

Western Pacific's Budget Is Liberal

MANY MILES OF NEW TRACKAGE

Passenger Traffic From East Into San Francisco Grows Rapidly

During the year 1912 the Western Pacific railway made many permanent improvements in addition to the regular maintenance of its property.

An expenditure of \$700,000 has been authorized for completing the 1 percent line at Silver Zone, Nev., and the work has been started and will be rushed to completion. It is hoped that this new piece of track may be in operation within the next few months.

Considerable money has been expended in concreting tunnels. Several large and expensive warehouses and docks have been constructed to serve the demands of the patrons of the road.

The company's property in different parts of the city of San Francisco has been improved by laying tracks, paving, building warehouses, etc., and more improvements are contemplated.

Large steel and concrete shops are now under construction at the Jeffery shop site at Sacramento. These shops,

when completed, will represent an expenditure of more than \$500,000, and it is hoped to have them ready for use during the early part of 1913.

There is also under construction at Oakland a ferry boat for use in transporting passengers between the Western Pacific mole at Oakland and the ferry building, San Francisco. This boat is to cost \$200,000, and, when finished, will be the most modern, up to date and fastest boat on the bay.

FEATHER RIVER CANYON

In addition to the expenditures mentioned there has also been considerable money expended in the Feather river canyon. The hillsides have been combed of loose rock, the fills have become settled, and the cost of maintenance, which was naturally very heavy to a mountainous road, will be lessened and delays to operation of trains greatly decreased.

For the coming year the management has in view large expenditures for bet-

terments, both as to permanent work and repairs.

The track has been carefully looked after and is in a very satisfactory condition. Next year there will be considerable work done along the road in renewing the ballast and general track work.

On the whole, the physical condition of the road is improving, and the large outlay of money that has been made from year to year by the management has justified the same by the dispatch and economical handling of business.

Traffic for the last year has been exceptionally good. Passenger business for the year 1912 showed a big increase over the year 1911, and the traveling public have generally expressed themselves as very well pleased with the new road, and praised in glowing terms its scenic feature, the grand canyon of the Feather river. The passenger business received from eastern lines has shown a good increase, which is an evidence of the fact that the line is popularizing itself with the traveling public.

NEW DINING FEATURES

The dining car department has inaugurated several new features in the last year which have helped to make this branch of the service very popular with the patrons of the road.

During the year the road carried a share of all the competitive summer tourists and convention business to and from the coast.

The freight traffic for the last year has been steadily increasing, as the earnings statement will show. Many new industries have been lo-

Mineral Output for 1912 Gold Still Holding Own

The following estimate of the value of California's mineral output for 1912 embraces the tabulations informally made by the experts of the state mining bureau and the United States geological survey. Actual totals will not be available until late in 1913, but all sources of information agree upon the probable accuracy of these estimates:

Petroleum	\$41,000,000
Gold	20,000,000
Cement	10,500,000
Copper	6,000,000
Crushed rock	5,000,000
Brick	2,500,000
Silver	1,500,000
Natural gas	1,500,000
Quicksilver	750,000
Silver	750,000
Lime and limestone	750,000
Mineral water, salt, potash	1,250,000
Miscellaneous minerals	2,000,000
Total	\$91,500,000

located along the line, and the towns and cities served by the Western Pacific are feeling the beneficial effects of an improved service, competition having brought about the prompt movement of products to market, which is very essential to the producer, the merchant and the consumer.

During the car shortage last fall there was never a time when the Western Pacific could not supply cars that were needed. This was occasioned by the dispatch with which the cars were

hauled to and from their destinations, as well as the unloading of same.

A 500 foot warehouse costing \$50,000 has been erected along the water front of Sacramento in order to facilitate traffic between river boats and the Western Pacific.

Taking everything into consideration, the last year has been a very successful one for the Western Pacific, both from an earning and an operating standpoint, and with the contemplated improvements for the coming year it will undoubtedly do considerably more business, and by the time the exposition gates are thrown open this road will be in an excellent condition to handle its share of the immense traffic that will naturally come to California.

WAR FEARED BY ACTORS

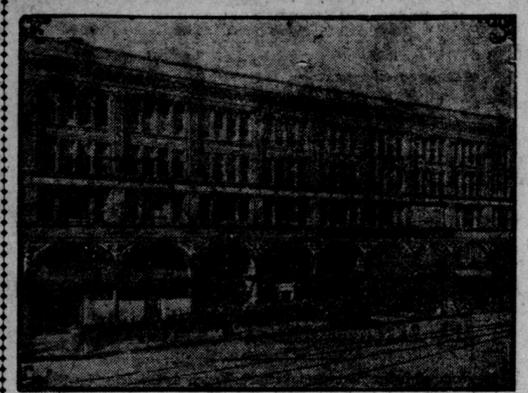
Austrian Stage Folk in German Capital Total One Thousand

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—It is remarkable that the circle in Germany most affected by the possibility of Austria engaging in war, and in particular most profoundly disturbed by Austrian military preparations, is the theatrical world.

It is stated on excellent authority that 75 per cent of the actors and actresses engaged in Germany are of Austrian nationality. In Berlin alone there are 600 actors and chorus singers of Austrian birth, and counting the considerable number of musicians, stage carpenters, etc., the total number of Austrians who are employed in the Berlin theaters is said to reach 1,900.

Of this total at least one-fifth are liable to be called upon for service in case of war, and their temporary disappearance would cause an extremely inconvenient shortage of performers in Berlin and throughout the empire.

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