

## NEWS OF RAILROADS

## EXPRESS COMPANIES WILL SOON KNOW THE POWER OF WAREHOUSE COMMISSION

## TEST CASE NOW BEING TRIED

Fate of the Law Compelling Them to Furnish Detailed Reports of Their Business is in the Balance—More People Are Coming West This Fall Than Has Been the Case Heretofore.

The case of the railroad and warehouse commission against the United States Express company, a contest in district court relating to the power of the commission to enforce the law concerning annual reports to be furnished by common carriers, is approaching a decision. Arguments have been made and the testimony is under consideration.

In the event of a decision favorable to the commission, the law requiring common carriers to make a full financial statement and report of business handled during the year will be rigidly enforced. During the past few years the commission have found frequent cause of complaint against many of the carriers operating in the state through carelessness in filing their annual reports. In many instances the statements furnished have been of such a character as to make it almost impossible to arrive at an estimate of the financial resources and amount of business done by the companies making the returns.

This has been particularly true of the express companies, though several of the railroads have been very negligent, and an action to test the law was brought against the United States Express company. Preparations are now being made to bring action against several of the carriers of the state, to compel strict compliance with the provisions of the law, in case the commission is upheld. It is understood that considerable opposition is current to the provisions of the law, the railroads and express companies objecting to making full returns of their financial condition and volume of business.

## NORTHWEST IMMIGRATION.

## More People Coming Hither This Fall Than Heretofore.

Moses Folsom, immigration agent of the Great Northern, returned yesterday from a trip through Iowa, Illinois and the central Western states, in the interests of the immigration department of the road. Speaking of the movement of settlers North and West this fall, he said: "There have been more people coming into the Northwest during the late summer and fall this year than ever before. Northern Minnesota has attracted a large number, and many farmers from the territory lying south of the state line as far as Indiana and east as far as Ohio have taken up homesteads in the territory tributary to the Fossett and Red River valley branches of the Great Northern. There has also been a heavy movement to the Flat Head and Milk River valleys in Montana, and to the big bend of the Columbia and Puget Sound country in Oregon.

"The class of people coming from these states is most desirable. Many are well-to-do farmers, tired of grubbing away with small returns on their worked-out farms in the older states, and many are young men, practical, energetic, and the kind which is most needed in undeveloped territory. The percentage of foreigners has been smaller than before and the settlers who have come are the kind who will make substantial and progressive citizens."

## PULLMAN-WAGNER COMBINE.

## It Now Wants to Secure Independent Sleeping Car Equipment.

The amalgamation of the Pullman and Wagner interests bids fair to affect several of the Northwestern roads owning and operating their own sleeping car systems. An effort has already been made to induce several of the St. Paul lines to dispose of their sleeping car equipment to the new consolidated company, in return receiving the same service under contract.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Paul & Duluth, Great Northern and Northern Pacific each own a complete sleeping car system which is operated by the roads themselves. Proposals have been made looking towards the purchase outright of the equipments of certain of these lines by the amalgamated company to the end that it may gain control of the remaining roads not yet under contract with either the Pullman or Wagner companies.

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## DULUTH TRAIN SERVICE.

## Eastern Minnesota Is Arranging for a Change.

The Eastern Railway of Minnesota is arranging for a change in train service which will be put in effect on or about Nov. 12, to Duluth. The new Brook Park cut-off will be far enough advanced towards completion by that time to run regular trains over it, and the day train to Duluth, leaving at 3:30 a. m., will run over the new line, making the trip in four hours and a half. The night train will run over the old route, via Anoka and Milaca, leaving St. Paul at the old time, 11:35 p. m.

There is some speculation in railroad circles over the result of the new service ever the Great Northern, which have been rumors that it will initiate a cut in time over all roads. "This view is not generally accepted, however, as passenger agents of the competing lines interviewed yesterday stated that the passenger agreement signed during the summer limiting the running time to Duluth to a minimum of four and a half hours was for the time without change, there is no reason to anticipate any friction over the Great Northern cut-off service.

