. S. Raymond, employees of the Southern Pacific, were injured by a handcar falling on them yesterday afternoon.

The three men had taken a handcar from the track behind the county hospital and were hauling it away on a wagon when one of the wagon wheels fell into a hole allowing the car to slide off.

All three men were knocked down. Ballard was struck in the face and Raymond's back was injured. Sullivan was taken to the Sisters' hospital where he was treated for a broken ankle.

ALTON OFFICIALS GET WRIT

Execution of Big Fine in Rebate Case Stayed

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, July 16.—Judge Peter S. Grosscup, in the United States circuit court today, granted the Chicago & Alton Railway company, J. N. Faithorn and Fred A. Wann writs of supersedeas staying the execution of a fine aggregating \$60,000, assessed against the defendants a short time ago by Judge Landis in the United States district court on charges of granting illegal rebates to the Sewardshild & Sulzberger packing corporation.

The company now has a line in operation between Cleo and Oroville and is building towards this city.

BUILDING TOWARD SACRAMENTO

Northern Electric Line Files Six Million Dollar Mortgage

By Associated Press. SACRAMENTO, July 16.—A trust deed filed in the office of the county recorder today shows that the Northern Electric Railroad company has mortgaged its property—tracks, cars, machinery, buildings, etc., to the Mercantile trust company of San Francisco for \$6,000,000.

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OPEN HANKING RAILWAY

Oriental Line Will Be Completed by March, 1908

By Associated Press. SHANGHAI, July 16.—The Suchow (fifty miles) and the Wusich (twenty-six miles) sections of the Hanking railway were opened today. Trains from Shanghai and Wusich meet at Suchow.

It is estimated that the line will be completed to Hanking by March, 1908. Traffic on the completed sections will begin July 18.

NEW TERMINALS FOR TACOMA

Great Northern Arranging for Property—Union Depot Planned

By Associated Press. TACOMA, July 16.—The Great Northern Railway company is now arranging for terminal property in Tacoma and will have extensive terminals, consisting of warehouses, freight yards, etc., at this point, it is stated.

A union depot, to be used jointly by the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, will be built in Tacoma and will be one of the finest depots in any city on those lines.

Chicago's Underground Mail

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, July 16.—The underground electric railway mail service was put into actual operation for the first time today. The mail hereafter is to be transported through the tunnel which has been constructed beneath the city streets from the postoffice to the depots in the city.

Wabash Bonds Announced

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, July 16.—The bond issue of the Wabash company, offered in Paris today, was announced by the Wabash company in a circular dated July 1, 1906. The bonds were payable in installments of \$300,000 each, beginning July 1, 1907, and ending July 1, 1916, and the terms offered on maturity make the return on them equal to 5 per cent.

To Chicago Great Western

By Associated Press. ST. PAUL, Minn., July 16.—W. H. Chadbourne, Jr., from Beaver, Pa., who has been engaged in the United States survey service, has been appointed chief engineer of the Chicago Great Western and today assumed charge. A new office, that of assistant chief engineer of the road, has been created and filled

Free Deliveries To the Beaches

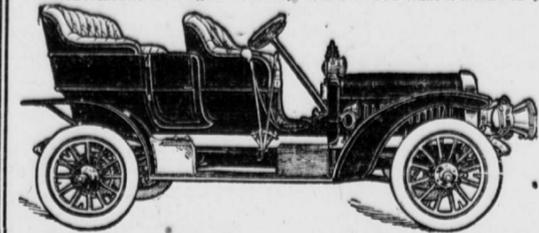
And to inland towns reached by the Los Angeles Interurban electric lines. Remember, it's handy to order by phone. Call up the Broadway Department Store; either phone No. 337.

Advertisement for The Broadway Department Store, located at Broadway Cor. Fourth Los Angeles, Arthur Letts, Proprietor. Includes phone numbers and store details.

Advertisement for Shop Mornings, from now until September 15, store closes Saturdays at 12:30. Promotes shopping in the morning with special values.

This Is to Tell You How You Can Save On Automobile Clothing

By Buying it at the Broadway Department Store Clothing Department. The purpose of this store is not to confine itself to a single line of clothing, but to specialize on every line and to be able to fill every clothing need with the very best clothing obtainable.



