

RAILROADS ARE NOW UNDER FIRE

SANTA FE INVESTIGATED BY BOARD

COMMISSIONERS ALSO AFTER SALT LAKE

Members Differ as to Whether Leniency Should Be Shown Southern Pacific—Meet Here for First Time

According to present indications, the members of the state board of railroad commissioners, who opened their sessions in Los Angeles at the Chamber of Commerce building for the first time in the history of the board yesterday, will have some heavy work ahead of them for a few days.

The investigation of alleged discrimination between shippers is the exact line of their work, the Santa Fe and the Salt Lake being said to be the objects of the investigation, while the Southern Pacific, it is rumored, may come through with a less weighty punishment than those two roads mentioned.

The names of the board of railroad commissioners are as follows: A. C. Irwin of Sacramento, president; H. D. Loveland of San Francisco; Theodore Summerland of Los Angeles; while with them are Attorney General U. S. Webb, who is the board's attorney, and Assistant Attorney General Raymond Benjamin.

All of them arrived in Los Angeles from San Francisco Sunday. W. G. Barnwell, general freight agent of the Santa Fe road, was on the stand all day yesterday, from 10 a. m. when the hearing began, until its close, when it was adjourned until this morning at 10 o'clock.

One Santa Fe Official Questioned After the reading of the official order of the board's investigation of the Santa Fe road on the charge of alleged discrimination between shippers, Barnwell took the stand.

Some two hours of careful questioning by the attorney general elicited the statement from the witness that a special tariff had been used by the Santa Fe in California under the title of "temporary local rate tariff." That was in 1905.

Later in the day Barnwell testified that as the attorney general had called them, the voucher rates were called "special rates." But he explained, that there were not so many of these special rates granted in 1905 as in 1906. When asked as to whether there were some of these "special rates" granted in 1907, the witness replied that he was not prepared to answer.

The Santa Fe had among its representatives at the hearing yesterday Assistant Freight Traffic Manager Edward Chambers; H. P. Anawalt, his assistant; J. W. Healy, auditor; General Counsel T. J. Norton of Chicago and E. W. Camp, solicitor for the railroad.

The Salt Lake had several officials in attendance also, who may be on the stand when their road is investigated on this question later.

Minority Report May Be Filed As for the opinion of the commissioners regarding the Southern Pacific, which road was investigated on similar charges at the commission's recent meeting at San Francisco, Commissioner H. D. Loveland may submit a minority report, asking that this corporation be fined for discrimination in rates, if his colleagues, Alexander Irwin, president of the board, and Theodore Summerland of Los Angeles, insist that leniency be shown the Southern Pacific on that count.

But it is said that the entire commission is in favor of prosecuting the Salt Lake and Santa Fe on the same charge, to the limit. However, developments will tell, as the investigation is carried on from day to day.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRETTY COLORADO CITY

COLORADO SPRINGS, April 6.—The National Letter Carriers' association will establish at Colorado Springs, Colo., its home and sanitarium. It will locate at the corner of a mile of the now noted Union Printers' home.

A bronze statue of the late multimillionaire and owner, W. S. Stratton, was unveiled at Colorado Springs last week. It was placed in the park named after the famous Cripple Creek gold explorer. The sculptor was Miss Walker of Chicago, who is associated with the Colorado Trust.

A beautiful souvenir book has just been issued by the survivors of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania volunteer cavalry, commemorating the thirty-fifth annual reunion. This was held at Colorado Springs, Colo., last week, at the home of Gen. William J. Palmer, who was colonel of the regiment. Not being able to attend the annual reunion he invited as his guests a number of his old comrades.

Over 280 journeyed from all points of the Union, and the book explains how they enjoyed themselves.

The report of the state game warden of Colorado shows that from the six fish hatcheries there are now being placed in the streams 6,000,000 trout fry. They are principally brook and rainbow. The streams which have their origin in the snows of Pike's Peak to those running west from the Continental divide, will never better stocked than they are today.

One of the greatest irrigation projects as yet promulgated in the west is being developed by Colorado Springs capital, East of Grand Junction is a mesa land covering over 50,000 acres. This land is from 100 to 200 feet above the bed of the Grand river and heretofore has been considered valueless. The company just formed by J. A. Hayes, president of the First National bank of Colorado Springs, is planning to utilize the water of the Grand river for generating electric power to pump water for irrigating the now vast desert area. This is the best fruit ever in the state and in years will blossom as a garden.

Very Likely Church—You know out in Pittsburg the dust and soot settle down on everything.