## ST. PAUL-CHICAGO RATES.

## Are to Be Restored Permanently on Nov. 15.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Normal rates between Chicago and Missouri river points, which were reduced by the Missouri river points, will be restored Nov. 15, according to the verdict of Western officials today. The executive officers of the Chicago-St. Paul lines met in this city yesterday to discuss the rates between this city and Minnesota's capital. It is said that the Wisconsin refuses to enter into the agreement to restore rates on the basis of normal tariffs, unless there is a definite understanding that the settlement of the difficulties be permanent. It also is understood that the road in effect has allowed a larger percentage of the business than heretofore has. The St. Paul unhesitatingly voted for the restoration of Missouri river rates, it is said.

## Not for Mr. Gates.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—A rumor has been circulated that J. W. Gates, chairman of the American Steel and Wire company, of Chicago, has been selected for the presidency of the Kansas City, Pittsburgh & Northern Railway company, but it has been said that he had never thought such a thing, and would not accept the position under any circumstances.

## On Its Winter Schedule.

The Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha will put the Twilight Limited, its new Duluth service, on winter schedule, beginning Sunday. It is customary with the Northern roads to lengthen their train time during the winter months to accommodate increased difficulty in operating trains, and the Omaha will lengthen the run of the Duluth trains by twenty-five minutes, the limited will leave St. Paul fifteen minutes earlier on the day, arriving in Duluth ten minutes later. Leaving Duluth fifteen minutes later, than the present schedule, it will arrive in St. Paul ten minutes later.

## Mr. Philbin Promoted.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., Nov. 2.—Supt. George T. Slade, of the Eastern Minnesota road, has been promoted to the position of D. M. Philbin, of Duluth, has been appointed to succeed him.

## RAILROAD NOTES.

Railroad Commissioner Ringdahl is in Chicago on an inspection trip.

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## POPULAR WANTS

## AGENTS AND AGENCIES.

"BEST" Gasoline Lamps; largest factory in the world; agents wanted in every state. Write to J. C. Leland, No. 125 South Fifth street, Omaha.

## HELP WANTED—MALES.

CLEAN BED with bath and night robe. Ten Cents. Write Leland, No. 125 South Fifth street, Omaha.

BOY—Wanted: boy about seventeen, at 98 West Third st.; must be steady and a quick and energetic worker. \$12.00 Globe.

HOTEL COOKS—First and second; call at once. J. C. Leland, No. 125 South Fifth street, Omaha.

MEN TO LEARN barber trade; only eight weeks required; two years saved by attending this school. Catalogue free. Call of writer Moler College, 222 Washington st., Minneapolis.

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TAILOR wanted to buy me out; best shop in Northfield. Apts. the Tailor, Northfield, Minn.

WANTED—Energetic man or woman to work all or part time; good pay; weekly. Hawks Nursery, Milwaukee, Wis.

WANTED—A young man to help in kitchen at 454 Jackson st., Minneapolis. 100 MEN for logging road at Bayfield, Wis., \$2.00 per day; cash pay every week; foreman goes up Saturday morning; free board and lodging; no other expenses. Third st., early. Anderson, 175 East Third st., Minneapolis.

600 RAILROAD LABORERS near Salt Lake City, Utah; two years' work; 200 men for Montana, railroad work; woodmen for Minnesota and Wisconsin; best of wages; ship daily; free fare. A. J. Anderson, 175 East Third st.

## HELP WANTED—FEMALES.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, good girl for rooming house at 454 Selby av.

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KITCHEN GIRL—Good girl for kitchen work. 24 East Tenth st.

WANTED—Ladies to learn hairdressing and manicuring, by mail or at college; four weeks' instruction; salaries satisfactory; practical experience; positions guaranteed. Call or write Moler College, 222 Washington st., south, Minneapolis.

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MONEY loaned—salaried people holding permanent positions with reliable concerns, upon their own names; call for terms and plan of lending; easy payments; confidential. Mr. Pioneer Press Bldg., Minneapolis.

4% TO 5% PER CENT MONEY, with the best of security, on St. Paul and Minneapolis. Mr. Newcomb & Son, Pioneer Press Bldg., Minneapolis.

4% AND 5% PER CENT MONEY to loan on improved property in St. Paul and Minneapolis. V. C. Gilman, New York Life Building.

FOR SALE.

HOUSE for rent, furniture for sale or rent cheap, 15-room house; all rooms rented at a good price; gas, bath and electric. Call or write city for roomers. Answer 9132, Globe.