- Auto Caps \$1.50: Good \$2.00 values for men, made of best dongola kid, and the largest King Edward and tie-top shapes.
Men's Dusters 50c: The kind that will keep your clothes clean on automobile or buggy rides.
Silk Auto Caps \$1.25: The kind automobile stores would charge you \$2.00 for; this news for men.

- Men's Auto at Coats \$3.00: These are of linen crash; full length, with strap cuffs and hook collar.
Women's Auto Caps 98c: Caps, tourists, Edna May and Clara Bloodgood shapes.
Men's Auto Coats \$5.00: They're cut full and have puff straps; belted or plain backs; hook neck.
Auto Gauntlets \$1.50: They're black, extra large; open cuffs and welted seams.
Men's Auto Coats \$4.48: That's a low price, for they're made of heavy Sea Island twill.



40c Ribbon 25c Yard

It's a 6-inch all pure silk taffeta; a fine, soft finish; medium weight; just right to tie up in the prettiest bows; then it's here in the most wanted colors; our regular 40c quality; today, aisle 1, 25c a yard; all bows tied free.

15c Ribbon at 9c Yard 25c Ribbon at 15c Yard

3 1/2-inch satin taffeta in white only; it's the kind we sell regularly at 15c yard; remember, it's here in white only at 9c yard; aisle 1.

The New "Peter Pan" Collar

It's the most comfortable thing we know of in women's neckwear; very pretty styles in plain mercerized cottons; others in lace, 25c, 49c and 89c; lower prices than they ought to be according to the way most stores mark them; see them; aisle 1, today.

New Sunburst Skirts \$5.00

If bought in a regular way we could not sell them for less than \$10.00. That's why we're emphasizing them strongly today. Out of the rut methods keep out of the ordinary values coming here most as fast as you can take them away.

They're such pretty styles in blue, black and white; of cashmeres, mohairs and batiste, prettily trimmed with ribbon bands at the bottom; some are made with deep shirred girdles; they'll lend tone to the fanciest of waists; \$5.00; second floor, today.

Untrimmed Shapes 10c

The mere statement is enough to show how decidedly we're clearing out certain lines of summer hats—10c; you'd hardly believe it if we told you how much some of them sold for earlier; come and see for yourself; an odd lot of untrimmed shapes in clip and fancy straw; plain and mixed colors; today, choose from them; second floor.

Seventh Annual One Dollar Shoe Sale Begins Wednesday

by the appointment of A. H. Bacon, heretofore assistant engineer.

After the Northern Pacific

By Associated Press. SEATTLE, Wash., July 16.—Under orders from the interstate commerce commission at Washington, United States District Attorney P. C. Sullivan today filed charges in the federal court alleging that the Northern Pacific railway has violated the safety appliance act of the interstate commerce law.

POLICEMAN FORCES DOOR

Husband, Afraid of Wife, Says He Will Prosecute Her for Peace Disturbance

For driving her husband from a rooming house at Eighth street and Central avenue last evening Mrs. Mary Morgan was arrested by Patrolman Heath and charged with disturbing the peace.

According to the story told at the Morgan home, Mrs. Morgan has been addicted to the use of morphine, and occasionally becomes violent when under the influence of the drug.

It was said last night that when she had taken a dose of morphine she made her husband run from the house. The man called up the police station over the telephone and asked that an officer be sent to his home.

When Patrolman Heath arrived the woman had locked the front door of the building and would not open the door. The patrolman forced an entrance. The woman became frantic and ran with her 3-year-old child to the top floor of the building. As she ran she fell to the floor, endangering the life of the infant.

Her husband says he is afraid of his wife at times, and will prosecute the charge against her and says he has corroboration enough from neighbors to convict her of disturbing the peace of the entire neighborhood at different times.

Hangs Himself in Cell

By Associated Press. OROVILLE, July 16.—George H. Hyde, an aged, impoverished laborer, hanged himself in the city prison today.