At the Columbian exposition the entire automobile output of the country, one car, was contained in one small obscure corner of one building. Why the automobile manufacturers of 1907 thought it wise to exhibit in New York they had to rent not only Madison Square garden to hold the exhibition cars of the makers who rest upon the Scioto armories in town to hold the overflow of what are known as the independent makers. And the floor space of both great halls was crowded full of the different types of machines which the country had produced—Outing Magazine.

Do not fail to visit HOTEL GREEN in Pasadena, California.

Gotham—I suppose the baseball fans must look like black diamonds, then?—Yonkers Statesman.

Do you mean to say you prefer Chollie? You told me that you always feel so perfectly at home with Algie. "So I do, but with Chollie I feel as if I were at a restaurant."—Harper's Bazar.

Even avoid trouble if you get the genuine "KAYSER" Patent Knives. Clipped Edge Knives. The glove of the day, with "KAYSER" that outlasts any other glove in the market. Antee in every pair.



A. C. IRWIN, President State Board of Railway Commissioners



THEODORE SUMMERLAND, LOS ANGELES MEMBER OF BOARD

POMONA SAYS CARNEGIE LIBRARY IS LOSING PROPOSITION

Work on Forty Thousand Dollar Building at Claremont Stopped—Contractor Says He Has Lost \$5000 on the Job

POMONA, April 6.—Work on the new \$40,000 Carnegie library for Pomona college has been suddenly stopped, with the building about two-thirds done. Contractor Blume, who has been building the structure, is reported to have lost over \$5000 on the job and refuses to continue the losing proposition.

METHODISTS PREPARE FOR YEARLY MEETING

PROGRAM WILL BE MOST INTERESTING

Chautauqua Assembly Arranges Details of Sessions Which Will Be Held at Huntington Beach in July

Elaborate preparations are being made for the largest and most enthusiastic Methodist camp meetings ever held in Southern California. It will be held on the Methodist grounds at Huntington Beach beginning July 12 and continuing until July 26.

POMONA NEWS NOTES

Rev. S. A. Thompson of Los Angeles, presiding elder of Pasadena M. E. conference, is in Pomona looking after land interests.

This week the Frisbee & White agency report sales amounting to \$36,500. Joseph Douglass sold an orange grove on Ramona avenue to E. H. Edmore, taking a home in the Bot tract in part exchange. S. R. Boyd sold a fourteen-acre grove on Mills avenue to E. E. Ellsworth, also taking a home in part exchange.

Mrs. Mary E. Garnham died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Mullen, corner of Fifth and Orange streets, Sunday evening. The deceased had been ill for about three weeks. She was among the early settlers of Pomona, having lived here about twenty-five years. She is survived by two children Mrs. Joseph Mullen and Will Graham of San Diego. The son had been at her bedside for the past week, and left only yesterday for home, thinking his mother better. The remains will be taken to Los Angeles for cremation.

Katherine Breckenridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Breckenridge of Omaha, Neb., died Sunday morning at the home of John P. Stearns. The child, who was but 8 years old, was brought to California about six months ago, the parents hoping the climate change would serve to rebuild the failing health, but she failed steadily. The remains were taken to Omaha for interment.

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Watson are enjoying a visit from the latter's parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Abbot and Miss Florence Abbot of Shelbyville, Ky.

G. L. Millea, who has made Pomona his home this winter, is moving with his family to Long Beach. Mr. Miller says he intends to return in a short time to again take up a residence here.

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SAY BOATMEN INTEND TO HOLD UP CROWDS

FLEET COMMITTEE TO TAKE ACTION

High Prices Demanded Do Not Meet with Approval of a Majority of the Long Beach Citizens

Special to The Herald. LONG BEACH, April 6.—The rumor, said to be widespread in Los Angeles, that a charge of 10 cents will be made for sightseers to walk out on the pier when the battleships are here is false, say the owners.

It is said to have emanated from "knockers." The fleet committee has been working to secure the consent of the boat owners to carry passengers for 10 cents instead of 50 cents, but according to the members of the committee the opposition of the boat agents is affording great difficulty.

The committee will open negotiations with boat owners in every other city along the southern coast, notifying them of the opportunities to be offered here and urging them to send their boats here. The committee will also take charge of the four landings on which 25-cent rates are charged to take on passengers there.

Public sentiment here is against the 50-cent charge and not a little dissatisfaction has been expressed because of the delay of the boatmen in announcing definitely what they will do. The fleet committee has offered to pay \$50 a day for barges, all the wharfage charges and \$10 a day each for the ticket-sellers, provided the boatmen agree to the 25-cent rate. The ticket agents are reported to have demanded \$15 a day.

THINK SMALL BOYS ARE THE ONES WHO ROBBED STORES

Special to The Herald. LONG BEACH, April 6.—Two more grocery store robberies occurred last night, swelling an already long list of similar petty crimes.

Boys are believed by the police to be the guilty parties. No arrests have been made in connection with the robberies last night or those which occurred last week.

Last night the Kansas grocery, at Anaheim and Olds, owned by Mrs. C. Butler, was entered. Cigars and candy were stolen. The store of Fredrick & Sackett, 711 East First, was the other one entered. Five dollars in money was secured there.

PRIZES FOR CONTESTS PLACED ON EXHIBITION

Special to The Herald. LONG BEACH, April 6.—Thirteen silver or silver and stag loving cups, which will be given to winners in various athletic events to be held on Long Beach day, April 24, between crews of sailors of the Atlantic battleships, are on exhibition at the office of John H. Munholland, chairman of the local fleet committee, at 9 Pine avenue.

The local committee expects to be able to offer the sailors free admission to all the places of amusement in this city upon Long Beach day.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERS TO BANQUET

Special to The Herald. LONG BEACH, April 6.—Tomorrow night at Hotel Virginia will occur the annual banquet of the chamber of commerce. It is expected that about 250 will be seated at the tables and the banquet will be the most elaborate ever given by the organization.

Speakers from Los Angeles and other cities will respond to toasts. There will be an informal reception at 6:30. The banquet will be served at 7:30. It will not be a "dress suit affair."

HORSE AND DOG ARE POISONED BY MISCREANTS

Special to The Herald. LONG BEACH, April 6.—Unidentified miscreants put strychnine in the watering trough in the yard back of the residence of Max Morlock, a plumber, last night, and a valuable horse and a dog owned by Morlock were poisoned.

A veterinary surgeon worked over the animals for several hours before they were out of danger.

HARDWARE COMPANY TRIES TO SECURE WARRANT

Judge Refuses to Allow Political Quarrel to Be Opened in Court, but Hears Law on the Subject

Special to The Herald. SAN BERNARDINO, April 6.—The case of the American Hardware company vs. J. J. Hanford, mayor, for the issuance of a writ of mandamus to compel the mayor to turn over to the plaintiff a warrant which the head of the city government is holding up on the ground that the bill rendered by the hardware company is exorbitant and illegal, Judge Oster refused to hear the case on a statement of fact which would have opened up the entire political quarrel behind the question, but consented to hear the law of the matter, so it was argued on a demurrer submitted by City Attorney Swing for the mayor.

While the court did not render a decision it was evident from his remarks that he will sustain the demurrer and thus compel the company to sue the city for its money if the mayor still refuses to deliver the warrant. The case will be decided later.

SISTER WITHDRAWS CONTEST FOR SHARE OF ESTATE

SAN BERNARDINO, April 6.—The will contest involving the estate of L. D. Bartlett, who died here some months ago, leaving an estate of considerable amount, has been settled.

A sister of the deceased, Miss Columbia Bartlett, brought a contest for a share of her brother's property, which under the will had been left to the widow. The sister has now withdrawn her contest, but the basis for it has not been made public. The estate will now go to the widow.

ATE TOADSTOOLS FROM GRIFFITH PARK AND BOTH ARE SUFFERING

Elderly Edendale Couple Laid Low After Sunday Trip to Mountains for Delicacies for Their Table

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd J. Brewer, an elderly couple, are in a serious condition as a result of eating toadstools, supposed to be mushrooms. The Brewers reside on Partridge street, Edendale, and live in their own home.

They went to Griffith park Sunday to pick mushrooms for their table and in some way, probably because of the hour and darkness, the toadstools got into the bunch, though both sufferers say they supposed they were familiar enough with the growths to distinguish them.

Their condition last night was reported improved. Visit Pasadena's finest hotel, THE GREEN.

San Bernardino County

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COMMISSIONERS ADVOCATE BONDS

WOULD SPEND \$625,000 ON BETTER HIGHWAYS

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY BODY MAKES REPORT

Gives Detailed Information of How Roads Can Be Greatly Improved. Matter Now Up to the Supervisors

Special to The Herald. SAN BERNARDINO, April 6.—The highway commissioners of San Bernardino made their long looked for report to the board of supervisors today. The commissioners say they find the highways in fairly good condition, and that all parts of the county have been equally dealt with in the expenditure of money.

In the report the commissioners give many instances where more work can be done to good advantage. The commission recommends that \$625,000 be voted in bonds for improvements of highways. The report is as follows:

"To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, California.