HERE IS RELIEF FOR WOMEN

If your have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble and want a certain, pleasant herb cure for Women's ills, try Mother Gray's "AUSTRALIAN-LEAF." It is a safe monthly regulator, and cures all Female Weaknesses, including Irritation and ulcerations. Mother Gray's Australian-Leaf is sold by Druggists or sent by mail for 50 cents. Sample sent FREE. Address, The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

Every Woman

Interested and should know of MARVEL Whiting Spray. The new Tantal Springs, made of the finest steel, and most convenient. It cleanses instantly.

Ask your druggist for it, or send stamp for it. MARVEL, accepts no other, but send stamp for illustrated book, which gives full particulars and contains a coupon to order. MARVEL, 44 E. 38th St., NEW YORK.

Advertisement for Niles Pease Furniture Co. 'This Is the Store That Saves You Money'. Not by theory but by fact. We saved money for our customers from the very beginning of our business—that's why we have grown to be one of the largest stores and have come to be known as the "RELIABLE FURNITURE HOUSE."

This Week's Specials Are Good Ones—Consider Them Carefully

Advertisement for a \$9.50 Bed for \$7.25. It is a good design—the picture shows that. It is strong—we have made sure of that. It will give service—hundreds now in use and no complaints reported proves that.

Advertisement for a \$4.00 Bed for \$2.95. This is a bed that we can recommend. It is one that will give good service. The extremely low price would indicate lack of quality, but there is plenty of it. The color is cream with gold trimmings. It is a full size bed. Don't buy a bed this week without visiting our department. You'll lose money if you do.

Advertisement for FOSTER'S "Ideal" Crib \$10.50. This is the celebrated "Ideal Accident Proof" crib that is so extensively advertised. It is so constructed that it is impossible for baby to fall out. It is 45 inches high and the spindles only 3 1/4 inches apart. It is all iron in the iron finish. The sides drop as the picture indicates. The universal price is \$13.50. This price of \$10.50 makes an extraordinary bargain.

Advertisement for Hammocks FIRST PRICE \$1.25. And it is a splendid value. Something good at all the prices—\$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$4.50. At the latter price we have the celebrated Vudor.

Advertisement for We Do Fine Upholstery Work. We have a thoroughly equipped factory, in which are employed the best workmen in the country. We do the work right. Just as much care given to repairs as new work.

Advertisement for Niles Pease Furniture Co. We Make Window Shades. We can furnish you shades in the best qualities at lower prices than you pay elsewhere. All we ask is to put in a bid. We use the celebrated Hartshorn rollers in every case.

Advertisement for NO QUESTION ABOUT IT "WIELANDS" Is the Best Beer. THE FAVORITE BEW OF THE GREAT WEST. Germain Malt Tonic a Specialty. Family Trade Solicited. Adloff & Hauerwaas. Sole Agents. Depot and Bottling Works 112-118 Central Ave.

Advertisement for Hotels and Beach Resorts. Hotels and Beach Resorts. Santa Catalina Island. New time card now in effect. Three boats Saturdays, one Sundays, and two other days. See R. R. time cards.

Advertisement for Canvas City—Hundreds of furnished tents for rent by the day, week or month. ISLAND VILLA—100 cozy canvas cottages. HOTEL METROPOLE—American plan, strictly first-class. BANNING CO., 593 Pacific Electric Bldg. Both phones 35.

Advertisement for Ideal Spot—Finest on the Coast—San Luis Hot Sulphur Springs. Board, room and bath, \$10.00 and up per week. Round trip by rail and stage and one week's board for \$20.00. Thousands from Los Angeles visit the Springs and recommend it to their friends. Fine boating and fishing in fresh and salt water. Shady walks. No finer spot in California. Address A. H. Smith, San Luis Obispo, Cal.

Advertisement for Bimini Hot Springs and Hotel. Three large swimming plunges open every day and evening. Water fresh daily. Special summer rates at hotel. Baths free to guests. Take Bimini car, 1c fare.

Advertisement for Stop at the Great Venice Hot and Cold Salt Baths. St. Mark's. RESTAURANTS. Cafe Bristol. Business Lunches, Dinners Complete. After-Theater refreshments room for 1200. UNDER H. W. HELLMAN BUILDING, FOURTH AND SPRING STS.

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