"Gentlemen: The highway commission appointed by your honorable board immediately upon its organization, proceeded to investigate thoroughly the condition of the main public highways of the county and their connections, to have a map made thereof, to ascertain which of said main highways should be improved by the issuance of bonds, to determine the kind of improvements to be made thereon and to estimate the cost of such improvements.

"We beg leave to report as follows: "First—We find the main highways generally in good condition for oiled sand roads and that all parts of the county have been equally dealt with in the expenditure of the road money of the county. The supervisors are entitled to much credit for this present condition of the highways, considering that they have been forced to levy a general tax upon the whole county for use in building permanent rock-base roads, and have been forced by the lack of sufficient funds to give only a temporary character to the large mileage of roads upon which work had to be done, except for short sections in different parts of the county where a rock base has been used, which will reduce the cost of the permanent work hereinafter recommended, and for which allowance has been made in our final estimate of cost.

The permanent workmanlike construction of the bridges and culverts recently built by the supervisors, in which reinforced concrete has been used for the foundations and steel trusses for the superstructures, has been specially noted with approval by the commission. Many of the older bridges and culverts require rebuilding, some in part and others as a whole, upon the same permanent lines above mentioned.

"The drainage of the highways has been taken care of sufficiently well for the character of the roads and the roadbed, but a better system of ditching and of culverts is needed for permanent work.

"Second—We have had made in the county surveyor's office a map showing the main public highways and their connections, and showing also, in heavy red lines, the portions of the main highways which need permanent improvement, which we submit with this report.

"Third—We submit the following list of sections of main public highways, which we respectfully recommend for permanent improvement, including their bridges and culverts, by an issuance of bonds therefor:

"Section A.—San Bernardino avenue from the easterly limits of the city of Upland easterly to the westerly limits of the city of San Bernardino, a distance of 18.06 miles.

"Sec. B.—Colton avenue from the easterly limits of the city of Colton easterly to the westerly limits of the city of Redlands, a distance of 6.80 miles.

"Sec. C.—Colton avenue from the intersection of Mill street and E street, at the southerly limits of the city of San Bernardino, southerly to the intersection of Mount Vernon avenue and Colton avenue, at the easterly limits of the city of Colton, a distance of 1.70 miles.

"Sec. D.—Colton road to Riverside, so called, beginning at the easterly limits of the city of Colton, on Third street, southerly to the northerly line of Riverside county, a distance of 2.61 miles.

"Sec. E.—The following section of main highway from San Bernardino to Idlewild: Mill street from its intersection with Waterman avenue at the easterly limits of the city of San Bernardino easterly about one mile to Stiles street, thence southerly about one mile on Stiles street, crossing the Santa Ana river on the existing bridge, thence easterly about one mile on the road passing the Riverside Trust company's creamery to Mountain View avenue, thence southerly on said Mountain View avenue paralleling the Redlands motor line to Colton avenue at Idlewild, a distance of 4.01 miles.

"Sec. F.—The following section of main highway from Redlands to Highland and San Bernardino: Orange street, beginning at the northerly limits of the city of Redlands, thence northerly across the Santa Ana wash to the intersection of Orange street and Cran road, thence westerly and northerly to Base Line street in Highland, thence westerly along said Base Line street to its intersection with Waterman avenue, thence westerly along the city of San Bernardino, a distance of 8.06 miles.

"Sec. G.—Church street, beginning at the southerly line of right of way of the Santa Fe railroad in East Highland, thence southerly along said Church street about 17 miles to Cran road, thence westerly along said Cran road to its intersection with Orange street, a total distance of 0.67 miles.

"Sec. H.—Palm avenue, in Highland, from Highland avenue southerly to Base Line road, a distance of 1.10 mile.

"Sec. I.—Euchel avenue from the southerly limits of the city of Ontario southerly to the old Telegraph road, so called, being the road leading to

the city of Corona, in Riverside county, along the southerly line of the China ranch, a distance of 1.10 mile.

"Sec. K.—Central avenue, beginning at the intersection with the Orange and San Diego roads, thence northerly to and through Chino to its intersection with Holt avenue, a distance of 6.40 miles.

"Sec. L.—The Ontario, Riverside diagonal highway, extending from the easterly limits of the city of Ontario, southerly along the southerly line of the right of way of the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake railway and easterly on the township line, between Riverside and San Bernardino counties, thence southerly along the seven west, to the northerly line of the county of Riverside, a distance of 4.59 miles.

"Sec. M.—San Timoteo road, in San Timoteo canyon, beginning at the northerly line of Riverside county, where the existing traveled road parallels the southerly line of the right of way of the Southern Pacific railway, thence southerly along the present traveled road to its intersection with the road running northerly from the school house of railroad district, thence northerly and northerly following the main range highway over an existing bridge to the southerly limits of the city of Redlands, a distance of 1.60 miles.

"Sec. N.—Mountain View avenue, beginning at the southerly line of Colton avenue, at Idlewild, thence southerly one mile to Barton avenue, thence easterly along said Barton avenue to the westerly limits of the city of Redlands, thence southerly along said Barton avenue to the packing house and the packing house station, being a distance of two miles.

"Sec. O.—The following section of main highway, namely: Mountain avenue, beginning at the southerly line of the right of way of the Santa Fe railroad at Del Rosa street, thence southerly to Rancho avenue, thence southerly to Highland avenue, thence along said Highland avenue westerly to the extension of C street, outside of the city of San Bernardino, southerly to the northerly limits of the city of San Bernardino, a distance of 2.20 miles.

"Sec. P.—Holt avenue from the westerly limits of the city of Ontario, westerly to the easterly line of the county of Los Angeles, a distance of 2.18 miles.

"Sec. R.—Perris avenue, so called, beginning at the intersection of First street in the city of San Bernardino with the westerly limits of the city of San Bernardino, thence westerly to Rancho avenue, thence southerly along Rancho avenue to Perris avenue, thence westerly along Perris avenue to Avenue 400, thence southerly to First street to its intersection with Riverside avenue in Rialto, a distance of 3.11 miles.

"Section 2.—The following section of main highway, namely: Mount Vernon avenue, beginning at the northerly limits of the city of San Bernardino, thence northerly to the intersection of said Mount Vernon avenue and Devore road, thence northerly along said Devore road, paralleling the right of way of the Santa Fe railroad adjoining said right of way, thence westerly to the station of the Santa Fe railroad, a distance of 8.26 miles; total, 79.79 miles.

Bond Question

"The duty of ascertaining which of the main highways should be permanently improved under an issue of bonds therefor has been very carefully studied by the commission and has taken up a large part of our time.

"Our guiding principle has been to select such sections of highway for this permanent improvement as would best accommodate the citizens of our county in the ordinary business use of a highway by connecting the different cities and towns with each other and with the highway systems of adjoining counties.

"We have been limited in the mileage selected by the necessity of not asking for an unduly large bond issue. At the same time we are of the opinion that our plan is sufficiently comprehensive to amply repay the investment.

"This limitation has apparently received the approval of the various representative men and municipal bodies with whom we have made a point of conferring throughout the county, from Chino to Needles, a distance of 300 miles.

"These selections include less mileage than some communities hoped for, but there has been no dissent from the desire of the commission to see the roads as to help in the upbuilding of our great county, as well as in serving local interests.

"The building of permanent macadam roads so large as this is a burden too great to be considered by direct tax for the beginning of a new era in road making. By issuing bonds to build the main arteries connecting the centers the several road funds will be relieved to such an extent by the main highways being constructed and maintained at the expense of the general county, that the supervisors will be able to take up the work of building sections of permanent macadam roads year by year from the road funds of the county, and in a few years all the principal highways can be permanently improved without any extraordinary burden upon the taxpayers.

"We estimate the cost of the permanent improvements recommended by us and contained in this report, covering a distance of seventy-nine and seventy-nine one-hundredths miles (79.79) of main highways, including bridges and culverts, at the sum of \$625,000, segregated as follows:

"Bridges and culverts, \$130,406.76; macadam and turpentine, \$494,593.24. Every item entering into this grand total has been carefully figured in detail.

"In furtherance of the work recommended, and as a valuable source of future apply to the county for its road work, we have investigated a quarry of rock of high cementing value, located in Waterman canyon, upon government land and of easy access by rail. Our chairman has filed a claim thereon and has executed a deed or transfer thereof to the county. The deed is attached to this report.

"Finally, we respectfully pray your honorable board to call an election for the issuance of bonds of the county to carry out the permanent improvements specified in this report for an amount of six hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$625,000). All of which is respectfully submitted.

"A. D. MOORE, "W. A. NICHOLS.

"Highway commissioners of the county of San Bernardino, Cal."

Veterans to Encampment

RIVERSIDE, April 6.—A very large delegation of members of the G. A. R. from this city will attend the meeting of the annual encampment of Santa Ana this week and will go pledged to the support of Col. Samuel Merrill of Long Beach for department commander.